

News Report From Washington

The Not Elected Yet—Business Is Bustling—A POW Report—What Surprised The Reds—

Washington—Despite the tendency of many newspaper editors and political prognosticators to shrug their shoulders and concede the 1956 presidential election to Dwight D. Eisenhower, the President is not expected yet. In fact, he hasn't even decided to run again.

The best guess is that Mr. Eisenhower will decide to run and the best guess, again, is that he will be the favorite in next year's election, and get most of the votes. (He can still lose and get most of the votes, by the way.) In other words, Mr. Eisenhower is a good bet if he runs again.

But that isn't to say that he is as good as elected. No one will ever forget 1948, if he follows political campaigns and followed that one. Mr. Eisenhower seems like a sure thing now, but so did Thomas Dewey in 1948. The experts were so sure that Dewey would be elected that magazines went to press naming Dewey's cabinet, dated, of course, after election day.

Harry Truman was President, though, when the new Congress elected in 1948 met in January, 1949. And he served another four years. Truman retired after that term but is still around and still playing an active political role. He is one Democrat who scoffs at the idea that Ike is unbeatable.

One thing favoring the incumbent in the presidential race next year is the state of business, of course. And recent government action to brake the inflationary spiral which seemed to be starting is an administration effort to insure a continuation of good business through November of 1956.

If business is still rolling merrily along then, as it is today, and if the cold war is steadily ebbing, as it is today, the Republican candidate will have two strong factors going for him. It appears this is likely to happen. Business—in the opinion of a majority of the so-called experts—will be good the rest of this year and all of 1956.

The official report on American prisoners captured by the Communists in Korea—prepared under the direction of Carter Burgess, chairman of the Secretary of Defense's Advisory Committee on Prisoners of War—shows that the Reds were actually badly disappointed over the rate of conversions among U. S. prisoners of war.

Evidently the Communists thought that brainwashing techniques would win over a large percentage of American prisoners to Communism. Many of the Communists engaged in the effort actually believed in Communism to such an extent they thought conversion would follow once the Americans were shown the truth.

But the resistance and the loyalty to the American way amazed many Communists. Because the Reds didn't know the truth about the United States and the American way of life, they mistakenly supposed that G.I.'s would "see the light" when they were given the "other side."

But American prisoners were the ones who knew the truth and Communist fanatics, trying to convince American POW's that Communism is the coming thing, were up against an almost solid wall of resistance.

For example, over 7,000 Americans were captured. The recent report of Defense Secretary Charles Wilson's POW committee shows that less than 200 defected, or acted "progressively." Of this number, torture is listed as the cause of defection among most of the "co-operatives."

Actually, this is a splendid record when one considers the methods of the Reds. The Communists were amazed that they could not make any significant progress on the vast majority of G.I.'s. In fact, the realization that they cannot "indoctrinate" Americans with much success might discourage such mass attempts in the future—if there are other wars with the Reds.

CIRCLES TO MEET
The Missionary Circles of the Baptist Church will meet next week as follows: The Vera Payne Circle will meet at 3:30 P. M., at the church. The Artie Bratcher Circle will meet Monday night at 8 o'clock with Mrs. J. W. Hampton. The Inabella Coleman Circle will meet Monday night at 8 o'clock with Mrs. T. T. Harrell. The Mary Ellen Dozier Circle will meet Monday night at 8 o'clock with Mrs. W. F. Edwards. The Mattie Macon Circle will meet Monday night at 8 o'clock with Mrs. Jake Chesson.



Quantico, Va. (FHTNC)—NROTC Midn, Robert H. Clayton (left) and Thomas B. Sumner, Jr., unload their seabags upon arrival here. Clayton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daryl V. Clayton of Williamston, N. C., and Sumner is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Sumner, Sr., of Hertford. Both are students at Duke University at Durham, undergoing summer officer training.

The Bessie Pritchard Circle will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock with Mrs. Haywood Divers. The Rosa Powell Circle will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock with Miss Mary Frances Dail.

HONORED AT BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. Anse White was hostess at a bridge party last Wednesday night honoring Miss Kinsey Perry, bride-elect. The guests played bridge on the porch of the White home where a green and white color scheme was carried out. Those present were Miss Perry, guest of honor, Mesdames Talmage Rose, Walter Harrison, Charles Murray, Al Kenton, Francis Nixon, Jarvis Ward, Edison Harris, J. L. Harrell, Joe Nowell, Ab Williams, Henry Stokes, Jr., Miss Helene Nixon, Miss Ruth Tucker and Miss Frances Newby. Miss Perry was presented a gift in linen by the hostess and the high score prize was awarded Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Rose received the low score prize. Sherbet, cake and salted nuts and iced drinks were served.

Outdoor cooking and food preparation has also brought with it the chance of more staining of your casual garments with mustard and catsup. Both of these have artificial coloring materials added to them. Again, there are two distinct types of staining substances in each—a dye stain, and a tannin stain. The tannin staining substances must be removed before attempting to remove the dye stain. Techniques differ on all types of fabric, and removal is not as simple as you may think!

Care Needed For Casual Clothes

With the trend to casual living, most of us spend a greater amount of our budget for casual clothes. They are far from being inexpensive! Yet we sometimes feel that because they fall into the "casual

class", they will stand up under the wear and tear of all the conditions we encounter in our outdoor living and playing.

N. C. PEANUT ACREAGE UP

The North Carolina 1955 peanut crop for picking and threshing is estimated at 182,000 acres—an increase of 10,000 acres over last year, but 29 per cent below the 10-year average acreage.

The first estimate of yield per acre by the North Carolina Crop Reporting Service was made as of August 1. Based on condition reports from growers as of August 1, the yield per acre is estimated at 1,525 pounds. This compares with 1,465 pounds last year and the 1944-53 average yield per acre of 1,190 pounds.



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Tar Heel Farmers Get Highest CCC Supports

The highest Commodity Credit Corporation support prices in America are available to North Carolina's farmers due to their close proximity to mills, according to W. Glenn Tussey, extension farm management and marketing specialist.

Tussey emphasizes, however, that to receive the highest dollar for their cotton, farmers should exert every effort to harvest, handle, and gin quality cotton. A sample from each bale should be submitted for government classification to the Raleigh Classing Office. This unbiased grade and staple report, coupled with use of market news information, will then enable the farmer to make the wisest marketing decision, to sell, to hold, or to receive CCC support prices by securing a government loan.

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