

Revelation

The curtain has gone up on the second act of the greatest show on earth. Advance publicity has been colossal - running into millions of words written by the best brains in the country, and some of the most famous press agents. Many more countless words have been spoken into microphones by some impartial forecasters, and many definitely prejudiced-in-advance commentators. There have been pompous pronouncements and few deep analyses of what we can expect to see happen. But nobody really knows.

The actors are ready, and often well-rehearsed. However, the lines may be changed at any minute. The spot light may cast one who believes himself to be a star into darkness and highlight another hitherto obscure player in this game, this show which has such a vital effect on our lives no matter where we live or who we are. And it has become, alas, not the serious drama to which its importance should lift it, but a chaotic, incoherent and often disgraceful three-ring circus. The actors have changed it - by their desperate seeking for the spotlight, their headline hunger, their complete disregard for the rights of others, even their fellow players. And some few, and we utter a fervent "Thank Heaven" that it is only a few, the ones who get the most publicity, are the most dangerous. They masquerade as heroes but in reality are destroying the intentions and purposes of the great authors who wrote the rules and methods of procedure by which they have taken an oath to be governed, an oath to uphold those very laws they seek so cleverly and trickily to by-pass.

This show, this spectacle, this circus, this contest - and it is all of those - has millions of backers. We, the people support it, watch it, and have much say about the cast, and could have, if we were more outspoken, a lot to do with what happens on stage. Because in essence these actors represent us and our wishes and are there for that purpose.

Yes, the curtain has gone up, and the 83rd Congress has opened its second act - perhaps round would be a more appropriate expression. It will be about in every sense of the word with the balance of power resting on such a slim majority that no one can foretell the outcome, and no one can prophesy what, if indeed anything, will be accomplished. And yet on what does happen there may depend the fate of our nation, the future of our country, the way of life for our children. If that sounds solemn, it is intended to be. Politics is a serious business - and it is our business - and it is high time we took a hand in it. Here we might have added before it is too late. If certain symptoms exhibited by the mccarthysm - spelled with a lower case purposely - group in congress should become a national disease, it will be far too late to do anything about it. Once the Gestapo is in power, you can't throw them out. They can destroy you and your family as completely as an epidemic of plague. Against their accusations there is no recourse - and it matters not a whit that the accusations are false and ridiculous. It didn't matter to Hitler or Goebbels either - and it doesn't matter to those irresponsible members of the Senate or Congress whose smear campaign and mad lust for power have endangered the very foundations of our government.

In discussing anything from shoes to ships and sealing wax to politics, it is well to define the terms. And nothing is more misunderstood than the word "politics". It comes from a Greek word, politikos, belonging to the citizens or to the state, and means the science and art of government. It also means the practice of directing the affairs of public policy, or managing a political party. Now we come politicians, and that is something else again. Ideally a politician is some one who is versed in the science of government, a statesman in other words. But the word has come to be used disparagingly and means one primarily interested in political offices or the profits from them as a source of private gain. Dr. A. L. Kinsolving has said that the difference between a politician and a statesman is that the politician thinks of himself and his party; the statesman thinks of the people and the country. In this show now beginning its run in Washington we have many of both. And many we could do well without. A politician cannot say with William Vanderbilt, "The public be damned" - because he is there only on public sufferance and can be removed. In the final analysis public opinion is always stronger than the legislature.

If you are still so naive as to believe that top government officials are filled with lofty ideals, if you have any illusions about the nobility and selflessness of public service, so-called, I urge you to read "The Secret Diary of Harold Ickes" just published by Simon and Schuster. The late curmudgeon has written one of the most devastating books of our times. Much of it is deadly dull - he was writing strictly for himself. But the revelations of the rivalries, jealousies, and deliberate throat-cuttings that go on in the name of politics should be a "must" reading for everybody interested in decency and dignity in government. Mr. Ickes didn't spare himself either - it's a ruthless and probably unintentional self-portrait. He was an able administrator, and a hard worker, but he continually thirsted for power and more power. Anyone who didn't get in his way was a fine fellow, but whoever crossed him became automatically the offspring of unmarry parents. He was jealous, ambitious, and a master of dirty politics.

And Ickes stands out as snow white in purity compared with some of the men of the present administration, the 83rd Congress. Consider the headline hunting of Messrs Jenner, Velde and McCarthy - the shocking indignity of a subpoena issued to a former president of the United States. Did Mr. Velde really believe he possessed any new information? Of course not. Mr. Velde wanted to get into the act.

The boys who have hogged the limelight may find themselves in comparative darkness soon, though. Not only is public opinion becoming aroused, but members of the Senate and House may curb some of their almost dictatorial powers - they can always cut appropriations for these investigating bodies. And here and there in many places the people and the press are speaking out in no uncertain terms against the methods used by some of the members of these committees. I will quote directly from a speech made recently by the eminent Boston Joseph Shubow.

"When Senator McCarthy comes to a city with his inquisitorial and Gestapo interrogations, it is as if a pall covered the community, as if a blight and curse were communicated to the inhabitants, as if a plague broke loose. He is a hero of Nazis abroad and of the native Nazis in America. He has become a stench in the nostrils of the Lord and loathsome to lovers of liberty all over the world."

"McCarthyism," the rabbi continued, "is patriotism through fear, hysteria, false accusation and potential violence. Virtually in all the investigations of Communist infiltration, the real traitors were discovered and disposed of long before McCarthy came on the scene. His investigations which have cost us tens of thousands of dollars have been like a mountain that has labored and brought forth a mouse or a weasel; but McCarthy has managed to keep his name in the headlines of the daily press."

