Washington's Angry Man

ONLY a few months ago Chester Bowles would have been a certain winner in any national unpopularity contest, but he has emerged from the latest White House shuffling as a hero. Jacob White House shuffling as a nero, the white hope of the crusade against inflation. This is, of course, a tribute to his integrity and ability, but we have a disquieting feeling that some, at least, of his impressive new stature is attained by contrast. It doesn't take a very tall man to loom above the Administration Mr. Truman has put together in the past six months.

Mr. Bowles has survived one of the Mr. Bowies has survived one of the nastiest assignments in this country's history, performing with credit as chief of OPA. But his new task makes OPA seem like a lead-pipe cinch—he's got to stake out a mew anti-inflation line, re-plete with what the President calls bulges, and hold it come hell or high water.

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"The lobbyists and the profiteers are licking their chops." Mr. Bowles remarked upon assuming his new office. "To those people who are betting on infiation in the stock market and in the commodity markets, let me say. You are betting on the wrong horse. There lan't going to be any infiation. We're going to hold the price line..." That's fighting talk, delivered by a gentleman with a long jaw and proven capacity for slugging in the clinches.
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Max Gardner has called Mr. Bowles a crusader, and he didn't use the term in a particularly complimentary fashion. His zeal, which leads him into excesses, strikes Mr. Gardner as a weakness. But, under the circumstances we don't see how a mild and temperate man could last five minutes in the face of the unholy crusade now being directed against the anti-inflation line. §

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Mr. Bowles has two great qualifications for his new task. He is dedicated, He is angry. He is like those early New Dealers who took the country by storm and, whether they were moving them in the right direction or not, moved a good many mountains. He stands out in sharp contrast against the weary politicians who now surround Mr. Truman, the practical men who, believing victory impossible, are always ready to getter for a compromise.

It occurs to us that we have never heard Mr. Bowles mentioned as a presidential possibility, although he might be a formidable candidate if he surrovives the coming storm. And it further occurs that we don't know which Party he belongs to: we would assume, of course, that he's a Democrat, but we could be wrong, for he came into the Government at a time when Mr. Roose-velt was drafting businessmen regardless of their political persussion.

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It seems likely that the thought of Chester Bowles as President has also never occurred to Chester Bowles. He acts like a man with just one purpose in life—to keep his country's economy from spiraling upward into chaos, And that's why Chester Bowles is the only man in Washington with a chance of doing it.

The Coroner Does It Again

TWICE in recent weeks Charlotte po-licemen have found it necessary to shoot down unruly Negroes who resisted arrest. In the first case, the killing of Robert Lewis Blakney, two police of-ficers were wounded in a knife attack by Blakney and another Negro. In the second case, the killing of Charlie Nicholson, a knife attack was reportedly stopped short by a policeman's bullet.

We have no doubt these are authentic cases of killing in self-defense.

Coming so close together they may warrant the suspicion that, in the second case at least, there was a bit of trigger-happiness on the part of the arresting officer. And, as always, a question arises as to the necessity of shoot-

tion arises as to the necessity of shouting to kill.

However, our purpose in bringing up the matter here is not to condemn the officers concerned, but to remark upon the disposition of the cases. A Coroner's jury this week found that Blakney came to his death as the result of a builet wound inflicted by Police Officer J. O. Summey in self-defense. The Coroner has scheduled a hearing on the Nichol-

son killing for Friday, and it seems a foregone conclusion that the verdict will be the same.

be the same.

The verdict of the Coroner's jury, in accordance with long-standing local practice, apparently disposes of the Blakney case; Officer Summey is exonerated and the record is closed. And, as usual, we wonder just where the Coroner obtains authority for such a verdict.

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The function of the Coroner's "court" is to determine the cause of violent death; it may take final action only by ceatiff, it may take that action only by finding that death was accidental. Certainly the shooting of Blakney was no accident, sand in fairness to all concerned the case should be heard in a higher court with proper authority to determine Officer Summey's guilt, or lack of it.

