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#### Men Unfit For Police Duty

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PUBLIC confidence in the men we put in uniform to enforce the law has been shaken by two violent incidents in one week. Although the authorities are moving swittly in both cases to fix responsibility and uphoid justice, it is doubtful if they alone can do enough to meet the challenge raised by the question of the arresting officer's fitness for his job. In one case, a high coveryville chief of both case, a high coveryville chief of both case, it is a hearing on murder charges. He was not reprimated or suspensed because preliminary evidence indicated he acted in self-defense. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide and prosecution in his case now is based on warrant signed by the Chief's daughter. Her action has had the effect of reviving the public's auspicion that too many officers are prone to shoot too quick-ly or otherwise abuse their authority. Concern over the character and the sense of ly or otherwise abuse their authority. Con-cern over the character and the sense of responsibility of the man in uniform was heightened by actions attributed to the stain Police Chief who quarreled with the

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In the second case, three highway pa-trolinen who best up an escaped convict have been removed from service promptly and turned over to the sheriff. The Cov-ernor and Col. M. J. Hatcher, Commander of the State Highway Patrol, have shown of the State Highway Patrol, have shown commendable energy in repudiating this outrageous violation of the Patrol's authority and in demanding proper punishment of the guilty parties. It is clear, however, that quick disposition of this one case will not allay the public's alarm, and it should not, for the incidents in the Patrol are the question of the Patrol's personnel and training. This is a problem which Colonel Hatcher himself was among the first to recognize, and which he has endeavored to combat with his training schools for Patrolmen. The events of the last week show that much more work needs to be done to bring the Patrol up to the standard which Colonel Hatcher has set for it.

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They also impress on the public the danger it faces in virtually every North Carolina community from our failure to demand, pay for and get a better trained,
more carefully selected and more intelligently organized body of law enforcement
officers. Earlier this month, the town of
Waxhaw had a tragic demonstration of the
consequences of this neglect when its former police chief, who had abused his power
while in office to terrorize certain individuais, killed a magistrate's constable and
two Negroes.

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Such incidents represent but one phase of the whole police question, for the same symmetric permit dangerous men to seen badges is also incapable of dealing with the rising crime trend. The condition spoilighted by these cases receives only intermittent attention because our Highway Patrol and our police forces for the most part are made up of conscientious and able men, endeavoring to do a good job under a system that is not yet geared to modern times.

The good men will continue to labor un-der this handicap until the State, the cities and counties undertake real investigations which will bring co-ordination of our law enforcement agencies, uniform standards for selection and training of personnel, and quate facilities for crime prevention as as law enforcement.

Regardless of the justification for more

#### American Women Brighten The View

A MERICAN women, bless their hearts, are taking a more charitable view of this man's world. They stubbornly refuse to believe that things are as bad as they sometimes seem, or so it is indicated by a nationwide poll of readers of the Woman's Home Companion.

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In a year's time, the 3.700,000 Companion readers, representing a fair cross-section of the nation's femininity, have moved far toward optimism on the prospects for world peace. Results of the poll, announced in the September issue, show that 47 per cent are confident we can settle the world's affairs without resort to combat, as companed with 18 per elem thow we've. hopeful on the peace outlook a year ago. Even the attrety encouraging, as they think that war may be about twenty-tive years off.

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A mere man finds it difficult to account for this surge of hope in view of the way the world crisis reports have been mounting in 1947, and he may be inclined to attribute it to wishful thinking, or to the well-known "woman's intuition," rather than to a realistic understanding of our situation. However, he would de well not to dismiss the poll lightly, as women's intuition often has been shown to be a much sounder guide than the considered Judgment of the standard of the standard of the standard in the studying the form sheets, watching straws in the wind, inspecting the grass roots and listening for rumbles of ground swells that they often overlook the human equation entirely, and fail it to weigh the force of women's hopes and prayers.

optimism, it is important to have this evi-dence that the American people, particu-larly the women, are settling down and taking a calmer view of the world. A nation which overcomes the tendency toward fear, panic and neurotic thinking in difficult times has made a large stride toward cult times has made a large stride toward recovery. It is encouraging to note that the women's brighter outlook is not limited to the chances for peace. The poll reveals that 83 per cent expect their children to have a better world than they; 13 per cent believe that religion will exert a stronger influ-ence; 99 per cent believe our physical com-forts will increase; 78 per cent think that racial relations will improve and 88 per cent look for betterment in religious rela-tions.

Significantly, the women have their at-tention fixed on the work of organizations and movements outside the political field, in lines where we have been making sub-stantial gains while the politicos, States-men and militarists have been fouling up the works. By way of showing how little they think of politics, few of the polisters express interest in ferminist activities and express interest in femininist activities and 91 per cent veto the idea of a woman Pres-ident. Some will say that the 91 per cent veto the idea of a woman Pres-ident. Some will asy that this is not a good sign, and that the women should be exert-ing a more direct influence in politics. On the other hand, it is possible that the wo-men have found that they are more effec-tive if they leave the sterile game of poli-tics to the men while they concentrate on the things in the home that keep alive the faith which moves mountain.

