

# Eisenhower May Enter GOP Primary

## Lodge Says He'll Enter Race in New Hampshire

SHAPE. ROCQUENCOURT, France, Jan. 6—(UP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower refused to deny tonight a Washington report that he is a Republican presidential candidate, and a high official close to him commented that "silence is sometimes more eloquent than any statement."

The officer said Eisenhower had been forewarned of the announcement by Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., that his name would be entered as a Republican candidate in the New Hampshire primary.

Lodge's assertion that he is certain Eisenhower would not make the declaration, the official noted that the general's reticence could be interpreted as being confirmation.

The only thing to emerge from Eisenhower's deserted headquarters here came from Gen. Charles G. H. Lamm, chief of SHAPE's public information division. He said: "There will be no statement tonight (Sunday). Monday we shall issue the general a full report on the general's statements, and if necessary, we will make some comment, but there is no guarantee that the general will say anything for the record."

### Ike May Not Talk

Alfred C. Gruenther, Eisenhower's chief of staff and his hand-picked candidate to replace him as



HENRY CABOT LODGE JR.

supreme commander when and if Eisenhower returns to the United States, refused any comment when asked of the Lodge statement.

Although Eisenhower might be pressured by the pressure of his supporters to make his first public statement on whatever political position he may have, the odds are tonight that he would evade a direct declaration.

Eisenhower's position, as outlined to close friends who have seen him in recent months, is

to throw a hat into the political ring until he is certain he really wanted, and even more important, that he is really needed. And if that time comes he will take the initiative with a message to his supporters asking to be relieved of his command.

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## Registration Due Today

Today is the last day to pay fees and complete registration without penalty, Registrar Clifford Constance has reminded students.

A fine of \$5 will be charged for late registration and the fine will increase \$1 per day until registration is completed.

As of Saturday noon, 3,961 students had checked through the student affairs office, a step necessary in the registration process. The exact count of the term enrollment will be available until next week, Constance said.

The last day to register and change courses is Jan. 16. Winter term athletic cards may be picked up at the athletic business office in McArthur court from 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m. to obtain the cards, which admit bearers to athletic events, student body cards must be presented.

## Ike's Chances Predicted Good

By Phil Johnson

Campus instructors and local Republican leaders were asked Sunday to state their opinions on the report that Senator Lodge was entering Gen. Dwight Eisenhower's name on the New Hampshire Republican presidential primary ballot.

A majority of those questioned believed that Eisenhower has a good chance to capture both the primary and presidential elections.

It was generally stated that Eisenhower would make no basic changes in the United States foreign policy, but that his views on domestic issues are not very clear at this time.

Among those questioned, the opinion was unanimous that Eisenhower is not "indispensable" in Europe, and that his position as leader of the North Atlantic Pact military forces can be easily filled by another man.

Bill Van Nuys, who circulated Eisenhower petitions for the Oregon Republican primary, said Sunday that every person he asked to sign the petitions had done so.

"I have not run up against any opposition when I asked anyone to sign a petition," he remarked, adding that he had collected "50 or 60" signatures, all that were desired. He declined to comment on Lodge's announcement.

Edward Boehnke, chairman of the Lane County Republican Central Committee, stated (assuming that Eisenhower will run) "I think that there is no question in anyone's mind that Eisenhower will be a formidable candidate."

He asserted that it would be very dangerous "to pick a man out of the air" for the presidency, but that this didn't apply to Eisenhower, because the general, while at Columbia university, "prepared himself to be president."

Stating that the North Atlantic Pact leader "reverts to the sound principles of morality in government," Boehnke also remarked that governmental corruption is "absolutely" caused by lack of morality among the common people.

The Republican leader did not believe that Western European rearmament would suffer as a result of "Ike's" removal from the scene.

Young Republican County Chairman Ted Goodwin asserted that Eisenhower would have "strong popular appeal" against Robert Taft, Harold Stassen and Earl Warren, but that "Ike's" chances depend upon the primary elections.

Goodwin predicted that Eisenhower, if elected, would introduce a bipartisan foreign policy with few changes from the present American foreign policy.

"Ike" probably is "a traditional Republican" on domestic issues, Goodwin said, and he is "to the right of Warren" on issues concerning labor, economics and government regulation of business.

Asked if an Eisenhower ticket could defeat a Truman Democratic ticket, Goodwin quickly replied, "Oh, I definitely think that he could beat Truman."

"Any good Republican could probably win if the election were today or tomorrow," Goodwin replied.

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## He's Not Talking



GEN. DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER  
He's entered on GOP ticket in New Hampshire primary.

