

Conditions In Post, Texas, Not Same As Reported In Local "Booklet"

City Of Post

POST, TEXAS

June 20, 1967

Mayor Raymond F. Bennett
201 South Caldwell Street
Brevard, North Carolina 28712

Dear Mayor Bennett:

It is with much displeasure and regret that we review the brochure, "Facts About an ABC Store in Brevard," which we received from your City. We find it to be similar to the same type of "hog wash" distributed here prior to our local option election, and the same, using Post as a picture of crime, in all other pamphlets distributed throughout the entire south prior to all liquor elections.

beautiful homes and many fine citizens, some of whom have lived here for more than half a century and who continue to reside here in contentment, even though we have the so-called curse of legalized beverages.

At present time we have three package stores and not more than half dozen taverns, where "on-premises" sales of beer and wine are legal. These places are rigidly controlled by officers of the State Liquor Control Board. Each package store and tavern is licensed by the State, County of Garza and City of Post.

Our city employs only three policemen to provide us with adequate all-around law enforcement.

You have my permission to use this letter for publication to refute what we term misrepresentations of truth and also your course, may use the editorial or any part of it, with due credit to the Post Dispatch.

Very truly yours,
John N. Hopkins
Mayor, City of Post

Mayor Bennett Receives Letter, A Newspaper Editorial

Brevard's Mayor Raymond F. Bennett issues a statement in which he says there is much misleading information in a booklet being circulated in Brevard and Transylvania entitled, "Facts About An ABC Store in Brevard."

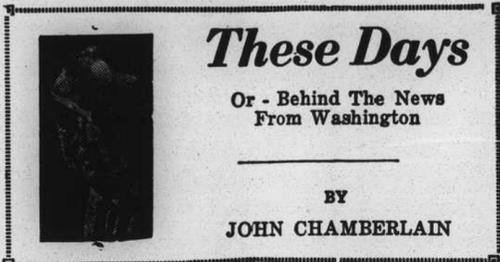
Mayor Bennett says that it is disturbing since the booklet has the endorsement of some ministers and is being distributed at several churches.

A portion of the booklet is entitled "Crime," and it tells of conditions in the Town of Post, Texas.

Mayor Bennett has contacted the Mayor of Post, who has written the letter adjacent to this story.

An editorial from the newspaper at Post is also carried on this page, and it tells of present conditions in an accurate and unbiased manner.

Readers of The Times will find the letter and the editorial interesting reading.



These Days

Or - Behind The News
From Washington

BY

JOHN CHAMBERLAIN

When the cat's away, the mice will play. The cat, in this instance, is Dick Nixon, who has been traveling in Africa and the Middle East. The mice are those unnamed Nixon "associates" and "advisers" who leaked a story the other day to the New York Times that Nixon was cozying up to New York City's Mayor Lindsay and U. S. Senator Jake Javits in hopes of luring some of the New York State delegates away from Rockefeller control at the 1968 Republican convention. According to the leaked account, Nixon "might" look with favor on "persuading Mr. Lindsay to be his running mate in 1968."

Governor Rockefeller in supporting a "moderate, progressive candidate" for President such as Governor Romney. In other words, Nixon should deny his own candidacy.

It has taken Nixon seven years to overcome the suspicions of conservative Republicans who resented his so-called "Treaty of Fifth Avenue" with Nelson Rockefeller in 1960. The conservatives do not object when Nixon commences with Senator Javits on foreign policy matters. But the very idea that he might accept John Lindsay as a Vice Presidential running mate would send them rushing to endorse Ronald Reagan of California for the Presidential nomination.

Lindsay, though a most likable fellow, figures as the off-stage villain in an American Conservative Union report on "DMV" — or Democratic Margin of Victory — that has recently been masterminded by Representative John Ashbrook of Ohio. The "Democratic Margin of Victory" in many House of Representatives votes consists of super-liberal Republicans who belong to the group called "the Wednesday Club." When he was in Congress John Lindsay was the leader of this group. The great rank and file of Republicans beyond the Allegheny Mountains would hardly welcome a former Wednesday Club leader as the second man on their ticket.

