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Disappointed

Observers in other states who have admired the people of North Carolina for their interest in politics and government, express disappointment in the practices employed in the last U. S. senatorial campaign.

One Virginia paper commented, "In many respects his (Graham's) record was twisted and distorted for campaign purposes. The fight at many points sank below the level which ordinarily is maintained in North Carolina politics."

The paper goes on to say that it is unlikely that in the run-off the real issues which are confronting the nation will be given any more consideration than in the first contest.

In other words, impartial observers see that the Smith forces will hide their selfish greed and cunningly designed plans behind a black curtain.

Wanted: A Little Fear

From The National Safety Council

A veteran air line pilot who had broken all records for safe flying was asked how he did it. He replied that he had never taken off without a little fear in his heart.

Fear is a distasteful word to most Americans. It connotes cowardice. Our forefathers did not win a wilderness by being afraid. Our fighting men have not preserved our freedom by a craven reluctance to take chances.

Yet the early settlers took no foolish chances. They built stockades for protection, and they kept their powder dry. Military men speak of the calculated risk, which means that the chance of success has been weighed carefully against the danger of failure.

This what the air line pilot meant when he confessed fear. Not timidity. His was intelligent fear — the knowledge that there are forces continuously at work to trap the unwary, that his experience and skill might be tested and found wanting.

Such intelligent fear was the pilot's secret of safety. It made him foresighted, alert, prudent. As a result, he never had an accident.

This weekend millions of Americans will get out to commemorate the birth of this nation's independence. It would be well to approach the occasion with intelligent fear—recognition of the extra hazards, determination to meet them with extra care.

The National Safety Council tells us that the Fourth of July celebration is one of the most dangerous single periods of the year. The Council's exhortation to "Be Alive on the Fifth" is not just a slogan, because it is statistically possible—even probable—that hundreds of persons who begin this holiday will not be alive on the fifth. They will be an anonymous part of a short word—toll—which fits neatly into newspaper headlines such as "Holiday Accident Toll Mounts."

So if you are driving this weekend and your patience is strained by a slow-moving jam of cars ahead, be a little afraid to pull out of line and into the unknown. Take counsel with fear if you consume a hearty picnic lunch and then are tempted to swim alone, or to demonstrate your prowess as a distance swimmer in college days long gone.

The "dud" firecracker or skyrocket will not suddenly blind or burn if a touch of fear keeps you from rushing forward with match in hand to relight a faulty fuse. Or better yet, listen to fear which tells you to forego personal fireworks altogether, and to give your kids a bigger thrill at a public display. These are the things Fourth of July accidents are made of — the recklessness, the thoughtless chance-taking, the show-off attitude, the impatience and discourtesy.

Fear — intelligent fear — of the consequences may give you pause—and save your life. Courage is not foolhardiness, and a

chance in a million is not wise man's odds. Get a little scared on the Fourth—and be alive on the fifth!

What Do You Believe?

By Ruth Taylor.

"It isn't important what we believe, but how we express those beliefs that matters." "It isn't so much what we do, but what we are." Those are two copy book sayings that have been repeated and repeated in various forms. And they have been twisted and turned to almost every situation.

Personally I feel they are wrong. It does matter what we believe as much as it does how we express those beliefs. It matters as much what we do as what we are. But what is more important of all is the motive power back of both thoughts and actions.

What doesn't matter is not what happens to us - but whether what we do is important to be done. We may be personally defeated, but our principals never, a great thinker once said. The truly important thing in this world is not so much where we stand as in what direction we are moving.

Where we go wrong - our own lives, in our national lives, in our everyday responsibilities is in not tracing our actions to a high enough motive. We act on expedience, not on principle. We compromise - not with things, but with our own beliefs, with our own conscience. We dodge responsibility, we evade issues, and the truth eludes us, because of our own weaknesses.

Here's an example. We say that one of the great principles in American life is the denial of absolute sovereignty in "efficient" organizations and see how far you get. Did you ever try not "going along with the boys?"

What we should have said was that is a motive power - and then try to put it into practice.

All life proceeds from beliefs of some kind. The question is not—shall we have beliefs? But - what beliefs have we? Are they a vital part of our every day life? Are we better for our beliefs? Do they help us to help those whose paths our path crosses? Unless we can answer in the affirmative our beliefs are in vain.

What do you believe - and do you live up to your beliefs?

Two 'China Lobby' Backers

Labor.

Some idea of the money back of the "China Lobby," which is supporting Senator McCarthy's campaign against the State Department and the Truman Administration, came this week from a surprising source. A conservative Washington newspaper published a column by Constantine Brown, who has long been a severe critic of the Administration's foreign policies, particularly in China. But, in this particular column, Brown let a big "cat out of the bag." He said: "T.V. Soong and H. H. Kung, wealthy former Chinese finance ministers, both related to Chiang Kai-shek, have more than half a billion dollars on deposit in this country. This money is in various banks, in form of cash or gilt-edge securities."

The "China Lobby" is asking Uncle Sam to send more millions of dollars, and American fighting men, to rescue Chiang Kai-shek, his "Nationalist" government, and their last stronghold on Formosa. But Brown remarks: "A number of legislators may inquire whether the American taxpayer should dig deeper into his pockets, when high-ranking Nationalists could help the cause themselves. Some senators might ask why the Soongs and Kungs do not attempt to rescue Formosa by parting with at least a part of their wealth."

Bank President Talks Common Sense

Labor

"In my opinion, business has shirked its social responsibility. It has misused its power."

