

Effort To Bounce Nixon From GOP Ticket Supported

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Washington—(U.P.)—The movement to bounce Vice-President Richard M. Nixon off the 1956 Republican ticket has won some powerful support close to President Eisenhower.

The arguments against Nixon include: he is perhaps the most controversial figure in American national politics. He is too young—43. The vice-presidency will be of unusual importance if Mr. Eisenhower seeks and gets a second term. Democratic condemnation of his campaign tactics have hurt his position with the public. Democrats are ready to center their campaign attack on any man "who stands a heart-beat from the presidency."

The foregoing are basic in the stop-Nixon effort. They add up to the belief, or fear, of some influential persons that Nixon would cost the national ticket votes if he were on it again this year.

There is no evidence so far that Mr. Eisenhower is impressed by the arguments for dropping Nixon in 1956. On the contrary, Mr. Eisenhower's public words and acts have been enthusiastically favorable to the vice-president.

The President fielded Democratic complaints against Nixon's 1954 campaign tactics with a note of congratulations on his speeches and campaign line. That endorsement covered Nixon's discussion of Communist infiltration of government during the Roosevelt and Truman administrations.

Mr. Eisenhower also is on record that an individual nominated for president should refuse the nomination if he were not satisfied with the party's choice for second place. There has been a boom of late in confidence that Mr. Eisenhower shortly would announce his availability for re-nomination.

Approves Conduct

That is what fired up the effort to displace Nixon. On the basis of information generally available, it will take a tremendous effort to supplant Nixon with another if the President runs again. There is the sturdy evidence that Mr. Eisenhower likes his young friend and approves of his conduct as vice-president and as a party campaigner. That approval abundantly embraces whatever Nixon may have said in the 1954 campaign about the Democratic Party leadership and the Communist infiltration of government.

It is well known here that Mr. Eisenhower does not intend to go barnstorming this year if he does accept renomination. He will not campaign in the usual, physical sense of the word—at least he says he won't. The campaign load will fall chiefly on the Republican vice-presidential candidate.

Can Carry Load
Nixon has shown that he can carry that kind of load to Mr. Eisenhower's satisfaction, regardless of what others may say about it. Former Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, of New York, is another rough and ready Republican campaigner. He proved it, finally, in the 1950 gubernatorial campaign. There are others, but

not many. Dewey is not seriously discussed for the spot anyway. All good Republicans are not good campaigners, capable of the physical and mental strain of a national campaign in a presidential year. The stop-Nixon strategists must come up with a substitute who can perform on the stump. That is their first problem. They are thinking more, however, of a man who might suddenly succeed to the presidency. Their second task will be to persuade Mr. Eisenhower that their man would do a better job for him than would Nixon.

It won't be easy. Mr. Eisenhower seems committed. But he has been firmly committed before this on such largely personal political decisions as this one would be. And under pressure, he has been persuaded to concede. The stop-Nixon advisers are betting they can persuade him again. However that may be, look for the drop-Nixon effort to hit hard the moment Mr. Eisenhower announces that he will run again. It could come any time now, if it is coming at all.

'Sacred' Cows Pose Serious India Problem

New Delhi, India—(U.P.)—A herd of more than 1,000 "sacred" cows on the loose in the lush farmlands some 150 miles north of here today posed a serious problem for the government.

Some 17,000 peasants, long torn between religious acceptance of the "holy" beasts and exasperation at their marauding, have threatened a "no rent" strike unless the government finds some way to shoo off the sacred menace.

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Grange

Upper Rogue Grange held a social meeting Thursday evening with Master Caroline Harding presiding. Chaplain Dorothy Tockstein said Rick Eastin was reported ill. Also a sympathy card was signed and sent to Mrs. Morton Tompkins in the passing of her husband. Brother Tompkins was State Grange master for several years before retiring. Master Caroline Harding announced that at the birthday potluck dinner which will be held in the Grange hall March 15 the Rev. Elco Redding and family will be our special guest and every member is urged to attend as Mr. Redding graduated from Prospect High school and he and his wife have just returned from India where they have been missionaries and he will give a talk on his work in India. After the meeting refreshments were served by Ann Gillespie and Meryle Carlton.

