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THE SILENT ISSUE READY TO EXPLORE

The Democrats hope Republicans will obey the old caveat, "Never talk about rope in a family where there has been a hanging." The Democrats don't want Republicans to raise the issue of what Robert McNamara did to destroy the 5-to-1 nuclear superiority which America had when Republicans went out of office in 1961.

Hubert Humphrey, who is known as a man who meets every problem with an open mouth, has been quiet as a tombstone on this issue. Although he makes promises at the speed of 280 words per minute, with gusts up to 350, he never mentions this issue.

But the issue was raised by the invasion of Czechoslovakia. It was raised again by the ominous Soviet threats against West Germany. Headlines around the world proclaimed, "Kremlin Warns West Germany: Demands Bonn End 'Hostility.'" By "hostility," the Kremlin means, of course, any opposition to Soviet take over of all Western Europe. The crude demands which Soviet Ambassador Tsarapkin served on West German Chancellor Kurt Kiesinger were so harsh that they amounted to a demand for a camouflaged surrender, without very much camouflage.

The Soviets stated and repeatedly reaffirmed that they have the right, under Articles 53 and 107 of the United Nations Charter, to use unilateral military force against West Germany. The Soviets claim that these articles permit military action, without Security Council approval, against former enemies with whom no peace treaty has been signed, if those states renew aggressive policies. Of course, to the U.S.S.R., any opposition to their takeover of other nations is termed "aggressive."

U.S. "Immediate Response"

On September 17, the U. S. State Department warned the Soviet Union that Communist military action against West Germany would meet an "immediate response" from NATO allies. What do we mean by "immediate response"?

When the Soviet invaded Czechoslovakia in August, the "immediate response" of the State Department was to cancel the University of Minnesota Glee Club's tour to Soviet Russia, which had been scheduled under the cultural exchange program. That really scared Brezhnev, didn't it! Why should the Kremlin bosses expect any more of an "immediate response" if they move quickly into West Germany or Austria or occupy all of Western Europe?

When the U. S. had the overwhelming nuclear superiority built up under President Eisenhower and Dick Nixon, our "immediate response" meant something, and the world respected us. This was how the Eisenhower Administration ended the Korean War in 1953, and stopped aggression in Lebanon and Quemoy and Matsu. In 1958 when the Chinese Reds tried to capture Quemoy and Matsu, and all the liberals cried "Why die for Quemoy?", President Eisenhower went on television and told the world the U. S. would stand firm in the Formosa Straits. Within a week the Reds backed down — and these offshore islands are still free.

We still had our great nuclear superiority at the time of the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962, and this was what enabled President Kennedy to deal from strength.

But half of that great nuclear

superiority was scrapped during the McNamara years. The London Institute for Strategic Studies reported this month that the Soviets have caught up with the U. S. in land-based long-range missiles, and that the Soviets now even have Polaris-type nuclear submarines in addition to their existing 45 submarines armed with nuclear missiles. We have only 41 missile-firing submarines and have no plans for any more.

Now that a Nixon victory appears probable, the Soviets seem determined to press their military advantage before the Republicans reverse the disastrous Democrat disarmament policies.

The silent issue will not remain silent much longer. Mao Tse-tung said "all political power comes out of the barrel of a gun." Today, all power in world affairs comes out of the nuclear weapon. The JFK-LBJ-HHH policy of "building bridges" to Communist countries, and of making concessions to the Soviets, is proof that we no longer have our once-great nuclear superiority. This is why LBJ is afraid to bomb key targets in North Vietnam and afraid to demand the return of the Pueblo.

This is the great overriding issue which concerns the survival of 200,000,000 Americans. Republicans should give the voters the truth on this vital issue and "tell it like it is."

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SENSATIONAL NEW BOOK FOR THE 1968 ELECTION

THE BETRAYERS

by Phyllis Schlafly and Chester Ward,
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LYNDON'S BRIDGE IS FALLING DOWN



In his State of the Union speech, President Lyndon Johnson called for "building bridges" to Communist countries. What he meant by this, of course, was that the U. S. should trade with the Communist countries of Eastern Europe, and give them credits when they can't pay for the goods they buy. This is the outgrowth of the myths that the Communists are "mellowing," and that today's Reds are really "good" Communists in "gray-flannel suits."

On August 20, 1968 the Soviets invaded Czechoslovakia, thereby violating a treaty made only one month before.

It should be clear to all except those who refuse to face the facts that, if our Government is so foolish as to "build bridges" to the Communists, the Kremlin bosses will simply send their tanks and troops over those bridges.

"It became clear beyond further concealment, by the summer of Sixty-eight, that America has been betrayed. Betrayed, indeed, on so many fronts, with such a synchronized time schedule, that it is no longer possible to believe that all our weaknesses in the face of internal and external threats are the result of accident or coincidence. The only open question is whether the interwoven fabric of betrayal was the work of fools or dupes or traitors — or of all three groups combined."

