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MOSTLY FAIR tonight a nd Tuesday except for morning cloudiness. Little change in temperature. Low tonight, 50; high Tuesday, 80.

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Gov. Stevenson Pleads for Principles

Illinois Governor's 'No' Begins to Sound Like 'Maybe'

By LYLE C. WILSON Chicago (AP)—Feuding delegates to the 31st democratic national convention called time out in their party-splitting civil rights fight Monday to hear a harmony plea from the man many of them hope to draft for a presidential candidate.

Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson, whose "no" was beginning to sound more and more like "maybe" to his boosters, held the limelight at the opening session in the role of official greeter on behalf of the host state of Illinois.

His 1,300-word welcoming address seemed likely to pour fresh fuel on the "draft Stevenson" fire which the governor has been trying to stamp out with little success.

Stevenson urged his fellow democrats not to duplicate the "carnage" of the recent republican convention, and to put principles above personalities. "Who leads us is less important than what leads us," he declared. "A man doesn't save a century or a civilization, but a militant party wedded to a principle can."

Stevenson had not a word to say about his own availability, and he also gave a wide berth to the left wing-conservative fight that was boiling up to jeopardize the party's shot at a sixth consecutive presidential victory.

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Ike Invited to Oregon in Oct.

Portland (AP)—The National Association of Governing Boards Monday awaited a reply from Dwight D. Eisenhower on its invitation to the Republican standard bearer to speak at its annual meeting in Oregon in October.

The invitation was extended by Edgar W. Smith, Portland, president of the governing board and president of the Oregon State Board of Higher Education. The organization includes regents, trustees and presidents of state universities and colleges throughout the nation.

Eisenhower was also asked to attend the Michigan State-Oregon State college football game in Portland October 4.

Governor Dever to Keynote Demos Tonite

Chicago (AP)—Gov. Paul A. Dever of Massachusetts, tonight's keynote speaker for the democratic national convention, says he will use about 40 minutes and 4,000 words to present "the views of the masses of the plain people."

He reported he has talked to President Truman about what ought to be said, but that neither the president nor any other party official has been or is expected to be a speaker.

Dever indicated he will soft-pedal the issue of party unity.

Showdown in Oregon Demo Split Put Off

Chicago (AP)—Oregon's faction-split delegation to the Democratic convention Monday put off a showdown on a bitterly-contested effort to bind the delegates to the candidacy of Sen. Estes Kefauver until released.

The proposal, authored by Thomas R. Mahoney of Portland, was laid over until another meeting after Mahoney and his principal opponent, National Committeeman Monroe Sweetland, both failed to show up for an early-morning caucus.

William L. Jossin, head of the Oregon Kefauver forces, suggested the delegation take "no hasty action" and "do nothing until all delegates are on hand. The issue was laid over until a later meeting.

Factional differences still simmered, however. The delegation, on a vote determined by Chairman Terry Schrank, backed away from a Jossin motion that Oregon second Kefauver's nomination.



New Salem General Hospital—The architect's sketch above of the new Salem General hospital as it will look when completed. Bids will be called at once for construction of the west wing unit (left above) with an approval of federal fund allocation by the state board of health.

Democratic Program Today

Chicago (AP)—Here is the program for Monday's evening sessions of the Democratic National Convention:

All times are Pacific standard. Evening session—5 p.m.

Presiding officer: Sen. Theodore F. Green of Rhode Island. Invocation, J. Ralph Magee, retired Methodist Church Bishop.

Address by Frank E. McKinney, chairman national committee. Appointment of committees. Keynote address by the temporary convention chairman, Gov. Paul A. Dever of Massachusetts.

Tuesday's program. Morning session 9 a.m. Presiding: Chairman McKinney.

Invocation, Dr. Louis Binstock, Chicago.

Address by Mrs. Perle Mesta, U. S. Minister to Luxembourg. Resolutions: Permanent rules and order of business.

Addresses by Rep. Dawson, Ill., vice chairman of National Committee; Eugene A. Anderson, Ambassador to Denmark; Richard J. Nelson, president, Young Democratic Clubs of America. Resolutions: Report of credentials committee.

