

America's Going To Vote Herself Over The 'Brink'

Not many people are going to stay up all night tonight, unless it's to check on United Nations proceedings.

The election is in the bag, most people predict Dwight Eisenhower and Richard Nixon will be retained in office for another four years. Adlai Stevenson and Estes Kefauver will start looking for other jobs, and the Democratic Party will start searching for a 1960 candidate.

A majority of the national polls confirm this. Barbershop talk confirms it, and radio commentators and newspaper columnists agree. Franklin St. gossip all has it that Eisenhower will win by a larger majority than he pulled in 1952.

There has been a large shift in support from Stevenson to Eisenhower in the past few days. A lot of it comes from people who don't want to change horses on the brink—who would think it highly unwise to put Stevenson in while the world is bubbling over with hatred and gunfire. Those people will not admit that Ike's apparent inability to do something fast when something needed doing fast is partially responsible for the world's hanging on the brink right now.

There has been a steady shift in support from Stevenson to Eisenhower during the past few months. Stevenson, as The New York Times' James Reston pointed out in a column written from Chapel Hill, has lost favor from the intellectuals who thumped tubs for him four years ago. They still will vote for him today, but their coffee-shop arguments over the past few weeks have lost enthusiasm and energy.

A lot of the younger voters will be voting for Eisenhower today. A campus mock election last week showed that two more people walk like than Stevenson. Two votes is cutting the line rather thinly, but think what such a narrow margin would have meant four years ago.

We don't exactly know why the shift has come, but we are sorry it came. If Eisenhower, Nixon and Big Business win today on schedule, it will mean another four years of living on the brink.

The United States will be living on the brink of a business-run government. It will be living on the brink of war with Soviet Russia.

And the United States will be living on the brink of having Richard Nixon as President.

While it is "treacherous" and terribly nasty to comment on the

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health of the President of the United States, it is essential that we do so. The President's own doctors have not shown any awful compulsion to acquaint the public with the President's condition; they might as well be named members of the Republican National Committee.

The truth is this: If President Eisenhower dies in office, Richard Nixon will succeed him as President. And if Richard Nixon is President of these United States, we might as well make Ezra Taft Benson and Charles Wilson co-Secretaries of State.

Telephones Are Finally Getting In

So Southern Bell Telephone Co. has decided to put pay phones in men's dormitories.

The situation, which the company's Durham switchboard says is so bad, could have been relieved two months ago if pay phones had been installed originally.

But the company put in payless phones and expected second- and fourth-floor dormitory residents to walk down- or upstairs to make calls to their girlfriends and parents.

The company should have known better, and the University should have advised the company better. Very few dormitory men are going to want to hike up and down stairs to make long distance telephone calls. As long as the telephones were being installed, they should have been pay phones from the beginning.

Chalk up another checkmark to the area's inadequate telephone setup.

'Underway' Can Mean Forever

Plans for Carolina's new dormitories are underway, a news story reports.

That would be wonderful news if those plans hadn't been "underway" for more than a year.

It was more than a year ago when the University asked for and got permission to ask the government for a loan with which to construct three new men's dormitories and a new wing for Spencer women's dormitory.

The University asked for and got \$2 million from the federal government. That, also, was a year ago.

The University started work on plans for the dormitories. At one point South Building said construction probably would start at Christmas. That was last Christmas.

A shovel hasn't hit the ground yet.

Last spring plans for the dormitories were "underway." South Building was exhibiting proudly a scale model of the dormitories, and the men and coeds stacked three-in-a-room were close to seeing that wonderful day when they could turn a book's pages without elbowing their roommates.

But today, Nov. 6, 1956, the contract hasn't even been let.

The plans aren't even completed.

All of this goes on while the dormitories are getting fuller, while the Victory Village waiting list gets ridiculously long, and while room-rent prices in town are getting higher and higher.

On the matter of dormitory space, the University has let her students down most. The situation has passed the point when it could be described as a "crying need." It is in the screaming, hollering stage.

And nothing keeps being done about it.

YOU Said It:

Election Day Arguments Pro And Con

Editor: In response to Cortland Edwards' political exhortation, arrogantly entitled "A Northern View," permit the present author, an Ohioan, to make reply.

Education: After receiving his B. S. from West Point, Eisenhower's graduate work was undertaken at such institutions as the "Infantry Tank School" and the "Army War College."

Health: The probability of recurrence of ileitis and of heart failure is in both cases greater than 50 percent for a man of Eisenhower's age.



EISENHOWER ... another four years ...

ficial doctors have repeatedly deceived the public about his health, never mentioning his twenty-year history of ileitis attacks until it could no longer be hidden.

"Welfare" and Finances: Eisenhower is a richer man than Stevenson, due primarily to his profit from sales of Crusade in Europe. In turn, these profits were increased tremendously because Eisenhower chose to report his income as capital gains rather than as personal income (on which taxes are much greater).

