

On Punitive Labor Legislation

THE Congress of the United States has written in majestic and simple terms a simple and direct law which is as insignificant as it is obnoxious. Special legislation has terminated the malpractices of James Caesar Petrillo, boss of one of the smallest and most esoteric unions on the list; this notable victory will, we suppose, guarantee a more frequent rendition of "Onesie, Twosie" on the airwaves, and might possibly bring about an improvement in the woodwind section of your favorite hill-billy band, and is, therefore, in the public interest as well as the radio station owners'.

It Isn't The Judge's Job

THERE is no more certain indication of the low estate of the Courts of this country than the recurring and highly verbal irritation of the Judges who come to Mecklenburg to preside. Sometimes Their Honors take it out in acid lectures on the manners and morals of a church-going but sinful citizenry, but lately they have taken to drastic action.

The Bond Election Isn't Settled

IN a last-minute upset of registration, the number of prospective voters in the coming City-County bond election mounted past 7,500 Saturday afternoon. The figure still represents only a fraction of the potential voters and leaves us with the conclusion that most Charlotteans still have no interest, positive or negative, in the conduct of their municipal government.

Another Voice

What, After All, Is In A Name?

WHILE The News & Courier is not alarmed about the Roosevelt court's recent decision that Negroes be admitted to vote in Georgia primaries, the laws relating to primaries in South Carolina having been repealed and the party nominating state and county officers having withdrawn from the national "Democratic party by repeal, 1938, of the pledge to support Democratic candidates for President and Vice-President, it advises that the state constitution may be amended and the party rule by dropping the name "Democratic."

tion. The New Deal's original labor program was largely a sociological device to guarantee the unions a right to obtain for themselves the living wage employers had never seen fit to grant voluntarily. The sociological problems, if they have not been solved, have at least been brought under control. The result has been generally strengthened unions; few union members, and indeed, few non-union industrial workers are suffering privation these days. We are entering the economic phase of the problem now, and the New Deal legislative approach is no longer valid.

People's Platform

Awakening Of A Voter

EVER since I became eligible to vote—which was further back than I care to remember—I have voted religiously in every election. Voting gave me the good feeling of having done my duty.

Crime Rate Improvement?

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motorists who halt for red lights in pedestrian crossing lanes and then take off at the first glint of yellow in the traffic signal. We only hope his aim is good—it would certainly be a shame if they stray round causing the laughing cop on the corner.—Eds. The News.

THE official figures reported in The Charlotte News on page 10-A, April 11th, 1946, under the heading "Four Year Period—City's Crime Rate Shows Improvement. If you call this a decided improvement I would like to call the attention of your readers to the last three year record, which I could not describe as a crime rate improvement, unless you define a growing crime list as an improvement. Crime has increased.

The only crime listed that shows any healthy improvement in the last three years is larceny; and with blood money flowing in confusion on every street through the pockets of the lawless and the crime. Now take a look at the following official record for the last three years and notice the facts.

Table with 3 columns: Crime Type, 1943, 1944, 1945. Rows include Murder, Robbery, Assault, Burglary, Larceny, Auto Thefts.

According to the above figures, I admit crime has made a decided improvement.—P. C. BURKHOLDER

"NOTE: Mr. Burkholder is Republican candidate for Congress in the 10th district and we are delighted to note that his sense of moral outrage is not confined to national affairs.—Eds. The News.

As your paper seems to be the only one that is not afraid to speak out about conditions in this city, I should like to call your attention to a practice that seems to be prevalent with some of our automobile drivers.

I have reference to the practice of heading the car at a pedestrian, when he is crossing the street, almost hitting him, then suddenly jerking the wheel, after he has passed the pedestrian.

This may be extremely funny to the driver, but some day the pedestrian is not going to jump quick enough, and then he will be greatly irritated of comedy.

I have had this happen to me twice recently, once when I was crossing on a green light, with policemen watching the corner. He also laughed. Well, I'm an old man, and I'm carrying a gun now, waiting for the next young driver who tries this stunt. I don't want to kill him, but I am going to shoot the back end of his car full of holes, and I don't think I'll be out of the hospital.

And I think some one else will do the laughing. Of course I'll get into trouble, but I think I'll get out of it alright. It's easy enough to do in this city, if you know the right person, but I believe I'll break one driver of that dangerous way of getting a laugh.—L. M. THOMAS

"NOTE: Hesitant as we are to condone any additional shooting on the streets of town (Charlotte is well ahead of its quota now) we confess to a deep sympathy for Mr. Thomas' one-man crusade. We are even tempted to direct his attention to the

Nations, thus forcing the Rightists and the very extreme Leftists (anarchists) to accept the only way offered.

France is on the spot, due to the fact that she has been forced by the Communists to close her Spanish border. Left-wing French Socialists will go along with Poland, Mexico, Russia, and most probably Australia.

"French Catholic Party and Quai D'Orsay almost officially against attack on France. Most officials in Quai D'Orsay were the ones who functioned so well under the Catholic Church very active. Think that if action were taken in Spain, a Catholic program—something on the same scale as the Hitler-Jewish program—would be engineered by revengeful political Reds.

