

Vice President Nixon Tours With Battle Cry of 'One Good Term Deserves Another'

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WHITTIER, Calif., Sept. 18 (U.P.)—Vice President Nixon sounded in his home town tonight the GOP battle cry that "One good term deserves another."

In this Southern California village where less than two weeks ago he buried his father, Nixon said the record of the Eisenhower administration entitles it to a "vote of confidence from the American people."

It was the second speech in the vice president's 15-day campaign that will take him to 32 states—a campaign that, according to a morning with a personal "bon voyage" from President Eisenhower in Washington.

Nixon spoke in the auditorium of the high school he attended as a youth and in which his wife, Patricia, taught.

En route from Washington to Whittier, Nixon's airborne entourage stopped for the opening campaign speech at Indianapolis.

Hodge's Wife Links Others To Scandal

CHICAGO, Sept. 18 (U.P.)—The Chicago Sun-Times Monday quoted the wife of Orville E. Hodge, former Illinois state auditor imprisoned for stealing 1 1/2 million dollars in state funds, as declaring:

"There are people with well-known names walking around today who are involved in this affair."

Hodge, the 51-year-old former high GOP state official, has maintained steadfastly that no person, other than himself, received any of the state funds, acquired through a bogus check-writing scheme.

The former auditor is serving a 12-15 year term at Menard Prison, Chester, Ill.

The Sun-Times, in a copyrighted article by staff writer Art Petacos, interviewed Hodge's wife, Margaret, 38, at the Hodge home in Granite City, Ill.

The article quoted Mrs. Hodge as declaring: "I know Orville did not have all the money that is involved in this case. Orville has been left holding the bag. He has been sold down the river."

"There are people with well-known names walking around today who are involved in this affair." Pressed for names of persons she suspected, the newspaper story related, Mrs. Hodge said she could supply no names because she said, except for family finances, her husband never discussed his political affairs or state financial dealings.

In another interview Mrs. Hodge was quoted by the Chicago Daily News as telling a reporter, "Go after the other people."

George Theim, reporter who telephoned Mrs. Hodge at Granite City, Ill., quoted Mrs. Hodge as saying "I wonder if all the others' skirts are clean."

The story said that when Theim asked who the others were, she replied, "I wouldn't tell on anybody. Just let me alone."

Third Member Goes to Pen In Love Plot

CHICAGO, Sept. 18 (U.P.)—The third member of a deadly love triangle Monday was sentenced to five years in federal prison for interstate car theft. He is James E. Massie, 30, fiance of Miss Lucille Fitzpatrick, 38, who was struck and killed by an auto driven by a rejected lover last Wednesday—three days before she was to have wed Massie.

The driver of the death car, Nathan Brown, 30, of Chicago, has been charged with murder.

Massie was sentenced along with two companions, Edward Fisher, 30, Cleveland, and Onward R. Russell, 25, Marion, Ohio, who also received five-year terms on car theft charges. They were with Miss Fitzpatrick, on Sept. 8 when seized by police.

On the day of Miss Fitzpatrick's death, the trio pleaded guilty to stealing the automobile Aug. 22 from a traveling salesman in Ashland, Ky. The car was found near the West Side tavern in front of which Miss Fitzpatrick was slain.

Navy Chief to Weigh Action On McKeon

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18 (U.P.)—The record of the court martial trial and conviction of Marine Staff Sgt. Matthew McKeon has been turned over to Secretary of the Navy Thomas for action that may be delayed "for a considerable length of time."

The Navy announced Monday that the bulky record, over 1,000 pages long and containing more than 400 pages of exhibits, would be given "long and conscientious study" by Thomas before final action can be expected in the case.

McKeon, a drill sergeant, was found guilty of negligent homicide and drinking on duty after six recruits drowned at Parris Island, S.C., during a disciplinary march he ordered on the night of April 8.

A Marine Corps court martial on Aug. 2 sentenced McKeon to six months confinement at hard labor, a bad conduct discharge, reduction to the rank of private and a fine of \$30 for each month of his prison term.

ment to stick to the record and conduct a dignified campaign, Nixon told his Whittier neighbors the Republicans have "something far better to offer the American people than personal abuse of our opponents."

In a news conference in Indianapolis, Nixon told reporters he hopes the Alger Hiss case, long a bone of contention, will not become an issue in the campaign this year. He praised a statement by Adlai E. Stevenson, Democratic presidential nominee, on the Hiss case and had friendly words for Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Nixon said Stevenson made a "forthright, direct statement" when he said he had "never doubted the verdict" that convicted Hiss of perjury.

Nixon denied a charge by Mrs. Roosevelt that he had called Mrs. Helen Gahagan Douglas a Communist in the 1950 California senatorial campaign, saying "Mrs. Roosevelt was misinformed. I questioned Mrs. Douglas' judgment, not her loyalty."

The vice president went out of his way to comment on "the amount of good will Mrs. Roosevelt has created in the other countries I have visited."

But he left no doubt that he was ready and willing to wage a verbal slugfest with the opposition if the Democrats want it that way.

"Let's get one thing straight right now," he said. "Where our opponents misrepresent and distort the record and where they vilify the President of the United States, I shall consider it a duty and a privilege to set the record straight."

"I have faith that the American people will make the right decision in elections, provided they know the facts," he said. "But where a misstatement is repeated often enough without correction it is believed as the truth. I can assure you that that will not happen in this campaign."

"Cut-Rate" Way
In an indirect reference to Stevenson's recent expression of hope that the draft soon could be ended, Nixon said "it is tempting" in a political campaign to tell the people the draft can be ended, defenses cut and international obligations be met by "a cut-rate way."

But American security, he said, must "come before any political ambitions or considerations."

So long as the present administration is running the government, Nixon said, the American people can be assured that: "We will never underestimate or pooch-pooch the Communist danger at home or abroad."

No Compromise
"We shall never engage in the cynical type of compromise or appeasement which might bring peace for ourselves but which would assure war or surrender for our children."

"We shall provide for the American people the very best national defense possible at the least cost consistent with national security considerations."

Although the administration's foreign policy and national security record by themselves "merit continued support," Nixon said, its domestic accomplishments are an added reason for keeping the Republicans in office.

He summed up the economic record in this sentence: "The great majority of the American people have enjoyed the best four years of their lives under the Eisenhower administration."

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It lists two Republican Senators, Langer of North Dakota and Aiken of Vermont, as voting more often than not with the AFL-CIO view, and 10 Democratic senators, nearly all Southerners, as generally opposing stands taken by organized labor.

The AFL-CIO scoring of house members adds up to this: Democrats, 168 for its views and 59 against; Republicans, 20 for and 175 against.

The votes of two Republican Senators, Bender of Ohio and lives of New York, as well as those of 10 house members, were rated as evenly divided on the issues selected by the AFL-CIO.

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