If Nixon has "advisers" who can talk this way, he had better come home fast and watch some of the mice who are playing with his reputation. For the immediate impact of the Times story on New York State conservatives, who are the only ones who could guarantee him any convention delegates, was to raise a lot of hackles. Luckily there were other Nixon "advisers" who said the story was implausible on its face, for it would be unconstitutional for the electors from New York State to deliver their electoral college ballots to two inhabitants of the same state as themselves. With Lindsay as his Vice Presidential running mate, Nixon would have to move to Connecticut or back to California to derive the expected benefit from a New York vote.

Such a move would repel so many New York conservatives (who, after all, hold the balance of power in state Republican circles) that New York would be lost anyway. The fact is that Mayor Lindsay has very little hold on Republicans outside of Manhattan Island; he couldn't even take control of his party organization in the Bronx.

The idea that Nixon has anything to gain by "courting" Lindsay and Javits is so fantastic that one suspects it was an enemy, and not an "adviser," who floated the story in question. (Could it have been a Javits man trying to warn Rockefeller against deserting Javits as a "favorite son"?) The first effect of the report was to set things up for some muted sarcasms by Senator Javits who, though he professed to "entirely friendly" relations with Nixon, said it would be wise for Dick to abandon any hope of capturing the New York delegation. Javits chided Nixon for failure to take a role in Manhattan organizational politics, which is about as absurd as you can get. How would Nixon crack the gates? Kossygin would have a better chance at this point of taking out membership in the B'Nai B'Rith. Javits also invited Nixon to join him and

To combat the Wednesday Club, Representative Ashbrook is forming a separate caucus of the more conservative Republicans in the House. If, as seems likely, Ashbrook attracts a majority of the Republican membership, it will have an impact on the 1968 convention. The Republicans in 1968 will certainly present a balanced ticket, but it won't be a balance of widely separated ideological extremes. Questions of geography will play a good part in it. Nixon is too shrewd a politician not to realize the facts of life, which is the main reason for supposing that when the cat returns from his African tour he will put those trouble-making mice in their place.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
State of North Carolina
County of Transylvania
Having qualified as the Administratrix of the estate of Bill T. Elliott, deceased, late of the county of Transylvania, North Carolina, this is to give notice that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased to present them to the undersigned Administratrix at Rt. 2 Box 252, Brevard on or before the 22nd day of December, 1967 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the

Dispatch Editorials

POST, TEXAS

Look What They're Doing To Post

A four-page pamphlet that is being circulated every time there is a local option liquor election anywhere in Texas is doing Post more harm than a dozen chambers of commerce could do it good, as far as presenting its image to the rest of the state is concerned.

What the circulation of this "dry" pamphlet amounts to is "community assassination," and the Post citizens whose testimonials appear on it haven't much to be proud of as far as boosting their community is concerned.

"The Painful Cost for a Community Gone 'Wet'" is the title of the pamphlet, and it holds Post up to other Texans as a town over-run by drunks, dead-beats and prostitutes, where driving while intoxicated is the rule rather than the exception, and where murders and deaths on the highway have jumped sky-high since one precinct voted "wet" some six years ago.

Do you believe all that? Well, the "drys" are trying to cram it down the throats of people in other towns every time a local option liquor election is held.

The latest one of these pieces of "dry" propaganda we've seen comes from Coleman, Tex., where they're getting ready to hold a local option election. Not long ago we saw one from Corsicana, and we're sure there have been any number of others read by thousands of people in other parts of Texas.

Post is the "whipping boy" in these pamphlets. No other Texas community in which the sale of beer and liquor has been legalized is mentioned in the Coleman pamphlet nor in any of the others we've seen.

Whether you are for or against the legal sale of beer and liquor, let's look at this matter of "dry" propaganda sensibly.

The "drys" have misused the usually reliable yardstick of comparisons in presenting their "facts and figures" on "what actually happened to this city," as they put it in their pamphlet.

In showing a big increase in the number of arrests and convictions since Precinct 3 voted "wet," the

pamphleteers fail to mention that shortly before or at about the same time the precinct went "wet," two state highway patrolmen were stationed in Post for the first time, and the size of both the city police department and sheriff's department were increased.

