

Weather

FORECAST: Continued fair and dry and not quite so hot. Low tonight 62. High Friday 90-95.

Highest Yesterday 104
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IKE RACES TOWARD NOMINATION

Ike Sure Winner Unless Taft Can Land Lucky Punch

By R. W. RUHL

Chicago—Pugilistic terms are even more appropriate today than yesterday. For in the tumultuous session last night there were several fist-fights on the floor, and at least one combatant was carried out cold.

As to the main bout, "Intrepid Ike" surprised even his most ardent backers. From the first he put on a magnificent defense, but last night he suddenly changed over to offense, and absolutely made a monkey out of "Bruiser Bob." The latter's chief second (Reverend Dirksen of Illinois) was so dismayed that he got down on his knees in Taft's corner and prayed. It was a most eloquent prayer delivered in fine baritone tremolo, but aside from overturning the dope bucket, the former evangelist's effort appeared fruitless.

At present writing, box-fight experts, on both sides, agree unless Bruiser Bob can come way put over a knockout punch, Intrepid Ike is the winner. The latter is away out in front on points, and it is hard to see how, Robert Alphonso can possibly stop him.

Senator Wayne Morse says it will be Eisenhower in the 5th round. If Oregon's Junior Senator is as right in this prediction as he has been in others since this convention started, he will again have called his shot. It will be too late for The Mail Tribune, but Jimmy Dunlevy and KYJC might have it around then, Medford time. Here's hoping.

Everyone in the Eisenhower camp is proud of the Oregon delegation, they have been in there pitching all the time, as The Mail Tribune promised they would before the primary election—not only voting for the General, but fighting for him, night and day.

A majority of the newspaper men here see a stampede to the Eisenhower bandwagon tonight, but Battling Bob doesn't. He sticks to victory on the first ballot like a bulldog to a bone. Whether this should be credited to the Yale bulldog spirit or just to rather futile bravado the future should disclose.

Some Relief Expected From Heat in Valley; Forests Remain Open

Medford experienced a 104 degree temperature Wednesday for the second consecutive day but the weather bureau forecast indicated maximums below 100 this afternoon and Friday.

The weather bureau office this morning predicted a high temperature of 95 to 98 for this afternoon and a low reading of 90 to 95 for Friday. A small burst of maritime air yesterday evening cooled the temperature more quickly than the previous day and was figured to be a factor in a lower maximum today.

Humidity dropped to 22 percent yesterday and was expected to fall between 20 to 25 percent here today. However, the forest patrol, which has received many inquiries, reported that there have been no closures in zone No. 16 and that none are indicated. The zone includes Jackson and Josephine counties and southern Douglas county.

There are two reasons for no closures here, so far, the patrol office explained. One is that, although weather is hot and dry, there is sufficient moisture left from recent rains and the fire index has not reached the ex-

\$4,500,000 Hollywood Fire Believed Set by Arsonist

Burbank, Calif. — (U.P.) — Detectives Thursday search for evidence of arson Thursday in the charred back lot of Warner Brothers film studio, where more than \$4,500,000 worth of sets and equipment were destroyed Wednesday by flames that finally burned out in nearby hills.

The fire, described as much worse than a blaze that razed 25 acres of studio property last May 16, was brought under control late Wednesday night after it covered about 75 acres and swept into hills behind the studio.

Total damage was estimated at between \$4,500,000 and \$6,000,000.

Officers of the sheriff's arson

Attorney Charges MacArthur Speech Violated Hatch Act

Requests Enforcement Of Civil Service Rule

Washington — (U.P.) — Attorney Harrison Mann Thursday formally charged Gen. Douglas MacArthur with violating the Hatch Act in delivering the keynote speech at the Republican National Convention Monday.

Mann, former Arlington, Va., Democratic committee chairman, called on the U. S. Civil Service Commission to enforce the law which bars federal employees from taking part in any political activity.

"Equality before the law is a fundamental American principle," he told the commission in a letter dated Wednesday, "and General MacArthur should not be permitted to address political gatherings in contempt of the law because he is a five star general while the little fellow is denied the same right."

Mann said MacArthur was "fully advised" that he would be violating the act in making the speech.

"I therefore formally complain of a violation of the Hatch Act and request the commission to proceed in enforcement of its rules," he said.

