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### Have The Democrats Also Had Enough?

o Samuel Grafton, the columnist, it is passing strange that all the issue of current political campaign are related the past, not the present, or more mindent, the future. Such trade publicas as The Wall Street Journal, Nave John them in coalition, maintain the future. Such trade publicas as The Wall Street Journal, Nave John them in coalition, maintain carrier discussion of figure out and the same of the most officers out of the controls are the salout it, recognizing that the Government will be squarely on the spot. as was in 1920 and again in 1929. Why, make Mr. Grafton, of the candidates have decided privately of course, the street of the first of the same targets of the day. The Democratic and the same targets of the day. The Democratic responsibility upon his reluctant Party. "If were an independent voter," said Senator Walley of the publican was the same targets of the day. The Democratic responsibility upon his reluctant Party. "If were an independent voter," said Senator was the same targets of the day. The Democratic responsibility upon his reluctant Party. "If were an independent voter," said Senator candidates in order to put the Party one was the same targets of the day. The Democratic responsibility upon his reluctant Party. "If were an independent voter," said Senator constitution of the Southern Democrate when it can be constructed to the southern Democrate when it is the technique that worked so worked so successfully in the case of privately of course, that they too have had enough. And on the other side of the fence one prominent with the day of the southern Democrate when it is the technique that worked so wo

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Only faint echoes of this strange and relevant political campaign reach us here the Southern political desert, but listen-ing to them we sometimes wonder if both ig to them we sometimes wonder if both arties aren't secretly hoping that the liber wins control of the Congress. Certainly, if a full-lown recession arrives in, vy, mid-1947, it will have a great and perapse conclusive bearing on the Presidential nee in 1948. If the Republicans control the ongress they will have to assume a share

me spot. If the Republicans once get in power they've got to come forward with a constructive program, not just criticism." Control of the 80th Congress is not an issue, for that question was settled months; ago in the Democratic primaries when virtually every Southern Congressman who cared to retain his seat was renominated, and therefore automatically re-elected. On Tuesday the voters (those outside the South, that is, whose votes actually count) will decide only whether the Republicans shall continue to dominate the Congress through an unwieldy coalition, or organize it in their own right. It seems to us we have arrived at a point, just short of chaos, where a Republicap victory would serve the best interests, not only of the country, but of both parties.

### Tit For Tat Diplomacy

his imperfect world we probably have reason to expect the subject of dis-ment to come under discussion by the d Nations except as a part of a diplo-fisur de force. Mr. Molotov intro-th in a bad-tempered speech (it de as it, he might have prepared it y after reading The Chicago Tribune) the as note input into property of the propert

adequate international inspection.
This is a prime example of the tit for, or hit-em-where-they-live school of journey. The Russians are highly vulnerate in the matter of the veto, so the United stee demands that it be abolished. The lided States, armed to the ceeh with simile bombs, is sensitive on the score of armament, so the Russians aim a hay-ther at the vicinity of Oak Ridge, Russia, police state, is the only nation that unds to lose anything by international spection, and the United States lands a pit hook squarely on her iron curtain.
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nit hook squarely on her Iron curtain. This, we suppose, is the hard way to do siness, and certainly it is a strain on a nerves of innocent bystanders. It does, were, accomplish a highly desirable ob-citive, for it touches off international de-te on two central issue—the veto and sammament—and a host of related mat-rs of almost equal importance. Those who have their-sights set on the imediate establishment of an interna-mal organization equipped with sovereign

powers superior to those of the member states naturally greet talk of disarmament with hollow laughter. The Russian proposal to disarm by agreement, after the post-World War I manner, they say, is meaningless. Even with a system of international inspection to see that the agreements are carried out, as the United States to the control of the control

But one thing leads to another, and a plan for mutual disarmament may, at this plant of the time and the short of the short of the short of agreement between Russia so the West. No nation, certainly, would, or should, scrap, so huch as a peashooter without proof that its potential enemies have done likewise, but it is still possible that such proof can be provided. Swen limited disarmament might have the effect, of checking, if not permanently ending, the atomic arms race now in progress. And both Russia and the United States, once assured that there is no likelihood of immediate attack, might become more amenable to a resumption of the abandoned discussion of ways and means of establishing an effective world organisation.

