

County To Lose Seat In Legislature

Laurens County stands to lose one of its three seats in the House of Representatives in the South Carolina General Assembly, according to a news story during the week by W. D. Workman, correspondent for several state newspapers.

The 124 members of the House of Representatives are apportioned to the counties according to population.

Dividing the state's 2,382,594 population by 124, according to Workman, gives 19,214 as the number of inhabitants entitling a county to one representative.

Laurens County, according to the 1960 census, has a population of 47,609. Dividing that by 19,214 gives the county more than enough population for two representatives, but not enough for three, which it presently has. To keep the county's three representatives in the House would require a population of 57,642.

Which means, that in the 1962 elections the county can name only two representatives. And that will continue to be so for at least ten years, until the next census. And then it will go back to three only if the county shows a rate of growth greater than the percentage for the state as a whole.

The county will lose its third representative because it hasn't kept pace with the state's growth rate of 12.5 percent since the census of 1950.

Six other counties in the state will lose one representative each. They are Clarendon, Colleton, Florence, Marlboro, Newberry and Spartanburg.

Six counties in the state will gain representation: Aiken, Charleston, Greenville, Horry, Richland (two), and Sumter.

The other 33 counties will retain their present House membership.

Free Speech In The Senate

While calling loudly for Civil Rights legislation to protect the rights of a minority, the liberal majority in Congress is getting ready for a quick strike at the rights of all minorities. To succeed, they must get before the voters realize what is happening. So they will move as soon as Congress opens in January.

The gambit will be a rule change to scuttle what's left of the right of unlimited debate in the Senate.

Unlimited debate is the rule that permits a filibuster. The filibuster may have a bad name but it has a useful purpose. It is the traditional and almost only defense of a Senate minority against having its rights trampled by the will of the majority.

A filibuster can be stopped by a two-thirds vote of senators present, but a two-thirds vote is hard to get. Each senator knows that some day he may be in a minority and may need the protection of the filibuster in an issue of overwhelming importance to the people of his state.

The liberals probably will try to put through a rule to allow cutting-off debate by a simple majority vote of the senators present. Under such a rule the Senate would become nothing more than a rubber stamp for whatever legislation is favored by the political party that has a majority in the Senate.

It will be a sad day when the Senate of the United States becomes a rubber stamp for anybody.

The Hand In The Pie

The Tennessee Valley Authority reports that its electric power revenues reached more than \$242 million for the 1960 fiscal year.

This bit of intelligence caused the Citizens Public Expenditure Survey to briefly review TVA's history. It said: "When Congress built this multi-million dollar colossus in 1933, it was supposed to aid an entire river valley by providing irrigation, flood control, navigation and, of course, any incidental electricity that might result as a by-product. At least, that's what its supporters would have us believe in those early days. But what actually happened?"

"What happened is that those 1933 goals have been turned on their heads and now TVA's major business is producing and selling electricity. Irrigation, flood control and navigation are now the incidental by-products."

This is an example of the tail wagging the dog with a vengeance. But it is typical

of government when it goes into business in any shape, manner or form. As an example, take the Rural Electrification Administration co-ops. They were created for just one purpose—to bring power to rural customers who, for one reason or another, couldn't be served on a normal commercial basis. But now rural electrification is virtually universal—the job's been done. So the co-ops financed by government money, at about half the rate of interest taxpayers must pay for that money, are moving or trying to move into urban and industrial markets which are efficiently and economically served by tax-paying private enterprise.

Once government, or a government agency of any kind, gets its hand in a pie, it goes after the whole pie.

"A jury under the American system is a group of twelve citizens who could not exert enough influence to be excused."—Franklin P. Jones.

Babson Discusses Mr. Kennedy

Babson Park, Mass., Dec. 8—This is not an article on the election, as its outcome has been covered fully by the newspapers, the broadcasting companies, and the magazines during the past two or three weeks. This is a column strictly on the personality of Senator Kennedy. Being a Massachusetts man, like him, and knowing his father, I can write frankly about him personally at the present time.

SENATOR KENNEDY A DISAPPOINTED MAN
Senator Kennedy is a tremendous worker and very few rich men would make the sacrifices which he has personally made to secure this election. His industrious effort started four years ago

when he came near to getting the nomination for the vice-presidency on the Democratic ticket. He then laid plans and built up an organization unequaled in any presidential campaign. The great crowds which he attracted, and his personal advisers, led him to believe he would win by a landslide. On the strength of this, he made many statements as to what he would do during the "Kennedy honeymoon" of one hundred days.

Although Senator Kennedy is naturally pleased to be elected president, and move into the White House next January, yet in his heart he is a much disappointed man. He will have the honor and prestige of being president; but will not have the influence and power which he had expected. Other than making appointments, both in the diplomatic service and at the head of commissions, about the only real power he will now have will be that of the veto, and even then Congress may pass legislation over his veto.

ELECTION WAS TOO CLOS

Although Senator Kennedy won a majority of the electoral votes, these were not even unofficially confirmed until many hours after the polls closed. His greatest disappointment was the very close popular vote, which has not yet been officially determined. I will not discuss the legal aspects of the electoral versus the popular vote, but I do wish to make an important statement. Although the popular vote in the recent election has no legal status, it has a great moral influence. It surely will cause Mr. Kennedy to remodel the Democratic party and the presidency. His probable program is outlined in the Wall Street Journal of November 8, page 10. He may now be sorry he made certain of his statements during his campaign, as he may be forced to back track on many of them.

