

More Bi-Racial Committees

The News Leader agrees with Representative John W. Unstead of Orange County that one way to find a solution of the school segregation problem is to establish bi-racial committees in every community.

Supporters of the Pearsall Plan argue that if the State Constitution is altered by the vote on September 8 time will be gained to work out something satisfactory.

But it stands to reason that nothing satisfactory to the Negro people will be worked out if they are denied equal representation

on State and local committees.

The Pearsall Committee has not a single Negro member. Voters who approve the Pearsall Amendment will recognize it is at best a one-sided, one-race plan. Is that in accord with democratic principles?

One other question: If the Pearsall Plan is declared, as Prof. Douglas Maggs of the Duke University Law School believes likely, unconstitutional by the courts, what plan will then come into operation?

Voting By Old Patterns

"Glorified Old South patterns", says Dr. Reuben Hill, student of peoples and populations in the UNC faculty, are vestiges of a day when Southern people were rooted in the soil and chiefly stationary.

He reminds us that the modern tendency of Southern families to be on the move—either to town or to seek better pay and conditions—is introducing a new pattern of life marked by urbanization, industrialization, family instability, and a change in the master-class concept.

Every day the South faces new questions and tacking decisions. If we do not realize that familiar Southern patterns of life are breaking up and cannot be rigidly maintained, we will be in danger of trying to

travel in a horse and buggy in an automobile age.

Dr. Hill points to three family patterns inherited from the Old South: the upper class planter family, the mother-centered Negro family, the yeoman farm family.

Vestiges of these patterns are still to be found in many parts of the South, but they are on the way out or are being modified by new relationships. The danger to the South is that it will cling to a pattern and way of life that has already been undermined or even swept away by events and conditions. Even our votes must be cast in recognition of the fact that the moving finger not only writes but has already written.

A Plan For The Schools

Just as the schools are opening for the fall term comes the word that according to a study of the Goldsboro schools made by the UNC School of Education, the population of Goldsboro has virtually doubled in the last 25 years but the capacity of the local schools has lagged far behind.

No doubt, the same story can be told of other schools in the State; for almost everywhere there is a shortage of space, facilities, classroom and teachers.

In an era when far-reaching plans are being drawn up for every enterprise, there is urgent need of a plan for the North Carolina schools.

Such a plan should be made not just for five or ten years, but for twenty five and even fifty years. It is commonly agreed that the rise in the school population at the beginning of this fall term is only a foretaste

of the surge of children that will flood the schools in the forthcoming years.

Statistics show that in recent years North Carolina has in many avenues not maintained the pace that it set itself when the State took over the school system. It has been re-examining itself with a view to new energies and new improvements.

One of its biggest assets lies in the energies and abilities of its young people. But the State's children cannot rise to their best levels with scant or inferior school buildings and equipment.

While plans are rising for this and that element of the population, why should there not be an overall plan to take care of all the State's children; and why should not every town and community look ahead to the demands of future years?

Nixon As President

There is probably no element in the country, including his own backers, which quite trusts Vice President Nixon. Yet if the GOP wins in November and anything happens to Ike, Nixon will become president of the USA.

In that case, what would he likely do? In the first place, he is largely the creature of the big interests which put up the money that brought him to Washington. It must be assumed he would be responsive to their promptings and desires.

Secondly, we might be in an Asiatic war even more massive and messy than the Korean one. He strongly urged war when we put one foot into the Indo-China conflict

between France and native rebels. So it must be assumed he would place the USA alongside the powers that are trying to maintain an outmoded colonial policy.

Thirdly, it must be assumed he would not tolerate opposition or difference of opinion. He accused the Democrats of being a party of treason because they were not Republicans.

The presidency of the USA is the most powerful political office known to civilization. With Nixon occupying it, the nation would probably secretly feel as if it were in possession of a distrusted man armed with a smoking nuclear weapon.

What The 'Fed' Can Do

The "Fed", as the Federal Reserve System is called, is the reason that money has been too plentiful and has put a clamp on it.

The effect will be felt by every inhabitant of the country, from the biggest city down to the smallest hamlet.