Address by Mrs. Georgia Neese Clark, treasurer of the U. S.

Oregon Starts Mrs. FDR Boom

Chicago (AP)—Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas let it be known Monday that he doesn't want the Democratic vice presidential nomination.

He sent this word to the Oregon delegation to the party's national convention.

Douglas was the write-in choice of more than 15 per cent of Oregon Democrats in primary balloting on their presidential preference.

Second to Sen. Estes Kefauver, Douglas was therefore Kefauver's choice for the vice presidential spot.

He sent word to the Oregon delegation, however, that he did not want the nomination and released the delegates from any obligation to support him.

Some Oregon delegates at once started a boom for Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

The delegation officially instructed its chairman to find out if she is "willing."

In public statements, Mrs. Roosevelt has indicated she would never be a candidate for elective public office.

Two Salem Hospitals Get Expansion Funds

By STEPHEN A. STONE

Salem General hospital and Salem Memorial hospital both got the green light today to go ahead with expansion programs. For Salem General hospital the program is a new building, and for Salem Memorial a new wing to the present building and general remodeling.

The final word of approval was by the Oregon state board of health for the allocation of \$307,821 in federal money toward the estimated cost of \$963,200 for the new Salem General hospital building, and \$89,466 to Salem Memorial hospital toward a new wing and remodeling to cost around \$265,000.

Bids for construction of the new Salem General hospital building will be called for at once, according to William Gahlsdorf, business manager, and construction should be well along by fall. Plans and specifications are already in the hands of contractors, including two Salem firms, Viesto & Post, and the E. E. Batterman company. James L. Payne of Salem is the chief architect, and Schmidt, Garden & Erikson of Chicago consultant architects.

The total necessary fund is complete.

Bigger Building Later The new Salem General hospital building will be the first wing and central tower of a later three-wing institution. The first unit is designed as a 60-bed maternity and pediatric hospital, but actual capacity will exceed that. The later three-wing plan calls for 210 beds.

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Truman Back At His Desk

Washington (AP)—President Truman was at his desk at the White House Monday for the first time in more than a week.

And his press secretary took the occasion to swipe at the unending string of rumors dealing with Truman's position on Democratic politics.

The president spent three days last week at the Army's Walter Reed hospital, undergoing a series of tests as a result of a mild virus infection that had been plaguing him. He left the hospital Saturday.

Meanwhile, rumors were flying between Chicago and Washington as to just what Truman would do in regard to the Democratic National Convention, opening in Chicago Monday.

Here's what Press Secretary Joseph Short said of the rumors: "I'm not going to comment on any of them."

And, he added: "Some of them are exclusive and will remain exclusive permanently."

By that, Short meant that some of the rumors were so exclusive they could never be substantiated. The idea was that most of them weren't true.

Labor Says Age Bars Barkley

Chicago (AP)—AFL and CIO spokesmen met with Vice President Alben W. Barkley Monday to break the news that he is not their presidential candidate, but left the Veep's headquarters without comment.

Ten union officials had breakfast with Barkley and talked with him and his aides for about an hour and a half.

Pressed for information on the session, Jack Kroll, director of the CIO Political Action Committee, angrily advised reporters to "be your age."

The labor spokesmen did not even say they informed the vice president of their decision to withhold support from his presidential campaign because he is too old.

Sweetland in Strategy Huddle

Chicago (AP)—Oregon's democratic national committeeman, Monroe Sweetland, was present at a strategy huddle Monday on a project of Kefauver-Harriman forces to bar contested anti-administration delegates from voting until the party's convention has passed on them.

Additionally, Kefauver and Harriman suggested that any delegation seated be compelled to take a loyalty pledge to support the 1952 platform and ticket.

The showdown on the double-barrelled proposition was postponed from Monday until Tuesday when the convention is to adopt its temporary rules.