Steel Industry Men To Contact Murray On Shipment of Ore

Pittsburgh — (U.P.) — Steel industry officials Thursday were expected to contact CIO President Philip Murray in regard to an industry plea to permit the shipment of iron ore from the mines to the idle steel mills.

U.S. Steel Corp. shrouded its maneuvering for partial opening of negotiations with the United Steelworkers in secrecy. Queries concerning the meeting brought "no comment."

The company refused to discuss the whereabouts of President Benjamin F. Fairless. However, Vice President John L. Stephens, who heads the industry negotiators, was in Pittsburgh.

Chairman Ben Morell and President C. L. Austin of Jones and Laughlin, another of the "Big Six" producers, were reported in their offices here, awaiting developments. Charles White, president of Republica Steel at Cleveland, was reported out of the city.

A United Steelworkers spokesman said that as of 9:45 a.m., the union had had no contact with the companies regarding a meeting on the iron ore situation.

Industry officials were concerned over a possible iron ore shortage next winter, unless ore shipments are permitted to resume. Since the Great Lakes are ice-bound during winter months, the industry normally builds up a stockpile during the warmer months to compensate for the slack period.

The steel deadlock continued to be felt in allied industries, with resulting idleness approaching the 500,000 mark.

President Signs Bill For Military Money

Washington — (U.P.) — President Truman Thursday signed the giant \$46,610,938,912 military appropriations bill to continue expansion of the armed services and provide the nation with a 143-wing Air Force by mid-1955.

The measure, a 9 percent cut from President Truman's original request of \$50,207,117,554, also carries funds for construction of a second super aircraft carrier and a \$45-a-month bonus for Korean combat duty.

BASEBALL

NATIONAL
Brooklyn 6-10-2
Chicago 7-9-2
Erskine, Black L. Can Cuyk
6, and Campanella; Rush, Klipsstein L. and Atwell.
Home runs: For Brooklyn, Robinson and Snider.



13 CHEERS FOR IKE — Louisiana delegates cheer as John M. Wisdom (left), head of the state's Eisenhower faction, and John E. Jackson, Louisiana Taft leader, shake hands after 13 Louisiana Eisenhower delegates were seated by the convention credentials committee at Chicago in a party harmony move.

Republican Platform Takes Stand on Issues Of Western Interest

Convention Hall, Chicago — (U.P.) — The Republican National convention Thursday adopted a 1952 platform committing the party to cut taxes, curtail controls, boost air power and put fresh heat on Communists at home and abroad.

Chicago — (U.P.) — The "eventual local ownership" of reclamation projects in the west was advocated Thursday in the platform presented for the approval of the Republican National convention.

The local control plank for water projects was one of a half dozen applying to western issues. Others included:

1. A statement of opposition to asserted federal efforts to "acquire paramount water rights without just compensation." Similar language had been recommended by California delegates who have opposed a government suit against water users along the Santa Margarita river near San Diego.

2. A demand that "special premiums to foreign producers of minerals available in the United States" be stopped. The plank said reasonable depletion allowances on minerals should be maintained.

3. A call for "safeguards against unfair foreign competition" for the American fishing industry. Pacific coast representatives said the plank referred particularly to a tariff on tuna. The senate defeated a bill for a three-cent a pound duty on tuna recently.

4. A proposal for "an impartial study of tax-free federal lands and their uses." Western groups complained to a platform subcommittee that more than half of the land in several west-

ern states is federally-owned and so escapes local taxation and control.

5. A pledge for the "elimination of arbitrary bureaucratic practices" in the management of western grazing lands. The plank said that legislation should be approved to define the "rights and privileges" of persons holding grazing permits and that the permit holders should be protected by "independent judicial review against administrative invasions."

The water plank said there should be greater local participation in the operation and control of federal projects, and declared that reclamation projects on which the Federal government gets repayment should revert to local control. (See Platform Summary Page 5)

Short Circuit Cause Of Jacksonville Fire

Jacksonville — A short circuit in an irrigation pump was responsible for a fire in a grain field here owned by Peter Eick. The Jacksonville fire truck was called to put it out.

E. A. Fleming, of Fleming Brothers' ranch was working on the pump when it shorted and blew out a California Oregon Power company transformer. The electricity went to the ground and into some grass which burned and spread the flames into Eick's grain field, near the Jacksonville school.

