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### THE LESSON OF ELIZABETH, N. J.

A FELING of holpes froed understands aby fills the minds of many citizens of Elizabeth. New Josep. Three times in less than two motions passenger-laden plane has proposed to the state of the state of

The Congressional inquiry jnto the two preceding crashes, scheduled to begin yesterday, has been postponed because of the most recent crash. Undoubtedly it will be pressed, with a greater sense of urgency, as soon as preliminary investigations into the latest tragedy have been completed.

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error and helliant airmanship is indeed narrow. The wayward winds of state can make
a mediocre airman a here, or one of his superiors a smoldering corpes. Neither science
nor man has truly mastered the air, just as
they sometimes are conquered by the perils
of the sea and, more often, the highway.
Of course, many times more Americans are

to the sea and, more otten, the injurys, of course, many times more Americans are illed each year on highways than in plane, illway and ship accidents. But because these teter tragedies often kill more persons at se time than does the worst automobile

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crash, the larger actidents receive more
publicity. This publicity has resulted in keen
public awareness of the dangers, and by and
large more exacting human and scientific
standards have been laid down for these
means of trasport than, unfortunately, the
automobite. Thus, from the publicity attending the Elizabeth series of creative and one
new regulation, some innovation or device,
which may prevent a similar tragedy in the
future, perhaps in Elizabeth, perhaps in
Charlotte.

Elizabeth faces one problem which plagues
many U. S. clities. Urban areas have grown
up around the airport, which thus has little
room for expansion to accommodate planes
which for safety's sake require longer runways. A crash anywhere in the vicinity of
the airport is likely to hit an occupied building. Charlotte is more fortunate than most
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Nothing we can say or do will assuage the
grief of persons who have lost loved ones at
the jinxed New Jersey sirport. If, however,
sentlment aroused by such crashes is channeled into action toward even greater caution, technique and skill, on land and sea
and in the air, a similar tragedy may be
averted.

### CAUGHT BETWEEN TWO BROADSIDES

CAUGHT between the crossfire from Sen-ators Estes Kefauver of Tennessee and Paul Douglas of Illinois, President Truman is having a bad time of it.

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Uncowed by a concerted White House campaign to block his candidacy. Senator Kefauver hit the President a solid blow in Nashua, N. H., the other night when he

"The ordinary course of a man up the political ladder in the United States is by successive steps from the locality, Ordinarily, he takes an interest in his county, or ward, or city election, perhaps seeks office there, and he may or may not proceed to the State or national level of office and politics.

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"In the locality, however, the moral tone
of his later service... has usually been set.
If the community is one in which the racketeer is the man to see when it comes time
to elect an alderman, judge or mayor, then
we are fortunate if in later service this
man rises above the moral tone of his beginnings."

With a further fling at Mr. Truman's recent press conference wisecrack, Senator Kefauver said "I don't consider it (the N. H. primary) eyewash at all. , I shall be back frequently."

publican Presidential candidates will be picked next July 'by a small group of pro-fessional politicians' because the people have no real direct control over convention dele-vates.

"The people may be faced therefore with hand-me-down candidates who do not really represent the real desires of the rank and file of each party", he added.

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Since melther Senator enjoys the favor of
the White House, there is little to lose by
such frankness. But it is a great relief to
honest Democratic and independent voters
to know that within the Democratic Party
there are still infen of large caliber who are
willing to brave the writh of the White
House and speak out in frank, open language
what is in their minds and hearts.
The Washington Pour recoils wyondrow
Wilson's famed comment:

"It is intolerable that any President should be permitted to determine who should succeed isim—himself or another—by patronage or exerction, or by any sort of control of the machinery by which delegates to the nominating convention are chosen".

Especially, we might add, when the tone of that President's political morality, set in the hurty-burly school of Missouri politics leaves much to be desired.

#### A BANK OF BLOOD IS GOOD INSURANCE

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THERE are, it appears, two ways to encourage vointary blood donation. One
way is for our country to sustain many casunities, in war or in a great national disaster,
such as the "Texas City explosion a few years
ago. The other method is to offer payment
which, for several worthwhile reasons, the
Red Cross does not do.
Since the Korean cease-fire negotiations
began, blood collections have dropped to
one-filmf of the requirement, The local collection center has suffered from this nationwide trend. Donations picked up considerably when two free tickets to a musical show
were given to all donors week before last.
During the three-day period 261, pints were
collected. On Friday alone the total was 128
pints. Them the following Monday, donations
dropped off to 28 pints. Mecklenburg Country
residents donated 1,178 pints, 68 more than
its 1,110-pint quota, but local hospitals used
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go overseas.

