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The Point of View

Dewey Is Nominated

The day before the nomination came to Mr. Dewey, the Associated Press gave it out that despite the certainty of his nomination he had not yet been consulted about, or had any official voice in the drafting of the platform.

This makes it entirely clear, as it had been practically clear all the time, why Mr. Dewey would never admit that he was a candidate. He knew and his backers knew that if he ever admitted it, he would be called upon to tell what he stood for. As he stood for nothing and was asking for nothing, he was excused for being uncandid.

This policy of our Republican friends is neither surprising or unprecedented. The forces who draft Deweys first fix their personnel, and write platforms later. The chosen is then handed his schedule. He is supposed to sail under sealed orders, like Harding, Coolidge and Hoover sailed. The barons of privilege, the intrenched powerful, know what they want. It will please them to divulge at later dates.

Governor Warren in his great speech of Monday night said: "Certainly we are not here to look for a road back to some status quo."

Does this imply that the dismal highways of the early Thirties are tabooed and will not be trekked again, and does it not indicate on the part of the "incoming regime" a secret hankering after an even broader thoroughfare than that which the country has been enjoying under the hated New Deal?

"We know what it is that makes jobs and opportunity," he continued. "We want money making jobs in private industry and not government-made jobs."

Did the Governor mean that even the jobs that have to be created by the government to keep people from starving are not better than no jobs at all?

After his address the Californian was offered second place on the ticket.

Because he said "No, thank you," are we to believe that he had little faith in his own optimistic remarks?

Because the Candidate is supposed to use the blueprint provided for him by his masters, and like it, is probably why that able liberal Wendell Willkie never had a chance to be nominated. Willkie had frankly stated his platform to the world.

Miss Dorothy Thompson says "everyone knew that Wendell would attempt to reform the Republican party along more progressive lines in domestic policy and to lead it to a world view rather than an isolationist one."

Wendell was promptly thrown overboard.

Bond Drive Progresses Slowly But Steadily

The bond sale drive in Stokes is progressing slowly but steadily.

Some of the townships are doing fine, it is reported, especially Sauratown and Big Creek. In some of the other townships it's rather slow, but awakening.

Let us all remember that the money from the sale of war bonds is to arm and equip and clothe and feed the boys who are fighting our battle for the safety of our homes and for our liberties. Many of them are being maimed for life, and some are giving their lives.

We must not be satisfied to sit back and think we can take it easy and make money while our boys are making the supreme sacrifice for us. If you have a boy in far off overseas who hears from home that you have not backed him up by LENDING the government the money to fight with, while he is GIVING his life, you will feel bad.

There is an underground effort against the success of the bond drive. It has operated in all the drives. It is as futile as it is vicious. The great body of the people are patriotic and will do all they can to back up our splendid armies in the drive to victory.

These must buy more and yet more. And when victory comes they will be glad of their effort. And besides they will have saved and invested in the safest security in the world today.

Buy more bonds than ever before. America will not be sold down the river.

Please Don't Let Your Reporter Stop

As we have constantly notified our readers, we have adopted the cash in-advance policy and are not in position to send the paper on to those whose subscriptions have expired, unless renewed.

Please remember it is not because we are afraid to trust you for a dollar or two. But it is the modern and business policy that has been adopted by practically every well regulated newspaper in the United States. It is good business and will suit you and suit us better, as we do not want to send the paper on unless you order it sent on. So watch your label and send in your renewal before your time is out. Otherwise the paper will be discontinued when the time paid for has expired.

We are sending the Reporter to a large number of boys in the service in distant camps and overseas to England, Africa, the islands of the Pacific, Iceland, the Aleutians, etc. These subscriptions are expiring all the time, and those who are sending these papers to the boys should promptly renew when the time is out.

Tobacco Markets Open Earlier

The tobacco markets of this Belt will open this year on September 18, a little earlier than last year. This will no doubt be pleasing to many farmers and displeasing to others. Fast workers like Alex Rodgers will be ready for the first sale. Others, slower, like Jess Rhodes, will not have any offerings before the last week of the selling season.

It used to be that the markets would open about October 15, and close in June. Mr. T. J. Davis always sold the bulk of his crop in June, and he would get a good price for it, too.

Times have changed. Now instead of stretching the sales over some eight or nine months, the farmers will sell the bulk of the crop by October 15, be done sowing wheat and fixing to kill hogs by the time they used to begin stripping in earnest.

From indications now, the crop will be sorry owing to the bad stand due to drouth, etc. But if it begins raining soon, you will note a vast difference, as the farmers say there is a "big come-out in tobacco," and you may see an excellent crop. But it is bound to be short owing to the scarcity of manpower.

There are strong indications that the ceiling will be raised some.

Opening of the Park

It will be good news to everybody that Hanging Rock Park is to be opened at last, and that the official date is next Tuesday, July 4.

Hanging Rock is said to be the favorite park with the authorities. There can certainly be none more convenient to the greatest centers of population in the State. There is none with scenery more beautiful. A lady from Texas visited Hanging Rock a few days ago. She remarked that she had never looked on more beautiful scenery.

So we congratulate those who have built this resort, our own people, the progressive and wide-awake Winston-Salem citizens who have been behind it, and the government and State authorities.

It is already a million-dollar proposition. It's only at its beginning. When the war is over big things are contemplated for one of the most charming spots in our great State.

Room For the Elephant

'Here is one on the Democrats too good not to tell:

At the Chicago convention a Democratic visiting Senator asked a Republican Senator:

"How you fellows expect to get your Elephant into Washington, crowded as it is?"

"Oh, we'll run the jackasses out."