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THE COURSE IS CHARTED

THE NEW City Council which took office this morning will be faced in coming months with many important public projects. None of them will be more important, or more urgent, than a major operation to relieve the city's traffic and parking congestion.

It is rather significant that in Charlotte, as in every other U. S. city, most persons who have really studied parking and traffic congestion—even those who are by nature "conservative"—have accepted the theory of public responsibility for providing off-street parking facilities. It had agreed to the need for spending money generously to reduce traffic congestion.

THERE IS STILL HOPE

THERE IS good reason to hope that some national manager-labor bill avoiding excesses in either direction will be drafted as a result of the present stalemate in the lower House of Congress.

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DEWEY MAPS NEW PLAN

THERE are, probably, other Republicans like Senator Brewster of Maine who will welcome Governor Dewey's reported entry into a Senatorial job as a preliminary to another try for the Presidency.

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FROM THE SULLIBURY POST

IT IS a difficult thing to do these days to make a statement which cannot be contradicted successfully for some audiences. You can say fire burns, but some audiences will accept that without question. But not all audiences will.

HARD TO PROVE

do for burned children is to relieve them of their suffering and restore them to comfort. Well, maybe, not everybody, but most folks. Anyhow, things are hard to prove these days.



A Chute, Just In Case

Joseph Alsop

The Labor Outlook

THE crowing over President Truman's trouble with labor legislation is somewhat premature. The President is certainly no fool. He is certainly not a labor hater. He is certainly not a labor hater. He is certainly not a labor hater. He is certainly not a labor hater.

Presidential Maneuvering

1952 Political Pot Simmers

BY ROSCOE DRUMMOND
The Christian Science Monitor
YOU don't even have to turn over a rock in Washington these days to find signs that the politicians of both parties are beginning to plan for 1952.

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History To Repeat?

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Quote, Unquote

The newspaper shortage gets serious sometimes. This announcement appeared in one of the county papers in the last of the week: "Bursts and deaths will be postponed until next week."

German-Leaning Toward German Treaty

Result was the stiff position taken by the Western German leaders at Bonn, when they first turned down the German leaders' proposals for a Western German state. It was only after the German ministers granted concessions that the Western German Charter of Government finally was accepted.

Drew Pearson's Merry-G-Round

BIGGEST question mark in the minds of every diplomat is whether the Russians have merely got soft temporarily or have made a major policy shift toward long-term cooperation with the West.

Looking For Sheep

THIS is what they say: "I select my prospect. Get a man who has absolutely no connection with the building or real-estate business. This is a grass roots campaign; so look for laborers, white-collar workers, and even housewives."

German-Russia Alliance?

IN addition, Nudoly also met with German leaders last month and gave them significant advice that Germany's future lay with Russia. The way Nudoly sized it up was reported to be as follows: