

Samuel Grafton Democrats Looking for Magic Name

IT LOOKS AS IF Mr. Truman will win the Democratic nomination...

THE business of hoping that some one magic name can come along and sweep a major convention off its feet seems to be growing...

AND ANYWAY, Wilkie reached a point where he had matured to the kind of character he ultimately became...

THIS HAS been the year of the Great Fantasy, a feeling on the part of liberals, especially the amateurs...

IF THE Name-ists really want to do anything for Douglas, they had better stop dreaming about sweeping through to victory on the basis of shouts from the gallery...

Bearing Down On the News

JUST ten years ago we asked Joe Connolly for a vacation and were told okay if we got up our world news six weeks in advance...

Washington Background Rumors Force Senator To Cancel Visit to Phila.

By The Inquirer Washington Bureau Staff

WASHINGTON, July 4. FIVE DAYS before the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia...



SENATOR DOWNEY

Representative Hugh D. Scott, Jr., the new chairman of the Republican National Committee, is wearing these days a belt which he picked up in Bangkok, Siam...

A female Casper Milquist has turned up at the Atomic Energy Commission here. It seems that a stenographer recently hired by the AEC asked her boss whether it was right for her to smoke in the office...

The earthquake which hit the Ionian island of Levkas followed so close upon the destructive quake that leveled Fukui in Japan that it recalled the late Lafcadio Hearn...

One railroad that doesn't have to float a bond issue to expand is the famed Capitol's monumental shortline hauls Senators to and from the Senate Office Building...

Thinking through the telephone book in Arlington, Va., for prospective members of the Arlington Republican Club, a party worker's eye fell on the name: Warren Dewey, 213 N. 24th st.

Sylvia Porter Wage-Price Boost in Steel May Revive Inflation Whirl

ANY day now, the whisper goes, Big Steel will announce a third-round wage increase—and a third-round price increase too.

THE answer to the second question is not so obvious but here is the way my business friends give it to me: The only reason U. S. Steel is making such profits today is because it was in business before the war...

MAYBE it isn't U. S. Steel's fault. But the fact is this corporation is more than a giant combine in a giant industry. Steel is a symbol of all that is big and mighty in American business.

BIO steel's profits are terrific. In 1947, this one corporation earned \$127,000,000, equal to a return of 7.4 per cent on its investment. Last year alone, it collected over two billion (billion!) dollars from sales of its products and services...

WHY another price increase now? Especially since there is overwhelming evidence that Big Steel's earnings will remain at fabulously high levels for a long, long time?

George Sokolsky Cominform Uses Lash on Puppet States

THE significance of the Tito attack by the Cominform is not what happens to Tito but the further evidence it provides that Soviet imperialism has forced nations of Europe and Asia to become colonies...

THERE have been four internationalists to date: the first, the Workingmen's Association, organized by Karl Marx in 1848. Marx moved this International from London to New York in order to kill it when Bakunin and his followers contested Marx's personal supremacy.

WHEN Lenin organized the Third International in 1918, he showed violent hatred for the Second International, so much so that it was possible to say that a Communist hates a Socialist more than he does a Capitalist.

LEON TROTSKY, when he was in refuge in Mexico, attempted to organize the Fourth International. What he might have done with that it is impossible to say, since he was brutally murdered by one of Stalin's agents.

Now the Cominform has been organized to take the place of the Third International. Its master mind is Andrei A. Zhdanov, Stalin's deputy and possibly his successor. The Cominform differs from the latter in a revolutionary and propagandistic organ, the former actually holds a number of nations in thrall.

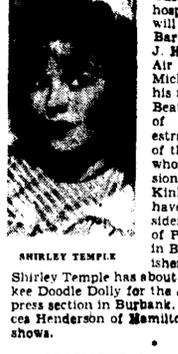
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Ed Sullivan MEN AND MAIDS, AND THE STUFF — Entertainment bill over the July 4th holiday weekend for 227 Catskill, Adirondack, Berkshire and New York lake hotels...

COAST REPORTS Army-U.S.C. has arranged grid games at New York and Los Angeles, '50 and '51... No decision on gambling at Saratoga for a week or 10 days...

