

Taft Will Pinpoint Campaign on Control Of Convention Works

By LYLE C. WILSON
Washington — (U.P.) — Sen. Robert A. Taft will begin Monday to pinpoint his campaign for Republican presidential nomination on control of the national convention machinery.

The Ohio senator will arrive in Chicago June 30 for that purpose. Reminded that might few delegates will be on hand a week before the convention meets, Taft has pointed out to questioners that members of the key convention committees will be arriving in Chicago early next week.

To Hear Arguments
These are the national committee and the committees on credentials and resolutions. The national committee will begin July 1 to hear arguments on contested delegations. The credentials committee and the resolutions committee will organize some days before the convention meets. Both are vital to Taft's convention strategy. The credentials committee must consider and report on the rival claims of contesting delegates after the national committee has considered them.

It is in the resolutions committee that Taft hopes to break the back of the major policy issue raised against him by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower. Taft holds that he and the general are not far apart on foreign policy and that this difference is merely one of method.

Looks To Dulles
The senator believes John Foster Dulles can draft a foreign policy plank on which both he and Eisenhower can stand comfortably. The general said he hoped so, but there was no show of confidence to accompany the hope. Eisenhower's foreign policy speech this week rated his differences with Taft as basic.

Dulles negotiated the Japanese Peace Treaty. He was Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's foreign policy adviser in 1948. Since then, Dulles has been part architect of those portions of Truman policy deemed to be bi-partisan.

Taft said here he would be available in Chicago for two or three days to confer with him. But the senator's final week of his pre-convention campaign will be more aggressive than that.

Legitimate Objections
He considers influence on key committees or outright control of them to be among the prime and legitimate objectives of his pre-convention campaign. This pre-convention appearance in Chicago is designed to build higher barriers against Eisenhower's nomination.

Taft will be back in Washington for what are hoped to be the final days of the congressional session next week. He will return to Chicago July 6, the day before the convention opens, to manage his own campaign. Eisenhower has not yet decided whether to make a personal Chicago appearance.

Local Forest Men Receive Transfers
Two Rogue River National forest employees have been transferred to other districts, it was announced today by Forest Supervisor J. H. Wood.

G. Robert Leavengood has been promoted to district ranger of a newly created ranger district on the Mt. Hood forest near Estacada. He will report there this week.

Richard M. Willey has been transferred to the tropical region, Puerto Rico. He will be stationed at Rio Piedras, where he is to be staff assistant in tropical forestry. He will leave the Medford headquarters for Puerto Rico shortly after July 1.

Leavengood came to the Rogue River National forest in 1943. He has been principal assistant in timber management to the district ranger at Union Creek since 1948.

Willey came to the local forest from Montana in 1950. During the last year he served as timber management assistant on the Ashland and Applegate ranger districts.

Replacements for the two men have not been announced.

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Lawsuit Against Salem Newspaper Returned to Court

Salem — (U.P.) — The Oregon Supreme Court in a three to two decision ordered a libel case against the Salem Capital Journal back to circuit court for trial.

Two justices, George Rossman and Earl C. Latourette, wrote dissenting opinions that there were no grounds for sending the case back for trial. Two other justices, Arthur D. Hay and Walter L. Tooez, did not participate in the hearing or decision.

Court Reversed
Justice Hall S. Lusk wrote the prevailing opinion reversing the Marion county circuit court of Judge Ralph S. Hamilton and remanded the case for further proceedings in the case of John E. Marr and Robert E. Marr, appellants vs. George Putnam, doing business as the Capital Journal Publishing Co., and Ray Moore.

The damage action arose over publication of an article in the Capital Journal six years ago warning against operators of a "radio racket" which offered a free pickup delivery for repair work having no established shop and furnished only a telephone number.

Blind Ad Used
No names were mentioned in the articles but the plaintiffs, then students at Willamette university, had blind ads in the local papers reading: "Guaranteed radio service, free pickup delivery." It gave a phone number of a service station where pickup calls were received. They claimed the article injured them and asked \$10,000 general damages and \$10,000 punitive damages. The opinion by Justice Lusk said evidence was that the plaintiffs "were the only persons in the city of Salem to whom the article was applicable" and "the evidence would justify a finding that it not only hit the plaintiffs but was aimed directly at them" he stressed that the high court was not ruling libel was made, but only that there was cause for the case to go on to trial instead of being dismissed.

Convention Report Presented to Noma
Reports on the international convention of the National Office Management association comprised the chief business of the Noma's monthly dinner meeting last Monday in the Medford hotel.

The overall theme of the international convention — "The Office Executive's Obligation" — was presented and explained by Mrs. Frances Grant, Associated Fruit company, Medford.

