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#### ANOTHER BIG STICK

CECRETARY of State Dean Acheson has been a busy man these past few weeks. He has talked with men of a dozen nations and he has told tham how far the United States could be expected to go in implementation of the North Atlantic Defense Part.

Pact.

The new Secretary of State has knocked heads with Senajors like Vandenberg and Connally in attempts to reconcile the exigences of the atomic age with the constitution of the eighteenth century.

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But the attack will come.

Mr. Acheson will be told that the words
f the pact commit the United States to
to war if Russia attacks—say, for intance—Italy. It does, but that would have
een inevitable if there had never been a

pact.

No one has doubted that a Russian invasion of Italy or Norway or Denmark or Western Germany or, France or the Low Countries—no one has doubted that an invasion of any of these would mean war between the United States and Russia.

There is much talk about the pact being

tween the United States and Tissan.

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NOT long after the November election
upset, representatives of the life insurance business' met in New York' City.
Some of them, especially those from the
bigger companies, wondered how life insurance would fare under a new administration which was pledged to put the Government even, deeper into the field of old
age and health insurance.
But such anxiety — If it amounted to
anxiety—was allayed by the preadent of
the Ohio State Life Insurance Company,
Claris Adams, who gave the visiting insurance men a bit of profound common sense.
daid Mr. Adams:
The candidate who won was the man with

The candidate who won was the man with the common touch who carried his cause to the common people . . . Main Street rallied to its own.

On the face of the record life insurance has little to fear from Main Street. It is populated by our policyholders. It is dotted with our beneficiaries. It is the people of Main Street who built this institution to its presented.

Street who built this institution to its present proportions are imported to the present proportions to the principle repository of their permanent savings and their chief reliance for the security of their families. Their faith in the found in American life. The great size of life insurance which some seem to fear is merely the result of the fact that we serve so many. It is inconceivable most served them well.

policy since the declaration of the Truman Doctrine.

Doctrine.

Has anyone cause to be disturbed over the terminology of the pact? We don't think so. Congress need not fear that the pact destroys its constitutional privilege to declare or not to declare war.

Article Five, which gave a few Congressmen the jitters, says only. "The parties agree that an armed attack against one or more of them in Europe or North America shall be considered an attack against them all."

Il. is left to the discretion of the Congress of the United States to determine whether the United States shall or shall not declare war.

Has Russia cause to be disturbed by the text of the pact? We think not. Only in the event of Russian aggression will the pact be exercised. But, once again, it is lower to be exercised. But, once again, it is to would call upon all Western democracies to defend, themselves collectively—pact or no pact.

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As for the signers of the pact—they can only profit from the sense of security such profits of the pact are obvious. The benefits of the pact are obvious. The United States will arm signers—probably with \$2 billion worth of guns and equipment. Thus armed, the signers can turn production toward domestir recovery. Where this recovery is complete, the signers will be able to protect themselves; the West will be attempted to the word of the w

The pact is a big-stick; we must carry it

which indicate that life insurance will al-

Reports for 1948 show that:

1. American families received \$8,868,000 daily from their insurance companies;

2. Total payments were \$3,235,914,000, nine per cent larger than in 1947, and 37 per cent larger than five years ago. per cent larger than rive years ago.

3. Living policyholders received more than half of the life insurance dollars under maturing endowments, disability benefits, annuity payments, emergency cash surrender values, and dividends.

### 'It's Springtime! Who Wants To Stay In A House?'



Income Cut Criticized

## British Dentists In Revolt

BRITAINS free denlal service under its State breath program is creating and approaching breakdown, asy spokesmen for the British Dental accidation, asy spokesmen for the British Dental accidation, asy spokesmen for the British Dental themselves are in revolt. They are protesting a recent Government order which would be a provided by the confidence of the property of the property

sinci iscomes now are higher than before the service became effective, but they object to the "arbitrary cut".

The situation has its background in the neglected condition of British techt. Denitate waiting rooms are estimated 30 per cent more crowded than before. The Health Mitage of the service annually, But there is a serious shortage of denities. A Government, denial committee reported 30,000 denitates and the service annually, But there is a serious shortage of denities. A Government, denial committees reported 30,000 denitates and the service annual of the service annual to the service annual for the service annual for the service annual for the period of the service annual for the period service and the service annual for the period service annual for the service annual for

NEW OIL

TRUTH in some cases as high as \$37,200 to \$40,000.

