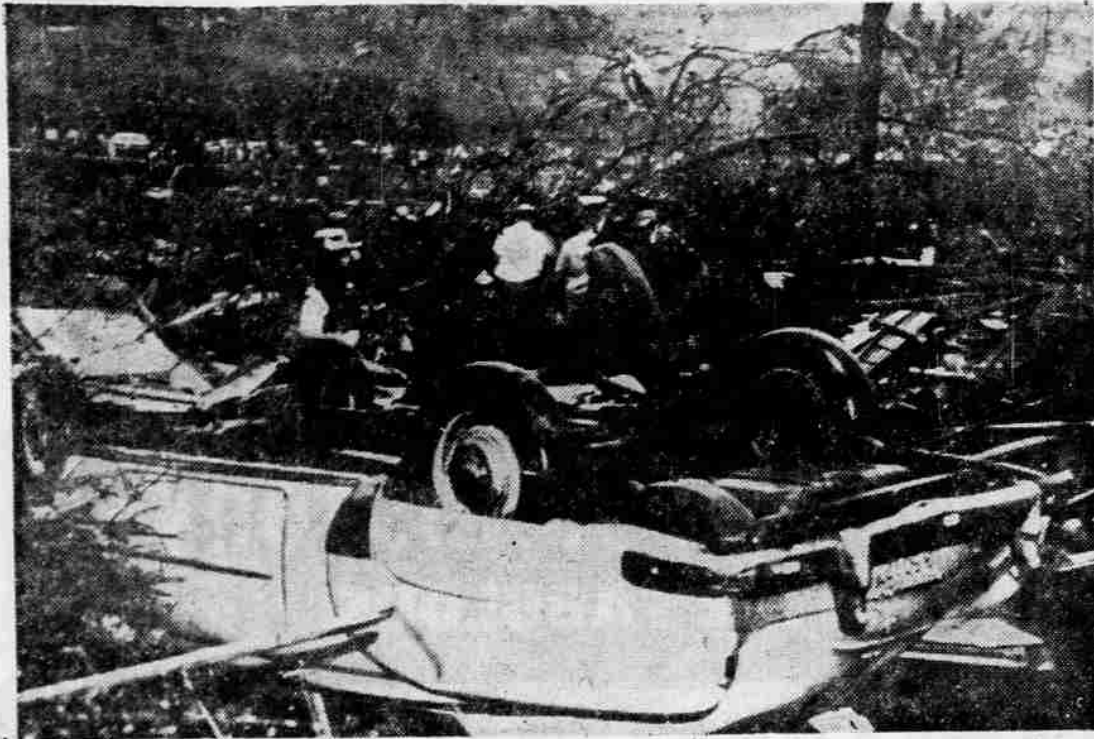


Strange Silence on Potomac Relates To California's Pair of Golden Boys

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PATH OF STORM—The battered wreckage of an auto and several houses lies strewn around ground in wake of a violent storm which struck Birmingham, Ala. Rescue workers searched through one hundred and fifty smashed homes for victims in which at least 18 were killed and more than 100 injured.

Medford Student Is Elected FTOA Head

Ashland — Jim McDonald, Southern Oregon college social science major from Medford, was elected state president of the Future Teachers of Oregon association at the annual conference recently in Monmouth.

Neil Richardson, Medford, is one of the retiring regional directors of the association. He is a senior at SOC.

Other SOC representatives at the conference included John Stuckey, Ashland, retiring vice president and campus chapter president; Mary Tums, Sweet Home; Patty Brooks, Gaston; Marcia Houghton, Medford; Chuck Brandsness, Klamath Falls; and Nancy Stuckey, Ashland.

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Art Workshop Held in Ashland This Week

Ashland—Miss Clio Heller of the Binney and Smith company has been conducting a three-day art workshop for teachers at the Lincoln school in Ashland this week.

