

Democrats, Republicans Stake Out Major States for Fight for Control of Senate

Washington — (U.P.) — Republicans and Democrats are staking out 14 to 20 states as the major battlefields in the fight for control of the Senate in the 1956 elections.

The Republicans face an uphill struggle even if they reelect President Eisenhower and cash in on the pulling power of a winning national ticket. They have more seats at stake than the Democrats and substantially more in the closely contested states.

Since the Democrats recaptured control of the Senate in the 1954 elections, the division has been 49 Democrats and 47 Republicans.

Thirty-two of the 96 seats will be filled in 1956, plus any vacancies which may be created in the coming year.

Of the 32, the Republicans

hold 17 and the Democrats 15, and seven of the Democratic seats are in the Democratic South where the Republicans have virtually no hope of gaining.

However, five of the GOP seats are in relatively "safe" arenas — Vermont, New Hampshire, Kansas, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Republican hopes for picking up seats next year rest largely on winning posts now held by

Democrats in Missouri, New York, Oregon and Washington, where GOP hopes have been given a lift by the jolting internal Democratic party fight this year in that normally Democratic state.

Against these five states, Democrats will be concentrating on eight to a dozen states to pick up seats now held by Republicans. Among these are California, Colorado, Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Maryland, Ohio,

Pennsylvania and Utah.

Democrats Confident
Senators also will be elected next year in the normally Republican states of Iowa, Indiana and Wisconsin and the normally Democratic states of Arizona, Nevada and Oklahoma. Iowa elected a Democrat to the Senate as recently as 1948 and Arizona and Nevada elected Republicans in 1952.

Republicans need a net pickup of two seats to grab a majority of the Senate. But they can win control with a pickup of one if they against elect a Vice-President to cast a tie-breaking vote.

Because of the lineup of seats at stake next year, Democrats are talking confidently of retaining control of the Senate, even if they fail to win the White House. However, no President has been elected since 1882 along with a Senate controlled by the opposition party.

Schmidt En Route For Portland Visit

Portland — (U.P.) — Airman Daniel C. Schmidt was en route to Portland today, still unsure of how he would solve his tangled marriage with a childhood sweetheart who remarried while he was a captive of the Chinese Reds.

Schmidt left California Saturday en route to Portland for his first visit with his mother in more than three years.

Before he left the small community of Childs Meadows, Cal., the modern day "Enoch Arden" disclosed he was holding out hope for a possible reconciliation with his young wife, Una, even though he had charged her in a divorce suit with being an unfit mother.

"There is a possibility," the 23-year-old airman said, "I'm not saying yes or no. It's possible. I can't tell you more than that." Schmidt filed the divorce suit in Red Bluff Friday, charging Una was an unfit mother for their 2½-year-old son, Danny, Jr.

Arctic Ice Shelf Being Melted Away By Warmer Weather

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New York — (U.P.) — During the August heat it is cooling to know that Arctic weather has warmed up enough for science to foresee the melting away of the ice shelf extending outward from the northwest coast of Ellesmere Island, in 80 years or so.

Ellesmere is the northernmost extension of Canada toward the North Pole. On the other side of the pole from Ellesmere is European Russia and so it is of prime importance in the defense of the North American continent from any attack across the top of the world.

Shelf Not Holding Own

G. Hattersley-Smith, Canadian Arctic scientist who was a member of an exploratory party in Northern Ellesmere in the summers of 1953 and 1954, reported that in the present warming climate, the huge ice shelf which is miles wide and more than 80 feet deep, was not even holding its own.

A slight further warming of Arctic summer weather would be "extremely destructive" and cause the shelf to melt away in some 80 years, he said in his report to the Arctic Institute of North America. Arctic weather has been warming for years; there is no reason to believe it

won't continue for some time. Last summer was so warm up near the Arctic Circle that 24 inches of ice on the ice shelf melted away. In August there were a number of hot days with temperatures in the upper 50s.

