

SIGNIFICANT REQUEST
In fact, the first tentative move

The cook threw a frying pan at her as she went, but it just missed her. Alice caught the baby with her arms and ran.

It is odd but true that American foreign policy began to take really decisive shape only when the United States was quietly handling the Greek baby since the end of the war, suddenly flung it at the State Department.

The reason for the British decision was less frivolous than the American one.

Ducness; the grim Britain poor-war economic crisis rather than croquet with the Queen had made the drain of supporting the Greek economy insupportable to Britain. Yet the prospects for a real British economic revival in the near future are far from bright.

OTHERS COMING

There are signs that other babies

which the British have been dandling will therefore soon be dropped in the American cup. Instead, among the nations of Latin America and England a certain gleefulness is taking in the prospect of bombarding the United States with British political babies. "Teaching America the facts of life," the process is called. Yet the serious and responsible people of both England and the United States, faced with 80-

view ambitions equally dangerous to both powers, are far from satisfied that this sort of process will achieve the best way of achieving the mutual Anglo-American objective of stopping further Soviet expansion in the Middle East. The hold in the State Department and in the British Foreign Office increasing thought is being given to the possibility of a more formal sort of working partnership agreement on foreign policy during the next

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looking to the populace to carry him on its shoulders. The expected support didn't show up, and the crowd spilled out of the floor, so to speak. If he had leaned against something that wasn't there. He scrambled to his feet, but the prospect of a nationwide collective bargaining, and on this issue he took another header.

The Washington chief of the Christian Science Monitor reports that the three leading contenders for the Republican nomination of 1916, are Dewey, Vandenberg and Stassen, Stassen being more popular with the Republican voters than the other two.

These three represent the type of candidate the GOP usually drags out only when it has to fight a Roosevelt. The fact that these men are coming up now does not prove there is a Roosevelt on the other side, but it does indicate that a liberal shift of some kind is taking

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couldn't be spared for Ecuadorian health, it was proposed to spare \$1,000,000 to entrench the military clique that rules the country. The final disposition of this arms request remains to be seen.

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BRUISED BAROMETER

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