

Eisenhower Favors House Members Serving Terms of Four Years

Indispensable Theory Rejected At News Parley

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower at his news conference today said he thought the term for House members should be increased to four years.

They now serve for only two years. Senators are elected for six years.

Mr. Eisenhower under questioning also rejected the theory that he is indispensable to a Republican victory in 1956.

The chief executive, in a light and bantering mood, suggested that reporters invoke a moratorium on questions about whether he will run again. He suggested they could take up the question with him in some detail about a year from now.

This was the first public indication from the President that it may be early next spring before he is willing to indicate whether or not he will seek reelection.

Supports Pay Raises

His advocacy of a four-year term for House members came in the course of his endorsement of pending legislation to raise the salaries of members of Congress, federal judges, district attorneys and certain Justice department personnel.

The President said that too many promising young people who should be in government decline to run for Congress because of economic reasons. He said the life of a House member is particularly difficult under present pay structures because the member must maintain a residence in his native state and must run for reelection every two years.

He said he thought the two-year term was a mistake and would like to see it increased to four years.

Indispensable Man

The subject of his indispensability to the GOP came in the form of a question based on a recent statement by Sen. Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.), chairman of the GOP Senate Campaign committee, to the effect that the Republicans cannot win in 1956 without Mr. Eisenhower.

The President said there was an awful fate in store for civilization if any man became indispensable and could not go the way of all flesh.

The development of an indispensable man, he said, would be a calamity.

The chief executive seemed to move himself into a press conference trap when he was asked to discuss the selection of San Francisco as the site of the 1956 GOP nominating convention, but he emerged a few questions later without adding much to the store of public information.

Better Weather

He said first that he favored moving the political conventions around the country and that when the GOP leadership discussed San Francisco with him he liked the idea because he much prefers the climate of San Francisco to that of Chicago.

This sounded like a clear indication that he would be at the convention. A reporter asked if newsmen could assume that he would go to San Francisco.

He answered with an abrupt no.

Eagle Point Juniors Will Present Comedy

Eagle Point—A three act comedy, "Our Girls," will be presented by the junior class of Eagle Point High school at 8 p.m. today and tomorrow in the school gymnasium.

The play involves complications arising when three boys attempt to masquerade as girls in order to obtain an inheritance.

Cast members include Bill White, Linda Mallory, Marveta Nelson, Juanita Cearly, Pete Jackson, Henry Conner, Adrian Elrod, Ted Daw, Dianne Tuttle, Leonard Dekmer and Lo's Farlow. The play is directed by Miss Yetta R. Olson, English instructor.

St. Peters Sermons For Lent Announced

"The Peace of God and the Problems of Men" is the title of the series of sermons for Lent at St. Peters Lutheran church, 1020 East Main, according to the pastor, the Rev. Kenneth Korby. The services are held each week on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. The sermon tonight will deal with the fear that arises from a sense of inadequacy and a sense of being lost. Suitable songs are sung by the congregation.

The public is invited.



RICE CAKES OR FLOWER POT—Kay Kyoto, teacher of "ikebana" (art of flower arrangement) arranges chrysanthemums in a "hyotan" (gourd) at the Japan Trade Center in San Francisco. The hyotan is multi-purposeful in the Japanese household. It is used as container of such things as charcoal, water, flowers and is even used as magazine rack. Some types of these Japanese gourds are part of "osushi" or rice cakes.

Figures Support Southward Move Of Industry

Richmond, Va. — (U.P.) — There's a big race on in the South and the stake is "labor."

The Fifth Federal Reserve Bank here has furnished some figures that support the trend of a southward movement of industry, thereby for Dixie's rapidly growing labor force and optimistic about economic conditions.

In the Fifth Federal Reserve District, which comprises North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Maryland and West Virginia, the labor force is expected to expand by an average of 88,000 persons annually through 1975. During the 1940's its growth accounted for 11 per cent of the national increase of 7.3 million persons.

Reports from these states indicate a vast movement of industry with million dollar investments and million dollar payrolls.

One Doubt

In Virginia for the 18-month period ended June 30, 1954, industrial expansion and modernization entailed investments of \$317,000,000 and added an estimated 15,000 new jobs and \$50,000,000 to payrolls.

In North Carolina, there were 184 new and expanded industries with total investments of \$89,223,000 for the first nine months of 1954. The industries provide a potential of 13,200 new jobs with an expected annual payroll of \$31,731,240.

Other southern states reported a somewhat similar influx of badly needed industry.

