



CANDIDATE AND SON—Shown above in the rotunda of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D. C., is Estes Kefauver, senator from Tennessee and candidate for the Democratic nomination for president, and his six-year-old son, David.

Democrats Hoping For Four Day Convention As Plans Draw Up

Chicago — (U.P.) — Democratic leaders crossed their fingers yesterday and scheduled a short national convention with an open door for organized labor but no welcome sign yet visible for conservatives.

Speaker Sam Rayburn was the only top drawer Southerner assigned a major spot so far in convention proceedings. Rayburn will be permanent chairman.

Mrs. Roosevelt Stars

Convention speakers uniformly were chosen from the East, West and North. Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt will be the star of visiting orators. Two places on the 21-member preliminary drafting committee, which will rough out the 1952 Democratic platform, were assigned to the CIO and the AFL. The CIO was represented by Joseph A. Beirne, president of the Communications Workers of America. The AFL representative is President W. H. Lee, of the Chicago Federation of Labor.

The South's most significant representative on this preliminary committee which began work today was Rep. Brooks Hays, Arkansas, who took the lead in Congress toward a civil rights plank compromise which would hold the Negro and other minority votes in the North without inciting Southerners to bolt.

Truman's Specifications

Seventeen of the 21 drafting committee members are from the East, North or West, a tipoff that Democratic National Committee Chairman Frank E. McKinney was organizing this convention to President Truman's specifications.

Mr. Truman holds that the party's 1952 presidential nominee must run on the Truman administration record. An administration controlled convention is being set up here to make it stick. That means the Truman forces are out to stop Sen. Richard B. Russell, Georgia.

Mr. Truman does not care much for Sen. Estes Kefauver, Tennessee, either. There was pre-convention speculation that administration strategists would make one more effort to persuade Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson, Illinois, to head the 1952 party ticket. Failing that, Mr. Truman might help boost either Averell Harriman or Vice President Alben W. Barkley to the presidential nomination.

With the opening session scheduled for 10:30 a.m. CST, July 21, the standing of top candidates for delegate votes was: Kefauver, 267; Russell, 117½; Harriman, 113½; Sen. Robert S. Kerr, Oklahoma, 43½; Barkley, 26½. None was even close to the 616 minimum necessary to nominate.

Chairman McKinney scheduled nominating speeches for July 23 and the first presidential ballot for July 24 — a four-day convention if two or three ballots would suffice. But deadlock and multiple balloting were more likely than an early, easy choice.

Angry Show Possible

The Republicans put on an angry show here last week. The Democrats may equal or better it when they come to grips with the issue which sharply divides the party in the South from its affiliates elsewhere. That issue is civil rights and it comes before the convention in two forms.

The platform makers must meet it in drafting the civil rights plank. The credentials committee must meet it in Mississippi and Texas delegate contests.

The credentials skirmish will begin Friday with Mississippi first heard.

Convicted Slayer of Small Girl Requests His Freedom

Chicago — (U.P.) — William G. Heirens, University of Chicago student who was sent to prison for life for the sensational kidnapping-murder of Suzanne Degnan, has asked for his freedom.

Heirens, who was a brilliant college boy at the time he was sentenced for 28 separate crimes, including three murders, filed a petition this week for a review of his case.

Says Rights Violated

The bushy-haired youth, now 23, said in the petition that his constitutional rights were violated in 1946 when police questioned him in the Degnan case. Heirens said he was given a "truth serum" against his will and that police used "brutal and inhumane" treatment to break him down.

Heirens was convicted of killing and dismembering the six-

Plans for Capitol Discussed in Salem By Oregon Leaders

Salem — (U.P.) — Francis Keally, New York architect who designed Oregon's modern capitol, conferred yesterday with Gov. Douglas McKay and Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry.

Keally, en route to Stockton, Calif., said he would return in a week for further conferences regarding the drafting of a master plan for the capitol mall.

The Capitol Planning Commission headed by Robert W. Sawyer of Bend as chairman, recommended some weeks ago that Keally be employed as a consultant in drafting a master plan for the capitol zone.

Members of the State Board of Control, of which Gov. McKay and Newbry are members, are considering the recommendation. State Treasurer Walter J. Pearson, the third member of the board, was in Portland on treasury business Wednesday.

Gov. McKay said that when Keally returns to Oregon, several questions regarding future development of the capitol zone will be posed. Members of the Capitol Planning Commission will be asked to meet here at the time to confer with Keally.

