

# THE CHARLOTTE NEWS

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### Life Among The Disfranchised

SVENTERN of the twenty Senate Democrats who joined with the Republican majority to over-ride President Truman's veto of the Tarl-Bartley Bill were Southsteamer. The Administration could muster only four voice in all the eleven Confederate states — those of Pepper of Florida. Johnston of South Carolina, and Hill and Sparkman of Alabama. and Hill and Sparkman of Alabama. This raises once again a familiar question, which is any allow the Maxon-Dixon Line these day? It seems quite obvious that the Southern Senators were acting in accordance with the desire of an over-whelming majority of the ir constituents when they voted for the Tarl-Hartley Bill. Does that mean, then, that the South is in fundamental disagreement with the policies of the Democratic Party? We think this is exactly what it does

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mean. But does it follow that the man who
defied the popular will of the South to
veto the Taft-Hartley Bill has lost his following in these parts? Not at all. At the
very moment the President was preparing
his veto message the Democratic National
Committeemen from the South paid a formal call at the White House. According to
Drew Pearson, they had been told in sofvance to expect the veto, and the politvance to expect the veto, and the polit-

ical activations behind it had been explained to them. Did they warn Mr. Truman that they could not go along with any such action? They did not. They pledged him full personal support in 1948 and guaranteed that the South would remain loyal to the oid Party standard.

And we have no doubt that it will remain loyal at the polis at least. Gouthern delegations, unless we miss our guess, will lead the parade arodind the convention hail when Harry Trumans in renominasted by acclamation in 1948. And the electoral votes of the region will be recorded where they always are — in the Democratic column.

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That means that in 1946 the South will vote to return to office a President whose political program it abhorrs, and at the same time will send to Congress represent-atives who will spend the next four years defying the man the South elected President. The pattern is inevitable. The South has ne choice; the one-party system has a disfranchised us all, conservatives and liberals alike.

And so it seems pertinent to raise again at this juncture our titred old question: How long will the South continue to cling stubbornly to a political system that makes

stubbornly to a political system that makes no sense whatsoever?

#### Five Stars For Omar Bradley

IT IS quite possible that. Omar Bradley is
It he most popular general the United
States Army ever produced. He was never
accorded the adulation the more fambouyant Patton sometimes invoked, but all
those who served under him (and almost
all the ground forces in Europe did at one
time or another) felt a deep affection for
the plain, quietly humorous man who was
called "The Doughboy's General" and considered it his greatest honor.

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No popular writer has yet attempted to assay the role Omar Bradley played in World War I. H. passed through the state of the stat wanted it, but there was never any indica-tion that the Doughboy's General read the

He took a major part in the planning of ne European invasion, and assumed comthe European invasion, and assumed com-mand of all American ground forces short-ly after it got under way. George Pation executed that spectactular sweep across France, but Omar Bradley arranged it. It was he who made certain that the, British forces and the American First Army could contain the Germans in the north. It

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was then be turned all the available armore to the receites Patton and sent him on his way, certain that the odds were long in his favor.

Tacticians will study Omar Bradley's use of the forces available to him for generations to come. They will note particularly his appreciation of the capacities of his subordinate commanders, the manner in which he employed the conservative Hodges in the slow, grinding advances and the impattent Patton to exploit a break-through. They will admire the remarkable speed with which he managed to the west-tavall, and the unperturbed manner in which he made to the west-wall, and the unperturbed manner in which he made and the subortive German counterthrust at Bastogne. Measuring ground gained and enemy casulaties against his own losses, they will probably conclude that he was the most successful field commander in history. It is fitting, therefore, that Omar Bradley now seems certain to succeed General Eisenhower as Chief of Staff. His qualifications for the post in the thankless Veterans Administration post he now holds. It would be something less than just if so great a fighting man as Omar Bradley were allowed to pass into the Fadely were allowed to pass into the

now holds. It would be something less than just if so great a fighting man as Omar Bradley were allowed to pass into the limbo of retirement without receiving the greatest honor the United States can bestow upon a professional soldier. The five stars of the Chief of Staff will serve as a belated expression of appreciation for services rendered all the people.

#### Whereas, The Mayor Is Willing ...

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The Mayor of Huntington. West Virginia,
obviously a courageous and determined man, has served notice on all clubs,
organizations, societies, associations, etc.
that he is through issuing proclamations
except in the "most special and deserving
causes, the Mayor complains, and too many
days, weeks, and months devoted to promoting them. He suffers, we gather, from
writer's cramp and as acute distaste for
the word "whereas".

