

# Eisenhower Says He's Republican, Willing To Accept GOP Nomination

By JACK BELL and MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH  
WASHINGTON — Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower proclaimed himself a Republican Monday and made it clear he would accept that party's presidential nomination if it is offered. But he said he won't actively seek it.  
In a Paris statement, the 61-year-old general swept away much of the fog of uncertainty that has swirled for the past five years about his place in the picture of presidential possibilities.  
His statement was prompted by the week-end move from Sen. Lodge (R.-Mass.) who announced that Eisenhower's name would be entered in the March 11 New Hampshire presidential primary, and that there would be a "finish fight" to win the GOP nomination for the general.  
**Won't Ask To Be Relieved**  
Eisenhower, who has been talked as both a Democratic and a Republican presidential possibility, made these main points in his statement:  
He said Lodge was correct in calling him a Republican.  
He has no intention of asking that he be relieved of his present assignment as leader of the European defense forces.  
He will not take part in pre-convention activities of those seeking the nomination for him.

He recognizes the right of others to engage in an attempt to place before me next July (when the Republican Convention meets) a duty that would transcend my present responsibility.  
**Republicans Cheered**  
Eisenhower's statement tremendously cheered Republicans who have been working for his nomination and have felt themselves handicapped by their own long silence.  
Some of them were getting restive under the feeling that uncertainty as to Eisenhower's position was letting Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio, first to announce as a candidate, get off to a long lead in bidding for support from convention delegates.  
The "go ahead" which Eisenhower in effect gave his backers today will let them press their campaign for him with more assurance.  
Two other candidates "also are formally in the race—Gov. Earl Warren of California and Harold Stassen, president of the University of Pennsylvania and former governor of Minnesota.  
**Democrats Upset**  
Another practical effect of the statement was to pull the rug from under those Democrats who have been hosting the drums for the nomination of Eisenhower by their party.

One New Hampshire group had planned to enter Ike's name in the Democratic primary.  
At the White House, aides said President Truman had no comment on the general's statement.  
Eisenhower already has the support of Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York, the 1948 Republican standard bearer. The general also has the editorial support of several newspapers—among them the New York Times, the New York Herald Tribune, the Chicago Sun Times and the Providence (R.I.) Journal.  
Eisenhower's statement was read to reporters at the supreme Allied headquarters by Brig. Gen. Charles T. Lanham, chief of SHAPE's public information division. Lanham said Eisenhower does not intend to say anything further.  
He added that Gen. Eisenhower "hopes that this statement will demonstrate his concern, as an American citizen, in problems that the American people must solve. He hopes also that it will convince other citizens and those of the other NATO countries that he views with the utmost seriousness the responsibilities of the post to which he is presently assigned."

will meet here Tuesday morning to decide when to file the petitions to place the general's name on the state's Republican presidential primary ballot, W. L. Phillips, Salem, committee chairman, said Monday.  
Marx Hatfield, dean of students at Willamette University who started the move to make General Eisenhower a Republican presidential candidate in Oregon, said he got more than the 1,000 required signatures several weeks ago.  
General Eisenhower already is entered as a Democratic candidate in the May 16 Oregon primary. These petitions were sponsored by State Sen. Thomas R. Mahoney, Portland Democrat.  
Oregon's election law says a presidential candidate must be a member of the party in which he is a candidate. However, the State Elections Bureau is accepting Eisenhower's candidacy in both parties.  
In Oregon, the candidate can't prevent his name from being filed. Hatfield said he thinks the petitions will be filed in about 30 days, as he would like to get signatures from each of the 36 counties.  
He said, however, the final decision would be made at Tuesday's meeting.



**EARL BRIDGES**, counter man at Specialized Parts, big automotive accessory house on North Stephens street, takes an order for an oil filter over the phone. He has been dealing information and filling orders there for nearly four years. Married and with three children, Earl and his family live at 408 East Douglas street.

