

Ike Plans Toe-to-Toe Battle

Ready to Start Naming Names

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NEW YORK (AP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower has been told that his campaign, at this point, is not going well, and he was pictured Tuesday as prepared now to begin an intensive, toe-to-toe fight for the presidency.

His aides and visitors to his newly established New York headquarters indicated that his next moves will be:

- To obtain the active support of Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio, and especially of Taft's organization and the thousands of Republicans who backed the senator for the GOP nomination.

- To begin speaking out on specific issues, naming names and pin-pointing the major GOP charges against the Democrats, the Truman administration record and the Democratic nominee, Gov. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois.

- On Eisenhower's schedule of appointments for Tuesday were Sen. Edward Martin of Pennsylvania, a Taft supporter, and Sen. Styles Bridges of New Hampshire. Bridges remained neutral in the Taft-Eisenhower battle in the New Hampshire primary. Some of the newspapers in the state claimed, however, that he leaned toward Taft.

The general's aides said a meeting with Taft himself is in the cards for some time next month. The date is still pending, they said.

From three different sources, Eisenhower apparently heard some frank talk about his campaign progress on his first day in the new regional headquarters here.

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One was Sen. Wallace Bennett of Utah, who supported Taft's drive for the GOP nomination. Bennett said he discussed with Eisenhower the means of getting support from Taft's backers. "On the organizational level, we talked about fusing the Taft and Eisenhower groups into one effective organization," he added.

The Senator added that he has found a "surprising number" of independent voters who are in doubt now about Eisenhower after having been sympathetic to his candidacy earlier.

"I find plenty of people who say they are going to take a second look at Stevenson," Bennett said.

A prominent Republican, who asked not to be identified, said his conversation with Eisenhower took much the same line. But he said:

LOW GEAR INTENDD

"The general told me he has purposely kept the campaign in low gear to and through Monday's



JUST FITS—Republican presidential candidate Dwight D. Eisenhower adjusts his Legionnaire cap with "Abilene, Kansas" written on it prior to addressing the 34th national convention of the American Legion in New York.

speech before the Legion convention."

One of Eisenhower's top lieutenants, Arthur Vandenberg Jr., told a reporter: "The campaign hasn't begun yet. He's set now to open up."

While these conferences were taking place, the New York World-Telegram and Sun was on the street here with a front-page editorial which said:

"Ike is running like a dry creek."

The newspaper is a unit in the Scripps-Howard organization, which is supporting Eisenhower for the presidency. But it described his statements, to date, as "little milk and water remarks," and asked "Ike, when do we start?"

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Vessel's Crew Finds Safety On Small Island

BONAVISTA, Nfld., Aug. 26—(U.P.)—Crew members from a derelict ship which burned and sank Monday off the east coast of Newfoundland were found safe Tuesday on a rocky island off the north shore of Bonavista Bay.

Rescue attempts were launched immediately to bring the castaways to the Newfoundland mainland. The first would-be rescuer on the scene said the stricken vessel was the James Jones—a freight-carrier of the schooner type.

The number of men who reached rugged little Cabot island was not known, nor the number, if any, who went down with the ship.

The seamen were reported to have reached land late Monday and were sighted by a lighthouse keeper in the nearby village of Lesleyville. They had rowed 50 miles in an open lifeboat.

The little freighter was reported to have been owned by her master, Capt. Frank Collins, who was believed to be among the men sighted on Cabot Island.

A Pan American Airways pilot first sighted the open boat and its occupants Monday.

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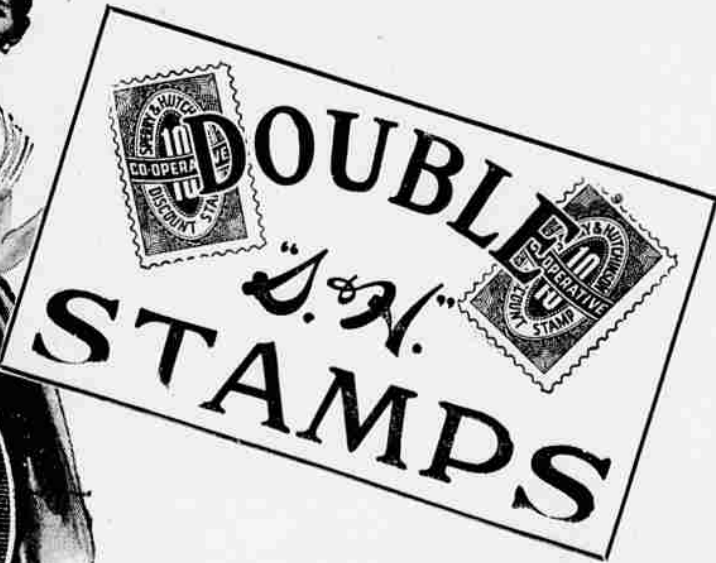


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