Who says that? Some "radical"? No, it is the president of a New York bank, Floyd Cramer. And, he adds, "I'm an active Republican and a believer in the personal enterprise system."

Instead of complaining so much about the "Welfare State," Cramer told an Associated Press writer, business should take the lead for the "welfare of the people."

"No one should question the right of government to step in and provide housing, food and social benefits if industry fails to," Cramer declared. "We should have no quarrel about that."

"But business must do the main job, if it is to get out of the political doghouse. Management should set up pension plans instead of fighting them."

"It should guarantee an annual wage—long overdue in many industries. It should take its employees more into partnership."

"Leaders of large corporations see too many bogey-men under the bed."

Wouldn't it be fine if more industrialists and financiers talked and thought in Cramer's common sense way?

To Teach Water Safety Course

Bill McDonald, special field representative of Safety Services in the Southeastern Area of the American Red Cross, will begin a thirty-hour water safety course



at the local swimming pool on Monday, June 26th. The course, open to good swimmers who are at least 19 years of age and who have teaching ability, will lead to a certificate in water safety.

McDonald joined the professional staff of the Red Cross after four years of volunteer Red Cross water safety work as well as four years as head lifeguard at Carolina Beach, N. C. His previous Red Cross experience included volunteer teaching of water safety and life saving and serving on the volunteer faculty at the Red Cross National Aquatic School at Camp Carolina, Brevard, N. C.

He spent 30 months in the Army Air Corps as an aerial gunner. He is now enrolled at the University of North Carolina and is a member of the American Legion.

All young men interested in taking the course are asked to see either Mrs. Rush Bondurant or Dr. J. E. Edens.

The Letter-Box

POLITICS IS ROTTEN

To the Editor:

When I was a young child, I accompanied my father, George M. Burras, to hear the political speeches given by the Hon. Locke Craig and Judge Francis D. Winston of our sister county, Bertie, and of our Harry W. Stubbs, Sr., and many other staunch democrats of that day. I remember the jokes, and my father would say, "Daughter, politics is rotten."

We have a Christian gentleman to keep clean our politics, so girls and boys when the sun rises on Saturday, June 24, meet me at the polls and let's put our beloved Frank Graham in the United States Senate. LIZZIE BURRAS SMITHWICK, Jamesville, N. C.

CAR TURNS RED

CHICAGO, ILL. — When William C. Gibson, 46-year-old salesman, returned for a gray sedan he had left in a parking lot, he saw red — fire engine red — Someone, police could not determine who, had applied a paint job to his quiet gray model, turning it a bright red. It was the job of an apparent expert, too, done with a sprayer, with all the chromium protected with tape.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to my many friends and neighbors who were so kind in lending transportation for three

Little Albert

BY GEO. GURGANUS



MARTIN COUNTY PLUMBING & HEATING CASH & PHONE CREDIT 3122 WASHINGTON ST. WILLIAMSTON, N.C.

Dress Revue Held Here on Saturday

The Martin County Dress Revue was held Saturday, June 17th. Both Junior and Senior girls participated.

Those modeling dresses in the revue were: Neva Faye Gardner, Jamesville; Mary Lou Cox, Williamston; Catherine Rogerson, Bear Grass; Caroline Wallace, Jamesville; Lynette Haislip, Oak City; Elizabeth Cox, Oak City; Janet White, Robersonville; Sylvia Griffin, Farm Life; Lena Bennett, Bear Grass; Jean Stevenson, Jamesville.

The winners in the junior division were Catherine Rogerson of Bear Grass, first place; Mary Lou Cox of Williamston, 2nd place; and Neva Faye Gardner, Jamesville, 3rd place.

The senior division winners were Caroline Wallace, Jamesville, 1st place; Lynette Haislip of Oak City, 2nd place and Elizabeth Cox of Oak City, 3rd place.

Caroline Wallace will represent the county at 4-H Club Week in

weeks to and from Washington prior to my stay in a hospital there. Also I especially want to thank them for the cards, gifts and flowers and every other act of kindness shown me during my 4 weeks stay in the hospital. Mrs. Marvin Coburn.

DON'T FORGET JAYCEE Beauty Pageant and Dance Wednesday Night June 21 8:15 Biggest and Best Ever Held!

Raleigh at the dress revue. The judges were Miss Margaret

McDaniel and Miss Elizabeth Parker. Prizes were given to the 1st and 2nd place winners in each division by Williamston merchants.



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COMPARE THE TWO

1. Communist Front Organizations

Willis Smith

None

Frank Graham

Associated with 13 groups labeled Communist Fronts by Un-American Activities Committee.

2. Socialist leanings

None

Studied under Harold Laski, England's leading Socialist.

3. Racial Views

Believes present system of "separate but equal" facilities for white and colored will keep and promote racial harmony.

Against FEPC in any form.

Voted steadily with "left-wingers" Pepper and Kefauver.

Long recognized as a "social-planner".

Always favored an end to segregation of white & negro.

Signed Civil Rights Report in 1947 which included FEPC.

Did not join other Southern Senators in their fight against FEPC.

In 1949 voted on Eastland Amendment against all Southern Senators except Pepper and Kefauver.

Appointed by W. Kerr Scott to Senate.

4. Service In Democratic Party

Elected to 3 terms in State Legislature.

Elected Speaker of House of Representatives

Elected Chairman of State Democratic Convention.

Delegate to National Democratic Convention.

5. Business Experience

35 years experience as lawyer and in business.

Always earned living against competition.

None

Always on public payroll.

Elect Willis Smith June 24th

MARTIN COUNTY COMMITTEE FOR WILLIS SMITH