



**CONSERVATION EXPERTS**—Discussing the conservation program to be held at Southern Oregon college Tuesday and Wednesday are Dr. H. S. Fowler (left) assistant professor of physical science, and Clement Ault, Medford Soil Conservation service representative.

## Two-Day Program At SOC Scheduled On Conservation

Ashland — A two-day natural resources conservation program will begin tomorrow at Southern Oregon college, according to Dr. H. S. Fowler, assistant professor of physical science. Interested valley residents are invited to be guests of the college.

Tuesday's highlight will be a discussion of Oregon wildlife and the opening of a conservation exhibit. On Wednesday, soil conservation will be described, a field trip will be held and a seven-man panel will review the entire conservation program.

**To Tell of Work**  
Charles B. Walsh, assistant state game director, will tell of the Oregon commission's work in preserving wildlife resources. He will speak at 7:30 p.m. in Churchill hall. Earlier Tuesday, an exhibit emphasizing conservation techniques will open in the library education room.

At the regular 10 a.m. assembly program Wednesday, Fair Griffin, education consultant of the Pacific region, U.S. Soil Conservation service will tell of that organization's work illustrated with motion pictures.

A field trip is scheduled Wednesday afternoon for teacher education students. Instruction will be given by Dr. Fowler, Clement Ault, Medford Soil Conservation service representative, and Harold Thomas, Ashland district forest ranger.

The program will be concluded in Churchill hall with a 7:30 p.m. round table discussion of the conservation problem. Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, SOC president, will act as moderator and panel members will include Dr. Fowler, Ault, Thomas, Thomas Orr, chief forester of the Klamath Falls branch of Weyerhaeuser company; David Lumen, Grants Pass representative of the fish and game commissions; and Elliott B. MacCracken, assistant professor of mathematics.

The Golden Gate Bridge at San Francisco is the longest and highest single span suspension bridge in the world.

## Soldiers Recovering After Exposure, Shock

Port Townsend, Wash. — (U.P.) Two Fort Worden soldiers were recovering Monday from exposure and shock suffered when their small skiff overturned, dunking them into the Sound near here.

The unidentified men clutched the boat desperately nearly all day before they were rescued by the Coast Guard. The men were exhausted and probably would have lost their grip if the Coast Guard vessel had not discovered them by chance during a routine patrol, officers said.

They were too weak to talk to attendants at Fort Worden hospital.

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## Mrs. Taft Expects To Cheer Husband On to GOP Nomination

Editor's note: This is the first of a series of five sketches of wives of Republican presidential candidates.

Washington — (U.P.) — Mrs. Robert A. Taft, a veteran political campaigner, expects to be in Chicago in July to cheer her husband on in the nomination scramble at the Republican convention.

Witty, nimble-tongued Martha

## Wife of Missing Flier in Korea Victim of Hoax

Portland — (U.P.) — Mrs. John A. McAllister, whose husband is missing in Korea with the son of Lt. Gen. James Van Fleet, said Monday someone had played a hoax on her by telephoning and saying her husband had been found alive.

Mrs. McAllister, whose husband, 1st Lt. John McAllister, was navigator-bombardier on the B-26 piloted by Lt. James Van Fleet Jr., said a woman representing herself as calling from the local Red Cross office told her Sunday night the three men on the missing plane had been found.

However, a check showed that no such call had been made at the local Red Cross and the Air Force said the three men were still missing.

More than 300 mineral specimens are displayed in the California Division of Mines museum in the Ferry Building at San Francisco.

## Taft Sees Opponents More Interested in Personal Criticism

BY UNITED PRESS  
Latest developments in the presidential race:

**REPUBLICANS**  
**TAFT** — Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio said other GOP presidential candidates appear to be more interested in "criticizing me" than in attacking the administration.

**EISENHOWER** — Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. of Massachusetts, campaign manager for Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, said he would "come clean" regarding his Paris meeting with Eisenhower, indicating that uncertainty about Eisenhower's presumed plans to come home and campaign should be dissolved.

**STASSEN** — Former Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis urged Negroes to support the former Minnesota governor because his "stand has always been right on all questions of civil rights and FEPC."

**MACARTHUR** — Ervin Hohenes, national chairman of the MacArthur-for-President headquarters, labeled John Chapple a "deserter" for declaring that Fighters-for-MacArthur would support Taft.

**DEMOCRATS**  
**TRUMAN** — Democratic National Chairman Frank E. McKinney said he doesn't think

Taft was an able vote-getter for her husband in past Ohio contests.

