

SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS



WASHINGTON - With so many problems which press for attention, Congress is not prone to give serious consideration to any measure establishing the legal machinery to deal with a Constitutional Convention until it must. That time, however, seems near at hand.

On May 1, Iowa became the 33rd State to request a convention to amend the Constitution. With several of the remaining 17 State legislatures still in session, and Delaware's legislature scheduled to convene in October, there is a possibility that the 34th State may call for such a convention soon. Congress will then be faced with the necessity of carrying out the provisions of the Constitution in respect to a never before used amendment process.

Recognizing that the need for the establishment of orderly procedures relating to such a call might be needed, I introduced a bill in the 90th Congress to provide rules governing the call and operation of such a national convention. No action was taken on my measure at that session. Again, on January 24th of this year, I introduced legislation to provide the rules to govern such a convention. On June 12th, my proposal, S. 623, was approved by the Senate Subcommittee on Separation of Powers. It is now awaiting action by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The need for such legislation is pressing. In the event another legislature requests Congress to call such a convention, there is no existing machinery with which to deal with the questions that would

govern such a call. Moreover, there are many fears about such a convention, and the arrival of a 34th resolution calling upon Congress to issue a convention call could bring on a prolonged debate to delay or ignore such a call. This, in my judgment, could weaken the doctrine of "separation of powers" by thwarting the mandate of the Constitution which permits two methods of amending the Constitution. These coequal methods are by amendments adopted by two-thirds of the members of Congress, and ratified by three-fourths of the States; and by application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the States to Congress which shall call a convention for proposing amendments and the ratification thereof by three-fourths of the States.

The impetus for the petitions by the States who now urge a constitutional convention appears to be the decisions of the Supreme Court rendered in the reapportion-

ment cases and the subsequent controversy which these decisions prompted. Congress has thus far taken no action which assures that an amendment will be submitted to the States to overrule these reapportionment decisions, although the Senate came close to achieving the necessary two-thirds vote on the 1965 and 1966 resolutions offered on this subject. Now, 33 State legislatures have used the alternative method to call for a amendment of the Constitution.

The measure which I have introduced in no way seeks to resolve the substantive aspects of apportionment of state legislatures. Instead, it deals with convention petitions, their effective period, their transmittal to Congress, their rescission, the Congressional call, the selection of delegates, the selection of the presiding officer, the manner of voting, the proposal of amendments, and the termination of such a body. My bill would establish

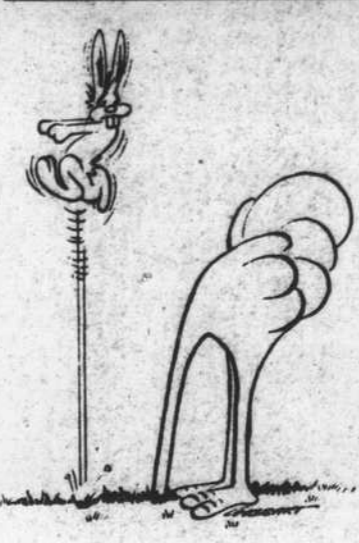
Cerebral Palsy Contributes \$500.00 To State Of Franklin

The current fund raising drive of the State of Franklin Health Council, Inc. was sparked Monday by the announcement of a \$500.00 contribution by United Cerebral Palsy of North Carolina. This contribution in support of areawide comprehensive health planning within the seven Southwestern North Carolina counties of Cherokee, Clay, Graham

Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Swain was announced by Mr. Eric W. Ritzel, Executive Director of the Foundation.

The State of Franklin Health Council, Inc. is seeking local money to match a federal grant to continue planning which has been underway for the last two years. Previous local support largely has come from in-kind contributions of space and services by Western Carolina University and personal contribution of professional services by Dr. C. D. Killian, Executive Director of the Council. However, this year the Office of Health Services and Mental Health Administration in Washington, D. C. and Charlottesville, Virginia is requiring that at least half of the local money which must come from within North Carolina be in cash

rather than in-kind. Last year similar support was given by Blue Cross-Blue Shield of North Carolina, and similar support from that organization is expected this year.



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From The Coach's Desk

MILT BARTON

Time works wonders! The first few sessions of football work-outs were most depressing ones to me, but the new week has really brought new life to our team. The time and drudgery of nothing but conditioning drills is now being spiced up with blocking and tackling. Our kids have really been waiting for this. We are fast on the way to getting in shape; we may not win a game, but we will be in shape!

In our hitting drills the moment of truth has arrived for some of our young players. Surely they must feel like the matador facing a wild bull. In this case, we want to find out what spirit, strength, and determination these kids have concealed under their uniforms and pads. The answer to the question I have heard many times was revealed on Tuesday afternoon. . . yes, Dee Dee Wood can be very destructive when he gets mad on the football field. He could well be All-conference material if he keeps up the good work. He has worked down to a mere 220 pounds and is seeking employment in our defensive line.

Since the defensive teams always get off to a faster beginning, we have been putting most of our emphasis on our offense. Our defense will not resemble the Red Defense of last year since we do not have the speed or tall, rangy boys this year. Gosh, how we will miss Wayne Parton, Hughie Jones, Raymond Cochran, and Jerry Jenkins. . . everyone of them, tremendous defensive linemen.

