

Crises And Comic Strips

Next to the activities of the Carolina football team, probably the most immediately important events in the world today are taking place in connection with the Berlin situation. Yet ask any American about the latest developments in that crisis and it is likely he will be able to answer you only in general terms. If, however, you should ask about the great Shmoo crisis, chances are you will get a detailed, up to the minute reply.

This raises the question of which is more important in our national life, world affairs or comic strips—and it is not entirely an idle question. The names Al Capp and George Marshall placed side by side with no identification would probably poll an almost equal degree of familiarity. The actions of Li'l Abner, Daisy Mae and Fearless Fosdick are equally as well known as the provisions of the Secretary of State's plan for the reconstruction of Europe. Sadie Hawkins day has become a national institution and hardly anyone confronted with the face of Lena the Hyena would have trouble identifying her.

Perhaps the University should drop its courses in history, government and economics and begin mass training of future cartoonists.

No Matter How Good

The editorial board announced yesterday by the Carolina Quarterly magazine included a group of capable, efficient editors. All of them have had previous experience in publications work. All of them believe in the possibilities of the quarterly and are willing to work for its success.

But editors alone, no matter how good, can not produce a good magazine. It takes writers—fiction writers, feature writers, poets—to build a magazine of the quarterly type. It takes good writers to make such a magazine worth reading. On this campus there are many good writers who have never taken the trouble to contribute to publications here. There are many potentially good writers who for some reason or other have hesitated to put their ability to use. These are the people who will determine the fate of the quarterly. And the quarterly editors can not search them out; they will have to come to it.

In its last year the Carolina Magazine had top-notch editors, but it failed because these editors had too little material with which to work. Here in the center of a nationally-recognized authors colony, this University should be able to produce literary works on a level with those of any other University in the world. If enough students will contribute their efforts, the Carolina Quarterly will prove that this is true.

Not For Long

After three days of cold and rain, dog days came to Chapel Hill. The air is mild, the sun is warm, the grass is still green, and only a few leaves have begun to turn bright orange and gold. Summer has returned to give a last farewell before the frosts set in.

Students who spent last winter on the hill are taking full advantage of the warm weather. They remember the icy, week-long rains, the muddy paths and the days when snow was piled so high that cars could not move. Those days may not return before Christmas this year, but brisk, nose-nipping fall weather is just down the calendar a piece.

Summer weather is not long for this world. Enjoy it while you can.

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Odds And Ends

By Helen Highwater

ON CAMPUS: Can't somebody please do something about the coffee line at the "Y" in the morning? People with 8 o'clocks might be able to keep at least one eye open if they could burn their taste buds off with a couple of swallows of java. As it is, the one person at the counter can't possibly meet the sleepy demands.

SOMETIMES HAPPY dreams of Chapel Hill really and truly do come true. Here's an example that's enough to refresh your hope and maybe make you feel as glad about it as we do. Two of the swellest kids on this campus celebrated their first anniversary (of their meeting, that is) simply by eating lunch at the Carolina Inn last Tuesday. It was exactly a year ago that Fran Angus by some stroke of fate got into one of the long cafeteria lines right behind Hank Beebe. Two things developed—proof that all Carolina men who like to talk to coeds in lines aren't wolves at heart—and also a fraternity pin that has made Fran's brown eyes twinkle all the more.

SIGNED PETITIONS requesting the reopening of the Emerson Scuttlebutt keep rolling into the Student Government office. Looks as if sentiment on the matter is pretty strong. One aspect of the question that nobody's mentioned is that coeds just out of gym classes found it mighty handy last year to drop in for a coke to lend them enough energy to get the rest of the way home.

THE CAROLINA DOG Foundation has done its good deed for the week and its members want you to know about it! They took the little brown and white spotted pup seen limping around campus with a hurt foot to the veterinarian for a bit of first aid.

THE ONLY unhappy Gaw-jans aren't in the Peach State today. There are a few left right here at the Hill, but their song of woe is that they couldn't get away for the game—frinstance Ann Chandler from Macon—or, as the folks from South Georgia would say—Mecken.

BY THE WAY, if you have anything you'd like to contribute to this rat race, there's a hook crying for copy in the front office of the Daily Tar Heel. Typed items are not required; although please don't leave anything in Chinese brail. We have no Rosetta stones available at present.

IF THERE'S such a celebrity as Oscar Hammerstein's son on campus, for goodness sakes, let's hear more about him. Sound and Fury, we hear, is already rounding up bloodhounds to send out on the chase.

IN TOWN: Since the Daily Tar Heel is now devoting a large percentage of its space to Chapel Hill current events, with complete coverage within 24 hours, we thought we'd give you town people a listing on the new special reduced rates. A one year subscription (four quarters, or about 220 papers) \$2.40; and one week (six papers), \$.25. The papers will be delivered before 7:30 a.m. daily except Monday.