Reds Driven Off Old Baldy

Seoul, Korea (AP)—United Nations infantrymen Monday drove Chinese Communists off the crest of Old Baldy on the Korean western front in the wake of a tremendous barrage by artillery, tanks and warplanes.

But front line dispatches indicated the crest of the hill was a no-man's land with U. N. troops dug in below the crest.

A U. S. Eighth Army staff officer said the hill definitely was not secured.

Associated Press Correspondent George McArthur at the front said the Chinese had not given up their bid for the vital hill they wrested from the allies last Thursday.

He said Chinese foot soldiers were observed sneaking back toward the hill in the afternoon despite intense Allied fire.

More than 50 U. N. planes raked the hill with flaming gasoline, rockets and machinegun fire. U. N. tanks and artillery blanketed the hill with screeching shells.

American carrier planes Sunday hit Communist power installations at Changjin in North-eastern Korea.

No Break in Prisoner Issue

Munsan, Korea (AP)—United Nations and communist armistice delegates met in secret for only 20 minutes Monday and adjourned without any apparent break in the protracted deadlock over exchange of war prisoners.

They scheduled another executive session for 11 a.m. Tuesday at Panmunjom.

In a letter the communists requested accounting of 101 Chinese soldiers the Reds say are held by the allies, but whose names were not on POW lists turned over by the U. N. command.

Brig. Gen. William P. Tucker will be succeeded Tuesday as U. N. command spokesman by Lt. Col. Joseph J. Borchert, Salt Lake City, chief censor of Gen. Mark Clark's Far East headquarters.

Nucleos is reassigned as air force public information officer in Tokyo.

Weather Details

Maximum yesterday, 55; minimum today, 31. Total 24-hour precipitation: 0.7 for month; 0; normal, .35. Season precipitation, 42.60; normal, 37.41. River height, 42.7 feet. (Report by U. S. Weather Bureau.)

Quake Hits California; Tehachapi Leveled

525 Homes to Get Mounted Mail Delivery

Approximately 525 homes now being serviced by rural mail carriers out of the Salem post office will be changed to mounted service around the first of August, Postmaster Albert C. Gragg announced Monday.

In the change over Routes 7 and 9 will be eliminated entirely as such and those patrons who are not switched over to mounted service will be incorporated in Routes 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. All persons involved will be notified prior to the change.

Principal roads involved in the change are Wallace road from the Flala road to the Brush College road; Edgewater street in West Salem from Salem Academy Heights road to the Y near Brunk's Corner; and portions of the Skyline, Pringle, Chemawa and Mission Bottom roads, all in Marion county.

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Quake Strikes Many Places

Los Angeles (AP)—The center of Monday's California earthquake was in mountainous country on the westerly edge of the Mojave desert about 120 miles north of Los Angeles.

Tehachapi, worst hit of the communities, is a town of about 3,000, site of the women's state prison.

Fortunate, indeed, was the Los Angeles metropolitan area. Had the quake centered here the disaster could have been incalculable.

As it was, millions of residents were frightened but damage here was comparatively minor—broken windows, cracked plaster, power lines temporarily disrupted.

Here are some of the damage reports: Tehachapi—at least 11 deaths reported, town leveled.

Gorman—Earth slide closed U. S. highway 99, main inland route between Los Angeles, Bakersfield and San Francisco.

Lancaster—The water tower springs a leak.

Avalon, Santa Catalina Island—Shaken, no injury or serious damage reports.

Castaic—Gas main broken. Bakersfield—Several fires rubble knocked into streets.

Fresno—Plaster loosened, several power failures.

Los Angeles and its metropolitan area—Windows broken in some downtown stores, plaster cracked, few cornices down, numerous power disruptions, cracks in facades in some downtown buildings, scores of burglar alarms set off, dishes broken in many homes.

Long Beach—Windows broken, no major damage.



Ex-Gov. Olcott Dies in Portland

Ben W. Olcott, 80, who served both as secretary of state and governor of Oregon, died at Physicians and Surgeons hospital in Portland at 12:26 o'clock, standard time, Monday afternoon.

Olcott had been ill for many months.

