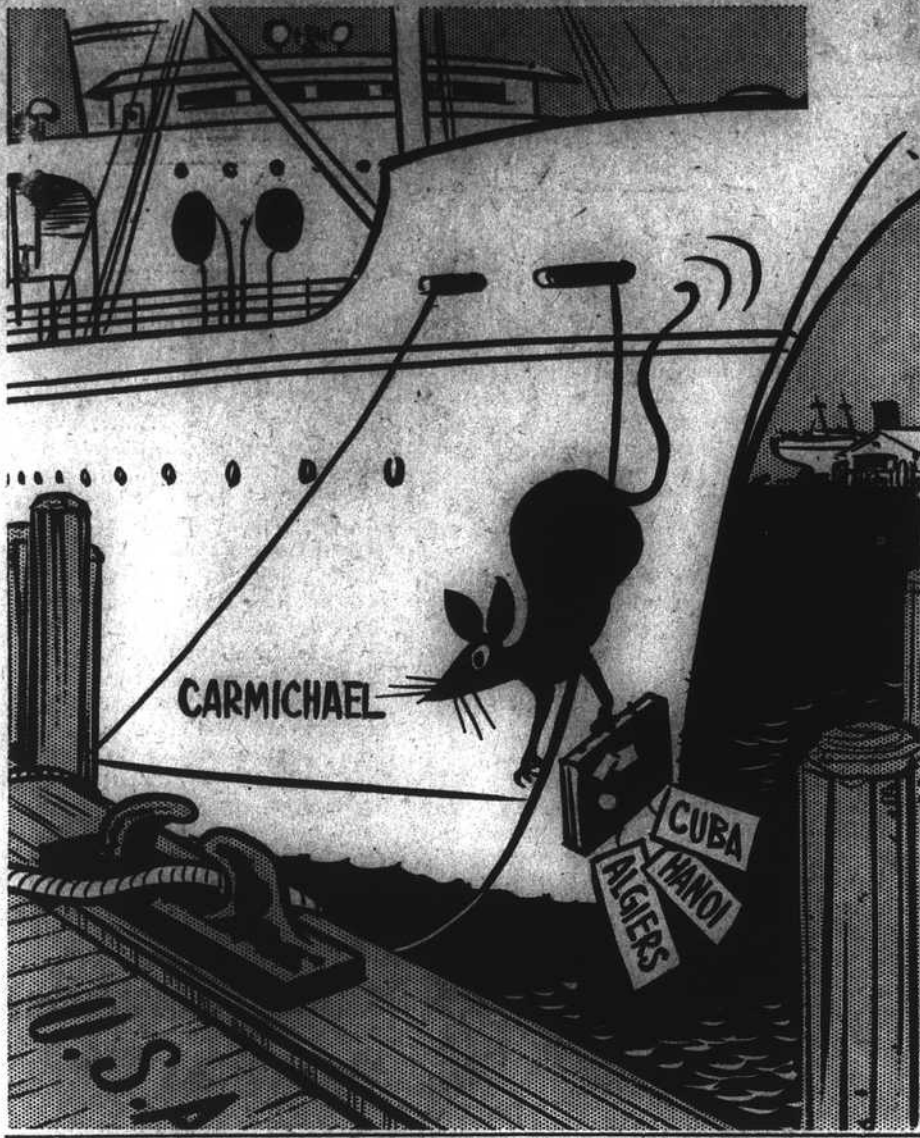


Recommended Starting Point for the Anti-Rat Program



EDITORIALS

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

Whistling In The Dark

A year in advance of the 1968 presidential election there is a lot of whistling in the dark; and most of this loud political whistling is being done as the hopefuls of both parties try to walk quickly by the George Wallace haunted house.

Hardly a national gazette with liberal leanings has avoided such hopeful pucker. Among the most recent is the Christian Science Monitor, which asserts after a survey of newsmen in all the states that Wallace would hurt the Republicans more than the Democrats.

Political statisticians can prove any hypothesis they want to prove in this game of anticipation.