So opens the latest hard-hitting book by Phyllis Schlafly and Admiral Ward. Nearly everyone knows our Government is in bad shape — but you won't know *how bad* until you read this book. It exposes the Betrayers in our Government as they have never been exposed before, including *who* they are, and what are their motives.

The Betrayers tells how top officials of our Government have carried out a deliberate, systematic plan to scrap America's nuclear strength — a expose which will amaze you, and motivate you to the action in behalf of American freedom and independence.

What the Betrayers have done to America is the reason for the incredible weakness our Government has displayed in

- the "no-win" war in Vietnam, and
- the humiliating capture of the Pueblo.

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CONSERVATIVE VICTORY IN OKLAHOMA

Conservatives have won a spectacular and remarkable victory in the Oklahoma Federation of Republican Women — a victory which shows how much conservative women can accomplish when they work together, keep in close touch with each other, determine their objective, and persevere toward their goal. Control of the Oklahoma Federation is now in the hands of women who stand united for conservative Republican principles. Here is the previously-unreported story.

At the rather famous Convention of the National Federation of Republican Women in May 1967, Oklahoma witnessed the unique circumstance of having the State Federation President, Marguerite Kimball, go before the Credentials Committee and try to disqualify seven duly-elected delegates from her own Oklahoma clubs. All those she tried to eject were Schlafly delegates.

The Schlafly delegates were finally seated — after anxious hours of waiting and worry — by the Elston-O'Donnell-controlled Credentials Committee. In other words, the position of the Oklahoma girls was so obviously valid that even the Elston-O'Donnell Credentials Committee could not avoid giving them their credentials.

The Oklahoma "Eagles," quite naturally, considered the behavior of their State Federation President disloyal to Oklahoma, as well as a violation of elementary justice. They returned to their State prepared to call her to account and demand her resignation.

At the request of the Republican State Chairman, the Eagles were persuaded to bide their time and wait until the next regular Convention of the Oklahoma Federation. This they agreed to do for the sake of Party harmony, even though the next State Federation election was more than a year away.

Meanwhile, the Oklahoma Eagles kept in touch, helped each other in their local projects, and devoted themselves to the task of building their clubs and the Republican Party in a constructive way. Oklahoma had several representatives at the Eagle Conference in St. Louis in February 1968, where they added to their political knowhow and kept in communication with other conservatives.

At the Oklahoma Federation Board of Directors meeting on February 12, 1968, the Board voted to schedule the next Board meeting on March 22 in the city of Duncan, and to have the Biennial Convention on June 15 in Tulsa. The girls in the Duncan club immediately began extensive preparations for the meeting. They made a commitment with the hotel, reserved the necessary rooms, printed the tickets, and launched the publicity.

On February 28, the Executive Board of the Oklahoma Federation received a combination memorandum and ballot from Mrs. Kimball, President of the State Federation, which read as follows:

The Strange Ballot

"TO: The Executive Board of the OFRW

"Republican leaders in this state have asked that I ask the Executive Board to reconsider the matter of Conventions and other meetings. Differences of opinion in the Oklahoma Federation are having a divisive influence among our workers. It is feared that this could be detrimental to our candidates in the election in November. So in order to preserve Party unity I am asking you to vote again on the matter of our presently-planned Federation meetings. We can still comply with our bylaws if we have these meetings after the election.

" () I would like to cancel present meeting plans of the Federation in order to preserve party unity before the election.

" () No, I would not like to cancel present meeting plans of the Federation in order to preserve party unity before the election.

Signed _____

This ballot is a perfect example of a "have you stopped beating your wife" question. Those for "party unity" were supposed to vote in favor of cancelling all 1968 meetings of the Oklahoma Federation. Those who wanted to proceed with the already-scheduled meetings of the Federation were obviously against "party unity."

The Oklahoma Federation bylaws specifically state in Article 8, Section 1 (a): "The time and place shall be

determined by the Executive Board and Board of Directors."

The Executive Board and the Board of Directors had set the dates of the March 22 meeting and the June 15 Convention. Mrs. Kimball's ballot went only to the Executive Board — but not to the Board of Directors (which includes all club presidents).

Obviously, Mrs. Kimball was trying to "pull a Dorothy Elston" and perpetuate herself in office by postponing the State Convention.

The Oklahoma conservatives moved into immediate action to counter this clear violation of the bylaws. They canvassed for enough club presidents to call the meeting officially without the President, a procedure provided for in Article 14 of the bylaws, as follows: "Special meetings may be called by the President or shall be called at the written request of 12 members of the Board of Directors." At least 15 Board members were found to sign the letter officially calling the meeting.

