

Averell Harriman Carefully Laying Campaign Foundation

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Washington — (U.P.) — Democratic Gov. Averell Harriman of New York is carefully laying the foundation for what looks like a campaign for the presidency next year against whomsoever the Republicans put up. The governor is regarded widely as an unannounced candidate.

His public speeches are revealing. The latest before a fundraising dinner of New York's United Jewish Appeal was tailored to make a campaign issue of the Eisenhower administration's treatment of Israel, the Jewish state created after World War II.

That speech followed by a fortnight a frontal assault on the administration's efforts to cope with the problems of Red China, Formosa and the danger that the United States may be drawn into another brushfire war in that area which could spread world-wide.

Ridicules Administration
Speaking last week in the city which has the largest Jewish population in the world, Harriman said the Eisenhower administration was at serious fault in its policies toward the problems raised by conflicting Jewish and Arab interests in and about Israel. The dispute, at bottom, is whether and how soon the United States shall make more definite pledges to help defend Israel against attack.

Specifically Harriman called on Secretary of State John Foster Dulles to proceed at once with a bolstering of international agreements upholding the sovereign independence of Israel. He held the United States party responsible for what he said was refusal of Israel's Arab neighbors to accept the fact that the new Jewish state is there to stay.

The nub of Harriman's criticism was that the Eisenhower administration had not yet made arrangements to include Israel in the defense system of the Middle East. Israel has been pressing that issue with the State Department for five months.

Dulles Cites Gaza
Dulles indicated in a March 15 news conference that alleged Israeli invasion of the Gaza strip and attack on Egyptians had caused further delay in considering new guarantees of Israel's integrity in the form of binding commitments that the United States and Britain would go to the defense of the Jewish state if it were attacked. The Israeli government has been pressing for that.

The so-called Gaza incident on Feb. 28, 1955, cost the lives of 38 Egyptians and eight Israelis. The Egyptian-Israeli Mixed Armistice Commission investigated and held that Israel was to blame for the killings.

The burden of Dulles news conference statement was that such incidents made rapid progress toward a guarantee of armed support of Israel more difficult. He said he hoped something would develop soon. But

BUCKEYES SUPREME
Oxford, Ohio — (U.P.) — Ohio State's supremacy in collegiate swimming was undisputed today as the Buckeye swimmers tucked away their 30th team title in the 17-year reign of Coach Mike Peppe.

The Buckeyes' record includes nine NCAA crowns, the latest Saturday's standout performance against 48 schools here at Miami University, 11 Big Ten titles and 10 AAU crowns.

Legislature in 78th Day; Schedule Light

Salem — (U.P.) — Senators and Representatives face a light schedule as they return to work today for the 78th day of the current session.

Just three bills and a resolution are on the Senate calendar while the House faces 12 bills, three of them originating in the Senate.

Still to be faced is the complex tax program which a House committee has been studying for several weeks. Members must decide how the state looming \$65,000,000 deficit for the 1955-57 biennium is to be licked.

Investigation should be completed this week by the joint ways and means committee of the state public welfare commission budget. Gov. Paul Patterson reduced the welfare budget from \$74,000,000 to \$69,000,000 and Sen. Gene Brown of Grants Pass has demanded that this and other proposed state budgets be slashed.

The welfare commission's estimated expenditures for the biennium are \$65,000,000.

the implication of his remarks was that no further United States commitment could be expected until there was better assurance of peace on the Israel-Egyptian front.

Harriman told his New York

audience that he was "concerned" by Dulles' policy statement. "This would appear to be a time for affirmative action," he said, "that would contribute to stability in an already explosive situation."

Squirrel Stories Pop Up Following Dispute

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Washington — (U.P.) — Backstairs at the White House: All sorts of stories popped up in the wake of the White House squirrel crisis, many of them possibly fictional and traceable in some instances to the Democrats. Samples:

A cab driver vows he picked up a fare who was carrying a large and sturdy paper bag. Fare said, "To the south grounds of the White House and wait for me." The cabbie stopped not far from President Eisenhower's putting green, the fare got out, rushed to the iron fence and dumped from the bag a collection of very live squirrels that bounded gleefully into the White House grounds.

Or the one about an alleged political plot wherein opponents of the President plan to release live moles near the putting green at night.

