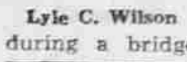


# Simple Question May Be Persuader To Ike for Another Term

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Washington—(U.P.)—The farm parlor intimates who will have most to do with urging President Eisenhower to take a second nomination, if his health permits, have handy a last ditch persuader. It will be in the form of a question. And like as not it will be asked one day during a bridge game hull in



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Gettysburg or at an informal luncheon table. It will go something like this:  
"Mr. President, how would you like to see Adlai E. Stevenson in the White House?"  
For Stevenson's name could be substituted the names of Gov. Averell Harriman, New York, or Tennessee's Sen. Estes Kefauver, or of any person who appears now to have a chance of winning next year's Democratic presidential nomination.  
The answer to the question would have to be that Mr. Eisenhower would not like to turn over to any likely Democrat the office he now holds. As the pre-convention campaigns of Stev-

enson, Harriman and Kefauver develop, Mr. Eisenhower is likely to have even more reason to oppose their succession.  
**Democrats Raise Questions**  
Each contesting Democrat will be saying things about Mr. Eisenhower's administration which will raise serious questions as to the President's administrative ability, his understanding of foreign and domestic problems, even his mental capacity to exercise good judgment. If anything were needed to make Mr. Eisenhower a solid, partisan Republican, it could be the Democratic pre-convention campaign speeches now coming up.  
The Democratic attacks on Mr.

Eisenhower's foreign and national defense policies are most likely to stir in the President a desire for a second term, assuming that his doctors do not object. He might not seek personal vindication for his farm program — after all, he did not make it and is no expert on the subject. But national defense and foreign affairs he is supposed to know something about.  
The foregoing are among the factors which are encouraging his political associates to believe that the President may run again.  
**Hall States Belief**  
Republican National Chairman Leonard W. Hall is not the

only top drawer Republican who believes that. But Hall got a blizzard of publicity this week by stating his belief after a long Gettysburg huddle with the President. Hall went considerably beyond the minimum statement of hope that Mr. Eisenhower would run.  
Important as Hall's statement unquestionably was because of the circumstances under which it was uttered, the more significant development came at Gettysburg a day later. Presidential Press Secretary James C. Hagerty was asked whether the President had read the page one blow-ups of Hall's brief expression of confidence.

Hagerty said the President had read the stories but would have no comment. Silence can be more effective than words. Mr. Eisenhower's silence at the least means that he will delay an announcement of retirement until the last possible moment. At most, it could mean that a second term is under consideration, subject to doctors' orders.  
On the record so far, Hall and the President are in cahoots to keep the Democratic opposition guessing and the anti-Eisenhower Republicans handcuffed for some time to come, with the odds steadily becoming somewhat shorter against a second go.

## Jackson County Library Needs Discussed With State Representative

Miss Eloise Ebert, administrative assistant and field representative of the Oregon State Library, has returned to Salem after spending much of last week in conferences with the librarians of Douglas, Josephine and Jackson counties, and Ashland.  
In meetings with the staff and the board of the Medford Public Library, Miss Ebert expressed surprise and satisfaction at changes made during the past five months in staff reorganization, building rearrangement, improvement of the book collection, and community contacts.  
**Planning Recommended**  
Talking to the trustees at a Friday afternoon board meeting, Miss Ebert recommended long-range planning for the library, which would include revision of contracts between Jackson county and the Medford library board, increased appropriations, and the addition of professional assistants to the library staff.  
Quoting from "Public Library

Standards," recently published by the public libraries division of the American Library Association, Miss Ebert pointed out that a two-mill levy, or \$2 per capita, was considered the minimum appropriation for adequate library service in the United States. The current budget for the Jackson county library is three-fourths of a mill, or less than .75 per capita for county residents. Miss Ebert pointed out some of the deficiencies in service that result.  
For each 15,000 volumes circulated per year there should be one staff member, exclusive of bindery and maintenance personnel, according to "Public Library Standards," she said, or one staff member for each 3,000 population. (The Medford Public Library in 1954 circulated 195,430 volumes among a population of about 58,000. Its staff at present, exclusive of bindery and maintenance personnel, numbers six.)  
It is recommended, she said, that for a population of 100,000 there be at least 15 professional librarians, a ratio of eight for Jackson county. There is at present one professionally trained librarian on the staff.  
In meeting with members of the library staff Miss Ebert spoke of new policies now in effect concerning interlibrary loans from the Oregon State Library. Local librarians are requested to limit their applications for these to cases of special significance such as study courses, serious research, writing papers. For the best overall library service citizens of Oregon should work to strengthen and support their local libraries rather than depend upon the state library, Miss Ebert concluded.

## Missouri Convicts In Demonstration

Jefferson City, Mo. — (U.P.)—Inmates of the Missouri State prison, scene of a destructive riot 14 months ago, staged a six-hour demonstration last night which was termed a protest to new rule books.  
Penal Director James Carter said no one was injured, but he and the prison warden conducted a cell by cell inspection to determine the damage.  
Carter said most of the 2700 inmates inside the walls took part in the demonstration which consisted mainly of shouting and banging on cells.  
The director said the major objection by inmates seemed to be sections of the rule book which called for standardization of all cell equipment. Carter said there also appeared to be protests to military type requirements that inmates salute guards and address all prison officials, including guards, as "Sir."  
The rule books were distributed shortly before the inmates were locked in the eight major cells of the prison last night.