The Richmond Timez-Dispatch, applauding the Mayor's determination, doubts if
anything much will come of it. Oovernor
Tuke of Virginia, that worthy Journal recalls, took an even stronger oath some
months ago, swearing he would issue no
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the oldest and most effective methods of obtaining publicity. It seems to be the first thing that springs into a publicity charman's mind, and city editors are as powerless to resist. It as are mayors, governors, and even presidents. The penscravis, the flashbubb flares, and National Do Good Week is off to a flying start with His Honor gracing the front page and the cutlines reminding the reader that every citizen is expected to Do His Part. This happens so often hereabouts that there are times when we seem to be publishing a plotorial diary of the Honorable Herbert H. Baxter. Perhaps this is as good a time as any to remind our readers that the idea isn't the Mayor's, or ours, but the organized public's. A willing and sympathetic man, the Mayor will proclaim at the drop of a suggestion. Equally with the organized public's A willing and sympathetic man, the Mayor will proclaim at the drop of a suggestion. Equally will be an equal to the probably a very fortunate thing that the Honorable Herbert Baxter happens to be one of the most photogenic public officials in existence.

#### Another Voice

#### Tar Heel Presidents Three

NORTH CAROLINA'S Andrew Johnson, James K. Polk and Andrew Jackson — Presidents all, and Tar Heels mostly—will find fitting memorial down home in the monumental sculpture which has been commissioned for Capitol Square in Kaleigh. The artist is Charles Keck.

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Mr. Keck's credentials, we think, are ample. He has one foot in the door, at any rate, with his statute of Governor Ayoock which stands in the rotunds of the national Capitol. His monument to Lewis Srd Clark, who sought out the Pacific in the Expedition forever linked with their names, stands in Charlotteville and won Edwin Alderman's not inconsiderable praise as the finest historical monument in America.

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So this talents in a clay model which has passed upon by the Monument Continuous and the continuous and the continuous and the protect with a map of the United States, multiple of the Polk weetern expansion, sating on the lap, Andrew Johnson bears for the Continuous of the continuous district, note the collection of the Continuous and the continuous an

horse, a convenient distance from the Constitution — an accidental piece of symbolism, we suppose. The three make a heroic group.

North Carolina will not regret this particular venture into statuary, which is somewhat rare these days. The practical trend is toward the so-called "11-themoral" three is usefulness but no particular aristry in a park or a building. A statute is a matter of faces and figures and history-makers. It will be good to re-settle our three Tar Heel Presidents in their home state, where a growing appreciation of art can mingle with a deep, though sometimes forgotten, sense of history. — Asheville Citizen.

There is good in everybody, and let it be said for ex-Congressman Andy May that he did what he could for an acrobat with

'See Any Communist Supporters Around?'



# Handicap Of Youth

WHILE he might succeed where others have falled, V 31-fear-old Gubernatorial Candidate R Mayne Abright will have the odds against him in mext years race because of his comparative youthfulness. Not annee long before the turn of the century has North Carolina had a chief executive who wander 40. Men younger than that tried, but failed to make the grade.

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to make the grade.

But while the age odds are against him. Albright has one thing in his favor that youthful apptrants in the past did not have. That is the people today, particularly veterans of the recent war. Albright himself us a veteran of World War II.

The two other announced gubernatorial candidates—State Treasurer Charles M Johnson and State Rep. Occur Barre-are in the age range that proceedings of the proposer of the process of the proposer of the process of the pro

loaing gubernatorial races have occurred in the past 17 years.

In 1920, the late O Max Gardner made the race for rovernor at the age of 38. He loat at that time, but eight years later was elected at the age of 48.

Dr Ralph McDonald was only 23 when he entered the control of the control of

The record shows that voters of this century have liked to put well-matured men into the gov-ernor's chair.

Gardner was not the youngest of the 20th Cen-

#### Gubernatorial Odds

# when elected to office. Avcock served from 1901-1905, while Kitchin took office four years later

Johnson is 56, meaning that he will be 57 when the primary takes place next Spring. Barker is now

Two outstanding examples of men in their thirties ing gubernatorial races have occurred in the past

The average age of a 20th Century chief exec-utive of North Carolina, when he takes office, has been a fraction over 49.

been a fraction over 40

While 40 is the average age; the early fitties have proved to be the most popular Of the 21 men have proved to be the most popular Of the 21 men exactly half were between the ages of 50 and 54 when they mads their race. Just one was older than that, and only four were in their forties when selected.