THE FIRE ALARM Friday that attracted a smattering of neighbors and a few students who were looking for some sort of excitement to make up for not going to Georgia turned out to be no more than a pile of cook books and kitchen utensils that the folks at 507 Franklin Street probably didn't need anyway. There was one good page left in the collection—one with a recipe for North Carolina pumpkin pie; so maybe the family can thrive on that for a while.

HARRY FREMB was seen trotting around town in all the rain this week quite nonchalantly in raincoat, cap, and bare feet. When Betsy Brunk asked him what the score on the feet was, he laughed and replied, "Just don't forget I'm from Florida."



These Days

The Essentials Of Power

By George E. Sokolsky

Six factors enter into the accumulation of power: coal, iron, oil, aluminum, uranium, manpower. Those who possess these or who have ready access to them possess political and economic power. The United States is the greatest power because, as of this moment, she possesses the readiest access to and utilization of coal, iron, oil, and aluminum (although her stores of bauxite are not great). The United States has the best access to uranium (in Canada.) While her manpower is not equal to that of Soviet Russia or China, it is more mobile, more facile, capable of greater productivity.

The only country which can, at this moment in history, challenge the United States is Soviet Russia. Rich in coal, oil and iron, with easy access to bauxite—and therefore an aluminum potential—Soviet Russia exceeds the United States in manpower. It may be roughly estimated that with her satellites in Europe and Asia, Soviet Russia now has a population of close to 250,000,000. Should the Communists take over China, this figure would be stupendous.

It is interesting that in 1939, 38,000,000 Soviet citizens lived in Asia. As Robert Strausz-

Hupe says in his "The Balance of Tomorrow": "...The development of industries in the shelter of the Urals, beyond the reach of hostile European powers, and the strengthening of the Asiatic border regions, have dominated the strategic thinking of the Soviet regime since its earliest days. Industrialization and mechanization of agriculture in Russian Asia set in motion mass migration not only from the land to the towns but also from densely settled rural regions of Russian Europe. When the Red Army fell back before the German invader, it shielded the withdrawal of many war-important industries. Whole plants, together with their skilled personnel, were moved to Asia. In addition, millions of people uprooted by the war, villages with their livestock, skilled workers, Jews from the border regions, and the forcibly evacuated Volga Germans streamed eastward..."

This process has continued since the end of the war. Vast numbers of Germans, Austrians, Hungarians have been moved into Siberia where in the homeland of Genghis Kahn and Timur Lenk a new world is being created—a slave world of peoples of mixed blood. In this new world, a race will come into being that has never known Europe, never known Western civilization, never known Christianity, never known freedom. Against the utilization of such power for the subjection of the world stands only the United States with its superior utilization of coal, iron, oil, aluminum and uranium. But with smaller manpower.

Those who speak of One World, of a federation of nations (whether by name of World Federalist or any other), ignore that this is not an age of peace; we are at the historical moment of the rise or fall of one of the greatest and most ruthless imperialistic powers man has ever known. This power is Soviet Russia and it also possesses more manpower than any imperialism has ever held in all human history. This power will either subject all mankind to itself or it will be destroyed. (Copyright, 1948, King Features Syndicate, Inc.)

CPU Roundtable

Why Present Inflation?

The first CPU roundtable discussion for this fall quarter is scheduled tonight at 8 o'clock in the Grail Room of Graham Memorial. Students and town-people, CPU members and visitors, will come to express and hear expressed some facts and opinions, on a political and economic question that is of vital concern to every one: "Why present-day inflation?" The "what" as well as the "who" may be considered in attempting to name the reasons for the present state of the American economy. There is a divergence of views that can proceed from the same assumptions, as well as highly contradictory assumptions with which to begin in the first place. The question may be asked, is our so-called present-day inflation something to worry about, anything which is really harmful? If this can be answered with affirmative assurance (and there is room for doubt), apportionment of responsibility and naming of villains for the deplorable state of affairs should follow.

Some will provide this explanation. The basic contradiction of our social system is to be found in the fact that wealth produced by large numbers of workers in mines,

mills, and factories falls into the hands of the owner of these mines, mills and factories. The wealth is then distributed in accordance with the needs of the people. The problem of inflation in our country must be studied in the light of this fundamental fact. . . Eventually the roof falls in. . . It can be seen from this that the working people will NOT be responsible for the oncoming crisis of "over-production," a crisis the immediate cause of which will be the inability of the great majority of people to buy the things which have been produced. . . To say that anybody who points out where the greed of the owning class is taking us is unpatriotic is to say that patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel.

