

CITY BUDGET AGAIN DOWNED

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IKE CAPTURES LEAD FROM TAFT IN CONTESTED DELEGATES FIGHT

Committee Ruling Upset In Floor Vote

Gov. Dewey Given Boos; Candidates' Nomination On Program For Today

CONVENTION HALL, Chicago — Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower surged into the lead Thursday in his slam bang battle with Sen. Robert A. Taft for the Republican presidential nomination.

Helped by other presidential aspirants, Eisenhower bowled over Taft in two vital preliminary victories Wednesday night in the seating of contested delegations from Georgia and Texas.

By the strength his forces displayed, the five-star General of the Army appeared to have pulled within striking distance of the first presidential nomination for a professional military man since Ulysses S. Grant won the prize and the presidency in 1868.

Taft fought a valiant rear guard action against the seating of pro-Eisenhower delegations from the two states.

But he lost Georgia by a 607 to 531 vote. It was the first time a GOP convention had overruled its credentials committee.

That Taft-dominated group had recommended, 29 to 22, the seating of a delegation heavily weighted for the Ohioan.

The Eisenhower allies developed such power that Taft's supporters elected not to oppose the seating of a Texas delegation favoring the general, and it went on in an overwhelming voice vote. Previously the committee had approved a pro-Taft group.

This made the new lineup in the Associated Press tabulation of delegates:

Eisenhower 514, Taft 486, others 110, uncommitted 96.

Showdown Likely Friday

This picture could shift quickly on the first nomination ballot, when the uncommitted must join the ranks of those publicly tabbed for one candidate or another.

But this slow-moving convention seemed unlikely to get around to any such showdown until Friday. Delegates faced action Thursday on the party platform, followed by the tedious business of nominating candidates.

Gov. John S. Fine of Pennsylvania cut down the uncommitted list sharply by a belated and wide-



MARCHING FOR TAFT — Dr. Raymond Kepner (left) of New Castle, Ind., and Clem Conway of Mooreland, Ind., march along the sidewalk outside Chicago's convention hall to proclaim their support for Sen. Robert A. Taft for the Republican presidential nomination. Kepner, a veterinarian, is dressed as Abraham Lincoln, the party's first candidate. Conway, an auctioneer and farmer, is dressed as Uncle Sam. (AP Wirephoto.)

Bellowing, Confusion, Collapses Punctuate G.O.P. Convention

By M. J. MERRYMAN
(Special Correspondence To The News-Review)

CHICAGO — The biggest advantage to being just a housewife taking in the GOP convention is that we nobodies get the unprivileged balcony seats with a top-side view of everything going on.

Military Funds OK'd By Truman

WASHINGTON — President Truman signed into law Thursday a bill providing 46½ billion dollars for the nation's military buildup in the year that ends next June 30. The measure supplies the money to raise this country's Air Force to a formidable 143 wings by mid-1955.

The total sum given the Defense Department was about 5 billion under what the President had asked. It told Congress the Defense Department would need nearly 5½ billion as a bare minimum for its "stretch-out" preparedness program.

The bill also provides for:

1. Payment of \$45 a month in extra combat pay for servicemen on duty under fire since the Korean war began. A minimum of six days in the combat area is required for each month's eligibility.
2. Authorization for the Navy to build a second 65,000-ton super aircraft carrier. The bill did not, however, supply any new funds for building the giant carrier.

OREGON YOUTH DROWNS
BREMERTON — Bill Lytle, 18, a McMinnville, Ore. youth employed at the Puget Sound Navy Yard here, drowned Wednesday night in Tiger Lake, southeast of here in Mason County.

Listening to him, it appeared to me that he had no motive other than arousing his fellow citizens to the gravity of their situation and their need for better, sounder leadership.

That is what a "keynote" speaker at a political convention is for.

A word is in order here about noon. Here is what happened:

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The Weather

Sunny today and Friday with cooler afternoon temperatures.