**Diaper on Flagpole Announces Granddaughter**  
South Portland, Me. — (U.P.)—Neighbors kept asking Mr. and Mrs. Harold Etter day after day if they had become grandparents.  
When their daughter, Mrs. Barbara Romano, finally gave birth to a seven-pound, 12-ounce girl, Etter found a way to make the announcement to the neighborhood in a hurry. He ran up a diaper with pink ribbons fluttering from it on the flagpole in the front yard.

## Administration Drops Echo Park Project

Washington — (U.P.) — The administration is dropping the controversial Echo Park dam from the Upper Colorado River Storage project.  
After meeting with officials of the Council of Conservationist States, Interior Secretary Douglas McKay said yesterday he thinks Congress will approve the Upper Colorado Project at its next session if the \$17,400,000 Echo Park dam is eliminated.  
The Senate this year passed a bill which included Echo Park dam but the House Interior Committee struck out that part of the project.  
Conservationist interests had bitterly protested the plans to build a dam in Echo Park. They claimed it would spoil a top scenic attraction, including the Timpson National monument, and possibly set a precedent for encroaching on other park areas.

## Heavy Snow Joins Worst Cold Wave Of Year in East

By UNITED PRESS  
Heavy snows joined forces today with the worst cold wave of the season.  
Northern Michigan and Western New York were covered by up to six feet of snow, sub-freezing temperatures drove as far south as Florida, and vicious weather was blamed for at least 39 deaths across the nation.  
**33 Deaths Reported**  
Heart attacks or traffic accidents caused by the wintry blast accounted for 14 deaths, and 19 persons died in fires, most of them caused by over heated stoves. In addition, six junior college students were killed as their car smashed into the side of a speeding train during a dense fog near Hanford, Calif.  
There were at least five dead at Buffalo, N.Y., where the biggest one-day November snowstorm in the city's history brought the community's life practically to a halt yesterday.  
Schools were closed and practically all factories had to shut down. The snow was officially measured at 19.9 inches, but some suburbs reported four feet and hundreds of motorists were marooned in drift-stalled cars.  
**Drifts in Michigan**  
Drifts six feet deep were reported in Michigan's Upper Peninsula and Kalamazoo was buried under a 14-inch snowfall. The storm gave 75,000 school children in Southwest Michigan a vacation and was blamed for at least three deaths.  
Radioactive snow, believed contaminated by a recent Russian hydrogen bomb explosion, fell on Ottawa, Canada, and up to one inch of new snow was reported as far south as Flat Top in Southern West Virginia.

## Oregonians Urged To Take Heed of SD Day

Portland — (U.P.) — Officials today urged Oregonians to drive — and walk — carefully for Safe Driving day which starts at midnight tonight and lasts for 24 hours.  
Last year SD day was held Dec. 15 and that state had a 40 per cent improvement over the traffic record of the same day in 1953.  
On Dec. 1 last year there were two traffic deaths in Oregon.  
E. C. Sammons, SD day director, urged every town in the state to prevail upon the public to drive and walk carefully.

## Potato Production Control Wins Favor

Chicago — (U.P.) — The National Potato council was on record by a narrow margin today as favoring production control.  
Delegates to the council's annual meeting here voted 28 to 20 in the closing session yesterday in favor of the controls.  
A special, long range Program committee appointed to make recommendations on the matter failed to agree, and the question was submitted to the convention.  
Earlier, the delegates reelected Winslow B. Whiteley, Oakley, Ida., president.

## Gift of Tractor Latest To Be Presented To Ike For His Gettysburg Farm

Gettysburg, Pa. — (U.P.) — Farmers from three states figured out today what to give the man who has everything. They rolled out a bright new tractor for President Eisenhower.  
It wasn't as if the President really needed a tractor, although he no doubt can find a use for it. Four tractors already are in operation on the approximately 500 acres Mr. Eisenhower owns or controls.  
**Not Owned by Ike**  
None of them, however, actually belongs to the President. Like most of the equipment in use on his tracts, they are owned by Brig. Gen. Arthur S. Evins, who supervises the Eisenhower farm, and others who actually till the President's soil.  
The newest addition to the Eisenhower tractor line was the gift of Farm Bureau Cooperative association members in Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania.  
Officials of the three groups were on hand for the presentation as were representatives of

the manufacturers, photographers, and newspapermen.  
The equipment was the latest in a continuing flow of gifts received by the President and Mrs. Eisenhower since they bought their farm home here in 1950.  
**Herd of Cattle**  
The gifts include a growing herd of aberdeen angus cattle and a couple of milk cows. Also the motorized "surrey with the fringe on top" in which the President likes to tour his rolling acres.  
Somebody gave him a flag pole with golden eagle on top. It is mounted near his formal garden — also a gift — and supports the U.S. flag and presidential ensign.  
Spruce trees and flowering quince line the President's half-mile long driveway — gifts, respectively, of the 48 state Republican association members and members of the President's cabinet.  
There have been many other gifts, most of them keyed to farm life.

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