



'Tis a warm, warm Friday evening and you have put in a week that you yourself do not believe. The Miltown supply has been exhausted, your doctor is on vacation and the prescription had its last renewal last time around. Someone, probably yourself, has emptied the vodka jug and you say to yourself, "Yourself," and you answer yourself and in reply to your answer, you ask yourself, "What else can happen?"

Just then the phone rings and there is your editor-publisher buddy who wants to know what the hell happened to this week's column? to which you retort, "What in the world happened to this week!" Editors and publishers are not noted for their senses of humor and editor-publishers are doubly deficient in this department.

So much for that. . . .
And so much for this column.
Next week--.

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U.S. COURT SAYS NEW LAW LEGAL

ATLANTA, Ga.--In the first court tests of the new Civil Rights Act, three federal judges have ruled the law constitutional under the powers of Congress to regulate interstate commerce.

Chief Judge Elbert Tuttle of the 5th District Circuit Court of Appeals joined District Judges Frank Hooper and Lewis Morgan in rejecting attacks on the legislation's legality and issued injunctions requested by the Justice Department against the Heart of Atlanta Motel Corp. and the Pickrick restaurant of this city.

Enforcement of the injunctions was postponed until Aug. 11 to allow time for direct appeals to the U.S. Supreme Court for final decision on the issues. Both suits questioned the constitutionality of the public accommodations section of the act.

The court said in the motel case the attack "on the constitutionality of these sections of the Civil Rights Act must fall." And in the restaurant decision, it said "the defendants' attack on the constitutionality of the act as applied to their operation must fall."

BASIC ARGUMENTS in both cases hinged on whether Congress had constitutional authority to enact the law, and the court first disposed of this issue before ruling on the law's application.

Attorneys for the motel and restaurant said they would appeal, as expected.

Lester Maddox, who chased three Negroes from his restaurant at gunpoint July 3, said: "We'll wait until Aug. 11 and see what happens then." Earlier, he said he would not integrate and indicated he might close down instead.

Motel owner Moreton Rolleston, an attorney, said he would abide by the order but would appeal immediately.

Rolleston filed suit against the government to block enforcement of the law within three hours after it was signed July 2 by President Johnson. Maddox was sued by the three Negroes, later joined by the government.

In the Maddox case, the court said its decision must necessarily apply only to the restaurant and "to such other places of public accommodations that are sufficiently similar in (See DECISION, page 8)

EDITOR'S MAILBOX

I am certainly in accord with the District Attorney's viewpoint and proposal for the change in the status of the office of Justice of the Peace... This situation should be analyzed and formed into a salaried position...

I urge the county commissioners to scrutinize this situation closely and take action immediately.

At this time, I would suggest that the monies from the office of the Justice of the Peace should be channeled toward the reduction of our school bond. In an age of ever-increasing levies and assessments, this money could be applied towards the reduction of indebtedness. It may



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be only a drop in the bucket but we are not so far removed from the days of John F. Kennedy who said "Let us begin".

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MEET YOUR CANDIDATES

HARRY CLAI-BORNE, a Las Vegas attorney, is a candidate for the Democratic nomination as United States Senator from the State of Nevada.

After serving as Chief Deputy District Attorney of Clark County for two years (1947-48), Claiborne was elected to the State Assembly from Clark County in 1949 with the largest vote polled by any single candidate.

Since then he has been actively engaged in the practice of law and has enjoyed unusual success as a trial attorney, particularly in the field of criminal law. Highly regarded by the legal fraternity throughout the state, Claiborne claims to have tried more law suits, both



HARRY CLAI-BORNE

civil and criminal, than any other lawyer in Nevada.

He served with distinction in the United States Air Force during World War II. A married man with five children, Claiborne has been a resident of Southern Nevada for 20 years.

Luther Shue, 28-year Las Vegas resident and Chairman of the Paradise Town Board, is a Democratic candidate in the County Commissioner at-large race.

Shue, who resides in Paradise Valley with his wife Betty and six children was President of the Culinary Union for nine years, is currently a Trustee of the Paradise Valley Improvement Association, and has been active in community affairs since 1936.

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