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Eisenhower Wants No Part Of Politicking

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NEW YORK, July 5—(AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower said tonight he "could not accept nomination for any public office."

He said in a statement that he "will not, at this time, identify myself with any political party and could not accept nomination for any public office or participate in partisan political contests."

Eisenhower, president of Columbia University, set forth his views in a memorandum to Robert Harron, director of the university's division of public relations.

He said that his views "with respect to my proper course of duty are still identical with those presented in the letter I wrote on Jan. 23, 1948."

At that time he said in a letter to a New Hampshire republican backing him for the party's 1948 presidential nomination that "I am not available for and could not accept nomination to high political office."

Eisenhower, himself, was not present when tonight's statement was handed out.

In his statement Eisenhower said that he would continue "subject to the pleasure of the university trustees" to perform his duties as president of the university.

The memorandum was distributed by Harron to dozens of reporters and photographers who crowded his fourth floor office in the university's journalism building.

Position Unchanged
Eisenhower's memorandum to Harron said:

"I know that your office has for some days been overburdened with innumerable queries concerning my intentions in regard to the current political situation. My decisions and earnest convictions concerning possible personal connection with this year's political contests were given to the public several months ago, but it now appears that there has arisen a question as to whether or not I have changed my position.

"Profoundly touched by the renewed suggestion that I could satisfactorily fill high public office, my views with respect to my proper course of duty are still identical with those presented in the letter I wrote on Jan. 23, 1948.

Would Remove Doubt
"In response to any further queries as to my course of action during the foreseeable future, and in order that there may be no possible room for doubt in the mind of any interested American, will you please invite attention to the firm purposes expressed in my January letter and quote the following as coming personally from me.

"I shall continue, subject to the pleasure of the university trustees, to perform the important duties I have undertaken as president of Columbia. I will not at this time, identify myself with any political party and could not accept nomination for any public office or participate in partisan political contests.

"This implies no intention of maintaining silence on any issue of importance to the country on which I may feel qualified to express any opinion."

Almost all wine grapes grown in California or Europe are varieties grafted on roots of American varieties, with the result that they resist a lethal blight.

Salem Obituaries

SMITH, the residence, 226 E. 25th st., Wednesday, June 30, Clayton E. Smith at the age of 67 years. Survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma Smith, of Salem; a son, Kenneth Smith of Raymond, Wash., and a grandson, Ordel Smith of Salem. Services will be held from the W. T. Rigdon chapel Tuesday, July 6, at 2 p.m. The Rev. Brooks Moore officiating. Interment in Belcrest Memorial park.

McCUNE, John Wilber McCune, late resident of Salem route 8, Friday, July 2. Survived by his wife, Maggie McCune; daughters, Jessie E. Brooks, Mrs. Vera E. Neubauer and Mrs. Elva I. Drakeley; sons, Wilbur H. and Walter E. McCune, all of Salem, and by a grand-daughter and one grandson. Services will be held Tuesday, July 6, at 10 a.m., at the Clough-Barrick chapel, the Rev. Louis White officiating. Interment in Belcrest Memorial park.

McCLAIN, Mrs. Christine McClain, 83, at the residence, 180 Stortz ave., Sunday, July 4. Survived by husband John L. McClain of Salem, three daughters, Janice Dunbar of Salem, Mrs. Fern Madson of Salinas, Calif., and Mrs. Doris Driscoll, LaGrande; three sisters, Mrs. N. L. Clark of Clatskanie, Mrs. Jeanette Rowland of Santa Cruz, Calif., and Mrs. Otto Otte of Springfield; a brother, Dr. Sec. A. Wesley of Salem, and seven grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Tuesday, July 6, at 2:30 p.m., at Clough-Barrick chapel, with the Rev. G. Wesley Turner officiating. Interment at Belcrest Memorial park.

DARLING, In this city, Eliza Darling, late resident of 940 S. 12th st., Monday, July 5. Survived by a son, Lloyd E. Darling, Santa Monica, Calif.; a brother, Harvey Hinkle, Portland; a cousin, Myrtle Dimpick, Salem, and a niece, Mrs. Fred Stipe, Salem. Announcement of services later by the W. T. Rigdon Company.