TRUTH in elimited (wenty per cent of the profession was earning more than \$19,200 gross yearly. The Ministry spokesman said that by halving returns over that sum overworking to the point of inefficiency was a serial profession into disreptube because as a result of regional modern asying to the regulations they were making up to \$1,200 a month years and then asying to the profession into disreptube because as a result of the regulations they were making up to \$1,200 a month years and then asying to the profession into disreptube because otherwise we get a 50 per cent cut."

"It's true that dentities are making a los more money," a British Dental Association spokesman and, "but they also are treating a los more population of the profession of the profession of the profession of the profession of the British Dental Association ablected for three reasons:

reasons:

1. Restrictions on clinical freedom. More than half the work a dentist does requires prior approval by a Government committee.

because of what it described as the service annually part of the service annually of parts to contain a service annually of parts of the situation. The service are serviced that a dental service will be provided, but at present there are to few dentitats to make a service annually of parts of the service.

"No one can judge yet how long it is likely to take to into out this bump of arrears or what the hormal level of business will turn out to be."

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The Ministry of Health as all if found some dentals were avoided to the services will be provided to the provided of the services with only willine to the provided of the provided of the services will be provi

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## Truman's 4 Years

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memory.

A principal feature of the climate of opinion immediately after V-J Day was a rush to get demobilized and have it all over with. Part of that was Communist-inspired but most of it came from the pull of the old, contented, peacetime Looster.

America.

Looking back, the President understands the handleap of that excessive haste. It was a denial of America's world responsibility; it left great vacuums where there was no power, no acceptance of responsion.

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James Marlow

# Rent Control ABC

happened.

It is state had "adequate controls of the control of th

week.
From what's been said and done
in both houses, these points stand
out:

1. Congress seems to think we've
reached the point where the states,
at least, ought to be free to handle
their own rent problems, if they
want to.

aides wanted controls for another 24 moniths). We she has spots in the Here and by the House, and the different kind of bill being readled in the Senate. It was to start the senate will be not be senate with up passing different bills, there will be no new the senate will be not be senated by the senate will be not be senated by the senate will be not be senated by the senate will be the senate will be not be senated by the senate will be the sen

this:
Any State, City or County could
throw off all Federal controls any
time it wished even though that
State, City or County had no rent
controls of its own. In short, it
could end rent control for itself.
The bill which the [Separks is
preparing is different. It wouldn't
permit dropping of all controls.

(But the Maryland law ends June 1 and the Illinois and New York laws end June 30.)

saying they were would be enough. Senators told reporters they think the House home rule" idea is worse than useless. Bot it seems a long way from becoming law.) (At present only five states—Connecticut, Illinois, New York, Maryland and Virginia—have reute-control laws of their own to take the place of a Federal law after.

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#### Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

# Country Faces Siege Of Wire-Tapping

WASHINGTON

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seen are involved, however, that it's highly doubtful whether

all the facts will ever be made public. The confidential vire
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divorce suit sgainst Dorts Duke, and Madanne Fauno, whe has no works for Broady, used to check the wires of the late Franklin D. Roosevelt's New York home to make, which was the property of the property of the York of the property of the property of the pretain the Ryan-Broady combine on their telephone equipment, since it is not easily obtainable. Twan has in-telephone company through underground channels, Mr. Clendenja Ryan, incidentally, recently took over the chair manship of international Telephone & Tolteraph.

Young Mr. Ryan Cleans Up

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CLESDENT NYAN two donated \$1,000,000 to clean up mulights powerments from coast to coast, is a rich man's
on, who has tried, with varying success, to do something for
his country. The trouble is that he has tackled a major who
himself has langled with Tammary. Also, Ryan hasn't
known where the power of private money should stop and
clientednist's raudifather was stabulously rich Thomas
Portune Ryan, who, beginning as a Baltimore dry-good
cert in 1886, same to own diamond mines in Africa, the
street spilways of Chicago, the Equitable Life Assurance Cot'as UBA, etc. & Brittleh-Americaa Tobocco Co-, pine the

states.