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We have every reason for questioning the Russian motive for introducing the question of disarmanent, but we have no control of the property of th

#### The Matter Of Consolidation

lay's News Burke Davis ends a series articles dealing with City-County dation. They might be summarized sentence: the need is great, the

Consolidation of local government is sim-y a matter of efficiency, of eliminating verlapping services and overlapping taxes. fr. Davis cited scores of needless duplica-sons in Charlotte and Mecklenburg—health ervice, fire service, police service, tax col-cition—and his was by means a complete stalogue. No serious student of the prob-me could doubt that thousands of dollars ould be saved by abolishing the false dis-niction between city—and county-dwellers. What do we obtain in return for the

ion between city- and county-dwellers, hat do we obtain in return for the eye we spend to maintain the separate littles of the City of Charlotte and the hip of Mecklenburg? Some citizens of occupts may save, in dollars, on their bill, but they lose in the quality and quantity of the service they receive. The service they receive is no real basis for, the fear of the high summary and population that its interests id somehow be subordinated if, as has a magneted, the City limits were ex-

effective legal safeguards that could and certainly would be employed to protect

them. Why, then, should we consider the prospects of consolidation dim? There are several reasons. Consolidation represents a break with tradition. It would encounter the automatic opposition of all those who believe that the best government is the least government. It would run head-on into the rural resident's ancient suspicion of city folk. And, perhaps most important, it would be opposed by the practical politicans of both City and County who see in it a threat to their powers and perogatives, and perhaps even to their jobs.

tives, and perhaps even to their jobs.

Until human nature is repealed or drastically amended, consolidation will never
come as use smile of action on the part
of those who hold city or Gounty office.
The compulsion must come from outside
the governing bodies, and from outside
established political organizations. If it
comes at all, it must come from private
citizens motivated by a sound and selfish
reason of their own—an overwhelming desire to obtain the ultimate in efficient
government for the tax dollars they spend.

### **Another** Voice

#### New Yorkers And The Man



**d** Gold Is Where You Find It

### People's Platform

### Demagogues And Pecksniffs

used by artful men to contaminate opinion.

Before harmony of thought oblivaries the concept of "North" and "South" unity must exist in the mind of the people of the sections. But this can not be seen to be se

success or an overriow of the Massassipi River.

But these are the asprophyses of politics; they produce nothing; they live off the dead gaster of the vill body, repulsiles and ignorance. They gluttonize that promote the product of the product of

However, the Negro population is spreading, and will continue to spread through the hinteriand of the North, and as it spreads Northern demagogy will extend itself. And by the law of opposites the South will be more than ever the happy hunting ground for

Looking backward we know that it was a lon way from Moses to Christ; from Christ to Caesar from Caesar to Cromwell; from Cromwell to Wash ington. A country is blessed with only one or twe statesmen in a generation.

-HOYT H. EAVES.

### Treason?

CHARLOTTE

that state.

These men of our Supreme Court irror the election system of Georgia deprives the people of free elections and the civil right. They know that such is forbidden by our Constitution. These men also know that Eugene Talmadge, and Theodore Bilbo of Missistoph are traitors to the Constitution with the class and radial hatred they sponsor and uphold, and which is forbidden by the Constitution.

our dismisses all of this. Then it is to that it is no concern of theirs whether the pole have the protection of Constitutional law or

-MRS. J. D. BIGGERS.

The People's Platform is available to any ader who cares to mount it. Communications hould be less than 300 words, typewritten if ossible, and on only one side of the paper, their and obscentify will be deleted—otherwise nything goes. Each letter must be signed, at

- Marquis Childs

### Accidental Leaders

Samuel Grafton

## Danger In Flushing

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# Drew Pearson's: Before Election Time To Check Candidates Merry-Go-Round

money to a stepromone, where the question as to whether the above people really contributed the money Danner said they did, or were they just "cover-ups" that nothing against Mr. Danner, merely reports the above as an illustration of how Congressional candidates need to be scrutinized in every district—before election day, not afterward. If this column had the time to investigate cases the analysis of the column had the time to investigate cases the early "Unfortunately".

Wealth Vs. Labor