

'It Is Later Than I Thought!'



EDITORIALS

Never Forget That These Editorials Are The Opinion Of One Man, And He May Be Wrong.

Not White Supremacy

The battle being waged in the Union of South Africa now is not for White Supremacy but is for White Survival. The irony of our generation is the pious manner in which a vast majority of the white world has turned its back on the white people of South Africa, after having kindled and fanned the flames that threaten to consume a proud and productive member of the World Order of Nations.

Here we have three million white people whose ancestry in Africa in many instances predates that of the white race in North America. In the most inhospitable and least productive part of Africa except the Sahara these men and women of French, Dutch and English origin have persevered for nearly 300 years and with luck and tenacity they have built a nation.

In two World Wars and in the Korean Conflict troops from the Union of South Africa—white troops—have given their blood to sanctify the principle of domestic self determination. Now the entire government of South Africa is pilloried in the press of the world, is vilified in the United Nations and jackal-attacked by such collections of frauds as comprise the majorities

in the United States Congress and the British Parliament.

A strong, but small nation that has not lived off the charity of such give-away programs as the American taxpayer suffers; a breed of people proud of their lonely fortress and their independence today fights a literal battle for survival.

If the resources—threadbare as they are—of their rugged domain were deposited with the masses of negroid South Africa they would be suddenly debauched and in less time than it takes to read this item a delegation of ex-witch doctors and tribal chieftains would be making reservations for a flight to Washington to get some Yankee Dollars.

This is the pattern wherever "freedom" has taken Africa from French or British so-called "exploitation". And the majority of these "freed" men live in the lushest area in the world insofar as natural resources are concerned.

As one citizen of the United States we are sickened because of our policy of national stupidity and for the small worth it may have we extend our humblest apologies to the beleaguered responsible citizens of the Union of South Africa.

A Word To The Wise

North Carolina law demands that a voter be able to read the Constitution, but does not insist that the reader understand what he has read.

With that snide beginning we address these few comments to that tiny segment of the electorate that is capable of both reading and understanding what government is all about.

This is the season of political oratory and countless civic club caucuses are being sprayed with promises by candidates for office. Since a large part of this oratory comes from those men who seek to be the next governor it is well to remember what one of these candidates, John Larkins has said:

"I strongly advise every voter to figure how much these promises will cost him in extra taxes if the candidates actually has

a chance to make the promise come true."

Larkins reminds that there is no question where the money for all these promises is to come from—nobody else but the taxpayer, but he asks what will these "promising candidates" tax: Raise the income tax, raise the sales tax, or extend the sales tax to food, drugs and other necessities, or put a state tax back on land and personal property?

Of course governors do not levy taxes—only the general assembly performs this operation, but governors have been known to grab assemblies and drag them around in any direction they desire. Consider, Governor Hodges persuading the recent 1959 session of the assembly to permit the collection of two years income tax in one year and the spending of a \$30 million dollar surplus to avoid the obvious necessity of

The 'Liberal' Language

English is, indeed, a fluid language that changes with the times and means one thing to one generation and completely opposite things to another.

The imperfect example of this fluidity is the political adjective: Liberal, which for several generations described that political principle based upon an abiding respect for human rights.

In the jargon of today this same word has been switched full-face to describe the political breed that has decided that it knows best what is good for mankind. The garden variety liberal of today is transfixed with the image of his own intellectuality, and hypnotized by this flattering reflection he walks the nation with complete assurance of omnipotence on every subject from abasination to zymurgy.

The 19th century breed of liberal respected the peculiarity of the individual and devoted considerable of its energy to preserving the weeds that flourish in the garden of human society.

The mid-20th Century liberal is a straight-jacket conformist, who demands complete uniformity.

Our current liberal is, to put it simply a socialist who lacks the guts to call himself a socialist. A majority are bureaucrats in one degree or another who sincerely believe that man's destiny is best guided by the North Star of a paternalistic government rather than the flickering candle of one's eternal and in-ernal determination.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS
BY JACK RIDER

Ex Post Facto

After more than a decade of either very slack enforcement or no enforcement whatever of one part of the tobacco acreage allocation program the ASC this month has suddenly decided not only to commence the strict enforcement of this regulation but to also turn back four years and begin a retroactive enforcement.