"Let us examine the record of this infamous character, this sham crusader to patriotism. This fake hero once addressed a group of veterans at the University of Wisconsin. He was asked why he wore built up shoes - and replied it was because he carried ten pounds of shrapnel in his leg. Actually there isn't a grain of shrapnel in his leg although he was injured slightly on the Navy seaplane tender Chantrelleur in a prank while crossing the Equator. For some time he passed himself off as a tall gunner but his biographers call him a blatant liar. Read the Senate report on McCarthy consisting of 400 pages replete with indisputable facts and figures indicating that McCarthy readily yielded to the temptation of making a fast dollar. Ask him about his Pepsi Cola deal, the Lustrum Corporation deal - ask him how it is possible as the Senate Committee found, for him to deposit in four years the colossal sum of \$172,623.18, when his Senate salary earnings are \$12,500 a year?"

"There is no doubt that America will now have to make a choice;

it will have to decide who are the true spokesmen and defenders of the American tradition: Marshall, Truman, Lehman, Eisenhower, Pusey, honorable leaders in the fields of science, law, medicine, business, the great masses of hard working decent people who seek to live, and let live or this unmentionable rowdiness and mad lust for power of McCarthy and his fellow-travelers."

Thus Rabbi Shubow - and we could quote thousands of similar words from thoughtful and responsible men in every walk of life - men who realize the grave danger of mccarthysm, the condemnation without a hearing method, the shout of guilty without due process of law, and without recourse to law. Under the cloak of congressional immunity, they can and do damage reputations by the hundred, reputations of fine men and women who are helpless against their smear tactics.

Yes, these actors we could do well without - they have occupied front and center stage too long - proclaiming as magic an act in which they claim to find one bad egg by first breaking eleven good ones. They should have realized long since that under the rules you can't even call one egg bad until it has been candied and proven so - and their act has become dull by constant repetition.

But there will be exciting things to watch, vital things, how the Government will act in the face of the recession, what they will do about falling farm prices, reducing taxes, the unfinished business in Korea. How Senator Knowland, a majority leader, will get any legislation through with his party in the minority in the Senate. And it will be interesting to watch the amazing political phenomenon, Wayne Morse, Independent of Oregon who will hold in his independent hands the balance of power - a man whom McCarthy refused to debate - McCarthy who has seldom been known to turn down a TV appearance or a public debate. And it will be inspiring and refreshing to look at some of the really distinguished and capable people on the stage, people like Sam Rayburn of Texas or Richard Russell of Georgia or Senator Ellender of Louisiana, or Senator Margaret Chase Smith of Maine whose courage in refusing to sit by and let lies go unchallenged, smears pass unchecked, has just brought her, our only woman senator, the Chi Omega Gold National Achievement Award. And if we, the people, don't like this second act, we can certainly see that many of the characters are changed before the third act - a fact of which all the actors involved are well aware.

HELEN CALDWELL CUSHMAN

SENATOR LENNON REPORTS

WASHINGTON - The Joint Session of the Senate and House to

hear President Eisenhower's message on the state of the Union produced some headaches. The Senate met at noon and at 12:16 we marched over to the House for our seats to hear the address. There were so many former Senators and diplomats present that all the seats were taken. A number of us Senators offered to stand and did so in order to let some of the others have a seat, so I can truthfully say the speech seemed longer than fifty four minutes and 7,000 words.

President Eisenhower used a taller than usual lectern installed so he wouldn't have to bend his neck and expose the top of his head to the television cameras. This permitted the reading of the message while standing more erect.

Tax Cuts Promised
My reaction to the Presidential message is that I approve generally

RIISING STAR IN THE MUSCOVITE HEAVENS



of the manner with which he presented his program and his thinking, especially with his desire to reduce taxes. I had hoped that he would state that the budget can be balanced. The statement that foreign economic aid can be reduced impressed me, for that has been my position since coming to the Senate.

The Farm Program
If I am any judge of the consensus in the Senate regarding the farm program I believe the 90 per cent of parity price support for the six basic farm commodities will be extended. I hope so. I don't believe that flexible price supports will be for the best interest of North Carolina. I will strongly support 90 per cent of parity because of its urgent importance to our farm economy.

Amendment
I have joined with the Majority Leader and other members of both political parties and the one Independent in the Senate to sponsor

PARENT PROBLEMS

Enjoyment of Your Children Grows With Their Progress

By GARY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.
MANY parents enjoy their child from the very time he is born, and find still richer enjoyment as more children arrive and grow up together.

Tending, bathing, dressing the tiny infant and tucking him in for sleep can bring out the tenderest feelings in the mother. This is also true for the father, as he gently holds the baby occasionally, and looks at him, until he gradually learns to help in this little creature's care.

Child's Development
With more and more pleasure, the father and mother observe this little child's development - his increase in size and weight, his new movements and sounds he learns to make, and especially when he begins to amble.

His growing response to the parents' smile and tender tones, his beginning to coo and then to babble and finally to utter words; and the new things he can do with his hands and whole body, handling, touching, exploring things; and, gradually, his show of thinking, imagining and creating - how enjoyable they are. Before long, he is sitting, reaching, creeping, walking, talking - all these signs of development are amazing and fascinating to his parents.

Father's Care
It's wonderful for the father to learn to change the baby, dress him, feed him, bathe him, especially after the baby is one or two years old.

The parents' enjoyment of the child can grow richer and richer as this small person begins to put blocks and other things together with a purpose, as he begins to comment on the first column.

Moving The Capital
On June 11, 1900, the Capital of the United States was moved from Philadelphia to Washington. In 1904 this would be a big task, requiring much planning, but in 1900, the government consisted of only 128 persons.

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