

# Kefauver Still Sees Himself as Strongest Presidential Nominee

Washington — (U.P.) — Sen. Estes Kefauver said today he still thinks he would be the strongest presidential nominee the Democrats could pick despite his defeat in the California primary last week.

"Over all, in the primaries, I've done quite well," he said. "Of course, I'm disappointed in those I lost."

The Tennessee senator suffered a major setback in California where he was beaten by Adlai E. Stevenson, the 1952 nominee in the Democratic presidential primary June 5.

Asked if the California result had weakened his belief that he would be the strongest Democratic nominee, Kefauver said it had not. Democrats will choose their candidate at their national convention, which opens at Chicago Aug. 13.

**Will Continue Quest**  
Although many Democrats have written him off as a major contender, Kefauver reiterated that he and his campaign organization would press ahead in his quest for the nomination.

"I believe in presidential primaries and entered all I could," he said in an interview. "Some I won and some I lost. In sections particularly interested in farming and resource development, I've done very well.

"By entering a lot of the pri-

maries, I spread my energy and my limited finances very thin."

He also suggested that he has shown strength among independent voters.

Kefauver expressed the belief that his primary campaign rivalry with Stevenson has benefited his party by generating a discussion of issues and more activity among Democrats.

Now that the primaries are over, he said, the campaign has entered a new phase in which candidates must concentrate on

### Banker Works To Buy Highly Valued Paintings

Belmont, Mass. — (U.P.) — Leo M. Connell is a Boston bank security officer who:

Has no automobile.  
Has no TV.  
Has no washing-machine.

But he does own a magnificent Rosa Bonheur painting of horses which in the late 19th century took top honors at the Paris Salon and which has been valued at \$12,000.

"It's all according to a man's values," he said. "I would rather work to buy a painting than a TV."

Connell pointed out that even the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, with paintings valued at more than \$50,000,000, doesn't own any of Rosa Bonheur's works.

uncommitted delegates and those still to be chosen by state conventions.

Kefauver, who boasted a string of primary victories in 1952, started fast this year by defeating Stevenson in New Hampshire and Minnesota primaries. Then he faltered in New Jersey, where his slate of national convention delegates was overwhelmed by an uncommitted slate led by Gov. Robert B. Meyner.

Thereafter he lost a series of primaries to Stevenson in Alaska, the District of Columbia, Oregon, Florida and Washington. At the same time, he won primaries without opposition in Maryland, Indiana, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Nebraska and Montana.

### Fitness of Youth Vital To Future, Nixon Declares

Washington — (U.P.) — Vice-President Richard M. Nixon said Tuesday that fitness of American youth "is vital to the future of our country."

He said that the President's conference next week on the fitness of American youth will "focus on age range 5 to 17 years." But he said the implications for the younger and older "will not be overlooked."

### To Keep Needs in Mind

"We will keep in mind the special needs of girls and boys of all races or creeds, of all socio-economic levels, in their various stages of development in urban, suburban and rural homes, in crowded tenement sections and in well-to-do neighborhoods," Nixon said in a statement.

President Eisenhower, who will not attend because of his operation, has designated Nixon to preside for him over the conference at the U.S. Naval academy at Annapolis next Monday and Tuesday.

### National Leaders Invited

Leaders in various fields from throughout the nation have been invited to attend. They include Frank H. Bartholomew, president of United Press; FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover; Robert McLean, president of Associated Press; Richard Slocum, president of the American Newspaper Publishers association; J. Kingsbury Smith, general manager of International News Service; Roy E. Larsen, president of Time magazine, and leaders in radio and television fields.



MEETING AT PHILADELPHIA BALL, Gian Paolo Lang (third from left), new Rotary International president, of Livorno, Italy, relaxes between dances with wife (left), Mexican delegate Manuel Ibanez and his daughter, Amada Ibanez. (International Soundphoto)

### Bus Runs Wild Down Hill Near Hillsboro; One Dead, 16 Injured

Hillsboro, Ore. — (U.P.) — A bus filled with young strawberry pickers went out of control on a hill south of Cornelius yesterday when its brakes failed. A Portland school teacher was killed and 16 other persons, mostly youngsters, were injured when the bus rolled over in a field.

Killed was Mrs. Irene Brooks, 47, a teacher at the Sitton school in Portland. None of the injured was reported in serious condition.

### Husband, Son Hurt

Mrs. Brooks' husband, Lauren, 46, and her son, Bobby, 15, also were on the bus. Brooks suffered head cuts and Bobby had body injuries.

Dennis Bell, Portland, driver of the bus, said he found the brakes of the bus were not working as they started down a steep hill. He said he slowed the vehicle slightly by putting it in com-

pond gear but that the gear slipped and the bus gathered speed.

The bus overturned after striking a ditch and rolled over

on its top, ending up about 200 feet off the road. Police said Mrs. Brooks was thrown from the bus and pinned beneath it.

Bell said he tried to run into a ditch but that the speeding bus jumped over it. Police said the accident could have been much worse if he had tried to keep the runaway bus on the highway since the hill was followed by a much steeper hill.

The bus had left a farm just after 2 p.m. to return the youngsters to their homes in Portland. In addition to Brooks and his son, four children were treated at Tualatin Community hospital here and nine children and one adult at Emanuel hospital in Portland.

### 'Gusher' in Basement Disappoints Occupant

Royal Oak, Mich. — (U.P.) — Harry Lamborn's joy over the "gusher" he found in his basement turned to sorrow when an oil company crew arrived to deodorize the basement.

The oil company employees explained that an over-eager delivery man had overfilled Lamborn's oil tank earlier in the day and they were sent to clean up the mess left by more than 100 gallons of oil which overflowed onto the tiled floor in the basement.

### THE KNOW-IT-ALL

New York — (U.P.) — Benjamin Bass, 26, explained Tuesday why he left a courtroom and went back to work two and one-half hours before a jury acquitted him on a forgery charge. "I knew my lawyer had done a good job convincing the jury that I was innocent," he said.

Eugene — (U.P.) — The first museum on the West Coast to offer correlated displays from all fields of the natural sciences has been opened to the public in a reconstructed building on the University of Oregon campus here.

### Natural History Museum Opened To Public at Eugene

The University, which has planned the collections for years under direction of Curator J. Arnold Shotwell, combined the artifacts from four smaller museums scattered around the campus and added many new displays to create its Museum of Natural History.

Fields of anthropology, geology and biology are included. One electrically illuminated display demonstrates the formation of 10 classes of volcanic rocks. Another shows changes in the climate and life of eastern Oregon for the past 50,000,000 years.

Excavations along the Columbia river by the University of Oregon and Yale University produced displays proving that human life existed in that part of Oregon at least 8000 years ago.

Idea for the museum was first conceived 20 years ago.

### Deer Hunters Likely To Continue Sport

Madison, Wis. — (U.P.) — Wisconsin's conservation department says deer hunting is a sport that you are likely to continue once you start.

Its figures show that one deer hunter in every five had been going after the game for 20 years or more and one in eight had been hunting deer for 25 or more years.

About half of the hunters have been after deer fewer than 10 years, most of them persons who started after the end of World War II, in which many men learned to shoot a rifle. Only one hunter in every 16 is a complete greenhorn.

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