## CONGRESS MEETS TUESDAY Legislation May Weigh Heavily On Presidential Election Next November

WASHINGTON (AP) — The 82nd Congress starts its election-year session Tuesday, with politics likely to weigh heavily in all major actions.  
The next six months are expected to bring forth decisions, one way or the other, on such major matters as universal military training, foreign military and economic aid, economic controls at home, and defense spending.  
Leaders are hopeful the session can wind up in time for the July political conventions so members can go home afterward for the fall campaigns.  
All House seats will be at stake in the November voting. So will 32 Senate seats, as well as the Presidency and the vice-Presidency.

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**Oregon Man Among Killed In Air Crash**  
FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) — All four men aboard a Transconair Air Lines transport which crashed on Chena Dome were killed in the crash, the Tenth Rescue Squadron reported Saturday.  
An Air Force helicopter sent to investigate plane wreckage sighted earlier landed on the Dome and discovered the bodies, squadron officers said.  
Aboard the transport when it left Point Barrow Dec. 30 to fly to Fairbanks were the pilot, Robert Warren of Fairbanks, the co-pilot, Richard Erwin of Oakland, Calif., and two passengers, Joe Weiler of Nysa, Ore., and Dick Cross of Fairbanks.

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**The Weather**  
Mostly cloudy with occasional rain mixed with snow today. Showers tonight and Tuesday.  
Highest temp. for any Jan. — 77  
Lowest temp. for any Jan. — 4  
Highest temp. yesterday — 40  
Lowest temp. last 24 hours — 32  
Precip. last 24 hours — .10  
Precip. from Jan. 1 — 1.10  
Excess — 4.69  
Precip. from Sept. 1 — 21.71  
Sunset today, 4:54 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow, 7:45 a.m.

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## Ex-Marshall Says He Slew Three Men

Story Of Ex-Mental Patient, Now Arson Suspect, Stirs Check  
EVERETT (AP) — A former small town marshall's strange story of having killed three men was being checked and double-checked Monday by Snohomish County authorities in a search for inconsistencies.  
Sheriff Tom Warnock said Harold G. Chase, 22-year-old ex-marshall of Darrington, had told the story three times without any important variations.  
One of the deaths involved a patient at the Northern State Hospital at Sedro Woolley while Chase was an inmate in that mental institution in 1949.  
Chase said he strangled the patient and made it look like a suicide. He also said he strangled Dr. Russell R. Bradley, 50-year-old Everett optometrist, Dec. 12, 1950. It was listed as a heart clot death.  
Chase said he killed the third man, named only as "Joe," at San Francisco last fall and threw the body over a bluff into the ocean. San Francisco authorities said their records fail to reveal any cases of missing persons or recovered bodies which tally with the story.  
**Arson Charge Faced**  
Chase's bizarre story came after he failed in an escape attempt at the Snohomish County jail.  
He is in jail on an arson charge. He was convicted of arson in 1948 and was given a 10-year suspended sentence. He was committed later to the State Hospital for observation and treatment. He became town marshall at Darrington later, but was arrested in California late in 1951 in connection with a \$40,000 fire at Darrington. Warnock said he had confessed to setting the fire, after which he turned in the alarm and helped fight the blaze.  
Snohomish County authorities prepared to exhumate the body of Dr. Bradley, the Everett optometrist, to perform an autopsy.  
Warnock quoted Chase as saying he took \$538 from Dr. Bradley after they had driven together from an Everett bar.  
The hospital patient named by Chase was Leonard M. Lewis, 50. Chase said he strangled Lewis, then hanged him with a sheet from a bed to make the case appear to be a suicide. The death, in January, 1949, was listed as a suicide by strangulation.

## Churchill Talks With Truman On Vital Affairs

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Truman and Prime Minister Churchill opened a detailed survey of world affairs Monday. Informants said the talks began with an inquiry into Western defense problems.  
Churchill appeared for his first White House visit of his current trip accompanied by Foreign Minister Anthony Eden and Sir Oliver Franks, British ambassador to the U.S.  
Some informants said an agenda for the two days of White House conference was agreed upon at a private talk among the two leaders and their foreign ministers aboard the yacht "Williamsburg" Saturday night.  
This was described as listing for discussion first a number of matters such as organization of an European army and the structure of the North Atlantic Treaty organization (NATO) which are vital to the defense of Western Europe.  
The groundwork for the full-dress meetings was laid in a series of get-acquainted-again talks which the President and Prime Minister held Saturday, after Churchill's arrival here.