Gossip of the Nation Walter Winchell

NEW YORK, July 4. AN ABOUT TOWN—Hey, this is worth \$17,000! The answer to the "Hit the Jackpot" program on CBS is "23 Skiddoo"...



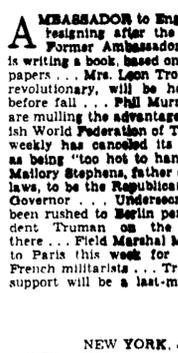
SHIRLEY TEMPLE

ASSOCIATED Press chief Kent Cooper's mission abroad is so "top secret" this columnist wonders if it is to meet J. S. Y. The daughter of Brazil's Ambassador Martin, now in Paris for two years...

Rudy Vallee wrote Arthur Godfrey that, since he was happy to hear of his great radio success, he has "Rudy" first: "I appreciate your 1934... It was Walter Winchell who first did so. He wrote me three months before... If it hadn't been for him, who knows—the break may never have come."

THE pastor of the Episcopal church in Beaumont, Calif., is named Bingham Crosby... Melody Thompson told her former husband that she isn't secretly scared, as suspected around town...

SCRAMBLED POLITICS: Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt will decline the honor of being a Democratic Vice Presidential nominee but will urge appointment of another woman to the cabinet...



MAYOR O'DWYER

MEMBERSHIP in the England Lewis Douglas will be assigning after the British election... Former Ambassador John O. Winant's widow is writing a book based on her husband's confidential papers...

Ed Sullivan Broadway Books quoting 5 to 1 that General Eisenhower won't run, despite the Democratic panic... The Dr. Edgar Mayer's back from their honeymoon...

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much in love after 15 years, too... Summer must be here because seven huge billboards are empty because agencies are forcing patrons to buy tickets for two other shows when they want "Mr. Roberts"...

FORMER KING FERDINAND of Bulgaria lives on a food parcel sent to him by G. Phillips of Falls City, Neb. The beautiful Mrs. Wm. Woodward, Jr., is bedded in Rome with mumps... The Runyon Fund thanks the Trotting Association of Westbury, L. I., for the \$7500 check...

U. S. INTELLIGENCE will be completely overhauled... John Foster Dulles' brother Allan has said Truman's bid to become Ambassador to France... John C. Hoagland of the B. W. Orr agency will conduct 15 lectures at N.Y.U. in Sept. He says a bomber pilot... Arline Judge and George Ross, Jr. are still playing footy...

THE Queen Elizabeth has 17 bars... When the Cope's rhumbad leader F. Alvarez and his wife are divorced soon, she'll wed a Texan named Dr. Peter Kellaway... Ruth W. Taylor (with her husband's name) is now Mrs. Richard B. Ober of an Summer, Me. family... They met while waiting for their divorces in Fla... Greer Garson's most persistent suitor phones her daily from Texas... He's an oil millionaire... Jerry Mayer (nephew of the McGuffin) and Marie Windsor, new glamour gal at the El Comodoro... All that excitement on East 58th st. (at a fashionable hotel) comes from a young lady on the ninth floor, whose hobby is chucking beer bottles into the street... Vice Squads are gunning for a gang of "knockout bells" gals operating in midtown hotels... "Lulu Belle," which got four notices, attracted only \$400 in one day and nights... We hear the winner of CBS's "Sing It Again" quiz program has a ready-made name for the "Living American" was Bernard Baruch's name of a car. She has three!

Danton Walker ference between American, British and French leaders.

PRINCE GEORGE of Denmark, recently made president of a Royal Danish Guards Society in London, is the most likely contender for the hand of Princess Margaret Rose... Josephine Baker in San Francisco... Not Oswald's fantasy about what would have happened had she won the war, titled "Peace in Our Time," is on John C. Wilson's fall production schedule... Rita Hayworth, Lucienne Boyer and Edith Piaf are among the stars who will appear at a monster festival sponsored by the Italian Government in Naples July 15... George Marzilian, owner of Omar Khayyam's in San Francisco, is back from Germany to report on food conditions of our Army of Occupation... George Washington Hill, with the rank of Colonel, also is doing some sub rosa work for the Army... Plans are afoot to build the world's largest air port in Miami, to control all international air traffic on the East Coast... Jorge Paesoni, of baseball fame, is constructing a huge private airport over the Mexican border, to handle the biggest cargo plane.