Highest temp. for any July 109

Lowest temp. for any July 40

Highest temp. last 24 hours 98

Lowest temp. last 24 hours 40

Precip. last 24 hours 0

Precip. from July 1 0

Precip. from Sept. 1 33.27

Excess 5.69

Sunset today, 8:54 p.m. DST

Sunrise tomorrow, 5:43 a.m. DST

Platform Vows Return Of Prestige

Tax Slog, Crackdown On Corruption Also In Republican Pledge

CHICAGO — The proposed 1952 Republican platform at a glance:

Foreign Policy — Promises to win peace through collective security measures on a global basis and to "restore" U. S. prestige abroad. Charges Truman policy swings between "timid appeasement" and "reckless bluster."

National Defense — Promises to remedy "disgracefully lagging" defense program with utmost speed — particularly air power.

Communism — Charges Democratic administration has appeased communism at home and abroad, promises to rid government of disloyal employees.

Small Business — Claims Truman administration seeks destruction of private enterprise, GOP would lift "injurious" controls and end "tax abuses."

Taxation — Would cut government spending, balance budget and reduce taxes.

Agriculture — Promises farm program free of "socialistic controls." Favors parity prices at the market place.

Labor — Favors retention of Taft-Hartley Labor Act, with modifications.

Natural Resources — Advocates "full and orderly" program for development and conservation of natural resources.

Public Works and Water Policy — Favors "economically justifiable" public works and eventual local ownership of federally sponsored water projects.

Veterans — Would extend present benefits to veterans of Korean war.

Civil Rights — Promises to stop the inflation which is reducing buying power of those getting social security benefits.

Health — Opposes federal "bureaucratic dictation" of health programs.

Education — Subscribes to principle that education is local and state responsibility.

Civil Rights — Favors federal action — which was not defined — to end discrimination against Negroes and other minority groups in hiring and firing of workers. Such action would be limited to states which did nothing.

Corruption — Charges Truman administration has written "sordid" record of fraud, bribery, graft, favoritism and influence peddling.

Public Land — Would end "arbitrary bureaucratic practices" in the management of public lands.

Censorship — Pledges party not to infringe by censorship or gag on

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In the big hassel below, newsmen stand on the desks or on the back of their folding chairs to the accompaniment of loud groans as one occasionally collapses. Occupational disease of all the reporters "downstairs" is bruised shins. Photographers in unlimited numbers grapple for position at the foot of the rostrum and hundreds of walkie-talkie girls and boys, general factotums jam the aisles, not to speak of the battle that goes on for position on the rostrum. The loudest bellowing of all — not excluding the politicians — comes from the chairmen vainly pounding for order and pleading "clear the aisles." Biggest jam-up is the middle aisle where police now are stationed to stem the hordes.

This makes it a little tough on the delegates, who are the real stars in this show. Any one unfortunate enough to leave by one entrance and try coming back by another gets stopped in his tracks. That is if he hasn't gotten lost in the miles of corridors or trampled to death in the meantime.

Yawning Difficult

I wonder how the "big" men take it. . . people like Governor Dewey, Senator Morse, etc., can't open their mouths to yawn but what they are smothered under a mass of photographers.

From above, it looks and sounds like an engaging clam bake in the

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Cut In Appropriation Ousts Many From Jobs

WASHINGTON — "You're fired" notices began going out to about half the 17,000 employees of the government's anti-inflation agencies Thursday as result of the heavy axe Congress applied to appropriations requests.

Economic Stabilizer Roger L. Putnam said his program will be hurt but he would "do the best we can with what we've got."

He said Congress "gave us — and the consumer — an awful kick in the teeth" in providing the agencies with only 60 million dollars compared with the 103 million requested.

Mild Temblor Jars Area Of Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES — Many sleeping residents in the Los Angeles area and adjoining communities were roused by a short, sharp earthquake jolt early Thursday but there was apparently little damage.

The quake was felt at 1:45 a.m. (PDT) and lasted for a second or two.

From reports it appeared the tremor was stronger in West Los Angeles than in other areas.

In this section of town a water main in the street broke but emergency crews quickly went to work repairing it.

Sen. Morse Raps Convention Plank On Civil Rights

CHICAGO — Sen. Wayne Morse (R-Ore.), defeated last month for Oregon's post on the Platform Committee, Wednesday criticized the committee's foreign policy and civil rights platform planks.

Morse, a member of the Oregon delegation, said he would not criticize the planks on the convention floor but he promised to "talk about it across the country for months to come."