Olcott was born at Keithsburg, Ill., October 15, 1872, a son of H. W. and Mary J. Olcott. He was educated in the public schools of Keithsburg, a n d in business college at Dixon, Ill.

Upon graduating from high school at Keithsburg he went to Chicago and engaged in office work in a woolen mill. But after a year he left that position and came west to Salem at the age of 19.

The hospital, evacuated at the first shock, was put back in use and was full.

The Red Cross and Edwards air base crews set up emergency medical centers and kitchens. All Buildings Hit

Every one of the town's 15 major buildings suffered some damage.

Beds hung over the edge as the wall of the Juanita hotel fell out.

The post office, an ice cream parlor, three bars, two markets, a motel, a clothing store all suffered some damage.

Military police were flown in from Edwards, 40 miles east of here, to help sheriff's deputies maintain order.

As the first reports of eyewitnesses filtered out of the little town of Tehachapi, they painted a picture of a shattered business district, brick-tattered streets and a wrecked hotel.

Doctors and nurses were flown in when ambulances met slide-blocked roads.

They mobilized not only civilians, included by the Red Cross, but rescue crews from Edwards air force base and the navy's rocket testing base at China lake.

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11 Known Dead In Prison Town; All of State Hit

Tehachapi, Calif. (AP)—A violent earthquake hit this little mountain community before dawn Monday, leveling buildings, killing at least 11 persons and leaving a mounting toll of injuries and damage.

The quake was general throughout much of California, breaking water mains, throwing power circuits out of order, blocking highways and rail lines, shattering windows.

But it turned its worst fury on Tehachapi. As military and civilian rescue workers converged on the city, it appeared that the death toll may go higher when the rubble of brick and cement is cleared away.

Seven of the dead—including a family of five—were identified, Deputy Coroner Nolan Clay reported. He listed them as:

Marilyn Taylor, 13, crushed in a furniture store on Main Street.

Walter Nolen, a b o u t 50, of Bakersfield, a guest at the Summit hotel.

Mrs. Blance Cantana, 36, and her four children, Gloria, 13, Joe, 11, Nicola, about 7, and Bobby, 5, all of Sevar City, N. M., visiting in a frame residence on Main Street.

Sheriff Tom Kelly said it was impossible to estimate the number of injured here.

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Salem Senator Team Under Investigation

The Salem Senators baseball team, owned by 832 stockholders, most of them Salem residents, is under investigation by the Western International league for alleged violation of the league's salary limitations.

According to a league rule, no team may pay its players more than a total of \$5200 a month. This does not include money received by a player from another ball club, as when a player is farmed out from a Pacific Coast league team and receives a portion of his salary from that team.

The alleged violation came to light over the weekend when Don Osborn, manager of the Spokane Indians, claimed that the Salem team was over the salary limit.

He submitted his complaint in the form of a protest of Salem's games with Spokane. Salem won only one of the three games in the series. League president Robert Abel said in Tacoma Monday that he would deny the protest.

"Such a claim is not grounds for protest," explained Abel. "However, there will be an investigation made of the Salem books."

Donald A. Young, president of the Salem Senators board of directors, said Monday he will probably call a meeting of his board soon to discuss the matter. Other members of the board are Robert L. Elfstrom, Ben Pade, Tom Holman and Russ Bone-steel.

While the board of directors is the controlling body of the Senators, the duties of hiring ball players is left up to team manager Hugh Luby.

Luby was unavailable for comment Monday morning, because he was traveling with the Salem team from Spokane to Salem, where the Senators open a series with Yakima tomorrow.

It is no secret that there are several borderline salary cases in the Western International league. Salem is one of those borderline cases.

If a team is found guilty of overpaying its players, that team is subject to fine by the league. See sports section for further details.



Friendly Foes — Democratic presidential hopefuls line up for a Chicago TV program as prelude to national convention which opened Monday. Left to right: Averell Harriman, Vice President Alben Barkley, Senator Estes Kefauver, Senator Robert Kerr and Senator Richard Russell. (United Press Telephoto)