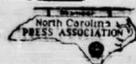


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**The McCarthy-Stevens Affair**

Mr. Walter Lippman, the Mr. Spokesman for the Republican party, in an article appearing in a recent issue of the Congressional Record sized up the McCarthy-Stevens affair in a clear-cut way, as follows:

There was a brief moment in the McCarthy-Stevens affair when the basic issue had not yet been muddled up. That was when Secretary Stevens took the position that as the civilian head of the Army he, and not General Zwicker, an officer acting under orders, was accountable to Congress for the handling of the Peress case. Secretary Stevens had already acknowledged that the Peress case showed a condition which required corrective action, and he had promised to revise the Army regulations. Senator McCarthy's examination of General Zwicker took place after the Secretary of the Army had acknowledged his responsibility to act.

Why then after that was General Zwicker to be held accountable to the McCarthy committee? The general was not responsible for the regulations, for the orders which were issued to him, and he had no authority to reverse the decision or to revise the regulations. Putting aside the bullying brutality of the treatment he received, what was the justification for examining him at all? When Secretary Stevens took the position that he had the authority and the responsibility and would therefore himself be accountable, he spoke not only as a man of honor must but he was upholding loyalty the first principles of good administration.

It makes for mere befuddlement to contend that because the Peress case is a bad one, Secretary Stevens should have thrown his officers to the wolves and undermined the foundations of responsible administration. A good administration is not one in which no mistakes are made and there is never a bad case—it is absurd to think that public men must not stand up to defend good government except when the case is perfect and beyond criticism. A good administration is one which is at all times willing and able to correct its mistakes. That is all that can be expected. That is all that one has a right to ask.

Senator McCarthy, Republican of Wisconsin, already had a letter from Secretary Stevens admitting that the Peress case was a bad one and undertaking to bring about reforms. What then was the purpose of continuing a congressional investigation of this case before the Army had had the chance to institute the reforms which the Secretary promised? Was General Zwicker bullied before the committee in order to help the Secretary of the Army do what he had promised to do? Or was the bullying of General Zwicker done to discredit Secretary Stevens and his officers and to take the Peress case away from the Department of the Army in order to exploit it in the McCarthy subcommittee?

Manifestly, McCarthy's purpose was not to help but to discredit Secretary Stevens, and by way of association to discredit Mr. Stevens' chief, the general of the Army, and the President of the United States. McCarthy's quite evident purpose was to demonstrate his power to intimidate the Army, to show that he was so powerful that he could reach over the head of the Commander in Chief and terrorize individual officers.

To suppose that McCarthy's objective in these affairs is to protect the Army against Communist infiltration is to be blind and extremely glib. If that were his object, he would uphold instead of breaking down the authority of the President and of the Secretary of the Army. McCarthy's object is to show that even in the Army he is a bigger man than they are, and thus to expand his power by making himself feared. Everywhere in the country, and all over

the world, men and women are asking one another what is McCarthy's ambition, and how is the integrity of the Government to be defended against this brutal usurpation, and how are the peace and liberties of the people to be preserved against this essentially totalitarian assault.

For the short run, until and after the presidential election of 1956, McCarthy's purpose is plain enough. He is not, one may fairly assume, himself a candidate for President. He is a candidate for supreme boss, for the dictatorship, of the Republican Party. Knowing quite well that he could not be elected, his un concealed purpose is to break and subdue the President and the executive branch of the Government, the Republican Party in Congress, the national organization of the party. If any Republican still thinks that McCarthy's primary target is communism and not the capture of the Republican Party he will live and learn differently.

And how does a people preserve its peace and liberties against such an assault? By realizing that his strength with the people is a product of their fears. They are afraid of the cold war, which is indeed a momentous and dangerous thing, but never to be mastered except by men who, knowing the danger, have mastered their fears. But the people are becoming afraid not only of the cold war and not only of McCarthy's exploitation of their fears of the cold war. Our people are being made afraid of McCarthy himself, and in such a fear there are the seeds of totalitarianism.

This is the totalitarianism of the man: His cold, calculated, sustained and ruthless effort to make himself feared. That is why he has been staging a series of demonstrations, each designed to show that he respects nobody, no office, and no institution in the land, and that everyone at whom he growls will run away.

Though it is not flattering to the human race, it is true that there is always a crowd which is impressed by and will follow a man who makes himself feared. That is how McCarthy's influence has grown as the President has appeased him. He has grown powerful as the administration has acted as if it felt he was too powerful to be resisted.

His power will cease to grow and will diminish as and when, but only as and when, he is resisted, and it has been shown to our people that those to whom we look for leadership and to preserve our institutions are not afraid of him.

