

Ford Proposes Wage Cut in Response to UAW Raise Demands

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

In the current political melee in this state consider the plight of the ambitious politician. He wants either a job or political power or both. His success depends not alone on his own ability but on the victory of the one whose cause he espouses.

Consider the fact that republicans for the first time in 16 years have a good chance to capture the presidency. Then reflect on the amount of patronage which will be handed out by the president. No wonder the mouths of aspirants water as they think of the possibilities. Theoretically postmaster-ships have been sterilized by civil service — but you can count the number of republican nominations to first-class post offices in your fingers.

If one doesn't want a job like collector of customs he may want to be in position to name the one who gets the job. Patronage control is a powerful tool in the kit of the politician. Usually party committees are the ones to dispense patronage, but a safer guess would be that the campaign manager in the state for Dewey or Stassen would be the one first "consulted" if either one becomes president.

No politician wants to be on the outside looking in at the political feasting. He wants a place inside. He may be satisfied with a seat at the foot of the table, but he wants to move along to the head as fast as he can edge or force his way.

Hence the nervousness among many who have pinned on Stassen or Dewey buttons. Is my man going to win? If he isn't can I switch buttons and not be too far back in the other line?

The fortunes of the political wars affect not only the principals but those who are "on the make," those who know that in politics the sword of defeat is merciless. And after 16 long years what a disaster it would be to guess wrong and still be out in the cold!

Dewey, Stassen Split Vermont

MONTPELIER, Vt., May 15-(AP)—Vermont's nine delegates to the republican national convention are split between Harold E. Stassen and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York for the GOP presidential nomination.

While the delegation chosen today will go to Philadelphia officially unpledged, both Stassen and Dewey have supporters on the state. They ran far ahead of the rest of the field, too, in a preference poll taken among delegates at the state convention.

Stassen led with 168 votes; Dewey got 131. Far back in third place in popularity was Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio with only nine.

A private poll of the nine delegates showed Dewey favored by four, Stassen by three and two still on the fence.

2 Missing as Train Plunges into River

EAST STROUDSBURG, Pa., May 16—(Sunday)—(AP)—The locomotive and baggage car of a Lackawanna railroad passenger train plunged into the Delaware river near Delaware water gap early today and the engineer and fireman are missing, a railroad spokesman said.

The train, en route from Hoboken, N. J., to Buffalo, N. Y., carried two passenger cars in addition to the baggage car, the spokesman reported. He said none of the passenger cars left the track.

DISCULT PLANT TO BUILD

PORTLAND, May 15-(AP)—The National Biscuit Company, which last year abandoned building plans here because some people living near the site objected, said today it would construct a \$6,000,000 bakery on a new 25-acre site in northeast Portland.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"I designed it myself."

Replacement



LONDON, May 15—Jacob Malik carries his hat and coat at Northolt Airport, London, after his arrival by air from Berlin, en route to New York. He has been named as a replacement for Andrei A. Gromyko, Russia's delegate to the United Nations who is going home for a vacation. (AP Wirephoto to the Statesman).

Body of Lost National Guard Flier Found

LONGVIEW, Wash., May 15-(AP)—The parachute wrapped body of an Oregon national guard aviator was found today on a mountain near fragments of a light bomber that vanished a month ago with three Portlanders aboard.

Sheriff C. W. Reynolds said a posse would search tomorrow for the other two Portland airmen who were on the A-26 plane. It disappeared April 9 as it approached Portland home base on a flight from McChord Field, Wash.

The body found today was identified as that of Sgt. Jack Schaylor, 30, Portland. A group of sheriff's deputies brought the remains here from the south side of Baird mountain, 25 miles east of Kelso.

Deputy George Armstrong reported the body was shrouded in the canopy of the parachute. He said Schaylor apparently had parachuted to earth and then died of exposure while trying to protect himself against the cold weather.

The canopy in which Schaylor was wrapped was sighted from the air today by Paul Sanger, area air search coordinator from southwest Washington.

In the plane with Sgt. Schaylor were Capt. Alexander G. McCorkle, 29, Vancouver, and Pfc. Jack T. Toftte, 18, Portland.

Steelworkers to Boost Strike Fund

BOSTON, May 15—(AP)—CIO Steelworkers voted their union another \$5,000,000 a year in dues today after hearing President Philip Murray warn that more than 50,000 of them may be on strike before the year ends.

The CIO's biggest union voted to raise their monthly dues from \$1.50 to \$2.

