### FIRST STEP IN REGULATING TRUCKS

(2) The prohibition of parking on many of these streets.

(3) Desialed regulations for loading and unloading in the main business district.

The controvery that arose over the plan stemmed mainly from the proposed parking bans, and more specifically from the bans, and more specifically and the specifical structure of the specifical structure of the specifical specif

A S ORIGINALLY proposed, City Traffic the truck routes designated, adequate plan consisted of three major-parts:

(1) Designation of certain streets as truck will be able to assemble accurate figures traffic congestion, and any necessaring or loading regulations can be con

Councilmen Baxter. Van Every, Dellinger and Jordan, who voted for the motion, merit the thanks of the community for an intelli-gent, forward-looking step.

### HIGH ETHICS

COUNCILMAN W. I. Coddington's decision O not to vote on the controversial truck routing plan was a refreshing demonstration of high ethical standards.

Mr. Coddington has been opposed in the truck route proposals from the first. He has said so openly at several Council meetings in the past. He had every right to cast a negative vote when the issue came before the Council last week.

He did not do so, however. He disqualifies himself on the grounds that he was a minterested party". (He operates a truckin concern, also owns property on Graham St. which becomes one of the truck routes unde the plan). And he refrained from voting.

It was an act of statesmanship which, if practiced by all lawmakers, local, state, and national, would make for cleaner and more honest government.

### SLOW AWAKENING

Both proposals are meritorious. But they aren't new. The Hoover Commission proposed both of them over two years ago. The bipartisan Commission found that "one of the chief handicaps to effective organization of the (Treasury) Department is the political appointment of Collectors of Intermal Revenue. . These appointments are regarded by some as sinecures." But Congress rejected both proposals. Perhaps another major stink emanating

PRESIDENT TRUMAN and various Congressmen say now that Bureau of Internal Revenue at accelectors should be put under Civil Service. Senator Williams of Delawice calls for an "independent audit" of the BIR.

"discover" cures similar to those they now propose for the BIR. If so, those cures will very likely be those which the painstaking Hoover Commission advocated, and Congress shunned.

If Congressmen meant what most of them say about economy and efficiency in government they long ago would have adopted the remaining unenacted portions of the Hoover Report. With election not far away, this would be a good time for constituents to jolt their legislators' memory and conscience.

### DR. CORNELIUS MILLER PICKENS

THE death of Dr. Cornellus Millier Pickens ended a life of service that, for fidelity and devotion, has had few parallels.

For more than 50 years, Dr. Pickens fave that the most of the property of the prop

perninement of the Charlotte district.

But his service to the church was not the only accomplishment that the 84-year-old minister could look back on with deep satisfaction. He had won the love and the respect of countless thousands of his fellow citizens. He had been useful in the lay activities of the communities where he lived. And, perhaps more important than any of these, he had started five fine sons become men of character and standing.

At a time when moral laxity seems to be the fashion, it is reassuring to know that there are many men like Dr. Cornelius Miller Pickens who lived a good life and found it richly rewarding in the only real values.

### T'OTHER HALF

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TWO years ago the venerable University
of California wrote a sal title chapter
in the history of academic freedom when
it exacted a special loyally odit from members of its faculty. Recently it rewrote that
chapter to bring the ensuing controversy to
a happy ending: it dropped the oath.
There is much to recommend a therough
acrutiny of the credentials of these who
shape young, impressionable minds. There
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from the University's employ.

Many choose the latter course rather than submit to what they considered an indignity. California was blacklisted by some learned societies. Forty-eight faculty members, including some well-known scientists, refused to sign the loyalty oath this Fall while eighteen others. He will will be signed to the sign of the loyalty oath this Fall while eighteen others. He will be suffered to the sign of the sign o

Academic freedom is not a gebulous theory dear only to long-haired academicans but an integral part of the whole American scheme of freedom of conscience, ofter universities have attempted to do in whole or in part what California did, and in each instance these illusdrized sallies into the redoubt of freedom have come to grief. Perhaps California's case will be a leason not just in the proper ferretting out of subversive teachers (none of those who refused to sign the California oath were Communists) but also in the dangers of overstepping the bounds where true conscience is involved. Someone dug out not long also from The

Bigelow Papers of James Russell Lowell a few lines which, being to the point, are much more than a jingle:

And I honor the man who is string to sink. Half his present repute for the freedom to

think,
And when he has thought, be his cause strong or weak,
Will risk t'other half for the freedom to

There never will be a sisterhood of wom-ankind as long as all girls don't look like mermaids when in a bathing suit.—Lezing-ton (Ky.) Leader.

A mixture of chocolate, curacso, cognac and whipped cream won an Italian cocktail contest. The WCTU should sponsor that one. It would make more tectotallers than any lecture.—Fort Myers (Fla.) News-Press.

