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DEMOCRATIC TICKET

The Democrats nominated the best candidate proposed in their convention at Chicago and it was known a long time ago that they would name Mr. Stevenson as the party leader. The fanfare and last minute opposition was rather plainly a successful effort to attach interest to an otherwise listless meeting.

Adlai Stevenson appears to be an intelligent and conscientious citizen and one capable of being president. Whether he had to compromise to defeat Harriman and Truman will be known later if he is elected. He is more of a middle-of-the-road man than any of the others and thus more in tune with the times. He is not one to burn the barn down to get rid of the rats. Whether he can unite the widely differing Democrats who have rather violent ideas about segregation, labor, natural resources is yet to be seen.

Estes Kefauver is probably the poorest candidate the Democrats could have chosen with nothing to recommend him but a folksy manner and a habit of shaking any outthrust hand. He has not distinguished himself in the senate, nor has he made friends there. He sounds as if he were for everything but has neither the fortitude or intelligence to produce it. At least a dozen others would have been a better choice, but probably his place on the ticket was determined when he tried to turn his votes to the winner before the convention.

The platform is the usual mass of words designed to hold divergent elements of the party in the fold. Probably few will read it and that will be an advantage to party members who hope to win.

SMOKING

The airlines will permit smoking, except when in some slight danger of crashing, but there is a rule against pipe or cigar. To one who any lesser smoke than that from pipe or cigar is as unsatisfying as jello when hungry the ruling is a bit of a joke. It admits or rather, it boldly infers that smoking of the tailor-made cigarette is a form of indulgence in tobacco that hardly qualifies as such. It may give you cancer but no satisfaction.

Habits about tobacco have changed rapidly and perhaps are still in the process. Grandpa sucked an old brier that announced forcefully when he left the barn with the morning's milk or else, if he were hardy enough, he smoked a clay pipe with the stem wrapped in cotton twine to keep the clay from peeling his lips. The only advantage a clay pipe had was that you never had to stoop to pick it up when it was dropped.

In between times grandpa chewed tobacco and if he was among the elite of the tobacco chewing tribe he chewed upwards of a plug a day. He really needed to be out of doors—and he was.

Sometimes, if the men of grandfathers day were at work where the carrying qualities of smoking tobacco was difficult he resorted to rolling his own cigarettes and that is why the western horseman took to Bull Durham, because it was handy.

Whether all this consumption was good for grandpa or not never became an issue although grandpa might have hoped so now and then. He figured that a man that could be cut down by smoking or chewing wasn't fitten to live anyway.

Now they smoke little, cork-tipped, filtered cigarettes, even the women and no one bothers about it on planes or in cars. But let a man light a pipe or touch off a cigar and the crowd can't stand it.

THE CROP

Probably no crop in recent times has been so nearly abandoned and thereafter raised hopes so high as the 1956 grain crop in Sherman county. When the November winds blew across the county it was felt that the wheat was all frozen out. All winter there was speculation about it. In the spring many reseeded and many others waited and watched

until reseeded was too late. The early spring was cold and neither spring nor winter wheat looked good until along in April it began to rain and heavy rains continued to boost the thin, spindling wheat into plants that looked like they would make a bumper yield. Now it appears that is not to be.

Those who had winter wheat that came through the freezes of winter without much kill had wonderful crops; those who reseeded spring wheat early generally had good crops. Where the stand of winter wheat was thin the crop was in proportion to the stand and late sown spring wheat was very ordinary. It was a very good year for barley, a crop we may have to learn about as long as the government is running the farming business.

Yet, a crop of around 4,000,000 bushels is nothing to weep about in a county with some 135,000 acres in crop and only 2271 persons to live off from it.

Of course, the crop was not spread evenly among farmers. Some harvested crops of 50 bushels or even a little more and some cut 15 bushels who did as much work, went to as much expense. That's the way it goes in the wheat business.

TV CONVENTIONS

We know nothing about TV scripts, TV being a part of the information arts not discovered until our formal education was completed and forgotten. We suspect that it might be something like short story which must have some sustained interest and some uncertainty in it.

If that is the case the two conventions of our two political parties have made poor TV shows. The Democrats did a little better because they provided some indecision, Harry Truman having volunteered to play the villain and try to steal the maiden. Whether it was on the level of contrived script does not matter; it made a better show.