Morse lost the seat on the platform committee at the Oregon delegation's organization meeting last month. Mark Hatfield, a young professor at Willamette University, Salem, Ore., defeated him.

Hatfield, who was a member of the subcommittee that worked on the civil rights and foreign policy planks, said they were "good constructive platform on which we can go to the people in 1952 and really fight."

Says Issue Not Met

Morse thought otherwise. "The foreign policy plank," he said, "is too wordy and can be described as a rickety, fence-jumping route for the party to travel in the fall campaign."

He was more critical of the civil rights plank. He said it "fails to meet directly and head-on the issue that confronts the party in 1952. . . . The Republican party should, as did Lincoln, its founder, take an unequivocal stand for complete federal protection of . . . citizen's rights without regard to race, religion or color. This the proposed plank fails to do."

Applebox Derby Postponed Week; Wheels Delayed

The Applebox Derby has been postponed a week.

The announcement came today from Chairman Grady Mankins, who said the race, originally scheduled for this Saturday, will be held July 19 instead.

The postponement came as a result of cancellation by a Massachusetts firm of an order for 50 sets of wheels which were to be used by the youngsters in their racers.

Shipment of the wheels, the type used in the national Soapbox classic, had been recalled, it was reported, due to "mechanical defects" of the wheels.

However, other sets of wheels have been ordered from a Seattle firm, the Northwest Metal Products Co., and were expected to arrive in Roseburg in ample time for youngsters to ready their racers for the big event July 19, Mankins said.

The race which will start at 10 a.m. is expected to draw more than 50 entrants — all youngsters 14 years or under. The derby will be held on the nine percent grade of Winchester Street.

The wheels, which were to be used in the derby had been ordered several months ago, Mankins said, and were to be made available to Applebox entrants at cost through Hansen Motor Co.

Applications for the derby are still being accepted at Hansen's, where a showroom has been cleared for display of the racers. Several have been brought in already, but most were waiting for arrival of the wheels.

Retail Assn. Decides On Centennial Themes

A proposal that store window displays be changed to Centennial themes by Aug. 22 was approved Wednesday at a meeting of the Roseburg Retail Trade Association in the Hotel Umpqua.

Plans for a fall opening were discussed and committees appointed to decide on special promotions for the opening to be held in mid-September.

President Ken Bushey introduced Mrs. Carroll Joers, new secretary of the association. He explained she will help coordinate activities of the organization and handle correspondence.

Bushey issued a strong plea for greater attendance at association meetings.

"If we're going to have a trades organization, members should attend," he declared.

The next meeting of the group was scheduled for Aug. 13.

2 Oregon Convicts Flee While Cherry Picking

SALEM — Two young convicts escaped Wednesday from a prison cherry picking crew. Both were serving three-year sentences.

They are Joseph Baker, 19, convicted of burglary in Jackson County last December; and Larry Powell, 18, convicted of larceny in Umatilla County last November.

Both were still at large Thursday.

Power Plans Include Area Of Roseburg

Federal Funds Provide For Service Extension From Bonneville Plant

Appropriations by Congress for the Bonneville Power Administration this year include funds to start construction on facilities to bring BPA power into the Roseburg area, it was disclosed today.

W. E. Trommershausen, area BPA manager in Eugene, said appropriations include funds for starting Roseburg substations, an Alvey-Roseburg transmission line and Roseburg-Cooos Bay line together with associated communication facilities.

The Alvey-Roseburg-Cooos Bay loop line was authorized by Congress two years ago and appropriations for surveys were made last year.

Trommershausen said the BPA is giving further study to this portion of the project and expects to establish a schedule for construction after discussions with utilities and other interests in the area.

Funds appropriated include \$164,000 for drain substation additions and Burnt Woods substation construction.

In Tentative Stage

Major construction will center on the two 230,000-volt transmission lines from McNary Dam to Portland and southern Oregon load centers. Secondary facilities, such as substations, will be included in the projects.

Trommershausen emphasized that the loop into Roseburg a Cooos Bay is still in the tentative stage and construction will not start until contracts have been negotiated with interests in the area.

Several pending operations in this region could spur start of the project or delay it, Trommershausen pointed out.

