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THINGS TO COME"
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Eisenhower, including the NEWS,
are holding their collective breaths campaign machine falter in its wellmeaning but ineffectual attempt to win the coming election.
win the coming election.
Given all the political breaks obtainable, the Republican chances this tainable, the Republican chances this
year are slight. The only possibility year are sight. The only possibility
of breaking the 20-year hold on the of breaking the 20-year hold on the
White House front door key, we feel, White House front door key, we feen,
was in picking a radically different campaign technique and following it through in the hope of attracting
enough intriqued independents for victory,
Ike's campaign as yet just doesn't Republican candidates seem to LETTERS to the EDITOR
have an uncanny ability for learning nothing from the election mistakes of their defeated predecessors. Since the first election held during World War II, in 1944, GOP presidential campaign masterminds have stuck to the same monotonous tune that a change is needed in the White House occupancy.
Needless to say this cry hasn't and won't win elections. People are eating too well. This fact calls for something more startling in a campaign theme. No one is going to vote against what they consider-the fullest proswhat they conside
perity obtainable.
Voters are not like Republican presidential aspirants-they have apt memories. Lost mortgages, tumbling stocks and bread lines of the early
30 's stand out vividly as a GOP-caus30 's stand out vividly as a GOP-caus-
ed national tragedy. This blame is fallacious, but nonetheless realistic to most who have pulled the Democratic handle at the polls every other November since FDR offered his services as a national saviour.
Ike's chances at convention time were about $50-50$ to switch the roles of "ins" and "outs". This amateur political prophet feels Ike's chances are slipping weekly. Probably only a miracle in national or world affairs entirely out of his hands will save he 1952 campaig
We don't mind voting for a loser each presidential election, since this will only be the second time we've
done so. We are sympathetic, howdone so. We are sympathetic, how-
ever, with the declining number of ever, with the declining number of
die-hards who will be doing it for
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