JON LOUIS no longer owes Mike Jacobs even the price of a subway ride... Marshall Field is rumored to have bought a controlling share of Simon and Schuster publishing stock... Mrs. Gen. David Barnhart is on the ailing list... Mrs. Frank G. Henderson, the lady of the hour (famed for her first nite photograph at the Met Opera) is recuperating from another operation... A flock of title book names being dropped from the next Social Register added, Gene Tunney, may head a film firm devoted to The Bard's work... Ring Lardner, Jr., is working on a play for Lucille Goddard and Burgess Meredith... Virginia Hill is back from her first nite in Las Vegas... Columbia is going ahead on the Al Capone picture, in spite of everything... It will be an October wedding for lovely Marie Toggie of the N. Y. World Telegram drama desk and ABC television ace Harold Friedman... If the Dodgers don't watch their language (and their actions) look for ownership of television to be proposed.

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Ed Sullivan Virginia Bruce, lovely but lonely, dining at the headquarters with her members. She is so clear in getting her husband, Al, her, back in this country than when the quota number would first started... Anne Arden Stone, "Grand Old Man of Football," is offering his life story for the movie, "The Hunter," see sports writer of the Los Angeles Examiner, does the screenplay... Ronald Reagan and Doris Day have been getting around a little, but don't tab it for the real thing... Dorothy Manners is substituting for Louella Parsons, who is on vacation.

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Hollywood Joan Wants Franchot as Her Co-Star

By Dorothy Manners

WHEN I asked Joan Crawford whether it was true that she wants Franchot Tone, her ex, as her co-star in "Miss O'Brien," she said: "He is perfect for the part and I hope he likes the idea of doing it. It is jumping the gun to say he is set for the part because we are not around to casting, or even a release."

"I think Franchot is a fine actor—we are very friendly—and there is no one with whom I would rather make the picture." Love that girl! She always gives a straight answer...

Marilyn Maxwell and Michael North will be married in September. The streamlined blonde files out of New York tomorrow row to catch up with the Jack Benny show in London and says no wedding because he is away until her return... Adding to a noyance that has a hater in her is the European... Lulu Belle... Helen Young is so homesick for her boy friend, Bill Shay that when he telephoned Paris a few nights ago and asked her to marry him, the answer was a quick "yes."

Charlie Skouras, head of the Youth Month Drive (September), is sending a wonderful example of what can be done in this campaign... He is bringing to this country, from Brisbane, Australia, six-year-old John Reid, a little boy deprived of the power of speech when he was stricken with inflammation of the brain, for treatment at the Institute of Logopedics.

Amidst tables groaning with hors d'oeuvres and later sumptuous supper, the honey of a cocktail party hosted by Maybelle and Clifton Webb started in the patio sunlight and went on and on and on... The star-studded affair served as a preview of Clifton's charming new house in Beverly Hills... What a turnout! When the piano player sat down, I thought sure a slender character standing beside him was going to break into a song. But, no. It was just Gerbo in a gaucho hat, talking to Jimmy Kaye... Steve Crawford, bare-headed and half-shorn short, was with Greg Kessler... Steve Jansal, just shaved by Tommie Adams, looking over a newspaper account of his unpaid romance with a dead-pan expression...

Clark Gable lingering long and lingering with Liz Taylor... David Niven, hurriedly embarrassed over his pink hair, explaining to "everybody the eye job was for his "old man" scenes in "The Bandwagon"...

Hollywood in shorts: Randolph Churchill, Winston's son, in El Morocco with Pat Smart, requesting "no pictures, please." Kathryn Grayson and Johnny Johnston can't see "Mr. and Mrs. Tatum" for their radio show, because a team in the East has previous claim on the title... Had George M. Cohan lived, he would have been 79 years old today... Betty Hutton, in San Francisco, worried because her voice is giving out before the second week and all these theatergoers record-breaking vaudeville dates ahead... Tony Martin and Cyd Charisse home from London and Paris for his Monday night opening at "Slap My Ham"...

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