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TRUMAN BOOSTS HIS PARTY'S STOCK, AND IKE'S

PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN, by his experity-timed announcement Saturday night that he will not accept renomination, has enhanced his Democratic Party's chances for victory in November. And his action should drive home to the Republicans the necessity for their nomination of General

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These two points seem to us most significant, but the Truman announcement has many ramifications. Once again Mr. Truman has proven himself a master politician. For months critician of the Administration pixed on his shoulders. His critics railed against "the Truman war" in Xea, "demailedly in the glimself from the race, the President has retired his detractors' whipping hoy. The voters, tired of old faces in politics, may now see a new one leading the Democratic Party.

Surely the Truman announcement has further reduced the Presidential supristions of Sensitive Tail. Many independents who want a new broom in Washington to sweep out corruption will now decide a new Democrat could do the job, without drastically altering the nation's foreign policy, as Tail would. And Southerners will be more repleased to the property of the prop

2 spot for its capable Senator Russell, the Republicans must pit against them its most capable and appealing candidate, if it hopes

capable and appealing candidate, if it hopes to win.

Thus the necessity of General Eisenhower's nomination en the GOP ticket becomes even more obvious to those who believe his election would best effect a needed change in Washington without simultaneous convulsion of U. S. foreign policy and, to a lesser degree, domestic policy. For there is now certainly no easy way to victory for the Republicans. We see no Republican other than Eisenhower with his constructive foreign policy, with his great strength among Independent voters, with his potential support from Democratic voters in the South and in the North, who can win over a rejuve-nated Democratic Party.

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and its atomit to longues a report on its findings and recommendations."

"We hope Congress takes speedy and favorable action on this bill. Such a Commission, in addition to bringing together and evaluating much information which will be useful to Congress and the Executive Branch, would by its work and reports alone, as reported insportant subject of NATO's potential. The Commission might well consider, as one supect of this subject, the desirability of calling together some outstanding citizens from the various NATO countries to discuss our common problems. This convention approach which preceded formation of the U. N. has never been applied to NATO. Even though NATO is a going organization its faults and virtues ought to be thrashed out publicly, instead of behind the closed doors of diplomats and generals.

publicly, instead of behind the closes would be publicly, instead of deplomats and generals. We think many of these diplomats and generals are doing an excellent, job, but if the public is to understand and support their actions it has to be in on the know. Let's open those doors and talk about NATO.

Cartoonist Al Capp reportedly decided to marry his two stars because of complaints of readers, who did not like the way he panned American institutions. According to Capp:

We hope Capp was kidding when he said that. America needs kidding. All of us need occasional deflating, and a deft car-toonist's pen does the job. Bring on more schmink coats, Mr. Capp.

LET'S PUT THE NEEDLE IN NATO terrelated problems existing between the United States and the other nations of the North Atlantic community, to consider ways and means of achieving a more effective operation of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, as well as the economies obtainable therefrom, and closer co-operation to hale therefrom, and closer co-operation beals the community nations in accomplishing the purpose of the North Atlantic Treaty without impatring the obligations and responsibilities the United States has undertaken in the Charter of the United Nations and to submit to Congress a report on its

A SENATE Foreign Relations subcommit-de consisting of Senators Gillette, Sparkman and Wiley took a solid step in the right direction last week. It reported favorably a bill which would establish a bi-pertisan commission to study relations be-tween the U. S. and other North Atlantic

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to this like-minded Atlantic community when it really gets organized.

The Commission, if the bill is passed, will be patterned after the Hoover Commission. It will consist of twelve members, four each appointed by the President, Vice-President (as Prasident of the Senate) and Speaker of the House. It will include two Senators, two Representatives, two members of the Executive Branch, and each appointing officer will name two members from private life. Of such through the Senators, two

The duties of the commission shall be:
"To make a thorough study of the in-BIG DAY IN DOGPATCH

Well, now that it's happened we're giad. Steve and Terry will probably continue to go their adventuresome, sole ways. Daisy Mae has pursued her man for eighteen years. She deserved him. And we bet Abner will grow to like the new life.

A BOUT a month ago we viewed with A slarm the trend on the comic page. Things looked bad for those two epitones of awashbuckling bachelorhood, Stave Canyon and Lift Abner. Summer and Day Mae, it seemed, were going to get their

Mae, it seemed, were going to get their men.