But let us take North Carolina as an example of this Monitored reasoning. Tar Heelia is one of the precincts newsmen believe Wallace would hurt Republican chances. This is an example of "nothing-from-nothing-leaving-nothing". The last time the Republicans picked up the electoral marbles in North Carolina was in 1928.

In 1964 there was a spread of 375,295 votes between Winner LBJ and loser Goldwater in North Carolina — 800,139 to 624,844.

Assuming there is less Tar Heel inclination to continue on the LBJ way in '68 than there was in '64, and assuming that Wallace is going to pick up a scattering of the conservative vote in North Carolina one has to assume that a considerable portion of those conservative votes will come from the Democratic fold. Dan Moore got 480,431 largely conservative Democratic votes against his liberal opponent Richardson Preyer's 293,863 in the second primary of '64, which certainly supports the conclusion that North Carolina has more conservative than liberals in its Democratic registration.

There has been no test in modern times of the conservative-liberal split among North Carolina Republicans, but in the '64 elections the fact that the combined conservative vote for Goldwater fell 375,295 short, and assuming that

those same 480,431 conservative Democrats who voted for Moore also voted for Goldwater this leaves only 319,708 conservative Republican voters in that '64 fiasco.

We realize very well that this is an over-simplification, but it deals with the only real set of facts known about the North Carolina political temperament.

Gavin, the Republican candidate for Governor, ran 23,679 votes behind Goldwater in North Carolina (629,844 Goldwater, 606,165 Gavin), indicating that Republican Goldwater found considerable support from Democrats, which was well known and thoroughly documented in hundreds of other ways.

So now to conclude that George Wallace will hurt Republican chances of collecting North Carolina's electoral votes is absurd. By any real analysis of the most recent facts available it is the Democratic Party that Wallace will hurt in North Carolina.

If one assumes the same situation exists in other Southern states one can extend this same conclusion to South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Texas, which are also classed in the Monitor survey as states in which Wallace will draw water out of the Republican well.

Elsewhere in the nation, Oregon, Nevada, Illinois, Michigan and New Jersey are classified as states where Wallace will hurt Republicans more than Democrats. After Newark and Detroit this prediction hardly washes.

This survey further asserts that Wallace will hurt both parties in California, Louisiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Delaware and New Hampshire. How this could possibly come about is a mystery the Monitor article fails to explain.

Equally ridiculous the Monitor survey says Wallace will only hurt the Democrats in New Mexico, North and South Dakota, South Carolina, Wisconsin, West Virginia and Maryland.

This, of course, is what the liberal newsmen whose conclusions went into

Judges Do Read

The fifth circuit court of appeals, which has established for itself the distinction of being among the nation's most militant supporters of "civil rights", has taken judicial notice of recent events and ruled last Wednesday that dance studios, bowling alleys, pool rooms and certain amusement parks are exempt from the public accommodations section of the 1964 civil rights act. This is a narrow adjudication that will last no longer than it takes to get it before Earl Warren and his four stooges.

Professionalism?

No trade has more carefully nurtured or clung more desperately to the title "Professional" than teaching. Now considerable segments of this "profession" are behaving like trade unionists, and their learned elders speak of "meeting in the picket line". Which, of course, doesn't alter the most basic test of professionalism, to wit entering an occupation as a means of livelihood. It merely strikes us as amusingly coincidental that the professionals of several school systems are on strike at the same time the professionals who make Fords are pounding the picket lines.

Full Cycle

Military thinking has now gone full cycle. From the moated castle, to the Wall of China, to the atomic bomb, to the Berlin Wall and now to the electric fence across Korea, with another to be built across Vietnam. There really is nothing new under the sun... Just new ways of doing old chores... or trying to.

Easy Job

Among the easier jobs the Johnson Administration has recently accomplished is the "brainwashing" of George Romney. We'd say a tea cup of luke warm water and a very light dusting of any cheap detergent would have done the job quickly and thoroughly, considering the size of the object being washed.

