

## Kefauver Expecting Close Vote Friday; Won't Predict Outcome

Washington—(U.P.)—Sen. Estes Kefauver says he expects a close vote in his three remaining presidential primary contests with Adlai E. Stevenson. He would not predict the outcome.

These two contenders for the Democratic presidential nomination have their next round in the Oregon primary Friday. Their competition for write-in votes will bind the state's 16 Democratic national convention votes.

Kefauver cut a day out of his Oregon tour Wednesday to fly here for votes on the Niagara power bill. Stevenson finished his Oregon campaign and flew back to California.

Their final contests will come May 29 in Florida, where 28 convention votes are at stake, and June 5 in California, which has 68 votes.

**Says Gaining Strength**

Before heading back to Oregon on an overnight flight to resume his campaign today, Kefauver told the United Press he thinks he has been gaining strength in that state. However, he said he has spent less time there than Stevenson and that his chances may have been hurt by cutting out a day for the Senate vote.

"I think I'm going to make a good showing," he said, "but I can't predict the outcome."

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) who has endorsed Stevenson without taking an active part in the campaign, also told the United Press that he expects a close vote with Stevenson the probable winner.

Kefauver was asked for an appraisal of his chances in Florida and California.

**Getting Stronger Daily**

"I think I may be slightly behind in both states," he said, "but I'm getting stronger every day. In both states, I think the vote may be fairly close."

The three remaining primaries provide the only head-on clashes between Stevenson and Kefauver since the Tennessee senator handed his rival an almost disastrous defeat in Minnesota March 20.

Of the three, California is viewed as the decisive test. Defeat probably will be fatal to the loser.

After stops in northern California today, Stevenson flies tonight to Florida. Kefauver follows him into Florida next week after a week-end stop in Tennessee.

The other major rival for the Democratic nomination, New York Gov. Averell Harriman, continued his campaign today in the Pacific Northwest. In an address at Idaho Falls, Idaho, Wednesday night, Harriman charged that President Eisenhower is "destroying the farm family by callously neglecting agriculture."

New York Democratic Chairman Michael H. Prendergast told a Democratic meeting at Ithaca, N.Y., that Harriman "will help bring new victory to our party in the nation" this year. He predicted election of a "progressive, sound Democrat to the White House."

**Popularity Said Proved**

On the Republican side, GOP National Chairman Leonard W. Hall said the 2-to-1 margin Mr. Eisenhower scored in votes over Kefauver in Tuesday's Nebraska primary proved the President's "tremendous popularity." Hall said the results showed that "apparently farmers as well as town and city people in Nebraska have real confidence in the integrity of the Eisenhower administration and staunchly support its major objectives."

## 'Ardent' Trips Texas Boy In National Spelling Bee

Washington — (U.P.) — Thirteen year old John Julian, Lubbock, Tex., was the first to stumble in the 29th annual National Spelling Bee finals here today.

Johnny, an eighth grader, tripped in the very first round on the word "ardent."

He got some sympathetic applause and was patted on the back by bee officials as he left the stage biting his lip.

The second child to go down was Elizabeth Ann Veale, 14,

eighth grader from Canandaigua, N.Y.

The third to falter was Dale L. Cole, 13, Jasper, O.

'Can't Spell It'

The fourth contestant to go down was Caroline Raack, 13, eighth grader from Akron, O., when she was given "moccasin" to spell. She caught her breath and said, "I wear them but I can't spell it."

Next to fall was Clyde W. Dawson, 13, eighth grader from Albuquerque, N.M., and a repeater from last year's bee.

No. 6 to miss was Catherine Carl, 13, eighth grader from Houston, Tex.

Ronald Kramer, 13, eighth grader from Harleysville, Pa., put an extra "o" in "exodus," and became the seventh casualty.

Billy Williams, 13, seventh grader from Onslow County, North Carolina, missed on "rhinoceros."

The ninth casualty was Jim Norton, 13, eighth grader from Charlotte, N.C.

No. 10 was the youngest contestant, 12-year-old Jane Humphrey, a sixth grader from Fort Smith, Tex.

For the first time in the history of the bee, sponsored by Scripps-Howard newspapers and 43 other papers throughout the country, the boys outnumbered the girls.

The finalists, winnowed out in local and state competitions, included 34 boys and 29 girls, compared with last year's 39 girls and 18 boys. Girls have bested the boys 19 to 10 in winning top honors in past bees.

A letter came Wednesday from the mother of last year's runner-up, Jean Copeland, Phoenix, sadly admitting that Jean tried again in local competition this year but stumbled on the easy word of "ingenuity." That "almost broke her heart," the mother said.

## Lawsuit Attacks Vote on Pinballs

Portland—(U.P.)—A suit attacking the city ordinance and the ballot title of Portland's pinball ban has been filed in Circuit Court here, alleging that the ordinance is an "anti-bowling ordinance."

The suit could invalidate the results of Friday's primary vote on the pinball issue should it be successful.

The action, filed by the Bowl-er-drome Inc., says that mechanical and electrical devices are used in its pin setting operations and that the game of bowling contains an inherent element of chance.

It was claimed that the ordinance would prohibit the use of such devices in the bowling operations, constituting what the plaintiff charges would be an unlawful, capricious and arbitrary deprivation of property and civil liberties without due process of law.

The suit seeks to invalidate the current anti-pinball ordinance and in the event the pinball ban is upheld by the electorate, to invalidate the measure.

## Hawaiian Delegates Pledged To Adlai

San Francisco — (U.P.) — California Attorney General Edmund G. Brown returned from Hawaii today with the territory's six Democratic Convention delegates votes pledged to Adlai E. Stevenson, Stevenson's headquarters here announced.

Brown, Stevenson's California campaign manager, said the 900 committeemen of the Hawaiian Territorial Democratic Central committee "went wild for Stevenson" when Brown delivered the keynote speech over the week end.

Supporters of Sen. Estes Kefauver made no bid for delegates and Kefauver's name was not placed in nomination.

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