Mrs. Frances Laughlin, Medford clinic, reported on the speech "What is Our Objective: America's Freedom or International Peace." "The Office Executive's Obligation to Build and Maintain Loyalty and Cooperation" were explained by Mrs. Ethel Schultz, Medford Meat company.

The 1952 international Noma convention, held Wednesday through Sunday of last week, was the first one held west of the Mississippi river. Some 1,500 delegates attended.

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TAKING PLACE OF FAWN which gained national note when Dawn Duncan, 10, Bernardsville, N. J., appealed to Gov. Driscoll for permission to keep motherless animal despite game laws, is this cocker spaniel given to girl by Brooklyn department store employees. Donors felt sorry for Dawn when pet died. (International)

Quick Movement of All Forces Necessary in Great Emergency

(Editor's note: In cooperation with the local civil defense organization, The Mail Tribune presents a series of articles about Oregon's emergency traffic control plan. In the event of any large-scale disaster, hundreds of lives will be saved if roads are kept open. These articles are directed to all motorists.)

For civil as well as military defense, quick movement of forces to the point of need is decisive. In the event of an extreme emergency in Oregon, here is what will take place on the highways.

The state police will immediately establish control points along some of the principal State and U.S. highways. Among these are Highways 2, 6, 50, 30 E & W, and 99 E & W. This will prevent motorists from jamming high-priority roads and blocking the paths of organized relief forces.

Emergency route signs will be erected. They have been printed and distributed by the state civil defense office, and being stored in various localities until needed. Highway maintenance men in the northwest part of Oregon have strip-maps indicating where each route sign is to be placed.

Many of the major roads will carry one-way traffic. Primary roads will be for vehicles headed toward the disaster scene. Secondary roads will be used by outbound traffic.

Trucks or cars that do not readily appear as emergency vehicles, such as a panel delivery truck carrying vital supplies, will have identification placards on the windshields. Vehicle placards have been distributed throughout Oregon, and, like the route markers, will not be used until needed.

These are the highlights of an emergency traffic control plan resulting from eight months of effort by the State Civil Defense agency, assisted by the Sheriff's association, City Police Officers' association, Oregon State Police, State Highway department, and city and county civil defense directors.

(Next article: Jackson County and mobile support.)

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Oregon Production Employees on Job Less Time in May

Salem — (U.P.) — Oregon's production workers were on the job 1.4 hours fewer a week in May this year than in May of 1951, the State Unemployment Compensation commission said Wednesday.

But their average earnings were slightly higher, the commission found in a survey made in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Pay Average Up
Weekly pay averaged \$77.80 compared with \$77.58 a year ago.

Earnings of cannery employees dropped last month to \$46.60 a week, about the same as in 1951.

Metal and paper plant employees changed little from previous figures, but printing and publishing workers hit a new high of \$89.43 for a 38.4 hour week. It was \$5.14 above a year ago.

President Vetoes Immigration Measure
Washington — (U.P.) — President Truman has vetoed a bill to revise and codify all immigration laws adopted piecemeal over the past 154 years.

Mr. Truman said the discriminatory policy contained in the bill "repudiates our basic religious concepts" of the "brotherhood of man."

Aerial Timber Survey Set For Completion This Week

An aerial survey of timber lands within the Rogue River National forest as the first step to determine extent of wind thrown timber and possible Douglas-fir bark beetle infestation will be completed this week, according to forest service personnel here. Douglas-fir bark beetles have been increasing seriously in some parts of western Oregon and are a threat to valuable Douglas-fir timber in those locations. No extensive infestations have been found on the Rogue river to date, but further checks will be made.

The aerial survey is preliminary to a cooperative comprehensive study to be completed early this summer in the western Oregon area by the forest service, Bureau of Land Management, state of Oregon, bureau of entomology, and the timber industry. The current flights are being made to determine extent and location of wind thrown timber.

Information obtained will be used to point out areas to which special attention will be given on the closer ground examinations to be made later. Wind thrown Douglas fir timber serves as a breeding place for the beetles from which they emerge in increased numbers to attack surrounding standing timber.

The flights have not revealed extensive wind throw in the Rogue River National forest area, according to Forest Superintendent Jack Wood. This does not eliminate all threat of beetle damage locally, he said. It indicates wind throw has been confined to single trees or small groups not readily visible from the air, and that breeding places for the beetles are limited correspondingly. This is being confirmed by ground checks.

Approximately one million feet of timber in small, scattered groups was blown down by the 1951-1952 winter storms in the area between Union Creek and Prospect. Salvage sales are being prepared to remove these trees as soon as possible.

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