A quirk of fate kept Steve from the altar, and he's now winging his way westward to, we presume, another series of adventures and women. But it's a different story with L11 Abner. His hero, Fearless Foedick, had to marry Frudenes (Ugh) Pimpleton, or leave the police force. And natcherly, as a member of the Fearless Foedick Fan Club, L11 Abner had to do what his hero did. Salurday, with awful suddenness, it happened. Daisy Mae whomped up a wedding vell from an onion seck, took a firm grage on the unbelieving Abner, and Marryin' Sam made with the \$1.35 ceremony. After a long one-way chase, Daisy Mae and Abner are married up.

From The Chapel Hill Weekly

SENATOR TAFT'S VOTING RECORD

U. S. Senator Robert A. Taft voted: August, 1940, against the Selective Service

Act.

March, 1941, against the Lend-Lesse Bill.

March, 1941, against the use of our armed forces outside of the Western Hemisphere.

May, 1941, against the transfer of Axis ships to Great Britain.

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June, 1943, against the extension of the
scelprocal Trade Agreements.

July, 1949, against the Atlantic Pact.

May, 1950, against Point IV for aid to

underdeveloped areas.

Isolationists, of course, find nothing to disapprove of in these votes by Taft, but it is difficult to see hew anybody who believes that the interests of the nation are best served by a policy of international co-operation can support a man with such a record.

President Truman told like a few years back that he'd help the General get the Presidency Looks like the President fulfilled his promise by bowing out of the race Saturday night.

The way they do it in Cuba certainly saves a lot of speech-making.—Fort Myers (Fig.) News-Press.

Nebraska Primary Has Drama

By MARQUIS CHILDS

cal decisions seek into their own hands, fringes are the curious people who show up in all of these Presidential primaries promoting, supposedly with prior right, the candidacy of Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Foremost in this company makes speeches of wild and anary denunciation of everything and explody. Since Chapple and assorted MacArthur devotees have never been repudiated, they must be candidate.

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Taft would restore to power if he
were in the White House.

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KERR CHALLENGING IKE

That stand by Kerr took no lit-tile daring. Similarly, now he is challingus the popularity and the assumed unbeatability of General Eisenhower.

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"What the Republicans don't do him before July the Democrats will do him before July the Democrats will do to him before November it he's nominated." Kerr says in his booming Otiahoman voice, tion of both parties. Then he spursed the Democratic Party and republican platform with its platform and record. He chose the Republican platform with its Party and record.

"Internationally he's further out than 80 per cent of the Republican and 80 per cent of the Republican and 80 per cent of the Republicans and 80 per cent of the Democratix (but can't ride two horses on the same track."

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To some observers Kerr himself is a refutation of this last dictum. It is a refutation of this last dictum. It is a refutation of this last dictum. It is a solution of the last trail gas operator, worth at least 100 million, who takes part of the time like a Fair Dealer. He paint a picture of Nebraska developed by irrigation and power projects to the point at which it would provide food for at least 150 million people.

In Nebraska Kefauver has lost Nebraska Ketauver ... some ch his gentlemaniness. He some ch his gentlemaniness. He some checket at Kerr for sponsoring the Kern satural gas hill which, accerding to Kefauver, would have so modified regulatory statutes as to mean an additional revenue of \$500,000,000 dollars for the natural gas producers in the Southwest.

Drew Pearson's

Merry-Go-Round

'Oh, Brother! What A Job We're Gonna Have Next Year'



People's Platform

Letters should be brief. The writers name and address must be given, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the Editor. The News reserves the right to condense.

Airmen In Morocco Don't Get Mail

Editors, THE NEWS:

EGHIOTS, IME NAME:

A S a member of the 118th AE&W Squadron, forAmerly of the North Carolina Air National Guard, I
feel entitled to write you this letter and expect it
to arouse your interest.

to arouse your interest. Most likely, you know that the 118th spent eleven months at Sewart AFB in Tenn., and is now stationed at Nousesear AF Base in French Morrottened at Country of the New York harbor on December 24. Christians Eve. Anyway, we were not prepared for the shock we got when we hit this "\$400 Million Flop", which has continued ever since.

The point is, at present, that we haven't gotten mail in sixteen days, and only two times in over 30 days. At our last mail call on March 8, the latest letter received was postmarked 1 March, and many men did not get a letter postmarked that late.

men did not get a letter portmarked that late. There are well over a hundred North Carolinian left in the cutift, and cutte a few letter; have been ent to Senator Roey. Other men in the cutift have written their Senators, and at present, Sen, Joe McCarthy is the only Congressman to have shown any interest in the situation. Due to the nature of my work, I was privileged to see a communication from him demanding an immediate account from Perceiter General Olds are to be leaf time we had received the control of the second that the control of t

definite reply.