Miss Heller has had 15 years experience in art education in teaching and supervisory capacity in both elementary and secondary levels.

Nixon's Assailants Strangely Quiet; Knowland Stilled

BY LYLE C. WILSON
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Washington —(U.P.)— All is strangely quiet on the Potomac and the sudden silence seems to relate to California's pair of golden boys.

No one has denounced Vice-President Richard M. Nixon now for more than a fortnight, maybe longer. It must be a month or more since Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland has hauled off in public to slug the Eisenhower administration.

Knowland was among the first and was the foremost Republican politician to challenge the idea that the party needed President Eisenhower to head the 1956 ticket. There isn't any essential man, said Knowland. And he backed his judgment with his political future by filing himself as a candidate for the Republican nomination in several primaries.

Differs on Policy
Knowland bucked the administration on foreign policy. When Mr. Eisenhower proposed at the Geneva summit conference an aerial inspection at part of a general disarmament program, Knowland prevented Senate Republicans from instantly acclaiming the proposition.

Some of them might not have acclaimed anyway. Knowland eliminated all chance, however, by a simple device. He just failed to pass on to fellow Republicans the word that the proposal was coming and that the President hoped for some quick and clamorous congressional cheers.

Senate Democrats and House Republicans and Democrats were alerted. They sounded off on schedule and on key. Knowland's Republican brood read about it in the newspapers.

That's the way things were going last year and for a while into 1956 with Mr. Eisenhower and the young Senate leader.

The air around Nixon, meantime, was full of what the late Hugh Johnson used to call dornicks and dead cats. Nixon was under double-barrelled attack, first to get him off the Republican ticket if Mr. Eisenhower was again a candidate and, second, to prevent his nomination for president if that spot were open. Nixon was getting almost as much publicity as Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy used to, most of it unfriendly and unkind.

Arming Themselves
Knowland, in his presidential primary offensive, and Gov. Goodwin J. Knight, back home in California, were arming themselves against Nixon and the possibility that he might seek the presidency. All of this was building up to a first class ruckus when President Eisenhower returned from his golf vacation—before—last and announced he would run for president, after all.

That ended the political maneuvering among Knowland, Knight and Nixon. The movement to bounce Nixon off the ticket continued, however, sparked largely by amateur politicians whose influence rested solely on their personal associations with Mr. Eisenhower. Considerable publicity finally overtook that effort and persuaded Mr. Eisenhower to welcome Nixon aboard for 1956 in terms which probably will close the debate.

Copper Companies Aid Economy in Chile
Santiago, Chile —(U.P.)— Two American copper companies, Anaconda and Kennecott, are contributing \$2,000,000 to Chile's program to restore economic normalcy, it was announced Tuesday.

Finance Minister Oscar Herrera said the money will be used to pay special bonuses to importers of essential commodities, as a means of keeping down the cost of living.

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Mrs. Peddicord Again Attempts To Confess

Portland—(U.P.)—Mrs. Dorothy Peddicord, without funds and with no place to go, has once more attempted to confess to Portland police that she helped her husband, Clarence Peddicord, detonate a bomb in the Meier & Frank department store here last year.

As they did in the previous confession attempt, police were inclined to discount the story of the attractive brunette. They said she was not familiar with details that would have been known to anyone participating in the bomb plot.

Peddicord had implicated his wife's sister, Mrs. Joyce Keller, in the bombing. Mrs. Keller's trial is set for next month.

Mrs. Peddicord was lodged in jail Sunday and Monday nights but police said she was simply given quarters there because she had no other place to go. She was not a prisoner.

She told officers that friends were taking care of her children.

Salem—(U.P.)—The annual convention of the Oregon Library Association will be held here April 27-28.

