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No Credit To Group

Even the most liberal and tolerant persons may well question the worth of the visit of a group of out-of-state young people sent here by the Friends Society in an effort to improve race relations in the county. We hold the position that the best solution of this problem can best be reached by local people of good will among the leaders of both races, and what we need most now is time to adjust to present stress and strains existing in both races.

What one should not condone is efforts by groups of white men to terrorize the young people who have violated no law, as has been the case on two recent occasions during the past week. These men are not serving their race or the cause of segregation and are giving the county a bad name. To think otherwise is showing a naivety not exceeded by a group of young people who seemingly think that their presence will serve as a catalyst for improved race relations overnight. The sooner our people learn that the courts are the places to readdress wrongs, real or fancied, the sooner will we be able to work out a livable accommodation between the races.

Perhaps this newspaper is at fault in not informing the general public just what are the objectives, the personnel, and the reason the Friends are in this county under the sponsorship of the Quaker Church and at the invitation of Negro citizens of this county.

They are white Protestants, Jews and Negroes, all college students, dedicated to integration, and violating sacred mores of the white race as they seek to prove their belief in the cause to which they are dedicated. They are missionaries of a respected church and their prime mission in the county is to teach. They are not concerned with

boycotts, picketing or demonstrations, rumors to the contrary notwithstanding.

They are young, idealistic, sensitive, filled with missionary zeal, and, we rather think, much over their heads in seeking to find a way where older and, we believe, wiser heads have failed. But, believing in their cause, they are both bewildered and hurt that they are being ostracized by white people of the county and are being threatened by a group in the nighttime.

In their teaching adults to read, we feel that they are performing a worthwhile work. But in some of their other actions they have shown extremely poor judgment that, if one is charitable, must be blamed on ignorance of local customs and mores and to youthful exuberance.

Perhaps, on balance, it would have been better if they had not come to Warren County; if they, as is so frequently suggested, worked in their own vineyards. Whether they came or stayed, in the long run, we feel makes very little difference. But comes the nagging doubt as a girl worker confesses that she has been hurt but says she is glad that she came for, she said, "I have taught a man to read." That is no little feat.

But whether the decision to come to Warren County was wise, or foolish, good or evil, it is likely that the Friends will remain in Warren County for a few more weeks. At the end of that time they will return to New York, California, Massachusetts, with a picture of the South they will carry with them and spread all their lives. We would like for them to be able to say of Warren County in the years to come that its white people, if not friendly, were at least tolerant and fair and that we are a law abiding people.

NEWS OF FIVE, TEN, 25 YEARS AGO

The Pidgeon Was Really Swinging!

Chapel Hill Weekly

There are bird-watchers who get up early in the morning and clock-watchers who want to leave their jobs early in the afternoon; but only in Heywood, England do the bird-watchers and the clock-watchers get together. For the past eight months the people of Heywood have been upset because the big clock in the church tower in the heart of town, which timed their days and nights and regulated their lives, had been running slow. Men were late to work, boys were late for dates, time was slow in passing. What was the matter?

A group of local workmen was sent up in the tower to investigate. They reset the clock but could not find the trouble. By next morning the clock was slow again. During the next few months 11 more attempts were made to locate the trouble, but without success. The clock was still slow every day and had to be reset.

Finally, the town's superintendent of lighting, William Theaker, went up into the tower himself and examined both clock and tower inch by inch. He found a hole in the window—and had an idea, so he sat down by the window and waited. Soon a pigeon came through the hole, took a perch on the clock's pendulum, and started swinging happily to and fro. His weight was just enough to alter the swing of the pendulum and slow down the clock.

Mr. Theaker pushed the pigeon out, stopped up the hole—and now Heywood's tardy town clock is back on time again.

There must be a moral or two to this tale of the swinging pigeon and the tardy clock. You can't make time stand still by coming out swinging, but you can slow it down. And if the pendulum swings too far in either direction, any attempt to stop it is strictly for the birds!

Quotes

A home is no house unless it contains food and fire for the mind as well as for the body. — Margaret Fuller.

