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#### **BLUEPRINT FOR A PRESIDENT**

THE University of North Carolina and Frank Porter Graham were so much a part of each other, the one growing with the other, each in the image of the other, that it is difficult to think of a new president without thinking of another Graham.

Yet that is the assignment which is to be even a special committee of the University rustees, a task which would give pause to

Trustees, a take wince would be a follown.

It is, perhaps, unreasonable to expect that the trustees will be able to find a man who trumedistely meets all of the qualifications for an ideal Greater University president. Such a man probably does not not a such as the contract of the con

exist.

But man is often a product of environment, as well as a maker thereof, and the
same mysterious forces which enabled an
obscure little history professor and a consolidated university system to grow great
together will undoubledly work in behalf

together will undoubtedly work in behalf of a new president.

Nontrieries, there are certain definte qualifications that the people of North Carolina would like to find in the man chosen to head their cherished State university. Without attempting to arrange them in the order of relative importance, we suggest to the trustees that these would be eminently desirable attributes for Graham's succession.

be eminently destrable attributes for Gra-ham's successor:

1. He must be a man of learning ... not necessarily a scholar or even a professional educator, but certainly a man whose learn-ing is such that he would have the proper

ing is such that he would have the proper respect for scholastic endeavor and in turn command, the respect of faculty, students, and other educational leaders.

2. He must be a good executive in its broadest sense, capable of selecting salte satisfants, delegating authority to them, and inspiring loyal service, but willing to make major decisions on his own initiative major decisions on his own initiative and the selecting salter of the selections are non git to three branches of the university, with the fac-

### TRUMAN'S BAD TIMING

If the art of politics requires, as it is supposed to, a nice sense of timing, President Truman had best tear a few leaves off his calendar. He has fallen into the habit of doing either the wrong thing at the right time or the right time or the right time or both.

time, or both.

One polished instance of it—maybe a couple of polished instances—took place during the civil rights embroliment. It became apparent before the uncreditable marathon was over that Truman's timing in precipitating the showdown so early in the session was not good. At any rate the clincher was applied by none other than the President himself.

The cruz of the argument was whether debate in the Senate could be shut off by the vote of two-thirds of the Senators present. That was only fair, remarked; the President; and perhaps it would be better still to make it a simple majority of the Senators were simple majority of the Senators were simple majority of the

#### ANOTHER CRAZE HITS US

A LITTLE ashamed for being late, Char-folds. Friends talked about it in restau-rants and at work; people meeting-on street busees talked about it; in lines at more theaters people talked about it—and tried to figure it out.

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Promin of uniphed at radio jokes about

Pyramid diubs, while a few weeks ago, they

had merely thrown puzzled glanges at one

mother. Someone told whout a new song

about Pyramid Clubs in which the refrain

was full of repetitions of "two dollars" and

"join, join, join. "One man of our acquain
mance sat over a cafe table for the better

part of an hour, figuring out the square

root of 2546 dollars, the amount one is

supposed to win in the ideal club.

ome folks puzzled over the legality of institution, wondered if the judge in

#### PESSIMISTIC PEARSON

DREW PEARSON, who is sometimes DERW PEARSON, who is sometimes right and sometimes wrong, wrote something recently which may be right or which may be wrong. But what he wrote was no important that you can't actually do without it if you want to follow the progress of the cold war.

The columnits said: "... some strategists in the Defense Dept. believe the scales are so delysately tipped that there is greater danger of war than any time-since Dec. 7, 1941.

"Two main factors are behind this pes-

"(a) With completion of the North At-lantic Pact, two lines of fortifications will lantic Paci, two lines of fortifications will extend across Europe—the armies of the West on one side, the armies of the East on the other. Eventually they may clash. Therefore it might be better from Russia's point of view to precipitate the clash be-fore the Western line is organized..."

uity and students, and with the general public; and so that he will be able to ex-tract from the Legislature such funds as may be necessary to operate the institu-tions. At the same time, he must act as a buffer between politics and the University so that it will never become an instrument of any political group.

4. He must be a firm believer in academic freedom, with a deep understanding of all it implies, and with sufficient courage to

it implies, and with sufficient courage to stand his ground in the face of any attack from those who would limit or destroy this very basic American principle.

