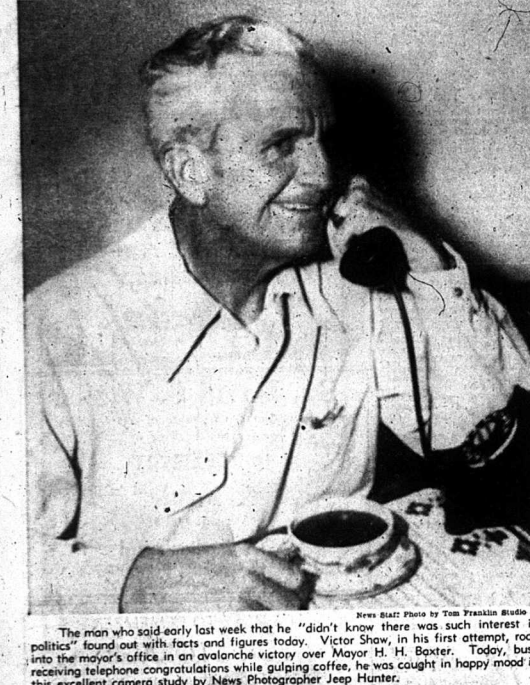


**The Mayor's Lady**  
 Most of the shouting today is for Mayor-Nominee Victor Shaw, and gliding in it quietly is Mrs. Shaw. Between telephone calls she talked this morning with Woman's Editor Treck Spolek, and the interview and picture are on Page 2-B.

**OUR NEW MAYOR RELAXING AT HOME**



New Staff Photo by Tom Franklin Studio

The man who said early last week that he "didn't know there was such interest in politics" found out with facts and figures today. Victor Shaw, in his first attempt, rode into the mayor's office in an avalanche victory over Mayor H. H. Baxter. Today, busy receiving telephone congratulations while gulping coffee, he was caught in happy mood in this excellent camera study by News Photographer Jeep Hunter.

**U.S. Vessels Leave Shanghai; Reds Roll**

**By FRED HAMPTON**  
 SHANGHAI.—Heavy U. S. naval vessels moved out of Shanghai today as Communist spearheads rolled toward the Shanghai-Hangchow area.

The Communist radio in Peking broadcast that the 20th and 89th, had been wiped out of two towns. Thirty 80 miles west of here, and Communist 60 miles south-west of Nanking, were captured, the radio said.

The Communist broadcast said the Nanking-Hangchow highway had been cut. Government army headquarters said Red advance units were about 6000 (Wu) 40 miles west of here.

Red capture of T'ing, on the west bank of Lake Tai, would mean the Communist were half way to Hangchow, where some 30,000 Government troops are believed to be.

A rapid thrust south would cut the Shanghai-Hangchow corridor.

The American ships went down the Yangtze estuary from here to avoid involvement in the civil war.

U. S. General John Cabot Gurnea led 150 American, mostly women and children, boarded U. S. Navy vessels for evacuation in an emergency.

Another group of Americans is expected to board the S. S. Wilson of the President Lines when it arrives tomorrow from Hong Kong.

A British consular official said 150 British nationals had registered aboard the Dutch steamer Bolesvan. French consular officials said they had only one Frenchman listed so far as wanting to leave.

"We are glad Frenchmen are wanting to maintain our national interests," one official said.

The British followed the American lead and withdrew warships of their Shanghai force. Movement of the ships into the Yangtze estuary will put them out of artillery range when the Reds arrive in the world's largest city.

When the Communists moved came no one knew. But Shanghai appeared ready to receive them without resistance. Most of the city's 5,000,000 inhabitants expect the Reds to walk in and take over the city.

No one seemed to know how far the Communists were. Neither did anyone appear to know the whereabouts of Nationalist forces that had retreated south from Nanking.

**'Overwhelmed' Says Mr. Shaw**

**By DICK YOUNG**  
 Charlotte News Staff Writer  
 "I stand humbly before you, fellow citizens of Charlotte. This spoke victorious Victor Shaw near last midnight when his move had 2-1 victory over fourth-time-running Mayor Baxter became evident.

That sentence in his initial statement as Mayor-Nominee is characteristic of the man—the guiding principle in his campaign and, as a matter of fact, the guiding light of his life.