If the world were good for nothing else, it is a fine subject for speculation. — William Hazlitt.

Looking Backward Into The Record

July 24, 1959

The 17 markets of the Eastern North Carolina tobacco belt will begin their 1959 sales season August 18—three days earlier than last season.

The Warrenton Rotary Club voted on Tuesday night to make a contribution to the Warren Hotel Corporation in an effort to keep the town's only hotel open.

The current sharp rise in polio cases will increase expenditures for patient care by the National Foundation to nearly \$20 million this year, a foundation official estimated Saturday.

July 23, 1954

George Comer, Warrenton lumberman, has been appointed a member of the Board of Town Commissioners. He succeeds Tom L. Read, resigned.

Winning out in a field of 13 contestants, Miss Diane Rowland of Norlina has been named "Miss North Carolina Semipro Baseball" and will represent this state at the National Semipro Tournament at Wichita, Kansas in August.

Two high honors came to a Warren County 4-H Club girl at the annual 4-H Club meeting at Raleigh this week. Miss Charlotte Jones of the Littleton 4-H Club won first place in the State Vegetable Use Contest, and on Tuesday night was tapped into the State

July 21, 1939

A marker has been placed in front of Emmanuel Episcopal Church by the State Historical Commission calling attention to the fact that Horace Greeley, editor, publisher, and political leader, was married there July 5, 1836 to Miss Mary Young Cheney.

Warrenton's ABC store, No. 1 in the county system of three, will be moved several doors down the street into the building formerly occupied by the Motor Sales Co. and later the Gilliam Auto Co.

Ridgeway's cantaloupe crop, which is said to be better this season than in several years is being rapidly moved to the northern markets where prices are regarded as being satisfactory. Prices early in the week ranged from \$1.75 to \$2.50 per crate.

Can Republicans Make Touchdown

Smithfield Herald

The Republican convention came out swinging—to the Right. And now Barry Goldwater really is the Republican nominee for the Presidency. What does that mean?

First of all, it has potent repercussions for the Republican Party itself. For the first time in 50 years the Republicans have nominated an extreme right-winger, reverting to the archetype of William Howard Taft in 1912.

The Midwestern, Southern and Southwestern Goldwater forces have defeated the Eastern-moderates represented by Scranton, Rockefeller and Lodge. This victory was achieved by astute Goldwater pre-convention maneuvers which focused on state and local Republican politicians and office holders and ignored the pre-convention opinion polls indicating that 60 per cent of the rank and file Republicans preferred Scranton to 34 per cent for Goldwater.

From the opening sessions of the platform committee right on through the nomination, the Republican convention was more Goldwater rally than open decision-making session. All the bitterness of right-wing Republicans who still resent "Mr. Republican" Robert Taft's defeat for the nomination by War Hero Dwight Eisenhower in 1952 welled up in the determination to name a Republican as different from Democrat Lyndon Johnson as possible. The Republican Congressional power structure fell in behind Goldwater, with Senator Everett Dirksen of Illinois nominating him. House Leader Charles Halleck of Indiana acceding the nomination. Republican governors were left out in the cold.

Whether Goldwater wins or loses the Presidency, the Republican rightwing has captured the party. Only Dwight D. Eisenhower might have presented torn between his brother Milton's plea for Scranton and his friend George Humphrey's plea for Goldwater to take any action at all. When he remained "above the party strife," he may also have ignored the party's life.

For since 1940 the Republican Party has gradually been slipping into the role of a minority party, able to win an election only by appealing to independent and dissident Democrats. In 1940 polls showed that 42 per cent of the American voters called themselves Democrats, 38 per cent Republicans and 20 per cent independents. By 1960 the figures had so changed that there were 47 per cent Democrats, 30 per cent Republicans and 23 per cent independents. This year's polls show 52 per cent Democrats, 25 per cent Republicans and 22 per cent independents.

Now what about the election?