Paid Demonstrators Scorned by Democrats

Chicago — (U.P.) — Democrats scorned the use of paid demonstrators yesterday and said they're going to run a business-like convention geared to the convenience of the press and radio.

National Chairman Frank E. McKinney said the Democrats intend to run their convention better than the Republicans.

"We will gear it to the convenience of the press, the delegates, radio and television," he said. "We will hold speeches to the minimum, both in number and time."

McKinney said no paid marchers, sign-wavers or "hollers" will be allowed on the floor. The Republicans allowed up to 150 outsiders or "mercenaries" on the floor for demonstrations.

Fifteen speeches have been set up in the tentative schedule, plus an expected dozen nominating speeches—limit 15 minutes each—and 24 five-minute seconding speeches.



TINY INFANT—Too small to be placed on hospital scales, Heather Everts is estimated by Lynwood, Calif., doctors to weigh a scant 1½ pounds. Born three months premature, the infant girl was placed in an incubator immediately after birth and is reported doing fine.

Parking Violations Lead City Police Court Cases

Thirty per cent of the cases handled last month in police court were for parking violations, according to Judge Warren Lesseg.

4-H Club News

GOLD HILL SHEEP FAIR

The big annual Gold Hill 4-H Sheep Fair will be held July 24 at the Norman Gail ranch, 4½ miles north of Gold Hill on Highway 99.

All classes of sheep will be shown and judged. Visiting club members will have a chance to work with the sheep. Refreshments will be sold at the food booth by the Gold Hill club.

BEEF AND PIG CLUB

Gold Hill Beef and Pig club will hold a pot luck picnic Sunday, July 20, at the Veltie Biles ranch, two miles out on East Evans Creek road. There will be beef judging and showmanship as well as pig judging and showmanship. Visitors are welcome. Lois Biles, reporter.

Thirty-seven persons were fined for parking the wrong way on the street, 36 for all night parking, 11 for illegal parking and four for parking in alleys. A total of 294 cases were in municipal court during June. Fines received by the court totaled \$2,887.50, Lesseg said. More than \$780 was received from parking meter fines.

Major cases tried by Judge Lesseg were three for driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor, one for hit and run driving and nine for reckless driving. Violation of basic rule was tried 56 times in June, more than any other single violation.

Police Chief Clatous McCredie announced that his department handled 199 cases during June. The greatest number, 46, were drunks. The department also investigated a robbery, 12 burglaries and 41 larcenies. There were four vagrancies, three disorderly conducts and two stolen motor vehicles. There were 313 traffic citations filed during June.

Arctic Proof Raft Shown by US Navy

New York — (U.P.) — A new covered rubber life raft designed to keep 15 persons at a comfortable 70-degree temperature in either Arctic or tropic waters was demonstrated yesterday at the naval air station at Floyd Bennett Field.

The raft, which inflates itself in 30 seconds after release of a cable on its deflated package, is designed to hold the body heat of its occupants in cold climates and to provide sun shelter, ventilation and water cooling in warm climates.

The rubber raft, with a covering canopy, is constructed with insulating dead air spaces as protection against either heat or cold. In warm climates, the insulating floor piece may be removed to admit the coolness of the water through a single-layer floor. Openings in the canopy are sealed to preserve body warmth in cold climates or opened for cross ventilation under the sun-protecting canopy in warm waters.

Memphis, Tenn. — (U.P.) — Ordinarily, tulip trees bloom and then put out leaves but one owned by R. L. Miller reversed the process this year. The leaves came before the blooms.

4-H Community Fairs Starting in Valley

A series of community fairs by 4-H clubs in Jackson county began today with the Bellview-Valleyview show at the Fred Engle ranch this morning, according to R. H. Cate Jr., county agent in 4-H work.

The shows will start at 10 a.m. with all 4-H club members, leaders, and friends invited to participate. The next show will be this Saturday, July 19, with the Central Point 4-H group in charge at the Gebhard ranch on the Kirtland road.

Other shows will be the Gold Hill Lamb show, July 24; Upper Rogue, August 3; Applegate, August 6; and Antelope, August 8.

Applegate Dairy club held a tour July 12 when the members' animals were inspected. Questions about the animals were answered. No business meeting was held. Cool drinks were served by some of the members. Sonja Smith, reporter.

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