And the second sentence in his statement is also characteristic: "I shall not let you down."

During his campaign he maintained stoutly that he would not make any statement, vote any promise that he could not fulfill. And that was just Victor Shaw being Victor Shaw because all through the years those who have known him have said, "Victor Shaw will do what he says he will."

After his opening remarks, he went on to say, "I shall not let you down. I asked for it, and to you have given. Your welfare will be my only burden. As mayor of this city, I plead for your help. Scrutinize it. If you will criticize, whatever I may prepare or whatever I shall do, bearing in your mind that my only purpose is to work for you."

"To each person who cast a vote for me and especially to those who so loyally and diligently worked for me in this campaign, I extend my deepest appreciation and from the bottom of my heart 'Thank you!'"

"Every citizen of this city will be welcomed at my office at City Hall, where I shall be daily with you. I have been fully qualified to establish official home. To all of you citizens of Charlotte again, I thank you."

It was a close-knit circle of the City School Board, all four candidates.

**Move To Avert Ford Strike**

**By FRED HAMPTON**  
 DETROIT.—Eleventh-hour peace talks were arranged today by Walter F. Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers (UAW), in an effort to avert a major strike this week at the Ford Motor Co.

The big Ford Local 600 vote overwhelmingly last week to strike over alleged production speedups.

Thomas Thompson, president of the local, immediately asked the union for formal authorization to announce the strike and that authorization will be given by the UAW executive board, which meets here Thursday.

But Reuther, still hopeful the grievance case be settled without strike action, called on the national UAW department, of the union to arrange a conference with Ford officials on the issues in dispute.

"The meeting was set for Wednesday."

"If the issues in dispute are not worked out by the time the union executive board meets, the board will act on the request for strike authorization," Reuther said.

**Once Over Lightly**



It always looks like when you are busted, somebody else is busting you. It's always going to get you to hickin'.

**Sullivan Swept Into City Hall**

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**Offer Won't Change Plans For West German Nation**

**By FRED HAMPTON**  
 BERLIN.—Gen. Lucius D. Clive said today that the Russians let the Berlin blockade "be" will have no effect whatsoever on the American government.

Clive, who is chief of the American military mission in Berlin, said that the American government would not be swayed by the Russian offer.

Some Western Allied sources in Berlin also voiced suspicion that the new Russian position was announced at this time in the light of hope of blocking formation of a west German state.

These sources said the Soviet might have the idea that by lifting the blockade they still might get a change in the German government.

The Russian offer was seen as an effort to avert German unification.

**California Flies Landing After Six Weeks Aloft**

FULLERTON, Calif.—Two tired flyers coming to land today after a six-week flight. The plane was remaining aloft for so long they were probably forgotten long ago.

Bill Harris and Dick Riedel plan to land their Super Cub today, after a six-week flight.

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**Voters Spurn Baxter's Try For 4th Term**

Charlotte News Staff Writer  
 The next mayor of Charlotte will be Victor Shaw, white-haired retired businessman who had told the voters that he intends to "spend my time in City Hall."

The grimacing, soft-spoken native Charlottean defeated Mayor Herbert H. Baxter in yesterday's City primary by this resounding vote:

(Election tables on page 4-A)

Shaw, 16,884	Baxter, 7,777
Dunaway, 288	

he knocked Mr. Baxter completely out of the race long before the final results were in. Mr. Baxter conceded defeat at 11 o'clock, congratulated his longtime rival, and wished him a happy birthday.

Mr. Shaw was only nominally defeated by Mr. Baxter in the race for a fourth term.

The margin was so decisive that it was in the run-off next Tuesday.

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**School Bond Vote Set On Same Date**

Raleigh.—An election on issuing \$200,000,000 in secondary road bonds and \$25,000,000 in bonds for building schools will be held June 4.

The date was decided at a meeting here today of more than 200 persons called by Governor Scott to plan an aggressive campaign for the bond election.

The Governor, who has the power to fix the date of the election, said that he would follow recommendations of the group.

These attending the meeting voted to form a North Carolina Committee for City and County School Bonds and decided that it should continue to function after the election.

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**Gill Resigns Revenue Post**

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**Man Shot In 1906**

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**Maiden Spinning Mills Suspend Operations**

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**British Comedy Dies**

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**Weather**

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