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## Supreme Court Needs Judge Parker

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Justice Jackson was the bane of devious attorneys His questions and comments cut through doubletalk and extraneous issues, straight to the heart of issues. And he was a joy to newsmen and laymen in that his concise opinions were comprehensible to non-lawyers. His death underscores the great deficiency of the Court as now constituted. It includes several men with rich experience in legal administrative work, as Jackson had But only one of the justices. Sherman Minton, has had any prior experience whatsoever on the bench he was a U. S. Court of Appeals judge for eight years.) unless you want to ourselling reasons for the advancement of eligible proved.

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Judge John J. Parker of Charlotte, chief
judge of the U. S. Court of Appeals for
the Fourth Circuit, to the high bench,
As a jurist, Judge Parker stands, as he
has stood for years, head and shoulders
above other men who have been ad-

THE decision of state highway officials to arrange a public hearing on plans to widen Providence Road was both just and proper.

Such a hearing is not required by law. But opposition to proposals that the thoroughfare be singled out for a 78-foot superhighway is mounting steadily. Many arguments against the move are reasonable. They deserve to be heard.

There is evidence, for instance, that other roads in the area—if improved—would better serve the needs of the entire community. Obviously, broader applications of long range planning, rather than piecemeal solutions, are needed to solve today's growing traffic problems.

#### Relief For Midtown's Growing Pains

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Chairman A. H. (Sandy) Graham says the City Council must adopt a resolution guaranteeing that regulations will be drawn up to prevent blocking of traffic on the central business district's east side. What Mr. Graham and his associates are apparently concerned about are railroad switching operations in the area. The council should be able to advance the necessary assurances without any difficulty. Construction of the crossline will eliminate the necessity of the Southern's operation of through trains on the east side of midtown. This will ease the pressure on 17 different grade crossings. It will keep those milelong freights from tying up motor transportation in a whole section of the city as they creep along Columbia Division tracks.

The Southern's rails through midtown's east side will still be used for switching. But there is no indication that switching operations will increase when the cross-line is completed. City Manager Henry A. Yancey, for one, believes they will actually be decreased. With the problem of through trains eliminated in the area, the switching roblem will seem minor findeed.

What little switching is left to be done will be reduced further if the Southern builds its new freight station at the fininge of the 60 rather than structure of one of Charlotte's major concerns to-day Taking into consideration the cross-line project and the destruction of the old depot by fire last June, it is clearly the most sensible step for the Southern to take now.

Relocation would benefit all—the rail-road, the city and thousands of people who do business in the heart of Char-lotte.

For the Southern, there is the opportunity of moving away from the congestion that makes freight operations both inconvenient and costly.

For the city, there would be the opportunity to wipe out what is probably Charlotte's worst traffic bottleneck. It would permit the city to open up 3rd and 1st Sts., now dead-ended at the Southern tracks. It would open the way for long-range development of new commercial property in the area. It would even make possible the construction of multi-story parking garages on the railroad right-of-way-long needed to ease the midtown parking muddle.

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the midtown parking muddle.

This fact must be faced: Charlotte has been throttled by railroad tracks for too long. Construction of a crossline will help ease the pressure somewhat. But it is only one of many steps needed to give midtown the breathing room it

#### Good Sign

#### From The Wall Street Journal

#### THE TALKING FROGS

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A TEXAS scientist named Dr. Blair has discovered after some time spent in damp places in three states that frost aren't remarkable only in Calaveras County.

He tape-recorded the croakings of frogs and his studies were presented to a meeting of the American Institute of Biological Scientists. His conclusions were that frogs are able to talk to one another and that further thy do it in accents of the region.

This discovery opens vast fields of speculation for science and we hope the trunches are myrated. If hullifloors in the

# Illinois Campaign Tests Eisenhower's Political Magic

People's Platform

Anti-Pollution Fight
Moving Westward

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