

States Build Ethical Block To Truman's Renomination

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Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—The states gradually are building what some politicians regard as an ethical obstacle to President Truman's renomination in 1952.

The process is by ratification of a two-term presidential tenure amendment to the constitution. Republicans never dared put the two-term issue to a congressional vote during FDR's lifetime. They put it through the 80th congress, however, about two years after Mr. Truman became president.

The proposed amendment exempted Mr. Truman from its provisions. But except for that exemption, it would forbid him re-election in 1952 because he already would have served a full term of his own and more than two years of FDR's fourth.

A question politicians are asking themselves and each other is this: Will Mr. Truman feel morally bound in 1952 to give serious consideration to a solemn expression by well more than a majority of the states against the principle of a third presidential term?

Mr. Truman's re-election would give him almost 12 years in the White House.

Thirty-one states now have ratified the tenure amendment. That is seven more than half of the 48. It is not sufficient to put the amendment in the Constitution, but even as it stands it is a significant expression of principle, political or otherwise.

Ratification by five more states is necessary to add to the Constitution Article XXII—the 22nd amendment. The 17 states which have not ratified are: Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nevada, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Washington and West Virginia.

Something has urgently and recently revived interest in the two-term limit. Sixteen states ratified in 1947 within a few months of the amendment's proposal. During the next three years only eight more acted.

But in the first 47 days of 1951 the amendment was ratified by seven more states. Arkansas, which had rejected the amendment, reversed herself. The latest to ratify was George on Feb. 16.

That others will have ratified by the time the democratic national convention meets in 1952 is likely.

Missionary to Koreans Summoned

Pusan, Korea, Feb. 21 (AP)—Dr. Horace H. Underwood, 61, who devoted his life to teaching Christianity to Koreans, died of a heart attack yesterday, a government spokesman announced today.

Underwood was born in Seoul. Most of his work was at Korean Christian college there.

Four sons and a daughter survive. One son is Navy Lt. Horace H. Underwood, Jr., stationed at Pusan.

Mrs. Underwood was shot dead January 3, 1949, by several men who South Korean police said were communists.

In 1950 infant mortality fell below 30 to 1,000 births in the United States.



Preview—One-piece swimsuit with matching stole is modeled by Helen Poulsen at Miami Beach preview showing. Suit and stole are made of satin broadcloth and metallic fishnet.

District Pottery Meeting in April

Members of the Salem Rotary club this week were invited to join Rotarians from 40 other clubs in Oregon and southwestern Washington at a district meeting, to be held in Eugene, April 8-9-10. The invitations were extended by the Eugene club, hosts for the conference.

Approximately 600 Rotarians and their wives are expected to attend the three day meeting which will be held in the new Erb Memorial Union Building on the University of Oregon campus. It will be the first such public meeting of the 2,100,000 student structure, just opened this fall.

The conference will be presided over by Joe P. Breckle of Vancouver Washington, District of Rotary. One international and several national speakers have been lined up for the meeting along with a program of entertainment for the wives. Alton F. Baker, Publisher of the Eugene Register-Guard is general chairman of the affair.

Big Membership Boasted

Moscow, Feb. 21 (AP)—The government newspaper Izvestia said today the all-Chinese society of Chinese-Soviet friendship plans this year to reach a total enrollment of 20,000,000 members in branches throughout China.

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Engineers to Sell Buildings

The Portland District, Corps of Engineers, is offering for sale to the highest bidder 79 frame buildings with the Lookout Point dam reservoir area on the Middle Fork Willamette river.

Colonel Donald S. Burns, Portland district engineer, said the lot includes houses, garages, woodsheds, barns, chicken houses, cabins, shops, shacks, water towers, smokehouses, milk houses and other buildings.

Buildings are located on tracts formerly owned by Leigh S. Crawford, G. E. and Lottie M. Hoffman, south of the Middle Fork Willamette, Katherine Newman, R. P. Coburn, Ray C. and Dorothy Gerkin, C. B. McFarland, J. W. and Ruth Strawn, J. N. Smithson, C. T. Michaels and Cora A. Slaven, north of the Middle Fork Willamette river.

Bids for the buildings will be opened at 1 p.m., March 9, in the office of Colonel D. S. Burns, 628 Pittcock Block, Portland 5, Oregon. The buildings may be inspected by contacting the resident engineer of Lookout Point dam at Lowell, Oregon.

Postal Workers' Terrible Plight Told Congress

Washington, Feb. 21 (AP)—What with no beer, no furniture and not enough pay to raise a family, things seem to be tough for postal employees. An account of their plight was placed in the Congressional Record yesterday by Rep. Kersten (R., Wis.), who asserted on his own "There is no doubt that the postal employees definitely need a raise in pay."

To back up that claim, Kersten included in the Record excerpts from what he said were hundreds of letters from postal workers in the Milwaukee area. He said their plight is typical.

Some of the excerpts: "I am resigned to the absence of beer in the icebox." "We have an empty house. How can we ever buy furniture for it?" "We have no children. Why? And leave them to run around like little unfed and under-clothed bums?" "I'm getting tired of working 12 to 14 hours a day to earn a living for my wife and three boys. To top this we live in a two-car garage."

Displaced Lithuanians Reach Haven in Albany

Albany — Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Schults are familiar with the hardships of life under Russian domination which drove them in a flight halfway around the world to find the life they want in Albany.

The Schults first left Riga, Lithuania in 1944 and went to eastern Germany where they stayed for a year, leaving there for a United Nations refugee camp near Hamburg, Germany. To await entry into the United States.

Responsible for bringing the displaced couple here is the Lutheran World Federation, and while they are here, the Faith Lutheran church of Albany is getting them started. Schults is a skilled pastry baker, and hopes to find similar work in Albany.

The Schults' only son dropped out of sight in Riga during the war, presumably enslaved or killed by the USSR. A granddaughter is still somewhere behind the Iron Curtain.

Speaking a smattering of English, the couple conveyed the thought that their arrival in the U. S. was the realization of their fondest dream. The couple speak German and Russian fluently.

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Cherry Pruning Demonstration

Pruning sweet cherry trees will be demonstrated by County Extension Agent D. L. Rasmussen Friday, Feb. 23, at the Lamberta orchard. The demonstration is scheduled for 1:30 p.m.

The meeting place is on the Waldo Hills Road and is about one and one-half miles east of the Macleay store.

Tree topping and removing crowded branches will be discussed during the afternoon meeting.

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