**First Amendment Tester**

Denver Post

Harvey O'Connor, who is in Denver this week on his tour of a number of western cities, is making a courageous one-man stand for American civil liberties. He has been indicted for contempt of congress because he refused, on First Amendment grounds (NOT Fifth Amendment), to answer Senator McCarthy's question as to whether or not he was a Communist when he wrote certain books McCarthy's sleuths turned up in an overseas library of the state department. The first amendment, of course, is the one that guarantees free speech and freedom of the press.

O'Connor makes no bones about denying he is or ever was a Communist. But, in effect, he told the investigating senator that it was none of Congress's business whether he was or not. He is not a government employee, received no return from the sale of his books to the government, and is not interested in any attempt of McCarthy's to get something on the state department under the Acheson secretaryship. Nor are the contents of his books or their effect at issue.

O'Connor is neither trying to win support for his case nor otherwise to benefit from his speaking tour before it goes to trial. He merely is steamed up over the issue and wants to discuss it with people and let them think about it for themselves. The courts must decide whether he was right or wrong in refusing to answer McCarthy, or whether the senator himself was out of line. And O'Connor hopes his test of the first amendment in such circumstances will go to the supreme court for the first time.

It is an important case that could affect any American citizen. O'Connor may lose, and he knows it. But he is ready to serve a jail sentence if he loses, and he figures even so it is worth the fight for a matter of principle.

You've got to admire a man with such strength of conviction. Not many of us either would or could make such a stand for the sake of what we believe in.

**HEN-HINT**

In a final effort to discipline her bad and wayward chick, mother hen said to him, "If your father could see you now, he'd turn over in his grave."—Capper's Weekly.

**HE HAS**

Ohio inventor devises a bell worn on the Adam's apple to wake up dozing drivers. St. Peter has been using a harp.—Dallas Journal.



**HOLLY SPRINGS METHODIST**

R. E. Walston, Pastor  
C. L. Daniel, Sunday School superintendent.  
10:00, Sunday School.  
Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., Youth Fellowship.  
Worship and sermon on first and third Sundays at 3:00 p. m.

**FIRST METHODIST**

R. E. Walston, Pastor.  
Geo. W. Corey, Sunday School superintendent.  
9:45, Sunday School.  
11:00, Morning worship.  
6:30, Youth Fellowship.  
7:30, Evening Worship.  
Wednesday, 7:30, choir rehearsal.

**The Church of the Advent (Episcopal)**

Hassell and Church Streets.  
The Rev. Thomas Hastings, Rector  
Monday through Friday, Morning Prayer 10:30 a. m. Evening Prayer 7:45 p. m.  
Holy Communion, Wednesday, 10:30 a. m.  
Sunday, March 28, Lent Four 8:00 a. m., Holy Communion.  
9:45 a. m., Church School and Adult Bible Class.  
11:00 a. m., Morning Prayer and Sermon.  
7:00 p. m., Young People.  
Monday, 8:00 p. m., Woman's Auxiliary.

**ST. MARTIN'S, Hamilton**

Evening Prayer and Sermon, 7:30 p. m.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN**

John L. Goff, Pastor and Myrtle O. Ward, Missionary to Jamaica.  
Bible School, 9:45. Classes for all ages. Adults are invited to attend the Philathea and Bob Peel Bible Classes, taught by Mrs. G. G. Woodard and Mr. E. S. Peel.  
William H. Seassum, Supt.  
Morning worship and celebration of the Lord's Supper 11:00.  
Youth choir meets at 6:00.  
CYF and Chi Rho groups meet at 6:30.  
Evening Praise and Worship Service at 7:30.  
Youth choir sings at the evening hour. The pastor will speak at both services.  
Choir rehearsal Thursday at 7:30.  
Plans were made last Tuesday at Camp Caroline for its dedication on Wednesday, June 9th, at 4:00. All cabins, shower rooms, sanitation requirements and pump house have been completed. The office, infirmary and dining room are near completion. Much of the equipment has been ordered and it now seems that all will be in readiness for the first camp on May 31-June 5.

**RIDDICK'S GROVE**

W. B. Harrington, Pastor.  
Regular services will be held at Riddick's Grove Baptist Church Sunday at 11:00 o'clock. All members are urged to be present and the public is invited.

**Piney Grove Baptist**

W. B. Harrington, Pastor.  
Regular services will be held at Piney Grove Baptist Church Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. Thurman Griffin will preach in the absence of the pastor. He will be at Cedar Branch Baptist Church to begin the revival meeting. All members are urged to attend and the public is invited.

**PRESBYTERIAN**

J. Don Skinner, Pastor.  
9:45, Sunday School.  
11:00, Morning Worship, nursery open for children.  
6:30, Juniors, Pioneers and S. H. F.  
7:30, Evening Worship.  
7:30, Wednesday Bible Class.  
8:15, Wednesday, Choir practice.

