Candidates Write Like Executives, Says Scribe Expert

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Chicago, May 21 (UP) — Leon York stepped forward today and announced he had discovered that all the major presidential candidates have one thing in common.

"They all write like chief executives," he said.

York is a handwriting expert. He worked on the Lindbergh kidnaping case and other famous criminal cases.

He said he was taking no sides in the political wars. But he said the signatures of eight of the presidential possibilities showed definite qualities of leadership.

"From the rolling scrawl of Thomas E. Dewey to the small, neat script of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the autographs revealed unusual characteristics," he said.

Simplicity Noted

Young said Eisenhower's signature showed a simplicity of script, heavy pressure, and small letters. These qualities indicated "virility, perserverance and constructive thought," York said.

President Truman's somewhat larger and more vigorous signature showed broad spacing which York interpreted as indicating liberality and interest in people.

"The lack of loops show a desire to get things done in a hurry," York said, "while the long cross on the 't' reveals a certain mechanical ability."

In York's opinion, the outstanding thing about Sen. Arthur H. Vandenberg's signature is the "joined writing technique," showing a strong and sustained mental capacity. He said Vandenberg's autograph also showed grace, care and diplomacy.

Signature "Artistic"

York called Sen. Robert A. Taft's signature "artistic." It showed, he said, an interest in learning and a tendency to make quick decisions.

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Gen. Douglas MacArthur's signature had low letters and heavy pressure, indicating, in York's opinion, a sense of justice and deep emotions.

Has "Garland" Appearance

York said Henry A. Wallace's signature had a "garland" appearance and showed his ability to get along with all classes and types of people.

Harold E. Stassen's autograph, a bold scrawl, showed York that he had leadership ability and a capacity to win friends easily. His knack for being a good mixer was indicated in the easy way he writes, York said.

"They may not be elected yet," said York, "but these candidates are already writing as if they were in the White House."

Portland Stores Shorten Week

Portland, Ore., May 21 (UP)—A shortened work week of five full days and one short day was announced today for employes by six major Portland retail stores.

The new store schedule, described as a step to improve working conditions, will be effective June 1 for Meier & Frank, Lipman Wolfe & Co., Olds Wortman & King, J. C. Penney, S. H. Kress Co., and F. W. Woolworth Co.

Meier & Frank plans to close at 1 p.m. on Saturdays through July and August, but the other companies probably will stagger Saturday holidays so as to remain open during that afternoon with a minimum staff.

Boys Town Pays Founder Tribute

Boys Town, Neb., May 21 (UP)—His boys paid final tribute today to Father Edward J. Flanagan.

Shortly after dawn and through a light rain, they walked soberly to Dowd memorial chapel for the funeral of the man who took them off the streets and gave them a home. Most of them filled the front section of the flower-decked chapel. The remainder helped conduct services for the priest.

A choir of 60 recruited from Boys Town sang a response of the solemn mass of requiem chanted by Father Edmond C. Walsh, acting director of the little home founded 31 years ago by Father Flanagan.

Two former members of Boys Town—Rev. John L. Farrald, and Rev. Leo Kuhn—assisted Father Walsh in mass. A third, Rev. Msgr. Ben Martin, was master of ceremonies.

Surrounding the bier of the priest, whose work with youth attracted world-wide attention, were a guard of honor from the Knights of Columbus, two Boy Scouts, and two members of the senior class of Boys Town high school.

Although the early morning service was primarily for citizens of Boys Town, there were hundreds of others—relatives, employes of the institution, and friends. There were more than 100 former Boys Town citizens in a special section.

Father Flanagan died of a heart ailment in Berlin May 15. He had gone to Europe early in March at the request of the army to study child welfare problems in Austria.

BOY DIES IN CRASH

Alturas, Cal., May 21 (UP)—Raymond Russell, 13, whose father operates hotels at Roseburg, Ore., Redding and Canby, Calif., was killed in an automobile crash on the Canby-Klamath Falls highway yesterday. The boy was riding in a car which collided with one driven by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Davis, Klamath Falls.

State Horsemen Set Meeting

The Oregon State Horsemen's association will hold its annual meeting at the Redmond hotel in Redmond Sunday, June 6, it was announced by Pers Crowell, temporary secretary of the association. The annual meeting, scheduled to begin at 10 a. m., is expected to attract horse lovers from all parts of the state.

The Oregon association, patterned after similar associations in Washington and California, was formed at Portland on November 23 last fall. Its announced program is "to work for the general improvement of horse actity generally, to promote riding trails, to assist agricultural development, and to further all riding trails, to assist agricultural development, and to further all worthy projects designed to increase interest in horses and horsemanship."

Horsemen Invited

Crowell urges all horsemen in Oregon to attend the June 6 meeting at Redmond. The primary purpose of the meeting, he says, is to elect permanent officers and to discuss a program for the ensuing year.

The annual horse show sponsored by the Redmond Saddle club will be held in the afternoon, following the association meeting.

Gilchrist Honor Students Named

Gilchrist, May 21 (Special) — Honor roll students of Gilchrist junior and senior high school, for the fifth six-week period, have been announced by R. W. Oehlerich, school principal. The following students qualified for honor roll rating, with a grade average of "2 plus" or higher:

Eighth grade, Martha Harris; ninth grade, Helen Fraley, Leon Farris, Jo Ann Conklin; tenth grade, Mertie Conklin, Barbara Fulier, Don Greenan, Lela Turner; eleventh grade, Gloria Hyatt, Jackie Proke, Wanda Freeman, Virginia Garner; twelfth grade, Eileen O'Conner, Ruth Kundinger, Phyllis Knoke.

Midstate Dentists Confer In Bend

Plans for this year's Oregon territorial centennial celebration are described in the "Booked for Travel" section of the May 15 issue of the Saturday Review of Literature.

The articles describe signature on August 15, 1848, by President Polk of the measure creating the Oregon territory, growth of the territory. A section on the tourist business, which ranks as Oregon's third largest, list Crater lake and the Metolius river among major attractions.

A view of the Three Sisters, from Scott lake on the McKenzie highway, illustrates the article, which was written by Horace Sutton.

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Val Stokoe, 1245 Jacksonville, was charged yesterday with violation of the city dog tie-up ordinance. He posted bail of $5.

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Posts, Auxiliaries To Name Officers

V.F.W. posts and auxiliaries of district No. 14 will elect officers at special meetings called for Saturday, May 22, at 8 p.m. The auxiliaries will meet in the V. F. W. hall, and the men will have their meeting in the courthouse assembly room. After the business sessions, the groups will meet together at Veterans hall for a social evening and refreshments.

At the regular meeting last Friday, Pondosa Pine post No. 1643 elected delegates to the district meeting and for the state encampment, to be held June 16-19 in Pendleton. They are as follows: Earl Birchard, Ray Cooper, Wayne Entrikin, Cecil Rhodes, H. R. Stewart, A. D. McNeal, Joe LeBleu, Dennis Martin, J. C. Scott, W. E. Sanders, William Fairiman, Darrell Gibson, Ermal Tiller, Don Ratliff and William Quigley.

The following alternates were named: Ray Curtis, Galen Gates, Felix Springstube, Harry Chess, Harold Caron, Stanley Smith, Ralph Cooper, Edgar Berg, M. Lewis, M. Cashman, J. Owens, K. Eagles, R. Morris, E. Sterling and G. Osborn.

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