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## THE DEMOCRATS ARE LOOKING SOUTHWARD

THE STORY read well, and seemed plaustible enough on the surface. The Truman high commanding to a surface the plaustible enough on the surface. The Truman high command, it said, was so pleased over its recent unity" meeting in Deaver, Colorado, that it was thinking of staging a party rally below the Mason & Dixon line. The purpose—to bring rebellious Southern Desporarts best into the fold before the 1952 elections.

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Democrats back into the fold before the 1958 elections. It seems that Mr. Truman's advisers now believe the abortive States Rights movement of 1948, which cost Mr. Truman the electoral voies of four Dixie states, has folded up—a conclusion we reached long ago. The thing this worries them now is the possibility of a GOP-Southern Democrat coalition ticket. And they want to patch up their quarrel before that develops.

Well, we suspect that The South is in a receptive mood — provided that the respirachment desent require Southerners to accept Mr. Truman as their standard searing. It's not his agitation of the Civil Rights issue. That issue is dead, for the forpiseable future, anyway. Rather it's a growing realization that Mr. Truman simply

DOKING SOUTHWARD
has not measured up to the high and exacting standards of the Presidency, despite his numerous acts of courage and decision in international affairs. It also reflects a new awareness that the Republican Party line on foreign policy offers little comfort for the internationalist-minded South.

If the Democratic high command is really serious about this regional ruly pelow the internationalist-minded South.

If the John the serious read over the minutes of the last meeting. That meeting, as we recall, was held in Raleigh in January, 1850, under the beaming and benign influence of Tar Heel National Committee-man Jonathan Daniels. It was also designed to restore party unity in the South, and Mr. Daniels brought a large troupe of star performers from Washington for the day-long event. The only drawback was that Southern Democrats didn't bother to attend, and the thing turned into a mutual admiration society, with various Administration spokesmen praising each other for their accomplishments. A repeat performance of the Raleigh Rally work be of much halp to the Democrats this year.

# NICE GOING, MR. PRESIDENT

MR. TRUMAN has promoted Judge Harold R. Medina and former Assistant District Attorney Thomas F. Murphy to higher positions in the Federal judiciary. The appointments rank with the best the President has ever made.

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Judge Medina has been a Federal district judge since May, 1947. In that short time, he has risen to national prominence, largely by his conduct of the stormy intermentals trial of eleyen top Communist leaders. De-spite great provocation from defendants and their attorneys, since Calmiy and patiently have defended by the storm of the propers of the tollowing the progress of the trial, and a measure of his judicial wisdom was the in-ability of defense counsel to find a single error on which to overturn the convictions on appeal.

appeal.

The President has promoted Judge Me-

dina to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals (New York). He will add stature to that important court.

Mr. Murphy is now Police Commissioner for the City of New York. A big man physically, he also demonstrated a large legal capacity by his brilliant prosecution of Alger Hiss. It is reported that Murphy resigned his district attorneyship because his work in the Hiss trial was not recognized by promotion. If the the test recognition has now come with an appointment as Federal district judge.

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Mr. Truman has been roundly criticized,
and rightly so, for many of his appointments
to the Federal judiciary on the grounds that
they rewarder political supporters. The
News hastens to commend the President on
these two appointments that reward degnonstrated merit.

ist can do nothing save drop back so far behind the truck that the spray doesn't reach him. And then his chances of ever passing the truck are limited to long stretches of road where vision is unobscured.

## MUD FLAPS FOR TRUCKS

ONE of the most annoying experiences of the motorist—and a hazardous one, to boot—is having his windshield obscured by mud and stuch churned up by vehicles in front of him. And the big trucks with their rear wheels set far back are the worst of-fenders.

road where vision is unobscured.

This problem could be remedied so easily, and so chesply, if the trucking companies would get smart. A few of them have siready realized that they need to win a ficious and influence people of the state of When the pavement is wet, those big wheels send up a veritable geyser of muddy spray that coats the windshield of the car spray that coats the windshield of the car behind faster than the wipers can clean it When it's raining hard, the problem is not so great. But just after a rain, or when it's merely drizzling or misting, the motor

## E PLURIBUS UNUM

In the mass of publicity that regularly piles up on an editor's deak, there is an occasional gem that catches the eye of the editor who proceeds to read it in spite of his dislike of mimeographed "hand-outs". Such a one was received this week from the French Government tourist office in North America, "it carried the title "Paris Stryet Names Have Fetching Oddity". That intrigued us, especially since Charlotte's street names do not have a fetching oddity. As a rule, they are chosen from trees or shrubs, famous persons, faraway citiles, and the like. There are a few exceptions—Arty Street, Blue Lane, Card Street, Crobsote Road, Frog Alley, Snowball Street, Wij Street, Zero Courts, to cite several—but they are lost in the jumble.

