

Kidd Brewer's "RALEIGH ROUNDUP"

DEMOCRATS . . . There is always a revival of interest and activity in the Democratic party following a victory in the National elections. There are more jobs to be had and more favors to be gotten. This, combined with the fact that Terry Sanford believes in operating through and in cooperation with the Party, whereas his predecessor for the most part ignored the party officials, has brought about the present high pitch of of interest.

The turnout for the Jackson Day dinner in Raleigh the past weekend indicates that the "brethren in the field" are glad to be in again. They went home to tell their neighbors that Terry Sanford's legislative program is rolling alone in fine shape and that his wishes for the most part will be enacted before this summer is over.

SPLIT . . . Much speculation has been going on lately about the apparent parting of the ways of Governor Sanford and one of his associates from way back in the Kerr Scott administration.

Henry Grady Shelton, who was a highway commissioner under Scott, and active in Sanford's campaign for governor, has not gone along with some of Sanford's program in the Legislature.

When this sort of thing happens everyone immediately jumps to the conclusion that the cause is something personal. We must remember that no two people can be expected to have the same opinions on every subject every time.

Our opinion is that Henry Shelton is a man who operates on principles rather than on personalities, and will only support his friends when he believes in the cause pursued.

It has been our observation that most of the governors have expected and demanded that their friends support their programs regardless of the individuals opinion.

If Terry Sanford is willing to allow for differences of opinions on the part of his friends he will keep most of them and make more.

If, on the other hand, he demands constant agreement, then he will leave the governorship, unpopular and disappointed. We believe Governor Sanford will follow the former course, more so than most of his predecessors.

THE OLD WELL . . . It may sur-

prise you, but most members of the legislature will tell you that the most potent lobby is not operated by private business, but rather by the University of North Carolina. We will not go into detail at this time, but it's a fact.

In view of the above it is hard to understand why the University has not secured the necessary appropriation to enable an old grad (and other thirsty people) to get a drink of water from The Old Well, the famous landmark on the Chapel Hill campus.

One would not expect to find the old familiar oak bucket still operating, but is it too much to expect to find at least a spigot with running water? Our guess is that the majority of the members of the legislature would approve a request for funds for this purpose.

ON AND ON . . . "The State ought either to see to it that the work on highway 70 between Durham and Greensboro is finished and opened to public, or the project abandoned."

That is the way one legislator from the western part of the state put it last week.

"The other week-end, on my way home I stayed behind a line of traffic for mile after mile while to my left was a beautiful paved road not being used — and not being worked on", he went on. "The pavement is complete for the most part on this road, and it would appear that only a little more work on the shoulders and landscaping would complete the work. On my way back to Raleigh, I got on this new lane and came all the way to Durham, drove mile after mile after mile without seeing any work being done."

By this time, our friend was really warmed up. "Two years should be long enough to complete a road once it is started", our friend went on. "It seems that this stretch of road has been under

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since in No. 1 there are 489 white voters and in No. 2 there are 588 white voters.

On balance it would seem fair to theorize that Mrs. Hannibal got nearly as many white votes as negro votes. She most assuredly did not get the 1200 negro votes she got in 1959. If instead of the roughly 900 negro votes she did get this year she had gotten the same percentage of the negro vote this year that she did last election she would have been several

construction for years. They ought to complete it, use it as it is, or abandon it."

Our friend was really boiling. "May we quote you?", we asked. "Yes, you may quote me," but don't use my name."

notches higher and quite possibly among the top five candidates.

What Mrs. Hannibal and the other negro leaders have learned the bitter way is that once blocs of vote reach maturity they then automatically tend to fragment. Mrs. Hannibal was not radical enough to please some of the negro extremists. These elements split the negro vote, and conservatively cost her not less than 800 or 900 negro votes which would have been enough to re-elect her with the 600 white votes she received Tuesday.

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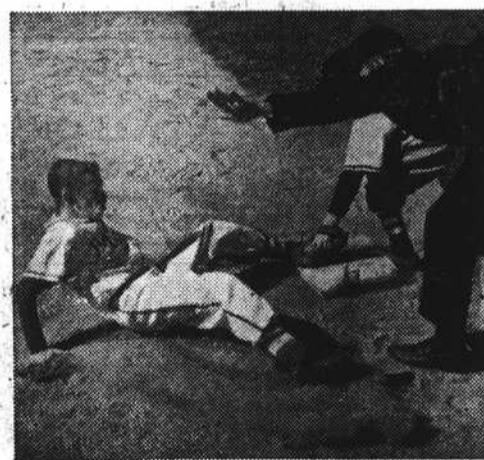
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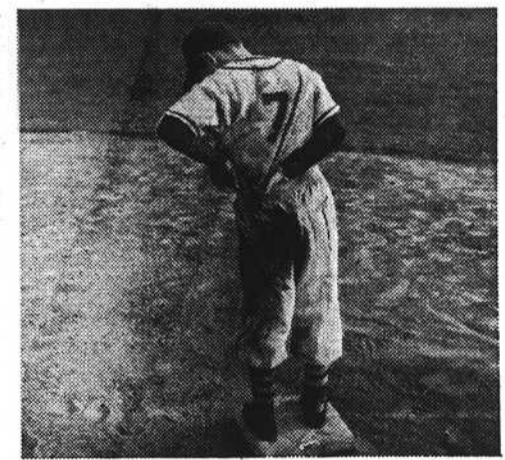
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