But in the back of the minds of state officials who are quite familiar with the problems of unemployment is this doubt: Can the increase of industry in the South keep pace with the increase in the labor force?

The Fifth Federal Reserve District's labor force grew faster than that of the nation from 1940 to 1950.

Population last year continued to increase at approximately the same rate that it grew in each state from 1940 to 1953. The average of 10 months' total non-agricultural employment in the states declined from the average in 1953.

Manufacturing declined 7.2 per cent in the United States, but only 5 per cent in the five states, attesting to fewer hard goods industries more vulnerable to business fluctuations. On the other hand, financial employment increased less, and the other industry groups, such as mining, transportation, construction and trade, declined more.

The increase in population points up the need for growing employment opportunities, particularly in basic industries that create new jobs in service industries and multiply income within communities.

TALL CACTUS

Harvard, Neb. — (U.P.) — Six years ago, Mrs. Nora Mihm's new house plant was a two-inch cactus. The plant now is 82 inches tall. Mrs. Mihm said, and is only six inches from the ceiling. "We may have to cut a hole in the roof," she added.

August is the peak month for motor travel in the U.S. but December leads in the number of traffic fatalities.

A Nichol's Worth of . . . Comment On This and That

By **HARMAN W. NICHOLS**
United Press Feature Writer

Washington — (U.P.) — It's hard to tell how much the atomic tests near Las Vegas are costing. But, for sure, it's a fat bale. A friend of mine out that way has given me some inside dope (no atomic secrets) on what is going on.



It seems that the cost-conscious campaign of the Army has hit a humorous vein at Camp Desert Rock, Nev., the headquarters for the Army's part in the test. A sign hangs in the mess hall which says:

"Don't drive your truck with a flat"

"A tire costs \$53."

"That's \$58.28, almost enough for a night out in Las Vegas."

(Las Vegas, to those who never have lost a take-home there, is where gambling is legal).

Get Up Early

Camp Desert Rock, my friend says, is a paradise for buglers.

"This is one post in the world where nobody hates the early bird with the horn," according to my informant. "The guy blows his brains out at dawn every morning with his little

'Can't Get 'Em Up' tune, but he doesn't wake anybody up."

If a bomb isn't going off during the test period, everybody is usually awake ahead of time anyway.

The Army band at the post says that martial music is playing second tuba in the choice of the 2400 soldiers at the camp.

They'll sit still for some of Sousa's and the others who wrote military tunes, but the real favorite "melody" as of now, is "Shake, Rattle and Roll."

My friend is familiar with some of the behind the scene workings of the atomic tests.

Buttoned Lips

Officials of the Atomic Energy commission and Civil Defense require that everything be cleared before the public gets hold of it through the press.

The men in the know have to put up with this, and are cautioned, like in time of war, to wear lips buttoned.

My friend, I am sure, was being facetious when he told me: "Some of the boys handling the releases are afraid to nod off at night for fear they will talk in their sleep and tell somebody what time it is."

And the joke making the rounds is that even the time of day is classified, my friend says.

Rabbit Project School Slated for 4-H'ers

A 4-H club rabbit project school will be held Saturday, March 5, starting at 9:30 a.m., at the Rogue Valley Grange hall near Grants Pass, according to Glenn Klein, county agent for 4-H club work.

Jackson county people helping with the program will include Mrs. Fern Badcock, Rogue River; Mrs. Gerry Ferns, Prospect; Sam James, Valley View, and Albert Peile, Shady Cove.

Among the topics for discussion will be housing and equipment, marketing, disease control and prevention, and exhibits, showmanship and judging.

The school will be open to all interested rabbit raisers in this area.

Indian Land Judgment Meeting Set Sunday

Grants Pass — A meeting to discuss phases of the Indian land judgment, involving members of the southwest Oregon tribes, will be held here Sunday, March 6, at 1 p.m., it was announced today by Howard Fry, who recently attended a meeting at Empire at which new developments regarding the judgments were discussed.

Anyone who has Indian blood and who feels he has a claim to funds owing the tribes involved

is invited. The Klamath tribe is not involved. The meeting will be at Fry's home, 298 Euclid ave., Grants Pass. Further information can be obtained from him by telephoning him at GREENWOOD 6-3422.

