

Kennedy Administration Said Caught in Civil Rights Squeeze

By LYLE C. WILSON
UPI Correspondent

President Kennedy is caught in a political squeeze play on civil rights. The Kennedy administration trapped itself.

The President invited his current political troubles by making a mistaken political decision at the outset of his administration. This was to ignore for two or three years the civil rights campaign promises that contributed so

much to his election. Whatever may be the morality of making and ignoring promises to any group of voters, this decision by the President in 1961 was bad politics. It led directly to the Kennedy administration's present predicament. The decision looked pretty good at first.

After deciding against immediate action to enact into law all of the 1960 Democratic campaign promises on

civil rights, Kennedy concentrated, instead, on voting rights with authority already at hand. This high policy decision was accompanied by some of the most effective race relations politicking ever observed in the United States. The President made Negroes socially welcome at the White House.

He named Negroes to federal office such as they had not before enjoyed. By word and deed, the President emphasized to the Negro community his active and friendly interest. By surprise visits and surprise telephone calls, Kennedy kept before U. S. Negroes an image of a President who also was a warm ally.

portant, too, because the administration needed the Negroes to be elected in 1960 and probably will need them to be reelected next year. But all was not well. The Negroes took to the streets. President Kennedy began talking anxiously to White House visitors about a crisis in race relations.

Rights Gain Forefront
Long-time Negro friends and allies of the Kennedy's began to holler foul against

the administration's civil rights policies and performance. Came the Birmingham riots, and the tax bill suddenly ceased to be the administration's top legislative objective. Top spot went to civil rights.

That is how he got caught in a squeeze play. His Republican opponents and his former Negro allies put on the pressure for Kennedy to propose civil rights legislation so drastic in nature as to arouse southern Democrats to a frenzy of opposition.

Kennedy postponed civil rights legislation in 1961-62 to avoid trouble with southern congressmen that would have delayed or defeated much of his other legislative program. He had hopes of get-

ting through 1963 also without antagonizing the South beyond endurance.

The President's strategy worked in 1961-62. It flopped in 1963. The big political question is what it all means for 1964.



BOOKS FOR ALBA — Sixteen Caldecott Medal Award books for Medford's sister city, Alba, Italy, have been donated by 12 elementary schools. In this photo, Omar Bacon, librarian of the Public Library of Medford and Jackson County, and Mrs. Margery Goodman of the library staff are shown preparing the books for the journey.

The donors are Griffin Creek, Hoover, Howard, Jackson, Jacksonville, Jefferson Lone Pine, Roosevelt, Washington, West Side, Wilson and St. Mary's schools. Each book will carry the name of the school making the gift to the children of Alba, Italy.

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, psychiatrist, three clergymen, three editors and a women's editor. Each article is a summary of a family disagreement presented to the Council. The Council deals with problems, major and minor, encountered by guidance counselors and social workers. Edited by Mrs. Alma Denny. (Copyright by General Features Corp.)

Mr. T. Y.—She'd be happier in an institution. Home is too dreary.

Mrs. T. Y.—We can invite young folks over and help her socialize.

Mr. T. Y.—Our 18-year-old daughter is handicapped with cerebral palsy and uses a wheelchair. All through the years we've done our best to arrange for her schooling, most of it at home, and her medical care. But the one lack which breaks our heart is young friends to keep her company—most of the time she just has us to talk to. That's why she'd be better off as a resident in a treatment center.

Mrs. T. Y.—It's tempting to accept the opening in the institute for Marcia, but I think if we put our minds to it we could arrange to bring more young folks into the house and for Marcia to get out to club meetings. Our church has a friendly young-adults circle she could join. She'll cheer up next month when she starts her new job of selling by telephone, and we'll

work harder on her social-life needs.

The Council: With a big push from what we learned after World War II, the handicapped may now be helped mightily with medical, school, and job problems. But how about fun? What of the emotional sustenance that comes from rubbing shoulders (or at least arm-rests) with other people? Since it is so hard for the homebound to get out socially, the answer must come from organizations—the same ones who licked the life-and-death stumpers mentioned above. We know of one agency, the Federation of the Handicapped, which sponsors seven clubs. Since Marcia lives on Long Island she might be able to join one. (At least one club, we learn, goes bowling, runs theater parties, takes vacation tours by bus, brings gifts and entertainment to hospitals, and—to date—has played Cupid to 34 couples!) Other rehabilitation centers may have recreation departments to meet the needs of other Marcias.

Business Manager To Attend Session

"Ways to improve newspapers" is the central theme of the 76th annual meeting of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers association. The convention will be at Coos Bay, June 20 to 22.

Business Manager Gerald T. Latham will represent the Mail Tribune at the convention.

Speakers from California, Washington and Oregon will address the meeting. Bert Stolpe, publisher of San Gabriel Valley newspapers and formerly with the Des Moines Register and Tribune; George E. Hooper, San Francisco manager of the Bureau of Advertising; Mrs. G. P. Carlberg, advertising manager of Zellerbach Paper company in San Francisco; and the Rev. Edward W. Greenfield, minister of Church of Reflections,

Knott's Berry Farm, are coming from California.