No Accumulation of Ice

Hattersley-Smith said he had "confirmed" that there had been no net accumulation of ice on the shelf in the last 45 years. As to how long the shelf had been attached to the island shore, he figured it couldn't be any longer than the Christian era. Geologically speaking, that's almost like saying, yesterday.

Scientists who thought the ice shelf—at least its foundation—was a remnant of the last glacial age, have suggested its formation began 4,000 to 6,000 years ago. But Hattersley-Smith cited his findings to dispute glacial origin and hence, this considerable antiquity. Indeed, he added, "it is perhaps unlikely to have existed even as recently as 500 B.C."

PIER ANGELI HAS SON

Hollywood — (U.P.) — Film star Pier Angeli was reported "doing fine" today after giving birth to an 8-pound, 13-ounce boy at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital. The 22-year-old Italian-born actress, wife of Singer Vic Damone, gave birth to the child Sunday.

Increase Seen in Enrollments for State Colleges

Eugene—State higher education administrators this week agreed that collegiate enrollments next month will exceed the eight per cent increase predicted six months ago.

Enrollments last fall were up 14 per cent over fall of 1953 and increases of eight per cent in 1955 and another eight per cent in 1956 were estimated for legislative appropriation purposes. Since the session adjourned in May, however, inquiries at campus registrar offices have far exceeded expectations.

Beginning Dates

Beginning dates for the colleges and the university, their 1954 enrollment and predicted enrollment for 1955 fall term are: Oregon State college, Sept. 26, 5214-5600; University of Oregon, Sept. 26, 4435-4800; Eastern Oregon College of Education Sept. 26, 509-550; Oregon College of Education, Sept. 27, 651-650; Southern Oregon college, Sept. 26, 702-750; Portland State college, Sept. 26, 2367-2720; Dental School of the University of Oregon, Oct. 5, 323-234; University of Oregon Medical School, Oct. 4, 581-581.

Each institution except the Dental and Medical schools holds orientation or new student days preceding the opening of classes.

Water wells in the dry Canary Islands off northwest Africa often bring wealth to their owners. The islands' banana cultivation requires much moisture. Unirrigated land sells for as little as \$10 an acre. With sufficient water for bananas, that same acre may sell for \$10,000.

Hells Canyon Group Seeks Funds for Fight

Boise — (U.P.) — The Idaho-Oregon-Washington Hells Canyon association today began seeking funds to finance its battle against recent Federal Power commission action authorizing Idaho Power company to build three dams on the Snake river.

Sam Fretwell of Parma, chairman of the tri-state group, said its directors met here yesterday to vote support of the national

rehearing of the FPC action.

He said an appeal was issued for voluntary contributions from persons supporting a single high federal dam in Hells Canyon.

The funds would be used, he said, to carry the fight to "appropriate courts" in the event the rehearing is not granted. Idaho Power has said it expects to start construction in Hells canyon by the end of the year.

Number of Policemen Vary With Population

Chicago — (U.P.) — Cities with population of more than 10,000 average 1.46 policemen for each 1,000 persons, according to the International City Managers' Association. The association said the number of policemen for each 1,000 population ranges from 1.39 in cities of 10,000 to 25,000 population, to 2.38 for cities over 500,000.

Dead time Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday, 10 a.m. Monday for Monday other days 5:30 previous day.

Transit Strike Ends At Washington, D.C.

Washington — (U.P.) — Trolleys and buses rolled out of moth balls and onto their regular schedules today providing thousands of government workers and capital residents with public transportation for the first time in almost two months.

The 53-day-old strike was the second longest transit walkout in any major American city. It was topped only by a 56-day strike in Detroit in 1952.

Residents paid a little more for rides today than they did before members of the AFL Transit Union walked out July 1 against the Capital Transit company, headed by financier Louis E. Wolfson.

The 20-cent cash fare remained unchanged, but token fares and weekly permits were increased.

LIQUOR COSTS

McLeansboro, Ill. — (U.P.) — The Hamilton County board of supervisors has set the annual county license fee for taverns at \$15,000 per year and package liquor stores at \$1,000.

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