5. He should be a student of the South— a Southerner by birth, preferably—but not a provincial Southerner. He should know the South thoroughly: its mentality, its economy, its history, its problems, its vir-tues. Yet he should be cosmopolitan enough to see the South in respect to the whole.

He must be a man of physical and mental vigor—young in years, if possible, so that the State may expect long years of service from him.

service from him.

7. He must be a humanitarian, devoted to the welfare of all the people and willing to work in their bahaf.

7. He must be a man with a strong Christian code of ethics and morals.

THERE are other qualifications, of course, but those are among the more important ones.

It has been successed that the trustees

L course, but know any annual important ones.

It has been suggested that the trustees seek an Eisenhower or a Stassen, a man of fame and reputation. Such a selection would be inadvisable unless the man possessed more than a "name." Accession to

sessed more than a "name." Accession to the presidency of the great State consolidated university will add enough lutte to the name of any man.

The University trustees have been charged with a precious duty, and they should proceed with deliberate caution lest the welfare of thousands of fine young people and indeed of the whole state, suffer from an univale choice.

ministration forces, went limp in his seat. On-the-fence Senators, more fearful of the curtailment of free and unlimited destents of fillbusters, promptly skedaddled down and lined up with the opposition. That day was lost.

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Last week, again, the President seemed to 5e timing his more according to a 1964 calendar. On top of the Federal Reserve Board's relaxation of installment-buying the control of the Federal Reserve Board's relaxation of the stallment of the state of the stallment of the

# Los Angeles who gave it a clean bill of health was right or whether the Atlanta Police Department which broke it up there

Chief Littlejohn figured it was illegal but rumors continued circulating that some of-ficials were dunking traditional doughnuts and counding up new members, just like other folks.

As the week ended it was still going strong, bidding fair to keep bakeries busy-ferrying doughnuts to grocery stores and to give the 'entire city a bad case of coffee nerves And so far, nobody had been hurt or had yelled foul.

or had yelled foul.

Afteionados caroled the praises of the pyramid -friendahlp clubs, rubbing their hands and declared we would all be rich within a fortinght. Cynical observers gave the city another week to learn that while everybody talked about the clubs, a very, very few profited from them.

the potential Communists in France, Italy, the other Western nations have been "slipping from Moscow's grap." Threefore, Russia may strike now while it still has some popular strength in the West.

Once again Mr. Pearson may be right or he may be wrong about what is going to happen. But his statement of what his happened and what is happened and what is happening is a matter of record, and the implications are

The plain truth is that if Russia plans ar any time within the next twenty years, it had better get at it post haste befo

Therein lies the greatest danger from great on one side, the armise of the East one side, the armise of the East one side, the armise of the East on the either. Eventually they may clash; sia's band. But it is a chance which must be referred in the predictate the clash before the Western line is organized..."

Factor (b), Pearson said, is the fact that

of permitting themselves to be picked off one by one. 'Guess We Kin Take Things Into Our Own Hands Too'



#### People's Platform

### In Praise Of Mr. Shaw

Editors. The News:

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TO all those who seard or read our Mayors blast,

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The company of the company of the company of the mayor. Victor Shaw, must have proved very amusing. It might be compared to a priter fight where the Champ', Mr. Baxter, is hollering "foul", "foul" before his opponent even his a bine.

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In or secral years, and know that he is a must in every way suited and know that he is a must in every way suited and know that he is a must in every way suited and know that he is a must in every way suited and know that he is a must in every way suited and know that he is a must in every way suited and know that he is a must in the mental that the welfare of our fair city, and let me instead that the welfare of our fair city, and let me instead that the welfare of our fair city, and let who for a mayor who has all his interests in our city and not elsewhere.

Mr. Baxter referred to the sjum clearance program ow under way. We all agree that this should have and other restrictions made it have the similar of the welfare of the company of the similar company of the company of the similar company of t

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#### Note Of Appreciation

MAY-1 express to you our appreciation of your MAY-1 express to you our appreciation of your meeting which was recently conducted at our church by Rev. Harry are recently conducted at our church by Rev. Harry had much to do with the success of the meeting.