We are blessed with big, heavy, mean fellows for the defensive line this year. I hope to use a two-platoon system so as many of our boys as possible can get into the games. As always, some kids will be going both ways. Leonard Parton is lean and mean this season and enjoys occasional contact. He is the lightest of the STOP team at 165 pounds. His company may include Jim Bigwitch at 220 pounds, Dee Dee Wood at 220, and Mike Clapsaddle at 205. The defensive secondary is not definite, but one thing is, it will be fast.

Three veteran lettermen have been very impressive as

linebackers. Bill Adams is a machine of devastation. Alva Crowe asks no quarter and Bill Adams is a machine of devastation. Alva Crowe asks no quarter and gives none. Vernie Lee is quick and sure.

Assistant coach Dick Ensey is the best anyone could ask for. He is doing a real good job and thinks "Winning Football." Some of our "old hands" drop by occasionally to help with specific positions.

The ninth graders have found that the days of glory are far behind them and now face the transition of being the small fish in a big pond. There is good stock on this unit, too. John Myers at quarterback is bound to be a big lad if he grows to match those feet! Mike Tisdale (178 pounds) and Joe Crisp (204 pounds) are good anchors on any line. Hank Hardin is coming on strong at guard. Todd Napier and Mark Richmond are making strong bids for starting positions in the backfield.

We still need more kids to come out for the squad. In a school of this size we should have at least 85 boys out for football. We are only half that number! Our strength depends on a building program that keeps feeding good stock to the varsity. What has happened to the 10th graders? Surely there are more than nine whose parents will let them play. A weak class like this can only spell disaster two years from now.

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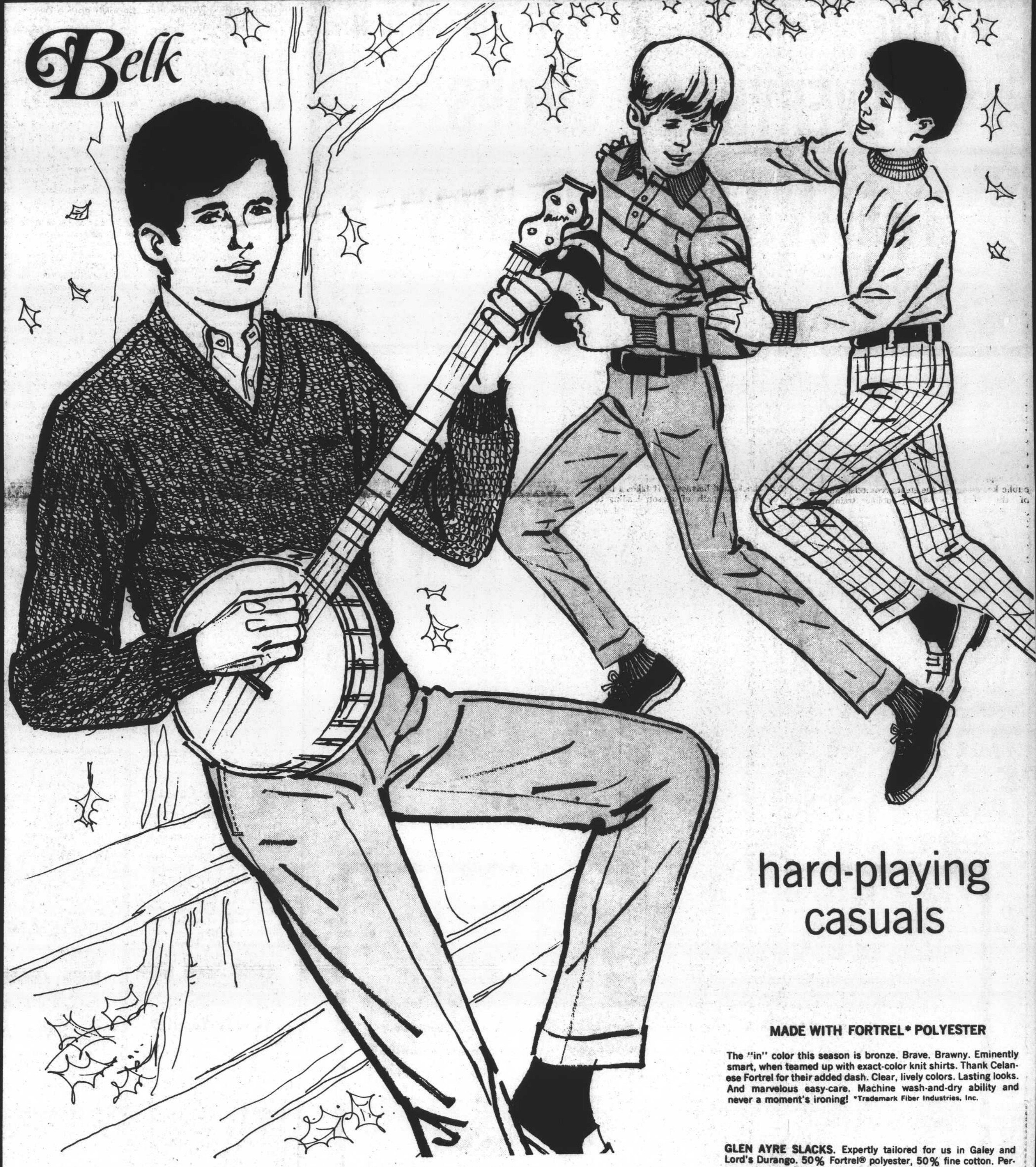
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