

THE PILOT

Southern Pines North Carolina

"In taking over The Pilot no changes are contemplated. We will try to keep this a good paper. We will try to make a little money for all concerned. Where there seems to be an occasion to use our influence for the public good we will try to do it. And we will treat everybody alike."—James Boyd, May 23, 1941.

C. B. Deane: A Decade of Conscientious Service

The many tributes paid to Rep. C. B. Deane of Rockingham, on the occasion of his farewell speech in the House of Representatives at Washington, came from Congressmen representing all sections of the nation—even from Southern legislators who had differed with Mr. Deane on signing the "Manifesto," the document that is said to have played a major role in his defeat in the Democratic primary in May.

The Pilot has long admired the integrity, industry and sincerity of the Rockingham man and his decision not to sign the Manifesto increased his moral stature, to our way of thinking. It is gratifying to sense the genuineness and depth of feeling in the tributes paid to him by fellow members of the House, some of whom are quoted elsewhere in today's Pilot. Mr. Deane's own farewell speech, in which he outlines a universal moral problem, rather than re-

viewing his own many achievements during a decade in Congress, appears on this page.

North Carolina, the Eighth District and perhaps especially this Sandhills section are forever in the debt of Mr. Deane who served them well and faithfully for a decade. He lost his seat in Congress, we believe, because he attempted to lead, rather than simply to follow. His vision, his moral conviction will, we are confident, eventually be vindicated by the course of history.

To Mr. Deane, now that his career in Congress is ending, go our best wishes for a future that we know will include continued unselfish service to his fellow men, in whatever field of endeavor he chooses to be active.

It could well be that his most effective service, whether in or out of government, lies ahead. Wherever his ability, his energy and his conscience may lead, we wish him godspeed.

Commendable Start On Rural Fire Protection

We commend the board of county commissioners on their decision to add funds for a rural fire truck to this year's budget. And we urge that funds for other trucks, to the number that is deemed necessary to furnish adequate protection throughout the county, be appropriated as rapidly as possible.

The recent decision by the commissioners was made after the budget had been made up and there was considerable objection on the part of board members to "tearing up" the budget after it had been tentatively adopted.

What happened showed the wisdom of the provision whereby the budget is open to inspection and revision for 20 days following the tentative adoption. Usually, this inspection period has been only a formality and may have seemed superfluous. What happened last week, however, shows that the provision is actually a sound and serviceable safety valve, in that it made possible a year sooner than might otherwise have been the case, an appropriation that had wide public backing.

The commissioners' objections to tearing up the budget rang a little hollow, it seems to us,

in view of the fact that the request for a start on county financing of rural fire protection was first made in April—which was plenty of time before the budget for the new fiscal year was made up.

The request was made by the Farm Bureau, representing some 450 farm families of the county, but it was not until strong backing for the proposed rural fire protection system came from towns that compliance was undertaken.

Equipping of rural fire departments to the extent that is envisioned—up to 10 trucks spotted around the county—will certainly be an extensive proposition and will have to be strung over several years unless bonds are voted and issued.

Moore County has saved a great deal of money and has done a pretty fair job of school construction on the pay-as-you-go method since World War 2 and it may be that rural people will be willing to have rural fire protection extended over several years, once the commissioners assure the public that the program will actually go ahead as rapidly as possible.

State More Highly Praised Than Is Deserved

Over the course of several weeks, concluding last week, The Pilot has been printing excerpts from a remarkable booklet, called "Sleeping Tar Heels," written by Dr. Roma S. Cheek of the Department of Political Science of Duke University at Durham.

The booklet is admittedly a one-sided look at North Carolina, concentrating on what's wrong with the state, governmentally and politically. Dr. Cheek has found so much wrong and presents all this material in such a concentrated form, that the reader is left with a picture that is almost grotesque. One feels that all this can't be wrong with the state, yet there is no denying the statistics or the conclusions that the author presents.