The doctor vetoed active campaigning in the pre-convention presidential contests because Mrs. Taft is not fully recovered from a stroke suffered two years ago.

Her left side is still slightly paralyzed.

**Handicap Not Expected**

She doesn't think her absence will prove a handicap to the senator. "I think him well able to run his own campaign." And if Taft reaches the White House, Mrs. Taft expects to carry on the social functions of a First Lady.

The fish-bowl life of a president's family would not appall Martha. "Since my early days when my father was solicitor general—in Taft's father's administration when she was a Washington debutante—I have been more or less exposed to

public life, and one realizes that the public interest is not personal, but due to the office."

**Has Much To Say**

From the side lines, Mrs. Taft has much to say about 1952 politics. She sees red every time her husband's political opponents come up with the chant "Taft can't win."

"Results have proved Bob is a good vote getter," she retorts to what she calls a "ridiculous" accusation. "He never loses an election in spite of what his critics say."

Mrs. Taft spends most of her time at Washington in their old-fashioned, red-brick house in the Georgetown section of Washington. She restricts callers to old friends such as Alice Roosevelt Longworth. The senator telephones her almost every evening when he is out of town, which is often.

Her days are occupied reading and answering a flood of mail. Many letters ask her to pass on advice to her husband.

**Makes Clippings**  
"Some tell him not to give so many facts, to smile more and be more relaxed," Mrs. Taft reported.

"Others say things are so serious that he shouldn't smile so much."

Scissors in hand, she reads five daily newspapers and a number of magazines. Pertinent clippings are turned over to Bob. Others go into a file.

She never misses a Taft appearance on TV and "like all wives, I give some constructive criticism, but I think he is very good on television."

**President Truman** will publicly announce his favorite for the presidential nomination, but that he could have "tremendous influence" at the National Convention "if he so chose."

**STEVENSON** — Referring to Illinois Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson's repeated insistence that he is running only for reelection as governor, McKinney said the presidency won't be "placed on a silver platter and handed to any man. He's going to have to work for it."

**KEFAUVER** — Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee brushed aside the possibility that he may run for vice-president on a ticket with Stevenson. He said he is "running for president and I'm not interested in any other office."

**BARKLEY** — Vice-President Alben W. Barkley told leaders of the new Barley-for-President club that he "deeply appreciates all you have said and done," but is not ready to announce his plans.

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Next to the suggestion that "He has brains, industry, and character and a broad grasp of governmental affairs." Mrs. Taft said, and ticked off details of his record to prove otherwise. "I think Bob will make a wise and good president," she said.

"He is not influenced by pressure groups but has a rugged adherence to duty. He would place national needs above personal advancement."



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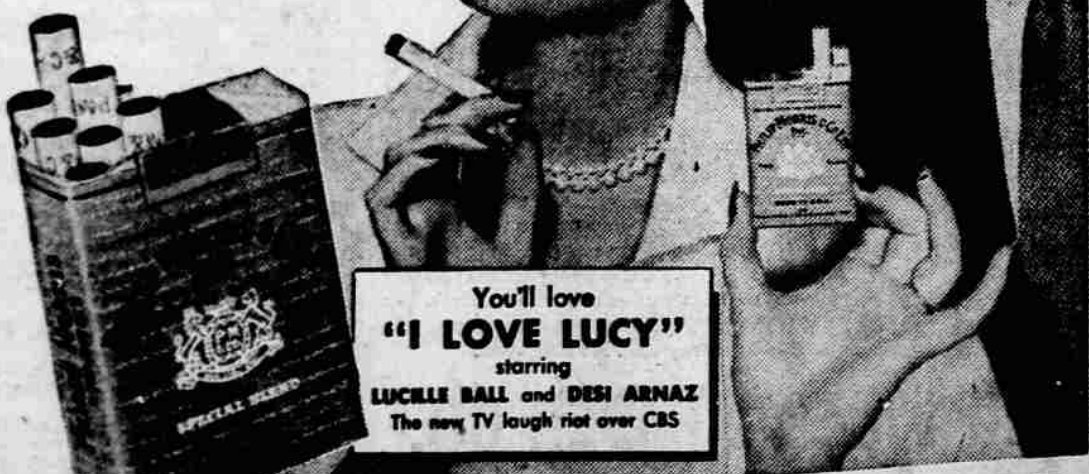
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