

# SEN. VANDENBERG LOOKS LIKE BEST G. O. P. BET-NYE

Governor Landon of Kansas Also Being Discussed for Presidential Race Next Year, Is Revelation.

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WASHINGTON, April 11.—(AP) Senator Vandenberg of Michigan looks to him like a "standout" possibility for the republican presidential nomination next year.

The youthful mid-western independent said in an interview it was too soon to make forecasts of next year's political line up, but picked his Michigan colleague as the one the lightning seemed likely to strike.

When asked about the republican possibilities as they look today, he said:  
**Vandenberg Stands Out**  
"There is only one standout at the present time and that is Senator Vandenberg," he added Governor Landon, of Kansas was being discussed, and might develop into a serious candidate, and that former Governor Winant of New Hampshire had always appealed to him as a possibility.

Nye was asked whether he believed the republicans would have a chance next year.

"The republicans have a chance," he said, "if they brighten up a little and offer something besides the 'old deal'."

Vandenberg, a member of Nye's nominations investigating committee, was thrust into the limelight last fall by his re-election in Michigan while his republican colleagues in other states were being buried by the democratic landslide.

**Holds No Hopes**  
The other day, when asked as to whether he was a candidate, he said: "I have no hopes, wishes, desires, expectations or aspirations in connection with 1936."

Vandenberg and Senator Dickinson, (R. Iowa), were chided in the senate yesterday by Senator Robinson, democratic leader, as presidential possibilities.

Robinson said Dickinson in a recent speech indicated he was "willing to accept the nomination" and that Vandenberg was in the "same frame of mind." He asked why they had not submitted to the senate some plans for replacing the administration's recovery program.

# AGED BELLE OF WILD TASCOSA REFUSES TO DEPART GHOST TOWN

AMARILLO, Tex. (UP)—A mean adobe hut today houses the "Belle of Wild Tascosa," once called the most beautiful girl in West Texas. Now 90, her face is marked deeply with wrinkles.

She is Mrs. Mickey McCormick, whose husband lies in a grave in notorious "Boot Hill" cemetery, last resting place of cowboys and killers, victims of six shooters in the wild days of West Texas.

Tascosa, once the rendezvous of riders of the old Chisholm Trail, lies moulding in the dust of the plains country, its former glory only a memory.

The gaudy little town had 21 saloons, numerous gambling houses and other places frequented by cowmen on their drives from Texas to Kansas.

All that remain are stories of Billy the Kid, the Catfish Kid and other outlaws, the old Tascosa courthouse which now is the headquarters of the Julian Bivins ranch, Boot Hill cemetery—and Mrs. McCormick's adobe hut.

Mrs. McCormick has lived in Tascosa since Mickey fell mortally wounded by a killer's bullets.

She vows she will be the last of the Tascosans. And her last wish is to be buried with her vivid memories of the Wild West alongside Mickey in Boot Hill Cemetery.

# FREIGHT LOADINGS BOLSTER HOPE FOR GREATER EARNINGS

Latest Weekly Total far Over Same Period Last Year—Salary Boost Offers Advance in Rates

By RADER WINGET Associated Press Financial Writer  
NEW YORK, April 11.—(AP)—Railroad investment quarters have pinned their hopes for greater earnings on an increase in freight traffic.

Weekly reports on carloadings, indicating revenue to railroads from hauling freight, have assumed an interest equal to that shown in the eventual fate of the railroad retirement act and the battle which some believe may develop over wages.

In the 13 weeks that carloadings have been reported this year, there were eight increases compared with 10 increases for the same period last year, but the latest weekly total was \$17,000,000, against a comparable 1934 total of \$18,000,000. Some analysts, however, discount past actions and contend the trend of freight movement in the next few months will be of more importance.

Enthusiasm over the recent interstate commerce commission decision authorizing freight rate increases of some \$85,000,000 a year was discounted in Wall street by full restoration April 1 of the 10 per cent wage cut which went into effect in early 1932.

The new rates, expected to become effective April 18, will run to June 30, 1935. Benefits, it was pointed out, will be mostly to eastern roads, especially those having heavy coal shipments.

Restoration of the last portion of the 10 per cent wage cut added about \$150,000,000 to \$160,000,000 to the annual wage bill of roads, most of which was being paid by the roads at the start of 1935.

It has been conceded in some Wall Street quarters that carriers will ask for a 10 per cent (some say a 15 per cent) wage cut May 1, although the freight rate addition has been cited as a potent weapon of labor chiefs in fighting the proposal.

# BABY ELKS STAGE MEETING TONIGHT

Elks who have been initiated into Medford lodge since April 1, 1934, or "Baby Elks," will be in charge of the entertainment that is to be put on at the temple tonight, in conjunction with lodge season and a feed of beer, sandwiches and the trimmings.

The Elks orchestra, and the high school band will furnish the music. On the program, one feature that promises a good deal of merriment will be a performance of "The Quintuplets," five Elks dressed to represent the famous Canadian babes, Sebastian Apollo, popular pianist, will render piano selections. Dr. J. S. Johnson will give a saxophone solo, and the musical program will also include two selections on the marimba, played by Harry Marx. Several stories will be told by Jack Fowler.

A mock trial, in which two prominent members of the lodge will be tried for serious offenses, will be another feature. Sebastian Apollo, chairman of the committee in charge, promises an evening of real entertainment.

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