Says Dr. Cheek in her introduction: "A critical study of this type can be easily misunderstood. It is not the intent of the author to overlook North Carolina's progress but it is the conscientious feeling of the author that North Carolina has had more praise than we as citizens actually deserve. North Carolina could become in reality the leader of the South and an example to the nation of democracy at its best in the solving of mid-twentieth century problems."

Motivation for beginning the study, says the author, was the lack of citizen interest in government which was revealed by records of voting and non-voting.

In the typical population group of over 200,000 persons, of which the voting study was made, only 51 per cent of the eligible persons registered and only 36 per cent of those registered actually voted either in the primary or the general election.

The conclusion: "Thus 64 per cent of the Tar Heels were asleep to a most important obligation in democracy as well as to the corporate well being of themselves and their families."

Neither the school nor the home, Dr. Cheek has concluded, gives North Carolina youth the necessary instructions in government or "a realization of the great values of democratic society and the importance of the individual citizen discharging his responsibilities."

The keystone of Dr. Cheek's remedial measures, aside from aroused citizen interest in State problems, is governmental reorganization, beginning with a new State constitution. She lists 12 major flaws in the present document, which has been in effect and has been mercilessly amended since 1868:

"A new and modern State constitution is a must for North Carolina, for even when governmental reforms are made, unless they are reinforced by constitutional requirement, they are soon undone by successive legislatures. New agencies spring up to meet new needs, responsibility is again divided, popular interest lapses and the job of reorganization must be done all over again."

The fascination of Dr. Cheek's study is that it is such a cool appraisal of the state's short-

comings, with every charge documented and every comparison supported by the necessary information.

The author's good will is also manifested in these conclusions:

"Employees of state government are, on the whole, hard working, capable and efficient people working in the cause of democracy but without the aid of modern government tools so that their efforts are dissipated by the inefficient, ineffectual government framework which of necessity must result in indirect operations and the out-of-date overall methods and procedures which characterize the operations of our executive, legislative and judicial branches of government."

Also, it is noted: "The majority of North Carolina citizens have not wilfully chosen a 'horse and buggy' government, but through indifference, ignorance, lethargy and preoccupation with other things, they have been asleep to their responsibilities in democracy and to the serious penalties they are paying for their negligence."

Tar Heels who are interested in the welfare of their state would do well to study Dr. Cheek's booklet—perhaps discovering they, too, while thinking they were awake, have been sleeping.

To Stop Mass Suicide

Vacation travel is big business these days. Tourism, according to the Department of Conservation and Development, is the state's third largest industry. Our vast network of highways are dotted with vacationers exploring the countryside from the mountains to the sea.

But, judging from the experiences of past years, many vacationers already on the road and many others getting ready for the takeoff, will die in traffic accidents. Many others will be crippled. Families will be broken, and grief will enter many an otherwise happy home.

