

Root

CHAS. W. ROOT

33rd District

Hennepin County

Class 1951

Majority Group

Congressional District 5

Sen. Charles W. Root has seen a lot of life's bounces since he was a kid in Illinois' grim coal-mining corner.

The South Minneapolis senator, now a fixture in the city's legal and community life, is a native of Centralia in the "little Egypt" section of southern Illinois. He worked his way through a full education, with a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and his law degree from the University of Minnesota.

1953? Root, a wiry, alert man, served three terms in the house before moving over to the senate in 1950. He was re-elected in 1954. Sharp-featured and often sharp-tongued in floor debate, Root has carried a heavy legislative load with the senate conservatives. In 1955 he was chairman of the workmen's compensation and unemployment insurance committee, chairman of the finance committee's building subcommittee and a member of nine others, including those on cities of the first class, education, elections and reapportionment, judiciary and general legislation. He is a member of the law firm of Everett, Thiel and Root and of the county, state and American Bar associations.

Mr. and Mrs. Root live at 5104 Colfax avenue S., belong to Richfield Methodist church and are parents of David, 20, and Cecelia, 16.

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Sen. Charles W. Root served a three-term apprenticeship in the house of representatives before winning the 33rd district's senate seat in 1950.

1951? Originally from Centralia, in southern Illinois' "Little Egypt" section, Root went to the University of Michigan and received his bachelor degree and then to the University of Minnesota for his law degree. He got his first political training with the Young Republicans organization, service as a ~~board~~ officer.

A practicing lawyer, Root is a member of Delta Theta Phi..... fraternity, the Masons.....Lions club and (local) and national bar associations.

His senate committee duty included assignment on the workmen's compensation, cities of the first class, finance, general legislation and others. (balance torn off)