Fireman Marshall Stanfield accompanied the truck to the fire.

Van Fleet Ordered To Concentrate on Battling Commies

General To Give Up All Routine Duties

Seoul, Korea — (U.P.) — Gen. James A. Van Fleet was ordered Thursday to give up all his routine duties and concentrate on his most important job—fighting the Korean war.

In a major streamlining of his United Nations command, Gen. Mark W. Clark announced creation of a "Communications Zone" command in Korea to take over a multitude of jobs formerly held by Van Fleet.

Clark announced from his Tokyo headquarters the reorganization "will permit General Van Fleet to give his full time and attention to the vigorous prosecution of the United Nations military effort against Communist aggression in Korea."

At the front, a savage North Korean counterattack drove U.N. forces from a newly-won hill on the Eastern Front early Thursday.

Second U.N. Defeat

It was the second defeat in two days for Allied foot soldiers.

In the West, tank-supported UN infantrymen attacked "Dagger" Hill northwest of Chonwon for two hours, then retired. Eighth Army Headquarters announced the 1st Marine Division is in action on the western anchor of the Korean front, including the truce site at Panmunjon. The leathernecks formerly were on the Eastern Front, around the Punchbowl area.

'Lead' Gets Study In Dunkin Search

State police, continuing their hunt in the wilds of northern Jackson county for George Baker Dunkin, elderly miner, were investigating a possible lead today, Captain Paul Parson reported.

He declined to disclose the nature of the lead but said officers were attempting to determine whether it was fact or rumor.

Dunkin is wanted for the slaying of State Policeman Phil B. Lownd on June 24 near the miner's cabin off Buzzard mine road in the upper Elk creek area. The miner has eluded searchers since that time. Captain Parson reported no sign of the fugitive in recent days. Dunkin is an experienced woodsman.

The captain said that a police detachment, patrolling the area, is persisting in the search. "It will hang on until it gets something definite one way or the other," Parson declared. Members of the detachment have been down only twice since detailed to the hunt, he reported.

Bend Man Requests Tax Money Return

Portland — (U.P.) — A suit asking the return of \$20,305 in taxes and interest which John Wette of Bend claims was illegally assessed on his 1946 income was on file in Federal District Court Thursday.

Wette asserts in his complaint, which was directed at Hugh H. Earle, internal revenue collector for Oregon, that his wife, Maude, and his daughter, Helen L. Faddis, are bona fide partners for tax purposes of the John Wette company.

The Internal Revenue Bureau said the relatives were not partners and in 1950 assessed an additional tax, plus interest, which Wette paid.

Liner United States Starts New York Run

Southampton, Eng. — (U.P.) — The super-liner United States steamed out of Southampton Thursday for New York on what may be an attempt to set a new speed record for the east of west crossing of the Atlantic.

Delegate Strength

Chicago — (U.P.) — The United Press tabulation of delegate strength of Republican presidential candidates:

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower	532
Sen. Robert A. Taft	497
Gov. Earl Warren	77
Harold E. Stassen	25
Gen. Douglas MacArthur	8
Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer	1
Uncommitted	66
Total	1,206
Needed to nominate	604

Measures Include Estimates of Cost For Fall Election

Salem — (U.P.) — Assistant Secretary of State William E. Healy said Thursday that the initiative and referendum measures appearing on the November general election ballot will have "price tags" in accordance with the direction of the 1951 legislature.

The 1951 legislature directed that in the future all initiative or referendum measures be identified with an estimate of what they will cost if carried.

Measures Carry Estimate

Healy said 12 measures to appear on the November ballot must carry this estimate of cost. The estimate must show what expenditure of public funds or what amount from new taxes would be required by the provisions of the measures. The other six measures appearing on the ballot have no cost features.

Go To Newbury

Once Healy has laced his "price tags" on the measures, the data will be turned over to Secretary of State Earl T. Newberry, who will confer with State Treasurer Walter J. Pearson before filing the official estimate. In seeking "price tags" for such measures as the truck referendum, liquor by the drink, new domiciliary hospital and school reorganization, Healy said:

"Of one thing I am sure. Government is no bargain."