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But not in Paris. Traffic in that tair city is heaviest where Avenue of the Elysian Fields enters The Place of the Star. The Street of the Fishing Cat and The Street of the Hermit's Well are odd ones whose origins are obscured in antiquity.

We read on further and learned that the Cour des Lions is named for the lions kept as pets for Charles The Wise's half-wit son, known as Charles the Silly. The Street of the Bad Boys got its name from a band of as-sassins hired by a 14th Century nobleman to murder a famous soldier, Olivier de Clis-There is also a Street of Good Children

There is also a Street of Good Children ... a Street of the Cherubs ... a Street of Innocents and a Street of Sinners ... One is named for a Desif Woman and one for Three Blind Men ... There are others like Street of Good Wissles. Street of Sights, Street of Short Breath, Street of the Sword of Wood, Street of the Drop of Gold, and a Street of pects can be seen in the Rue Gitle-Coeur (The Street Where De Heart Lies) and the Rue du Cherche-Midi (The Street Where Coe Saches for With thought a, Loo, Desides the best the cliff of the Street Where Coe Saches for Street Cherche Che

## From The Baltimore Evening Sun

## A SILLY TARIFF IS WRITTEN OFF

THE signing by President Truman of a bill to suspend the copper import duty of 2 cents a pound put an end to one of the sillier imposts on the tariff lists.

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The new law makes copper free of duty until Feb. 15, 1983, or until the end of the present national emergency (whichever comes first), provided the domestic price of copper does not fall below 24 cents a pound for any one calendar month. This condition is questionable, to say the least, but the Important thing is that the duty has been

pete with "cheap foreign ores." One reason for this, of course, is that our domestic copper reserves are largely marginal in

But with the red metal bringing around 30 cents a pound, working even low-grade\* ores is now a profitable proposition. The protectionist argument just doesn't stand up under current conditions.

Should the market fall below the 24-cents-spound level, and the import tax be re-invoked, we would have a clear case of subsidy by tariff. If it is necessary to the combined defense and civilian supply effort to subsidize domestic copper production, the Government would probably find it cheaper to do so directly, rather than by the device of an import tax which artificially raises prices beyond the normal market level.

With demand what it now is and what it hids fair to continue to be, the chances are that this issue will not soon arise. In the meantime, it is good to know that an unseconomic import tax has for the time being been done away with. lifted.

At a time when it is to our interest to import as much copper as possible, both for stockpiling and for current demand, penalting foreign ores just doesn't make sense.

Adding \$40 a ton to the price of copper via the tariff route merely penalized domestic consumers without producing any compensating economic advantages.

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The stock argument put forward by those who favored containing the duty has always been that domestic producers could not com-

## The Crowd's Starting To Thin Out



### Stewart Alsop

# U. S. Korean War Terms Fixed

WASHINGTON

IT may be that Secretary of Defense George
Marshall's sudden, unannounced Hight to Tokyo
and Koree has no political significance at all. This
is the official line, and no official will budge from
it. But in connection with Secretary Marshall's
trip, it is at least interesting that secret diplomatic negotiation looking to an end to the Korean
may already have been initiated.

A little more than three weeks ago, this re-

war have certainty been seriously considered, and may already have been initiated.

A little more than three weeks ago, this reporter described "a sort of amell in the air in official Washington," which for the first time sugarity of the serious of the serious serious consideration of the serious consideration of the serious serious consumers and the direction of the Kremin that a reasonable settlement of the Korean war might be patched up. These indications were never much the serious ser

A MORE important source of the "smell in the air" three weeks ago, however, was the sumple fact that about that-time the United States Government finally made up its vast collective mind injust what it wants in Korea. The National Security Council recommended, and the President approved, a policy paper calling for a cease firm of urther south than the 38th Parallet, followed by a staged withdrawal of all foreign troops under the astaged withdrawal of all foreign troops under the States would refuse to discuss either the disposition into the United Nations as a prelude to such a cease fire.