**CHRISTIAN CHAPEL CHURCH**

Bible school at 10, William Leggett, Supt.  
Church service at 11, P. E. Cayton, Minister.  
Evening service at 7:30.  
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**MEMORIAL BAPTIST**

E. Gordon Conklin, Pastor  
9:45, Sunday School.  
11:00, Worship.  
11:00, Sunbeam meetings in Annex.  
11:00, The nursery will be open.  
1:00, Baptist Hour over WIAM.  
6:30, Training Union.  
7:30, Worship.  
Wednesday: 7:30, Prayer meeting.  
Thursday: 8:00, Intermediate R. A. meeting; 8:00, Adult Choir practice.  
Friday: 8:00, Deacons meeting.

**CHURCH OF GOD**

T. L. Little, Pastor.  
Sunday school, 10 a. m.  
James H. Briley, Supt.  
Morning worship, 11 a. m.  
Y. P. E., 7:00 p. m.  
Evangelistic Service 8:00 p. m.  
We will be pleased to have you worship with us. You are always welcome at the Church of God.

**HOLLY SPRINGS METHODIST**

R. E. Walston, Pastor.  
C. L. Daniel, Sunday School Supt.  
10:00, Sunday school.  
Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., Youth Fellowship.  
Worship and sermon on first and third Sundays at 3:00 p. m.

**PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS**

J. W. Berry, Pastor.  
10:00, Sunday School. J. B. Nicholson, Supt.  
11:00, Morning Worship.  
6:30, Youth Service.  
7:30, Evening Worship.  
Mid-week prayer service, 7:30 Wednesday.

**BEAR GRASS PRESBYTERIAN**

D. H. Dulin, Pastor.  
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.  
Church Services 7:30 P. M. on first and third Sundays and 11:00 A. M. on second and fourth Sundays.

**WEST END BAPTIST**

William C. Medlin, Pastor.  
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. John Roberson, Supt.  
Worship service: 11:00 a. m. and 3:00 p. m., 2nd and 4th Sundays.  
Prayer service, 7:30 p. m. Wednesdays.

**VERNON METHODIST**

Arnold Pope, Pastor.  
Church school, each Sunday.  
Phillip Glisson, superintendent.  
Worship service 2nd Sunday, 9:30, 4th Sunday 11:00.  
W. S. C. S. each Monday night after 2nd Sunday at 7:30.  
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Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.  
Training Union 6:30 p. m.  
Worship Services, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.  
Prayer service, 7:30 p. m., Wednesday.

**OAK CITY BAPTIST**  
William C. Medlin, Pastor.  
Sunday School 10:00 a. m., J. C. Johnson, Supt.  
Worship services 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m., 1st and 3rd Sundays.  
Prayer service, 8:00 p. m. Thursdays.

**ROBERSON CHAPEL (Presbyterian)**  
D. H. Dulin, Pastor.  
Sunday School 10:00 A. M.  
Church services 11:00 A. M. on first and third Sundays and 7:30 P. M. on second and fourth Sundays.

**Revival Services Begin At Cedar Branch Baptist**  
The Spring revival meeting will begin at the Cedar Branch Baptist Church Sunday evening at 7:45 and continue through the following week, each night through the first Sunday in April.  
The Rev. Grover Everett, pastor of Lewiston Baptist Church, will be the preacher Monday night and continue through the meeting. All members are urged to attend these services and the public is invited. Rev. W. B. Harrington is the pastor.

**Revival Services Begin In Hamilton Sunday**  
Revival services begin at Hamilton Methodist Church Sunday, March 28. Preaching in the morning by the pastor and preaching at night by the Rev. H. B. Lewis of Bethel, and each night through Friday. Singing will be led by H. M. Peele of Hamilton.  
All the churches and individuals of the town and community are most cordially invited.

**Visiting Minister In The Episcopal Church Tonight**  
The third in a series of guest preachers during Lent at the Church of the Advent is the Rev. W. T. Waterhouse, rector of St. Peter's Church, Washington. The Service is at eight o'clock tonight.

**Plan April Revival In Oak City Church**  
The Rev. Williams Thomas Nichols, evangelist of Fairview, N. C., will conduct a series of revival services in the Oak City Christian Church, beginning Monday night April 5th at 7:30 and continuing each night through the week and closing Sunday April 11th.

**EVERETTS BAPTIST**  
Rev. J. Harold Coggins of Rocky Mount, Pastor.  
Sunday School, 10 a. m.  
Training Union 6:30 p. m.  
Worship services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. on 2nd and 4th Sundays.  
Prayer service at 7:30 p. m. Thursday.

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