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# ENFORCEMENT OF TAXI LAW.

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VIRTUALLY unnoticed in the run of news last week, but surely as world-disking as the report that Rits are report by a Senials as subcommittee, mainly Republicans, on the State Department's Voice of America propaganda effort. It was this same committee, you will recall, which last Summer blasted the radio broadcasts as being inept, poorly directed, 'and wasteful of public funds, we can't say what brought about the sudden about-face, State Department and points to increased "defensive facilities" by the Soviet press and radio as an indication that the U. S. message is getting through and eausing certain masterminos in the Kremlin to chew their nails.

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The Iron Curtain clings to the ground;
but not swen Stalin has yet been able to
erect an aérial curtain to block the powerfeir radió beans which day by day, night
by night carry the caim, deliberate, factual, unbiased programs of news, information, and entertainment into Soviet Rus-

### LONG RANGE BOMBARDMENT

peelings with eyes in them and planted them while her neighbors derided her. Net result: a big yield of spuds. Occasionally the Moscow Radio will try o minimize and deny the allegations made by The Voice. Like this:

by The Volce. Like this:

"A Bugstrian, Pole, Geach or Romanian turns on his-radio. What's new in the world' On comes the Volce of America. Millions of Common the Volce of America. Millions of disease. There's panie in the countryside, says a commentator in Polish, 'Chaos in Bulgaria, poverty and infiation in Sofia,' chimnes standards seep failing in the countries of east and Southeast Europe,' says New York in Ceech, Hungarian and Romanian.

"It's an established fact that alander and threats about the people of the new democ-racies, with no mention of their achieve-ments, constitute both the woof and warp of American radio propaganda."

Mercican radio propagation.

No one, of course, can determine precisely how many Russians hear the Voice
of America broadcasts, or see the slick
magazine, Amerika, which is permitted to
circulate behind the Iron Curtain on a

siderable.

Now that even the Republicans approve of The Voice, we may hope that this potent weapon will be permitted to continue its long-range bombardment of Russia without undue hindrance.

## SOMETHING FOR NOTHING

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D'ONT let us become a nation of hypochondriaes," pleads Aneurin Bevan,
Britain's Health Minister, as he surveys
results of the latest British experiment in
state socialism.

Fiver since Great Britain initiated its
comprehensive National He alth Service
program last July (providing "free" medical, dental' and optical care) citizens of the
isles have been discovering new needs for
false teeth and eyeplasses and the like, until now Mr. Bevan yells, "Unclei"
But what could the gentleman expect?
Human beings gact about the same everywhere. Sevices veterans know how the old
"army game" was played to perfection under the armed forces' benevois Pritain
has initiated socialism on a much proader
scale. The Government pays the bill, but
the people pay the Government, and those
citizens who don't need the services they
squander are paying far more than they
know.

Says Mr. Bevan: "The rush for spectacles

Supa Mr. Bevan: "The rush for spectacles is so great that it has overlaken production and capacity."
Well, did the gentleman think the re would be no takers when the Government said: "Step right up and get your free spectacles?" Certainly he must have known that the human instinct to get "something for nothing" is too great to resist.

And now Mr. Bevan has announced that dentists will get only a portion of what they make. (80 many people flocked in for dental service that dentists who ordinarily made a somewhat average ipcome have been mopping up.) And doctofs have complained that they're underpid and over-worked. And that won't be all. When the "planned" economy really takes over, there is no end to the headaches.

Before Britain finishes her courageous experiment her people will be longing for the old days.

Improved medical care for the masses of the people is a noble idea, but unless it is accomplished under the framework of our free enterprise system, it can become the first step in a system of ensistement. The British people are discovering that, of humor— if little eise.

of humor — if little else.

When Mr. Bevan was called to personal account for the high cost of socialized dentistry recently, a member of Parliament voiced what will become the widespread reaction to the pittalis of a planned economy, Said Mr. Frank Mediciott: 'Has the more proposed to the pittalis of a planned economy, Said Mr. Frank Mediciott: 'Has the makes a considerable of the makes a speech there is a widespread gnashing of techn?'. The British people have more gnashing shead.

