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People's Platform Martians Will Shun Charlotte's Tinsel 'Jungle'

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It's Time To Make A Judge A Justice

There will be more interest in who will succeed me than in my passing I am an echo.

Thus, with words marked by the simplicity of his judicial expressions and flavored with a truth of the times, Justice Sherman Minton came into the courtroom on the Supreme Court of the United States.

It is a fact that Justice Minton leaves the Court less well known than when he was a New Deal senator from Indiana backing President Roosevelt's attempt to enlarge the high tribunal.

He is an echo of that turbulent era during which he was recognized as one of the most faithful adherents. As did many like him, Justice Minton apparently had his fill of change in the '30s.

Even had his statement accenting the interest in his successor would have been no less true. The Court's new directions—generally toward more concentration of power on the federal level—have brought it into public controversy more intense perhaps than that which raged during Minton's days in Congress.

Javits' Loyalty: The Meanest Fight

JACOB K. JAVITS will have his hands full trying to win a Senate seat against New York Mayor Robert F. Wagner.

But win or lose the state's Republican attorney general deserves admiration for winning one of the hardest and meanest of all political fights—defending himself against slay and whispered slanders on his loyalty to his country.

The whippers were based on references to Javits in the files of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. His name had been mentioned before the subcommittee long before his Senate ambitions became known, but it was not until then that the whippers started.

Acting forthrightly and honestly, Javits invited the subcommittee to question him publicly, which it has done. The testimony shows the subcommittee had no information of enough substance to support any serious question as to Mr. Javits' loyalty.

There was no evidence that Javits ever had the time or tendency to bolster the Court's prestige and, at the same time, forestall attempts to limit arbitrarily the President's power of appointment.

Minton's successor will be Mr. Eisenhower's third appointment. We hope he will make it his best.

Foolproof

WE NOTE that battle lines are already forming in certain counties to the east for an all-out attack on the "whammy" at next year's session of the General Assembly.

A more resourceful soul is a newsman we know who made an exhaustive study of the problem and reported that he had discovered a foolproof way to avoid the "whammy's" spell. Ready with your notebook and pencil! Here it is: Don't speak.

Charlotte Cocks An Ear For Culture

OPERA, the red-headed stepchild of U. S. culture, is getting its just deserts in Charlotte—enthusiastic interest and support.

In only a little more than a half dozen years, Charlotte Opera Association has grown into blooming good health as a citadel of the vocal arts. In past achievement and acclaim, few amateur groups can match its record.

The popular Melvin Sipe, now on the West Coast, laid the foundation for the opera's solid status here. With a new conductor, 26-year-old Henry Janice, new gains are expected. Despite his youth, the newcomer has already established a fine reputation.

tant part of America's musical tradition it will be because of communities like Charlotte. Only so long as New York's Metropolitan Opera House is considered the be-all and end-all of opera in the United States will this type of musical inspiration be in danger of stagnation.

Charlotte Opera Association is setting an excellent example for other "provincial" capitals. It deserves all of the support it is receiving during its pre-season 1956-57 subscription drive.

From The New York Times

YES, THERE IS A JOE SMITH

DELEGATE Terry Carpenter of Nebraska caused a little flurry—practically the only little flurry—in the Republican convention in San Francisco by attempting to nominate a character named Joe Smith for vice president.

We think Mr. Carpenter is wrong. There are something like three dozen Joe Smiths or Joseph Smiths in the Manhattan telephone directory alone. There are at least ten Joe Smiths in Who's Who.

It is not certain whether Mr. Carpenter, who later voted for Richard M. Nixon, really wanted to make that nomination less than unanimous or whether he was bored by the situation in which he found himself. At any rate, he soon found himself in another situation—that is to say, outside. He was quickly surrounded by reporters and TV operatives who, for a few dizzy moments, hoped that a story was about to break.

In these days of penicillin, terramycin, streptomycin and so on, does anybody know what became of the hoes liniment?—GREENVILLE (S. C.) PIEDMONT.

Maybe if we growups would come out and denounce lawn-mowing as leading to juvenile delinquency the teenage boy might show a little interest in it.—FLORIDA TIMES-UNION.

The person who doesn't go to church because of his hypocrites attend doesn't hesitate to go to other places where there are many hypocrites.—JACKSON (MISS.) STATE TIMES.

"I wish we had a fifth for bride." "Don't be silly. You don't need a fifth to play bride." "Okay, make it a pint."—LAMAR (Mo.) DEMOCRAT.

Saucer Pilots Will Be Shocked

Surprised or feel ill at ease when approaching Charlotte's midway, the Square-Trade and Tryon—to find an exhibition of "things to come"—and it will be characters hawking cream puffs and eclairs.

On one corner, one will find Voodoo-ism in all its wild splendor; on the other, the Reptile Cobra will flare and glare in his regal highness, the lion; monkeys, apes and gorillas will hop and scamper, and on tripods will be the one-familiar pot in which Earth critic-

Birth Of A Salesman

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Accent On Youth Politicians Woo Young Voter

By DORIS FLEESON

WASHINGTON election campaign warm-up shows all more intelligent politicians— including President Eisenhower and Adlai Stevenson—making a big pitch for the young voter.

