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EDITORIAL GRIST FREEDOM IS DEAD DUCK

It is interesting to report that there has been a vast amount of protest over a ruling of the Internal Revenue Service concerning certain institutional advertising placed by the taxpaying electric utility companies of the country. This advertising, in general, has presented the private enterprise side of the power question as against the socialized power side. And the IRS said that it could not be regarded as a legitimate business expense in making the payment.

A typical view is found in a resolution passed by the Southern Newspaper Publishers Association: "... such a ruling... is a threat to freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and freedom of communication, and this ruling infringes upon the constitutional rights of independent power companies, other businesses and individuals, and is a violation of the fundamental principles upon which this country was founded and which have made it flourish under economic, political and social freedom."

Editor Jack W. Gore of the Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, Daily News, reprinted that statement and added "If the private power companies can be penalized in this fashion then any private industry, including the press, can be throttled in the same way. In other words, the federal government can propoganda to the people all it wants to and even use our own money against us to accomplish its ends. But free enterprise, threatened by government encroachment into its field of business endeavor, can't take its case to the people and treat the cost as a legitimate business expense."

If taxation can be used as a weapon to prevent the airing of the views of any business or group, we can write freedom off as a dead duck in this country.

ARKANSAS SPOKE FOR THE SOUTH

Governor Orval Faubus, who used the Arkansas National Guard to block integration of Central High School at Little Rock, and thus triggered dispatch of federal troops to the scene to enforce court orders, has been re-nominated to an unprecedented third term by such an overwhelming margin as to make clear the stand of the people of his state on this bitter issue.

Governor Faubus, in a record Democratic primary turnout, received approximately seventy per cent of the entire vote cast as compared with fifteen per cent for each of his two opponents, both of whom professed allegiance to "low and order" segregation. The outcome of this election should end for all time claims of pro-integrationists that there is a "great, silent sentiment" among white people of the South against segregation, but that it is not evident because of fears of reprisals. If then, it is not evident, because many of those who supported him know that he is not without faults, but of those who supported him a symbol of the South's determination to maintain segregation in the face of whatever obstacles appear.

Arkansas has spoken for the South, and people everywhere can accept the outcome of this election as a true reflection of the position of the great rank and file of the white people of this section on the issue of racial integration.

CHIEF ENGINEER ON FROLIC LINE

Alabama taxpayers can gird for another costly special session of the Legislature. Every sign points to the probability that Jim Folsom is soon going to put his favorite slogan, "Y'all come," into motion.

Who will answer? The largest number of lame-ducks ever to trek to Montgomery to mount an attack on the Alabama treasury.

For back in May and June, more lawmakers were unhitched from their jobs than in any election in Alabama's history. Folsomites have let out the word that a special session call might include proposals to consider (1) insurance legislation, (2) regulating small loan companies and (3) a \$25 million road bond issue.

Granted there is a need for new laws to obtain certain insurance and small loan operations, the Alabama taxpayers could well afford to wait another five months for incoming Governor John Patterson to attack these problems.

If Folsom gets his \$25 million for roads, it will be merely to toss out some patronage in the twilight of his second term.

MORE CHEAP POLITICS

State Agriculture Commissioner A. W. Todd says that an inspector will be appointed in the next few days to control milk shipments into Alabama.

Charging that many dairies in both Tennessee and Mississippi are producing milk for shipment into Alabama "at standards below those recognized as acceptable in this state," Todd said that the new milk inspector will be charged with inspecting both the product and the source.

At first glance, this move might seem advisable in behalf of milk consumers of Alabama, but aware of Commissioner Todd's capriciousness for developing inflammatory issues for personal political purposes, The Times-Journal is going to reserve judgement.

This newspaper wants protection for the milk consumers of Alabama, but it is awfully tired of Commissioner Todd and his cheap politics.

WHO IS THE WINNER?

If Elfrida Von Nordoff, record quiz show "winner" of \$220,500, thought she was going to have a big bank account from her one-time-in-a-lifetime accomplishment, she had a sad awakening.

After the tax collectors skimmed the cream from her earnings she had left about 50,000 forty-eight cent dollars. That's the price she had to pay for big, centralized government and piecemeal acceptance of the socialistic philosophy which saddles up with the "welfare state."

Revenue Board Members Leave For Big Meet

Members of the Colbert County Board of Revenue, their wives and families left Friday for Portland, Oregon, where they will attend the annual convention of the National Association of County Officials.

The session begins August 10, and will continue through August 14, according to M. Grasham Hale, Board Chairman.

Attending from Colbert will be Hale Paul Keeton, Curtis Spangler, Earl Waldrep, Jerry Baker and families of the commissioners.

One Hundred Forty Communities Benefit From United Fund

There are 140 communities in the country whose contributions to their local United Funds are comparable to the amount received by the Colbert Fund during this past year," according to Sam J. Israel, president of the United Fund of Colbert County. "These communities account for 75 per cent of receipts by all federated welfare activities," the Fund head added after studying the annual report from the national organization for community public appeals.

The agencies that are included in most of the Funds are the American Red Cross, American Cancer Society and Association for Mental Health. The local units of these groups are agencies of the Colbert County Fund. The inclusion of the local organizations of these and other national welfare causes in the County appeal eliminates separate drives on the public's generosity. Mr. Israel

emphasized the success of the Fall drive for the Colbert Fund, the latest figures for 1958 show that United Fund receipts continue to increase from year to year, added C. L. Beard, general chairman of the Campaign Committee. He pointed to the national increase of 8 per cent in the amount raised by Funds throughout the country so far this year. His committee is awaiting action by the Campaign Committee.

