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The Prospect of Divided Control

The chances are in favor of there being a Democratic majority in the Senate in the next Congress even if the Republican Presidential candidate is elected. Many of the present Democratic Senators will stay on, not being up for election this year, and most of those who do have to go before the voters are from states where Democratic victory in a contest for the Senate is assured. And the Democrats may capture one or more seats now held by Republicans. This, the political commentators say, is much more likely to happen than that Republicans will capture seats now held by Democrats.

It is different with the House of Representatives. There are no lap-over terms in the House as there are in the Senate. All members of the House have to be elected when the President is, and the party that wins the Presidency is apt to win control of the House at the same time. It could happen, however, in a close Presidential contest, that the new President would not sweep into office with him a majority of the candidates for the House. For example, suppose that Eisenhower carried Virginia and North Carolina and Texas, or two of these states, or only one, and failed to carry, or carried by a close margin, some states that he is now thought to have a better chance of carrying than any of these three; in such an event one or more states that he carried would send Democrats to Congress and so he might find himself in the White House with the opposition party in control in both chambers of the Capitol.

Writers on politics often emphasize the desirability of one party's exercising both executive and legislative control so that it will bear full responsibility for carrying out a definite program to which it is committed. This may not be as desirable in practice as it is in theory, because it may be fortunate for the country, sometimes, that a proposal from the President is rejected by Congress. Sometimes a President is elected by votes most of which are cast for him for reasons that have nothing whatever to do with an issue that he has declared to be paramount. Truman made a great to-do, in his campaign, about the Taft-Hartley law. He demanded its repeal. After he won the election the elements of the population advocating the repeal asserted loudly that the election had been a referendum on Taft-Hartley, that the Truman majority was a majority vote against the law, and that it was the duty of Congress to obey the voice of the people. The truth was, of course, that there were many factors other than his advocacy of the repeal of Taft-Hartley that contributed to Truman's victory. In fact, that was a minor factor. Only in half a dozen or so states where labor unionism was powerful did voters give much thought to what was being said about Taft-Hartley. Millions of people, specially in the non-industrial sections of the South, the Middle West, and the West, did not care a hang about Taft-Hartley one way or the other. Reflecting the opposition to repeal, or the indifference to it, Congress refused to repeal the law; and the majority in Congress in favor of retaining the law was composed of members coming from districts where they had nothing whatever to fear in the way of reprisals, from the voters, because of their stand against repeal.

One reason why Eisenhower, if elected, may be expected to get along well with Congress, regardless of which party is in control there, lies in the existence of cross-currents in both parties. There are some Democrats more in sympathy with Eisenhower's ideas than some Republicans are,

so that, in some areas of policy, he will get as much cooperation from the opposition party as he will from his own. This is notably so in the area of foreign policy; but even in domestic affairs, though each party cries to high heaven about how different its objectives are from those of the other party, it is unlikely that the welfare of the people of the United States will be affected to any discernible extent, if Eisenhower is elected, by whether the Democrats or the Republicans are in control of Congress.

The performance in Washington since the present Congress was elected in 1950 has certainly not demonstrated any impressive benefits from one-party control. In this period there has been a Democrat in the White House and the Democrats have been in control of Congress. Yet the record of the present Congress has been one of do-nothingness and general futility. There is no reason to suppose that there would not be better results from Eisenhower and a Democratic Congress than there have been from Truman and a Democratic Congress.

The Best Luck the Republicans Can Have

Ever since Governor Stevenson of Illinois was first mentioned as a possibility for the Democratic nomination for President there has been talk to the effect that he did not want to run against Eisenhower. He declared three months ago that he did not want to be a candidate for President in any case, that his only political desire was to stand for re-election as Governor of Illinois, but the Washington correspondents and other writers on politics expressed the opinion that he would permit himself to be drafted if Taft were the Republican nominee. Since the Eisenhower nomination he has reiterated his unwillingness to be a candidate and has asked that his friends not present his name to the convention. The belief persists, however, in some quarters, that if the pressure upon him to accept the nomination is really strong he will yield to it.

Counting out Russell, who, it is generally agreed, has no chance to get the nomination, Stevenson is the best qualified for the Presidency of all the potential candidates. And not only is he the best qualified for the duties of the office; also, because of his overwhelming victory in the 1948 election in Illinois, his excellent performance as Governor, and the support which he can count upon from Democratic political organizations throughout the country and from the various elements of the electorate, he is the best qualified for winning the election.

The greatest stroke of luck that the Republicans can have is for Stevenson not to be the Democratic candidate.

Home-Made Corn Proposed for ABC Stores

In "The Public Appeal," published in Durham by W. O. ("Wimpy") Jones, a former resident of Chapel Hill and a frequent visitor in the village, Mr. Jones has an article entitled "Durham Is Unprepared for Industrial Growth." He cites several evidences of this unpreparedness, among them the inadequate street system that "does a lousy job of taking care of traffic;" schools that "are inadequate to take care of any large number of extra pupils;" and insufficient housing.

"And, too," Mr. Jones continues, "if we were not so hypocritical on the liquor question, we could stop paying out millions to out-of-state liquor distillers and supply the local ABC stores—and the world—with Durham County corn—a much more desirable intoxicant than the present ABC brands."

It is indeed a ridiculous thing that North Carolina should have laws making the sale of liquor legal and other laws making the manufacture of it illegal. As Mr. Jones says, North Carolina could keep millions of its citizens' dollars at home, instead of sending them to Kentucky, Illinois, Maryland, and other states, if it permitted the liquor that is sold in ABC stores to be made in the State. If it did that, of course, brands from outside the State would not be banned. But buyers would have a choice among outside brands and home-made brands, and, as home manufacture developed, the product of North Carolina distilleries would embrace all varieties and flavors, would improve in quality, and would therefore come to be in greater and greater demand.

