



Eye-catching new styling is combined in the 1964 Thunderbird with unique luxury features including thin-shell bucket seats and the auto industry's first retractable seat belts. A longer hood, integrated bumper and grille and rectangular taillights enhance its traditional look of elegance (top photo). New features of its cockpit motif interior styling (bottom photo) include separate instrument pods, a distinctive new command console, and covered rear seats. An optional reclining seat for the front passenger includes an extendible head rest for complete relaxation on long trips. A new Silent-Flo ventilation system includes a vent at the bottom of the rear window on Landau and Hardtop models. The new Thunderbirds will be introduced in Ford dealer showrooms September 27.

Other Editors

WRAL VIEWPOINT

Newspapers Disturbed

Both Raleigh newspapers pretended to be shocked that Raleigh school teachers were given tickets to a speech last week by Clarence Manion.

"Intruder in the Schools," thundered The News and Observer, followed by an obedient and expectable echo in the afternoon Times. Both newspapers suggested that school teachers, having received the tickets, had therefore felt compelled to attend the Manion speech. Which, insofar as we are concerned, is a calculated insult to the teachers themselves. In any event, neither newspaper had yet produced a teacher who felt such compulsion.

So, how silly can you get? Nobody imagined that the Raleigh newspapers would jump with joy over Clarence Manion's coming to town. Dr. Manion preaches a doctrine that the newspapers studiously suppress. What's more Manion operates from an impressive port-

folio. He is a distinguished educator, having headed the law school at Notre Dame University for many years. He is a respected constitutional lawyer and historian. He is also effectively outspoken in his belief that modern-day politicians and politics — of the type that the Raleigh newspapers advocate and promote — are leading this nation down the road to destruction of its freedoms.

It thus becomes apparent, then, that what "shocked" the Raleigh newspapers was the fact that thousands of people turned out to cheer Dean Manion, and that the audience included scores of schoolteachers. Plainly, in the minds of the Raleigh editors, this was carrying "academic freedom" too far! It is important to bear in mind that Dean Manion did not speak on the campus of any school or college. He spoke in a public auditorium, rented for the occasion by the organization that sponsored

Dean Manion's visit. And that organization, whether the newspapers like it or not, is composed of citizens who have done most to build their community and its institutions.

So, when the newspapers describe the organization known as "Citizens for the Preservation of Constitutional Government" as a "right-wing" group, then the newspapers are telling more about themselves than they are about the organization they attack.

But there is one further consideration. It should not be overlooked that these same newspapers have repeatedly condemned the North Carolina legislature for enacting a law prohibiting Communists from free use of state-owned facilities on our college campuses. They have distorted the meaning and the intent of the law, they have piously cried that there is no danger in permitting Communists to use their brainwashing techniques on our young people. But when a noted and respected constitutional lawyer comes to town, preaching Americanism and advocating a return to constitutional principles, the newspapers throw their thinking apparatus in reverse.

Fortunately, nobody has been fooled by this transparent display of curious logic. Dean Manion's views speak for themselves, and so do the contrasting views of the Raleigh area is now being offered an

increasingly substantial amount of varying views and opinions. This has not always been the case. Citizens hereabouts ought to be grateful to the Citizens for the Preservation of Constitutional Government for helping provide "the other side" in matters of contemporary politics, government and philosophy.

Dean Clarence Manion may be a "rightwing extremist". That depends upon who is doing the defining. We doubt that many who heard him will agree with the Raleigh newspapers' appraisal of the man. He knows his history; he knows his constitution. And he knows what freedom is — and when freedom is being destroyed.

And though he quoted Barry Goldwater, and was cheered when he did so, he also quoted Woodrow Wilson and Sam Ervin — and was also cheered. As a Democrat, Clarence Manion was obviously being non-partisan. City School Superintendent Jesse Sanderson was thus correct in appraising him as such, regardless of what implications the Raleigh press attempted to the contrary.

Dean Clarence Manion did not "intrude in the schools." If he succeeded in intruding upon the thought control of the Raleigh newspapers, then good for him and thank the Lord for him. We hope that the Citizens for the Preservation of Constitutional Government bring more and more "intruders" to Raleigh in the weeks and months to come.



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