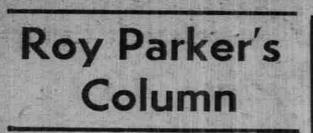
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**BAWLING BOB THOMPSON** came to U. N. C. last week and really put us in the know.

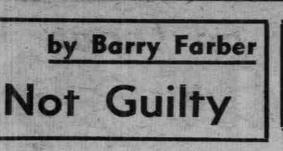
THE HIGH POINT editor talked before the Phi, and while not many folks heard him, the DTH splashed his remarks pretty big.

signiz LOT OF NOT-fully-informed students might get the idea Bawling Bob is an "unbiased newsman giving the true facts about North Carolina politics." T'aint so, as far as we are concerned.

HERE'S WHY: Mr. Thompson is undoubtedly a very outspoken newspaperman, and he is also pretty good at reporting straight news. Trouble with Bob is like quite a few newspaperfolk --- he will and does take advantage of his writing position to use the straight facts, and other not-sofactual facts, to put over the . can't find it in the dictionary, things and people he is pushing. Newspaper people-most of 'em are like other folks. They like to be on the winning side politically, and they like (and this is the biggest like) to have their written opinions heeded by those in office.

NOW BAWLING BOB missed the boat in his political picking here a few years back. He had been a comfortable member-ingood-standing of the folks who were running Tar Heel state affairs. But when the Kerr Scott era began, Bawling was no longer on the direct pipeline. He had to shoot in the dark. He wasn't given the consideration he had once received. And his opinions and suggestions were seldom headed

IN HIS SPEECH, Bawling Bob lamented the terrible state of Tar Heel affairs, bemoaned the



I'd like to take time out this morning to give thanks and congratulations to Dick Murphy, my colleague and nursemaid up at the NSA convention in Minneapolis last summer.

Murphy earns my congratulations for being chosen to represent the students of America on UNESCO. (United Nations Eco. nomic, Social, and Cultural Organization.) He earns my thanks for taking such good care of me all through the mid-summer marathon on the Mississippi; For faithfully diluting my daquiris with ginger ale and tenderly fishing me out whenever I fell into an open manhole.

Murphy is perfectly suited for his new position on UNE-SCO. The guy's an authority on everything from parliamentary procedure to glass blowing in pre-Renaissance Estonia. If you encyclopedia, or world almanac--don't be discouraged. Just ask Murphy.

Besides being very heavily educated, Mr. Murphy has a list of qualifications that would stretch from here to the Gimghoul Castle. He's confident. (Does crossword puzzles with a fountain pen.) He's impressive. (Murphy could convince a jealous wife that he hired a beautiful young secretary for her efficiency.) He's aggressive. (Murphy could walk through a revolving door behind you and come out ahead of you.) On top

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## by David Alexander

## **Reviews And Previews**

Instead of giving you a review on a film today, I should like to take this opportunity to pay a personal tribute to one of the finest young actors to appear on the Hollywood horizon in over a decade, the late Robert Walker.

Perhaps the best tribute to his acting is an unreleased film, "My Son John," in which he starred with Helen Hayes, but certainly "Strangers On a Train" is the film which will long linger in your memory as one of his best films.

Robert married in early life, and practically starved before ever gaining any recognition in motion pictures. After he, and his wife, Jennifer Jones, achieved stardom, they were divorced. Bob, father of two sons, always hoped to get back together with his wife and family, but fate dealt quite a different hand. As it turned out, he became dejected, and fast lost

of that he's a confirmed humanitarian. (He'd give you the glasses off his nearsighted eyes.)

Murphy was far and away the most well known figure up at the NSA convention. On the opening night a reception was given for ex-Governor and potential President Harold Stassen. As Murphy and Mr. Stassen were chatting near the punch bowl, 500 people were whispering, "Who's that tall fellow standing over there beside Dick Murphy?"

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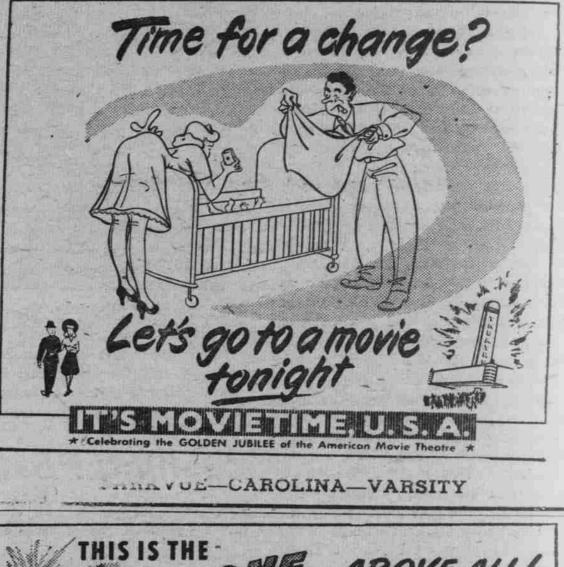
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ground in Hollywood. Metro Hollywood Mayer did all in its power to help him, and laid plans for a terrific comeback. He made his return, yet never lived to realize it.

I don't like to think of Robert Walker as just another confused and pampered star who couldn't take it when the going was "rough," and for the thousands of fans who watched him grow from immature boy roles in "Ba-

taan" and "Since You Went Away," through the popular Hargrove series, into a seasoned actor portraying the late Jerome Kern in "Till the Clouds Roll By" and Brahms in "Song of Love," I feel confident that Bob was making a sincere effort to regain his health, as well as his self respect. There is just no foretelling what a great career he had in store for him, had he lived.

When someone like Bob passes on, it is indeed difficult to express an opinion, but June Allyson said something which will serve for all of us who watched and admired an excellent performer, "We'll miss him!"





lack of enlightened leadership in the state, and hinted at terrible scandals in the present administration. Of course, he didn't say what they were. And, shooting at shadows again, we blandly asserted as a fact that the Governor and Mr. William Umstead had made a "trade" so that Mr. Umstead could be Governor and Mr. Scott could fulfill his "lifelong ambition" to run for the U.S. Senate.

PERFECT EXAMPLE: Bawling Bob's speech ought to be used as an example in a textbook on politics. It was a clas- . sie of what the "on-the-outside" political writer and speaker should say. Shooting at shadows, recalling the glorious past, hinting dire misdeeds and bemoaning the "low state" of present affairs are the stock in trade of such folks. We would do the same if we were in Bawling Bob's shoes. Except we could never match his effectiveness.

JUST FOR THE RECORD then, let's put Mr. Thompson's remarks in their proper perspective. Mr. Thompson is reading what he sees on his side of the coin. But, the trouble is, Bawling Bob called tails and it came out heads. But he evened his calling up. He bet Smith instead of Graham. And that was sure calling his shot. He turned up a real head in our junior Senator. But then, we're now talking like Mr. Thompson

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