Interest rates are now the highest since 1933, which was the heavy year of the depression.

The "Fed's" decree is that a new round of inflation has been started and must be curbed.

When a runaway is threatened, a brake must be applied. Hence the administration at Washington has authorized the "Fed" to take action.

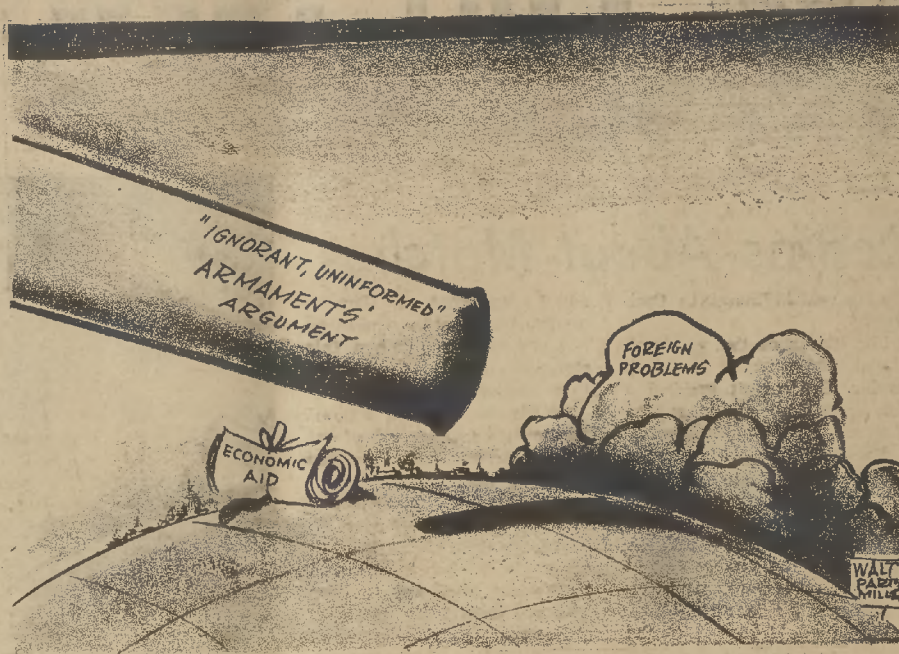
But to put a clamp on the country's credit

supply is to put a clamp on a central artery. Every line of endeavor is either halted or interfered with in some measure. The operation may be successful, but the patient suffers.

It may be that a financial emergency exists that compels the "Fed" to step in, but there's no denying that a risk is involved. Business hardship and failure is only one of the possible consequences.

A loss of confidence in the financial structure or a wave of fear might be the fruit of an undue restriction of the money supply. We think of the seat of government as residing in the Capitol or the White House, but at such a moment we have to recognize that neither has such basic power as the "Fed".

It's No Solution



Walt Partymiller in York Gazette And Daily

Tolstoy Film Is Compared With 'Gone With The Wind'

Bosley Crowther in N. Y. Times

Here is a situation that amounts to a funny paradox: When "Gone With The Wind" was published as a novel and later made into a film it was often and reasonably described as "the American 'War and Peace,'" the reference being, of course, to Leo Tolstoy's classic novel of Czarist Russia during the Napoleonic wars.

The comparison is inevitable and proper, since both novels have to do with the ravages of war upon a privileged and tradition-laden social class. In "War and Peace" it is the landed Russian aristocrats whose leisurely way of life was shaken and whose bulwarks of superiority were breached when Napoleon invaded their country in 1812. And in "Gone With The Wind" it is the genteel Southern plantation-owning class whose world was utterly destroyed by the American Civil War.

Resemblance may be noted even further—in the natures of some of the characters, in the patterns of families, in the ways of living and in the destructions brought on by war.

In "Gone With The Wind," for instance, the burning of Atlanta was a pictorial display of disaster that is paralleled by the burning of Moscow in "War and Peace." And the bringing of the wounded to Atlanta, which was a graphic evidence of the horror of war in "Gone With The Wind," is matched by the scenes of slaughter at the Battle of Borodino and the slow destruction of Napoleon's Army on its retreat from Moscow in this film of "War and Peace."

