

# Demos Use 'Creeping McCarthyism', 'Resources Give Away' As Battle Cries

By JAMES DEVLIN  
NEW YORK (AP) — Prominent Democrats Wednesday night key-noted what may be the party's future line of political battle by denouncing what they called "creeping McCarthyism" and a Republican "give away" of natural resources.

"first 100 days" of President Eisenhower's GOP administration as the signal for what appeared to be the opening of national debate and outlining of party strategy for the 1954 congressional and 1956 presidential election campaigns.

Sen. Herbert H. Lehman of New York, former Air Secretary Thomas K. Finletter, and other speakers raised a number of issues at a Democratic State Committee dinner in the Waldorf Astoria Hotel.

Lehman struck at what he termed "would-be thought control police of congressional investigating committees."

"What a spectacle we present to the rest of the world" he exclaimed. "We have convinced our own people that this great democracy of ours is honeycombed with traitors, spies, subversives and sexual deviates."

"Our democracy is portrayed as so weak a system that it must devote all its internal energies to investigation, recrimination and denunciation."

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"I believe that the police agencies of the United States including the FBI, are competent to deal with violations of our laws," he said. "And the courts are equipped to weigh the evidence and to pass judgment on these subversive law-breakers."

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Lehman declared "a frontal attack on McCarthyism" might not be the way to political victory, but said:

"If we can save the cause of freedom in our country, by risking political defeat in the next election, let us take that risk."

Finletter, also indicating that the Democrats would hit hard on the civil rights issue in forthcoming campaigns, said:

"An evil force is loose in the land... any party which, for party unity or fancied political advantage, fails to take a stand on this issue is misjudging the American people."

"We see the attempt of the Republicans to give away the great natural wealth of the nation — the oil of the tidelands as well as the power of the Niagara and the St. Lawrence to the privileged few," he said.

"We see signs that the Republicans intend to treat farm supports as only measures of disaster. This is not good enough. We Democrats believe that the support of farm prices on a steady basis at all times is necessary to an abundant economy."

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Shown receiving a degree after successful completion of a six-week course of intensive training at the Chevrolet post-graduate School of Modern Merchandising and Management at Detroit, Mich., is Lester D. Green (right), son-in-law of Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay and salesman at the McKay Chevrolet Co. in Salem. The degree was presented by W. E. Fish (left), Chevrolet general sales manager while McKay looks on.

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**Reds to Stage Economic World Battle**

By WILLIAM L. RYAN  
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The Soviet press in effect is instructing the Communist world to clear the decks for a mighty economic offensive to broaden and hasten Red domination of weak nations.

The current peace offensive can be expected to merge with a trade war. The Soviet bloc apparently hopes to invade foreign markets with great quantities of goods, undercutting Western European prices.

Editions of the Soviet press containing slogans for Thursday's international May Day observance have just arrived in this country. The slogans, taking up entire front pages, and the comment accompanying them, put the emphasis on production, production and more production.

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**Gold Beach Trial Opens**

GOLD BEACH (AP) — Trial of Jimmy Coe, 72, on a charge of assault with intent to kill opened here Wednesday.

He is accused of threatening Mansford Ake at the Marial Postoffice in January. Akeson grappled with Coe, who lost his gun, and fled. He was captured in wild country after a three-day search.

State Police Sgt. C. F. Borgman said that Coe's fingerprints matched those of James Johnson, who escaped in 1926 from the Raiford, Fla., prison where he was serving a life sentence for murder.

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