

SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS



Washington — Last week the Senate took up so-called civil rights legislation and shovled orderly procedure aside. As a consequence of this disorderly procedure, it was necessary to begin a lengthy and painstaking presentation of the legal and constitutional principles involved in the various proposals.

Unnecessary And Unwise—The fight for our constitutional and legal principles now under way is a debate that must be carried on in the high manner of the 1957 debate. This time, having no orderly procedure, we are without the benefit of hearings, specific bills, reports and many other things that contribute to debate in the best tradition of the United States Senate.

When I became a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee I was assigned to the Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights. As a member of this subcommittee I have been obliged to study most of the civil rights proposals which have been made in the form of bills, since I became a Member of the Senate.

I have discovered some things about civil rights bills. I have also discovered some things about people who advocate the passage of civil rights bills. I have never seen a civil rights bill of modern vintage which was either necessary or wise, or compatible with the basic governmental and legal systems of the United States.

I have also noticed that many of the sincere persons who advocate the passage of civil rights bills are characterized by one trait in common. They are impatient persons who seek easy solutions to hard problems. In seeking easy solutions to hard problems they attempt to make shortcuts, and are contemptuous of any obstacles they find in their path when they attempt to make shortcuts, even though such obstacles may be precious constitutional and legal rights.

My opposition to civil rights legislation arises out of the fact that I know that civil rights bills, if enacted into law, would constitute bad laws. I know that there never was a truer statement made on the face of

the earth than that made by Edmund Burke, to the effect that bad laws are the worst sort of tyranny.

I maintain that all proposed civil rights legislation ought to be defeated for each of three reasons. The first is that the proposed legislation is not necessary. The second reason is that the proposed legislation is not wise. The third reason is that the proposed legislation is not compatible with the basic American principle that laws shall be uniform in nature and shall operate alike upon all people in like circumstances.

There is one fundamental vice—and I use that term in the sense of a defect—in all proposed civil rights bills, and it is a defect which was pointed out by Mr. Justice Bradley of the Supreme Court of the United States as far back as 1883. The truth is that all civil rights bills seek to single out certain groups of Americans on no basis but their race, and demand that they be given rights superior to those ever sought by or granted to any other Americans in the history of this Nation.

Nothing New. There is nothing new in the referee bill. It is simply a resurrection and a rehash, in a more unwise form, of what is known as the Enforcement Act of May 31, 1870. Under the Enforcement Act of May 31, 1870, the U. S. circuit courts, which corresponded in large measure to what are now the U. S. district courts, were empowered to appoint supervisors of elections. But at that time Congress, even though it was still laboring under the influence, to some extent, of such men as Ben Butler, had more respect for the Constitution of the United States than we apparently have today, because the Enforcement Act of May 31, 1870, only undertook to regulate, under the court-appointed supervisors, the elections of Members of Congress.

The very case which is cited to sustain the proposal for the appointment of referees clearly shows that the court approved that act simply because it confined the appointment of supervisors to elections of Members of Congress.

nurses' training in state accredited professional schools of nursing in North Carolina. Money shall be loaned without interest while the student is in training, but all loans are to be repaid within two years after graduation. Failing to do this, the borrower agrees to pay interest at six per cent from the date the note is drawn. Should the borrower marry, the date of maturity automatically falls due.

All applicants for loans must be prospective student nurses who have been tentatively accepted by an accredited school of nursing in North Carolina and who have graduated from an accredited high school. No loan shall exceed \$500.00—\$200.00 for the first year, \$150.00 the second year and \$150.00 the third year.

All applications for loans must be made by letter in the handwriting of the applicant and accompanied by letters from the following: Principal of high school attended, one other high school teacher, home economics agent, a responsible man or woman in the community, health certificate from a reputable physician and her high school record. Students must be present a record of work done each year while in school.

Application for loans shall be made to the State Health Chairman, Mrs. Reed Wilson, Route 3, Lawndale, by March 1st. A notice must be sent from the director of nurses to the Health Chairman who will send the necessary application forms.

The treasurer of the North Carolina Organization of Home Demonstration Clubs shall hold monies of this fund. Checks shall be issued only when instructed by the State Health Chairman and after receiving the note of the borrower properly signed and endorsed.

Loans for each school year are made in one installment. Each note must bear the endorsement of the girl, her parents, or guardian, and two citizens of approved financial responsibility, other than her family. These notes must be returned by June 10th.

The treasurer shall hold all notes and collect payments on these notes as they fall due.

The committee shall be satisfied with the student's work before extending help a second year.

Failure to comply with the rules above stated makes an applicant ineligible for a loan.

Small Crime Wave Reported By Police

Chief of Police George I. Dail reports a small crime wave in Edenton starting the early part of December.

The list of crimes includes the following: Spedic Food Products was broken into and three cases of cigarettes taken.

Home Feed & Fertilizer was broken into and safe damaged. Nothing was taken. Chowan Storage Co., was broken into and one watch taken.

Barrow Bottling Works was broken into and about \$200 in change taken.

Basnight Service Station was broken into and change was taken from cash drawer.

The Joe Vail home was broken into and \$200 worth of antiques taken.

