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Be For Something Wins in Politics

The BIBLE says, "Because thou art neither hot nor cold, I will spue thee from my mouth."

Conservative U.S. voters stayed at home in droves. Out of 105,000,000 eligible to vote, 46,000,000 voted and 59,000,000 did not. Why not?

Republican Senators gained nothing by playing footsie with the big Government spenders. The left-wing magazine, NEW REPUBLIC, rated Senators by their votes on ten issues, all of which called for more spending and a bigger bureaucracy in Washington.

G.O.P. Senator Payne, of Maine, was rated "very, very good." He got licked. G.O.P. Senator Thye, of Minnesota, was given a 70% "liberal" rating. He, too, got licked, probably by the stay-at-home voters. Several other "liberal Republicans" were defeated. In fact, more "modern" G.O.P. Senatorial candidates were defeated than conservatives—like Bricker, of Ohio.

ON THE OTHER HAND, conservative Senator Goldwater, of Arizona, was rated "very, very bad." He was reelected. He didn't play footsie.

Goldwater went to the Senate in 1952 when the Eisenhower tide was coming in. This year, when that tide was ebbing fast, he again licked the same map he defeated in 1952 by a margin five times bigger than then.

Three weeks before election, the G.O.P. top command turned "right." It had a phony sound.

121,000,000 Americans with life insurance, pensions, Social Security and savings accounts have something to be conservative about. Sound money and balanced budgets are vital to them.

But who spoke for them?

From The Eccentric's Point of View . . .

Southern anti-segregationists are included among the more conservative of the below-the-Mason-Dixon-Line Democrats who seek a place to go. They do not like the social-economic philosophy of their Northern brethren. Indeed, their course is a difficult one if they wish to remain members of either one of the two existing major political parties.

The director of the Chicago Crime Commission recently told a Boston convention of the National Ass'n of Crime Commissioners that large cities will never be free from organized crime. Of course they

won't—unless the general public rises up against this evil, and remains in that risen posture.

Husbands and wives — and there are several million of them currently engaged in semi-hostilities in the United States, are a constant source of wonderment. One can never suspect the reasons for some of the matches which are consummated, and yet one can never tell which of the great experiments will run smoothly and which will run roughly. A wise man once said that husbands and wives would get along together splendidly if they followed one simple rule. That simple rule was for each to treat the other as kindly as he would treat an absolute stranger.

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