This, in our opinion, is not only immoral but is illegal as well.

This on-and-off regulation in its simplest form forbids the transfer of tobacco acreage from land when that land is used for residential, commercial or industrial purposes. It is exemplified in the bureaucratic axiom, "Tobacco goes with the land and not the man."

If a farmer gives a son or daughter an acre of land to build a home, his tobacco acreage will be forthwith reduced by whatever percentage of that farmer's cultivated acreage that one acre represents.

If a farmer sells half his cleared cropland for a plant site he loses half his tobacco allotment. Enforcement of that rule from this day forward makes some sense, but it cannot make legal sense to attempt to go back four years and enforce the rule.

Transactions that were made in 1956 in many instances included as a major part of the "consideration" the transfer of tobacco allocations. Going back now for any number of years—whether one or four or forty—is rather like trying to unscramble the egg.

Washington and Raleigh officers of the ASC had better take a good long look at this half-cracked effort to walk backwards in time and in policy.

Wasn't there an old song that went something like: "Spring will be a little late this year." Perhaps it's a weather forecast we're remembering.

At ease, relax, the world is safe again; they've started making movies again out in Hollywood.

The basic difference between Thad Stevens in the reconstruction era and our current breed of "force bill" composers in Congress is that Stevens bluntly admitted that he was trying to install his party in power for "a thousand years".

A friend just asked if its true that where there's three or four newspapermen gathered there's usually a fifth? Well, we plead the fifth.

Who ascribed to doctors the habit of "viewing with alarm so they might later point with pride? Politicians were doing this before Hippocrates rolled his first pill.

Nothing IS so rare as a day in spring. raising taxes if all the promises he has made were to be even half fulfilled.

Perhaps there are some citizens who feel they are not paying enough taxes, and possibly there are other citizens who know of a secret source of public revenue that has not been tapped. Let both of these groups step forth and proclaim, but until such proclamations are heard and investigated each of us average mortals would do well to keep in mind what Candidate Larkins has said about the price-tag of political promises.

The grand jury indictment of 54 persons in New York City for fraudulently taking civil service examinations for other persons surely is not news, and is newsworthy only in the sense that it has taken the wheel of justice so long to grind around to this flagrant and ancient kind of thievery. This civil service fraud in Washington is a hundred times more abused than in New York City simply because so many more workers in Washington are under the so-called impartial control of the civil service system.

And this kind of racket is not confined simply to job getting. The huge diploma mills such as Columbia University in New York City have been areas in which degrees, up to and including doctorates could be purchased from professional theme and these writers for a long, long time. Classes of several hundred students where the teacher cannot possibly have any personal contact with his pupils are automatic invitations to this kind of stealing.

There are hundreds of school teachers in North Carolina who are drawing additional pay on the basis of these mail-order master and doctor degrees from Columbia and other less well-known schools. This is one reason that the teachers' union for a long time has refused to accept merit examinations as a basis for teacher pay. Happily the North Carolina Education Association has recently reversed its old stand and now has recommended the institution of a merit examination system as one of the indexes upon which teacher salaries will be based.

In a less grand and glorious realm we have here in North Carolina the professional driver's license examination taker. This character simply substitutes for somebody for a fee who has failed to pass the driver license tests. Several times a year at the Kinston office some of these professional examination takers are caught. But there is no way of knowing how many actually get away with the trick, but in my opinion not less than 10 per cent and possibly more of the driver's license in use today in North Carolina were obtained in this fraudulent manner.

It is a rather sad commentary on our times that these types of fraud are so flagrant. But it is almost as sad to recognize that those people charged with protecting the public from such chicanery have failed to correct the situation that permits the fraud to continue.

A thumbprint, or a small photograph on a driver's license would automatically eliminate false exam taking. In the civil service tests where dozens or hundreds of people in the large cities are taking tests at the same time; the person seeking the job can go up get fingerprinted, photographed and pass back into the crowd where the "old pro" Continued on page 3

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