On March 11, Mrs. Kimball wrote a note on the bottom of one copy of the memorandum-ballot referred to above and mailed it to the Duncan club president stating that the meeting on March 22 was cancelled. There was no apology and no explanation. This was the only notice the Duncan club received, although this club had already gone to all the trouble, effort and expense of scheduling and planning the meeting.

The week of the meeting arrived, and the weather worked hard against the conservatives. Snow on March 6 closed schools and roads; a blizzard on March 13 completely covered automobiles; another snow on the 15th closed roads again; another sleet and snowstorm on the 18th closed schools and roads; another on the 20th closed roads from Oklahoma City north. On the morning of March 22, Duncan awoke to still another sleet-snowstorm. Calls came in from all parts of the State asking if the meeting were called off. The emphatic answer was NO.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Kimball had sent out another letter to all club presidents (except the Duncan club president) stating that the meeting in Duncan would not be official, saying that it was called by a minority which had tried to oppose her in everything, etc.

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Conservative Victory in Oklahoma

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The Board Meeting

The conservatives expected a maximum attendance at the Board meeting of 50. That number was considered a good attendance at any Board meeting. When the weather turned against them, the Eagles were ready to be wholly satisfied with 25 or 30. To their delight, they had 52 for the Board meeting and more than 90 for the banquet.

The Vice President presided, and the principal business before the Board was the election of a Nominating Committee to prepare a slate of officers. After braving the struggles of the preceding month, plus the snow and sleet, electing the Nominating Committee was easy. The conservative slate was elected.

After the meeting, the State Chairman asked for the Oklahoma Federation records for the last two years so he could get a ruling from the Party's legal counsel on the legality of the procedure. The legal counsel ruled, on the basis of the bylaws, that the conservatives were completely correct in holding the forthcoming Convention on June 15 as originally scheduled, that no other time could be considered legal, and that to wait until after the general election in November would be out of the question.

Since Mrs. Kimball again refused to put out the Call, it was necessary again to secure signatures of enough club presidents in order to make the Call legal. The strength of the conservatives was growing with each passing week, and they secured 23 club presidents to sign the Call. The conservatives were unable to get any list of names or clubs from Mrs. Kimball, so they had to dig out everything the hard way.

The Convention

The 1968 Biennial Convention of the Oklahoma Federation of Republican Women convened on June 15, 1968 in Tulsa, with the First District Vice President presiding in the absence of the President and Vice President. The conservatives had planned their parliamentary strategy so well that the Convention business proceeded very smoothly. The report of

the Nominating Committee was given. There were no other nominations for any offices, and all conservatives were unanimously elected.

The Republican State Chairman and Vice Chairman were both on the Convention program. There were 151 credentialed delegates at the Convention — more than at any Convention in the history of the Oklahoma Federation.

A thrilling and satisfying Convention session came to a spectacular climax when Ronald Reagan spoke at the luncheon. By a happy coincidence, the Governor's Conference was meeting in Tulsa at the same time, and Governor Reagan graciously came to speak at the Federation luncheon.

One of the unexpected dividends of the conservative victory in Oklahoma was that the so-called "moderates" and fence-sitters received a good education in politics, and most of them came over to the conservative side by the time of the Convention. Another beneficial result is that there is better friendship and esprit de corps among the clubs in the Oklahoma Federation than ever before.

One of the weary Eagles wrote afterwards: "It's been a lot of work. It's been a lot of worry. But I have to admit, it's been a lot of fun, too. We have better communication among the conservatives in our Oklahoma Federation of Republican Women through the State than we've ever had, and we intend to keep it that way."

The Oklahoma success story is a tale of courage and persistence in the face of unbelievable odds. It is an inspiring story of how dedicated conservative women can rise above the pettiness and personality problems (which inevitably accompany an organizational contest) — and keep their eye steadfast on their goal. Congratulations to the gallant women of Oklahoma — an inspiration to Federation women everywhere.

Everything's Up To Date In Kansas City!

Phyllis Schlafly was named "Woman of the Year" by the Advertising and Sales Executive Club of Kansas City at a gala luncheon on September 18. This coveted honor is given each fall to an outstanding woman from a different state.

Making the presentation on behalf of the Ad Club was Mrs. Betty Hanticke, leading businesswoman of Kansas City, who will be remembered by our readers as one of the participants in the program at the Eagle Conference in February 1968. Mrs. Billie Hagen, the first woman member of the Kansas City Council, presented Phyllis with the Key to Kansas City. The day was made festive by music, decorations, and dozens of signs hand-painted with a cheerful "Welcome, Phyllis."

PRACTICAL ADVICE FOR THIS ELECTION FROM THEODORE ROOSEVELT

"It is not the man who sits by his fireplace reading the newspaper and saying how bad our politics and politicians are who will ever do anything to better conditions. It is the one who goes out into the rough, hurly-burly of the caucus, the primary, the group meetings, and faces others on equal terms."

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