## Sen. Kefauver's Name To Go In Ohio Primary

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Hays (D-Ohio) announced Monday a complete slate of delegates will be entered in the Ohio Democratic primaries for Sen. Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.) for the Presidential nomination.  
The announcement was the first open move to get the ball rolling for the Tennessee senator, who achieved nation-wide prominence during hearings of the Senate Crime Investigating Committee. Kefauver was chairman of the committee.

## Christmas Celebrated In Russian Churches

MOSCOW (AP) — Christmas was celebrated in simple village churches and great cathedrals throughout Russia Monday, 13 days after Western observances of Christ's birth. The time lay was due to differences between the old Julian Calendar used here and the Gregorian Calendar of the West.

## Douglas County, Beginning Its 100th Year, Plans Celebration

Today marks the beginning of Douglas county's centennial year.  
By act of the Territorial Legislature, Douglas county was created Jan. 7, 1852.  
Umpqua county lay to the north, south of Benton and Lane counties, embracing what is now the northern half of Douglas county. Umpqua was incorporated into Douglas county in 1863. The area south of Douglas county was organized as Jackson county on the date of Jan. 12, 1852.  
Douglas county was named for Senator Stephen A. Douglas of Illinois, one of the prominent political figures of that day.  
Elaborate plans are being made for the celebration of the county's centennial during the Labor Day weekend. A local committee has been incorporated. Material is being gathered for a pageant which will depict the county's history.  
The News-Review plans to print historical material during the months preceding the celebration and is appealing to its readers for cooperation in supplying information from existing records, together with previously unpublished episodes and incidents. A limited number of pictures will be used as space permits.  
Further details appear on pages 3 and 4 of today's News-Review.

## POTATO GROWERS IRKED

Price Rollback Branded OPS "Doublecrossing," Act Of "Discrimination"  
By The Associated Press  
The base price of potatoes in three Pacific Coast states under the new rollback order would be \$3.65 for a 100 lb. bag of U. S. No. 1 grade, the District Office of Price Stabilization in Portland has reported. The price of Idaho potatoes would be \$3.85, officials said Saturday.  
Ben Davidson, Redmond, chairman of the Oregon Potato Commission, branded the new order "discriminatory."  
He said that under the order a grower would get just about parity for his product after he bought bags and paid shipping and loading costs. Parity, he said, now is \$3.20 for 100 pounds.  
"It is a gross oversight to pick on potatoes ahead of other agricultural commodities," he agreed.  
Other potato men also were critical of the new order.  
Walt Jendryzewski, Klamath County agent, said the rollback would cut the price of his county's top quality russets 31 per cent. He said that was unfair.  
George C. Burger, a Klamath potato shipper, said "the OPS doublecrossed everyone." He said shippers should declare a holiday "until this mess is straightened out."  
Randall Pope, president of the Klamath Potato Growers Association, said the OPS should establish "realistic ceilings, well above parity prices." He said the agency had acted against the advice of its own potato advisory committee and over the protests of the entire potato industry.

## Convicted Oregon Slayer Will Appeal

PORTLAND (AP) — The first degree murder conviction of Morris Leland will be appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court the week of Jan. 14.  
Leland was accused of holding teenager Thelma Taylor in the St. John District overnight and then slaying her. He was convicted in November, 1949, after pleading not guilty by reason of insanity. His court-appointed attorney said he would appeal the constitutionality of Oregon's insanity plea law. The attorney, Thomas H. Ryan, said that Oregon law requires that a person, pleading insanity, prove he does not know the difference between right and wrong.

