

WASHINGTON — Last week I mentioned a complicated effort by certain groups here to take textile business away from the South and return it to the New England states. The fight over that scheme continued during the past few days.

The scheme can be accomplished at the expense of the people who earn their living in our textile mills in the South. The idea is to give a system of priorities or preferences to manufacturing plants and workers in areas outside of the South.

Senators Frank and Johnston, of South Carolina, and Senator Hoey and I have protested these efforts to cripple the textile industry in our states. And in doing so, we have found that those who propose this scheme apparently know very little about how our textile plants operate.

Theoretically, these "planners" would take government textile contracts away from the South and place them with plants in New England, where there is unemployment—or, as they put it, "a labor surplus."

They call this procedure "negotiated contracts." By that, they mean, contracts that have not been awarded on the basis of competitive bids, as government contracts are supposed to be awarded. These so-called negotiated contracts permit the bureaucrats to pay more for items produced in New England than they would have to pay for the same items manufactured in the South.

At a hearing last week, I asked one of the officials if he knew how the three shifts in a textile mill are worked. He admitted he did not. Yet he was attempting to make rules and regulations that

would have cost our third-shift workers their jobs. I pointed out that if the third shift in our North Carolina mills could not be used, then that of course would mean unemployment as far as our third-shift workers are concerned. I contended that it is just as important not to interfere with the right of North Carolina workers to make a living as it is to try to help laborers in other sections of the country.

This fight will continue, and we are determined to prevent an injustice to our section of the country. I think we can prevent it. I will keep the textile workers of North Carolina advised.

WISE DECISION

The five-week filibuster has ended and the senate has voted decisively (66-35) to eliminate the federal grab of the states' tidelands.

The issue was confused from the very first by those who wish to see the federal government in possession and full control of all of the rights of the people.

Those conducting the filibuster tried to contend that the so-called "Tidelands bill" was a "give-away" program of the nation's resources. This, of course, was not true in any sense of the word.

The basic argument involved has been going on since our government was founded. That is, shall we follow the principle of states' rights as far as possible, or shall we give to the federal government and its bureaucrats in Washington the right to control the everyday lives of our people.

The other day one of my friends (who had not read the bill and had not followed the debate too closely) indicated to me that he had been impressed by the often-repeated and false charges that the Tidelands bill was a "give-away." But when I gave him a simple illustration of the basic issue, he immediately exclaimed that he had not understood the matter.

I mentioned to him the fishing piers in North Carolina, built out over the ocean—beyond the low-water mark. Under the bill passed by the senate last week, the state owns and controls the land below the low-water mark.

But if we had listened to those who conducted the filibuster, the federal government would have owned that land, and any person wishing to build such a pier would have been required to go through the federal red tape to get permission to do so. By the same token, fishing rights were involved, as well as many other examples.

Many North Carolinians do not realize that the North Carolina legislature requested the congress to reaffirm the states' rights and ownership of these lands—and that our own attorney general, Harry McMillan, took an active part in establishing the judicial support for the legislation.

I am certain that this action by the congress was in the best interest of North Carolina. It may be that one of these days we shall find oil on the coast of our state. If and when that happens, our schools, hospitals and other institutions will not have to worry about money.

But, in any event, I think that congress has not only acted wisely, but has also been honest with the states whose lands had been grabbed by the federal government in an attempt to centralize still more power in Washington.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT BEFORE THE CLERK

North Carolina, Transylvania County.

TO: Vernon J. Mullinax and Deltha Owen Mullinax.

You will take notice that an action has been instituted against you before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Transylvania County for the adoption of your child, a minor; that you are required to appear and answer or demur to the petition on file in the Clerk's Office, on or before the 8th day of June, 1953.

You will take notice that if you fail to appear or make your appearance as provided by Statute, the relief demanded in this proceeding will be granted.

You will take notice that a motion has been made to declare your child an abandoned child, and that a hearing on this question will be held in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court for Transylvania County in Brevard, N. C., on the 8th day of June, 1953, at 10:00 a. m.

This the 2nd day of May, 1953. F. M. McCALL, Clerk Superior Court

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CINEMA HERO

A man was telling about a movie he saw on television that was a real "stinker."

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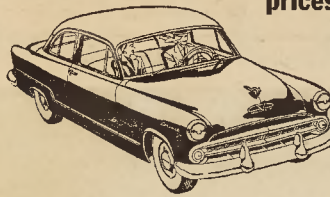
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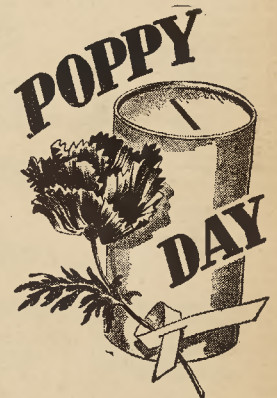
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