

LOCAL EDITORIAL COMMENT

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It's Not The Heat

In answer to the inquiry "Why are you picking on the South," a Washington spokesman told a group of Franklin County school officials, a few months ago, "What's going on in the South right now will look like a tea party to what's going to happen in the North."

It would take some stretch of the imagination to move the City of Los Angeles to the northern part of the country, but it is in a part of the country other than the south. This is most significant.

In its wildest moments, the incidents in Selma, Ala., and other Southern cities were indeed "like unto a tea party" in comparison to the deplorable anarchy now going on in California.

Quickly, the Administration denounced this violence. "We must get at the cause," says the President. Indeed, we must. But, there seems to be a differing of opinion as to the cause. The stated reasons, such as hatred, poverty and the summer heat, is hogwash. Every community in the country has some hatred, some poverty and it's hot, right now, in practically every spot in the country. Yet, the rioting is in Los Angeles.

To many, the reason is so simple it would hardly occur to federal authorities. Given an inch, these people have taken a long mile. The federal government has stood by, unconcerned, while sit-ins on private property, obstruction of public streets, even invasion of the White House itself has taken place. Washington has done nothing but aid and abet such actions. Any grammar grade child could have forecast the future of the movement, in light of the permissiveness from Washington.

The riots in Los Angeles, reportedly started as they did in New York last year, with the arrest of a negro, charged with drunken driving. Some negroes

have taken the federal attitude on their actions as a license to do as they please. Some believe that they are not subject to law or orders given by duly authorized local policemen.

This has nothing to do with the heat. This is strictly political, and if the President really wants to "get at the cause," let him do some soul searching. Federal troops have been used to bar local authorities from carrying out laws, ordinances and orders of many state and municipal governments. It fell the lot of the State guardsmen and local police to try to hold the line in California.

All over the country, these people are shouting "police brutality." This is done in almost any minor arrest. The federal government, executive, legislative and judicial, must share a large portion of the blame for this attitude. They have usurped local authority and replaced it with nothing but excuses for the violent action which follows any time, any place where duly delegated authority is not recognized.

This country is in bad shape. Never, in its history has the man on the street been so concerned. Never in its history have the federal authorities seemed as little concerned. There have been very vivid omens flashed across the horizon for many months. Who can see them and, more importantly, who will come forward to defend law and order?

Something must be done. It must be done immediately. It can only be done in Washington. Let's stop blaming it on the heat. Enforcement of the law must be returned to local authorities. Washington must support local actions. It is time Congress, the President and the Court began doing something for the protection of the other 90% of the people. And even that time is running out.

NATIONAL EDITORIAL COMMENT

Beneath The Ocean

Man can turn in at least two directions to satisfy his urge for new adventure and exploration—upward into space or downward into the seas.

The United States is beginning to look both ways.

President Johnson has asked the Navy to design a submarine capable of pioneering the ocean bottom at depths never reached by man before and of operating under the surface for almost unlimited lengths of time.

What would it hope to discover? According to scientists, it would very likely find unknown forms of plant and animal life which survive under tremendous pressure, a vast mineral wealth, and the answers to countless questions.

In the past, underwater exploration has been comparable to a

prospector who, after five or six hours in the field, has to haul his jeep back to New York for repairs. And when he does get a chance to prospect, the area is constantly covered by a thick smog.

The President's proposed minisub, which would carry a crew of five or six, would overcome these limitations to a large degree, experts say.

The craft would be limited in time beneath the surface only by the endurance of the crew and the food carried. It would be equipped with floodlights, television cameras and mechanical arms.

The effort would represent a major step forward in man's ageless struggle to learn the secrets of the oceans which lie below the surface.

we be a simple laborer, or a wealthy executive, we can walk the streets with head high, a noble bearing, and conduct our lives with dignity and principle. And if we do this, with faith, and dedication to what one believes right, the storms and bitter blows of life will come and go and nothing can destroy that hard-to-define quality—the dignity of the individual human being.

"A Jug Of Wine, A Loaf Of Bread— And Thou Beside Me In The Paddy Wagon"



Viewpoint Are They Satisfied Now?

By JESSE HELMS

From time to time, we are reminded of that long stretch of years when *The News and Observer* constantly attacked one of the best men North Carolina has ever sent to Washington. But the newspaper's attacks worried nobody less than the gentleman at whom they were directed. Congressman Graham Barden brushed aside the attacks, and the voters in his district would just chuckle. Thirteen straight times he was elected to represent North Carolina's Third Congressional District in the U. S. House of Representatives.

But, in 1960, Hap Barden announced that he had had enough. Privately, he confided in his friends that the character of the Congress, and particularly the men in charge of it, had changed so much that he no longer relished being a part of it. The spirit of compromise had grown too great, he said. There were too many men willing to sell the nation's birthright for a mess of political porridge. He forecast that the deterioration of principle in Washington would become even greater with the passing years. So, home he came to a retirement that no man can say he had not earned.

At the end of his career he was chairman of the House Committee on Education and Labor. In that capacity, he had restrained many matters of legislation which he considered unwise and dangerous for the nation. He was despised by Walter Reuther and Jimmy Hoffa, and other men of power in the nation's labor unions. Those who called themselves "liberals" in matters of economics, government controls, federal spending, and civil rights passionately yearned for the day when Hap Barden would no longer be in Washington. It was a chorus in which *The News and Observer* joined repeatedly. They wanted a new chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee. In 1961, they got their wish.

With the retirement of Congressman Barden, the Congressman from Harlem, Adam Clayton Powell, succeeded Hap Barden in the chairmanship of the House Education and Labor Committee. Sitting in the den of his home near New Bern shortly thereafter, Mr. Barden reflected upon all of this. "Well," he said with a chuckle, "I know *The News and Observer* is happy now."