#### Royall Floats A Trial Balloon

HE various interpretations placed by THE various interpretations placed by Tar Heel headiline writers upon Secretary of the Army Kenneth Royall's gubernatorial statement Saturday indicated, to some extent, the size of the loophole which the potential candidate left for himself. The Secretary expressed his not unusual ambition to be Governor of North Carolina, with the qualification that he "has no idea at this time" whether he can become a candidate; gentlemen on the copy design marked the dispatch with headilines ranging from "Royall Will Run" to "Royall Not In Race".

It is obvious that Mr. Royall will make no decision until he has received sufficient assurances of support to make his candidacy worthwhile; yet in announcing his desire to return to the state and his willingness to become its chief executive, he makes it clear that he will enter the race if such assurances are forthcoming. His friends have thus been given the green light to seek commitments in his behalf.

Mr. Royall's tenure in the War Depart nent, now that he no longer has Cabine ment, now that he no longer has Cabinet-status, will be proportioned, we predict, ac-cording to the alacrity with which Tar Heel politicos take up his banner; if his announcement produces a warm reception within the next few weeks, the Secretary will soon lay aside his Washington duties and begin making the rounds of ctive clubs, church gatherings, family reunions and other patherings, family reunions and

The possibility that a candidate with the prestige of Secretary Royall may enter the gubernatorial arena will doubtless dismay the backers of State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson, who have sought to create the impression that Mr. Johnson is a "sure thing" for Governor, and that anyone with similar ambitions would do well to post-poss-drem until 1958. We note that there is much less optimism exuding from the

Johnson camp now than two months ago, and an increasing number of commenta-tors are beginning to conclude that the race still is wide open.

race still is wide open. North Carolina's voiers will appreciate this changing tone in the political comment. The instruction made in June and July that Mr. Johnson was too far in front to be stopped was, after all, an insult to their intelligence and to their political integrity; and evidence that Secretary Royall may declare for the top state office will at least give the people some assurance that it is they, and not the members of the "courthouse rings", who will make the final ourthouse rings", who will make the final cision in May, 1948.

Veterans who hold terminal leave bonds will have the opportunity to cash those bonds any time after Sept. 1, but prudent veterans will think the thing through before they act. If the veteran delays redeeming his bonds, they continue to bear 2% per cent interest—a very good return upon the safest sort of a security. 80 he will have more dollars if he waits. His money have more dollars if he waits. His more Michael we do formed.

How to spread the gospei of democracy in a hungry Europe is the problem. One school contends it could best be put over in an after-dinner speech.

In Cleveland, league ball games are obscured by locomotive smoke. Thus, visiting clubs are amazed to learn they have been abut out by Feller; they didn't know they were playing.

The weird Platypus of Australia is de-scribed as having beady eyes, a fur coat and a large bill. On the other hand, this could be Jimmy Durante, the well-dressed man.



Task For A Diogenes

# Search For True Liberals

By CHARLES B. MARKHAM
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A MODERN Discense might direct his search elseshort today. There is a vanishing species in
america in 1947 which can only be discovered with
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Liberalism, in the current vernacular, is a political ideology: because political theory is never static, those who thus use the term cannot avoid control of the control of t

cratic institutions.

The futile effort to label either the Democratic Party or the Republican Party as the true liberal party indicates that those who interpret liberalism as a political theory will never extricate themselves from this semantic dilemma. For liberalism is an unchanging faith, not a political weatherwale.

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WHAT is the faith of the true liberal? The true withorsh schooledges the dienty of human personality. In his seal to protect the dignity of norman men, he does not submerge his compassion for all men into blind bitterness against the few. He dampions the cause of the working man, but he champions the cause of the working man, but he ist with a heart of stone; he upholds the rights of the Nerro, but he does not pour out his written on the wind the work of the near the product of the near the product of the near the product is not preduce in equal measure.

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the true liberal therefore acknowledges the right men to govern themselves in democratic fashion did the right of the government to curb the freedom only if it can thereby extend greater ferecoming that the triality of democratic more only if it can thereby extend greater ferecome to all. He recomings that the triality of democratic according to the second of the

THE true liberal champions freedom of inquiry in the church and in the school, because he does not fear that fundamental truths will be threatened if men are free to question them, and to discover for themselves the validity of such truths.

The true liberal retains his intellectual inde-pendence, for he realizes that he is lost when he tooses his mind. He acknowledges his own frasi-ties, and therefore respectfully hears the opinions of those who disagree with him. He does not per-mit The New Republic or The Daily Worker to do his bilinking for him, nor does he refuse to read the true to the control of the control of the The true liberal believes that he and his kind can save the world, but he approaches his task in deep humility and refuses to make a profession out of it. He knows that if his life can prove, even to one of his fellowmen, the essential validity of his faith, he will have achieved more than if he are the control of the control of the control of the sand speeches.

