



**HAT IN THE RING**—Kentucky Gov. A. B. (Happy) Chandler actively tosses his hat in the ring following announcement in New York that he would seek the Democratic presidential nomination.

## Stassen's 'Dump Nixon' Campaign Supported by Missouri Chairman

Washington—(U.P.)—Harold E. Stassen said today the chairman of the Missouri delegation to the Republican National Convention has thrown his support to Stassen's dump Nixon campaign.

Stassen released a letter in which Elroy W. Bromwich, the delegation chairman who also is Republican national committee man from Missouri, said he has "much evidence that a majority of the people want a change in the vice presidential nomination."

### Odds Said 50-50

For this and other reasons, Stassen said he now believes the odds are 50-50 that the Republicans will discard Richard M. Nixon and nominate Massachusetts Gov. Christian A. Herter as President Eisenhower's 1956 running mate.

Bromwich, described by Stassen as a "conservative Republican businessman," said in his letter that it is "doubtful if Missouri can be carried (by the Republicans in November) if the vice presidential nomination is not changed."

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### BACK-SEATERS BACKED

Pittsburgh—(U.P.)—Nagging, back-seat drivers got the blessings of the Western Pennsylvania Safety Council today. The safety experts said back-seat drivers act as "co-pilots" to keep the man behind the wheel interested on his job and thus cut down traffic accidents.

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### New Law Permits Auto Dealers To Sue Manufacturers

Chicago—(U.P.)—Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.) said Wednesday night that he is sure a new law permitting auto dealers to sue manufacturers in federal courts is constitutional.

President Eisenhower Wednesday signed the legislation into law with a statement that it presents legal problems, "some of which could be of the most serious character."

O'Mahoney, a co-author of the legislation, said that the statement from Mr. Eisenhower was "equivocal." O'Mahoney said Mr. Eisenhower in commenting on his signing of the bill had "implied that the legislation might be 'considered an unwarranted intrusion by the federal government into the area traditionally reserved by private enterprise.'"

#### Law First Step

But O'Mahoney said that his own view was the law is the first step in a campaign to give "small business of every description a chance to make its contributions in a free economy without being compelled to submit to the arbitrary control of big business management."

The senator called the new law "a triumph for the motor dealers of America and for the Congress . . . against unprecedented pressure" brought by auto manufacturers.

He charged that dealers had been compelled to sign franchise agreements "which acknowledge the managerial power of gigantic business management."

He said the new law is not "an intervention by government to control dealer-factory relationships but an authorization to the dealers to appeal to the federal courts when they found the manufacturers exercising coercion, intimidation or threats."

### Savage Rapids Screen Agreement Reached

Grants Pass—(U.P.)—An agreement for the operation of fish screens to be installed at Savage Rapids dam on the Rogue river was reported yesterday.

Representatives of the Grants Pass irrigation district and the Oregon state game commission reached the agreement under which the district will provide a man for daily maintenance of the fish screens.

The unscreened irrigation canal has been a one-way trap for downstream migrant trout, salmon and steelhead since the dam was built, officials said, with loss of fish runs as high as 50 per cent.

Money for screening the turbines was appropriated recently by congress.

The district will also set aside a \$500 reserve each year for maintaining and replacing the screen.

### VanDyke To Attend Commission Meeting

Frank J. VanDyke of Medford, Dr. John R. Richards of Eugene, and State Sen. Lowell Steen of Milton-Freewater, Oregon commissioners of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, will attend the annual meeting of the commission Aug. 11, 12, and 13, at McCall, Idaho.

VanDyke is a member of the student exchange committee, the resolutions committee, and the sub-committee on nursing education. Dr. Richards is on the committee studying higher education in the West, while Senator Steen is a member of the resolutions committee.

About 65 persons are expected to attend the meeting representing all the western states except Nevada. The commission was organized to study an efficient way for providing the full range of educational facilities for young people of the west.

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