There are two schools of thought. One thinks civilization is headed for hell. The other school thinks it has already arrived.—Rocky Mount (N. C.) Telegram.

Everything must either be modern or antique. Nothing in between seems to have any attraction.—Elizabethtown (Ky.) News.

"How did you sleep?" asked the hostess sweetly, "Was that couch all right?" "It wasn't so bad," said her son's college friend amiably, "I got up from time to time and rested."—Lamar (Mo.) Democrat.



What Ho, Chief?

# People's Platform

Letters should be brief, written on one side of the paper. The writer's name must be signed, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the Editor. The News reserves the right to condense.

### Remove Pogo? Impossibobble!

Editors. The News.

MAN I add a fervent "Amen" to reader Daniel Delafield's sentimpst (in a recent letter printed in The News) concerning the sametity of Pogo. Although not a regular reader of The News I do receive the daily Pogo atrips via my mother in Clinical Control of the Control of the News I do receive the daily Pogo atrips via my mother in Clinical Control of the Control

The Same Difference INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.

Editors, THE NEWS:

IT seems the Democratic Party is on parade today, for everyone to see. And the more I learn of current events, the more it convinces me. It's something like a game of relays, between the New Deal, Fair Deal, Raw Deal and Ditty Deals; which all add up and make the same

Deals; which all sour up difference.

Makes one wonder what became of the "old Democrat Party" and the "old reliable" Republican too?

What has become of the party-leaders who such on the party-leaders who such that the party-leaders who such that the party-leaders have been problems and to the questions too, in the coming election, 1852.

\*\*VERGIL D. McMILLAN\*\*

# Annexation Of Property ABILENE, Tex.

ABILENE, Tex.

Editors, Tux News.

VERY often, we hear about a city which gives
tis local government the sutherity to annex outlying territories, and outside additions without the
tis local government the authority to annex outlying territories, and outside additions without the
landowners' consent. The property owners outside
of town who are the ones mostly concerned about
this deal—they don't even get a chance to vote on it.
Such a thing is unconstitutional and contrary to the
such and the such and the such and the such and the
throughout America are hitterly opposed to it. Persons in a democratic country should always have
a free right to live where they please, and not
where a dictator says so.

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Indowners' consent. It is not any more right for
a city to annex land without the property owners'

consent than it would be for Oklahoma to annex Kansas; for Texas to annex Old Mexico or the U. S. to annex Canada. JOHN W. BURKS

# Hillbilly Music For Hillbillies CHARLOTTE

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Library and Charlotte and Miss
Thorne's letter that favors hilbully music.

Hilbully music is good for the hilbullies, Anyone who has ever studied music, however, knows
that hilbully music is good for the vast numbers
who have never had the opportunity of learning the
difference between it and good music. Hilbully
tunes are good when "dressed up" by musicians
tike Sammy Kaye or Lombardo, but when "unug"
steel guitars and pawnshop guitars then I say let's
leave it back in the hills and not foul up the si
of every cafe in town.

Incidentally, I studied music and have played

Incidentally, I studied music and have played from classical to hillbilly.

RICK RICHARDSON

### Quote, Unquote

Under federal regulations automobiles more than 5 years old are not under price control. There are imes when much newer cars don't seem to be under ontrol. — Arkansas Gazette.

Male students at an eastern college voted that the study of women was more interesting than the study of history. At least the dates are easier to remember. — Fort Myers (Fla.) News-Press.

An old Eddy County cattleman says it is more than contentment that one detects nowadays in a cow — there's a certain arrogance that goes with standing around in all that high-priced beef. — Carlsbad (N. M.) Current-Argus.

The saying that it's a small world was not iginated by someone who had given out of gas a country road at night.—Ellavilla (Ga.) Sun.

For getting to heaven quickly, the flery chariot has given way to the brakeless jalopy.—Dails (Tex.) Morning News.

The customer pointed to the Chinese characters on his laundry ticket and asked the laundryman, "is that my name?" "No name, descliption, was the reply. "Meins ill' of man, closs eyed, no teet!" — Lamar (Mo.) Democrat.