In this case, as in many another, the In this case, as in many another, the Coroner has exceeded his authority, And, as usual, Mecklenburg officials condone the practice, presumably on the theory that it cuts down on the open-and-shut cases cluttering the higher courts. But there is never an adequate excuse for such a blatant evasion of the law, and the practice only contributes to the widely-held conviction that life is in-ordinately cheap in Mecklenburg Country.

A Red Under Every Bed

THE knowledge that the Russians have been busy trying to steal the secret of the atomic bomb comes as something of a shock, of course, and will doubtless lead to a fine old-fashioned Red Hunt if J. Edgar Hoover has his way. The Communists, Mr. Hoover observes gloom-ily, now have the run of the United States and there isn't much the FBI can do about it. General Groves, the Army's atomic guardian, also announces that secrets are slipping through the helpiess fingers of the military at an alarming rate.

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We gather that both Mr. Hoover and General Groves would like to see visiting Russians subjected to the sort of treatment Americans get in the U.S.S.R. Turn about is fair play, of course, and it may be that we shall live to see the day when every foreigner. Russian or otherwise, is followed about the streets of America by a small man wearing a derby hat and a raincosat.

The Great Canadian Spy Story—which is beginning to read like a figment of Alfred Hitcheock's imagination—reminds us that the United States has also gone into the cloak-and-dagger business. Only

us that the Ontens States has also gone into the cload-and-dagger business. Only a few months ago the State-Department. Sent Dean Acheson over to the Capitol to ask Congress for a handsome appropriation for a new espionage service. We don't recall what committee now has his request, but the Spy Story should

provide timely support for it. If the Russians are going to spy on us, then beded, we're going to spy on them.

This exchange of operatives may jeopardize our precarious relations with the Comrades, but the danger will be offset, perhaps, by the innocent fun it provides for the reading public. "The Case of the Missing Cyclotron" is a much more entrancing headline than "Reds Denounce U. S. At om Polley," and, of course, they mean the same thing.

It is notable that one of the best-heeled Capitalists the nation affords, Former Ambassador Davies, considers the Comrades morally justified in peeking through the Oak Ridge keyhole. "Russia in self-defense has every moral right to seek at o'm 1c bomb secrets through military espionage if excluded from such information by her former fighting Allies. . . If Russia had developed the bomb and the United States were in her shoes, we certainly would try to obtain such hirofrantion ." he were in her shoes, we certainly would try to obtain such information . . ." he

said.

Pure though his logic may be, the Ambassador has clearly been too long away from the United States. He has forgotten that America, having convinced herself of the purity of her motives, can't seem to remember that she hasn't yet convinced the world. Perhaps 'his own figure of speech will serve to explain our new national viewpoint—we never try the shoe on to-see if it pinches, particularly if it happens to be a Russian boot.

Another Voice

Beyond The Color Line

The story of Dr. George W. Carver is familiar to all. From Time Magazine is culled a story with a similar moral. During a wide-spread flu epidemic in Jasper and Putnam Counties, Georgia, in 1938, the only available white physician was stricken. The white influenza victims were faced with the alternative of going without medical care or calling in a Negro physician, Dr. Funderburg. They called in the Negro doctor.

For many days Dr. Funderburg literally worked around the clock, visiting white and Negro patients alike. Owing to his indefatigable and heroic efforts

the epidemic was soon checked. And grateful white residents of the two Georgia counties have been calling Dr. Funderburg ever since.

The story of Dr. Funderburg, like the life of Dr. Carver, convincingly attests that skill, competence do not stop at the color line. It is equally true that character does not stop there, that patriotism is not restricted to any one racial group. To appreciate this truth and respect it and to walk in the way of the light it sheds is to be a better Southerner and a better American.—The Winston-Salem Journal.