This is what the American Government wa In it what the American Government wants mply because it is pretty unanimously agreed in the Pentagon and the State Department that this is the best the American Government can get, bar a eneral war. This is also, of course, what the Brith Government has wanted all along. The question emains how both governments are to get what wanted.

is wanted.

This vital question has been the subject of prolonged conversations between Secretary of State Dean Ackson and British Ambassador Sir Oilver Franks; mors recently between General Omar Bradley and the British military chiefs in London; and between American and Allied officials at various levels. Acheson's statements on Capitol Hill, outlining the terms which this Government would prepared in advance, and constituted in themselves an obvious "peace feeler."

But what happens next? The situation is ter-

interpret any overtures whatsoever as a sign of weakness.

As far as can be determined, no final decision in how to deal with this situation has been made, no move to deal with this situation has been made, no final decision of the control of the

settlement of the Korean war at no better than even. The chance of peace is placed this high only because the Soviets must know that the United without direct Soviet participation, which would lead to world war. They must also know that it there is not a settlement quite seen this country, to quote General Bradley, will undertake "other measures" to end the war. The "the country to end the war, "the "the ressures" will confront the Soviets with the choice between abandoning their most important ally, or accepting the extreme probability of world war. Thus the final choice, as it has from the beginning, rests with the in the early Summer of 1951, quivers on the knife edge between war and peace.

# Quote, Unquote

So far our candidate for dumbest man of the year is the fellow who held up a carload of Florida tourists on the way home.—Starkville (Miss.) News.

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Much discussion is heard around the country neering a proposition that if marriage and farmer are legal, all forms of gambling should be.—

kson (Miss.) Daily News.

Some scientists who have made researches into such matters have concluded that atom bombs are the such matters have concluded that atom bombs are long run, however, When all the people have been killed out by the atom bombs then there will be nobody to raise food for the insects to eat so they will naturally starve. And maybe this world will said through space at peace for once.—Sparks (Ga.) Eagle.

# Conviction Of Top Commies Doesn't Herald Big Purge

By JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON
THE GOVERNMENT now has a
big stick which makes leadership in the Communist Party a
hazardous occupation.
The Supreme Court said the
Government can use the stick
when it phen munist for conspiring to teach overthrow of the
Government.

eleven top Communists for con-spiring to teach overthrow of the Government.

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filers.
ANOTHER COURSE More probably, the Government Communists, who would include officials on various levels below the top—such as leaders in the regional, state, city and district some probable, and the property of the communists, who would include officials on various levels below the top—such as leaders in the regional, state, city and district some probable of the community of the court decision didn't outlaw the party or make it a crime to belong. No law specifically does the court decision didn't outlaw the party or make it a crime to belong. No law specifically does that But by desaring the way continued to the court decision didn't outlaw the party of must have gittered the memberahip.

tions the Party but says:

1. It's a crime to conspire to teach forceful overthrow of the Government or to organize an outfit to do so.

2. It's also a crime to belong to such an organization if you know the purpose of it is forceful over-throw. (That's a big "if.").

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The eleven men fought the verdict against them up to the Supreme Court, protesting the Smith
Act was unconstitutional and that
therefore neither they nor stronds.

The Government couldn't move
against the others until the Court
ruled — which it did last Monday
— that the Smith Act is okay and
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— that the Smith Act is okay and
for any proper under the act.

Now, knowing the court approves the act, the Government
can make the same kind of conspiracy charge against other puriprivacy charge against other purity charge against other purity charge. HARDER TO PROVE

But it would be a lot tougher to prove each of the 43,000 members was actually conspiring to over-throw the Government. That's why it seems unlikely the Government would think of a party-wide crack-down.