## Frosh Men Hear Rushing Rules

A "hands-off" policy with no contact between fraternity men and freshman men will be in effect today as freshmen sign up for the week's rushing program, Interfraternity President Dick McLaughlin announced Sunday evening at a meeting of prospective rushees.

About 150 freshmen heard rushing rules and regulations explained by fraternity men at the meeting in the Student Union ballroom.

Sign-up for rushing dates will begin at 1 p.m. today in the SU ballroom. An "official" table will be located at the stage-end of the ballroom and rushees will be given two copies of an unofficial data card there.

Each rushee will pay \$5 rushing fee. Rushing eligibility will be checked. A freshman rushee must have a 2.00 accumulative GPA and a 2.00 GPA while carrying at least 12 hours for the previous term. (About 360 freshmen are scholastically eligible to rush, the office of student affairs has reported. This figure represents approximately two-thirds of the freshman class.)

Freshmen will take date cards to any of 21 tables arranged along the sides of the ballroom. Each table will be labeled with the name of a fraternity. A fraternity representative will be behind each table.

Rushees will sign up with fraternity representatives for not more than six dates. They may sign up for not more than two dates with one house. Sign-up will continue until 5 p.m.

Freshmen will return to the ballroom at 7 p.m. when they will fill

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## The Millrace--Its Past and Its Future

(This is the first in a series of five articles by Emerald Reporter Bob Southwell dealing with the mill race, its history and proposed plans for it—ed.)

By Bob Southwell

The millrace takes some water from the Willamette river, carries it aimlessly through Eugene and then empties it back into the Willamette.

Likewise, campaigns to improve the millrace start in some committees, wander through Eugene and University circles collecting opinions and money and then seem to disappear as the stream does itself.

What is wrong? The Emerald will attempt to examine the matter in this series of five articles. To prove that the millrace is really worth examining, this article will probe into its past history.

If the millrace seems important to University tradition, it was essential to pioneer industry. Back in the 1850s an enterprising man named Hilyard Shaw noticed that the Willamette river had started to shorten itself with a slough at either end of a great bend. By cutting a five block canal between these two sloughs Shaw built the millrace and provided the water power for future Eugene industries.

### Industries Harness Millrace

That was in 1851 or 1852. Before long a lumber mill and a flour mill harnessed the stream and by 1856 a brewery had commenced operations, also. In 1877 the local furniture factory moved to a millrace site for its cheaper power.

But the Eugene residents soon discovered that the millrace could mean play as well as work. By 1900 the students of the local college, the University of Oregon, were canoeing up and down the stream past several landscaped back yards which residents had found very appropriate for their millrace sites. It was soon reflecting campfires and echoing singing, for picnicing on the millrace became popular.

### Race Used to Wash Elephants

One of Eugene's first circuses used it to wash its elephants in the race. The elephants enjoyed their bath so much that instead of returning when their keepers called, they merely blew trunkfuls of water at the despondent keepers.

And so the residents and University students began to see the millrace as a recreation center

while the industries considered it merely as a power potential. A clash was inevitable. As the Willamette river fell below the level of the millrace, the companies built a dam and enlarged the stream to maintain its water flow. This enraged the home owners.

In 1913 the Millrace Protective association was organized to represent the home owners and before long a suit against the millrace concerns was filed. Though the court's decision favored industry, canoeing became all the more popular on the millrace. The University decided to sponsor a "canoe carnival" in 1911, but it had to be postponed until 1912 because of rain. A 1912 Oregon Emerald headlined the event: "Carnival to be Classy".

### Canoe Fete Evolves

By the time the 1915 Junior Weekend rolled around the canoe carnival had turned into a "Venetian Water Fete". Featuring elaborate floats built upon canoes, the traditional canoe fete thus evolved. ATO took first place that year with its imitation of a submarine, German weapon during World War I.

And so the millrace evolved into an integral part of Eugene and University life. J. O. Lindstrom, University business manager, commented: "Canoeing on the millrace was quite a thing in past years. Trees bordered it in those days and the current was so fast that you had to row hard to make any progress. Judge Day T. Bailey, now of Lane county court, made quite a business out of renting canoes at the old Anchorage restaurant."

He described the canoe fetes as "quite a thing. The floats would be propelled by swimmers in front of nearly 4,000 spectators."

### Featured in Song

To illustrate the past prominence of the millrace, Lindstrom cited an official Oregon song, "As I Sit and Dream at Evening". Its words include: "I like a shady place by the old mill race at dear old Oregon."

But in 1943, a flood destroyed the intake of the stream and two years later another flood razed the banks along its edges. It couldn't be repaired until after the war, so the University had to forget its traditional canoe fetes and favorite spring pastime "for the time being."

The war ended and then the trouble began.