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### CAN BYRNES AFFORD TO CAST STONES?

A RE-READING of Whittaker Cham-bers' Wreness in the light of the re-cent inquiry into the Harry Dexter White story turns up some rather interesting angles.

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they suggested, and they had no specifie one initially.

Later on in his testimony, Hiss said he thought it was in "March or April" of 1946 that Secretary Byrnes had talked with him.

According to a formal statement issued to the press, Mr. Byrnes, now governor of South Carolina, said that he personally dissussed the FBI report on Harry Decker White with former President Truman on Feb. 6, 1946, and urged Mr. Truman to the Monetary Fund post.

The record does not show whether an FBI report on Hiss had been circuitated to high government officials at that time, although Chamber's had told his story to the FBI as early as 1941, and talked with other FBI agents several other times prior to 1946.

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other FBI agents several other times prior to 1946.

Even without an FBI report, It would seem that Secretary Byrnes, who had been so alert to the danger from White's alleged espionage on Feb. 6, 1946, was strangely unconcerned in March or April of 1946 over the possibility that his own of 1946 over the possibility that his own greater that the casual attitude toward the threat of communist infiltration of the executive branch of government was not limited to the White House.

### KEEP THIS RIGHT OF PRIVACY SECURE

WHEN Attorney General Brownell was concluding his testimony in the White case last week, he repeated his de-sire for a law that would allow the government to use wire-tap evidence to prove its espionage cases. He reasoned thusly:

its present state."

R is possible that the admission of evidence obtained by wire-tappers would further protect the security of the nation. It is equally possible that the admissibility of wire-tap evidence would diminish the security of the individual. Some may say that only spies need fear such a law. It is not so simple as that. Telephone conversations could be easily

sions could me trawn trom innocent re-marks.

Were this nation in serious Jeopardy because of internal subversion, a case could perhaps be made for the proposed infringement of the right of privacy. How-ever, this nation managed to get along, without this infringement, during a period when Communists indeed infiltrated the government, and when the Justice De-partment was lax in using existing laws against them. Surely a Justice Department headed by a man as alert to the dangers of communism as Mr. Brownell is will be able to combat Internal subversion, much less a menace today than it was a decade ago, at least as well as his predecessors did.

We cannot, as President Eisenhower said last week, live in fear of each other forever. There is no need for this pro-posed infringement of personal security in the name of national security.

### ANTI - COMMUNISM AS A CAMPAIGN ISSUE

THE President and the chairman of the Republican National Committee don't see eye-to-eye on the communistal-agovernment issue. The President says that he hopes the Reds-in-government question will not be an issue in the '54 campaign.

GOP Chairman Hall says that the issue will be one of the main ones in the campaign.

paign.

He cites as proof of Republican anti-communism the fact that 1,456 security risks were ousted from the government under the first four months of the new

alty.

For example, Army Secretary Stevens announced last week that none of the 33 persons suspended at Fort Monmouth as security risks were suspended for dis-

as security risks were suspended for dis-loyalty reasons. Furthermore, during five years of loy-alty proceedings under the Truman ad-ministration, 6,900 persons were dismissed or allowed to resign after their loyalty had been questioned. The Truman admin-istration concerned itself only with disloy-alty in determining security risks. An administration that runs on an

A CAMPAIGN ISSUE

"anti" platform rather than a positive one is taking a calculated risk. It is true that the Democrata ran "against" former President Hoover for many years. But their campaign would have had little effect on take the control of t

cram that sought to sever the roots of communism.

The administration that initiated Point IV. conceived and executed the Marshall Plan. shaped the Truman Doctrine to aid Greece and Turkey, broke the Berlin blockade, stopped Soviet aggression in Korrea, prosecuted Alger Hiss, the Rosenbergs and a host of Communist leaders, does not have to apologize for its record on anti-communism. It can run on that record with pride if it chooses to. And the Republicags would be well-advised to heed the voice of their President and, instead of campaigning against a dead spy and a former President, concentrate on establishing a record of positive accomplishment.

From The Hortford Courant

### CONSIDER THE TOMATO

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'There's Some Things I Want You To Dig Up Next Year'



### A Story Out Of The Past

# The 'Plot' That Failed

WASHINGTON

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as revived by Attorney General Herbert Brownell Jr. may
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FBI report while they were in government.
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By JAMES MARLOW

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# **Courageous Defense Decision** Overshadowed By Spy Story

By STEWART ALSOP

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

Secretary of State Dulles is not hapby, to put it mildly, over Vice President Nison's impromptu diplomacy on his
Far Eastern tour. He fresh tan Nison has
reached for too many headlines, may have
put personal publicity ahead of American foreign policy.

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Foot-In-Mouth Talbott

Nixon's Diplomacy Disturbs State Dept.