

"I Will Not Vote For A Label!"

Governor James F. Byrnes of South Carolina
Governor Allan Shivers of Texas

No more loyal Democrats live today than South Carolina's Governor Byrnes and Texas' Governor Shivers.

Governor Byrnes was Director of War Mobilization under President Roosevelt and Secretary of State in the Cabinet of President Truman. In the statements appearing below they tell why they cannot support the Stevenson-Sparkman ticket and why they will support Dwight D. Eisenhower.

TAFT-HARTLEY LAW

Stevenson's Position Said Governor Byrnes: (In statement issued September 18) "At the Convention (in Chicago) I called attention to the fact he (Stevenson) had announced he was opposed to the repeal of the Taft-Hartley Law and favored only amending it. Mr. Truman has advocated the repeal of the law and on Labor Day Governor Stevenson changed his position and joined the President in advocating repeal."

Eisenhower's Position "Before the Republican National Convention General Eisenhower said he was opposed to the repeal of the Taft-Hartley Law. Political pressure has been exerted to cause him to change his views. But on Wednesday he told the American Federation of Labor Convention in New York he would not change his position."

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Stevenson's Position "On the issue of the Fair Employment Practices Act, Governor Stevenson in the past expressed the opinion such legislation was a matter for the States and not the Federal Government."

"Now Candidate Stevenson says *** he favors compulsory federal legislation with a provision that should a State fail to enact and enforce an adequate state law, then the federal law would apply. Of course, the adequacy would have to be determined by some bureaucrat in Washington. *** No Southern State would enact an FEPC law. Therefore, Mr. Stevenson's compulsory federal law would apply to every Southern State."

Sparkman's Position "I read what Senator Sparkman, the Democratic Candidate for Vice-President, said to his constituents two years ago, that he had always been against the civil rights bill and 'always will be'. Now he says his views are exactly like those of Mr. Stevenson who favors all of the civil-rights program."

Eisenhower's Position "Before the Republican Convention General Eisenhower announced he was opposed to compulsory federal legislation on this subject. In spite of all the political pressures that have been brought to bear on him, he stands by his conviction."

"UNLIMITED DEBATE"

Stevenson's Position (Note: "Unlimited debate" has been employed by Southern Senators many times in the past to prevent obnoxious compulsory federal legislation. It could be our only protection against FEPC and other sectional legislation aimed against the South.)—"At first Governor Stevenson declared it would be a very dangerous doctrine to limit debate in a democracy. He was right. But recently he has changed his position on this issue. He now states that while he could not make the decision, as President he would use all of his influence to 'encourage Congress' to put an end to unlimited debate."

"His statement is almost as dangerous as the proposal itself. *** A President has great influence. *** He has unlimited appointments at his disposal. *** A President has no more right to use his influence to force a change in the rules of the Senate than he has to use such influence to force a change in the rules of the United States Courts."

STEVENSON IS TRUMAN'S CANDIDATE

"Mr. Stevenson is permitting President Truman to share the role of candidate. Only a few weeks ago Mr. Truman said he (Truman) was the 'key to the campaign'. The press associations carried this statement: 'Explaining what he meant by being the key to the campaign (Truman said the Democratic Party has to run on the record of the Roosevelt and Truman Administrations. That is all it can run on.'"

"From this statement Mr. Stevenson did not dissent."

"*** Governor Stevenson could have politely but firmly stated that the President was not the key to his campaign. *** He did not do so. Now the President prepares to take over the campaign actively with Mr. Stevenson's approval and at the expense of the Democratic Party."

SAME CROWD WILL RUN THINGS

"Two of the President's assistants employed at the White House have been assigned to Governor Stevenson's headquarters reportedly to aid in the preparation of speeches. They serve as representatives of the President at Stevenson's headquarters. Among Stevenson's assistants and advisers are leaders of the Americans for Democratic Action, an organization whose leaders advocate many proposals of a socialistic nature."

"Should Governor Stevenson be elected he would be under great obligation to President Truman, to labor leaders, the Americans for Democratic Action and other pressure groups. Mr. Truman and the leaders of these groups will call upon Mr. Stevenson to retain in office the bureaucrats who have been running the Government for the last eight years."

