

Averell Harriman's Campaign Moving at Accelerated Pace

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Washington—(U.P.)—Gov. Averell Harriman's campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination is moving at an accelerated pace less than a week after Adlai E. Stevenson and Sen. Estes Kefauver finished slugging each other in the presidential primaries.

The Harriman campaign conformed to all advance indications by getting airborne as soon as the primaries were over. The New York governor labelled himself an active candidate this week end in a switch from his previous "inactive" role. Then, on the NBC television program "Meet the Press" Sunday, he expressed the belief that he would be the strongest Democratic nominee because of his background of experience in the Roosevelt and Truman administrations.

Harriman's next major move will come at Denver next week end when he meets with supporters from 11 Western and Midwestern states.

Has Strong Support
Harriman goes into the pre-convention campaign with a solid foundation—the assurance of about 90 delegate votes from his home state. This is roughly 13 per cent of the 686½ delegate votes needed to win the nomination.

Furthermore, Harriman strategists are understood to be counting on all of Oklahoma's 28 national convention votes and all 12 from Idaho. Other states where they hope to pick up votes are reported to include Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming and Utah.

The Harriman managers also were understood to feel that Michigan's 44 vote delegation may favor his candidacy after a first ballot vote for Gov. G. Mennen Williams. Like Harriman, Williams has challenged Stevenson's view that the Democrats should follow a course of moderation.

The entire Harriman strategy is based on the assumption that Stevenson, now the front runner, will fail to muster a majority vote at the convention. Then Harriman could expect to inherit Stevenson's strength from populous Northern states. He also is considered the favorite of former President Truman, who may swing much weight at the convention.

Comments On Ike
Harriman also said in his televised interview that President

Eisenhower's illness should have no effect on his bid for a second term. Mr. Eisenhower's ailment, the 64-year-old New York governor said, is "the kind of illness anyone can have."

Harriman declined to estimate his present convention delegate strength or to criticize his two chief opponents, Stevenson and Kefauver.

In another political development Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) mentioned a few possible Democratic vice presidential nominees during a television interview, ABC's "College Press Conference." Neuberger named Sens. John F. Kennedy (Mass.), Albert Gore (Tenn.), Kefauver, and Hubert H. Humphrey (Minn.) as possibilities for second place on the Democratic ticket.

The Family Council

Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, a newspaper editor, a women's page editor and two newspaper writers. These consult with clergymen of all faiths and denominations. All letters are held in complete confidence.

Mrs. R. W.—I refuse to go to court.

Bill—Mother is greatly to blame.

Mrs. R. W.—My husband has left me after 40 years of married life and he accuses me of having turned our three children against him.

From the very beginning, my husband has gambled, but at first it was only a few dollars a week. During the last few years, however, my husband has contributed almost nothing to our home, but has spent all his evenings playing cards in a gambling house.

Because of his addiction, I was dependent on my children for financial help. Our needs were not great and they never failed to bring their contributions each week. It always pained me to feel they were depriving themselves because of my husband's weakness, but, I long ago gave up any hope of breaking him from his habit.

A few weeks ago, my husband must have had an especially bad run with the cards. He came home one day and insisted that I give him the household money that the children had contributed. The children found out about it and they tipped off the police to the gambling place, with the result that my husband was arrested along with others. Now I have lost him, but my children insist that I should have brought him to court for non-support.

This I cannot bring myself to do.

Bill—Our mother is as much to blame as our father, because she has put up with too much. Our father has a job and is earning enough to support our mother and provide for their old age handsomely. But he not only fails to do so, he even steals

the money we contribute.

He managed to resist his habit for years to the extent of raising us as children when he had no alternative, but mother refuses to realize that she is to blame now by giving him an alternative, at our expense.

We do not mind doing things for our parents, but we don't want to continue supporting a gambling house. We are seriously thinking of withdrawing our support unless mother takes action.

The Council: Mrs. R. W. is definitely unfair to her children. She should not confront them with a choice of supporting gambling and withdrawing their support from her. She should take their advice and serve notice on her husband, that, unless he provides a reasonable amount of money for their home, she will go to court.

The trouble here is that not only is the husband surrendering to his weakness, but the wife is also doing so. If she puts up a fight she will not only free her children of an unfair burden, but she may also help her husband to overcome his addiction, much as he is disposed to cling to it.

The fact that the children have been loyal and have cheerfully made sacrifices should not be held against them now. They are right and reasonable in rebelling against their father's conduct and their mother's supine-ness.

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The northwest regions of Australia produce the warmest weather, while the coolest temperatures are to be found in the extreme southeast section.

Iran has the richest single oil field in the world.

Is That So?

Your most important single camping investment is your tent, and there are many types available.