## From The Philadelphia Evening Bulletin

# 1948'S LYNCHING RECORD

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Both blots are on the name of Georgia.
There was a borderline case not listed.
Killings in which less than three persons
participate are not classified as lynchings
by Tuskegee. One lynching was reported
for 1947.
It is entitled to credit for the
fact that in nineteen cases, possible lynchings were prevented by the vigilance of law
enforcement officers who protected victims
threatened by mobs. The record shows a
great decrease of lynchings since the appailing top of 231 in 1892. Even as late as
1922 there were 57 lynchings, more than
one a week. Since 1937, according to Tuskegee, the total has never exceeded six.
The diminious public sentiment in the
South against a uch abominable crimes.
Some may argue that the shrinkage shows
increasing State vigilance has lessened the
necessity for Federal legislation. There are
two answers to this. One is that the State
action against lynching is largely due to
the fear that Federal intervention would
be inevitable into the mosh. The other is
that the evil done by lynchings is not contined to the murder of victims of the mosh.

and the anguish and sufferings of their kin. The terror and humiliation inspired by mob violence, even if repressed before murder is done, are things that no Ameri-can should be forced to undergo. And even a single lynching puts a biot on the Ameri-can name that badly hampers the efforts of this country for peace and world se-

Thorough is the word for that firm of contractors in Ann Arbor, Mich. Given the job of , resurfacing the city's streats, its over-all performance was so complete that the city had to advertise for mine detectors to locate its manholes.—Mattoon, (Ill.) Journal-Gazette.

A party of explorers has dug up evidence in Africa of an ape-man nine feet tail. It's only a question of time, undoubtedly, until he will make his debut in Madison Square Garden as a member of the University of Kentucky basketball squad. — Roanoke (Va.) Times.

One hard thing about being poor is the danger of getting shot instead of being sued for breach of promise. — Anniston (Ala.) Star.

## Dropping The Pilot



# The West Waits This One Out

# **Events Run Their Course In China**

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No one in any of the Western foreign offices who has to think about China is happy these days.

Buch men have a task, whether in Washington.

That task is to figure out some way of keeping Soviet Rousia from acquiring direct and solid control of the Control of the Copyright of t

ably it would take place at an early date.

HISTORIES STUDIED FOR CLUES

No one has add so publicly, but-the truth of the matter is that the western capitally, for want of a satisfactory allermatter, are ready to let present expensive properties of the property of the present expensive properties of the property of the present expensive properties of the west will treat the expected new Chinese Constitution to go to war to prevent the Communists from taking power in China any more that it went to war when the Communities consolidated their power in the tron-crutian countries, one after another, bringing the properties of the propertie

entirely.

Next you come to strategy. Military intervention inside China is out. What other strategies are
potentially available?

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### GAINS IN YUGOSLAVIA

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Doing this kind of binniers is a gamble. In the end, it may make communism viable and successful in China. On the other hand, much can higher and the foliation of the folia

# AWAIT OPPORTUNITIES

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As of today, the United States is in no position to exert such effective pressure on Moscow. But times can change and in some ways are changing, Permaps the time will come where Moscow either needs war with the United States.

Out of this emerges a general strategic plan, it a long-rules plan, it is pretty vague. It well might time on the theory that Russian influence in China is a by-product of Russian success or failure in Europe, Perhaps someone will come up with a return the West will treat the expected new Chinese Change of Marshall Tolo Combinal eventuality has treated Marshall Tolo Combinal eventuality he general pattern of events will induce similar results.

### James Marlow

# What For Wallace?

ferent.

It would have been his Inauguration Day, if he had won when he
ran for President last November.