This is a true one: After the last news conference, the President almost stumbled on a squirrel as he was crossing from the old State Department building back to the White House.

The squirrel was running across West Executive Avenue and seemed to be heading straight for Mr. Eisenhower. Bushy tail looked up, saw the human traffic in his way and pulled to a fast stop to let the President pass.

Puzzle: Why stories of Mr. Eisenhower reducing his farm pigeon population at Gettysburg with a shotgun caused not a ripple, while the deportation of three squirrels to nearby woods raised all sorts of Cain.

A number of reporters wanted to ask Mr. Eisenhower at his last news conference about his squirrels but they were admittedly reluctant to raise the subject. They thought the President would blast 'em right out of the water.

It developed later that if asked about the squirrel program, he would have given the details his press secretary released to the public 48 hours later. As of last Wednesday on news conference day, Mr. Eisenhower wasn't angry at all about the furor over his golf green and the squirrels.

What with Sen. Richard L. Neuberger of Oregon, a Democrat, trying to have the law on the President for violating the District of Columbia anti-trapping ordinance, Mr. Eisenhower's attitude next Wednesday just might be a little bit different.

Court Records

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS
Russell Ralph Worth, Almor, Neb., and Anna Lucille Baird, 217 West Second st., Medford.
Melvern Boyd Stanislawski, Trail, and Bernice Thelma Inlow, 429 Berrydale ave., Medford.

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The salary subcommittee of the ways and means committee is expected to report out a salary and wage program by Thursday.

No general increase appears in sight for state workers, although salaries of some workers may be adjusted.

The ways and means building committee has also slated a meeting this week to consider a \$10,500,000 board of control building program and a \$7,500,000 state board of higher education program.

The major construction project is a proposed \$14,000,000 mental hospital for the Portland area. Rep. F. H. Dammasch's bill, appropriating \$3,000,000 for the hospital, was tabled last week, but Dammasch has reported he may try to have the bill taken from the table today.

Optimistic lawmakers are predicting the current session may end the last week in April or the first week in May. But just as many predict the session will last into the early part of June.



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Little Girl, Hit by Auto Gets Christmas in March

Paducah, Ky. — (U.P.) — Christmas came Saturday, three months late but more exciting than ever, to a little girl with the widest, shiniest, bluest eyes that ever twinkled under a Christmas tree.

Hit by Automobile
Christmas was late for seven-year-old Gail Staley because last Oct. 18 she was hit by an automobile and for five months lay in a coma, unable to move or speak. There was doubt that she ever would again.

About a week ago Gail began to stir and speak in monosyllables. Last Tuesday night, suddenly, she asked "Where's Santa Claus?" and she's been

chattering gaily ever since.

Thanksgiving Too

So Saturday was Christmas for Gail and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Staley. It's Thanksgiving Day too, since the Staleys were too busy to celebrate that holiday last November — and had less reason to do so than they did yesterday.

Friday night, after Gail reluctantly went to bed, a Christmas tree was decorated and surrounded with packages. One of these, it's reliably reported, contained the big "walking doll" she asked for almost as soon as she regained consciousness.



WEARING typical frozen face, George Gobel displays "Emmy" he won at seventh annual awards of Television Academy in Hollywood, as outstanding new personality. (International)

Bright-Colored Cars Popular, But Some Still Don't Like 'Em

Detroit — (U.P.) — If you don't like those purple and orange and mustard-yellow cars that are coming out this year, don't feel bad about it. You've got plenty of company.

The public has gone for colored automobiles in a big way. But in the gaudily colored car market of 1955, the more conventional shades still are making the biggest impact.

Manufacturers report that green is the favorite color for automobiles. West of the Mississippi light green is the best seller. East of the Mississippi, medium green is No. 1 choice.

The loud oranges, reds, purples and yellows don't show up among the five top choices in any part of the country.

Taste in auto colors seems to follow regional tradition. In New England, where people supposedly are more conventional, the more conventional colors are the most popular. In the Far West where flashy sports clothes are the rage, flashier colors are seen on the road.

Sales of 1955 automobiles so far shows that in the Far West the color choices are light green, light blue, ivory, medium green and beige, in that order. In Texas, the Southwest and Midwest west of the Mississippi the preference is light green, medium green, light blue, ivory and beige.