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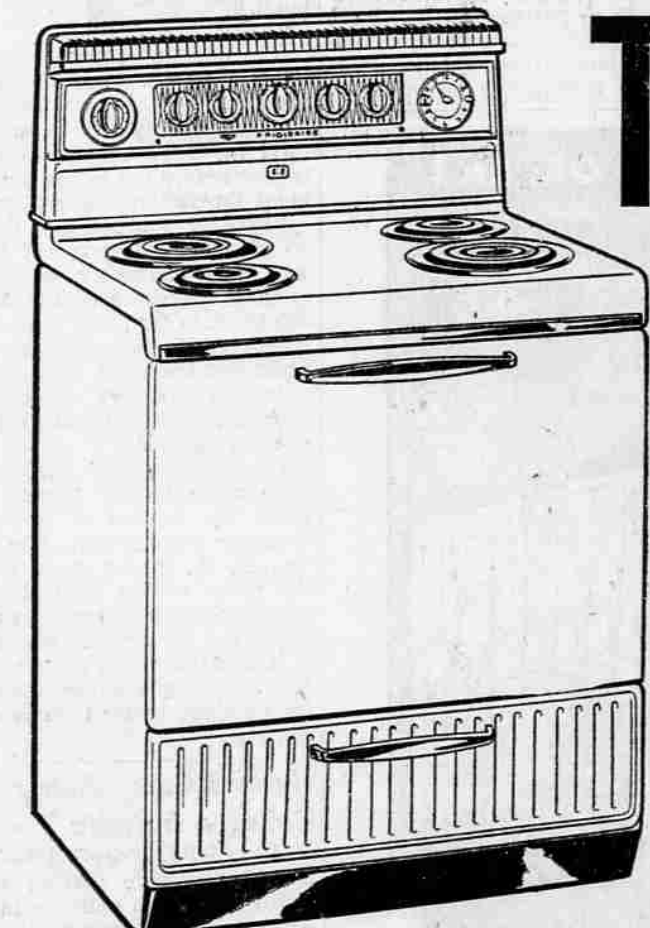
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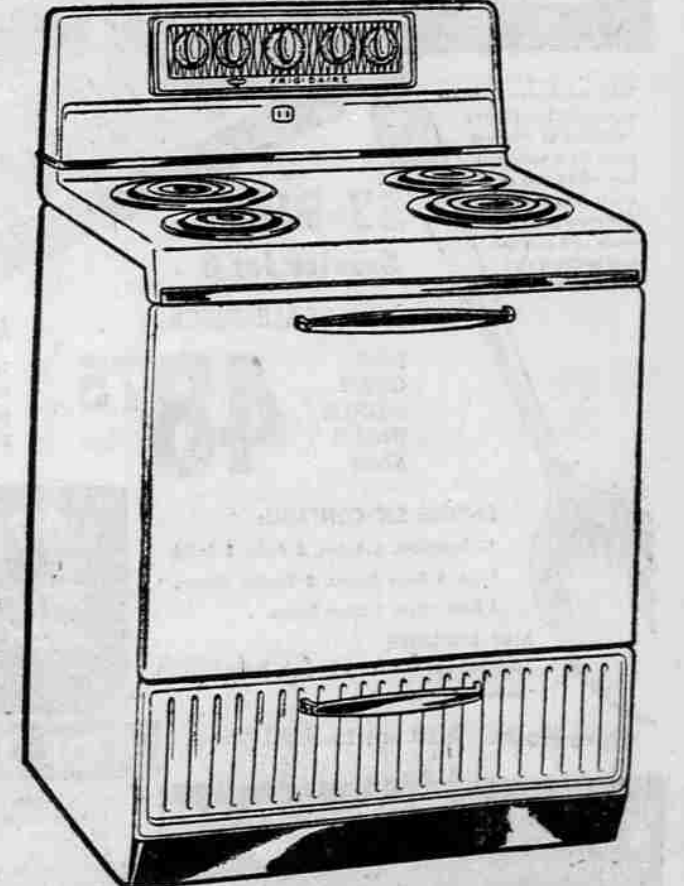
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