The Fannie Badham home was broken into and about \$100 to \$150 worth of antiques taken. Mrs. Hassell's purse was taken from her car.

Ten dollars was taken from Mr. Spruill's little girl on the street by two colored boys about 12 years old.

A small billfold was taken from Mrs. Helen Pruden's daughter on the street.

Two checks were forged on Mrs. E. L. Ward and cashed at A & P Store.

Larceny of money from Baptist Church, December 6 and January 10th.

Of the above, the following cases have been closed: Joe Vail, antiques recovered. Fannie Badham, antiques recovered. Money (Spruill girl) recovered. Two cases of forgery, money returned to Peoples Bank & Trust Company.

Billfold (Pruden) returned. Two cases of larceny at church, money returned.

Weekly Devotional Column

By JAMES MACKENZIE

Today's column begins a series of two on The Revelation 4:9-11: The Church's Song of Praise.

Singing is peculiar to human beings. We sing, "Hark Herald Angels Sing," but angels don't sing, they speak (Luke 2:10, 13; The Revelation 5:11-12). Only humans sing.

Singing is also peculiar to Christianity. Hindus do not sing at their services, nor do Moslems or Buddhists. There is no such thing as a Shinto hymnal. Only Christians have anything worth singing about!

The twenty-four elders in this passage of Scripture, Bible scholars tell us, are representative of the entire Church. Their position here is before the throne—the place of highest honor. The angels were "round about the throne" (The Revelation 5:11); but the redeemed humans were before it.

The subject of their song is the Lord God Omnipotent. Here He is worshipped as Creator. In chapter five (verse 9) He is worshipped as Redeemer.

Their posture is one of lowly prostration—they "fall down before the throne." Never do our songs of praise rise higher than when they are presented in lowly humility.

Humility is always the result of a vision of God in all His glory (Isaiah 6:1-5; Ezekiel 1; Revelation 1:17). Too often we feel the key to humility is low thoughts of self, but this is still a self-centered view. It is possible to glory in sin. It is even possible to glory in sin in a humble sort of way—for example, many a personal testimony is given which recites the catalog of sins committed by the person testifying, and seems to say to others, "Look at me. How wonderful I am to have given up all this for the Lord." But true Bible humility begins with high thoughts of God. Low thoughts of self will necessarily follow.

The Church's song of praise recognizes that the end purpose of all creation is the pleasure and purpose of God: "... for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they were and are created" (verse 11). The first question of the Shorter Catechism is "What is the chief end of man?" and the answer given is, "Man's chief end (purpose) is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever." Too often we turn it around and live as though God's chief end were to glorify us and to enjoy us forever. We look upon the Almighty as a servant, who exists to please us. Religion is advertised as "good for you." We defend the Church on the ground that it is the bulwark of capitalism, a necessary adjunct of a high standard of living and personal peace of mind. But true religion is not man-centered, it is God-centered. It says with the great Augustine, "Thou hast made us for Thyself, and our souls are restless until we rest at peace with Thee."

Brown Manager Of Fara Fresh Foods
J. Hardy Brown assumed the position of manager of Fara Fresh Foods, Inc., at Gatesville

Taylor Theatre

EDENTON, N. C.
Thursday and Friday, February 25-26—

Vincent Price and Judith Evelyn in "THE TINGLER"

Saturday, February 27—DOUBLE FEATURE
George Montgomery in "MAN FROM GOD'S COUNTRY"

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Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 28-29-Mar. 1—

Frank Sinatra and Gilda Lollobrigida in "NEVER SO FEW"

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Wednesday and Thursday, March 2-3—

TO BE ANNOUNCED

County News

The Chowan Home Demonstration Club joint meeting of wives and husbands will be held at a later date. It was scheduled for February 25 at 6:30.

Mrs. E. N. Elliott is visiting Mrs. Robert Knight in Tarboro. Mrs. Minnie Corprew's guest on Saturday and Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Scottie Green and family of Portsmouth, Va.; Mrs. George Powell of Hertford, and Maude Lee Corprew of Edenton.

Mrs. H. W. Dale went to Petersburg over the week-end. Mrs. Hattie Nixon has gone to Halifax, N. C., on a business trip and to visit Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Johnson.

Mrs. Mary Nixon entered Chowan Hospital on Monday. Mrs. Lee Small had her family as dinner guests on Sunday.

Joe Privott of State College spent the week-end at his home in Tyner.

Miss Marjorie Harrell of Obial Hospital at Suffolk, spent the week-end at her home in Rocky Hock.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Harrell visited Mrs. Z. T. Evans on Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Lillie Saunders of Edenton spent Sunday with her mother in Rocky Hock.

The Audrey Gordon Circle of Rocky Hock Church met with Mrs. Lee Small on Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Murray returned home from the hospital on Saturday. Mrs. Elbert Peele and Mrs. Thurman Ashley attended the YWA Associational Council banquet at Weeksville High School along with the rest of a group from Rocky Hock last week.

Fools please women best. —John Lyly.

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CHOWAN NEWS

By CATHERINE AMAN

Assistant Home Economics Agent
Today, I am going to write giving information on the requirements for securing an Estelle T. Smith Loan Fund.

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