His influence with Congress will be much less than if he had won with a fairly good popular margin and were taking office with a mandate from the people. Therefore, after the tremendous crowds which met him at every city, he is especially disappointed by his failure to capture a majority of the popular vote. It will be very difficult to persuade Congress to pass any radical program, even though the Republicans are in the majority. A Congressman takes his cue from what the people in his district think. Every congressman has figured out carefully what the popular vote shows as to Senator Kennedy's popularity in his respective district.

WHAT OF THE FUTURE?

Senator Kennedy's campaign speeches said that if Vice-President Nixon were elected, we would have a "do nothing" Congress during the next two years, and perhaps during the next four years. Unless something happens which cannot now be foreseen, the next four years under President Kennedy could record a "do nothing" Congress. Hence the great disappointment to him, as well as surprise to most Democrats. This is why Mr. Kennedy will go into the White House somewhat by the noticeable absence of an "unrestricted franchise" from the people.

Unfortunately, what happens during the next two years or more may be very largely in the hands of Mr. Krushchev. One cannot tell whether he is serious or merely bluffing about Berlin and his relations with China and other countries such as Cuba. He surely does not want a nuclear war, furthermore, he may be replaced by Mr. Molotov, or by someone else either more or less radical than Mr. Krushchev. On the other hand, as Mr. Eisenhower pointed out in his famous Pittsburgh address, a war could start from some accidental and unwanted incident due to the unpremeditated psychotic action of some flyer. As World War II made Mr. Roosevelt, so another World War might make Mr. Kennedy; but I am sure he does not want it to happen in this manner.

HIS LAST DEFENSE



PC Giving at \$46,439.02 for Year

Presbyterian College's 1960 annual giving program moved steadily toward its record goal with \$46,439.02 reported to date. Alumni and Public Relations Director Ben Hay Hammet announced today. He said this amount had been contributed by 1,000 donors as alumni and friends seek to hit the \$50,000 objective by the end of the year. All previous records for annual giving at Presbyterian College already have been broken. Both the total amount given and the number of contributors represent new marks for the PC program. The previous high, scored last year, found 766 donors giving a total of \$38,644. Of the \$46,439.02 contributed thus far to the 1960 program, Hammet said \$30,316.50 has been received through the Living Endowment and \$16,122.52 has been given directly to the Walter Johnson Club, alumni athletic organization. Of the Living Endowment total, \$3,144.06 was designated for athletic use. So the total amount raised for Johnson Club purposes now stands at \$19,266.58, also a new record. Annual giving is a program through which friends and alumni of Presbyterian College contribute to the current operating expenses of the institution. Gifts

are used to provide scholarship aid for deserving young students in need of assistance, to help meet the need for new equipment in various departments, to bear some of the costs of the fine arts program and to help with faculty salaries.

USC Students Bring Soccer To Clinton; Meet PC Students

A new sport came to Clinton last Friday with the University of South Carolina's International Soccer team. The team, composed of foreign students at the university, does not compete as a varsity group. Paying their own expenses, the students are traveling to other campuses for the fun of playing and for the opportunity of meeting other students.

The USC team played against a Presbyterian College group that had organized only two days earlier, under the direction of Thomas Stallworth, campus minister. Despite their inexperience, the PC squad held the score 3-0 in favor of Carolina.

The Rev. Harry Peterson, Presbyterian minister at USC, is "coach" of the Columbia group. The team, he says, is composed of students from eleven nations, including Jordan, Persia, Greece,

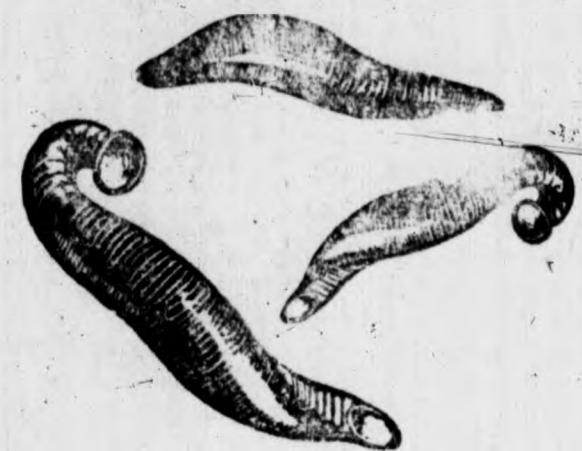
Egypt, Iran, South Africa, Korea, and Japan.

"We hope that this team will stimulate interest in inter-collegiate soccer," he stated.

Soccer is a fast-moving, non-contact team sport. A round ball is moved up and down the field by kicking, slamming with head

and neck—and any other way the player can do it as long as he does not use his hands and arms.

with enthusiasm, and the local PC students met the new game squad plans to travel to Columbia within the next few days to meet the international team on home territory.



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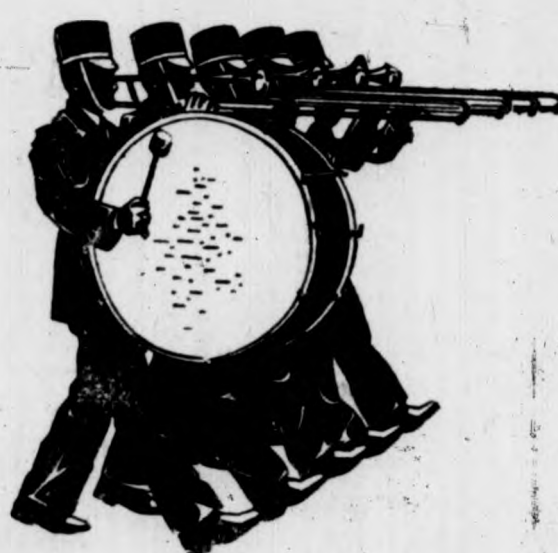
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