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VIRGINIA IS READY—Members of the Virginia delegation to the Washington and Lee University 1956 Democratic Mock Convention hang the traditional "Mother of Presidents" banner over their campaign headquarters in Lexington as a final preparation for the two-day event which opens Monday. Left to right, the students are Steve Quillen, Lebanon, Va.; chairman of the Old Dominion delegation; Jim Thompson, Rustburg, Va.; and Doug Frith, Bassett, Va. The man under the ladder is unidentified.

PROTECTION FOR THE EX-VEEP—Charged with the "safety" of keynote speaker Senator Alben W. Barkley during his appearance at Washington and Lee's 1956 Democratic Mock Convention, four student "secret service" agents check plans of the route of the kick-off parade which the ex-Veep will lead. The agents are, left to right, Mike Epstein, Plainfield, N. J.; Phillipe Labro, Paris, France; Robert Curran, Chester, Pa.; and Howard Jacobs, Freeport, N. Y.

STEVENVSON BACKERS—Joseph Chatman, foreground, of Webster Springs, Ill., and Alex Platt, Riverside, Conn., work on a huge "Stevenson for President" banner which they will display at the 1956 Democratic Mock Convention which opens at Washington and Lee University Monday.