Robert L. Twiss, aviation editor of the Seattle Times, is the only speaker from Washington. Clarence Barton, speaker of the House, will discuss the Oregon legislative session. Other speakers include William L. Mainwaring, Salem Capital Journal; Robert Van Leer, Curry County Reporter at Gold Beach; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Keusink, Brookings-Harbor Pilot; and Hans Running of Forest Grove.

Dr. Beber Invited To Aquatic School

Ashland — Dr. Ruth Beber, associate professor of physical education and health at Southern Oregon college, has been invited to serve on the staff of the American National Red Cross Aquatic school at Lake Tulequoia in central California June 18-28. The school is one of 20 in the United States.

She will serve as a water safety instructor trainer. Last year Dr. Beber taught at the Ashland Junior/Aquatic school sponsored by the Red Cross and has instructed numerous water safety instructor courses for the Jackson County Red Cross and Southern Oregon college.

Robertson School of Business

40 No. Riverside 773-4264
—classes begin July 8 or Sept. 30—

JOB AWAITS YOU!

So you graduate in June! What then? Did you know that over 1,000,000 young men and women cannot get employment? The Secretary of Labor calls it an "emergency crisis" for the young.

The "educationally handicapped" are hardest hit. If you have an ability which employers want, you will avoid the problem.

A job awaits you—if you become a Secretary, Accountant, Stenographer, or Junior Executive. Training takes 2 years or less.

Write now for full information. Don't join the jobless in June—and don't settle for a job with no future.

YOW'S
HEATING
AIR-CONDITIONING
and SHEET METAL
Commercial & Residential
1729 North Riverside
Phone 772-4534

ED

E is for EMERGENCY E is for EXPENSES

When emergency expenses catch you short, take a short cut to a balanced budget. See us about a prompt, private cash loan. Pressed for time? Telephone first—then stop in.

CITY FINANCE COMPANY
185 E. Main St. — Phone: 482-2431, Ashland
Life insurance available on all loans at low group rates

\$25 TO \$1500

City

Ground Beef Fresh Ground Hourly
Sliced Bacon Swift's

Your Choice ... **3 lbs. \$1.00**

FROZEN FOOD

Pictsweet Frozen Foods ALL VARIETIES

Frozen Dinners
12-oz. **39¢** pkg.
EVERFRESH

Orange Juice
12-oz. tin
2 for \$1.00
CARNATION—ALL FLAVORS

Ice Cream
ICE CREAM, 1/2 gal. 99¢

TROPIC ISLE — CRUSHED
PINEAPPLE
4 300 Tins **\$1.00**

We Give & Redeem
SILVER DOLLAR Stamps

OPEN EVERY DAY
9 A.M. to 9 P.M.

BIG SHOPPING CENTER

Bisquick Betty Crocker 40-oz. pkg. **33¢**

Paper Towels Zee Giant Size 4 FOR **\$1**

Instant Potatoes Ore-Ida 3 1/2-oz. pkg. **10¢ ea**

Strawberry Jam 40-oz. pkg. **59¢**

PINEAPPLE JUICE

Cottage Brand ... **4 for \$1.00**

BIG 'Y' King of Tarts BAKERY

Everything Baked Right in the Store ...
Not Fresh Daily ... Fresh Hourly

PERFECT DINNER ROLLS
POTATO ROLLS DOZ. **19¢**

24 VARIETIES
COOKIES 2 DOZ. **49¢**

TRY IT TOASTED
RAISIN BREAD 15-OZ. LOAF **29¢**

BANANA—COCONUT—CHERRY—BERRY
CREAM PIES EA. **49¢**

YOUR FAVORITE
GERMAN CHOC. CAKE EA. **97¢**

HOT DOG OR
HAMBURGER BUNS DOZ. **49¢**

Peanut Butter

Market Brand..... 3 lb. Jar **98¢**

Cottage Cheese Carnation. 2-Lb. Carton **65¢**

SILS—OVEN
Baked Beans 303 Tin..... 5 for **\$1.00**

BLUE BELL
Potato Chips 4-Pk. Box..... **79¢**

CARNATION
Butter 1-lb. Pkg..... **59¢**

CARNATION—ORANGE, GRAPE, LEMONADE
Fruit Drink Paper Carton—1/2 Gal..... 2 for **49¢**

PILLSBURY—WHITE, CHOCOLATE, YELLOW
Cake Mix Pkg..... 3 for **\$1.00**

ECONOMY PKG.
Paper Plates 100 Count..... **98¢**

Pearlettes Seedless GRAPES

Delicious **29¢ lb.**

ICY CRISP
LETTUCE head **19¢**

BLUE OX CELLO BAG
POTATOES 10 lb. bag **49¢**

GOLDEN RIPE
BANANAS 6 lbs. **\$1.00**

FRESH RED RIPE LOCAL
Strawberries Flat **249**