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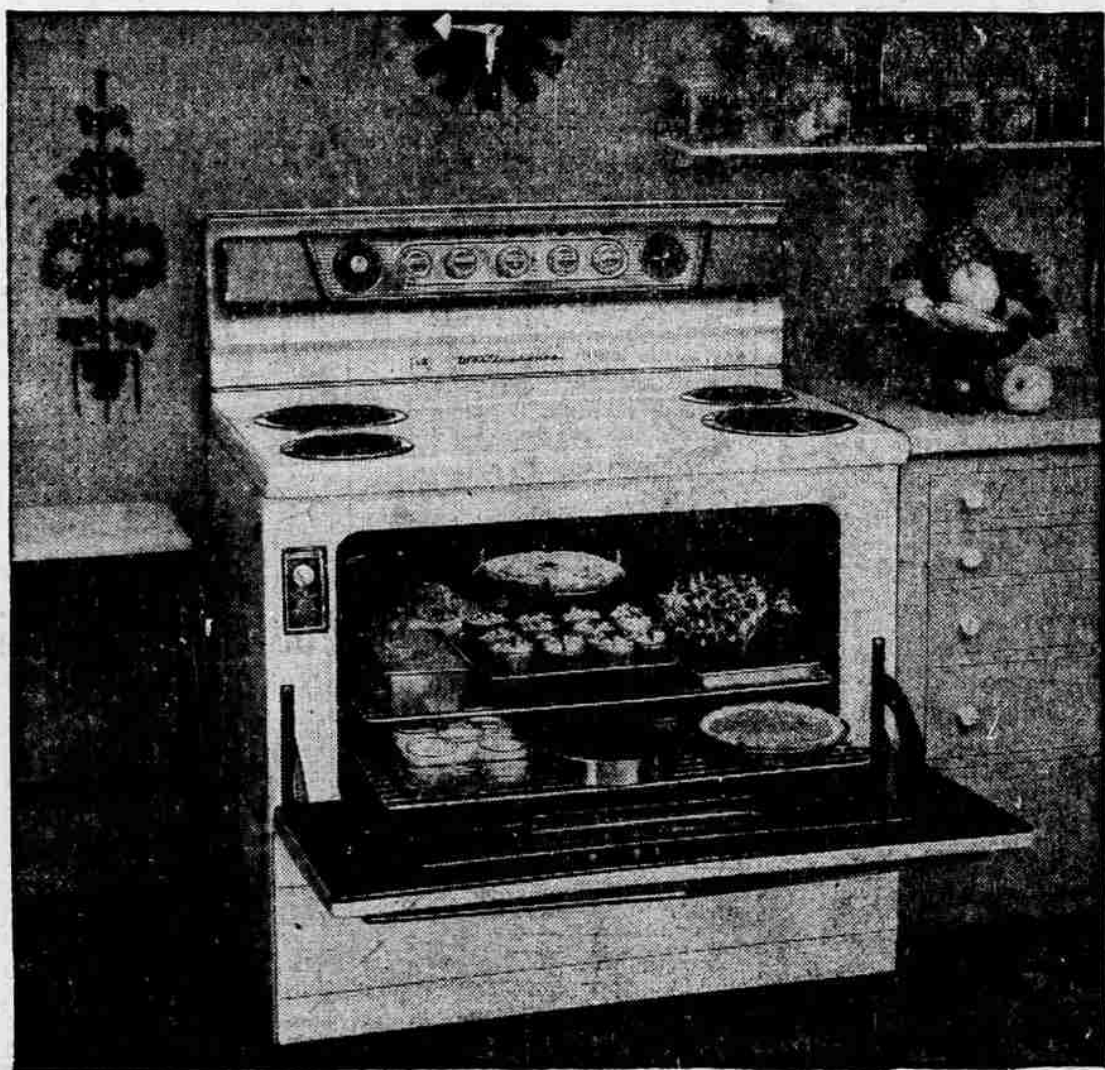
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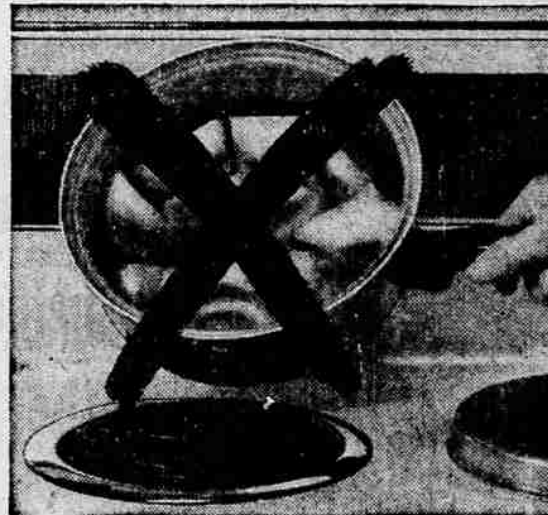
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