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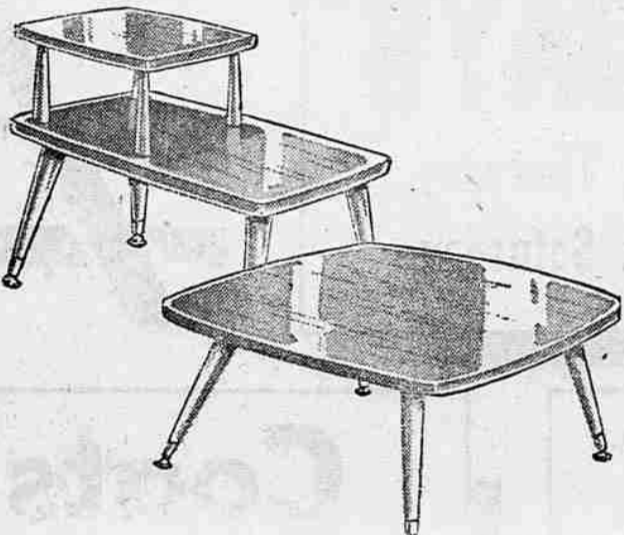


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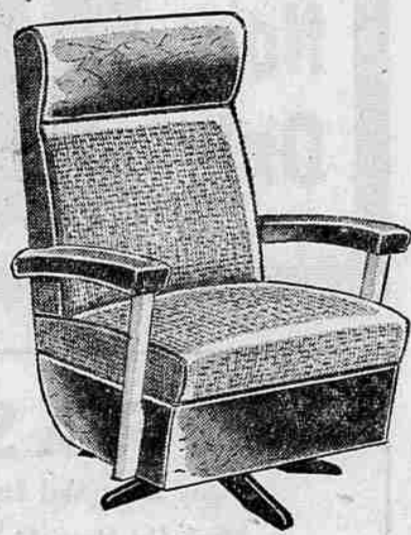
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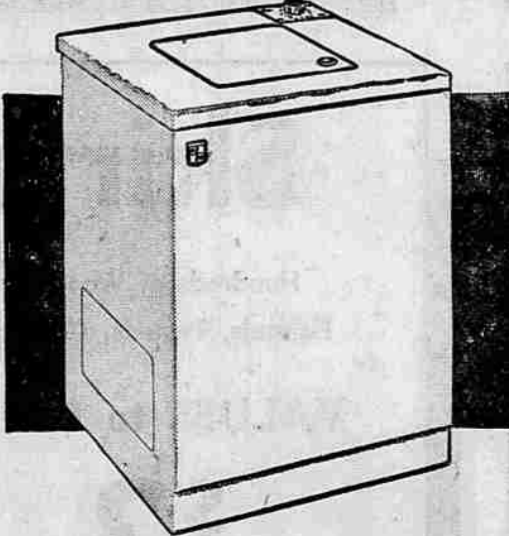
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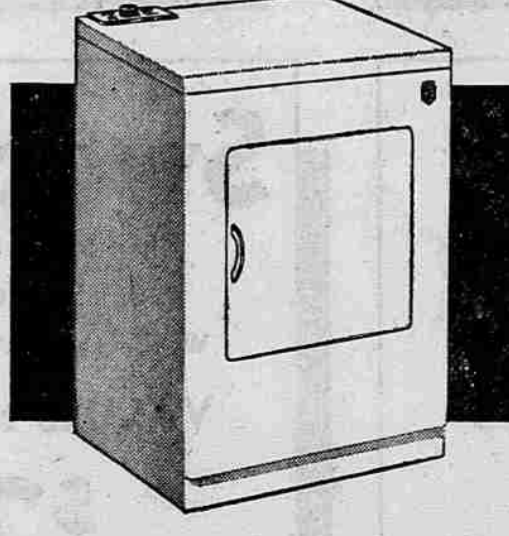
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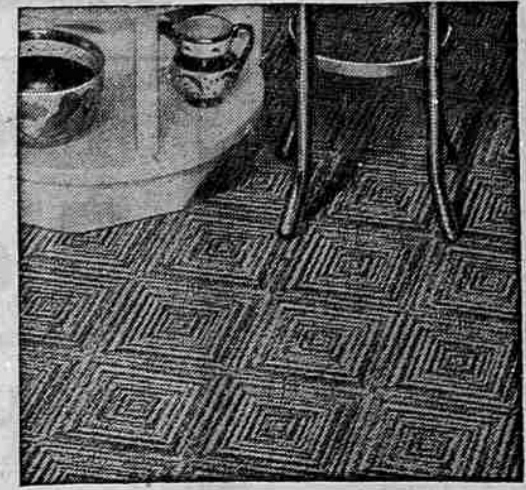
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