Government: Stevenson's job with Henry Wallace was in the AAA where Wallace's universally recognized agricultural achievement was being wisely utilized. (By the way, Wallace recently announced he's voting for Ike.) As for Hiss, Stevenson had no choice but to testify that Hiss' reputation was excellent. It is an undeniable fact that it was, and to have to have testified otherwise would have been to lie.

Farmer Stevenson's farm program is, admittedly, weak; but so is the Soil Bank, which instead of removing fertile land from cultivation, has turned in to a political maneuver to give doles to farmers suffering from drought.

Enough rebuttal; now for the attack! James Reston wrote last

week in The New York Times that "the United States has lost control of events in areas vital to its security."

One of the three reasons for the breakdown of the Western Alliance is "the psychological reaction in Britain and France to ... the personality and diplomacy of Secretary of State Dulles ... The President cannot believe it, but the testimony here (Washington) of well-informed men is almost unanimous that (of policy reversals) that have slowly created a kind of crisis on confidence in Western Big Three diplomacy ... Reporters have been sending reams of copy out of hers for many months about this decline of United States influence overseas, while the President has been proclaiming that Washington's influence was higher than ever before ... The plain truth is that the British and French ... came to the conclusion that Mr. Dulles' policy in the Middle East ... has been a failure ..."

Dulles and Eisenhower have brought us to another brink. Shallowly they try to cover up by claiming the United States is helpless in opposing the buildup of Russian troops now reported encircling Budapest, just as it actually had no control over the beginning, continuing, or end of the revolt there.

Adlai Stevenson, over a year ago, proposed a policy for maintaining peace in the Middle East and was ignored, while Eisenhower permitted the policy of alternate wooing and spurning Nasser to go forth. We're reaping our crop now.

Should we, in this crisis, change horses in the middle of the stream? Yes, if the horse, through blindness, through lack of direction, through unstable legs (policies) has carried us against our will into the stream of world crisis. Remember this, today.



STEVENSON ... or will Democrats return?

The Big Republican Golf Game

Editor: Actions speak louder than words. Nero fiddled while Rome burned. Eisenhower practiced putting, Wednesday, on the White House lawn while bombs were falling on Cairo, Alexandria, and other places in the Middle East.

This is not a condemnation of President Eisenhower for taking a few minutes off to relax during the heat of this crisis, but is rather indicative of the administration's attitude during the past four years when Dulles and Co. were out "golfing," and finally succeeded in getting the U. S. in the hole.

In the four years of the Eisenhower administration, the Dept. has succeeded in alienating the United States' closest allies, giving the Russians the initiative in exploiting the resource-rich Middle East, and finally succeeding to align itself with Russia in the UN in regard to Middle Eastern matters.

True, the situation was troubled in 1952, but at that time there was no crisis, no imminent war. Perhaps the only troubled area was Israel, and at that time the U. S. was firmly unified with Great Britain and France in guaranteeing the territorial integrity of the state of Israel as well as

a neutral status toward the Arab group.

The situation looks different now. The U. S. no longer guarantees territorial integrity for Israel and has led that country to pursue a rash course in protection of its territory against the encroachments of the Arab nations.

Moreover, the U. S. has lost control of its allies, who last week stated quite unequivocally that they want no more of U. S. advice in Middle East matters—this coming on the heels of a John Foster Dulles announcement that there was all sweetness and harmony between the viewpoints of Britain, France, and the U. S.

Further, the U. S. has lost the initiative in Egypt. It is Russian tanks, planes, and ammunition that are now annihilating many Israeli soldiers. It is a Russian alliance with Egypt that provided for the seizure of the Suez, and this was only made possible by the bungling of Mr. Dulles in his dealings with Egypt.

It is no longer true that the U. S. is the guidepost of the free nations of the world, and this is a sorry state when two nations of the Communist world have, with success, struggled to attain a measure of freedom and now can look to no one for guidance.

It is probably good that this happened in an election year, because it is now up to the people of the U. S. to choose between those policies that led to this conflict and loss of leadership, and a fresh approach, more international in its outlook, one that promises to utilize to the fullest extent the UN and other forms of international cooperation.

Eisenhower said Wednesday that the U. S. will "take no action" in the Middle Eastern situation. This is a characteristic statement of the past four years

of Republican administration, which Adlai Stevenson, in a televised speech Thursday night, called "bankrupt" of ideas towards the Middle East situation.

The Republicans' standard of "Peace, Prosperity, and Progress" has been changed radically to "strife, inflation and ideological bankruptcy." Now, more than in 1952, it's time for a change.

But, of course, if the electorate insists we will continue to go "golfing" with the rest of our allegiances, our national status, and most important, human life.

Parking Problems Not Limited To Students

By Wally Kuralt
The Chapel Hill fire department has an interesting problem on its hands.

In 1921 a new fire truck was purchased, one still in use. It is 14 feet long. Then, in '42 a 19 footer was added to the unit. In 1953, a monstrous 21', \$10,000 truck came to the department, and a new 16'6" 1956 model was added last year, a total of 4 trucks.

The 14' truck is parked be-

hind the 21 footer, the 16 1/2 footer behind the 19' truck.

The problem is this: The garage in which they are parked is 35' in length. A little quick arithmetic shows the problem. The front bumper of one truck is extended over the rear bumper of another.

There is no room to get between the trucks, and little room on the sides.

Even the firemen have a parking problem.

Pogo



Li'l Abner



Vote Will Signify Satisfaction

Editor: The coming national election has not only the United States, but the entire political world voicing varied opinions in loud and determined voices. Even Russia's Bulganin has tried to get in on the Ike-Adlai race by saying that Stevenson's "No H-bomb test" plan is fine with him in a somewhat nosy note from the Kremlin.

He is not alone in his external interest in our internal affairs. This serves to point out just how vital this election is to the world, and how important it is to see that the right candidate is elected.

Unfortunately, for the Adlai Democrats, Bulganin's note will count but little this fall for the loudest voice of all is still the voice of the people of these United States.

Experts predict a less than large turnout at the polls this year; but this staying away is a voice of preference. It is a dissatisfied man who goes to the polls. The contented voter, for the most part, tends to let his '52 vote ride—he wants no change.

This expected small percentage of votes shouts the satisfaction that is found in the present administration. The anti-Ike vote which does not turn up will be primarily composed of three types of voters: (1) the man in the South whose grandfather voted Democrat, therefore, he will; (2) the man who has swallowed the trite, groundless propaganda against Nixon; and (3) the type of idealist who sees Stevenson's little white cloud of "end the draft and no more H-bomb tests" as a solution to all our problems.

Of the first type we can say nothing any better than Emerson's comment that "it is a consistency that is the hobgoblin of little minds."

The second type of Democrat voter mentioned is one who is an intellectual coward. He saves his mind a little work by simply accepting the party line of Nixon rather than seeing the facts, or looking for them and then forming his own view point.

This voter can very rarely say just why his is anti-Nixon, because all he knows is that the Democratic party says so. One man said of Nixon recently "He just looks like a crook to me." This is a prime example of a mental midget. He neglects the fact that no one has yet claimed or collected the reward offered by House Minority leader Joe Main for proof of the slander being spread against the Vice-President.

As to the third type—well, let's hope there aren't many people over 21 years in this country who are unrealistic enough to fall for that line.

The military leaders who have long protected us and planned our strategy are no doubt worried about this vote-getting scheme.

Is this no-arms idea of Adlai's typical of the Democrat's master statesman? Perhaps such schemes show why statesman Stevenson was unable to carry his own home state in 1952.

The only Democrat issue, other than blaming everything on the poor man G.O.P., seems to be their cry "We are for labor and the poor man while the Republicans are the friends of the capitalists and big business," which they scream from their carnival barker soap boxes.

Let me say here that Stevenson filed tax on three quarters of a million dollars in 1952 and has an annual income of over \$50,000. Kefauver has inherited generations of wealth. Senator Kennedy (Mass.) is a millionaire—Harriman is the richest man ever to seek nomination for the Presidency. Are we to believe these men are against themselves, big business?

Dick Nixon worked his way thru school. His father was a small grocer. Eisenhower struggled his way off a small farm and has worked for everything he has, not inherited it. These men know the problems of small business and the little man more than the money Democrats ever could or ever will.

Even Gov. Hodges, Democrat, cries out in the papers daily for "big business" or industry to come into North Carolina. Is this a contradiction?

The Democrats are still trying to ride on their previous claim of Utopian prosperity under the late regime. In 1939, the Democrats had increased the National debt by \$23,000,000 of deficit spending.

There were nine million people unemployed. The only real prosperity they gave us came as a result of the 2nd World War boom; and wartime prosperity is not prosperity.

Ike has given us not a national debt, but a balanced budget. Not unemployment, but a new record high in employment. Above all, this administration has curbed inflation, countermanded Harry Truman's comedy of errors and given us peace time prosperity.

The Demos and Adlai claim that small business are failing. They are, but there is a simple answer. Prosperity means more money in circulation and more money for all. More money means more small businesses are begun. Naturally more enterprises mean more failures. A greater number, yes, but not a greater percentage.

Adlai is unreliable as well as impractical in his policies, both foreign and domestic. He has given no valid reasons why he should be made President of the United States.

Can we oust our great leader in the White House in favor of an ex-governor, known to be unpopular in his own home state? Can we exchange a millionaire of inherited wealth in favor of a self made man?

Can we trust a man who has changed even his religion, from Unitarian in 1952 to Protestant in 1956, for his political career? Can we oust a man with many years of military service and a glorious record for a man with little or no experience to lead us in these troubled times?

We cannot ... The President of the United States for four more years must, and will be, Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Nick Smith