Hansome Photography

Further, both films, being efforts of supreme cinematic achievement in their respective days, have been distinguished by the best in contemporary color photography. This "War and Peace," which is showing at the

Capitol, is something to see for the beauty of its scenes in Vista-Vision and for Jack Cardiff's camera work.

But we feel that the reasonable comparison between "War and Peace" and "Gone With The Wind," as motion-picture presentations, cannot go any further than this, after duly noting that both run well over three hours.

For, whereas the central character, Scarlett O'Hara, in "Gone With The Wind" was a dynamic, flexible woman whose attack upon life completely changed after experiencing war's destruction, her opposite number, Natasha, in "War and Peace" is a volatile girl who changes little, except to become more subdued, after seeing her home destroyed and losing the man she loved. There is no demonstration, either in incident or in the performance that Audrey Hepburn gives, of the spiritual and social maturing of Natasha that is in Tolstoy's book.

No Theme

But more perceptibly absent from this picture is a positive dramatic theme, such as the theme of social transition that was tremendous in "Gone With The Wind" and which, indeed, is strongly under-running through the 700-odd pages of "War and Peace." The individuals contemplated in this picture are a variety of aristocrats and a couple of military leaders, the Russian general Kutuzov and Napoleon.

For an hour and forty-five minutes, this handsome film is given up to a slow, mildly interesting description of the domestic and amorous affairs of a dozen members of three or four families. Then Napoleon invades the country. Some are killed. Everybody has trying experiences. Napoleon is forced to retreat, and the aristocratic life is resumed. It offers a panorama crowded with incidents but little point, except that war is frightful and peace is to be desired.

Brady's Blarney

By J. P. BRADY

(In The Franklin Press)

The wife is currently on a casserole kick at our house.

Anything that will support cheese on its top soon finds it

self in the dish and cooking in the oven.

Nothing, not even week-old leftovers, is safe.

"What gives with this casserole kick?" I ventured at the table

'A Casserole Kick'

'Get Ready, Get Set . . .'



Hertford County Herald

Chips That Fall

Hardened radio listeners, bruised and driven to cover by the raucous chants of the Elvises, are surprised and grateful when a nice girl like Doris Day comes along and sings with real charm: "Que sera, sera—whatever will be, will be." It is all the more charming from having an accompaniment with a true Mexican lilt.

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Felix Hickerson was in his Berlin hotel one day this summer and switching dials on the radio to catch some English language news when there came a burst of familiar voices and music. It was the Campus WUNC studio on the air. Hickerson says it was as clear as he were in Chapel Hill instead of Germany.

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Ed Merritt knows of a pond not far from Chapel Hill where big bass come close to shore and loaf in the shade. A bird dog slips up and sets the fish by the hour. Got to keep his nose in practice, even in the off season.

the other night, after fighting off the urge through about four casserole meals in a row.

"You mean the 'budget kick'?" she replied haughtily. "If you'd make enough to feed us I would not have to use my ingenuity."

"Ingenuity!" she continued as if I hadn't even spoken. "Casseroles are nourishing, filling, and very economical."

"So is garbage . . ."

"...and they're easy to fix on these hot days," she concluded.

"I'll say easy to fix. Looks to me like you just empty the refrigerator and then cover the mess with cheese."

"Well," she said angrily, "you seem to be thriving on them from the looks of that layer of fat hanging over your belt."

"That was a very unkind remark and you've cut me to the quick," I fought back feebly, "and that's not fat, it's undeveloped muscle!"

She drove the barb home: "Why don't you admit you've got a spare tire around your middle and let it go at that."

"If it was spare you'd have it trimmed off and in a casserole dish topped with cheese," was my triumphant rejoinder.

"Not a bad idea," she decided menacingly, poking her knife toward my midriff, "but ladle that lends itself more to tomato sauce than cheese."

"I think I'll have some more of that delicious casserole," I said meekly.

"You say the sweetest things," she complied, putting down the knife.

NICKEL COIN

Switzerland issued the first nickel coin for general use in about 1881.

