IT IS MY CONCLUSION THAT TRUMAN WILL NOT BE AN INSPIRING PRESIDENT, BUT THAT HE CAN AND WILL BE ELECTED. HE HAS KEPT HIS SPEECHES GENERALIZED (EXCEPT FOR LAST NIGHT IN SALT LAKE CITY TABERNACLE); FOR THE VERY REASON THAT HE HAS NO NEED OF BEING SPECIFIC, I BELIEVE THAT IF THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF GIVING THE AMERICAN PEOPLE A DETERMINATION AND MOBILIZING THEM IN THE UNITY DEWEY HAS HAPPPENED AT, IT WILL HAVE TO BE THE REPUBLICANS THAT DO IT.

BENEATH DEWEY'S PLEASANT EXTENSION, THERE IS DISCERNIBLE A NAIVENESS THAT MAY BE EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED IF IT DOESN'T GO TOO FAR.

HE HAS AN ELEMENT OF PERSONAL PIQUE WHICH MAY CAUSE HIM A GREAT DEAL OF TROUBLE. HE LET IT TO BE UPPERMOST AT SPOKANE WHEN ONE OF THE STAGEHANDS KNEW THE MUSIC GOING VIA LOUDSPEAKER AFTER DEWEY WAS READY TO SPEAK. "WOULD SOMEONE PLEASE CLOSE THE DOOR WHO IS KEEPING UP THAT MUSIC?" DEWEY ASKED WITH EVIDENT DISPLEASURE. IT WAS SMALL BUT SIGNIFICANT. THIS PETULANCE MAY COST HIM HEAVILY IN THE WHITE HOUSE, WHEN HE STARTS DEALING WITH CONGRESSMEN AND SENATORS HE CAN'T CONTROL.

THERE IS DISCERNIBLE IN HIS ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS A LACK OF FEELING FOR THE OFFERINGS. HE HAS YET TO TRY ON A HAT OR WAR BONNET. HIS STAFF SOMETIMES HAS A LOW BELLINGPOINT. A CHANCE REMARK BY A TAXI DRIVER, THAT THE PRESS OUGHT TO GIVE TRUMAN AND THE POOR PEOPLE A BREAK, SET ONE MAN'S FACE CRIPSON. BROUGHT THE ACID
RESISTANCE TO MIX WITH THE MOBS AFTER A SPEECH IS DELIVERED.
THE ADRIFT RETURN TO EXCLUSION OF THE TRAIN, DISPLAY A CHILL WARMED
OVER ONLY BY THE OFFICIAL CHAOS TURNED ON BEFORE THE DELIVERY.

DEWEY'S PRESCRIPTION FOR DEALING WITH RUSSIA SOUNDS OMINOUS;
IT IS ONE THING TO BE FRUSTRATED EVEN HARD WITH UNDERLINES YOU CAN FIX;
QUITE ANOTHER TO TELL UNCLE JOE HE'S GOT TO STOP HERE AND NOW
HIS BLUFFING; IT SEEMS TO ME THAT DEWEY MIGHT BE TOO HARD AND SIEVLESS
A NEGOTIATOR; I WONDER IF HE KNOWS HOW TO GIVE AT STRATEGIC POINTS,
WHICH IS VITAL IN NEGOTIATION. BUT HE CAN LEARN; LET'S HOPE
HE LEARNS FAST ENOUGH.

CERTAINLY, HE WILL BE RUTHLESS IN HANDLING GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL;
ALL SOFTNESS AND SENTIMENTALITY WILL GO OUT OF THE GOVERNMENT WHEN
HE COMES IN. IT WILL BE A GOOD THING, TO MANY PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON
THINK THEY HOLD A QUITE CLAMP ON THE PUBLIC TEAT. DEWEY IS
JUST RUTHLESS ENOUGH TO BLAST THEM OFF WHOLESALE.

THAT IS EVIDENT IN HIS ATTITUDE, WORKS. IT WILL BE ALL TO
PROFIT; I THINK DEWEY WILL RESOLVE ANY DOUGHS AS BETWEEN PERSONS AND
GOVERNMENT IN FAVOR OF GOVERNMENT. THERE WILL BE AN ALMOST FRIGHTENING
EFFICIENT, COLD, PRECISE, CHISELED, THAT WILL SERVE
IN MANY WAYS TO CHILL INSPIRATIONAL QUALITIES. HE WILL BE SOUNDLY
DAMMED IN BOTH PARTIES AS LITTLE CAESAR, EIGHT MONTHS LATER JANUARY
TWENTY, BUT HE WON'T GIVE A DAMN. HE WILL PLAY HIS POLICIES
BY NOTE AND NOT FROM THE HEART.