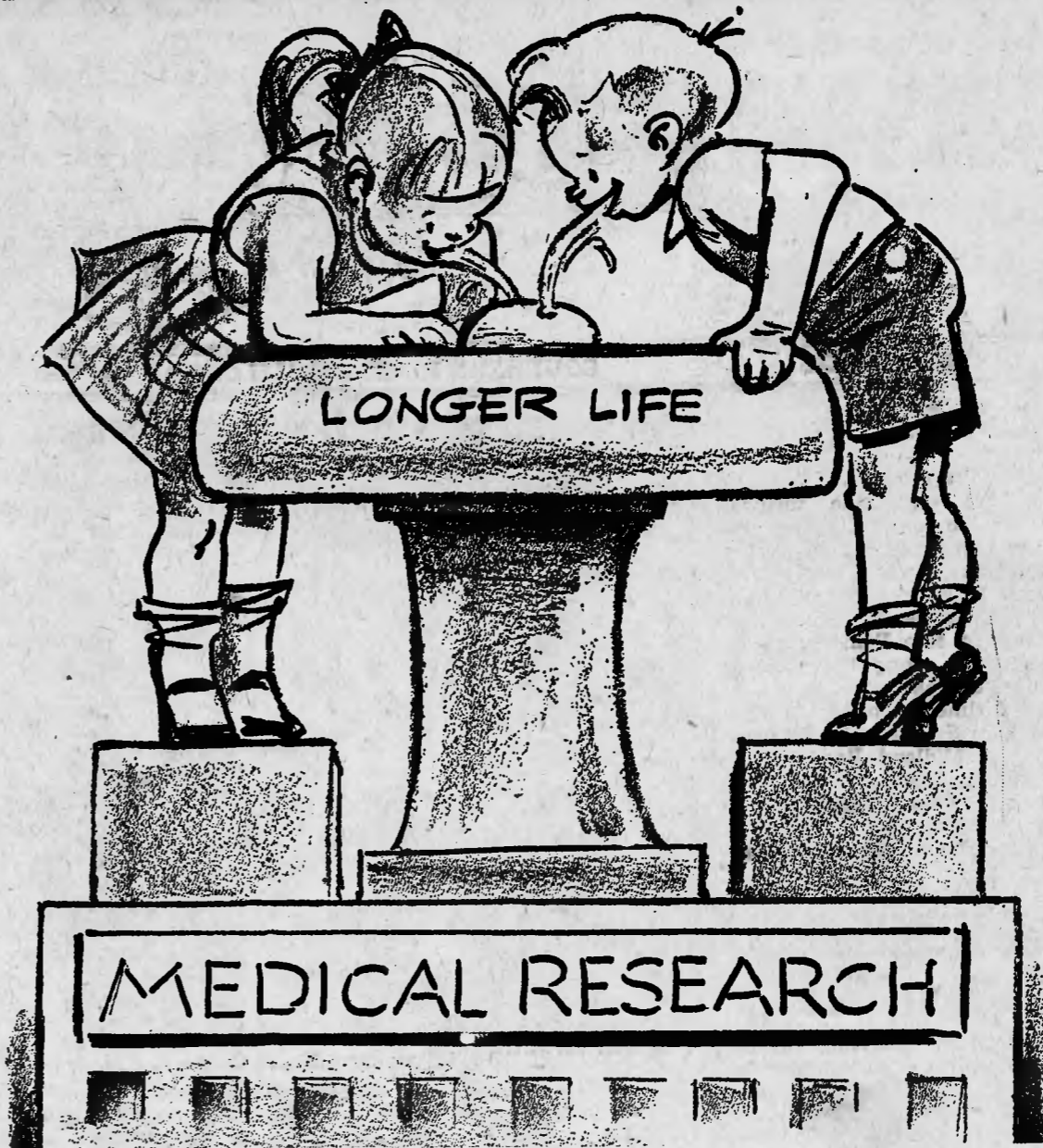
Doubt what we say? Well, you can't doubt last year's North Carolina death toll—1,165, or 17,869 injured. It's part of the record.

The great tragedy is: these deaths and injuries are unnecessary. A little more time given to planning before the takeoff—a little more alertness and attention to safe driving along the way—would bring vacationers (and others) home safe.

You can help stop this mass suicide. It's simple. You can refuse to be a part of it.

The formula for a safe trip doesn't cost a dime. Plan your journey ahead of time. . . allow plenty of time for leisurely driving. . . load the car sensibly. . . stay alert every minute you're on the road. . . obey traffic laws and the dictates of common sense and courtesy.

That's it. If you follow it, you'll have a safe, sane and enjoyable vacation. One that won't cost you your life!



