The Atomic Energy Commission

RESIDENT TRUMAN delayed in appointing the new Federal Atomic Energy
amission, he said, because it is becomincreasingly difficult to attract good
in to Government service. The delay, we
did say, has been justified; the Presith's appointees look like very good men,
eed, worthy of the tremendously imtant tank he has assigned them.

he President stressed the non-partisan racter of the Commission by saying that toesn't eyen know the Party affiliations he Commissions—By antidot the e dosan't eyen know the Party affiliations the Commissioners. By accident, then, appears to have achieved a rather reartable and, we think, healthy balance, airman Illienthal is a New Dealer, Adriral Strauss is a contifaint of Herbert Cover, William W. Waymack is a traditional Remoteration of Herbert Cover, William W. Waymack is a traditional Remoteration of Herbert Pike is traditional Republican, and Dr. Robert & Beecher, a scientis, is apparently a us non-partial.

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But of even greater importance are the pecial talents these gentlemen bring to be Dommission. One of their resonatbilities will be to aid and promote atomic research; Dr. Beecher is a physicist who sunks with the leading authorities on unclear fission. The Commission will conrolled the second of the desire of the second of the desire of the desi ed off a distinguished naval career wartime service on the Joint Army-Munitions Board.

d to coordinate the activities of the mission, Mr. Truman has selected, in

David Lillenthal, a Pederal "planner" of the Tennessee Valley Authority, Mr. Cillenthal has wrestled, successfully, with the eminently practical problems growing out of the Government's excursion into a new field, the production of electric power. He has combined vision with eaution, social experimentation with engineering, politics with business—and he has emerged from some of the stormiest controversies in recent history with the respect of all concerned. The bitter emitty of Tennessee's proc harrier specialist, Sensor McKellar, incurred because he steadfastly furned a deaf ear to bless for political patronage, may very well be hest recommendation.

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In making these appointments Mr. Truman has turned away from those of his advisers who have steered him so often into the blind sileys of practical politicas. He has also ignored the generals and the admirals who would have retained atomic energy as the exclusive proceety of the military. His appointments show that he realizes that the secrets of the split atom hold far greater potentiallizes for peace than for war; the charting of the course we must follow in the Atomic Age is no job for the cautious and frightened men he has so often placed in high offers. often placed in high office.

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Atomic energy is a new and complex vubject, little understood by a public that will in all probability regard the Commission as just another bureau, and selection of its members as routine. Mr. Truman has rained no votes for himself or his Patry; indeed, in choosing Mr. Lillenthal. he may wen have assumed a political liability. But he has once again played the role of statesman, and in so doing he has earned the tratitude of the thoughtful citizens of his country: this, in the end, may Be of far greater value than any temporary political advantage he might have gained by handing over five \$15,000-a-year jobs to the boys in the back room to parcel out among the faithful.

Botched, Botched, Botched

We are indebted to that staunch Demo-crat, The Releigh Nens & Observery for digging up the exact transcribed pas-sage from the campaign oratory of the late Prasklim Roosevelt which the Demo-erate are broadcasting in doubtful Con-gressional districts. This practice, as we noted here the other day, has elicited loud cries of "foul" from Republican Chairman Rece, and in all honesty it must be ad-mitted that the Democrats could have made no more devastating a selection from the works of FDR. Here, then, is what the works are bearing in the golden tones of the fold Master, as recorded in 1944:

. There is the task we face at home-the task of reconverting our economy from the purpose of war to the purposes of peace. These peace-building tasks were faced once before — nearly a generation ago. They were botched, botched, botched by a Ra-publican Administration. This must no

happen again . . .

It is easy to imagine what President consevelt was able to do, oratorically, with lat "botched, botched, botched" and the

tag line, "This—must—not—happen—again ... "Remember "Martin, Barton, and Fish"? Or "Thate war"? Or "We planned it—that—way"?

But, as we remarked the other day, it isn't so much Mr. Roosevelt's oratorical manner, marvelous as that was (and is), but what he had to say that strikes frain the heart of every right-thinking Republican. The dread and obvious parallel between this post-war season and that of 1920 brings to mind Warren G. Harding, isolationism, normaley, Calvin Coolidge, and, finally, depression.

The G.O.P. is running on the record all right—the Democratic record. And the effect of this golden voice from beyond the grave is not to pring one Democratic ghost unbidden to the feast, but as whole host of Republican ghosts to remind the voters of Republican ghosts to remind the voters of Republican shosts to the state of Republican shosts to remind the voters of Republican shosts to remind the voters of Republican shosts to the shock had remain buried.