WILSON SAID what's good for General Motors is good for the country. Well, Ike's apparently going to get himself a new model.

From Sen. Scott's Office . . .

Washington Report

By BILL WHITLEY
ELECTION. The stakes are unusually high this year for North Carolina and the South in the Congressional elections. If the Republicans gain control of Congress, it will mean that the South will lose a majority of the major committee chairmanships in both the House and Senate. When committee chairmanships are considered in light of civil rights and other legislation in which the South has a deep interest, this year's elections become even more important.

SENATE. In the Senate, for example, if the Republicans gain control of Congress, it will mean that Sen. James Eastland of Mississippi will be replaced as chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee by Sen. Alexander Wiley of Wisconsin. This is the committee that handles all civil rights legislation.

Just as important is the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee, which handles most of the social legislation other than civil rights. If the Democrats lose control of Congress, Sen. Lister Hill of Alabama will be replaced as chairman of this committee by Sen. Alexander Smith of New Jersey.

Other Senate committee chairmanships that would be taken from southerners if the Republicans win Congress are:

Agriculture, now held by Sen. Allen Ellender of Louisiana

would go to Sen. of Vermont; Army now held by Sen. Styles Bridges of North Carolina; Banking now held by Sen. of Arkansas; Education now held by Sen. Homer Capehart of Indiana; Government Operations now held by Sen. John McClellan of Arkansas; Labor and Public Welfare now held by Sen. Frank Carlson of California.

HOUSE. In the House, the immediate effect of a Democratic victory would be to replace Sen. Harold C. Rep. Harold C. replaced as chairman of the House Agriculture Committee by Rep. Graham Barden of North Carolina; Labor and Education by Rep. Herbert H. Lehman of New York; Merchant Marine by Rep. Carl Albert of Montana; and the Committee on Atomic Energy by Rep. Charles McNair of Indiana.

In addition to the loss of these chairmanships, the Democrats would gain the chairmanships of the Committee on Education and the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

Free Wheeling

By Bill Crowell—Reporting From Raleigh

CAR SICKNESS . . . Science now knows what causes motion sickness, that queasy-in-the-stomach feeling you sometimes have on long motor trips. The trouble comes from the type of food eaten, kind of clothing, and boredom.

Children are especially susceptible. Which leads Free Wheeling to advise a simple diet (no pastries, mayonnaise, fish) for youngsters during a trip. Also loose, comfortable clothes, and a favorite toy or coloring book to occupy the small fry's attention.

As a further diversion, when children get restless, the Smithfield Herald suggests some simple game like seeing which one can scream the loudest.

HOT CARS . . . Tom Secrest, assistant head of the Motor Vehicles Department's Auto Theft Bureau, is the car thief's worst occupational hazard. The former highway patrolman turned sleuth uses chemistry, clerking and checking in upsetting the plans of auto and truck pilferers who find the practice of their trade tough sledding in North Carolina.

Tom doesn't low rate the professional auto thief. He relishes matching wits with the pros who, for the most part, are the ones who keep him in business.

"Kids who snatch cars temporarily for joy riding seldom keep them more than a few hours," he says. "And others eventually abandon stolen cars after impulsive, and usually foolish, journeys. It's the professional who displays real cunning at stealing cars and trying to cash in on them."

To try and sell a stolen vehicle in North Carolina is a risky business. Despite new paint jobs, seat covers, extra accessories and the like which the professionals employ to disguise a hot car, Tom and his inspectors can spot them with frustrating (for the thief) regularity. Ground

DEATH DECLINE

Death rate in the U. S. has declined by about 46 per cent since 1900.

MILK INTAKE

A dairy cow eats 100 pounds of food daily to produce 20 to 25 pounds of milk.

FUEL CENTER

About one-half the U. S. natural gas supply comes from Texas.

NICKEL COIN

As late as 1870 it is reported that there were less than 150 hospitals in the U. S., and they were confined chiefly to the eastern seaboard cities.

WORD IS that Ike will fire Charles E. Wilson after the election. That ought to be good for some Ford and Chrysler votes.

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