If you intend to make your camp trips a pick-up-and-go affair, then the tent should meet these two nomadic needs: it should be light, and quickly erected. For this, perhaps the old Army pup tent, without ends, makes the best overnight shelter.



For a permanent family camp where the shelter will be set up only once, nothing is better than a standard wall tent with 2-foot walls on the sides to permit the entire enclosed space to be used. This provides ample room for beds and gear and space to move around in. In rainy country, a small stove may be set up inside through an asbestos ring in the top. This will allow cooking inside, provide warmth against cold rains, and make it possible to dry out wet clothing. All mighty handy.

However, for week end or fortnight camping, I would put in with an umbrella-type tent. It should have a sewed-in floor of heavy waterproof canvas, a screened door and window. For rainy days, you can spread a flap across the front for cooking—perhaps between tent and car. A happy advantage of this tent is that you can give the interior a shot with a DDT bomb shortly before you go to bed and then sleep in absolute freedom from all creeping, crawling, biting, and stinging things.

Buy Tent in Advance
Buy your tent well in advance of your trip. Why? Because you will want to experiment in setting it up properly. Believe me, in the hands of an amateur even the simplest tent can become a fractious monster. Better try it out week ends in your own backyard because every bit of experience will be invaluable when you hit the outdoors.

You'll soon know when your tent is pitched correctly (others of course do, too, and it bespeaks your woodsmanship). A well setup tent will have a trim appearance, with the canvas stretched taut, and with a maximum of head room and floor space for whatever type of tent

it is. Incorrectly pitched, it will have an awkward look, seeming too wide or too high or too narrow, and the canvas will be flapping and wrinkling in places.

Before nitching your tent, I'd suggest that you work over the to-be-tented area carefully. Get down on your prayer bones and go over every square inch. Remove all stones, twigs and roots. You'd be surprised how a tiny pebble under your back can take on the dimensions of a boulder by morning.

To erect your tent, first stake down the corners of the tent. Practice alone will show you how far apart to place the stakes. Then raise the pole or poles. Raised, you may wish to rearrange the corner pegs so that the tent will be trim.

In high country, summer showers are not unusual. So be sure your campsite is well drained. As an added precaution, dig a ditch directly under the upper wall of the tent before the sky even puckers up for a rain so that when the rain does come the water will run off the tent as well as carry away from around the tent.

Few Basic Rules
And now for a few basic rules. Before leaving home, check your tent to see there are no holes and that your ropes are strong, so they will not give way in a storm. Once set up, keep your canvas stretched. Stretched, it will not only shed water better but also stand severe winds.

Place your tent so the entrance faces away from the prevailing winds or storms. Should the wind get into the front, the tent may go down and will perhaps be badly torn. In a rain-storm, brother, that's not good. Use stakes that are large enough—never underestimate the power of the storm.

Do not build your campfire too large or too near your tent—when dry it is inflammable. And use wood that does not throw sparks. For this, bit-sh. poplar, white pine and jack pine are good. Avoid spruce and cedar.

When you break camp—and it will always be reluctantly, I hope—pull up all your stakes and stack them neatly since perhaps you can use them again. Be sure your tent is dry before you fold it along the seams where it is strongest. Should the tent have a water-repellent double-duty floor, fold it so that the floor is on the outside. That done, fill in the ditches and mound the dirt two or three inches above ground level. Remove all signs of your having camped there. In brief, leave

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

1,100 Received UO Degrees Yesterday

Eugene—(U.P.)—A group of more than 1,100 students received degrees at the University's 79th annual commencement program.

Dean Douglas Horton of Harvard university's school of divinity, the featured speaker at the afternoon program, warned graduating students not to allow their knowledge to narrow down in the future years.

He said that some graduating students consider commencement as the high point of their intellectual careers, then slip into mediocrity.

your campsite in a better condition than you found it. That's the final, unmistakable touch of the good woodsman.

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Steel Production Nears New Record

Cleveland, O.—(U.P.)—A new production record for the steel industry appears certain in 1956, according to Steel Magazine, despite threats of a nationwide steel strike and an expected third quarter decline in mill operations.

The publication predicted a record output of at least 122 million tons.

Current demand has lost some of its force, Steel said, but the letup has not reflected in any slackening of steelmaking operations.

National production rates have held steady at 96.5 for four consecutive weeks, and would be just under the all-time high set last March, except for the Birmingham steel strike.

Weekly production has averaged about 2,375,000 net tons—better than the weekly average in any month last year, except for a two week period in the 1955 fourth quarter.

Owner Solves Repair Problem; Blows It Up

Poitiers, France—(U.P.)—Louis Vuillienier's 91-year-old, 32-room chateau was gradually falling apart. Vuillienier had neither the money to repair it nor to pay the rapidly-mounting tax bill.

Police said today the owner finally solved his problem with one quick stroke. He placed 130 sticks of dynamite under the big house and blew it up.

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