On the other side of the roundtable, however, will likely be someone who will have no patience or respect for the preceding assertions, one who emphatically embraces this "selfish and greedy profit system," with the acknowledgement that it can and should be made less greedy and less selfish. His reasoned comment will be, thus it becomes evident that the problem is too complex for us

to put the major blame on one factor or one group with any degree of certainty. To do this would be merely to speculate—and in the final analysis that depends largely on our political inclinations and upon just whom we are willing to believe.

The Democrat may point with glee to the Republican 80th Congress, and recall that the president of NAM told a Congressional committee in 1946 (rather prematurely) that "the danger of inflation comes from OPA. If OPA is finally dead . . . prices of autos may be expected to reach normal within six months while rents might take at least a year." GOP stalwarts can then handily recall that President Truman once remarked, out loud, that price controls were the methods of the police state, and a few months later exhorted the Republican Congress to maintain price controls so as to protect our democratic institutions with a strong and stable economy.

There is some factual evidence that should be presented in this matter; it may be possible to generate more light than heat.

Write Away

'Based On Reaction'

Editor:

To the members of the "States' Rights Democrats": I had better state my position first. I am a Southerner, born and raised in the South, and have no greater interest than the welfare of the South. I do not feel, however, that this aim can best be realized by joining an organization that is based on reaction, oppression, and maintenance of the "status quo" regardless of the cost to the individual. If loyalty to the South means that these policies must be accepted as goals, then I am not a "loyal" Southerner.

Far too long, in my opinion, has the Northern Democratic Party put up with eccentricities of their Southern brothers. The Longs and the Talmarges (now again in power), the Bilbos and the Rankins, with their filibusters and their ridiculous prejudices, have degraded all the true Southerner stands for. We—at least some of us—seem to fail to realize that by improving the standard of living of the lowest income group we will raise it for all of us. To step on the Negro—and that is exactly what Thurmond, in the final analysis, stands for—is an example of bigotry and shortsightedness seldom equalled in the world's history! Perhaps, although there seems to be no statistical basis for the fact, we are superior to the Negro, but certainly as a race they have never been offered any opportunity to try themselves, and conviction without trial is not part of the "democratic principles of Jefferson".

"The Democratic Party in the last few years"—by which I suppose the period under Franklin Roosevelt is meant—has not, to my mind "fallen into the hands of a few power-mad (Northern) politicians." On the contrary, it has brought to this country, for one of the few times since 1860, a government interested in the welfare of the common man. Perhaps by now the national Party has become so sick of its reactionary Southern component that it was perfectly willing to split. They, as I, stand for States' Rights, but perhaps they feel that after the continual squawking for the last 150 years or more about states rights, coupled with the failure, in the South to use these rights for the good of their people, it is high time for somebody to do something to stir us to a little action.

I address this letter not only to "States Righters" but also to the thinking voters of the campus, asking them to consider the entire subject, override their instilled Southern prejudices, and cast their ballots in the only intelligent way—not for Mr. Thurmond and reaction, but the only way that will lead to the ultimate improvement of the South.

Name Withheld

Plug For Pearson

Editor:

What ever became of Drew Pearson's column which appeared regularly in the DTH last year? Pearson was a first-rate columnist and he had something new and interesting to say every day.

This mediocre joker, George E. Sokolsky, who takes Pearson's place is a sad substitute. It takes a notable spirit of charity and compassion for me to rate him as high as the poor-to-middling class. So far he has offered DTH readers nothing more than a series of boring tirades against the Democratic administration and some warmed-over cliches from the less inspired Republican political orators.

Speaking for myself and for everyone else who has expressed any opinion on the subject, I would like very much to see Pearson back. Why print a poor column when a good one is available?

Henry Adams

(Editor's Note: Sokolsky is the first of three nationally syndicated columnists whose work will be sampled during the full quarter. The column which meets with the most general approval will then be continued for the rest of the year. We will appreciate comments either favorable or unfavorable, upon all columnists.)

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HORIZONTAL

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- camel's-hair fabric
- odor
- rage
- clip
- one to whom bequest is made
- deputy
- wild ass
- headliner
- ogee molding
- small sturgeon
- maxim
- brave
- tough wood
- of a plane surface
- god of flocks
- raise
- senior
- common
- shore
- tart
- element of food

VERTICAL

- grassplot
- cereal grass
- fresh
- helmsman
- battleground
- imperial
- feeler
- catafalque
- simian
- winged
- esteem
- extend beyond
- chess pieces
- science
- astir
- place of another
- scent
- age
- denary
- hill nymph
- unit of work
- shelter
- sea cow
- rebuke
- recount
- leather (skeepkin)
- mare
- odorless gas in the air
- setting
- cast
- shred
- through

Answer to Saturday's puzzle.

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