

Landon Points To Republican Need for Popular Candidate

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Topeka, Kan.—(U.P.)—Alf M. Landon, who headed the Republican ticket unsuccessfully 20 years ago, advises the GOP to come up with a candidate "more popular than the party."
"It's the only way to win," commented the politically alert former governor, now 68.
Landon, who ran against Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1936, said his assessment of the 1956 presidential sweepstakes was based on "a careful reading of recent history."
"Two out of the last three presidents have been more popular than their party," Landon said. "And you can make a good case that all three were."
"There's certainly no dispute about Roosevelt and Eisenhower. And Truman went into the 1948 campaign a defeated man, but he won."
Landon conceded there was

no Republican today, except Mr. Eisenhower, stronger than the party.
"That leaves three great unknowns in the campaign," he said. "They are the South, international affairs and the economic situation."
The South
Landon said he thought it was a good bet there might be another "third party" movement in the South this year, with as many as eight to 12 states defecting from the Democrats.
"The attitude of the candidates on the Powell amendment will probably decide what the South does." (The amendment would bar federal school funds from segregated districts). If both candidates are for it, or both parties carry strong anti-segregation platform planks, there probably will be a third party movement.
"If both candidates and parties are against it, the South

might stay in the Democratic fold."
Landon said a 20th century phenomenon of American politics was failure of the two parties to punish defectors. He said it started with the Republicans in 1912, when Theodore Roosevelt led the Bull Moose revolt. It did not happen in the Democratic party until 1948.
"Southern defectors were punished by the Democrats after 1928," Landon said. "But in both 1948 and 1952 southerners who bolted did so with impunity."
Politicians hated to face it, but there was a definite breakdown in party discipline, he added.
Prosperity and Peace
In discussing his second "great unknown," Landon said it was impossible in February to predict what the voters would do in November.
"Peace is a powerful theme," he added. "It's more powerful than the farm situation. And borrowing unforeseen crises between now and November, it will still be powerful and help the Republicans. You can't argue with a foreign policy that produces peace. It's one of our greatest assets."
Landon keeps a finger in the complicated Republican politics

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Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS
Thomasville, Ga.—Presidential Press Secretary James C. Hagerty on whether Mr. Eisenhower has reached his decision:
"I wouldn't know—and if I do know, I'm not going to tell you. When he is going to make the announcement, he will tell me and I will tell you."
Washington—An atomic observer on President Eisenhower's announcement that the United States will make available one billion dollars worth of uranium for peaceful use:
"This will give the boys in the Kremlin something to think about. The Russians can't possibly hope to match this."
Fort Worth, Tex.—Publisher William Prescott Allen on the sympathy he received from 12 other prisoners after he was thrown into jail for refusing to tell a grand jury where he got his information for an anti-vice crusade:
"They told me they thought it was terrible the way I was thrown in here. They all felt sorry for me and sympathized with me."
Washington—Rep. T. James Tumulty on ousted Argentine dictator Juan Peron staying in a Panama, C. Z., hotel owned by the U. S. government:
"Peron is not like the ordinary Latin American dictator; he's something special. Compared to him, the Frankenstein monster and Dracula were Rover Boys."

On The Side

By E. V. Durling
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I think true love is never blind But rather brings an added light. An inner vision quick to find. The beauties hid from common sight. No soul can ever clearly see. Another's highest noblest part; Save through the sweet philosophy And loving wisdom of the heart.
—Phoebe Carl
For a sleeping garment, most single girls prefer pajamas. Most married women prefer nightgowns. Seven per cent of all women sleep in the raw. That is what is indicated by recent research made in the interests of manufacturers of night attire for females.
Asking
Queries from clients. Q. In the language of flowers what does it mean when a man sends a woman a single red carnation? A. The message conveyed by the flower you mention is "I am carrying the torch for you." . . . Q. In an item on "Planned Births," you said parents planning births by astrology preferred the sign of "Leo." You added a list of "Leo" born people which was most impressive. My young son, whose birth was not planned, is a Piscean. Have there been many celebrities born under that sign? A. Under the sign of Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) were born George Washington, James Madison, Andrew Jackson, Victor Hugo, James Russell Lowell, H. W. Longfellow, Van Gogh, Renoir, Rimsky-Korsakov, Chopin and Hans Wagner. Females born under Pisces include Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Lily Langtry, Joan Bennett, Madeleine Carroll and Ellen Terry.
Please Note
Why do people refer to and request a "dry martini"? Is there any other kind? Such is the query of a Bostonian. There are the "martini," the "dry martini" and the "sweet martini." The dry martini has more gin and less French vermouth than the martini. The sweet martini has the same amount of gin as the martini but instead of French vermouth, the recipe calls for Italian vermouth.
Horses and Women
Does your wife wear pants or slacks in public? If so, is she generously proportioned? Has she seen herself retreating when wearing pants? If you have an idea your matrimonial mate is a bit too "hippy" to wear pants, why not take some moving pictures of her from the rear as she strolls along. It has been said the only women who should wear pants or slacks in public are those having the following measurements: "Bust, 34; waist, 22 to 24 and hips, 34."
Sidelights
Nadia Gamal recently observed, "Sex appeal in a man depends on personality — never on looks." . . . In London there is a street named Cut Throat alley. Think of giving your address as No. 13 Cut Throat alley! Reminds me I once knew a young woman who lived on Toughnut st., Tombstone, Arizona.
Over There
Mistinguette, the original "Girl with the Million Dollar Legs," has been succeeded as the darling of the Paris cabarets by a strip tease dancer named

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