American, All The Way Back



People's Platform

This Be Courtesy? Could

THIS is in reference to two recent articles in your I newspaper, concerning our Governor's chauffeur, who was fined \$1 for parking in a restricted zone or something similar. Something similar restricts are resonant to the something similar aroused some public comments, and in most cases has not been too favorable from the standpoint of our police department. Fig. 1 is requested that you allow a few moments of your time, in the way of listening to a smaller case, with which you might compare with that of the

P. S. Please tell me if a statement came out in the paper at any time saying that 98.2 per cent of all the populace had syphilis?

(NOTE: (1) Periodic reports on the syphilis rate at Morits Field were published in Time News. The at Morits Field were published in Time News. The manner of the property was 23 cases per thousand ment of the property of

aroused some public comments, and in most cases has not been too Invariable from the standpoint of our police of the control of the standpoint of our police of the control of the standpoint of the standpoint of a smaller case, with which you might compare with that of the Governor's chauffeur. Upon returning to Charlotte, which I am dearly fond of, from 3 1-2 years of Naval clothes for exchange of my uniform. After point to all the parking lots, I was turned down as their capacity was full, and I finally located myself several blocks from the Square by a parking meter. I placed a nickel search for clothes was in value, but I returned to my car just one hour and three minutes after leaving it. Standing by the car was a policensam making out a ticket for the car, and he informed the writer that he should which I did, and pald my fine like any normal citizen would. Now I ask you, why should the employee of such a high-ranking representative of the state, who should be well-off, and who should also set an example for the citizet as "it would be fixed."

Was this a show of courtesy to the Governor? I don't believe there is anything in the statuse that says a Covernor or his employee shall be exempted from all anyone should be swell-out any consideration it should be a veteran, who has sacrificed everything he had to serve his town, his state, and his country, and not to the employee of a politician.

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numany possible.

I hope that your paper, which I have always thought to be the Voice of the People, will join our efforts along these lines.

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"Note: When the Chief of Police said the Governor's parking ticket would be fixed, he meant he would pay it himself. And remember that the Mayor got caught himself the other day, paid up like a little caught himself the other day, paid up like a little may be a supported by the present of the present the present

It's Not A Bird

DR. SHELDON in his "Scrapbook" says the press is a foreful instrument for the creation of character and conduct, and the editor of a daily paper is under as much of an obligation to reform the world as the Whita are you doing along this line? Do you listen to "Big Town" over the radio? Why not be another Stree Wilson? CHARLOTTE

-RADIO FAN.

(NOTE: We haven't got time right now. But we've sent off for a blue suit and red cape so we can be like Clark Kent of the Daily Planet and change into Superman from time to time.—Eds., Tuk News.)

The Venereal Rate

CAN you give me the following information? What was Tim News write-up in 1942 on the status of venereal disease in Chnriste? I would like to have the statistics quoted. What is the total population

Quote, Unquote

Votes For Breger

Treason, She Says

Just who does this Captain Robert W. Haffer think he is? He may be a "big shot" with the privates of Fort Brugg who are forced to recognize his rank and power, but with we elvilians he is just another of the

Don't stop DAVE BREGER. He is still good.

By all means keep MR. BREGER. It's the best cartoon you've got.

HAVE been reading Dr. George Crane's articles in The News in regard to our Constitution. He says it is only a scrap of paper and meaningless unless at loast 51 per cent of our people subscribe to the Golden Rule and thereby permit equal rights for minorities to

IN the United States we should systematically de-molish 600,000 sub-standard homes a year for 20 years to make way for new building. That is the kind of thing we can do to stablize construction—Dr. Aivin H. Hansen, professor of political economy. Harvard University.

Egypt is more resolved and united than ever to pring about the disappearance of every restriction on ner independence by the withdrawal of foreign forces. –King Farouk of Egypt.

As things stand in this strike-ridden country to-day, the public is being denied what it wants because an organized minority has been able to get its way in Congress.-Cincinnati, O., Post.

The President Compounds **His Original Mistake**

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dent feels he must have Fauley in his official faminarial symbol of the New Deal, Harold Ickes, has departed in a spoilight of right-eousness. It was an opportunity ready-made for the 'old curmud-ready-made for the such an opening. While it was not generally known, up until a few hours before the resignation was accepted by the resignation of the moment of the compromise. Democratic Senators compromise. Democratic Senators confirmation met with the President influential Democratic Senators of the compromisers protect up on of the compromisers protect up on of the compromisers for the pauley nomination would be withdrawn. Ickes would then have remained in the Cabmiet until the letter.