Those were days when income taxes were little or nothing and a man could acquire wealth. Part of old Thomas Fortune Rwan's \$141,000.000 was passed down to grandson Clendenin, a realous follower of Florello La Guardis, who has wanted to use it more idealistically than his grandfather.

father. Young Ryan is a close friend of fellow Princetonian Secretary of Defense Forrestal, under whom he served in the Navy. And when Communist-inspired strikes paralyzed France in November 1947, Forrestal asked his young friend to raise money to help break the strike. Ryan idd so. He passed the hat among New York friends, came back with

This was distributed among certain French Communist leaders. And, though other factors helped, the French strikes evaporated.

# Italian Election Slush Fund

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young friend, told him he was broke and asked that he raise

money for the Italian political campaign.

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The Torrestal Arman of Italy, Seventy thousand dollars was raised—most of It in \$500 tols. Of the

\$70000, a total of \$50,000 went direct to Premier de Gasperi

Afterward Porrestal Arman dwith the U. S. Treasury to

permit contributors to haske charity income-tax deductions.

But Ryan and most of his friends declined. They wrote it

young Mr. Ryan is now head of a clean-up conglomera
tion of Park Armanized, outdoor Tammanyies and real re
tistant Secretary of State, and William Chadbourne, Wall

Street attorney. In the former category is John Jacob

Astor. And in the ex-Tammany chegory are Chreme Neal.

Tammany, and James Branigan, head of the National Demo
cratic Club, which O'Dwyer has called a "political cesspoir".

#### **Gestapo Tactics**

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A servadropper face is that in 1944, when this column total exercises of the column total contraction of the column total column total column to the colu

# tite, annuity payments, emergency cash surrender values, and dividends. 4. Death benefit payments reached a record high of \$1446,007000 in spite of what appears to have been a record low death rate among policyholders. 5. A survey of four-unit families—father, mother and two children—shows that 87 per cent 3wn some life insurance. The life insurance representatives of the Charlotte area who are meeting here tenight to hear Holgar E. Johnon, president of the Institute of Life Insurance, are well aware that these statistical increases reflect, in part, postwar prosperity. But they also reflect the growing contidence of Americans in life insurance as a means of awing money and protecting dependents. And as long as life insurance remains what Mr. Adams called "the federated thrift of the common people of America," it will have nothing to fear from Government. Mr. Adams' statement has recently been unctuated by some revealing facts and gures covering the past calendar year, VARIETY AMONG THIEVES

A hardware store attendant reports: a quiet gentleman entered his establishment, toting a shotgun . . . the man exhibited the gun . . . T wan some shells for this. "The attendant provided him with the shells. The man loaded up, pointed his shotgun at the attendant and demanded, "Now give me your money." He got! I. A barroom proprietress tells this addroy On a fund customers. The subject, turned to robberies. It was her opinion that her life was more important than her money. "If a man came in here and pointed his gun at me. If give him my money without any trouble." One of the men whipped out a pistol. She gave him her money without any trouble. The men fled. Another store-keeper told police: A man wearing a stocking cap came into hipsestablishment. The stocking cap was "foliced and placed on the man's head in custom

Thirty there is honor among theeves is an ancient but highly disputable pronouncement; that there is imagination among thieves can be doubted by no one in the light of recent criminal exploits here and there over the face of the globe.

In London, for instance, bandits used paner techniques to loot a levelry store: three-men in a car drove over the side-walk and into a jewelry store: three-men in a car drove over the side-walk and into a jewelry store: three-men in a car drove over the side-walk and into a jewelry store: three-men in a car drove over the side-walk and into a jewelry store: three-men in a car drove over the side-walk and into a jewelry store window, a fourth man rode on the roof, his head protected from flying glass by a helmet ... the turret burglar grabbed trays of valuable jewelry ... the car severed back into the street and lit out.

A hardware store attendant reports: a quiet gentleman entered his establishment, toting a shotypun. .. the man exhibited the ed the store-keeper of ms day's profits. The "masked" robber departed hurriedly. An ingenious, and learned, thief made news at a Summer hotel not so long ago: "The Professor" had been visiting the hotel regularly for years during his wacation. Knew everybody. Everybody knew him. Became a conflowing his wacation. The state of the

The State Senate Agriculture Commit-tee has approved a bill to stop bakeries from using a "blowing up process" in mak-ing their bread. Suppose we could arrange something like that for Hollywood?

After all the years in which politicians have tried to carry the farmer, he remains a malcontent. Oh, what a tangled web we weave when first we practice to relieve—Washington (D. C.) Evening Star.