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THE MONTGOMERY INDEPENDENT

**Luck Is A Snarling Foe**

Two Churls got hold of Wallace on network television Sunday and demonstrated again that they never learn. With their insolent, insulting manner, these two cutie-pie inquisitors succeeded in gaining Wallace a vast amount of sympathy if not support, whereas their futile intention was to grind him up. As long as Wallace has been on stage, many of his critics still regard him as a boob who can be knocked down by a loaded question and a snarling manner. They boil and stew indignantly. Wallace sits there calm, almost bored, batting their easy fungoes into the outfield. The only time Wallace stumbles is when his adversaries succeed in getting him as angry as they are.

It wasn't the questions they asked Sunday that caused the blood to boil. After all, Wallace dishes it out and let him take it. But it was the supercilious, accusing attitude. Wallace should have jammed it in their teeth with all knuckles.

Did Wallace believe in furnishing police protection to civil rights leaders? Yes, said Wallace, any citizen threatened by violence is entitled to protection. He should have gone further

and related that the poor people's great panjandrum, Ralph Abernathy, was given police protection in Montgomery, Ala., when he ran screaming down Dexter Avenue with an angry, hatchet-swinging husband in hot pursuit. Not since the days of the Keystone Cops has there been such a race — Abernathy's short legs pumping like pistons, his cuckolded pursuer closing in with Apache hatchet swings. Except for the timely arrival of a police squad car, Mr. Abernathy's pudgy carcass would have been severely rearranged.

Observing the attitude of ABC-TV's two gorillas, it is possible to see for the umpteenth time the preconceptions about the South that are held by a disturbingly large and influential element in this country — influential because they slant the TV networks and the large newspapers.

They regard Alabama as a unique outpost of barbarism because Viola Liuzzo — one woman — was shot here and because a Birmingham church was bombed. These were wrenching, reprehensible acts, absolutely sickening in their consequences. But

they were, remember, isolated acts. Thanks to the good sense of both races, the South has been spared the enormous savagery that has ripped this country in recent years. But the hateful prejudice persists among an influential few that the South, with its sporadic acts of individual violence, is the blood-stained land, whereas the riot-torn North, littered with bodies and debris, is chaste. This could be seen in the manner of Wallace's questioners on Sunday.

At one point, they suggested that Wallace's stand in the schoolhouse door was comparable with the explosion of violence elsewhere in the country. As Gleason say, har, har. It indicates an interesting brain problem to suggest that Wallace's politically contrived, politically motivated act, which dissolved as soon as Wallace got his advertising, is comparable with the mobs that burned Washington and other large cities.

In like manner, it is suggested that Wallace — in fact, all of us — are responsible for the occasional tragedies that stain the South. All right, if Wallace is to blame for the death of Mrs. Liuzzo, then the Rev. Mr. Abernathy is to blame for the death and injury of those Marine officers and their dates at the hands of the pistol-packing poor people who mowed them down in Washington the other night. Would Alabama have been to blame for the demise of Mr. Abernathy if the hatchet man had caught him?

It will sink in permanently some day that the problems of this country are not geographically compartmentalized. At that



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point, it may be recognized that Alabama and the South bear no special guilt and that in enough ways to keep us living here it's a damn sight better than what passes for the rest of the country.

Meanwhile, there stands little Wallace, winning friends and influencing people because he embodies this attitude. The inde-

pendent is sometimes skeptical of him because what he represents in the electoral process is new, daring and outside tradition. But as somebody said, Wallace has a lot of the right enemies, as represented by his disrespectful TV tormentors, and these enemies are converting a lot of skeptics to Wallace's cause.

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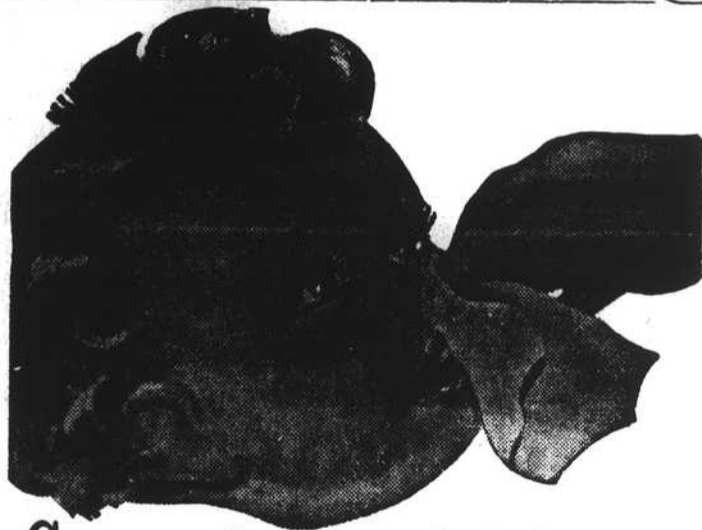
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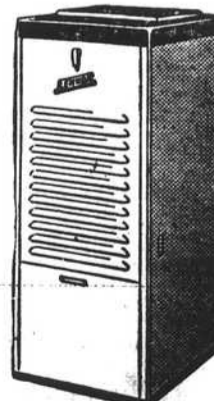
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