

THE CHARLOTTE NEWS

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EISENHOWER'S TRIP TO KOREA

MILIONS of persons breathe easier now Min the knowledge that President-elect Eisenhower's haardous trip (i.e., Koreais over, except for a few remaining days of cruising this side of the buttle sone. The resum of delayed copy from newsmen in Korea and the children of the hilliery and Secret service people, newsmen, and the civilians at Eisenhower's preliminary statement is resuminated. Eisenhower's preliminary statement is resuminated to the state of the millitary and Secret search people, newsmen, and the civilians at Eisenhower's preliminary statement is resuminated. Eisenhower beadquarters in New York deserted the statement is resuminated. Eisenhower beadquarters in New York deserted the statement is resuminated. Eisenhower beadquarters in New York deserted the statement is resuminated. Eisenhower beadquarters in New York deserted the statement is resuminated. Eisenhower beadquarters in New York deserted the Statement is resuminated. Eisenhower beadquarters in New York deserted the Nationalists, whose particular statement is resuminated. Eisenhower beadquarte

COAL DISPUTE POSES A PUZZLER

IT MAY NEVER be known definitely bether President Truman promised John L. Lewis before the election that he would overrule the Wage Stabilization Roard min cater the full \$1.00 a day pay raise for sold miners into effect.

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If that is true, it was a most unpresidential act: But it does not alter certain basic factors that contributed to this unhappy state of affairs.

By and large, we stand on the principle that industry, and labor must return to collective bargaining as the best lengrange hope for industrial peace, and we feel strongly that there has been too much government interference in labor negotiations. In that case, one might ask, why did the Wage Stabilization Board medide with a contract arrived at by collective bargaining, a contract acreptable both to the workers and the mine or office of the present that the present that the present the present

chairman, Archiosal Cox, resigned in pro-test.

If one accepts the argument of Admini-tration critics that the wage-price stabiliza-tion program is a farce and ought to be abandomed compleably, there is nothing to reconcile in this situation. But if one believes that some control of inflationary wages and prices is still needed in the current world emergency, and we so believe, a conviction that collective bargaining should be restored runs into conflict with the convention that contracts arrived at by such bargaining must stay within the allowable inflationary limit. So long as labor chooses to ignore the stabilization controls, and so long as it can get away with it, there is no way to resolve

this conflict. Under the ideal system, both the Mine Workers and the industry would have agreed to submit their contract to the board. The union refused in advance to be bound by the board's ruling, and had not Mr. Truman overruled the board, General Eisenhower would certainly have been faced with a nationwide coal strike when he took

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We do not know by what miracle General Eisenhower and the Republican Party will balance the powers of labor an amanagement in industrial and among during the critical years ahead. But certainly the coal wage chacle has shown the pressing need for a new philosophy and new machinery for another than the property of the coal handling strikes of a national emergency nature. The answer will not be found in punitive legislation, nor will it come from kow-towing to labor in the Truman fashion.

POSY DEPT.

HAVING sided with the League of Women Voters' in its year-long effort to get a trial run for voting matchine & trial run for work of the county Commissioners, and the City Councilmen for authorizing the matchine test in the De. 18 election. The rental charge for one year's use of the 12 machines, \$1,000, seems moderate enough, especially when credit for that amount will be given if and when election officials decide to purchase voting machines. That day, as we see it, will be here sooner or later. In every respect, voting machines are superior to the antiquated paper ballots. They are fast, efficient, foolproof and have been completely satisfactory in all of the bundreds of places where they are now in use.

voting by machine will be a novel experi-ence for Mecklenburgers, but we are quite confident that once they get acquainted with the new system, they'll never want to return to the old.

Chairman Davis has shown that he is alert to the need for modernizing and streamlin-ing the election processes here, and he fully merits this note of commendation.

From The St. Louis Post-Dispatch

FOR THE PRESS' GOOD NAME

Presidential campaign?
The question is open enough that several editors of standing have suggested that a careful study be made. Among these editors are Barry Bingham of the Louisville Courier-Journal, Rosco Drummond of The Christian Science Monitor and J. Donald Ferguson of The Milicenthe Journal. Ence Sevaried of CBS. spoke of one-sided coverage in some quarters and, as readers of the Paul Disprich know, this newspaper also called attention to blast displayed in some newspapers and to blast displayed in some newspapers.

It is urgent, in our opinion, that these charges of unfairness be thoroughly aired and disposed of. If the press and radio generally were unfair let the facts be established. If they were fair let that become known as the fact and so an answer to the

critics.

Our belief is that there is cause for a survey. Reporting on the extensive scale that characterized the 1802 campaign should not be left under a cloud. Before there is another campaign the grave charges about this one ought to be investigated for whatever may be in them. To this admirable end we indorse the proposal and commend Sigms Delta Chi for identifying itself with the idea.



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The Story Behind The News

Why Ike Selected Durkin

THE story of how Gen. Elsenhower came to apply the story of how Gen. Elsenhower came to apply the story of the story of the story of Labor, an appointment which Sen. Robert A. Taft has angrily denounced as "incredible," tells a great deal about the next President of the United States. The story starts with a talk Elsenhower had on Nov. 21, with George Meany, new president of the American Federogree Meany, new president of the American Federogree Meany, new president of the American Federogree Meany.

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Meany made a strong plee for the choice of a union man in the labor post, His theme was that Eisenhower was a national rather than a partyle leader; that labor had no qualifacture and the property of the contraction of the contracti

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Durkin appointment anyway, as the best choice available:

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Quote, Unquote

Reports are that the reason some new model cars will be late this year is on account of the manufacturers hiring women test drivers and the cars won't take that kind of punishment.—Omega (Ga.) News.

If TV Ads Worry Committee, They Might Try This Scheme

By FREDERICK C. OTHMAN

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Ike Wants To Have It Out With Taft Early **Drew Pearson's** Merry-Go-Round

accidental.

It came about partly because the and advisers, having almost completed the Cabinet, looked it over and found no one representing minority groups. It was a Cabinet comprised solely of Protestants, and wealthy Protestants at that. So it was decided that the Secretary of Labor must be either a Catholic or a Jew.

Prior to this, Gor. Alfred Deiscoll of New Jersey had been considered, though he happens to be a Presbrietrian. He fall the must remain in New Jersey.

used.

Durkin became president of the Plumbers Union in 1943, three years after the sult was brought. Since the case was dismissed, some of these practices have been outlewed by the Tat-Vlartley Act.

Taft Blows

Though Thit got credit for appointing his distant counts. Earn Tatt Benson, as Secretary of Agriculture, and George Illumes of Cleveland as Secretary of the Treasure, actually instituted neither. Meanwhile, he was convinced that Devery was passing on if not picking the entire Cabinet. So when all this was climated by the Durkin-Sisclair Weeks appointments, Taft really boiled over.