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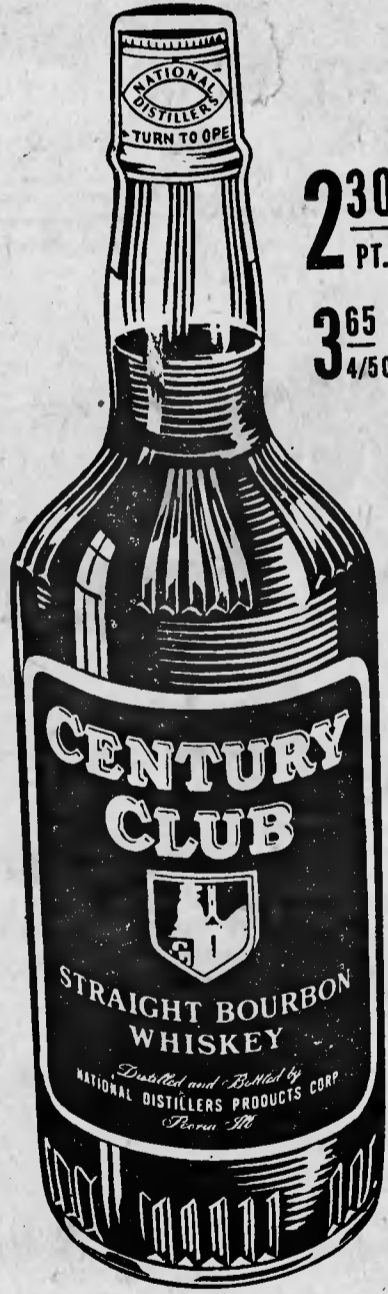
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No Bill of Sale Given, And No Receipt, When Men Buy Influence In Gov't

Editor Analyzes "Soupy Whine" Of Senator Nixon

We have been asked by several persons to republish the following article by North Carolina's senior newspaper editor, a conservative and respected commentator on public affairs who speaks from a thorough grounding in events of the past. Mr. Beasley is the longtime editor of the Monroe Journal. He is the uncle of John Beasley of Southern Pines, editor and publisher of the Moore County News, in which this article appeared.

BY R. F. BEASLEY

James G. Blaine, Republican nominee for President in 1884, missed election by a fraction over

a thousand votes, which turned New York over to Cleveland and thus made him president. Blaine was known as a shifty politician even for that time. His moral obtuseness was somewhat like that now being displayed by Senator Richard Nixon, nominee for vice-president. Roscoe Conkling, powerful Republican leader of New York, was asked to defend Blaine from attacks on his record. He replied that he could not do that because he had retired from criminal practice.

When the Bank of the United States, one of the most corrupt things in the history of the United States, was seeking to have its charter extended, Daniel Webster wrote to it saying that if the Bank wished him to continue to fight its cause in the senate it must be more prompt in remitting its regular retaining fee.

When the great General Grant was President the thieves and rogues and influence sellers operated open and above board. General Grant himself was not corrupt. He just didn't know or much care what was going on. One man operated a stock brokerage office in the name of Grant as a partner. The rogues manipulated Grant's administration for Jay Gould and his highwaymen who cornered the gold market and produced Black Friday.

Before the rise of the Democratic machines in the big city, the Republicans conducted the machines both in the cities and the state governments. They robbed the cities and the states with equal enthusiasm. A little later when the city machines became powerful in the hands of Democrats, and the state machines remained in the hands of Republicans, the two sets of bosses and rascals cooperated in dividing the spoils.

All of this, of course, is water under the bridge. It was a part of the times and the lack of public conscience in leaders and the powerlessness of the people. The first world war was equal to that which followed the civil war. The Republicans had hounded Woodrow Wilson to his death and the first man they elected to the presidency permitted the coterie of highwaymen from his own state of Ohio to steal everything that was loose. He took into his cabinet a man who as senator had conducted a senate committee to the death bed of Mr. Wilson to see if he was assuming illness, or if he were ill enough to be declared incapacitated for the office. That man, Fall, sold the oil of the naval reserve for \$1,000,000 in cash delivered in a black hand bag.

All of that is also water over the dam. It is cited here only to show the falsity and the inadequacy of the speeches being prepared for General Eisenhower on the matter of corruption in government.

General Eisenhower's speech of approval and exoneration of Senator Nixon, immediately after that gentleman had made his soupy speech of confession and avoidance, was astonishing. The General showed awful bad taste in lugging in the name of the dead General Patton to compare him with the little simp who pulled the wool over his own eyes and is now pulling it over the eyes of the public. If General Eisenhower was deceived by that speech he is too confiding and simple-minded ever to fulfil his constant boast that he can and will clean up corruption. Nixon made a poor mouth and a whine intended to catch simple-minded and sympathetic people, but it should have had the opposite effect upon a man assuming the role of ethical champion.

Nixon's own explanation of his acceptance of money shows a moral obtuseness which unfits him to be vice-president. He puts himself in the class of the small fry that accepts mink coats and deep freezers and contends that it is not wrong.

The political history of this country shows, and every man familiar with it knows, that money given to a public man as this money was given to Nixon, was given, and is always given for past or prospective favors.

Such history also shows that it is seldom necessary, and rarely takes place, that specific things or deeds or times or places are mentioned. That is not necessary. The oil men and the real estate men and the horse-racing millionaire who made their contributions had no reason to ask Mr. Nixon for specific favors. They are interested in matters that are constantly before Congress and knew the Senator was voting or would vote as they considered the patriotic way.

When men buy influence

R. W. Klause Rites Held At Bensalem Church

Funeral services were held at Bensalem Presbyterian church Tuesday afternoon for Robert William Klause, 52, conducted by the Rev. H. A. MacBath with burial in the church cemetery.