Marshall Convicted By British Court

London — (U.P.) — William Martin Marshall, a pale, young British Foreign office radio operator, was convicted Thursday of betraying official secrets to a Russian diplomat and sentenced to five years imprisonment.

Marshall, 24, could have been sentenced to 14 years but the 12-man jury recommended the "utmost leniency" on grounds he had been "led astray" during the time he coded and uncoded Foreign office messages to British diplomats abroad.

The jury found him guilty of three charges of passing information to a Soviet embassy official in a series of "cloak and dagger" rendezvous in London and of a fourth charge of recording information which might be useful to an enemy.

Convention Decorum Upset By Puerto Rican Delegate

Convention Hall, Chicago — (U.P.) — The little Puerto Rican delegate got the laughs while Ike got the votes.

The laughs probably will be remembered by the delegates to this Republican National convention long after the bitter Eisenhower-Taft fight is forgotten.

Marcelino Romani rolled the delegates in the aisles, quite unintentionally.

Roll Call Vote

The stage was set for Romani's unwitting comedy act by a roll call vote of the state and territorial delegations on "whether to vote 'yes' or 'no' for the pro-Eisenhower slate."

When Puerto Rico's turn came up, its entire three votes were cast against Eisenhower. Romani asked for an individual poll and the hall rocked with guffaws.

Hector Gonzales Blanes voted for the Taft slate, but the second delegate wasn't there.

Eisenhower Margin Grows as Disputed Contests Decided

Nominating Speeches Slated for Tonight

Convention Hall, Chicago — (U.P.) — Dwight D. Eisenhower's campaign manager said Thursday it is "quite likely" that the fast-charging general will win the Republican presidential nomination on the first ballot Thursday night if possible.

Chicago — (U.P.) — Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower galloped toward the GOP nomination Thursday with a commanding delegate lead.

His lead was slated for hefty boosts before balloting starts from pivotal Michigan and other states.

A stop - Taft coalition loaded to, Ike was in control of the Republican National convention. Nominating speeches will be cleared out of the way Thursday night.

Balloting is expected to start Friday but might get underway after Thursday night's speeches.

For the first time Eisenhower was leading Sen. Robert A. Taft in sure first ballot votes and the lead was growing. Gov. Theodore F. McKeldin, who will put the general in nomination, said his state's 24 votes will go "almost unanimously" to Ike on the first ballot. The best he had claimed for the general up to now was 18, with Taft getting 6.

Also apparently in the bag for Eisenhower were 32 votes from Michigan where Ike previously had been scored for only 11 sure ones on the first ballot.

Near Nomination

Shortly before noon Thursday the Eisenhower high command was talking in terms of being within 26 votes of a first ballot nomination without counting the big 70-vote California delegation.

Sen. William F. Knowland, chairman of the California delegation, has been insisting that the votes are legally bound by Gov. Earl Warren, on the basis of the state's June primary.

Taft men were far from counting their man out, however, and favorite son candidates were hoping the two big fellows would kill each other off and clear the tracks for a dark horse.

Ike Riding Crest

As delegates headed toward the stockyard Amphitheater for the fourth day of the angriest GOP convention in 40 years, Eisenhower was riding the crest of a smashing victory in the "battle for stolen delegates."

The latest United Press tabulation showed Ike leading Taft in firmly sewed-up first ballot votes 532 to 497. The extra votes forecast from Maryland and Michigan would boost the general even farther toward the 604 nominating majority.

The Taft camp, however, claimed the senator will get 520 to 530 first ballot votes despite his loss of 32 Georgia and Texan delegates in Wednesday night's brawling contest on the convention floor.

"I ask that the name of the alternate be polled," Romani told Temporary Chairman Walter S. Hallanan and again the crowd howled.

When the name of Mrs. Providencia Ramos de Villamil was called out rather uncertainly by Reading Clark Lyle Slater, Romani asked:

"What's the name, please?"

The name was read out again. "Is all right," Romani said. "She's not here."

Brought Down House

That really brought down the house. Slater called out the name of another alternate.

"He's a delegate," Romani said. "But he's not here."

Another alternate, Jose G. Salgado, voted for Taft forces. Then Romani voted—for the Eisenhower slate.

It was Romani's last vote. Another delegate was permanently seated Thursday morning shortly before the end of the convention's sixth session.