Fountain of Youth

SAYS C. B. DEANE IN FAREWELL ADDRESS:

We Must Live Faith That Built America

The farewell speech by Rep. Charles B. Deane of Rockingham, in the U. S. House of Representatives at Washington last week, eloquently expounds the philosophy of the man who represented the Eighth North Carolina Congressional District in Congress for the past 10 years. Mr. Deane's defeat for renomination in this year's Democratic primary has been attributed to his refusal to sign the "Southern Manifesto" which called for reversal of the Supreme Court's school segregation decision of May 17, 1954. See a news story elsewhere in today's Pilot, quoting some of the many tributes that were paid to Mr. Deane by his colleagues in the House. His speech, as taken from the Congressional Record, follows:

Mr. Speaker, instead of using this time in the closing days of the 84th Congress to make a valedictory speech after 10 years' service in the Congress, I prefer that we think together as Members of Congress about the part we can play in the remaking of men and nations, a tremendous, yet challenging and revolutionary task. What is the answer to the friction and division in our Nation and in the world? What is the answer to hate? What is the answer to a \$35 billion defense budget?

A Living Reality

I am convinced that we will not find the answer in paper plans and by special legislation. We will find the answer when you and I accept and live absolute moral standards and make the daily guidance of God for our private and public lives a living reality.

I am thinking what would happen to a Congressman if he were absolutely honest. Someone has said:

"He is in grave danger of becoming a statesman."

Recently a young man spoke to his father who is a member of this body and said: "Will you be a statesman who thinks of the next generation or a politician thinking about winning the next election?"

Before we can have a new nation and a new world, we must have new men. We must live a superior ideology. As we think in our hearts, so is our Nation.

I recall meeting Max Bladek. For 25 years, Bladek was a dedicated Communist fighting the class war in the Ruhr in Germany. I heard Bladek speak last year at a world assembly for Moral Rearmament in Caux, Switzerland. He said:

"As a Communist, I spoke in big labor meetings about peace, freedom and equality, but I did not have peace in my own home with my wife."

Found An Answer

He left the Communist Party when he saw men and women living above class, race, party, and point of view. They had something he did not have. It was

a superior ideology. They had found an answer to their own personal problems by living the absolute moral standards of Moral Rearmament and by a complete change in their own human nature.

When I think of Bladek fighting the class war, I am reminded of what a daughter said to me: "Daddy, you may fight for democracy in Congress, but you are a dictator at home."

Like Bladek, I needed to change. I had to pay the price of moral change. I had to make the decision to cross out my own self-will and accept God's will in every aspect of my life.

This has been one of the most



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victorious years of my life because I see being born in the hearts of men of many races and creeds an overarching idea based upon absolute moral standards. This belief was confirmed in a

The Public Speaking

Serving God Would Help Stop Traffic Accidents

To The Editor: We Americans, as all other nations, should not only listen, watch and work but we should all pray, having faith that we will receive the great reward which is in Christ Jesus. Faith is dead without work and work is dead without faith. We must have them both if we are to pass the test.

We are exhorted every day to be careful on the highways and elsewhere. But at the same time many people are ignoring the important fact that their lives are in serious trouble, not only in this world, but in the world to come. I believe the safety men are doing all in their power to stop accidents on the highways and other places, but there will not be much success until a start is made towards Christ. He is the answer to our many questions and problems.

We must leave this world one day and we must be safe from sin if we enter everlasting life. When God is angry and says to stop, we must stop and never move again. Why not stop at the yellow sign just for a few minutes and save a life?

JESSE J. DOWDY Pinehurst

cable sent on July 4 to Dr. Frank Buchman, who initiated Moral Rearmament, and which was signed by 20 Senators and 32 Members of the House. I quote from that cable:

"We respond to your global fight for the remaking of nations through the rebirth of man. Freedom has its ideology. Materialism will not be conquered by material means alone. Only faith can give freedom its destiny for all men everywhere. America needs this answer. It can cure materialism in West and East alike."

The Challenge

The challenge we face today is not the conviction and commitment of the Communists but the failure on our part to live more convincingly the real faith that built America. I recall the statement of a great American. He said: "Confusion comes from compromise, clarity comes from personal change." I do feel this is America's hour. Either we give the nations a superior ideology or we hand them over to communism through our indecision to think adequately and ideologically.

A brilliant young Burmese student studying here in America told my wife on last Saturday: "There is only one thing I do not like about America." My wife was eager to know what it was. This lady replied: "It is your materialism."