Goldwater appears committed to "the Southern strategy" of ignoring such large-vote states as New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio and concentrating upon the South and the West. But in the South he faces two perils. For the first time in 100 years a Southerner will be heading the Democratic ticket—and Southern pride may well outweigh Southern prejudice. Johnson has an overwhelming nationwide popularity, with the latest poll showing 74 per cent of the public approving of the job he is doing.

The second obstacle to a Goldwater victory is the presence on Southern ballots of Gov. George Wallace of Alabama who may be expected to siphon off many of the segregationist votes which might otherwise have gone to Goldwater in protest of the Civil Rights Bill.

At least the Republicans have banished the old "me-tooism" from their party. They have an out and out conservative, "no echo of the Democrats," which they were successively denied by the convention choice of Wendell Willkie in 1940, Dewey in 1944 and 1946, Eisenhower in 1952 and 1956, Nixon in 1960.

The Republican Party having made its choice, the voters can now make theirs.

They may find it a bit difficult to pin Goldwater down as to exactly what he does stand for, since he is given to making impulsive statements—and then later modifying them.

But it is generally accepted that on the domestic scene he: —prefers less government to more government.

—is opposed to all farm price supports or production controls and would like to abolish the REA.

—is against all federal aid to education.

—is against manpower de-

velopment and training program.

—is against all federal housing program.

—is against welfare programs and thinks that welfare recipients are on the rolls because of "low intelligence or low ambition."

He voted against the Civil Rights Bill, against tax reduction, against the anti-poverty program, against the railroad arbitration bill, against the McCarthy censure resolution.

In the field of foreign affairs he:

—favors a tough line against Russia, possibly breaking diplomatic relations, attempting virtually no negotiations, halting cultural exchanges.

—has said he favored U. S. withdrawal from the United Nations, later modifying his stand to withdraw if Communist China is admitted.

—has voted against all foreign aid bills and all foreign trade bills.

—voted against the limited nuclear test-ban treaty.

—favors allowing military commanders in the field to decide on use of small nuclear weapons.

—advocated marching marines into Cuba and training and equipping Cuban refugees.

Obviously Goldwater has strong support among the hard Taft core of far right Republicans, among local party leaders and office-holders, among voters chronically dissatisfied about Big Government, Big La-

bor, Big Welfare, among those trigger-happy about invading Cuba, risking an all-out nuclear war with Russia or expanding the war in Vietnam, and those bitter about the Civil Rights Bill.

Can Barry Goldwater now campaign against Lyndon Johnson in a way that will give the electorate a clear choice between two philosophies of government—or will he inevitably move toward an emotional approach to the civil rights problem in hopes of attracting segregationist votes in the North as well as the South, thus making a divided nation even more bitterly divided?

The other 1964 question is this: Are the American voters more aware of the dangerously complex world we inhabit today than Mr. Goldwater appears to be? However sincerely Goldwater may prefer 1864 to 1964 there are no simple, emotional answers to the vexing problems of living at peace both at home and abroad.

Goldwater may be the unthinking man's hero; but our survival is more likely to depend upon the thinking man.

The little city boy, looking over a flock of sheep, finally worked up the courage to pet one.

"Daddy!" he chirped delightedly "They make them out of blankets."

POLITICS

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Schedule of Home Demonstration Club Meetings

Monday, July 27: 1:30 p. m., Olive Grove will meet with Mrs. Susie Boyd, with Mrs. Mayonia Turner as co-hostess.

Tuesday, July 28: 1:00 p. m., Wise will meet with Mrs. Ida Baskerville.

12:30 p. m., Epworth will meet with Mrs. Katherine Crump.

PRACTICE SAFETY

Take Time To Take Care—Be open-minded to safety suggestions. Realize that haste makes waste. Plan to avoid an over-crowded schedule.

Keep Your Farm and Farm Home In Order—Eliminate Hazards as you find them. Be a good housekeeper in your home and on your farm.

Chemicals are becoming more widely used in agriculture and about the farm home. Always read the label, use as directed, store in original containers and in locked cabinets. Dispose of empty containers safely.

