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OPPOSITION IN PRIMARY TALKED

Deane Refuses To Sign Segregation Manifesto



REP. C. B. DEANE

Congressman Cites Reasons For His Stand

Here is the full text of Rep. C. B. Deane's statement as to why he did not sign the "Declaration of Constitutional Principles" opposing the Supreme Court's decision against racial segregation in the schools:

"In connection with the ability of our people to live together as Americans and as fellow human beings and with reference to the question of concern that now exists, I have tried to reach a God-guided decision on this matter. "All persons, particularly we of the United States, need to work out our lives together. There is a solution to all of our problems. It is not who is right but ultimately what is right. It is my opinion that one group opposing another will not bring the answer. Instead our religious, educational, political and lay leaders should sit down together and in absolute honesty approach the question with understanding minds, seeking what is right. We must approach this question in the remembrance that the hope of humanity may rest on how we decide.

"We must also remember our government's position in world affairs involving this global struggle with communism for the minds and wills of men. The main question we face is: How can we in America live a quality of (Continued on page 8)

Blue Says He Doesn't Plan To Run; Brown Says Hasn't Decided

Rep. C. B. Deane, Eighth District Congressman, told The Pilot by telephone from Washington, D. C., Wednesday, that he had received a good many letters and telegrams both congratulating and criticizing him for refusing to endorse the "Declaration of Constitutional Principles" that was signed by 19 Senators and 77 representatives from Southern states.

The Southern "manifesto" called the Supreme Court's school segregation decision an abuse of judicial power and pledged its signers to use every lawful means to oppose the decision.

Rep. Deane was one of three North Carolina Congressmen who did not sign the document.

As in a statement made on Monday—which is reprinted in full on this page—Rep. Deane, in his conversation with The Pilot Wednesday, stressed the international angle in his explanation for not signing the manifesto.

"I know much that has not been made public about the international situation," he said, "the defense picture and the military. This information leads me to think that the words 'near the brink' are not an exaggeration. I could not be party to any move which would further deteriorate the international situation. This is a time when the unity of our people is of first importance."

In his Monday statement, Rep. Deane said he had sought a "God-guided decision."

Primary Opposition? Rep. Deane's action in not signing the manifesto brought considerable speculation as to whether this might mean he would have opposition in the Democratic primary in May. He has filed as a candidate and has remained unopposed for the Democratic nomination. Filing time for candidates in the primary will close at noon, Friday, giving hopefuls little chance to make up their minds.

Questioned at Aberdeen, H. Clifton Blue, Moore County's representative in the N. C. General Assembly, said that he himself had "not made any move at all" in regard to becoming a candidate, but that he had received telephone calls from several counties of the Eighth District (Continued on page 8)



ARMED ROBBERY of Pinehurst ABC store is discussed by C. R. Black, Jr., left, the clerk who was robbed of some \$4,447.90 of the store's funds, with Thomas H. Currie of Pinehurst, manager of the store. The two are standing at the top of the outside stairs on the side of the Carolina Bank where the robbery took place. Black, who was taking the daily deposit to the bank, was forced by the two men, later captured and identified as Ft. Bragg soldiers, down the steps while they made their getaway. Black has been employed in the store one and one-half years. It was the first time in the store's 21-year operation that it has been robbed. (Photo by Humphrey)

Three Soldiers Confess To \$4,447 Armed Robbery At Pinehurst Monday

The trio of Fort Bragg soldiers who robbed a Pinehurst ABC store clerk of \$4,447.90 Monday morning are in the Moore County jail in Carthage. They were placed there, under bond of \$5,000 each, following formal charges made before Justice of the Peace Charles McLeod Wednesday morning.

The trio will be tried at the April 30 term of Superior Court. They have been formally charged with armed robbery, larceny, and receiving. Sheriff McDonald said today that between \$400 and \$500 of the money had been recovered. Officials had hopes of recovering the rest shortly.

Sheriff McDonald also said today that all three of the soldiers had confessed the robbery after intensive questioning by officers.

The robbery, which occurred about 10:20 Monday morning, was the first in the more than 20 years the store has been operated.

In jail are Theodore Wuschke, Michael G. Yasso and Anthony Leli, all 20. Wuschke, the first of (Continued on page 8)

Medical Society Urges Youngsters Get Polio Shots

Effectiveness And Safety Of Vaccine Now Fully Assured

The Moore County Medical Society today urged vaccination against polio with the Salk vaccine for all infants, children and other eligible persons who have not hitherto begun or completed the recommended series of three shots.

The Medical Society is composed of all practicing physicians of the county. The statement was sent to The Pilot by Dr. Emily Tufts of Pinehurst.

Effectiveness and safety of the vaccine were stressed in the statement, along with the importance of starting the shots now so that at least two can be received before the onset of the summer polio season.

Following is the complete text of the Medical Society's statement:

"The Salk vaccine gives protection against paralytic polio; it is safe to use; and it should be started now in order to be ready for the polio season this summer."