THERE WILL BE AN ELEMENT OF THE UNDERCOVER AND IN HIS ADMINISTRATION.
THIS much we know. trusted lieutenants will be spotted in every
BOARD AND BUREAU, JUST TO WATCH, REPORT, ADJUDGE. THE
GOP WILL CHEER ITSELF SILLY ON INAUGURATION DAY, BUT IT WILL HAVE
AN AWFUL POLITICAL HANGOVER WHEN DEWEY STARTS TO OPERATE.
I doubt if Dewey will be able to mobilize and generate a vast conception of policy, for all his high works on this trip certainly we won't arouse the great emotional following of Roosevelt. You can't warm up to Tom Dewey but you can and do respect his ability. If anything, we've had too much emotion, too much country backshop camaraderie in government. And that's another argument for his election. We won't like it a damned bit in but it may be good for us to swallow it. We have hell of a time forcing the bok on other nations. My hunch is the world is going to get a rough jolt about February. The question is, can Tom Dewey make it come off. I don't know. Therein is an element of danger.

The magnificent generalizations of his speeches have a tendency to lead people to expect more than is intended. No man can be as politically, morally, economically effective as Dewey has pledged himself to be. After all, Christ isn't in politics now. This appraisal is offered as one man's opinion. Dewey certainly knows how to seize the political initiative. His Salt Lake City speech on foreign affairs demonstrated that. Very rarely is the incumbent the underdog. Truman certainly is.

The Salt Lake performance was great. The street crowds were not quite as good as Truman's, but the great, beautifully inspiring tabernacle was filled with fully eight thousand. Truman had almost as many. Elder (And President) M pomp George Albert Smith, white-gowned, nearly eighty, gave Dewey two boxes of Utah apples, was graciousness itself--as with Truman. Reporters were per at the Tabernacle gates and warned to ditch their cigarettes. Inside the great auditorium, George T. Hansen, national committee man, read off a list of instructions...
REMEMBERING THE AUDIENCE THEY WERE IN SOLEMN TEMPLE OF GOD AND TO DO
NOTHING INCOMPATIBLE WITH THAT, NO OVERLONG AND ROWDY APPLAUSE,
NO SMOKING, NO UNSEELY CONDUCT. THE PROGRAM WAS TELEVISION,
ONLY ONE SO FAR, AND DEWEY DIDN'T SHAVE FOR IT. HE WORE A
RICH BLUE SATIN SUIT. FIVE VETERANS FROM THE HOSPITAL HAD FRONT
ROW SEATS. THE GREAT ORGANS, RISING TIER UPON TIER TO THE
IMMENSE PIPES OF THE GRAND ORGAN, WAS A BIT OF RED AND WHITE
GLADIOLA, ZINNIA, CHRYSANTHEMUMS. THE AUDIENCE OVERFLOWED
THE GREAT TABERNACLE JAMMED ALL STANDING ROOM. DEWEY GOT A FULL
MINUTE OF APPLAUSE WHEN INTRODUCED BY SENATOR WATKINS.

HE READ HIS SPEECH WITH ONLY ONE OR TWO STUMPS ON COMMONPLACE
WORDS, GOT TWENTY THREE APPLAUSE, AFTER FORMAL DELIVERY, DEWEY
WAITED, SAID THE "NOW THAT WE ARE FREE OF ENCUMBRANCES OF RADIO"
HE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A FEW MORE REMARKS. HE THANKED THE CHURCH
FOR ITS HOSPITALITY, REMARKE THE ESSENTIAL SINCERITY OF THE RELIGION,
THAT THE PEOPLE SENDED TO LIFE CLOSER TO GOD. HE TOLD HOW HE HAD
TALKED WITH ELDER SMITH ABOUT THE GREATNESS OF BRIGHAM YOUNG, HOW
SMITH HAD EXPLAINED THAT BRIGHAM HAD THE HELP OF MANY GREAT MEN AND WOMEN.
DEWEY HE CALLED THAT HE HAD OFTEN LISTENED TO THE GREAT
CHOIR, AND ONCE HAD ASPIRATIONS IN THAT LINE HIMSELF. HE SAID
ONE OF THE MOST THRILLING MOMENTS OF MY LIFE" HAD OCCURRED
WHEN ON ANOTHER VISIT HE AND MRS. DEWEY HEARD THE GREAT CHOIR.
THE ORGAN HAD BEEN STILLED FOR MONTHS, UNDERGOING REPAIR. WOULD
THE ORGANIST, ALEXANDER SCHREINER, PLAY FOR THE GATHERING,
DEWEY ASKED

FIRST SCHREINER PLAYED AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL WITH AN ETHereal TOUCH.
IT GOT RIGHT INTO YOUR INNER POST SELF, THEN WE DID LEAD KINDLY
LIGHT. FINALLY, HE Rendered AMERICA. DEWEY STEPPED UP TO THE
Rothschild with Mrs. Dewey, started singing and motioned the audience to join in. It is really something to hear eight thousand people in a vast, resounding Tabernacle singing to the accompaniment of undoubtedly the world's greatest pipe organ. It literally tore at you. But this simple gesture, Dewey certainly won plenty, it was terrific. Thursday.

Today we have hit Green River, Rock Springs and Rawlins in Wyoming. Two hundred and eight hundred, nothing noteworthy. Two buck antelope fight it out for herd supremacy on the prairie, a butting contest just like politics.

The End