On the assumption that patriotism and self-interest are the two primary reasons for blood donations—and with the patriotic motivation dulled by decreased open hostillies—we would like to emphasize the value of collected blood to each citizen. Most of the blood collected in the county is used in the county by those of us who suddenly find

ourselves in need of it. The Red Cross does not receive payment for this blood from the hospital—in fact, it pays the cost of trans-porting it to the hospital. And the hospital gives the patient—perhaps you—this blood, also free. The only charge to the patient is a small fee of around five dollars for cross-matching and administering the blood.

The blood which you give here at the collection center at 510 East Morehead, is insurance for you, free insurance against your own death through loss of blood, and insurance for your friends and loved ones.

Insurance for your friends and loved ones. In addition to maintaining a supply of whole blood for prompt transfusion, it is desirable for a community to have on hand stocks of blood plasma, which unlike whole blood can be stored for long periods of time, and which is administered in cases of disaster such as that at Texas City. It takes about three pints of whole blood to make a pint of blood plasma. So it takes quite a few donations to build up a Feservoir for this community's plasma bank.

Blood donation then, is a two-fold insurance. It is your personal insurance and it is your community's insurance. It costs nothing, Kobody is making a profit on it. We could argue pero and con about some of the administrative practices of the Red Cross, but such argument is beneath and irrelevant to the fact that it is doing a great job, for you.

### PITY THE POOR EDITOR

THE EDITOR of the Henrytat (Okla.)

Doily Free Lonce, undecided whether people sust naturally have indigestion these days or whether his editorials were as lousy as people seemed to think, decided on a little experiment.

On the front page, clearly labeled "An Editorial", he printed the first part of the eith chapter of Matthew, a portion of the Sermon on the Mount. He used a modern version of the Scripture to eliminate words of the King James' version that would stamp it as a passage from the Bible.

"But when you give alms, for don't let your left hand know what your right hand does, so it'll be a secret; and God, who sees in secret, will make the reward. And when you pray, don't pray loud and long just to be seen by others. Go in your room. Shut the door Pray in secret. And while you're praying, don't use a bunch of shallow phrases like some folks do. They think they'll be beard by how much and how long they pray. God knows what you need, anyway."

Sure enough, a reader called up and said "about that editorial on the front page . . . . I don't agree . . . ".

Children are not as well trained as they were 30 years ago, according to a school official. Are parents asleep at the switch?—Fort Myers (Fla.) Rewe-Press.

# Struggle For Control Of FPC **Dwarfs Doings Of Mr. Caudle**

By JOSEPH & STEWART ALSOP

WASHINGTON
TYPE ordinary voters have ever
heard of the commission, and certainly no one
hows pale E. Doty, the career
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# Candidates For Presidency Hand-Picked By Politicians

By JAMES MARLOW

tional Convenious in Cascap-summer. Those 5s conservatives of 1787 agreed with George Mason of Vir-ginia, who thought, "It were as unnatural to refer the choice of a proper character for their chier magistrate to the people as it would be to refer a trial of colour to a blind man."

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And the SS men worked out a plan—liv's in Article 2, section 1, of the Constituion—which, it was expected, would let Congress it-self pick the President 19 times out of 20. Each state would select a group of electors who'd vote for

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# People's Platform

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## Elizabeth II Only Acceded CHARLOTTE

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GEOFFREY H. SUTCLIFFE.

### His Honor's Elephant

CHARLOTTE

Editors, The News:
TOR several months now I have read many little
notes in vour paper about the Hon. Victor
have an elephants. I think I have some good
information for the Mayor.
Elephants love peanuts, but some eat 150
pounds of foot daily, Suppose the Mayor gets an
elephant and it refuses to eat Suprishing but peanuts.
That would be quite expensive.
CLIFF E. WILSON.

## Against UMT

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Against UMT

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for your paper I would like to point out the following facts about the point out the following facts about the vertice conscription. It is of
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subordinate to civil power. Universal military conscription is ann has been used in countries under

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dictators, Germany, Japan, and Russin. That lisely thould be lesson enough for us. Hitter said in "Mein Kampf" "We stand for compulsory military service for every man. It whathpool and, "Avoid me necessity of those overgrown military establishments which under any form of government are assuppicious to liberty."