But he lost And the man he tried
so hard to crush, Harry S, Truman,
will take the Presidential oath instead.

so hard to crush, Harry 8. Truman, will take the Presidential oath inwallace more than lost. He was drowned in a shattering defeat, and since then he has been unusually yet; he had always been a fairly falkative man. And during the campuign he raced And during the campuign he raced And during the campuign he raced to him. And last might I called to him. And last might I called to him. And last might I called county, N. Yem in Wortherser and I called him I'd like an answer to accomple of questions and I asked him I'd like an answer to accomple of questions and I asked him if he field stappointed about the small vote he got in the county of th

PODAY would have been a great
day for Henry Wallace-member him?—If things had been different.

surprised everyons and must have surprised him. No. But oss thing is surprised him. No. But oss thing is if walkeet had been able to pull 1. Walkeet had been able to pull the president of the pull the president of the pull the president welface has suffered a chargering forest in a great citimat of the life, at first it seemed to be a suffered to the life, at first it seemed to be a suffered to be a suffered to be suffered to be suffered to the life, at first it seemed to be a suffered to be suff

heating. And four years ago today—Jan.
And four years ago today—Jan.
1945—Wallace performed his last act as vice-President by awaring in Benator Truman as his successor.

in Senator Truman as his stopen-with the tentre hold for White the tentre hold for Willies then! Mr. Rosswelt grin-ned and told is news conference Henry wouldn't stares. Sure enough, shortly afterwards, he gave the job of Secretary, of In three months Mr. Rossaweit was dead, and Mr. Truman went mon the White House— job that the hold only picked him for Vice-Prefident. In another year Mr. Truman fired him from the Cabinat for making attacking this country's foreign pol-for.

that was the end of it.

I thought his voice sounded strained when he spoke, but I can't additionable that the strained when he spoke, but I can't ANY FUTCHES have been for Triber Wallace thinks there is defended in the strained with the strained

## Marquis Childs

# The Job To Do

WASHINGTON

FEW men in Amélican public life
have had the opportunity and,
at the same time, the burden of
responsibility that now falls on
Dean Acheson. The new Secretary
Secretary
Confidence and triendship of the
President and responsible leaders
in Congress.

polatiment is that he begins with a broad range of experience and background.

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gimes by force.

Reflecting the era of hysteria and fear now happily passing, Acheson's

Secretary that was patently absurd. Their fear is not that he will appease Russia but that he may fail to explore all avenues, however dim and unograin, that might lead to rate, a true ending the Cold Was. To be resolute and yet not completely huyleiding at a sign of change from the Kremlin is Achaeon's curiously difficult position.

#### Revitalized Cabinet Truman Obligation Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round

A LOT of Washington's high-society is pretty sore about this inauguration. They're not being invited to the big parties. This includes such few prominent Senators, Congressmen and Olobytist who take a lot of pride in being seen at all the right such incritions. This time they have been left completely out in the cold.

seen at all the right social functions. This time they have been left commelectly out in the cold.

This omission want's because they were Republicans—all of Openercats were left out. too. It was because Mr. Truman laid down the law that both both one. The law that he had not been allowed to the control of the control o

Truman's Two Assets

A S Harry Truman takes the cath of office today, he has two new big assets which will help him hightily in carrying out his obligation to the people who elected him:

1. He has a new Congress which is vigorously, on the

neen steted on his own and he intends to operate on his own.

"These two assets are important. Also important is a third fact which is not an asset, but a liability—manely, the general level of medicently among the more than the state of the control of the Union measure he sent to Congress was a good message, but it repeated in different words the same important proposals which fruman had sent to the 80th Congress. It is not not control of the control

# Mediocre Men

ONE reason you can't get them is lack of inspiration. Good men don't work necessarily for money, but because they men to be the second of the second to be considered in the Tuman official family, plus some of the advisers around him just do not inspire entitistism.

some of the activest actions in make at the interest and interest.

# Truman's Obligation

NEVERTHELESS, a revitalized Cabinet is one of the most important obligations Harry Truman owes the people who elected him, as he takes the oath of office in his own right.

consider their President as the little man from Missouri who has stepped into seven-league books.

Great things are expected of him, the man who almost singlehanded won the highest honor in the land. He is a living proof that people can speak as they phoses.

An office of the seven speak as they phoses. The seven was the phose of the seven will be seven to the seven will be seven to colored. The next four years, however, will prove whether Harry Tuman's name will take a place beside hist of the Abrier Darksons and the Frankrew Johnsons and the Calvin Coolines. And the factor which will be simply the seven will be seven to seven the seven to the seven the seven to the seven the seven to the seven that the seven the seven the seven to the seven the seven to the seven the seven the seven to the seven t

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