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But Truman stood firm behind Pauley. He repeated the mistake he made at his press conference and the stood firm behind the man he had named for Undersecretary of the Navy, at the same time casting doubt on the reliability of feckes' testimony, it would have been so simple to put with an observation that the matter was still under consideration by a Senate committee.

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-MRS. C. R. OLNSON.

Until Franklin Roosevelt came over the political horizon, Ickes had

been s. lifelong Republican. True, been as a maserick. a mingrump, who had supported Theodore Roosenstein the Bull Moose crusade. And his specialty, from his little offices in Chicago's Loop, was the bull to the life of the control of the control

Those close to him say he would like to be head of the Political Action Committee. But no overtures have come from that quarter. The PAC would prefer Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace if and when Wallace too leaves the Truman Cabinet.

Not For PAC

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The circumstances of Ickes' resignation will not be likely to persuade those who guide PAC that he should head the organization. If the Republicans plump for normalcy and mominate another Bricker, then liberals and laborites will have no choice but. Or provided the choice but. Or provided the provided that the provided th

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Truman's toughest job now will be to find a successor to Ickes. The lists are being combed, and one name that crops up is that of dustries William O. Douglas, But Douglas is not likely to leave the Supreme Court for a Cabinet post that may last only three years.

Samuel Grafton

A Poorer Cast Is Acting Out A Much Bigger Drama

character who has audience sympathy.

One felt the same inept touch in the Administration's effort to fight the recent fillusater against the recent fillusater against the second fillusa

Rule and thereby permit equal rights for minorities to exists. moment 30 per cent of Americans become Hitlers of might-makes-righters minorities will be pillaged despite the Constitution from the selfish greed of the majority, except that a majority of citizens are willing to inhibit their selfishness and obey the Golden Rule. The Constitution is therefore rooted in the Golden Rule, for that is the only equal right with the strong.

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Drew Pearson's: Soviet Agent Fumbled The Atom Secret Merry-Go-Round:

THE leak which sprang the big spy story in Canada came when the Soviet ordered home one of its agents. He had been in Canada for some time, had come to like Canadians, and was not sympathetic with certain Soviet tactics. He suspected also that his Government was aware of heavinged viespoint and that this: was the reason for his both changed viespoint and that this: was the reason for his both complete of the co

ing their feture, and this may have influenced the agents. This particular agent was fortunate in having his family with him in Canada. If they had been in Russia they would have been subject to retaintion. Therefore he surrendered handel to Canadain authorities and revealed one of the most in secret intelligence worked for weeks in tracking down every segment of information. Special agents were even sent of Shoc time, the Russian has been in constant custody of the Canadian mounted police. His whereabouts are kept a strict secret, and he has been moved frequently from one piace to arother.

writing his memoirs for the Saturday Evening Post.

Forreal Forgot

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And despite Forrestal's statement to the press favoring Pauley, close triends say Hensel is still his personal candidate for the job which Truman wants to give Ed Pauley. The admirals, however, are against Hensel, fearing he will institute certain unpopular retorms, including the appointment of a civilian as judge advocate.

While Forrestal may have told Truman at Potsdam that he was "agreeable" to Pauley as Under Secretary, there is no question but that he said the opposite to Congressional

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In fact, while lunching with Secretary Ickes very recently. Perrestal saked offige to fight Pauley?"

"Twon't initiate anything," replied Ickes, "but I'll tell the truth, and it won't help him much."

"That's about the way I feel," replied the Secretary of the Navy.

Capital Chaff

Henry Kalser is up in arms over the very strange fact that the RFC is delaying the sale of Government aluminum plants to U. S. independent companies so as to give a Dutch and a Swiss company, allied with American Smelting, time te bit on them.