

Massachusetts Votes Tuesday

Lodge Claims Most Delegates for Ike

By The Associated Press
Four states name delegates to the national presidential convention this week but major interest centered on Massachusetts whose preferential primary Tuesday could whittle Sen. Robert Taft's 266 to 233 delegate lead over Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.
Fifty-nine Republican delegates were chosen in district and state convention Saturday. An Associated Press tabulation indicated 33 of them were for Taft and 21 for Eisenhower, although there were disputes over the leanings of some of the delegates.

THE POSSIBILITY of a flood battle at Oklahoma City Monday melted when the forces of Sen. Robert S. Kerr of Oklahoma, a candidate for the Democratic nomination, and Gov. Johnston Murray agreed beforehand on a compromise. An executive council resolution voted Sunday instructs the delegation to vote for Kerr but allows the delegates to release themselves any time they feel Kerr is out of the running. Murray had wanted an uninstructed delegation.

Political eyes were turned mostly on Massachusetts, home state of Gen. Eisenhower's campaign manager, Sen. Lodge. Massachusetts will send 38 delegates to the National Republican Convention and Lodge claims most of them for Eisenhower.

The state has 10-at-large delegate candidates; who are unopposed and who are reportedly divided this way: Two pledged to Taft, two to Eisenhower, and six undeclared.

POSSIBLY 400,000 voters will ballot on 72 Democratic delegates—with half votes each—and the remaining 28 GOP delegates.

A sweep of the GOP's 28 delegates—plus the two already committed to Eisenhower—would give Eisenhower 30 new votes compared with Taft's two.

The results are not binding on delegates and the voters must write in their preference. The state's attorney general ruled nicknames like "Ike" and "Bob" would count.

Triplet Sons Born to Mother Of 2 Adults

RACINE, Wis.—(AP)—Triplet sons were born Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Balezentis Jr., both of whom have adult children by previous marriages.
The new trio, delivered within 13 minutes, weighed in respectively at 2 pounds, 13 ounces; 3 pounds 6 ounces and 3 pounds, 1 ounce. They were placed in an incubator and were reported doing well, as was their mother.
Mrs. Balezentis, 41, has two sons, 24 and 22, by a former marriage. Balezentis, a 42-year-old tavern proprietor, has another son, 21.

Ducats on Sale For Stevenson

Tickets for Gov. Adlai Stevenson's only Oregon appearance went on sale in Eugene Monday. The Illinois governor, whose name appears on the Democratic ballot May 16 as a presidential candidate, will address the Jefferson-Jackson Day banquet at the Columbia Athletic Club in Portland May 1.

Liquor Use Results In Charges Against Five

COTTAGE GROVE—Imbibing the grape resulted in the arrest Saturday night of five persons here.
Two minors were arrested for being in possession of alcoholic liquor. Norman Aubrey, 28, of Lorane Rt., was arrested for being drunk on the street, as was Loren E. Bennett, 51, of 1406 River Road.
Elmer D. Ladd, 46, of Lorane Rt. was charged with being drunk and disorderly.

Accused Killer Found Guilty

OREGON CITY—(AP)—Elmer Dorsey Williams, convicted Sunday of second degree murder in the fatal beating of Jalmar Terkla last January, will be sentenced Wednesday by Circuit Judge Ralph M. Holman.
Williams was accused of beating the 68-year-old Portland man in the Milwaukee home of Mrs. Bonnie Kuhnhausen Jan. 16.
Mrs. Kuhnhausen will face trial on a first degree murder charge in July in connection with the same slaying.
The jury deliberated 4½ hours before returning its verdict.

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Stormy Weather Hits War Front

Ridgway Reports Red Capabilities

SEOUL, Korea—(AP)—Stormy weather held air and ground action in the Korean war to a minimum Monday.

Allied night fliers had poor hunting. The Fifth Air Force said pilots destroyed 29 Red supply vehicles at Wonsan in the northeast coast but generally air strikes were fruitless.

About 100 Chinese, supported by mortar fire, attacked an Allied position northeast of Kumhwa on the central front. They were thrown back after the skirmish closed to within hand grenade range.

Two Allied patrols on the central front occupied a Communist position southeast of Kumsong after a daylong battle Sunday.

COMMUNIST patrols probed on the central front but there were no reports of positions changing hands.

In Tokyo, Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway's headquarters said the Reds have built a defense belt—a crude "Siegfried Line"—across Korea since truce talks began 9½ months ago.

An official Army analysis said the Red buildup does not yet pose a threat to U.N. forces. The report placed Communist troop strength at more than 750,000 men, mostly Chinese, and said more than half the Red air force of 1500 planes was jet-powered.

ALLIED WARPLANES still control the air over Korea, the report continued, but this has not prevented the Communists from building up their front line supplies. It added that the enemy has shown the ability "to move armies into and out of the line without suffering casualties."

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