More and more economic aid, all of which I have supported, is not bringing the answer. Since World War II, 800 million people have gone behind the Iron Curtain.

We may not wish to admit it but we are losing the world ideologically. In this world divided by hates and fears and national strife there is one force capable of answering these national problems.

Thousands Responded

Mr. Speaker, let me tell you this story:

Following the adjournment of Congress last year, I joined the Moral Rearmament Statesmen Mission and went into several countries of the Middle East, Africa, and in Europe. In every country, thousands responded to the plays and the ideology of moral rearmament. The statesmen, the student, the ordinary man said: "This is what my country needs."

From this experience, Mr. Speaker, I am convinced that the statesman and the ordinary man can change and play his rightful part in the remaking of men and nations.

Everyone deep in his heart wants to see a new, decent world. Every man longs to give his life for something great. It will take courage. It will take sacrifice. We in this House have the unique privilege and responsibility to turn the tide of history in America and in the world.

It takes a decision of the will in your heart and mine to put our lives under the direction of God and live the answer to division, confusion, and disunity. With this superior ideology, we can build a new world if we will make that decision now.

Grains of Sand

Quiet Enough For You?

In Carthage they tell about a motorist passing through town in the middle of the night, pausing to chat with the night police officer on courthouse square.

"Quiet around here at night, isn't it?" noted the stranger.

"Yep, pretty quiet," replied the officer, with a truth that only those who have seen the square, with the silent, imposing bulk of the courthouse dominating the scene, can know.

"I'll say it's quiet," went on the visitor. "Why, when I passed the bank over there, I could hear the notes drawing interest."

Most Promising Candidate

We are intrigued by a news story from Arkansas where a candidate for governor says that he is against sin, for shorter hours, for shorter shorts, for a pot in every kitchen, for a stew in every pot and that he has some friends for segregation and some friends against segregation.

That is all well and good, but the gentleman has really got himself in a pickle with another set of promises. A bachelor, he says he has promised the job as head hostess at the governor's mansion to 40 different ladies.

Just suppose he should win. Wow! What would happen then would make him wish he'd never heard of politics.

Expressive

After the special session of the General Assembly, one of the lawmakers used an expression we'd never heard before — one of the most descriptive such folk sayings of any we know.

To explain his confusion when faced with the Pearsall plan for the schools, he said, "I didn't know whether I'd lost a mule or found a rope."

Could confusion be more effectively illustrated in 12 words? Don't believe it could.

All's Well That . . .

Speaking of confusion, they had it at Holliday's Restaurant Monday night when a serviceman guest, returning to his table after a brief absence, found a note tucked under his plate: "We don't want riff-raff in here. Get out."

Accused of putting the note there, a waitress retreated to the kitchen, indignant and embarrassed. Confronted with the slip of paper and its insulting message, Proprietor Chick Holliday was non-plussed, but couldn't explain the origin of the note. Meanwhile confusion was rampant and tempers were rising. Other guests in the establishment began to take an interest.

At a crucial moment, there came forward from a back booth two servicemen who had recognized the diner as an old friend from service overseas. They'd slipped the note under his plate.

Then the tense scene turned into a jolly reunion. Apologies all around. It seems they were all old practical jokers. When we left, Chick was counting his new gray hairs.

Neat Job

Signs have an irresistible appeal to small fry; it seems they can't leave them alone.

Signs make wonderful targets for BB guns and 22's, but what the more imaginative dead end kids like to do is alter signs to read differently than they were meant to read.

One of the neatest altering jobs we have seen—and one which must have taken several minutes of uninterrupted craftsmanship—is a "Speed Limit 35" sign on Poplar St., in Aberdeen, on which the 3 has been converted into a perfectly formed 8.

While we're agin such doings, we couldn't help but admire the skill.

So, as the bedtime story man says, boys and girls, if you must alter signs, please try to do it neatly.

Of course, you really shouldn't do it at all.

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