All of this came to mind last week as we read the transcript of last Wednesday's activity in the House of Representatives, just prior to the vote to repeal—by federal law—all of the state right-to-work laws in effect around the country, including North Carolina's. The vote was 221 to 203, meaning that just ten Congressmen voting the other way would have preserved the American working man's right to decide for himself whether to join a union. The labor union chieftain, George Meany, makes no bones about the fact that in 1964 Lyndon Baines Johnson pledged to labor leaders that, in exchange for their financial and political support, he would see it that the Congress repealed Section 14-B of the Taft-Hartley Law. Last Wednesday, the rubber-stamp on Capitol Hill, in fulfillment of Mr. Johnson's promise, took a giant stride toward obliterating another right of the people.

In the pages of the August 28th issue of *Congressional Record*, the arrogance of Congressman Adam Clayton Powell was threaded into every bit and piece of the action by the House of Representatives. As chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee, he successfully throttled debate. He would listen to no plea and no suggestion. By prearrangement with the presiding officer of the House of Representatives, he allowed no votes on suggested amendments. On that day, he was the emperor of the House of Representatives. He

was doing Lyndon Johnson's bidding.

In another day, Congressman Barden would have been the man in charge of the legislation. He would have been criticized, of course, for refusing to be the messenger boy for the White House. There would have been scornful editorials about him in the morning paper serving his district. But, had Hap Barden been there, the working man of America would have had his right of free choice protected.

Those who so intensely disliked Hap Barden had their man in charge last Wednesday. A good many painful analogies come to mind, and all of them are apparent. One can only wonder about the future of the nation when men like Adam Clayton Powell are allowed to prevail in their attitudes, their ideas, and their methods of government. But it is a situation that some have demanded years, and we suppose they will now make the most of it.

SENATOR JORDAN REPORTS

By Sen. B. Everett Jordan
Washington—A great deal of work is now going on in the preparations being made to administer the new and far-reaching medical care program for the aged recently enacted into law.

The program will be administered by the Social Security Administration, and will go into effect July 1, 1966. In the meantime, a great many questions are arising among many people as to just how the program will work. It is a complicated program and it will require some time to get all of the administrative machinery involved into full operation. However, the Social Security



Things are so quiet around here you can hear the tobacco priming....But, nobody better think it's going to stay this way.... It won't be long before the youngins will be off to school....(most have been off all summer one way or another, anyway)...the tobacco market will be open...the college will be taken in...and football will be a coming...to say nothing of all the new TV programs...and ice and snow...and slush....Don't you wish it were summer already?

A friend of ours reported seeing a number of young boys (?) at the beach with hair-dos that would make some of the girls swoon with envy....Now, we've seen some doozies around here...but curled, waved and sprayed, we have missed.... Something is wrong, wrong, wrong....Beetle haircuts are enough to make a body wonder...but these more elaborate styles oughta go....But then...that's the beach...and there are all kinds of sights to behold there....We know one fellow whose eyeballs are still out-of-socket from viewing the bikinis.... Speaking of these crazy haircuts on boys...(no comment on the crazy hair-dos of the girls)...and we seldom do speak of such things, we agree with the fellow who wrote those immortal words, "A good way to knock sense into a youngster's head is to start at the bottom"....And somewhere, somehow, too many folks have been missing that bottom....

Of course, we can't be too critical of these newest crazes... 'cause most of us can remember that the crowd that were eating goldfish did pretty well in winning World War II...and the telephone booth stuffers hung in there like men in Korea... and even though it might sound far fetched...who knows, these hair-do boys might prove to be something better....Come to think of it, those goldfish tasted pretty good.

Administration is anxious for the public to know what immediate procedures should be followed.

Most people who are sixty-five or over will not be required to go to the Social Security office to qualify for protection under the hospital and medical insurance program. It will not be necessary for people to make any special registration at this time if they are now receiving social security, railroad retirement benefits, or Federal Civil Service retirement benefits. Neither is it necessary for those people who are receiving state public assistance payments to register at this time.

All of the people in the above categories will automatically qualify for benefits under the program and application cards for the medical insurance benefit program will be sent to them some time after September 1 of this year.

There are two categories of

people who should contact the nearest Social Security office after September 1, 1965. These are the people who are over sixty-five years of age but are not eligible for social security benefits, railroad retirement benefits or Federal Civil Service retirement benefits. In addition to these people; those who have social security credit but who have never applied for benefits because they have continued working should also contact their nearest Social Security office after September 1.

In an effort to be of assistance to those who are eligible for benefits under the program, the Senate Committee on Finance has published a booklet on how it will work. I have in my office a limited number of these booklets, and I will be happy to make them available to those who are interested if they will write me at my office, 6225 Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C.

Notice Of Sale Of Real Estate Taxes

Pursuant to an order of the Board of Town Commissioners, for Town of Youngsville, N. C., and as by law provided, I will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash at the Town Hall Door, in Youngsville, North Carolina, beginning at 12 o'clock NOON, E. S. T., on September 16, 1965, the liens for 1964 taxes on the Real Estate Property described below, and the amount which is shown opposite the names of the taxpayers owing said taxes, and which amounts do not include penalties and cost on the property set forth as follows: This the 13th day of August 1965.

J. A. Green, Tax Collector for the Town of Youngsville, N. C.

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William Winston, Estate, 1 Spivey	5.25

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What Is Dignity?

It is sometimes difficult to maintain one's dignity. In fact, it is even hard to define the word. What exactly is dignity?

The generally-accepted definition of the word is that dignity is a quality of character which wins the admiration and respect of others. It is also associated with being noble.

We might all do well to keep in mind the dignity and character which we should like to exemplify. Whether

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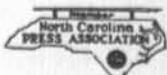
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