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Large Crowd Mills Around Streets Here

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The event will be concluded during the last week in August with a series of parades, dances, another sale and other events.

The Tusculumbia Pilot and the Sheffield Pilot Club will sponsor the parade on August 25, and those desiring to have a float should contact any member of these two clubs.

Peaches and watermelons are still best buys.

24,857 Telephones in The Tri-Cities

Southern Bell's six-million telephone was installed today. Company officials say the number of telephones in the nine-state area served by southern Bell has more than tripled in the past 13 years.

Back in 1945, there were less than two million telephones in this area, Ben S. Gilmer, Southern Bell president, says this shows the rapid economic strides made by the South since World War II.

The historic six-million telephone went into service in the North Carolina Capital in Raleigh.

J. R. King, manager here, said Southern Bell now serves 91 exchanges in Alabama with a total of 624,000 telephones.

There are 24,857 telephones here in the Tri-Cities.

Just as prepare to go to press we regretfully learn of the death of Miss Lyde Willford at Collier Hill, Tenn., from an apparent heart attack.

President U. S. Wholesale Grocers To Speak In Alabama

Speakers of national reputation, free trips to Mexico and Miami Beach as prizes, a Tea at the Governor's Mansion, addresses by the Hon. Mc Donald Gallion, Democratic Nominee for Attorney General, are only a few of the high lights of the 1958 Convention of the Alabama Wholesale Grocers Association, according to a news release issued today by Mort L. Weil, President.

The three day convention of the AWGA, according to Weil, will begin on Thursday night, August 14, with a Hospitality Party at the Jefferson Davis Hotel in Montgomery. Governor and Mrs. James E. Folsom, he stated will entertain the wholesaler wives at a reception at the Governor's Mansion on Friday afternoon. Following the Tea the ladies and their husbands will be guests of the Hazel Atlas Glass Company where they will see glass in the process of being manufactured. The Ladies of the Milling Companies of Birmingham will host the ladies at a luncheon on Saturday, August 16.

Van Salley, President of the U. S. Wholesale Grocers Association and Salley Grocery Company, Birming, La., will be the key speaker at the luncheon on Saturday, August 16. Mr. Weil added that Van Salley is recognized as one of the successful young wholesale grocers of the United States. He and his brother, continued Weil, operate the most successful wholesale grocery firms in Louisiana as well as successful trucking enterprises.

Weil said that the business seminars which will begin Friday afternoon, August 15, promise to be most stimulating. The Friday afternoon program will focus attention on the growth possibilities of the small retail food store. Ray M. Klein, Manager of the Merchandising Services Dept., Hussmann Refrigeration Co., St. Louis, will give an illustrated lecture on the "Modern Community Of Drive-In Convenience Stores" which have had a most phenomenal growth during the past five years. Following this Ralph S. Dully, Vice-President, Flint Refrigeration Co., Birmingham, will detail to the wholesalers how their retail stores can obtain the modern complete retail food stores at nominal cost.

Officers and directors of the AWGA are: President, Mort L. Weil, Jr.; Huntsville; Vice Presidents, Nelson H. Thomas, Gadsden, and W. Tom Graves Jr., Decatur; Secretary, Treasurer, John C. Harris, Scottsboro; Executive Secretary, Milton R. Durrett, Birmingham; Directors: R. T. Linden, Robertsdale; Howard Burchfield, Jr., Tusculumbia; R. S. Dabney, III, Florence; James Lane, Rainsville; Ford Gadsden, Rufus L. Milligan, Montgomery; C. S. Partridge, Sheffield; Sam J. Israel, Hemdlo; Sam J. Carroll, Jr., Ozark; O. S. Townsend, Haleyville; Maurice Kahn, Montgomery; Tom R. Lane and J. S. Pitts, Sylacauga.

Cost of Things Going up faster than your income? You can make more full or part time as a Rawleigh Dealer in Tusculumbia. For full particulars see R. Olen Henry, Woodmont Dr. Tusculumbia Phone 31, 3678 Sheffield or 3678 2nd High's, Dept. ALH-52, RR Memphis, Tenn. 8-7-41pd

SURVIVAL STOCKPILE ODCM Has Vast Supplies In 'Bank' If U. S. Is Hit

One of the nation's largest "bank accounts" against the possibility of enemy attack is the Office of Defense Mobilization's stockpile of strategic materials. Stored away in 43 ODCM warehouses across the United States are about \$225,000,000 worth of medical and engineering supplies—enough to arm millions of Americans after an attack.

MEDICAL STOCKPILES include 1,200 civil defense emergency hospital units and back-up supplies estimated sufficient for the emergency medical care of 4 1/2 million persons for three weeks.

In the engineering stockpiles are approximately 25,000 tons of equipment and supplies. The stockpile material essential to restoration of public facilities—water pumps, generators, purifiers, storage tanks, pipe and similar items.

IN THIS HUGE privately-owned cave, shared by ODCM with the stockpiles of industrial materials, are stored in place sprinkling and ventilating equipment.

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THESE WOMEN! By d'Allesio

THANKS TO STEREO LOAN HER N.Y.C.

"Really, I don't know why the boss's wife is so jealous of me! Her spelling is MUCH better than mine!"