All In The Day's Work

No sait breeze sweeps down Trade and Tryon, no seaguils hower over The sause, no small of fish hangs in the air, no blue-clad sailors whistle at the passing girls. Charlotte is landlocked, a long way from the sea, and it is easy to forget that ours is a coastal state, bleased (or urred) with a long and formidable coast-line.

so, except via the occasional dispatches at trickle in from the coast, as from other world, the United States Coast and rarely comes into our ken. We know, a vague sort of way, that the Coast isard has ended its wartime liaison with the Navy (which, we must contest, we ver quite understood, since guarding the last was apparently one of the least imrain of its varied combat duties) and a sgain taken up those miscellaneous nettons which have made it one of the stretches weaking, the Coast is one of the stretches weaking, the Coast is one of the stretches whether, the Coast Guard's miscellaneous facilities which they was the stretches weaking, the Coast Guard's miscellaneous facilities whether, the Coast Guard's miscellaneous facilities whether, the Coast Guard's miscellaneous facilities whether the coast was supported to the coast of the co

most valuable of all Prederal agencies. Strictly speaking, the Coast Guard's mission to is keep a paternal eye on coastal shipping, spread storm warnings, watch out for pirates, make itself generally useful when the elements compire against coast-dwellers, and guard the walruses in the Bering fee. These regulations, however, seem to serve as no more than a general guide; in practice the Coast Guard seems to do whatever needs to be done.

The other day, for instance, three rescue missions were underway at once down around Hatterss. A plane was flying 280 miles out to sea to drop penicillin to a passumonia victim aboard a freighter, and

two other crews were flying to the Outer Banks to bring several seriously ill persons, including a 78-year-old woman, to the hospital at Blinsbeth City. This, the Within the last few weeks we have noticed, in those three line accounts that always land at the bottom of the page in newspapers published this far inland, that Coast Guardsmen have delivered messages to isolated communities, freed several ships that have run aground on the Banks, delivered at least one baby, and diagnosed a feweriah seaman's alment by radio from an airplane flying over a tanker. Operating in patrol planes, awkward helicopters, trim seagoing cutters, long boats, trucks, or on foot, the Coast Guardsmen airways seem to be on hand when any sort of public or privide least included.

private crisis arises.

If their regulations forbid some of their more hazardous and irrevelant activities, and we suspect they do, the Coast Guardsmen seem to be able to ignore them without suffering dire consequences. And no-body, to our knowledge, has ever denounced the Coast Guard for foolish expenditure of money, time, energy, or lives; its long record for selfiess service seems to be beyond reproach.

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We have no particular reason for saluting
the Coast Guard some three months after
national Coast Guard week. It simply occurred to us that it is about the only
agency, public or private, we can think
of that is conducting its business as usual
these days without demanding that a law
be passed or repealed.

Another Voice

Notes On 'Southern Justice'

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The Mighty Roar In Tennessee

People's Platform

Uncertainties Of Peace

CHESTER, S. C.

Editors, The News:

IT 18 strikingly strange, but in reality nothing more than could be expected, when we continually read that the country of the country of

obliteration.

Again men have been trying to surmount ob-stacles by doing everything humanly possible to end war by carrying the torch of liberty and freedom to the underprivileged and oppressed of all lands, but as man is only a human agency beset by greed, selfish-

This know also that in the last days perilous

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CHARLOTTE

Reams of paper and gallons of ink have been consumed in an exaustive effort to emphise the importance of vigilegence against the advance of such treacherous foes and thereby preserve for posterity the equities and sacred traditions, for which both anticodents and the validant youth of all walks of the sacraface their most treasured posessions to the vanual state of the sacraface of their most treasured posessions to the vanual state of the sacraface their most treasured posessions to the vanual state of the sacraface spentially have not state of the sacraface spentially have been entirely ineffectual, the sceptance generally has been far to lax and complacent, ignoring almost entirely the essence of "grass-root" acceleration behind loud-mothed imbedilic surface forces.

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(Note: The spelling is Mr. Black's.—Eds., THE

Key To Harry Truman

Harold Ickes

Samuel Grafton

America Under GOP

Drew Pearson's: U. S. Firms Flirting With Nazi Business

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opinion could realise what was happening. To this end Dr. Westrick was sent to the United States. The Rogge report tells the rest of the story.

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"Westrick was well equipped with money," according to
the testimony of von Strempel, secretary of the German
Embassy in Washington. "He could use funds a double
way. He had a dollar fund and he said he could influence
prominent business men through unfreeting their blocked
credits in Germany.

"According to Thomsen (Nazi Ambassador in Washington). Westrick received a salary from the Embassy of about
\$3500 a month.

43,000 a month.

Westrick's Own Story

own account of his trip," continues the

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