Oakland-Deady Relocation Road Job Contracted

SALEM (AP) — A \$1,158,818 contract to grade and pave 5.7 miles of the Oakland Junction-Deady section of the Pacific Highway in Douglas county was awarded by the Oregon Highway Commission Wednesday to White Bros., Walla Walla, Wash.

Bids were opened on this project during the commission's May 26-27 meeting, but award of a contract was held up pending clearance of right-of-way matters, said Tom Edwards, division engineer. White Bros. bid was lowest of seven submitted.

This is a major relocation project carrying the new highway approximately one mile westerly of Oakland and Sutherland, connecting at the north end with the recently contracted relocation project about one mile north of Oakland and tying into the present highway near Deady Station, about 7 mile south of Sutherland.

Four Lanes On Summit

Plans call for construction to the highest type of modern design, with complete separation of traffic on all county road crossing, three-lane pavement on ascending grades for separation of slow moving traffic, four-lane pavement over summits to permit safe passing at points of restricted sight distance, frontage roads for local service with access provided at controlled points and other features designed to provide a fast, safe through highway with provision for local service. Minimum pavement width is to be 24 feet, flanked on each side with 10-foot rock shoulders.

Another Heavy Fire Loss Hits Movie Studio

BURBANK, Calif. — A second disastrous fire in less than two months whopped across the Warner Brothers movie lot Wednesday. Studio spokesmen roughly estimated damage at \$4½ to \$5 million dollars.

Sheriff's investigator Ed Hatcher said he believes the fire must have been of "incendiary origin."

"We can find no natural cause for this fire," he told reporters. "The problem now is to turn up the evidence on who may have done it."

The cause of the \$1,250,000 fire at the same studio last May was never determined although arson investigators made an investigation.

The fire Wednesday swept in a giant arc through 25 studio backlot acres, destroying nine streets of scenery ranging from Norwegian to Western.

It razed a storage shed containing a 30-year collection of some 2,000 acting props — Robin Hood crossbows, mummy cases, roulette tables, horseshair sofas, spears, swords.

Eighteen studio workmen suffered minor burns, cuts or bruises fighting the fire. Two had heart attacks.

Roseburg Gets Promise Of Cooler Weather

It's going to be cooler. That's the word from the Weather Bureau today, though by "cooler" they mean somewhere in the low 90's. This is expected to continue through the weekend.

Victim of Wednesday's heat was Dan Warner, 24, of Oakland, who suffered a sunstroke at 5:30 p.m. He is in fair condition at Douglas Community Hospital.

Forecast for today is a high of 92 degrees. This would continue the downward trend from Tuesday's high of 100. Top temperatures Wednesday was 88.

Most logging operations will probably close sometime this afternoon, predicts the Douglas Forest Protective Association.

But the Weather Bureau reported a 60 per cent humidity at 9:30 a.m. which, they say, may not drop far enough to force closure in all areas. Logging must cease when the humidity goes to 30 per cent or below.

High School Shop Plans Facing Action Tonight

The working drawings for the new Roseburg High School shop will be either accepted or rejected tonight at a special meeting of the Roseburg District No. 4 school board at 8 p.m., DST, in the Junior High School.

Plans will be explained to the board members by Stewart Tuft of Freeman, Hayship and Tuft Architects Associated of Portland, and Van Svarverud, the firm's local representative. Tuft is coming from Portland for the meeting.

The new shop is listed on the school construction schedule adopted by the board of education June 12.

Needs of the Wilbur School may also be discussed at the special meeting, says Mike Deller, school superintendent.

The regular meeting of the board will be held at 8 o'clock Monday night in the Junior High School.

LOSES PART OF FINGER

Charles M. McDermott, Roseburg distributor for Tide Water Associated Oil Co., suffered the loss of part of one finger today in an accident that occurred while he was fixing a truck tire.

Witnesses said a rim apparently blew off the tire and smashed McDermott's hand against the truck wheels. He was treated at Mercy Hospital. McDermott resides at 211 S. Kane St.

Negative Majority Five Votes

The Roseburg city budget went down to defeat Wednesday for the second time — by a mere five-vote margin.

The unofficial tabulation was 245 yes, and 250 no.