If you wish to publish any part of this letter that will not compromise me as a member of the Air Force, you may do so. However, I would prefer you attempt to let the politicians know that letters from their constituents cannot be ignored without causing some bad feelings. Also, take it easy on Joe, for I believe he may have started checking up on his statements. At any rate, I hope you will support him if he says anything about our mail.

AIR FORCE CORPORAL (Name Withheld)

More On Oil Depletion

Editors, The News:

I HAVE seen, in another News editorial regarding percentage depletion, the phrasing "it still looks like a loophole".

like a loophole."

One fact I would like to call to your attention is that enough has not been said about the depletion allowance being effective only on the crude oil and aga, as produced. It is not applicable to the various other phases of the oil business, by means of which he crude oil is converteful to various settined products and, as nuch, finally reaches it; end use by the public and the crude oils are received by the public and the crude oils are received by the public and the crude oils are received by the public and the crude oils are received by the public and the crude oils are received by the public and the crude oils are received by the public and the crude oils are received by the public and the crude oils are received by the public and the crude oils are received by the crude oi

unfavorable.

I respectfully call to your attention that crude oil is selling for less today than it did in 1919. Also, I call to your attention to fast that oil wells in the call to your attention to fast that oil wells in the than 400 barrels per motil per well. I do not object to poration. In fact, I favor it in every wey, but point this out just to show you how the income from an oil, well is limited and controlled by various

regutations that must be computed with by the pre-The writer of the editorial constantly confuses, knowingly or unknowingly, and comparse deprecia-tion and depletion. They are entirely different. I think it is a dangerous practice, editorialwise or otherwise, for any particular segment of the Americans to be singled out for particular criti-cism. This is one of Abse survet ways for the trend to be developed toward what might be termed as-foundation. If there is a business intan thould al-ways on a sound basis, it is the production of crode oil.—B. E. SENTEN, President

-R. E. SMITH, President Petroleum Club of He

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-JOB R. RENICK.

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Editors. The News:
YOUR recent editorial criticining Dr. Thomes
Burton as a "political hybrid" is without justification. Whether Dr. Burton is a Republican or a
Democrat is relatively unimportant. Honesty, sincerity, integrity, and figh moral principles are by
are the most important requisites of any candidate
for public office.

Dr. Burton and is in desittion a great liberal. It would be
researched in the U. S. Congress by a man of such
high calibre.

—SAM GALABOW

By THE ALSOYS

WASHINGTON
ONE MORE disaster to the candidacy of Sen. Robert A. Tark,
like the major setbacks in New
Jerney Tark stands is likely to turn
into quickzand. This political base
has consisted, of course, of the support of the orthodox Republican
regulars nationally, and set stands
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Professionals

Edging Away

By THE ALSOPS

From Taft

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The great majority of the Reublican regulars whose support is
beolutely essential to Taft have
seen a good deal more cautious
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Lickenlooper, Jenner, Kenn, Malkenlooper, Jenner, Lenn, Malkenlooper, Jenner, Lenn, Malkenlooper, Jenner, Lenner, Milliams, and Young, Surely the political and ideological leader of these men is Senator Taft, and hey might be appeted to be out on the firing lines, doing battle for their hero. Mill at all. Not a single one of these Taft colleagues of the Taft candidacy, although almost all of them would certainly like to see him nominated. Even Sen. Joseph McCarthy has conspicuously falled to return Senator Taft's public embrace.

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What is true of the Taft-minded, sen in the Senate is just as true of the key organization regulars in the states. If anything, indeed,

were mucn they may favor Taft in private.

Moreover, a certain testative groups (ovards the escape hatch has very recently become notice and the form of the famous and the form of the famous form of the

trasts in a number of states."

For example:

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Eisenhower 'Buffeted'

THOUGH the scramble between Taft and Eisenhower forces to win the write-in vote is the main circus of the hot Nebraska primary, there are also some interesting

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Friend Of Beer

hation required them to use bottles. No one ever quite understood Senator Butler's interest in this, since there was a supported to the support of the suppo

J. L. Weih. The alcohol plant bought grain from Butler's grain company. Butler and Weih.

The plant, the Farm Crops Processing Corp., built by the Government, was operated by Weih and was selling alcohol to Seagrams when a Government law was about the state of the

In Nebraska

Kerr's Oil Profits

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