Despite the efforts of the officers of the law employed by the State to prevent manufacture, great quantities of corn whiskey continue to be produced in hidden stills. All Mr. Jones proposes is to make this illegal manufacture legal so that the product can be legally sold. Why not?

What Is "Old"?

In his Monroe Journal last week Roland F. Beasley called General MacArthur an "old man." General MacArthur is 72. Mr. Beasley is 81.

Somebody may suppose, at this point, that I am about to say that a man of 81 has got no business calling a man of 72 old. But I have no such thing in mind.

In the first place, if a man is old there is no reason why he should not be so described by a man who is still older. When Mr. Beasley calls General MacArthur old he is not necessarily trying to convey the idea that General MacArthur is older than he himself is. He never tries to conceal his age. In fact, he often calls attention to it. In this same piece from which I am quoting he says of ex-President Hoover: "Like the balance of us old codgers, he is looking backward, not forward."

In the second place, I say that if Mr. Beasley did call General MacArthur old because he was thinking of the General as older than himself, that was all right. Because, as has often been said by discerning persons, the count of years is not what determines whether or not a man is old. In all important respects one man may be younger at 80 than another man is at 60. One sign that a man has grown old is that he is irritated or resentful because the world is not satisfied to stay as it has been, which is the way he likes

it, instead of changing. Mr. Beasley is not at all like that. He likes to reminisce, and sometimes he extols customs and habits that flourished in his youth and are now gone with the wind, but he is not fretted by the world's moving forward. He observes change with approval, smilingly. He even embraces change. I notice that in his latest piece he uses the word, recipe. I'd be willing to lay a good-sized bet that he grew up saying receipt, as I did and as I believe all old-timers in North Carolina did. Recipe, meaning directions for the preparation of food, is a relative newcomer in the language. "Cakes made of flour and honey according to the family receipt," wrote Sir Walter Scott. Many years later Wilkie Collins wrote of receipts for puddings and pies. And it was not until a long time after his day that receipt gave way to recipe.

Jonathan Daniels has on the News and Observer a stable of young reporters who apply the word old to anybody over 40. Maybe that's not solely because they are themselves young. Maybe it is partly because they are influenced by the standards that prevail in the world of sport. Jersey Joe Walcott, the prize fight champion; Satchel Page, the pitcher; Country Slaughter, the slugging outfielder—they are all well below 50, yet they are commonly talked about as being old.

I'm not trying to dictate who shall not be called old—with one exception. Don't, anybody, call Roland F. Beasley old.

Sergeant Stanley Peele Returns from Korean Battlefield

The following letter is from the public information office at Camp Stoneham, California:

To the Editor:

Sergeant Stanley Peele, who served with the 35th Regimental Combat Team on the Korean front, has just arrived here from Korea.

A squad leader of the Counterfire Platoon of his regiment, he had a unique experience in that he taught a complete platoon how to operate.

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Stan Peele was a resident

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TV NEWSREEL

By W. J. OGBURN, JR.

Religion is finding an important asset in television. We don't know exactly how many religious programs are on the air in the country, but the National Council of Churches of Christ and Protestant Broadcasting and Film Commission is responsible alone for more than 1,000 programs a year. Dr. Ronald Bridges, executive director of the Commission, not only supervises filmed religious programs for individual stations throughout the country but also oversees TV workshops for ministers in which clergymen are trained in the technique of putting on interesting and informative programs.

TV receivers are sometimes put to peculiar uses, but one of the oddest is attributed to Jimmy Dykes, volatile manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, who gets kicked out of more baseball games than any other manager. When Dykes gets chased out by the umpires, he heads for a TV set in his office under the Shibe Park stands so he can see what's going on up on the field! . . .

TV names in the news: Whenever Kate Smith makes a personal appearance tour she always starts out in Washington, D. C. She considers it her good luck town because she made her first personal appearance there . . . singing in a church choir at the age of four.

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Pay Cut for Faculty

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 such a big drop in enrollment. Just as many courses are offered as last year, but the classes are smaller.

By the usual formula, a University faculty member receives for teaching in a summer term one sixth of his regular annual salary. The present cut is to one eighth. Thus, for example, a person who counted on getting \$800 for a summer term is getting \$600.

Regular academic-year salaries are not affected because these are paid out of the State appropriation.

The cut takes summer salaries back to pre-war levels. This is the first year since 1945 when it has been necessary to put the pre-war levels into effect. After the war the flooding-in of veterans pushed the enrollment up.

Mr. Phillips says the cut presents a rather serious morale problem. But, he says, faculty members were notified several times that if enrollment dropped salaries would have to be cut.

There is one more week of the first summer term. The second term began yesterday.

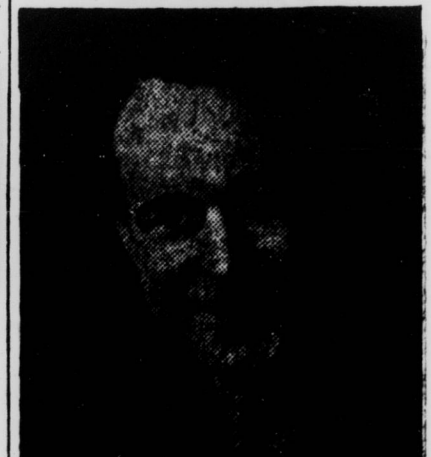
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