Plan Ahead - Good planning reduced the temptation to hurry, means better production and fewer accidents. Repair and discard broken and unsafe ladders. Make sure the stairways are adequately lighted and properly handrailed.

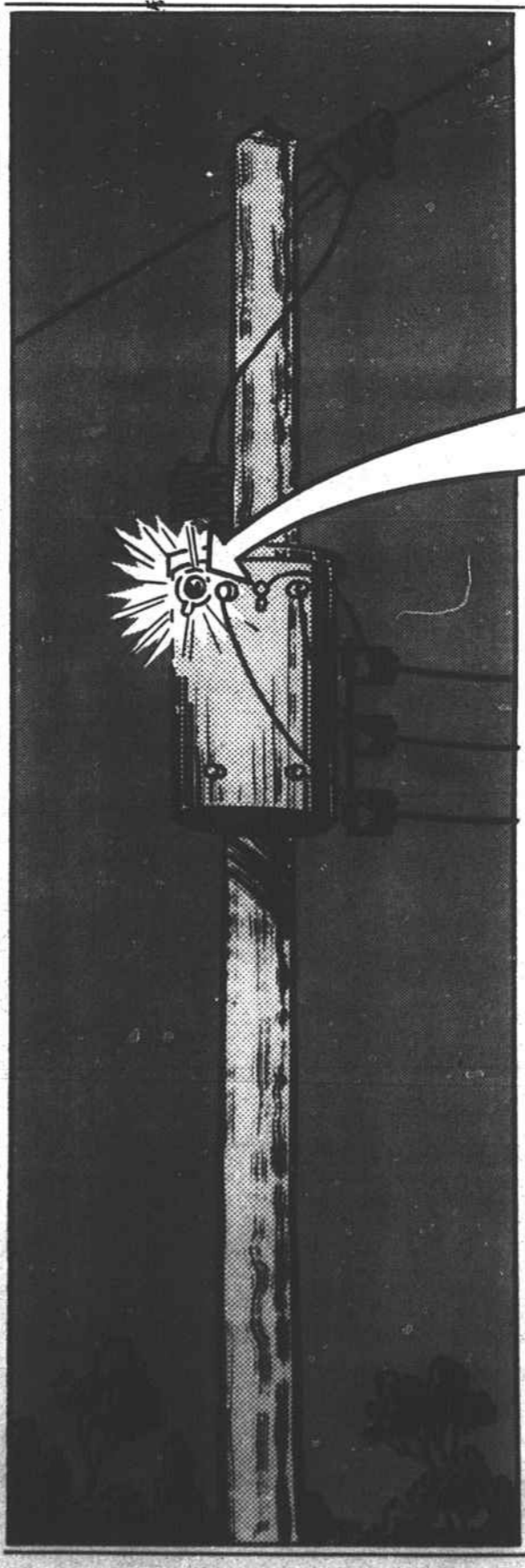
Be Courteous On The Highway - A courteous driver believes in living and let live.

Know and obey all traffic laws and follow safe driving practices. Remove trees, weeds and shrubs at farm entrances and intersection to improve visibility. Obey the "Signs of Life." Don't Depend on Luck—Make sure your equipment is in safe operating condition. Make certain all guards and safety devices are in place. Always stop the machine before unclogging, oiling or adjusting. Equipment should be well marked with flags and properly lighted. Take safety seriously—everywhere—all the time. Round bodies of water (both large and small) be especially careful. Learn to handle guns properly. Include safety in farm family vacation plans.

Washington—Some 94.5 million Americans in 1964 will travel by automobile approximately 130 billion miles on vacation and pleasure trips. The distance is roughly equivalent to 700 round trips to the sun, National Geographic says.

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BUT—a call from you can give us the warning we need to maintain high quality service to your home. That's the purpose of the Red Light on the neighborhood transformer you see here. It indicates that increased usage is taxing the electrical equipment to near-capacity.

The quicker we know about this, the more promptly we can correct the situation and make sure that you and your neighbors continue to have all the electricity you need or want.

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