

Nixon Believed Assured of Second Spot on Ticket If Ike Runs Again

Vice President Must Survive Hide Hunters

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Washington — (U.P.) — Vice President Richard M. Nixon will be on the ticket with President Eisenhower if there is to be a second term.

That's the program as of now, subject to some qualifying ifs and buts. Mr. Eisenhower, however, apparently wants his young friend as a running mate again, if there is any running.

There is considerable evidence that Nixon has been given that comforting word by the President himself. All of this tends to encourage Nixon who has some problems of his own in this presidential campaign year. Problem No. 1 is how to conduct himself so that he may be in the best position to be nominated for President next August if Mr. Eisenhower bows out.

Nixon is not his own man. Far from it. As vice-president of the United States has no real mandate to say or do anything of real significance except at the express request of the President. Nixon must not make any political moves for himself, none, until and unless Mr. Eisenhower announces he will not be a second term candidate.

Knowland Willing To Wait

Sen. William F. Knowland, another Californian, has said he would be willing to wait until Feb. 15 or thereabouts to hear from Mr. Eisenhower before launching his own presidential candidacy. If the President remains silent much beyond that date, you can expect Knowland to move.

Nixon is silenced until the President chooses to speak, however late that may be. His No. 2 problem is how to overcome the whispers that "Nixon can't win" or that "Nixon would hurt the ticket if he were renominated." A lot of people want Nixon's hide with him not in it. He is disliked, even hated, by the Democratic leadership and by the party generally.

Left-of-center Republicans and independents thump him like a drum. The vice-president has given much thought to his spot as administration whipping boy. Look for him to increase his schedule of public speaking in the weeks ahead. Personal appearances have paid off well for Nixon. He spoke last week in Springfield, Ill., at the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce annual banquet.

Nixon Scored Triumph

From Springfield came word that Nixon had achieved a personal triumph in his contacts with the Jaycees. Mr. Eisenhower is confident Nixon would be a valuable second man on the 1956 ticket. Still to come, however, is the pressure to bounce him off. That will not build up in a big way until Mr. Eisenhower's own plans are known. If the President decides to run, the White House shortly will be jammed with well wishers who wish also to get rid of Nixon.

Mr. Eisenhower has been known to yield to political pressure. But, on the record so far, he is standing pat for his boy

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Chicago Gaslight Club Takes Patrons Into Bygone Era; for Keyholders Only

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Chicago — (U.P.) — Walk through the swinging doors of the Gaslight Club and you run smack into a bygone era.

Before you know it you're back in the days of the brass rail and the free lunch.

The Gaslight, one of the nation's most unusual saloons, is the brainchild of advertising executive Burton Browne, a Ph. D. with a yen to be a barkeep.

This week Browne announced plans for setting up similar establishments in at least eight other cities—New York, Washington, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Dallas and Houston, Tex., Milwaukee, Wis., and Minneapolis, Minn.

These will be formed by local groups under the aegis of National Gas Light Clubs, which will handle mutual credit, membership records and the like.

Key Needed

All the clubs will be key clubs, like the original Gaslight, which means you must have a key to get in or you must be the guest of a keyholder. It's the old story of making something attractive by making it hard to get.

The original Gaslight has been in operation a little more than two years, and about 3500 keys have been issued, mostly to business and advertising men who can afford the \$1.25 per drink.

That's the price, whether you order beer, champagne or a glass of water. But you can make up for it by gorging yourself on

smoked turkey sandwiches and the like for a nickel.

It's the closest approach left to the traditional free lunch, now outlawed in Illinois.

Browne, an imaginative gent who once gave his friends gift certificates for Christmas, entitling them to free tattoos, set up the Gaslight as a haven for beleaguered males. It's a psychological holdover from the secret societies of boyhood.

Women Guests

Women are admitted only as guests of keyholders.

The Gaslight's decor must be seen to be appreciated. There's

no sign outside, only an old-fashioned gas streetlight. The facade is carved wood.

Inside there's an authentic mahogany bar, a magnificent relic from a famous old Prairie Ave. saloon, complete with brass rail and cuspidors.

On the walls hang pictures of plump ladies in various stages of undress, collected from old-time saloons in various parts of the country.

The waitresses, among the highest paid in the land, are models clad in scanty but tasteful costumes.