"They will argue that to make a change will reflect upon the present Administration. Mr. Stevenson would be under such obligations to them for their political and financial support he would have to continue the policies and retain the bureaucrats of the present Administration."

"*** If you want more of the Truman Administration, you should vote for Governor Stevenson. If you have had enough, you should vote for General Eisenhower."

EISENHOWER IS A STATESMAN AND A SOLDIER

"As Director of War Mobilization and later as Secretary of State, I knew General Eisenhower intimately. He is a statesman as well as a soldier. He is a man of decision and of courage. He loves people and is considerate always of the viewpoint of the average man."

"*** But for us the question is which one is the best qualified during the fateful days ahead of us to make the great decisions that will be demanded of a President."

"*** In the crisis confronting us world leadership has been thrust upon us. For President we must have a world leader. No living American has greater prestige with the freedom-loving people of the world. The Soviets denounce him but the Soviet leaders have a fearful respect for him."

"The men who actually fought in the war are most opposed to war. I think General Eisenhower could do more than any living American to bring about an end to the war in Korea and prevent our stumbling into another World War."

"Upon the cessation of hostilities in Korea, it will be necessary to determine where to reduce military expenditures while still maintaining adequate defense. Because of his broad experience, General Eisenhower is superbly qualified for that task. I have confidence in his pledge to see that waste is stopped and expenditures reduced. That will reduce taxes and let a man take home more money in his pay envelope."

DEMOCRATS WANTED HIM AS CANDIDATE FOUR YEARS AGO

"General Eisenhower is not an office seeker. Four years ago many Democratic leaders urged him to accept the Democratic nomination for President. He declined. One year ago Democratic leaders again were urging him to seek the Democratic nomination. But he had convictions. He had the courage of his convictions. He believed there should be a change in Washington and he sought the Republican nomination. He resigned his commission in the Army to become a candidate because it was a call to duty."

"I SHALL NOT VOTE FOR A LABEL"

"If those Democrats who favored his nomination four years ago should vote against him now solely because he calls himself a Republican, surely they will be voting for a label and not for principles or for the man they believe best qualified."

"I shall not vote for a label. I shall do what I have heretofore urged others to do. I shall place loyalty to my country above loyalty to a political party and I shall vote for General Dwight D. Eisenhower."

OTHER SOUTHERN STATES IN REVOLT

South Carolina has been joined in open revolt against the Truman dominated Stevenson ticket by Louisiana, Texas and other Southern States. We quote from speech of Governor Shivers of Texas, delivered recently before the Texas State Democratic Convention, and from his statement made shortly thereafter:

"These things we have been fighting against (corruption, communism, FEPC, socialism, etc.) are rolled up in a single package and plainly labeled 'Trumanism'. I want to see an end of 'Trumanism' in this nation, and, thank God, I think the majority of the people of Texas feel the same way about it."

"I come before you today as one who has fought as hard as he knows how against a trend in our Federal Government that is leading us toward socialism."

"I have done my best to make the voice of Texas heard against corruption, ineptness, and inefficiency in high places, against infiltration of communists into high government positions, against an unstable and stalemated foreign policy—against an increasing taxing and spending policy—against a new and dangerous doctrine of paramount rights under which, if you please, this government can take the property of individuals and States without just compensation as guaranteed under the Constitution."

"I am a Democrat and I intend to always be a Democrat, but at the same time I hope I will never be so blind as to vote against the best interests of my State and Nation for the sake of a party label. Stevenson is too closely associated with the Truman crowd to be able to clean up that mess in Washington. I will vote for Texas born Dwight D. Eisenhower for President of the United States."

The Texas Democratic Convention went on record as recommended that "every Democrat vote and work for the election of Dwight D. Eisenhower for President."

THIS IS THE YEAR OF DECISION!

If we are ever to get rid of Trumanism and all that it stands for, it must be done now. Another four years and it may well be too late!

Moore County Eisenhower-Nixon Club

CHAS. S. PATCH, Jr., Chairman

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There will be an Eisenhower-Nixon Rally Thursday Night, October 30, at the Southern Pines High School Auditorium.