Mr. Klause died Sunday night at Moore County hospital after an illness of about a year. He was born in Charlotte November 20, 1899, and for many years engaged in the clothing business at Laurinburg. On his retirement a few years ago he and his wife moved to Eagle Springs where they built a home.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Bertha Frye of Moore county; three sisters, Mrs. H. L. Curlee, Lynchburg, Va.; Mrs. Luther Joyner, Norfolk, Va., and Mrs. A. G. Austin, Dallas, Tex.; two brothers, G. A. Klause and Joe Klause, Jr., of Charlotte, and his stepmother, Mrs. Joe Klause, also of Charlotte.

in the government in any branch they ask for no bill of sale and give no receipts.

In the Nixon affair, this subtle way of operation is the damned spot that will not out. If General Eisenhower does not know this, he is not well informed. The way he is treating corruption is superficial, inadequate and misleading. This is well enough for an ordinary politician but not for a warrior in shining armor being posed as a man called to service because he was above small politics and petty partisanship.

The corruption among Democrats came from two reasons. One was the after-the-war let-down and the other was because thousands were on the payrolls where dozens had been before. We do not need to excuse it any more than former periods under Republican regimes are to be excused. But we ought to tell the truth about it.

Sheriff Prepares For New Experience As 2nd Banigan Warrant Goes To N. Y.

Two Moore County warrants are now in the hands of New York City authorities for Mrs. Julie D. Banigan, former local real estate agent, and Sheriff C. J. McDonald of Carthage is anticipating with some apprehension the summons to come to New York and fetch her back.

This summons may be quite a while coming—or it may never come. However, our sheriff, who in 24 years in office has become famed as a man who fears nothing, admitted this week he is al-

ready becoming a little nervous.

In almost a quarter of a century he has had to transport many a prisoner many a mile. However, in all these years, he said, he has never had to transport a woman prisoner any distance.

He thinks it likely he will have to have a woman deputy along and is looking up the laws, to be prepared.

Following after the first war-

rant sent to New York two weeks ago, sworn out by a trustee of Brownson Memorial Presbyterian church, last week went another, that of Wayne D. Boring and wife. Both charge embezzlement in connection with a land deal.

First, though, Mrs. Banigan was to have a hearing in New York on a charge of violation of probation. Then, extradition proceedings must take place successfully. (When these were first tried, in Rhode Island, they failed, on a technicality.)

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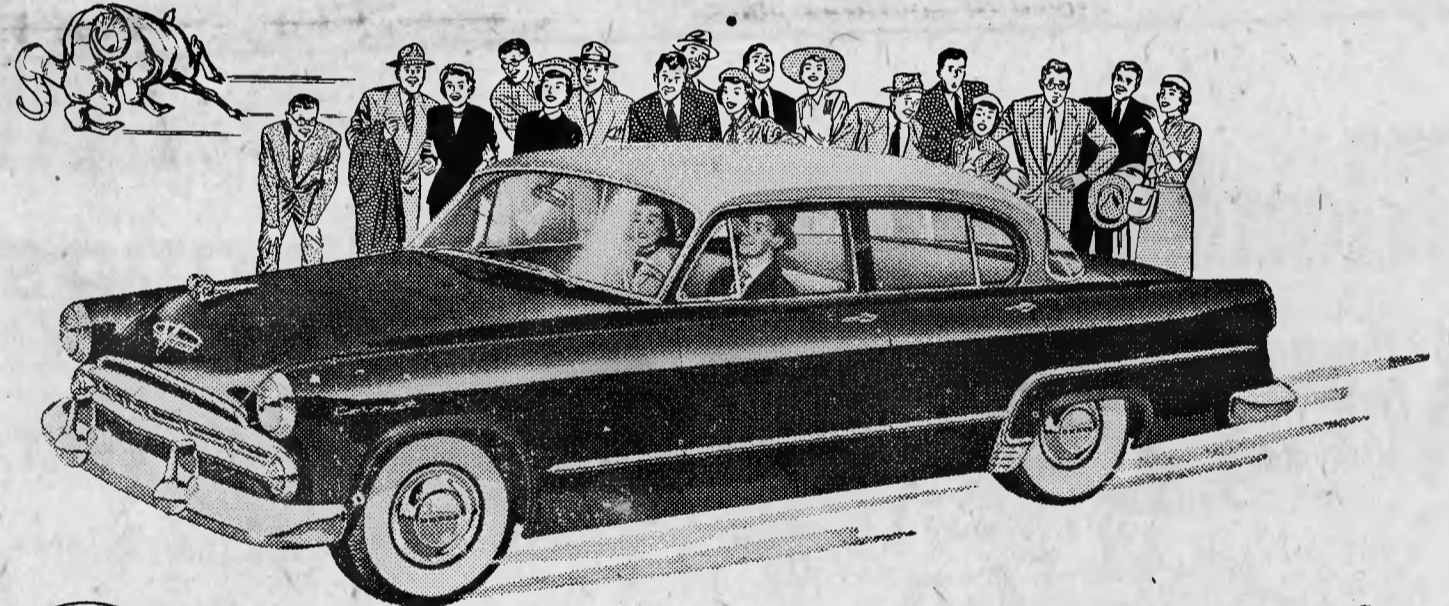
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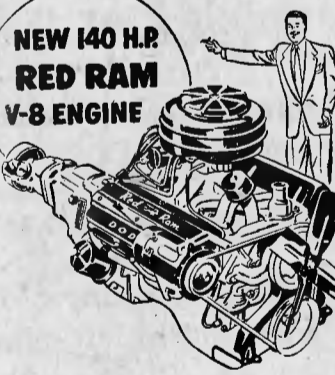
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