Magnesium Flare Flares Very Well

This is the story of how a very good magnesium flare flared on the Fourth of July, as told by Capt. Charles Charlton, Salem first aid man.

The flare was ignited by a match Sunday by Robert Erickson, city fireman, accompanied by E. C. Hart, city first aid man, Charlton said. In fact, he said, the flare worked so well that Erickson was treated by first aidmen for badly burned fingers and is wearing bandages to prove it.

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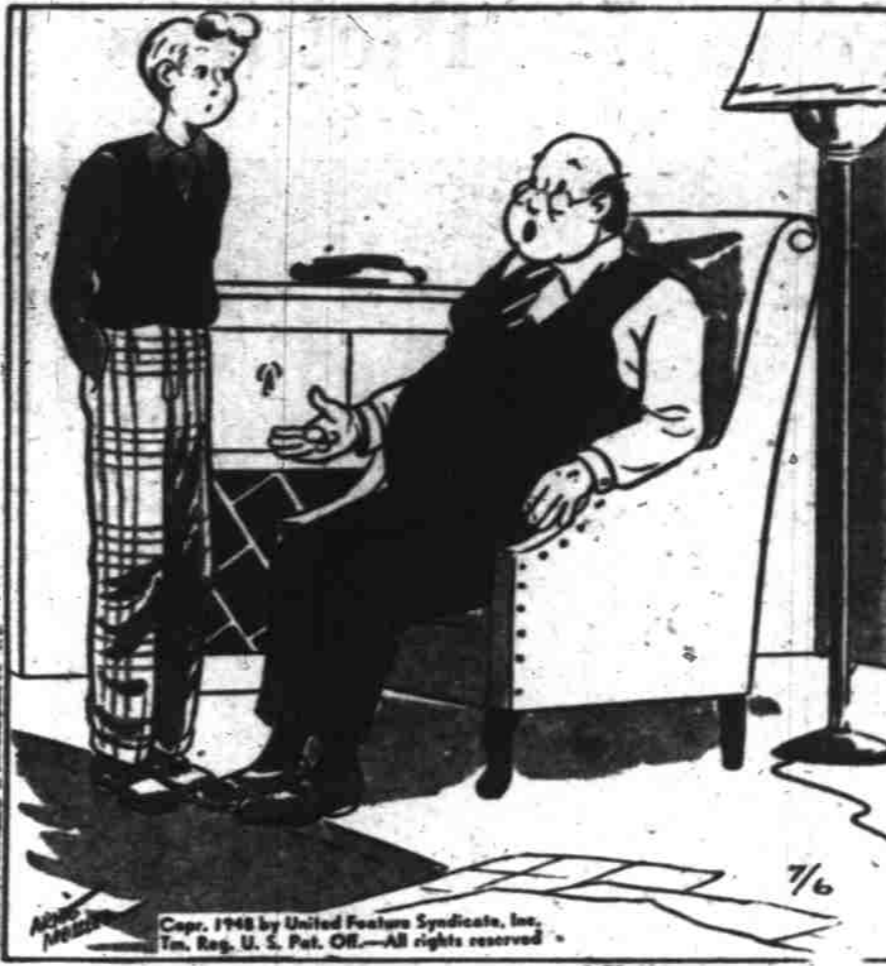
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BEAUTY AND PET—Margery Wohl, 26, of Pittsburgh plays with her pet lamb on campus at Middlebury, Vt., College where she was chosen prettiest co-ed during Junior Week-end.



SICK CALL—Lord Mountbatten (left), governor general of India, and Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Patel shake hands at Dehra Dun, India, where Patel is recovering from a recent serious illness. Lady Mountbatten stands in center.



INDOOR BEACH—Relaxing on a Hollywood studio set beach are (left to right): Mildred Baer, Detroit; Carol West, Houston; Cuple Lovewell, New Orleans; Wanda Smith, Long Beach, Calif.



ZOO SOFT DRINK BAR—A couple of chimpanzees get together with their keeper, Art Hulings, to enjoy a bottle of soda pop at Brookfield Zoo in Chicago.