A heavy negative vote in Ward 3 spelled the difference. Ward 3 voters balloting at the Roseburg Hotel, turned out 108 against the measure to 53 in favor of the levy exceeding the six per cent limitation.

The measure passed in the city's other three wards.

By wards the vote was:

Ward	YES	NO
Ward 1	55	35
Ward 2	62	54
Ward 3	53	108
Ward 4	75	53
Total	245	250

Amount of the defeated budget in excess of the six per cent limitation was \$123,977.92.

After the budget was defeated the first time, June 20, the budget committee reconsidered the figures but maintained that almost all the items were necessary. City Manager W. A. Gilchrist said.

The committee, however, did trim a \$9,040 item for a sewer survey and sent the revamped measure to the voters and its second defeat.

Vote Around 10 Per Cent

Few turned out at the polls Wednesday but the voting was slightly more than 10 per cent of the total city registration.

Total amount of the defeated budget was \$448,370, an increase of some \$90,000 over last year's outlay. The proposed increase in taxes was not corresponding, however, but was listed at some \$25,000. The difference was due to additional revenues from sources other than taxation.

Budget Still "Must"

The city council was scheduled to meet at 11:30 a.m. today to canvass the ballots and to determine the next step relative to resubmitting the budget.

City Manager W. A. Gilchrist declined comment until he had an opportunity to discuss the situation with Mayor Flegel and city councilmen. He said, however, that the time element is definitely a factor, since the fiscal year's expenditures started July 1. A budget must be adopted and certified to the county tax department to appear on the November tax rolls.

River Yields Body Of Harry Whitson

The body of Harry A. Whitson, 65, Dillard, was found in deep water of the South Umpqua River near the South Dillard bridge about 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, the sheriff's office reported.

Discovery of the body, lying in about nine feet of water, was made by Willie Allen and Dick Whitson, who were searching from the shore.

Earlier in the day, Sheriff O. T. Carter and Deputies Dallas Bennett, E. N. Schwader and Walter Reich, using the county's boat, dragged a large section of the river and searched around drifts, but had been unable to locate the missing man.

Whitson had been missing since Monday afternoon, when he was reported by two boys to have been last seen headed for the river. His clothing, containing identification papers, and a towel, were found along the river bank. His body was located about 300 yards downstream from where his clothing was found.

Living alone, Whitson had not been missed at first, and the fact was not reported to the Sheriff's office until Tuesday afternoon.

War Veteran

Whitson had been a resident of Dillard for the past four years and was a member of the Southland Lodge 618 A.F. & A.M. of Los Angeles; Umpqua Post 14 of American Legion; and a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The body has been removed to the Roseburg Funeral Home and funeral arrangements will be announced upon arrival of relatives from Los Angeles.

Coast Highway Auto Dive Kills Motorist

COOS BAY — Elder W. Dietrich, 64, Milwaukie, was killed Wednesday when his car plunged off the Coast Highway near the Coos-Curry County line.

His wife suffered severe bruises and was hospitalized at Bandon. They were en route to Crescent City, Calif., on business.

EX-POLICE CHIEF DIES

SALEM — Frank Minto, 72, who retired as Salem police chief in 1949 after serving 26 years, died Wednesday.

He was born in Salem of pioneer parents.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

Abraham Lincoln's gavel is in use of the GOP convention, but his calm judgment, wisdom and foresight are conspicuous by their scarcity.

Lovelies In Race For Timber Days Queen

By LORNA LARSON

The next 29 days will tell which one of seven young Sutherlin lassies will be queen of the fifth annual Douglas County Timber Days celebration, Aug. 9 and 10, at Sutherlin.

Votes will be sold by the sponsoring organizations until Aug. 7. Announcement of the queen will come at 10 p.m. Aug. 8.

Candidates entered in the contest, so far, and their Sutherlin sponsors are: Patsy Moore, American Legion; Phyllis Pond, Business Women's Club; Barbara Jeanne Meyers, Band Boosters; Juanita Gibson, Eagles Auxiliary; Mildred Chester, Lady Lions; Evelyn Frotscher, Timberline Trail riders; and Margaret Rose, Rebekah Lodge No. 218.

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BARBARA JEANNE MYERS



EVELYN FROTSCHER



MILDRED CHESTER



MARGARET ROSE