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Only once since the post-war period of World World World In as a man under 50 pulled down the State's time he entered office in 1929.

From then until the present, the men picked for the gubernatorial post had passed the half-entury mark. Gerdner's successor. J. C. B. Dringhaus, was 50 when he won, Clyde R. Roce, the oldest J. Melville Broughton was 32, and Greeg Cherry, the presents Governor, was 53.

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Oatgfiers, predecessor. A. W. McLean, was 54 when he was elected in 1924; and Cameron Morrison was 31 at the time of this election four years before. Other Governors of this century who were in 1924, and Locke Craig, 32 at the time of his election four years when the support of the control of the century who were in 1924, and Locke Craig, 32 at the time of his election in 1912.

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Sharing honors in this field were Charles B.

Ayoock and W. W. Kitchin, each of whom was 42

Youthfulness apparently was not a handicap to gubernatorial aspirants of the 19th Century. At least three men in their thrittes made the gubernatorial grade during that century. Two—Zeblidin Vanne and D. I. Swain—were only 25 mel elected, while R. D. Spaight Jr. was 39.

Swain, a few monitar vouncer than Vance at the time he took office in behaved by historians too the youncest man ever become Governor of the vouncest man even become Covernor of served (from 1822 until 1835 terred. Assembly, Swain served (from 1822 until 1835 terred from 1835 terred

served from 1832 until 1835

Wance was elected by the people in 1861 for two two-year terms. The switch-over from selection of chief executives by the Legislature to election Spatial was the last Owermor picked by the Legislature—Raleigh News & Observer.

#### People's Platform

#### Man's Lot

Edition. This News.

Man that is born of woman is of few days and full of consect, deeed like s, and wind. He works that lithe days of his youth to pay for a Ford car, and the medium and some cigaries of the medium and some cigaries.

The wife of his bosom necketh with a stranger if when he rebuketh her, lo, she shooteth him in back.

His sons are ornery cusses. One becometh a boot-

The wife of his bosom weaken.

And when he rebuketh her, lo, she shooteth him in the Back and when he rebuketh her, lo, she shooteth a boot-legger. The other one putted up a filling station and drinketh whoopee juice on the proceeds thereof, run over with worms and suffereith with the gout ingrowing toe-rails. A third stealth his suttomobile growing toe-rails. A third stealth his suttomobile station, and the station of the

The People's Platform is available to any reader who cares to mount it. Communications not be a communication of the communication of t

#### Marquis Childs

## Forgotten Lessons

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war, the more we are inclined
to forget the lessons of the war.
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Supposedly we learned in the war the criminal folly of our draft policy. Unlike our allies, we draft-ed young men out of science and scientific education. And thereby we robbed our science of four years that can never be made up AGREEMENT ON NECESSITY

that can never be made up AGREEMENT TO NINCESSITY
Supposedly we learned that we made to try to make up for this and to try to make up for this of V-J Day, there seemed to be a great deal of enthusiasm for supporting scientific research with seemed to agree that such a program was necessary so that we could bear to make up for the war in pure research, in medicine the manner of the war in pure research, in medicine were told that the Soviet was considered to the seemed official to seeme the seemed official to seeme the seemed official to serve on the seemed of the seem

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#### Samuel Grafton

# **Peculiar Experiment**

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# Drew Pearson's: Wallace Bids For Peace With Truman Merry-Go-Round:

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IT'S no great secret that Harry Transan doesn't like Henry
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Is However, it was supposed to be a secret that Harry made
an indirect bid for reconciliation with Hegry just before his
climactic speech in Washington's Potomore Part List week.
Wallace had written one significant paragraph in his
Marshail to go to Russia to try to patch up peace between
the two countries.
His plan way po from out the marsh in AmericanRussian relations and try to get the two countries back on
an even, armicable keel.
But before delivering min speech Wallace had his chefBut before delivering min speech Wallace with the word came back
in picturesque Truman language to this effect: "I wouldn't send that to-and-on anylace."

So Henry Wallace changed his mind, dropped the parason that won-doe anylace, and let Truman have the embac arrangement of turning him down. But Wallace ruled otherwise.

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#### Hollywood In Czechoslovakia

rel Zanuck's story of Westrow Wilson, "Abraham Lincoln in lillinois," and others.

Result: The Guecha Rocked to the sters in such num-bers that American films ran overtime. People waited in queues a block loog to see them. Some Usetser managers of the story of their tactics, requiring Goechs to make their own films—but hope to bar all foreign films.

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### Diplomatic Pouch