## Further Snow, Rain Forecast In Oregon Areas

By The Associated Press  
A new storm front moved into Oregon Monday, bringing more snow to Portland and Eastern Oregon and rain to most of the rest of the state.  
The Weather Bureau said Portland, where some 5 inches of snow already has fallen, might have some rain mixed with the snow Monday, but the forecast of a 30 degree temperature Monday night will turn any rain to snow and again coat city streets with ice.  
Klamath Falls in Southern Oregon had an inch of new snow in the 24 hours ending Monday morning and it was snowing in Baker and other Eastern Oregon points. The storm brought rain to the coast and the Willamette Valley, where temperatures Monday morning were in the low and middle 30s. East of the Cascades temperatures were generally below freezing.  
Redmond and Burns reported low of 11 degrees, the lowest in the state.

## Apartment Fire Kills 7 Persons

WESTFIELD, Mass. (AP) — At least seven persons perished in a \$1,000,000 five-story apartment business block fire Sunday night. Firemen still poured water into the smouldering ruins more than 12 hours after the blaze, punctuated by three distinct explosions, remained after the entire five floors collapsed into the basement of the building in a tangled mass wreckage.  
**EXAMINER SCHEDULED**  
A drivers license examiner will be in Roseburg Thursday and Friday, Jan. 10 and 11, at 343 N. Main St. between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.  
Persons wishing licenses are asked to contact the examiner early to insure completion of their applications with a minimum of delay.

## Drunk Driving Charged

Fred Theodore Long, Roseburg, was arrested Sunday on a drunk driving charge, state police report. He is being held in the Douglas county jail pending arraignment.

## Bridges' ILU Loses Appeal On Damages

Supreme Court Upholds \$750,000 Award Under T-H In Alaska Case  
WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court Monday unanimously upheld a \$750,000 Taft-Hartley Act damage award against Harry Bridges' International Longshoremen's Union.  
The judgment won by the Juneau (Alaska) Spruce Corp. was the largest to date and the first to reach the high court.  
It grew out of a suit charging that Bridges' union damaged the company's business by setting up picket lines and making "coercive" statements during a jurisdictional row between two rival labor organizations more than two years ago.  
The firm had a contract with the CIO Woodworkers of America but the longshoremen tried to force the company to give barge loading work to the Bridges men.  
Bridges' union has been expelled from the CIO on the grounds that its leadership followed the Communist party line.  
Bridges' Appeal Pending  
Bridges himself is free on bail after his conviction on charges that he lied in denying membership in the Communist party when he obtained American citizenship. The Australian-born labor leader has appealed the conviction, but it has not yet reached the supreme court.  
In the Juneau case, Bridges' union appealed on the grounds that the Federal District Court in Alaska should not have accepted the corporation's damage suit until the National Labor Relations Board decided the jurisdictional dispute.  
Rejecting this argument, Justice Douglas, who wrote the high tribunal's decision, said there is nothing in the Taft-Hartley Law to support such a claim.

## College Students Admits Series Of Burglaries

PORTLAND (AP) — A 20-year-old former Linfield College student, object of a week-long search last month, has admitted stealing \$3450 in night burglaries of Portland homes, police said.  
The youth, Harold Lawrence, walked into the police station with his pastor Saturday night and turned over \$2350 which he said was left from the burglaries.  
Lawrence disappeared three weeks ago. His wrecked car was found on a road near Tigard. When he returned home his parents said he had run away because he had wrecked the family car.  
Police said Lawrence told them he had stolen the money in a series of burglaries in the Grant High district of Portland. He bought a car with \$1100 of the money and then hid the rest under the floor of his room at Linfield College, McMinnville, police said he told them.  
Lawrence said the thefts had preyed on his mind and he had fallen behind in his studies, police reported. He withdrew from school just before Christmas.  
He was charged with burglary and bail was set at \$3000.

## Rotary Conclave Set

BEND, Ore. (AP) — Rotary clubs of Southwestern Washington and Oregon will hold their 1952 convention here April 27-29, district officials said Saturday.

## Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein  
Our major hope for the new year: That economic developments verify the flower forecasts of "experts" better than the home gardener's crops resemble the pictures in the seed catalogue.