That pitch is generalized and highly platitudinous, but it is earnest. Clearly, no one knows so far what to offer in detail. But all the nominees are taking pains to get young workers around them and they talk a great deal about "appealing to youth."

Even those who argue that there is no such thing as "the women's vote" agree that women furnished a large share of the great outpouring of ballots in 1952 and that many voted for Gen. Eisenhower because of his promise to go to Korea.

Republicans insist that the President is still the women's choice. Democrats reply that they find many women who feel that the President is being imposed upon by his party and should not run again for his own sake. They believe also that, with the issue of war in Korea out of the way, women will return to their traditional pattern of voting just about as men vote. In both parties, factionalism seems to be at a low ebb.

There are still large pockets of Taft Republicans in most states, but they are very still. The platform adopted at San Francisco and the President's acceptance speech showed them the true extent of their defeat. But they are much too grateful for a Republican President to complain in public.

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Los Angeles, Calif. AFTER a long period of indecision I am firmly convinced that those who know and understand are at least holding their own percentage-wise.

Westbrook Pegler in two columns gave a realistic appraisal of the conventions held by the two allegedly different parties. In one of them he mentioned the "angry and aroused pro-American" who get in the respective cities and held meetings (I don't suppose by comparison they could be dignified by the term convened) to study ways and means of doing something about the nation's drift under both political parties into socialism and one-worldism.

On a back page of one of the papers I read a short news story to the effect that some southern states "hoped to deny both Ike and Adlai" the presidency by sending unpledged electors or electors pledged to an obscure candidate" to the electoral college. The first such mention I've seen.)

Now, I don't know just how Noah and his family compared in numbers to the total population at the day of the Flood, but when two such items as the above appear in a Hearst paper, then I'm very confident that percentage-wise those who know and understand are at least holding their own.

—LESLIE A. SHAW

Wiley Battles To Hold Fort Against GOP's 'Young Wolf'

By STEWART ALSOP

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Here in Wisconsin, the four wealthy manufacturers who really run the Republican organization have been trying to cast out Sen. Alexander Wiley for the first role, and young, aggressive Rep. Glenn Davis for the second.

At the recent State Republican Convention, the Republican quadrumvirate—Tom Coleman, Wayne Hood, William Grady, and Walter Harnischeger—decided to dump Wiley, after 18 years in the Senate, and gave the official Republican endorsement to Davis.

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SEN. WILEY ARE CROWDED

Drew Pearson's Merry-Go-Round Rule Changes Pave Way For Big Bid

Editors' Note: Drew Pearson is touring the Middle East. During his absence THE MERRY-GO-ROUND is being written by his junior partner, Jack Anderson.

WASHINGTON THE skids have been greased for a company that apparently should have been disqualified to bid for a plush \$2 million government contract.

The firm happens to be headed by ex-Assistant Air Force Secretary Trevor Gardner, who rebelled against the Eisenhower administration and switched to the Democratic Party in a row over guided missile delays. The administration seemingly shouldn't owe him any favors.

Just City Contract Yet his firm, Hycon Manufacturing Co., managed to get its fishhooks into a juicy foreign aid contract in apparent violation of the government's own bidding specifications.

The contract calls for designing a modern telecommunications system in Thailand, Vietnam, and Laos. To prevent an unscrupulous manufacturer from working his own equipment into the plans, the specifications barred manufacturers of communications equipment from bidding.

Huge Backlog By all definitions, Gardner's firm is a manufacturer of communications equipment. Specializing in electronics, Hycon has done \$1,245,634 worth of electronics business with the Air Force, has another \$3 million backlog in military orders.

Yet in defiance of the specification, Hycon submitted a joint bid with the Communications Engineers. Better than kicked the bid out, the International Cooperation Administration simply changed the specification so the Hycon-Peace combine could stay in the running.

The new wording bans only manufacturers of "major items of communications equipment which could be employed in this system." ICA claims Hycon is not a manufacturer of "major items" likely to be used in the proposed telecommunications network.

ICA also denies that the specifications were changed for Hycon's special benefit. Yet the Hycon-Peace bid is one of three singled out for final negotiations.

The whole deal might bear congressional scrutiny.

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Watkins is now backing George Clyde against Lee for the governorship. The Watkins-Lee feud is so intense that the senator refused to join the standing ovation when Lee was introduced at the state GOP convention. . . . Watkins' colleague, Sen. Wallace Bennett, started to rise and applaud. But Watkins suddenly engaged him in furious conversation. Bennett took the hint and dropped back in his chair.

Attacks On Ike Lee originally intended to try taking Bennett's Senate seat away from him in the primary. The governor backed off, however, after powerful Mormon leaders sent word they would support Bennett. . . . Lee is handicapped in the Republican primary by his past sharp attacks on the Eisenhower administration. Lee has also spoken out against third terms, is now running for a third term himself.