—WM. HARRISON WILLIAMS.

#### Graham's Successor

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Editors. The News:

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about to be chosen it seems to me that the public ought to be better informed about just what a president is supposed to do.

—A. L. JAMES JR.

(Note: See "Blueprint For A President" in the editorial column.—Eds. The News.)

The People's Platform is available to any reader who cares to mount it. Communications should be less than 300 words, typewritten if possible, and on only one side of the paper. Libel and obscently will be deleted-otherwise anything goes. Kach letter must be signed. — Editors, The News.

#### Quote, Unquote

My attention has been called to some person— either a young lad, or some growing-practicing on ing church lyours. While I am happy to see a boy devote much time and study to music, especially the brass. I would suggest that he practice on Sunday but certifully not on Sunday morning when but certifully not on Sunday morning when

Bus companies are going to have a terrible expense when the width of the highway is uncreased. All the present busses will be too small. They'll surely want to keep covering all the space from the center stripe to the shoulder and a few inches over,—Odessa (Mo.) Odessan.

Maybe if the Post Office Dept, would practice of printing wall-paper, jumbo-size stamps for a few weeks it could do somethi that deficit there is so much bellyaching Bunkie (La.) Record.

One difficulty television will have if it goes into competition with the movies will be that the customers will have to go down town after popcorn.—Little Reck Arkansas Gazette.

The only trouble with handing out amart compliments to a girl is that she will expect more and better one all the time that the property of the compliments will decide that, if she is the property of the pr

Joseph And Stewart Alsop

### After Stalin Dies

present.

But there will also be long range onsequences of the utmost importance, if the new theory of the uccession to Stalin proves to be orrect. This theory, based as it, upon the reported assessment of

Interpret this reply, however, in terms of the foregoing theory of the succession to Stalin. Among one or another of the three rival groupings in the Kremlin. Tito almost certainly retains secret

evitably extend its influence.
Today, important leaders throughout the satellite area are shready known to look with enry, upon Tito's independence. At a ready in the satellite area are the chance to barrain for a loosening of their bonds.
There is no end, in truth, to the contest of the contest of their contes

#### Marquis Childs

## Cast Of Characters

and simple capital.

Let's take a look at the cast of characters. Even though he has no official part in the ceremony itself and will not even return to Washington to signal the Atlantic pact, the central figure is, nevertheless, Winston Churchill.

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

## **Truman Is Advised Depression Looms**

head it off.

The Council it will be recalled, was created by Congress in 1946 to advise the While House on how to ward off depression. And although the three members differ on a lot of things, they feel that depression cits the stooped—though congress, believes, farmers and labor.

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To understand the background of the Economic Countries with the pass 100 years American economy has been ridding to the pass 100 years and passes, at Should be recalled that for the pass 100 years and passes, the pass 100 years and passes, and the pass 100 years there up and downs have become more severe—so, severy that the Polithuro in Moocow is known to have based its global strategy on the theory that one more economic depression would wreck the entire American system.

#### History's Greatest Boom

Government to pour sulinons into the work's economic Mower, the Council estimates that the long pent-up demand for automobiles, refrigerators and other consumer's goods in now just about filled, bugin to laper &ff., so that Council and the Council and th

yet a lot of business—especially small business—always gets hurt by falling prices. And the psychological effect of falling prices encourages depression; for people, waiting for lower prices, don't buy.

## The President's Advisers

THE three members of the Presidents of Markers are.

Chairman Dr. Edwin Nourse, a New Yorker, long-time member of the Brookings Institute, and generally considered member of the Brookings Institute, and generally considered

asumers rood only use comments.

Business—Sell business men on lower profit per item, ereby getting greater volume and continued reasonable offits.

Labor—Persuade labor leaders not to seek wage incases that will throw the economy out of gear.

Government Remedies

which would prop up the economy regaraness or persussecu-ntly propose:

1. Increased Social Security benefits to take care of un-tional control of the propose of the control of the con-val after unemployment starts.

2. Increase minimum wages to 75 cents. This is simed at Increasing buying power in the lower brackets. At present, ganized labor for a thead of the great mass of unadified and unorganized labor. One sure way to prevent depression is to promote buying power by lower income groups.

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