East of the Mississippi, black

jumps into the list. Preference begins with medium green and runs through black, gray, light blue and medium blue.

Black is not quite so popular in midwestern states east of the

Mississippi, where the selection is medium green, light blue, light green, dark blue and black. In the south, the order is medium green, light green, light blue, black and ivory.

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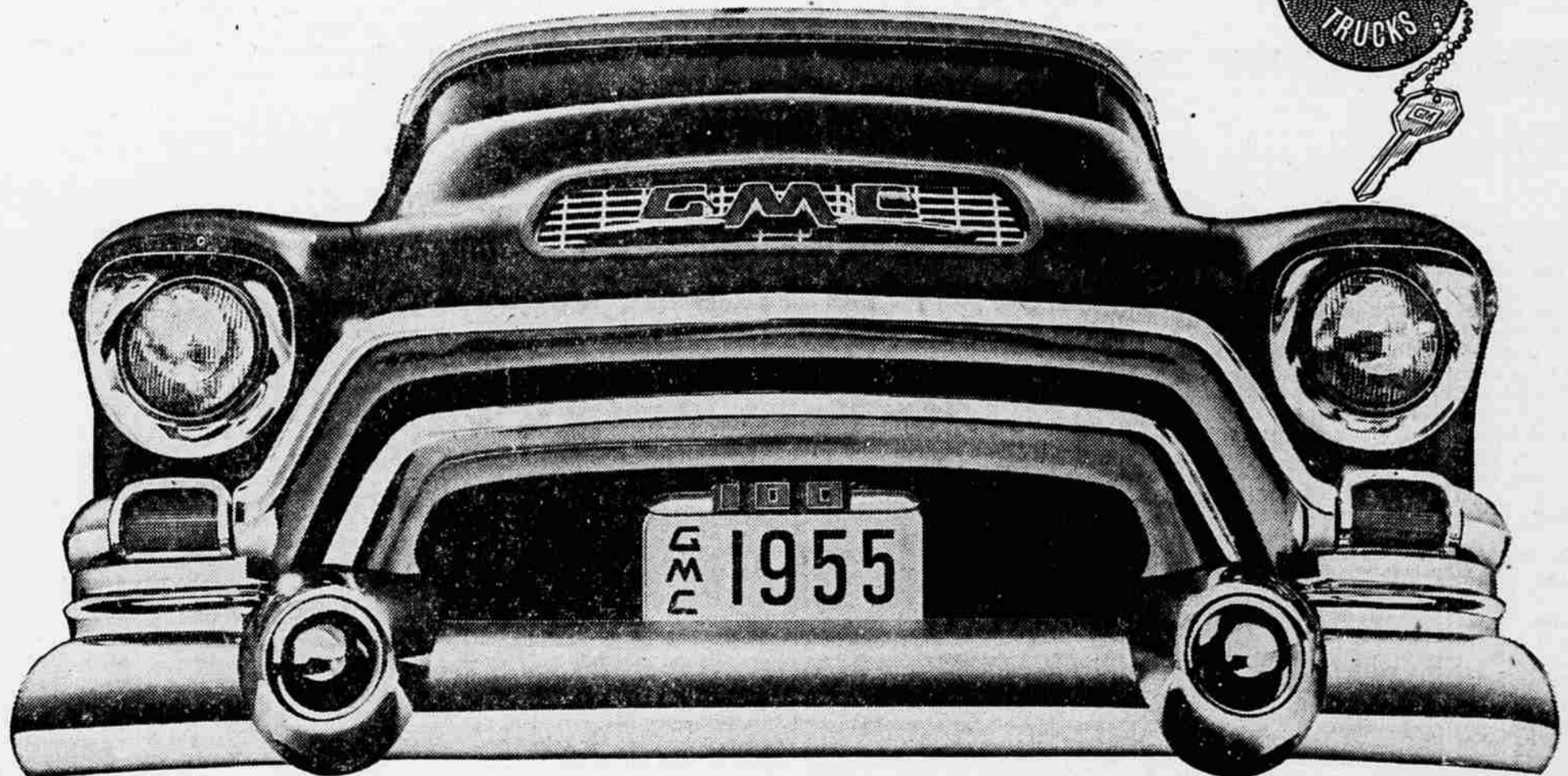
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