I suggest that we take a long and hard look at UMT before we endorse it in any form. Certilarly, we shouldn't ever take the way of the condense in the standard of the condense in the co

NEW YORK

## Cancer Can Be Cured

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NEW YORK
Editors, The News:
Positives, an envespaper clipping from The CharJotte News dated Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1982.
Which clipping was sent to me by one of my medical
friends in your city. This clipping is a report of any
county Medical Society and the local branch of the
American Cancer Society.

I have never in my life written to a newspaper
to make any comment, but I am compiled to do so,
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GEORGE T. PACK, M. D.

### Quote, Unquote

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

WASHINGTON
TELLOW Republicans have been whispering behind Bob
Talt's back about the way the Senator from Wigconsin
has been pushing the Senator from Ohio around.
What they are a that McCarthy barked and Talt
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"overstated."

"I don't think anyone who overstates his case helps his own case." was what Taft told the press on Oct. 22. "The extreme attack against General Marshall is one of the things of which I cannot agree with McCarthy. I think some criticism of General Marshall was justified, but he should not have been accused of affiliation with any form of Communism."

of Communism."

This infuriated McCarthy. Shortly thereafter, he connected Taft in the Senate and demanded a repudiation. At first, the Ohloan sidestepped. He tried to placeate McCarthy by repeating in subsequent speeches: "I don't agree with everything McCarthy asys, but we can't criticise McCarthy for starting the Communists-in-Government investigation."

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Of course, McCarthy didn't start the Communists-in-Government probe at all, but jumped on the assabox long after Alger Hiss and William Remington had already been exposed, largeby by the Un-American. Act and the exposed hargeby by the Un-American Act Sensior Nison of California. Yet even this indirect tribute from Taff, didn't astisty the Wisconsin Senator. He began talking toggin to Taff and threatening political reprints. He even hosated about it afterward, until it became common goaling. The California of the California o California. Not even this indirect tribute from Taft, but a stay the Wicconsin Sensior. He began talking it a stay the Wicconsin Sensior. He began talking it of Taft and furcatening political reprisals. He even total about it afterward, until it became common goasip to the Sensie closhrooms.

Finally the harassed Taft knowled down and as-

Taft Pushed Around By McCarthy

nounced on Jan. 21: "McCarthy's investigation has been fully justified. The Administration has been dominated in the Administration has been dominated to the Communist sympathy."

What made this all the more humiliating for Taft was that it was completely one-sided, While he announced his support of McCarthy, one Senator from Wisconsin said nothing about supporting Taft. In fact, on Dec. 14. Orathy came out for Gen. Det Wisconsin said nothing about supporting Taft. In fact, on Dec. 14. President's Land of the Carthy came out for Gen. Det Wisconsin said nothing about supporting Taft. In fact, on Dec. 14. President's Land of Carthy in McCarthy, who defeated MacArthur in Wisconsin's 1948 primary by claiming that MacArthur in Wisconsin's 1948 primary by claiming that MacArthur in Wisconsin's 1948 primary by claiming that MacArthur was "to on secount of his divorce," on secount of his divorce, on secount of his divorce, on the Carthy is now trying to the himself to MacArthur's kite. Meanwhile Senator Taft explains to Republican colleagues privately: "Joe was threatening to come out for Stassen in Wisconsin, and Wisconsin is very important to me. Also I had pressure from Party Isaders to support McCarthy and MacArthur, and General MacArthur.

Note—Though Taft indicates to friends that he isn't happy about his forced alliance with McCarthy, a March of Dimes solicitor calling on the Taft home the other evening discovered Senator McCarthy settle constonably at the Taft dinner table.

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names to Secretary of State Acheson on request. Later he upped the figure to 81. But so far McCarthy has supplied the name of no one who has been proved a Communist, and Senator Tydings of Maryland still has a Storm offer to McCarthy on the second offer to McCarthy on the second of the McCarthy of the second of the Storm of the

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Tary of Defense, has had three private tails with the
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into Democrat, ranks.
But Johnson was quite unenthiciastic,
"I don't think I could very well go to
he aid, "with my reputation for having been fired, and ex
pect to make a successful political appeal."
The President didn't comment on this, but asked his
ex-Secretary of Defense what he thought of the political sit-

ex-Secretary or Percent was to unation.

'I don't think Eisenhower will get anywhere," Johnson told friends that he replied. "But I think he has enough strength to block Taft. In the case of that deadlock I think Mea-Arbur will B, the nominee, and he is one man. Mr. President, you can't best."