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sak themselves from day to day:
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that. But by clearing the way for
widespread government prosecutions, it certainly weakened the
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# TViewers Nearing The End Of A Free-For-Nothing Era

By ROBERT C. RUARK

NEW YORK

WENT to a good ball game on a noticed you could have shot off the fabled cannon with minute chance of maining a spectator. Noticed too that the usual number of partiment-house peerers, who used to free-load from roofs and "will down nearby, werent in evidence."

nearby, werent in evidence.
Read also that the Joe LouisLee Savold television rights have
been sold to a group of theaters.
All of it must add up to the possibility that the TV-set owner has
about run his course as a free
spectator of stuff he used to trouble himself financially to attend.

ble himself financially to attend.
There is no mitasking a truth:
On a reasonably good screen, baseball, boxing, horse racing and
football come more clearly to the
client than if he had the best seat
at the scene. Apart from the dublous benefits of fresh air and,
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So simply, then, television is murdering outside entertainment as a paid-admissions business, and so entertainment has a simple choice: Take over television and a fresh approach. This means that the emphasis is off the box office and on the TV advertiser. If the weight is heavy enough on the advertiser he must find some way the state of the source of the source

to shrug it off onto the consumer.

I think that in the case of most big aports events you will see them eventually in theaters or else some hero with a big budgef who is peddling breaftast budgies will conclude that his audience will be grateful enough for his product to absorb the difference between box-office profit and sponsor fee.

On the moving-picture side, the-

C. RUARK

sters have been closing like crazy, and there, too, the boys must week with the compromise with the frightening compromise with the frightening compromise with the frightening compromise with the frightening compromense of the TV set. A lot of the entertainment via what I choose to call the silver screen. Difference being ment for free on the TV that some off, like the Garroway show, with the condition of the like the frightening the condition of the

### THEY LOOK BETTER

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You do not stand in a queue to
hear Frankle sing or see Marianne Velour in a picture when
you got Frankle right in your
house and Mariame is as familiar
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will take Miss Elicen Wilson on
VI as a singer rather than pay
for her at the Paramount, because
he is closer to the eye and ear,
and Miss Margaret Whiting comes
mee deeply into my affection if
And for free.
And for free.
For free Sid Caesar and Imogene
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I can see her as well as hear her. And for free.
For free Sid Caesar and Imogene Coca keep me out of night clubs, mostly, and it is merely a matter of time before my boy Bubkin the cameras. This will keep me away from Bushkin's company, which will turn out to be a boon to ug. Jobh. At least I'll get to bed earlier.
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#### Drew Pearson's Johnson Has No Grudge Against Truman Merry-Go-Round

B<sup>1G</sup>, baiding Louey Johnson has taken his demise as Secretary of Defense with far better grace than most men who are bounced from the Cabinet. Another who served in that post cracked up. Others have sulked or turned against the President.

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served in that post cracked by course. Another who served in that post cracked by turned against the Fresident. Johnson, however, has not. In fact, he recently had a friendly talk with the man who fired him. Harry S. Truman—partly as a result of a radio broadcast.

For a time, the Republicans were confident they had Loury Johnson in their corner. They were especially Johnson as a text resizence started, for their counted on Johnson as a text resizence started, for their starting, and the start resizence and the start with the start resizence and the start well have been started with the start resizence and the start well have to say good-bye if you start hitting the Administration on this MacArthur issue. You stay out of it. You never had a real quarrel with Dean Acheson. It was only with some of his subordinates. "Will you sphose Drew and tell him that?" Renfrow asked, Johnson agreed to call and did so.

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"Renfrow then went to the President, told him of the conversation and the President immediately phoned Johnson to thank him. They had a pleasant talk, the first since Loury left the Cabinet.

Lobbying Under The Dome

PHERE'S plenty of lobbying going on in the cocktail I lounges and hotels of Washington. However, it intioften that the lobbyinsts are able to influence Congressmen right under the Capitol Dome in the private dining room of ex-Speaker be Martin of Massachusetts.

Yet that was the mazing feat pulled off recently by plant of the properties of the conference of the confer

Yet that was the amazing feat pulled off recently by popular Congressman Frank Boykin of Mobile, Als.

Boykin is an amazing, storybook character whose motions "Every thing is made for love," and who carries the love motion for fair the block storyed discussions on the recent lobbying luncheon. Members of the Fisheries & Wildlife Committee were invited by Boykin to attend a lunch which Boykin said was to refute Congressman Househalt and the story of the sto

gasted, however, had they known that their genial colleague from Alabama and his four children have a large chunk of stock in the Mobile Paper Co. and that they had equired this stock after Boykin's office had been used to get a \$750,000 loan from the RFC.

Discovery of the unusual our transaction by new RFC Discovery of the unusual caused him to demand the resignation of Congressman Boykin's cousin, Frank Prince, the RFC official who handled the Mobile Paper Co. loan.

## Missouri Friendships Don't Fade

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