More law enforcement officers on the job naturally means more arrests, and the number of arrests for violations not involving drinking have increased at the same ratio.

The figures on the pamphlet are sadly out of date—about six years out of date. The one we've just received from Coleman lists a total of 15 package stores, 17 taverns and five off-premises outlets in Post. Have you counted them lately?

But the "drys" aren't interested in anything as solid as up-to-date facts and figures. What they're mainly interested in is over-riding the right of a political subdivision to decide whether or not it wants to legalize the sale of alcoholic beverages. And they apparently don't care how black an eye they give this community in trying to get their message across.

Nor does the pamphlet put out by the opponents of legalized beer and liquor make any mention of what went on in Post before the citizens of Precinct 3 exercised their constitutional rights and voted it "wet." No mention is made of the bootlegging that went on virtually unchecked and of outright sale of whiskey and beer to minors.

Like most other pieces of propaganda, these pamphlets do not carry the name of the organization or group which compiled the "facts and figures" contained therein, or which distributes the literature. But, whoever they are, we think they should be called upon to give good reason why they shouldn't stop singling out this community to hold up to the rest of the state as a "bad example."

Which is just a nice way of saying that we think every civic-minded citizen of Post should be interested in seeing to it that a screeching stop is put to further distribution of any pamphlets of this nature —JC and CD.

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State of North Carolina
County of Transylvania
The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Flora W. Barclay, deceased, late of Transylvania County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 22nd day of December, 1967, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payments to the undersigned.

This the 20th day of June, 1967.
THOMAS BARCLAY
Executor Estate of
Flora W. Barclay
c/o Ramsey, Hill &
Smart, Attorneys
The Legal Building
Brevard, North Carolina

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

State of North Carolina
County of Transylvania
Having qualified as the Administratrix of the estate of Blake McCall, deceased, late of the county of Transylvania, North Carolina, this is to give notice that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased to present them to the undersigned Administratrix at Rt. 2, Box 295, Brevard, N. C. on or before the 29th day of December, 1967 or this notice will please make immediate settlement.

This the 29th day of June, 1967.
VELMA McCALL, Administratrix Estate of Blake McCall deceased.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF

D. H. COSBY, INC.
Notice is hereby given that Articles of Dissolution of D. H. COSBY, INC., a North Carolina Corporation, were filed in the office of the Secretary of State on the 27th day of June, 1967, and that all creditors of and claimants against the Corporation are required to present their respective claims and demands immediately in writing to the Corporation so that it can proceed to collect its assets, convey and dispose of its properties, pay, satisfy and discharge its liabilities and obligations and do all other acts required to liquidate its business and affairs.

This the 29th day of June, 1967.
D. H. COSBY, INC.
Brevard
North Carolina

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Homecoming Slated At Rocky Bottom

Homecoming will be observed at Rocky Bottom Baptist church on Sunday, July 9th.

Services will begin at 10:00 o'clock and will continue throughout the day.

The public is invited to come, bringing lunch, and spend the day. Special singers will be the True Gospel Quartet, George Shelton Children, Rhymes Trio, Roy Shelton, Clarence Shelton, Spurgeon Shelton and the old original Shelton Quartet.

The church is located ten miles South of Rosman in Rocky Bottom, S. C. The Reverend Kermit Reece is pastor.

Hamilton Declares Dividend

The Board of Directors of Hamilton Funds, Inc. has declared a quarterly dividend of 2 1/4

cents per share from net undistributed income, payable July 17, 1967, to shareholders of record June 30, 1967.

Nearly \$2.5 million will be distributed to some 300,000 Hamilton shareholders all over the world, it was announced by Hamilton President A. R. Ty-

WEEKLY CROSSWORD

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes a small grid for the answer 'Wild sheep of India'.

This will be the 78th consecutive quarterly dividend of the common stock mutual fund, whose investment objectives are long-term growth of principal and reasonable income. Hamilton shares are distributed in 48 states and 22 foreign areas.