"Popo believes compromise absolutely possible in next few weeks. U. S. after U. K. he signed, at the United Nations until the compromise has been effected."

Obviously carrying out these instructions, Lord Cogan moved for a three-day recess immediately after Polish Ambassador Count Lange brought up the Spanish question at the U. N. meeting last week.

"NOTE—Most diplomats feel that Franklin Roosevelt's long-tried foreign affairs U. N. plan is giving automatic protection to Franco during the Spanish Civil War at a time when Hitler and Mussolini were using Spain to stage a miniature dress rehearsal of their coming war. Had the Spanish Dictator been suppressed then, other European dictators would have thought twice about starting war. At that time, too, Republic moderates were running the National Government, not the Communists.

Roosevelt's Mistake

"RUSSIA in winning this over, is openly suggesting that she is forcing Poland to bring Franco case before United

Truman's First Year

WASHINGTON PRACTICALLY every political writer in Washington has by now taken a turn at appraising Harry's first year as President of the White House. What marks most of these appraisals is the high degree of agreement for one President.

Some, of course, follow a party line one sort or another. But leaving out those distorted by prejudice of the previous condition, the political appraisers, the appraisers are remarkably charitable and kindly. They are not the persons who are waiting for the Democrats to make enough mistakes to justify their own political ride.

MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED In the old days when the GOP thinks of nostalgically as the good old days, it might have happened that way. After all, this will be the fourteenth consecutive year that the Democrats have held sway in Federal office under our two-party system, that's a long time. But there are not the good old days. They're the most god-awful days. The record Truman is making is a record that will be held responsible for the actions of the Congressional coalition of which they are a part.

The men around Truman say they believe he is regaining some of the esteem he lost during the fight over the nomination of Edwin W. Pauley. The quartet over the nomination of Pauley carried the low point on the President's popularity graph. It coincided with acute labor trouble and the fact that reconversion would bog down.

This, of course, is the kind of prospect that the negotiators in the stock in trade. There is reason to believe, however, that the propaganda campaign, to some degree with the truth.

GOODS FLOWING Goods are beginning to flow out of American factories. John Snyder's report on reconversion was published last week. The report is checked somewhat, the prospect is for high prosperity for at least a year.

The man in the White House will have had little or nothing to do with the reconversion. But with his earnestness, his persistence, his willingness, he must see the political credit for what happens.

Samuel Grafton

Patchwork Strategy

THE great thing about the bipartisan, or conservative bloc of Democrats and Republicans, is that it disappears when its leaders are speaking in the great hall when they want it to reappear. Now you see it, now you don't.

Mr. B. B. Grafton, Republican National Chairman, New York. For Mr. Reece gave out with a speech denouncing the Southern bloc. Mr. Grafton said, keep themselves in power only by means of the poll tax. Mr. Reece speaking in the great Northern metropolis, was quite cross with the Southern bloc.

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So far as his position has any philosophical base at all, it rests on the idea that it is really necessary to join in the great and severe fight now going on between the Northern and Southern wings of the Democratic organization, but that it is possible to take a kind of "third position" apart from both and bound for glory.

The trouble is that it is so hard to define this "third position" and to say what it consists of. What is it? It isn't anything, really; and here we go back to our first point. About the time the conservative bloc for in the clinch, when it comes to an actual vote on the issue, the Republicans ought to be assuming that "third position" of the Southern bloc, and both the Northern and Southern, and we do not find that they do so.

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Mr. Reece has given us a preview of Republican strategy for the coming election campaign, but it is not clear what he intends to focus on; and one reason it

is hard to focus on may be because it is difficult to get a clear picture of the situation. The fox and the hounds at the same time.

DEWEY STRATEGY From all this, it is rather easy to see that the Dewey campaign strategy will be to pin it on to try one of those Dewey victories. He is going to try one of those Dewey victories. He is going to try one of those Dewey victories.

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Drew Pearson's British Envoys Told To Stay On Spain

Merry-Go-Round

Son Of A Senator

IT'S great what you can get away with if you're the son of a Senator—especially a certain Senator. The W. Lee O'Daniel News, published by the ebullient ex-flour salesman from Texas, Senator "Pappy" O'Daniel, carried on its masthead the following headline:

"Lieutenant Paul O'Daniel (O. S. B. armed forces retired, 'If-You-Please'."

"If you call the War Department, they will tell you that Lt. Paul O'Daniel, son of the Senator, is not 'retired' from the service. He is on active duty and is not under O'Daniel's command. A reserve officer can only be 'retired' if he was wounded, and young O'Daniel had little chance to get wounded."

In fact, he enjoyed the unique distinction of having been given three chances to graduate from Officers' Candidate School at Fort Belvoir, Va., but he failed on all three. He was shot right back to the ranks. O'Daniel, however, failed once at Fort Belvoir, and again at the Adjutant General's School at Fort Washington. Each time he was given a new try.

Finally, after three OCS courses, Editor O'Daniel became a lieutenant, and was then conveniently stationed at Fort Belvoir for Virginia, just half an hour from his Daddy's home. All in all, he spent two whole years in or near the District of Columbia.

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