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GENERAL MACARTHUR, KEYNOTER

Monday night General Douglas MacArthur regained the heights he had reached more than a year before in his address to the United States Congress. Then, an officer summarily relieved of high command but a nation's hero, he charmed with his oratory, convinced with his logic and won admiration and respect for his statesmanlike qualities. At Chicago two evenings ago he was the spokesman for a great political party, whose delegates had gathered to nominate a new president. Upon him had been placed the responsibility for sounding the keynote of the nominating convention and of the campaign which would follow. It was a great responsibility and he discharged it well. As an orator he had, if anything, improved. The logic of his step-by-step development could no more be shrugged off than when he made his historic address in Washington, D. C. His analysis of domestic conditions and of the world situation was keen and searching, his conclusions worthy of the closest attention.

Two negative values in his address must have struck most of his hearers. One was as he failed to justify, in any particular, the pre-convention apprehension that his words would be instruments to further the candidacy of his favorite, Robert A. Taft. It was not a speech tailored to fit the needs of the senator from Ohio any more than to aid Dwight D. Eisenhower on his way to the presidency. The other was as he failed to give the slightest hint that he himself would be a willing candidate. Some of his speeches since his Washington appearance have sounded that way; but Monday night there was nothing of this. General MacArthur was speaking for the party; he was urging change from present abuses, rectification of currently continuing errors, cleansing of the stable, a different comprehension of the world from the Washington observation post.

After the address we heard the comment that General MacArthur did not so much keynote the convention as indict a political regime concerned with its own perpetuation rather than with serving America. There can be no question that it was such an indictment. But in that indictment, in the speaker's searching criticism, the keynote of convention and campaign was likewise given. It is the keynote of attack for only by attack may the indecision of the old administration be replaced by the decision of the new or the callousness and cynical indifference of the old be forced to give way to sensitive awareness and intelligent response.

Moreover, in the attack is connoted championship of the antithesis of things attacked—economy instead of waste, responsibility instead of irresponsibility, a well braked halt on the road to socialism instead of rushing on to disaster, soundness in thought and action instead of unsoundness.

General MacArthur pointed the way to all of these and gave his party and his nation vital, important things to work on over the next few months, fundamental ideas upon which all may build, with unity and strength, to achievement.

THE REVISED WPA OREGON

Back in WPA days workers of the Writers' Program produced the Oregon volume of the American Guide series. Now there is a revised edition with added material by Howard McKinley Corning. A copy comes to us for review, a bit of work that we undertake with reluctance because the revision is a most uneven piece of work.

As we look over this revision and compare it with the original edition we note that many of the latter's errors are repeated. Here and there, too, while events and changes occurring at a later date are noted the earlier facts affected thereby remain as originally set down.

Knowing Bend better than any other part of the state we have looked to see what the revised edition had to say about the city. Without going into particulars we say that the text has not been revised as anyone living here would agree that it should be. Some material added is poorly done. Camp Abbot is placed between Bend and Redmond.

Elsewhere in the book we observe that George P. Putnam appears as George H. and that the operation of the Pacific Trailways on U. S. No. 97 is not noted. From the text it would appear that its field was limited to State 50 and U. S. No. 20. We note a change in the text indicating the death of C. E. S. Wood but Charles H. Carey is named as still living.

There are new photographs and some text but the latter is badly confused. The book has values but, in our opinion, it is a very sloppy job.

Other Editors Say

FOREST PROGRAM DEVELOPS

(Gresham Outlook)
 Up in Hood River county a sustained yield program is being worked out with the United States forestry department, which will insure an adequate supply of timber from the Mount Hood forests for operators in the Hood River area for years to come. A similar program already is in operation down in Lake county. The need for such a program in Clackamas and Multnomah counties is as great as anywhere in the state, yet no move has been made to bring it about.

Surprisingly, the move in Hood River county was sparked by a chamber of commerce rather than by lumber or logging interests, although we have an idea that they were willing co-operators in the effort.

Gresham and Sandy chambers of commerce might well join hands in looking into such a program for the south slope of Mount Hood. There are close to 50 mills of varying sizes operating in these communities and many of them are procuring logs with increasing difficulties each year. Some predict that the end of their supply is in sight unless some type of program can

be worked out which will guarantee to the local mills the timber from the south slope of Mount Hood. The government's sustained yield program is designed for that specific purpose. It might supply the answer to continued operation of all of these mills for many years to come. At any rate, it should be worth investigating.

BOMB EXPLODES

BUENOS AIRES, July 9 (AP)—A bomb exploded Wednesday at the United States Information Service headquarters in downtown Buenos Aires, shattering windows on two floors and injuring two passers-by. It was believed that the ground floor library and the second floor offices were not occupied at the time. The library normally closes at 8 p.m.

Convention Now Expected to Run Into Saturday

CHICAGO, July 9 (AP)—The Republican Convention seems sure to run into Saturday.

It originally was scheduled to end Thursday afternoon. The time-table has been knocked into a cocked hat by the bitter Taft-Eisenhower fight over seating contested Southern delegates. That fight is now hung up in the credentials committee. The convention cannot act on a platform, a candidate or anything else until all delegates are officially seated.

The committee promised to work all Tuesday night, but adjourned about 11:45 p.m. CST until 8 a.m.—partly because both sides wanted a nationwide television and radio audience for their arguments.