"Last June there was some question of the safety of the vaccine. Many experts were called to investigate its manufacture and for safety checking. This investigation resulted in changes which have removed all possible hazard. (Continued on page 8)

Cunningham Is Named To Office As Managers Meet

Tom E. Cunningham, city manager of Southern Pines, was elected secretary of the N. C. City Managers Association, during a conference on municipal problems held at the Sedgefield Inn near Greensboro Saturday and Sunday.

In a conference session Saturday, Mr. Cunningham spoke on job techniques in city government, from the point of view of the small town. Gen. James R. Townsend, Greensboro city manager, spoke on the same topic in relation to larger communities.

About 75 persons, including 45 city managers, attended the conference which was sponsored by the Association and the N. C. League of Municipalities.

Mr. Cunningham has been city manager here since July, 1953.

Council To Express Interest In Natural Gas At FPC Hearing

Knollwood Area Asks Change In House Size Law

Natural gas and zoning took up most of the evening as subjects for discussion at the town council's Tuesday session.

After hearing James H. Pou Bailey of Raleigh, an attorney for an engineering firm specializing in gas distribution system construction, C. A. Roush, Jr., vice-president of the Trans-Carolina Pipeline Corporation, and Harrington A. Rose, of Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation, the council decided to let all natural gas business come to them in writing through City Manager Tom E. Cunningham in the future, unless some special hearings are set on the matter.

"There are 20 or 25 of these natural gas representatives wanting to see the council," said Mr. Cunningham.

After hearing with interest, but at some regret for the time consumed, the ins and outs of the complicated natural gas distribution picture—one of the primary concerns is whether a town would operate its own plant or franchise a commercial operation—the council agreed that it should "intervene" in a Federal Power Commission hearing at Washington, D. C., early next month with the assertion that Southern Pines is interested in receiving natural gas, but not endorsing any particular pipe line to serve this town.

Trans-Carolina has included Southern Pines on a list of the towns it would like to serve in applying to the Federal Power Commission for its allocation of gas for distribution in North and South Carolina, said Mr. Roush.

Transcontinental is the line from which Trans-Carolina would obtain its gas as a junction point in South Carolina.

If a town does not at least indicate its interest in receiving gas—with no obligation, however, to actually contract for it—it is likely that an allocation of gas would not be made by the Commission for that town, Mr. Roush said.

As it stands now, therefore, the town council will intervene with an expression of interest at the (Continued on page 8)

PTA MEETING

A special program on vocational guidance will be presented by Alan T. Preyer, retired executive of the Vick Chemical Company, at the Southern Pines Parent-Teachers Association meeting tonight (Thursday) in Weaver Auditorium.

Mr. Preyer will be assisted in the program by Irie Leonard, principal of the high school.

The program will be built around the work Mr. Preyer has voluntarily undertaken which provides vocational guidance to students in the high school.

The meeting will begin at 8 p. m.

Scouts of County To Have Exhibits At Raleigh Event

Scouts and Scouters of the Occaneechee Council will present a Boy Scout Exposition, Saturday, at the State Fair Arena in Raleigh. Tickets are being sold by all Scouting units and will be on sale at the gate.

The Sir Walter Lions Club is sponsoring the Exposition which will feature Cub Packs, Scout Troops and Explorer Units of the 12-county Council.

Each unit will demonstrate some phase of Scouting through skills, crafts or special themes.

The Exposition will offer a continuous program from 2 p. m. till 9:30 p. m. Visitors may attend at any time during these hours, see as much as they wish and stay as long as they like.

A special feature of the evening program will be a greeting by Gov. Luther B. Hodges and presentation of the 1955 Eagle Class by General John R. Hodge. Michael Johnson of Aberdeen will be Moore County's only representative in this class. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Johnson.

Moore County Scout units to (Continued on page 8)

Judge Ill; Civil Court Postponed

Two divorce cases, both of which were heard this morning, were the only cases completed by Judge Frank M. Armstrong at the regular term of civil court which had been scheduled to last all week.

Judge Armstrong was ill and continued the other cases, all of which were expected to take several days to complete, to the May term.

'JAMBOREE' SUCCESS

Feeding about 400 persons last Friday, the Southern Pines Rotary Club counted proceeds of about \$175 from its "pancake jamboree," it was reported this week. The money goes to the club's community and charitable activities.

Robbery Reported At Pine Needles Pro Shop Tuesday

Thieves broke into the Pine Needles pro shop sometime Monday night and stole approximately \$31, it has been reported by Chief of Police C. E. Newton.

The robbery, which was reported to police shortly after 7 o'clock Tuesday morning, probably took place after midnight Monday, Chief Newton said.

The thieves gained entrance to the shop by breaking the glass from two doors.

Someone also broke into the Southern Pines Country Club several weeks ago. So far police have not established whether the two robberies were accomplished by the same people.

SITUATION 'NOT TOO HOPEFUL'

USAFAGOS Move Remains Uncertain

Whether the USAF Air-Ground Operations School at the Highland Pines Inn will remain at Southern Pines longer than the expiration of its lease June 30 remained undetermined today.

Rep. C. B. Deane in Washington, D. C., told The Pilot by telephone Wednesday:

"I am still working hard on the matter to see if there is any way to keep the Air-Ground School in Southern Pines."