If liberalisms in disrepute today, it is fundamentally because liberais have lost their faith and are the following of their faith and are their fellowmen that liberalism is a valid faith. Therais' today have made liberalism a political vehicle, on which they may ride into office by offer. They must be careful not to offend by district the control of the careful not to offend by labor. They must be careful not to offend by labor, although they are quick to shriek at big business. There must be careful not to offend by labor. They must be careful not be offend by labor, although they are quick to shriek at big business. There must be careful not be offend by labor although the same world with Combiness of the same world with Combiness of the control of the contr

IT is hard to believe in one's fellowmen in this materialistic, amoral age; hard to subdue one's own prejudices, fears and desires in a prejudiced, frightnend, and greedy society. One sometimes outlist that society has the moral stamins to surjourned to the society has the moral stamins to surjourned the society has the moral stamins to surjourned the society has been desired to the society has been desired by the society has been desired by the society of the society has been desired by the society of the society has been desired by the society of the society has been desired by the society of the society has been desired by the society of th

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Life In Soviet Union

#### Fear In The Kremlin

By FAUL W. WARD

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## Our German Dilemma

BERLIN
HERE in the ruins of Ritler's
Reich, the United States seems
a long way off. It seems very remote to the Americans who are
struggling to administer a part of
divided Germany.

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Back home in America the prob-lem of Germany can be discussed from any one of a number of viewpoints, it is like the fable out of India about the blind men and the elephant. You judge it from the perspective of your own set of ideas, prejudices, emotions.

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That is a luxure enjoyed by the star-at-homes. The Americans, military and civilian, who are actually coping with 40,000,000 Graulting the reality. The stay-at-homes ignore the reality. The stay-at-home ignore the reality or they conveniently forget it. Therefore, it might be well at the outset to restate that reality here.

DIVIDED LAND

As a result of the Potsdam Big
Four meeting two years ago, Germany was dut up into several
parts. Poland was given a chunk
of territory in the East, including
the Silesian goal mines. The remainder was divided into four
zones, one each for the Soviet
Union, the British, the U. S. and

Prance.

With the deepening split between Russia and the West, thee zones have been increasingly walled off as separate little worlds, walled off as separate little worlds, taken in uniting the economies of the British and the U. S. zones. This will bring definite benefits, But its effect is necessarily limited by the geography of truncated Germany.

You can imagine how this would work if you cut the United States into similar pieces. In one zone would be the Northeast with its vast industry. In another zone would be the great breadbasket of

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# Drew Pearson's: Young Carries Battle To Wall Street

By ROBERT S. ALLEN (For Drew Pearson)

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WASHINGTON

ROBERT S. YOUNG, crussding relired lycon, today
served notice on Wall Street banking interest that he is
prepared to wage a no-quarter battle in the stock market to
gain control of the New York Central Rallington system.

In an exclusive interview with the Washington MerryCore Roll of the sight, several Tream declared his breather to the sight, several Tream declared his breather to the sight, several tream the stock market to
state Commerce Commission refuses to allow him to retain his New York Central directorship because he holds
only 8 per cent of the railroad's stock.

York Centrals board, Young said, "they apparently figured
they would be powerful enough behind the scenes to have
the ICO subsequently block me. I don't thin the ICO will
do that. But if it does, then I'm all set for these Wall
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dominated by the major railroads, has vigorously oppose-him and derided his revolutionary modernization proposals. If Young succeeds in gaining control of New York Cen-tral, the way will be open for him to consolidate it with his far-reaching C. & O. system. This will place him in a Company, and to exert a deciding influence in the AAR. He makes no bones of his determination to do both. "By winning control of the New York Central." he de-clared, "we can set saids the Supreme Court ruiling in which Central and the Pennsivinsia Railroad actually control the Pullman Coinpany. Melion interests have large holdings in "the Pennsivinsia and Pullman, and when they bid for it.

Progressive Plan For Rails

"In the days before competitive bidding on bond insue," he declared, "the sale of an issue was a cult-and-dicted at a fine of the control of

His Eyes On White House

Year Transity he would night to be "reseased under the States," changes as a durth here would be better. I this in the Democratic rather than the Republican convenion has all. "The been active in both parties and I gives can properly labeled an independent."

"All the ratinoats must get behind this bo," he assert "The ARR knrt doing that now. Travel by rall should and as aggressively as cigarctes and Occa-Ool. And in new trains should be fast and lightweight. There are a 45.00 choolet passenger can in service. It would no should be going out right now, because the replacement this anches equipment with modern cars would create Other Prizes In Struggle

INCOLVED in the battle are two other major issues: Control of the giant Pullman Company and the powerful

Association of American Railroads.

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and what he described as their "rackets."

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