The Republicans have had to play the same scenes over without a villain, Harold Stassen having failed to qualify for the part. The outcome was known as fully as if everyone had read the last chapter first. Of course, they could live the story by killing off some of the main characters, but the plot hasn't prepared us for anything like that.

Maybe conventions aren't very good copy for TV. The yelling, the banner waving, even the fist fights become boring in a short time. And the speeches are not very good, either, being reminiscent of a defense attorney trying to clear a client or a prosecutor trying to send him over the road. Listeners who know the old rogue know he's neither so bad nor so good as pictured.

RICHARD NIXON

The Republicans went right ahead and nominated Richard Nixon as vice-president almost by acclamation except for one dissenter from Nebraska who wanted to have a little fun. One is not many out of 1323.

Democrats say they are going to take Mr. Nixon apart during the campaign and no doubt they will such an endeavor. We think they will find nothing inside that is not apparent from the surface.

Mr. Nixon was a California lawmaker who made a reputation for ability and was sent to congress. There he was more active than anyone in building the case against Alger Hiss who later went to the penitentiary for lying. Mr. Nixon was rather active against communists in government and thereby earned the undying hatred of communists, pinkos, fellow-travelers and such who, with their followers, have been trying to run him out of government ever since. A lot of men now in office or in places of trust were pretty "liberal" in the thirties and they don't want it mentioned now. This kind is afraid of Mr. Nixon.

Then he went to the senate at 37 and to the vice-presidency at 40 which is a very fine record for a young man. It is enviable and envied.

As vice-president he has been more active than any one who has ever held that position. He has gone to Asia and South America and anywhere he has been sent he has universally made friends for us. He has conducted himself with restraint in the face of some of the most concentrated abuse that could be dished out by opponents.

Mr. Nixon is a politician. By that we mean that he is responsive to the public will. He is not an egomaniac who goes about preaching his own special brand of nation saving. He is not the sort of man the nation needs to fear for he is not one to lead us into new "isms". He keeps out of the limelight when he can, does his work, makes friends in the senate and lives quietly with his family. What's the matter with that?

It Takes A Lot Of Accidents To Make A Record

More than 29,000 traffic accidents occurred on Oregon streets and highways during the first six months of 1956, a tentative count by Motor Vehicle Department officials showed Thursday.

The exact count was 29,699, a figure which compares with 29,587 for the same period last year. The final six month figure will undoubtedly be higher when late-arriving accident reports from outlying areas tallied.

Traffic crashes have brought broken bones, lacerations and other injuries to 7,315 persons so far this year. This figure is slightly lower than for the same period last year.

June accidents, last month for which statistics are available, numbered 4,834, - 2,137 of which were in Portland, 1,299 in other urban areas and 1,399 in rural locations.

Despite the continued heavy demands of the cold war, government spending is now \$10 billion lower than the Truman level of fiscal 1953.

The balancing of the 1956 budget, plus a \$2 billion surplus, has been achieved on top of a tax reduction of 7 1/2 billion.

Oregon farmers and ranchers are using \$6,703,000 in long-term loans from The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States. Glenn A. Hunt, Equitable regional loan supervisor in Spokane, announced today that 653 farmers and ranchers in the state were using the Society's funds on June 30 to aid them in farm ownership and improvement.

When completed, probably next week, the information will be placed in the hands of law enforcement officials and will be used in a special public education program to highlight the dangers of the deadly five violations.

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Five Most Dangerous Things In Driving

Oregon's "five deadliest" highway violations were pin-pointed this week by Governor Elmo Smith as he asked police officials and courts to be alert in trying to stem a late summer upsurge in traffic deaths.

The five deadly violations, studies show, are excessive speed, driving on the wrong side of the road, did not have right of way, failure to yield to pedestrians, and disregarded stop signs.

"These violations," the governor said, "should be given special attention by law enforcement officers and it is our hope the public will back courts in applying rigid penalties to violators."

Oregon's newly-established Traffic Safety commission is also conducting a study of all Oregon accidents during the first half of this year to determine if any new or additional violations should be included in the "most deadly listing."