"However," said the Congressman, "I must tell you that to date I have not been given much encouragement. The situation does not look too hopeful, but I am going to keep on working."

It was announced several weeks ago by the Air Force that the school would move this summer to Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Miss., but definite confirmation of

the move was withdrawn pending outcome of discussions. Rep. Deane was having conferences with Defense Department officials, in an effort to keep the school here.

In a recent letter to Gov. Luther H. Hodges, James H. Douglas, under secretary of the Air Force, said that for some time there have been definite plans to move the Air-Ground Operations School to a permanent Air Force installation, but at the request of Congressman Deane the proposed move was being restudied.

A copy of the letter to the Governor was sent to Mayor Voit Gilmore who had furnished Governor Hodges with information about the local situation. During a recent trip to Washington, the Governor conferred with Douglas about the matter.

AN EDITORIAL

Men Who Kept Their Heads

The so-called "Manifesto" signed by all but three of North Carolina's Congressional membership is perhaps as disturbing an indication as any shown to date—not excluding the Autherine Lucy case itself—of the dangers inherent in the present situation. That 95 senators and representatives could so lose their sense of dignity and judgment as to call an act of the Supreme Court of the land an attempt "to exercise their naked judicial power and substitute their personal political and social ideas for the established law of the land" shows to what a tragic extent hysteria has entered the picture.

Three North Carolinians were among the small group who kept their heads, Representatives Thurmond Chatham and Harold D. Cooley, and our Eighth District Congressman C. B. Deane.

These men refused to be swept off their feet by what must have been almost overwhelming pressure. They chose to stand for what they knew was right: for tolerance and patience, well aware that by so doing they might be, temporarily, at least, risking their political careers. Whether or not their stand is agreed with, their courage, honesty, and spirit of self-sacrifice must be profoundly respected.

This newspaper agrees with the stand of these three men: With Mr. Cooley that "the Manifesto is a dangerous document that will greatly hinder rather than help those who are sincerely and honestly trying to solve the problems presented by the Supreme Court decision." In expressing his belief that, "the document holds out false hope that there are legal means through which the Supreme Court decision may be reversed," Mr. Cooley echoed a statement made by Major L. P. McLendon, state educational and judicial leader, at Chapel Hill the previous day that: "By no process of reasoning can we arrive at the conclusion that the South can by any plan of intervention, evasion or pure defiance, nullify the Constitution as interpreted by the Supreme Court."

We agree with Mr. Deane's opinion that the confused international situation is so dangerous that disunity in the nation, such as this Manifesto foments, cannot be indulged in—especially when it centers about an issue to which so much of the world reacts so strongly.

And we join, with utmost earnestness, in the regret expressed by Mr. Chatham's words: "What a fine thing it would be if this were a resolution saying that this group would sit down with citizens of both sides and try to work out this problem in an orderly manner."

We believe that sort of leadership, that sort of wise, heart-searching deliberation is what the vast majority of North Carolinians want and have been waiting for. May our State find others to join these three in "trying to work out this problem in an orderly manner."



LOOKING FORWARD to Saturday's opening of the American steeplechase season at Stoneybrook Farm, trainer M. G. "Mickey" Walsh heads two of the nation's top timber campaigners, Mrs. Walsh's Erin's Cottage and Mrs. Russell M. Arundel's Repose. Erin's Cottage will be entered in the Sandhills Cup event, the featured

cross-country test on the St. Patrick's Day program of eight races sponsored by the Stoneybrook Hunt Racing Association. Repose, recently purchased by Mrs. Arundel of Warrenton, Va., captured the Carolina Cup at Camden last year for a consecutive win in the gruelling test. Erin's Cottage won the Sandhills Cup last year.

ERIN'S COTTAGE FAVORED IN SANDHILLS CUP

Stoneybrook Steeplechase Races Set Saturday

The ninth annual Stoneybrook Steeplechase and race meeting, which will be held on M. G. "Mickey" Walsh's Stoneybrook track Saturday, is expected to draw a crowd of some 10,000, according to officials of the races. The Stoneybrook, which serves as the official opener of the nation's steeplechase season, will feature eight races, beginning with the Pink Coat Race at 2 p. m.

Highlight of the program will

be the annual running for the Sandhills Cup. Carlyle Cameron of Southern Pines, who seems to have some sort of magical hold on the cup, has won it for the past five years and is scheduled to ride this year's favorite, Erin's Cottage, a nine-year-old brown mare owned by Mrs. M. G. Walsh. Cameron captured the cup last year on Erin's Cottage before a slim crowd of 3,000 which had braved a biting rain and cold to witness the nationally-known

event.

Co-favorite along with Erin's Cottage is Repose, a 12-year-old bay gelding owned by Mrs. Russell Arundel. The nation's second ranking steeplechase rider, Paddy Smithwick of Monkton, Md., will ride Repose.

The Sandhills Cup Race will be about two and one-quarter miles over timber, and is for four-year-olds and upwards. Five horses have been entered in the race. (Continued on page 8)