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Not in modern times has the state faced a choice of so many candidates for so many top offices. To get these candidates into the proper limelight and perspective, despite the over-shadowing national interest in the republican melee, the following complete recapitulation of Oregon's own would-be leaders is offered.

The intense battle for the presidential preference has tended to obscure the contests for state and local offices. But the fur has been flying in some state races regardless, and the odds in the GOP gubernatorial campaigns of Gov. John H. Hall and Douglas McKay are quoted as all but even as the decisive day nears.

Hall, successor to the late Gov. Earl Snell who died in the south-Oregon plane crash last October 28, has been standing on his record and on his pledge to

Company, Union to Negotiate

DETROIT, May 15-(AP)—The Ford Motor company tossed a bombshell into automotive labor negotiations today by serving notice it would fight to the last the CIO United Automobile Workers demands for a 30-cent hourly increase, even proposing a wage cut.

John S. Bugas, Ford vice president and director of industrial relations, told Ken Bannon, the union's Ford director, in a letter that one of the company's five specific proposals in contract negotiations, which probably will be reopened before July 15 would be to eliminate wage differentials between Ford and its major competitors.

Ford average wage rates currently are \$1.53 an hour, compared with \$1.43 for Chrysler corporation workers and \$1.42 for General Motors.

Asked if such a company proposal meant Ford would fight for a wage cut, a company spokesman quoted Bugas as saying: "It certainly does."

The union, in demands served on Ford May 3, asked a 30-cent hourly increase in wages.

Truman Vetoes Loyalty Check On A-Board

WASHINGTON, May 15-(AP)—President Truman today vetoed an "unnecessary and unwise" bill providing for an FBI loyalty check on persons he appoints to the atomic energy commission.

He cited the measure as "an unwarranted encroachment of the legislature upon the executive branch."

Senator Knowland (R-Calif.), sponsor of the bill, said he would ask the senate to override the president by vetoing the measure.

Senator Hickenlooper (R-Iowa), chairman of the joint atomic energy committee, also declared that congress ought to override the veto, adding: "I feel confident that it will."

Former Scout Executive Dies

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., May 15-(AP)—Dr. James E. West, former chief scout executive of the Boy Scouts of America, died tonight.

Dr. West died at New Rochelle hospital which he entered last night.

Hospital authorities said he had been ill for a number of years with an intestinal ailment and took a turn for the worse yesterday.

Dr. West, a native of Washington, D. C., had been chief scout executive for 32 years when he retired in 1943. He later was elected chief scout executive, an estimated 10,000,000 boys and men had joined the organization.

Red-Green Light On Edgewater

WEST SALEM, May 15—(Special)—A new red-green traffic light was operating Saturday at Edgewater intersection when the road, following installation by the state highway department. The signal will control traffic from all three directions at the corner.

Council members expressed hope that the light would ease much of the congestion at the west end of the Inter-county bridge and would facilitate traffic coming from Wallace road onto the highway.

Weather

Station	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	70	44	0.00
Portland	75	44	0.00
San Francisco	70	45	0.00
Chicago	70	53	31
New York	67	50	Trace

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem) Mostly cloudy with light east rains today and Monday. High today 65, low tonight 42. Weather will be poor for farm work today and Monday.

SALEM PRECIPITATION (From Sept. 1 to May 16)

This Year	Last Year	Average
44.66	33.15	35.04

work for the over-all prosperity of the state. He has been lambasted by McKay on the grounds that he is supported by gambling and liquor interests and that he was party to the sale of school lands which McKay declares should have been leased.

Hall, 49, is a Portland attorney, a veteran of World War I, served five terms in the house of representatives, and was speaker of the house in 1947. As speaker, he was second in line of succession to the governor and assumed that office because Senate President Marshall Cornett, first in line, also was killed in last fall's plane crash, as was Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell. He is widely respected as a parliamentarian.

The republicans are Earl T. Newbry, 48, Ashland fruit grower and veteran of four terms in the house and three in the state senate, who was named secretary of state by Governor Hall last fall, and George Flagg, deputy secretary of state for nine years and state public utilities commissioner until he resigned to enter the current campaign.

Democrats are Byron G. Carney of Milwaukie, democratic state chairman, and A. M. Silverman, Portland real estate man. The former is advocating more attention to inmates of state institutions and the latter is cam-

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Nation to Hear Radio Debate Monday Night

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