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Lawrence Kenny Administrator
Donald E. Heisler Attorney for Estate 42-45c

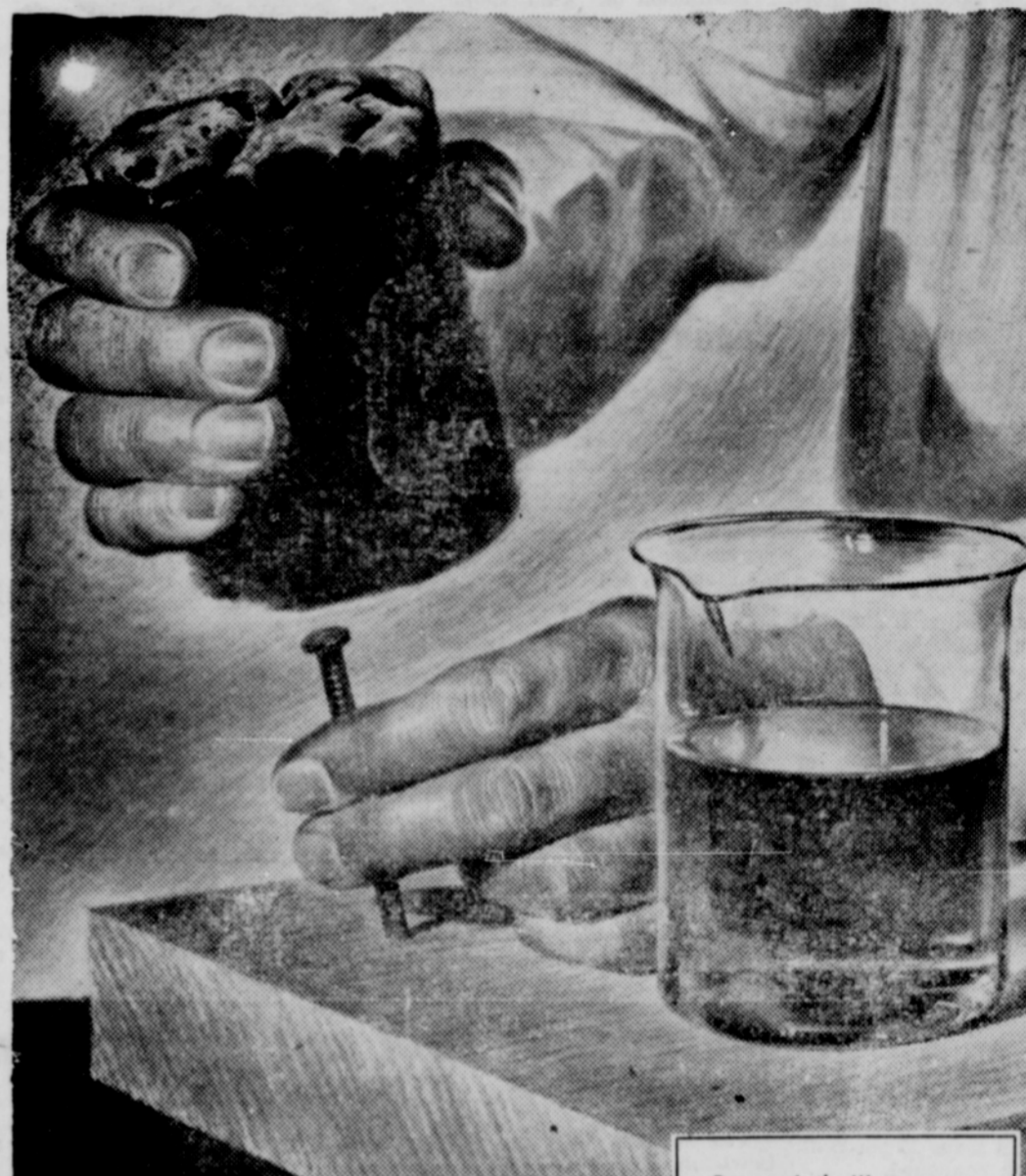
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All persons having claims against the estate of Samuel Stark, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Executors under the Last Will and Testament of Samuel Stark, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, to-wit: August 17, 1956.

Olan Stark
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Executors

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