That's the only anachronism. The gals never dressed like that in the gay 90s.

REMEMBER NICKEL BEER?

—Well this one being served by Anna Kirsten with two five-cent sandwiches has come a long, long way. It's \$1.25. Anna and other model waitresses in Chicago's Gaslight Club (members only) are among highest paid in the country. All drinks at the exclusive bar are \$1.25, whether champagne or beer.

David Epps Will Be Democratic Candidate

Sweet Home — (U.P.) — David Epps, Sweet Home and Lebanon furniture dealer long prominent in Democratic circles, announced today he would be a candidate from the state at large to the Democratic national convention.

He said he would support Adlai Stevenson for the presidential nomination.

Epps has been an Oregon delegate to the convention on two previous occasions. In 1940 he was chairman of the Draft Roosevelt for a Third Term committee and in 1952 he was chairman of the Volunteers for Stevenson.

CAMPAIGN MANAGER

Portland — (U.P.) — State Rep. Pat Dooley today announced that State Sen. Robert D. Holmes of Gearhart had been appointed as campaign manager in Dooley's race for Democratic national committee from Oregon. C. Girard Davidson, one-time assistant secretary of interior, also has entered the national committee race.

He has not given the vice-president any promise of support for the top spot if it should happen to be open this year. That probably would be too much to ask now—too soon.

In private and public, Nixon prays for Mr. Eisenhower to run again. There is no cause to doubt his sincerity. He is young. Time is on his side. The vice-president has his eye on 1960.

March of Dimes Coming Events

Events scheduled throughout Jackson county in the next few days to raise March of Dimes funds for the fight against polio include the following:

Tonight—Chili feed and father-son basketball game at Wimer.

Jan. 21—Little pig auction at Phoenix Auction yard, 2 p.m. Halftime activity at Phoenix-Illinois Valley basketball game at Phoenix, starting at 8 o'clock. Degree of Honor card party at Ashland Civic clubhouse, starting at 8 o'clock. Blue Crutch day at Ashland. Modern dance at Williams Grange hall. Modern dance at Jacksonville Community hall. Johnny Lusk band. Square dance at Prospect Community hall. Pop bottle collection in Medford by high school senior class. Order of M halftime activity at Medford-Grants Pass basketball game. At Cook's Fountain, Phoenix, free coffee and doughnuts from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. All contributions to the March of Dimes.

Jan. 24 — Modern dance at Oasis, Eagle Point, 8 p.m. to 12 p.m. Music by Dick Spain, Bill Lively and Rogue Valley Boys. Crater high school Freshman class Dutch auction and box social, 7:30 p.m., Crater high gym, Central Point.

Injunction Granted On Fair Trade Price

Portland — (U.P.) — Circuit Court Judge James R. Bain yesterday granted a temporary injunction against Fred Meyer, Inc., and General Sales company from selling Sunbeam products below listed fair trade contract prices.

Sunbeam corporation claimed in its complaint against the two firms that a price war might break out if the two firms persisted in selling below listed prices.

Hearing on a petition for a permanent injunction will be held next Wednesday.

Sunbeam also asked \$100,000 exemplary damages and \$50,000 special damages from Fred Meyer, Inc., and \$75,000 total damages from General Sales company which does business as Associated Northwest Employes.

Steel Man Defends Charge by Meany

Pittsburgh — (U.P.) — National Steel Corp. Chairman Ernest T. Weir fired back today at a statement by AFL-CIO President George Meany charging American businessmen were too friendly toward Russia.

Weir said the leader of the 16,000,000 member labor union quoted him out of context.


Meany told a Rotary club meeting in New York Thursday that Weir had expressed the view that the Western nations "should renounce their attitude of suspicion and distrust" and proceed from the principle that "Russia now wants peace and more stable international relations."

A spokesman for the national steel executive said Meany took quotes from a dispatch written by Weir for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. The story was written last May prior to the Geneva conference and "the two sentences" . . . extracted do not accurately nor fairly reflect the substance of this lengthy article," the spokesman said.

Lafayette, Ind. — (U.P.) — Everyone in the neighborhood agreed that Richard Spencer had one "sweet" car. Vandals poured chocolate syrup over the body.

Foreign travellers visiting Berlin increased in 1955, 28 per cent with U. S. citizens leading all others.

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