When the credentials committee finishes its work and reports to the convention—possibly Wednesday evening—the whole business will be fought out again on the convention floor.

All that convention leaders know now about the schedule is that they're behind it a full day, probably two.

Once the "battle of the stolen delegates" is finally settled, the party can get about the business of adopting a platform, electing a permanent chairman and finally—nominating a presidential candidate.

National GOP Chairman Guy George Gabrielson had hoped for adjournment of the convention late Friday night. Temporary Chairman Walter S. Hallahan thought the delegates still would be in their air-conditioned wrangle-room Saturday.

Oil drippings on drives and garage floors dissolve instantly, according to The American Magazine, when wiped off with paint-thinner.

GOP-Dixie Coalitions in Congress Defeated Administration on 13 Out of 18 Key Contests

By Congressional Quarterly
 WASHINGTON, July 9 — Republican-southern Democrat coalitions, holding the reins of Congress, trampled over Administration-backed legislation or slapped at President Truman in 13 of 18 key votes in 1952.

Congressional Quarterly picked for analysis 18 roll-call votes—10

Commies Riot Against Ridgway

LONDON, July 9 (AP)—Club-wielding police fought a brisk hand-to-hand skirmish with a small group of Communist rioters Wednesday as Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway arrived by plane from Paris for a two-day visit with top British leaders.

The fight occurred as about 30 demonstrators rushed onto the airport and scattered leaflets when the Allied supreme commander's plane landed.

Police dispersed the group and later reported that seven were arrested. No casualties were reported.

The leaflets read, "Ridgway go home — Britons never shall be slaves."

About a half dozen men who wore red neckties tossed pamphlets into the air and shouted, "Go home, Ridgway." Police took them into custody.

Ridgway and his wife stepped from the plane, which landed at 10:10 a.m., as the demonstration was broken up.

CONVENTION OPENS
 ASTORIA, July 9 (AP)—The annual state convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and its auxiliary opened here Wednesday with more than 1000 visitors expected for the four-day meet.

Bulletin Classifieds Bring Results.

in the Senate and eight in the House—on significant issues. On only five of them could President Truman claim even partial victory, despite the Democratic majority in both the Senate and House.

The GOP-Dixie block howled over Administration forces on seven of eight key votes in the House. Mr. Truman suffered six setbacks on the outcome of 10 key ballots in the Senate during the year.

Key votes in the Senate, as chosen by CQ, were on:

Mutual Security funds, Internal Revenue reorganization, Alaska statehood, St. Lawrence seaway, "icebergs," overriding the President's veto of the immigration bill, ending price controls, a "request" that Mr. Truman invoke Taft-Hartley in the steel strike, food control funds, and an agriculture (soil conservation) appropriation.

Key votes in the House:

MSA funds, a call for information on U. S.-British agreements, universal military training, military spending, tidelands, the immigration bill veto, to end price controls, and "requesting" the President to use the Taft-Hartley procedure in the steel dispute.

Senate "Truman Defeats"

The President didn't get what he wanted in the Senate when:

Feb. 27, on a vote that split both Democratic and Republican forces down the middle, the Alaska statehood bill was sent back to committee. Sen. George A. Smathers (D-Fla.) offered the motion to recommit. The bipartisan key roll-call vote was 45-44. Democrats voted 25 for and 24 against. Republicans, 20-20.

April 20, the "states' rights" bill to give coastal states title to oil-rich submerged tidelands won Senate approval 50-35. Democrats voted 24-24, Republicans 26-11. But Mr. Truman vetoed the bill.

May 28, an amendment by Sen. Russell B. Long (D-La.) to slice \$200 million from funds for foreign aid was accepted 37-34. The President had asked for a Mu-

tual Security Act authorization of \$7.9 billion, ultimately was to receive one of about a billion and a half less. In comparison, this "defeat" was a minor one but the Long amendment was the only reduction successfully proposed from the Senate floor. The House already had sharply trimmed the total and the Senate agreed to a committee proposal for a cut of \$1 billion.

June 10, Mr. Truman was "needed." The Senate accepted an amendment to the extension of the economic controls bill "requesting" the President to invoke the injunction provision of the Taft-Hartley Act to stop the steel strike. Sen. Harry Flood Byrd (D-Va.) offered the amendment and a GOP-Dixie coalition swung the vote 49-30. Democrats voted 18 for and 27 against the amendment. Republicans balloted 31 for and three against. The President had asked Congress for authority to seize the steel plants after the Supreme Court ruled he did not hold such power.

June 18, the President's cherished plan to build the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway was sent back to the Foreign Relations Committee on motion of Sen. Herbert R. O'Connor (D-Md.). The key vote was 43-40. Democrats voted 19 for recommitment and 24 against; Republicans 24-16.

June 27, the McCarran-Walter omnibus immigration bill to codify existing statutes became law. The Senate followed the House's example and overrode the President's veto of the measure he called "worse than the infamous Alien Act of 1798." The vote to override was 57-26 (Democrats 25-18, Republicans 32-8).

And Truman "Victories"
 Four key votes in the upper

chamber during the year went in the President's favor—more or less. The Senate March 13 backed the President's plan to reorganize the scandal-tainted Bureau of Internal Revenue. A resolution dis-

approving the plan to wipe out the office of collector and replace it with the office of deputy district commissioner under Civil Service was rejected on a key (Continued on Page 6)

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