Identification

It has been logically asserted that if it waddles like a duck, swims like a duck, quacks like a duck and cohabits with ducks it is safe to assume that IT is a duck. This basic method of identification can be applied with utter simplicity to Stokely Carmichael, Rat Brown, Martin Luther King and altogether too many of those who have been misleading the colored people of our nation in recent years.

Police Brutality

The main propaganda line of American communists has been the frequently repeated scream: "Police Brutality". There is more substance to this charge than meets the casual eye. For instance: Last year 99 police officers were given the ultimately brutal treatment; that many being killed in line of duty. Another 23,851 were assaulted while in performance of their duty, and 9,113 of those assaulted suffered disabling injuries. Incidentally, 187 of those assaulted were Newark policemen.

Asian Democracy

The new "democratic government" of South Vietnam has a powerful mandate — from 35 per cent of the nation's voters. This holds little promise of any more stability for that tiny land than its last eight minority governments, especially since the nation's two chief executive officers are Catholic and over half of its senate are Catholic in a land that is 85 per cent Buddhist.

this survey would like for the nation to believe, but it is nowhere remotely near the truth.

Of course, the Republican opponent to LBJ will have a lot to do with how badly Wallace hurts either party. A year in advance if the temper of the nation is comparable to that of North Carolina it is the Democratic party that will suffer most from a Wallace race.

PERSONAL

PARAGRAPHS

BY JACK RIDER

It is sadly amusing that a man who has been accepted as one of the most intelligent to sit in a presidential cabinet has come up in the year 1967 with the amusing belief that "good fences make good neighbors". This is the same paranoid aberration that built the Wall of China, and more recently, The Berlin Wall.

This expensive exercise in futility becomes even more psychotic when one looks at the coast line of South Vietnam, as well as South Korea. McNamara has long been exposed to a lesson he is singularly slow in learning for a man of such reputed ability. It is a lesson that history records time and time again.

American history's bloodiest pages are on this particular lesson. The north had the South outnumbered in every index that seemed pertinent to war. In men, money, materials; yet this most terrible American war lasted four bloody years, and did not end until every state of the Confederacy had felt the invader's heel.

And it is a little sad to reflect; now a 106 years too late, that if General Lee had been half as smart as General Washington the war would not be over yet. Lee, trained at West Point, and a student in the great military affairs of history fought the classical war as it was taught to him. Washington, who learned his fighting from the Indians, used his few men and fewer supplies in the same guerilla fashion the Viet Cong now use in Vietnam.

It was the Russian guerilla who cut the heel strings of Napoleon's "Grand Armee", and it was his grandchildren who bled Hitler's Wermacht to death in the snows of Leningrad. In World War Two the British learned from their past mistakes and established a tight ring of guerilla outposts all the way around the British Isles to "welcome Hitler's invaders, who never got across the channel.

The best defense against the Viet Cong is the same kind of terrorism in North Vietnam that it maintains in South Vietnam. The only people who can possibly do this are the Vietnamese, and they are now asking that all fighting chores "be taken over by Americans, while their troops are used for "pacification", which, interpreted loosely, means milking the natives and stealing all the American supplies they can tote.

Lacking the Vietnamese will, and ability to out-Cong the Viet Cong there are but two alternatives left for the United States: 1. Total destruction of North Vietnam or 2. Withdrawal as quickly and quietly as possible.

To the mind of South as well as North Vietnamese; not to mention the minds of the rest of the world, Americans are the "invaders". The fact that this troubled little land now is under its ninth government since the American government was "invited" in is merely a rather cynical confession that the United States is there far more for its own interests than for any except the ruling class of South Vietnam.

Last week's Vietnamese elections were about as surprising in their results as recent "free elections" in Poland, Hungary, Yugo-Slavia and other nations forced to vote at gun point. President Johnson could have sent any size group, composed of the world's most unbiased witnesses to "observe" this election and in 99 per cent of the world's minds the suspicion would have remained, that the election was rigged. And if the Theu-Ky ticket had been defeated there isn't a naive soul even in Washington who really believes that the winning ticket would have survived a month in office.

We need to build fences in the world, but McNamara is building the wrong kind. Now we join the Russians with their Berlin Wall as examples of militarism gone berserk.

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