### Despite All The Furor, Ike Goes Along His Chosen Way

By MARQUIS CHILDS

FARE IS the picture, as authentic as can be obtained at this time, of General Dwight D. Elsenbewer, and the property of the course, but as of now this is how it looks. In the months immediately absendered the control of the course, but as of now this is how it looks. In the months immediately absendered the course, but as of now this is how it looks. In the months immediately absendered the control of the course, but as of now this is ame in the Presidential primary here he will not take the affirmative action necessary to remove there is not the langular than the course of the cours

## Reporters Are Many Things, But They're Not All Freaks

By ROBERT C. RUARK

MOST OF MY life in this back business. I have wanted to write a piece about newspapermen and the people who beast the met more bores in the prosecution of my profession than is and the people who beast the publicity department has been circularizing some of us always the remaining the publicity department has been circularizing some of us always the remaining the publicity department has been circularizing some of us always the remaining the publicity department has been circularizing the publicity of the publicity department has been circularizing the publicity of the publicity department has been circularizing the publicity of the publicity department has been circularizing the professions of the publicity department has been circularized to the publicity of the publicity department has been circularized to the publicity department of the publicity departm

checking concessions I cannot afford to own one City Room a window. I was hely enough it is grab a foot as she went past. It is not true that all newspaper man of acream: "Stop the presses, we're this lige was patented by Mr. William Gargan, actor, and so far as I know was never used by anyone else. Mr. Gargan was an incombecame an activactive before the content of the content o

### Merry-Go-Round Drew Pearson's

# Cooks Give Solon Word On GI Chow

WHILE investigating our military bases in Europe with a group of House colleagues, hard-working GOP Congressman Walter Norblad of Oregon decided to get some firsthand information about the "chow" being fed our overseas troops.

some firsthand information about the "cnow" being lea un oversies irrops. Over intelligence officer in the last war, ate in the enlisted fine's mess hall at a U. S. base at Chateauroux, France, and questioned a group of G. L's at some length. "I see you boys have chicken today and it tastes mighty good," began Norblad. "Is this a regular thing or are they putting on a display here to impress us Con-gressment."

soldier.
"Well, how is the food the rest of the week?" asked "Well, now is use "Always first rate. The Congressman.
"Swell," he was assured. "Always first rate. The fellows here have no complaints about the chow."
Norblad still wasn't convinced.
"How about the preparation?" he asked. "Is it cooked

well?"
"Couldn't be better," he was again assured.
Satisfied at last, the Oregon Congressman drained his
coffee cup and got up to leave. He shook hands with his
dinner companions and asked them in parting: "By the
way, what do you fellows do around here?"
"We're the cooks."

McCarthy And Malmedy
THE bitterness felt among U.S. military leaders over
the measure of some 6,000 American troops in Korea
also extends back to similar bitterness over the Malmedy

If the SS men who shot down 150 American prisoners cold blood during the Battle of the Bulge had been

properly punished, instead of being held up to the public as innocent victums by Senator McCarthy, it is believed a precedent would have been set to discourage such massers in the future.

The Mained Mained Mained Mained Mained and the campaign staged on the Senate floor to protect the Nazi underers was one of the most shameful in years. Forty three of the cold-blooded Nazi "blow-torch battalion" had been condemned to death for the savage, cold-blooded shooting of 150 American prisoners, when suddenly Senator McCarthy demanded and extorted contessions. The Senate Armed Services Committee appointed a subcommittee under Republican Sen. Ray Baldwin of Connecticut, to probe McCarthy's charges, and a lengthy hearing took place at which McCarthy, though not a member of the committee, demanded the right to cross-cranine and treated American officers at if they, not have the content of the content of

#### 'Hilarious' Murder

cold blood.

McCarthy called the U. S. judges who condemned the Nais "morons," and demanded a lie-detector test for U. S. officers who had obtained the confessions. Senator Baidwin, a fellow Republicas, suggested that if American officers the test detected and the suggested that if the convicted SS men whose word McCarthy accepted. As a result, the Committee actually voted (on the use of a lie detector and turned the idea down: Shortly the Carthy accepted in the use of a lie detector and turned the idea down: Shortly the convicted of the convicted that the committee of the convicted that the con

Duck Soup For Communists
NATURALLY, his speeches were cabled daily to Germany,
munists to Inflame the public.
Finally, McCarthy delivered a full-dress attack, on
the Senate floor, charging a "withitewash" and accessing his
GOP colleague, Senator Baldwin, of being "erininally responsible." Again these charges made headlines in
Germany, in fact around the world. The Communist
McCarthy's charges were so violent that very member of the Armed Services Committee signed a statement
praising the "integrity" of Senator Baldwin and con
demaning McCarthy's "unfair and utterly undeserved comments."

THIS is not a prosecution," he said. "What we are I'trying to do is just to get the witnesses, statements, and then we will be the judge of whether they did things in the right maner."
"I entirely disagree," shouted McCarthy, "If that is the purpose I am wasting my time."
McCarthy then charged Kenneth F. Ahrens of Erie, McCarthy then charged Kenneth F. Ahrens of Erie, Pa., one of this few survivors of the measurer, with "in-faming the public and trying to "create a Roman hollsto," when Ahrens stated that the Nati SS men had been in a filter of the Ahrens stated that the Nati SS men had been in a filter of the National Months of the Nat