

Democratic Chairman Criticizes CBS for Lack of Film Coverage

Chicago—(U.P.)—Paul Butler, Democratic national chairman, criticized the CBS TV network Monday night from the rostrum of the convention hall.

Butler attacked CBS for its failure to show all of a 23-minute special film, "Pursuit of Happiness," prior to Gov. Frank Clement's keynote address. The film specially prepared for the Democratic convention, depicted Democratic achievements over the years and featured the words of such former presidents as Roosevelt and Truman.

CBS replied that it had made no commitment to carry the film. "We did not know the film was considered an official part of the keynote address," said Sig Mickelson, vice president in charge of news and public affairs at CBS.

NBC, ABC Complimented

Butler did not mention CBS by name. But he left no doubt as to which network he meant. He complimented both ABC and NBC for their cooperation in beaming the film to their audiences.

What happened was this: All three networks received prints of the film a few days before the Democratic convention opened. The schedule called for the movie to be shown to delegates in the convention arena at 8:34 p.m. (C.D.T.).

ABC and NBC both included the film as part of their convention coverage. When the movie began spinning before delegates in the hall, NBC and ABC began showing it from their studios. They showed it in its entirety.

CBS did not run the film. Instead it featured: An interview with Harry Truman, a talk between Edward Murrow and Eric Sevareid, an interview with Carmine De Sapo, a short chat about William Jennings Bryan's "Cross of Gold" speech by Lowell Thomas, an interview with Rep. Emmanuel Celler of New York, an interview with a California delegate.

At 9:04, after a station break, CBS turned to the screen in the arena and picked up the last six minutes of "Pursuit of Happiness."

CBS began televising the film just at the point where Harry Truman was shown doing his famous imitation of H. V. Kaltenborn, an NBC commentator.

Butler came on after the film and said the movie, was geared into the keynote speech of Clement and that CBS had deprived its audience of an important part of the convention. Later, Butler issued a statement to reporters charging CBS with "absolute and deliberate sabotage."

The Butler attack touched off activity within the CBS studios. Frank Stanton, president of CBS Inc., arrived in less than two

minutes from his box seat near the Iowa delegation. "No comment, no comment at all," he said.

Stanton conferred with Mickelson who subsequently issued a statement which said in part:



IN THERE PLUGGING — Adlai Stevenson supporters Diane Phillips (center) and Aline Koplin waste no time adorning coat lapel of Senator John Kennedy of Massachusetts the minute he landed in Chicago. Senator Kennedy, mentioned as a possible Democratic vice presidential nominee, said he would accept nomination if offered but would not campaign actively for the post.

British Hold World Speed Records For Land, Sea, Air

London—(U.P.)—Englishmen enjoy asking American tourists this year if it's true the United States is slowing down.

It isn't just that the British Empire has produced five four-minute milers while no American athlete yet has managed to break four minutes.

It is also that, unbeknown to a lot of Americans, the British for the time being hold the world's land, sea and air speed records.

The grand slam improved the morale of Her Majesty's subjects as much as anything since Drake spanked the Spaniards.

The British are still as preoccupied watching American ways as any old top dog eyeing the handsome new hound who makes a move for the kennel kingship.

The Piccadilly movies are mainly Hollywood jumboscope views of the western badlands and Miss Monroe. The best stage musicals still come from Broadway. Davy Crockett caps are costing the lives of commercially kidnapped alleycats, bobbies charge.

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Reynolds Contract Talks Collapse

Washington—(U.P.)—Contact negotiations between representatives of the Reynolds Metals Co. and striking AFL-CIO United Steelworkers collapsed Monday night.

A company spokesman said there was "no plan" to resume negotiations on the two-week old strike that has idled 8,500 aluminum workers in nine Reynolds plants.

"We just couldn't get together with these people," he said.

The company said it offered the steelworkers a contract including the "same employee benefits and wage rate increases as the union accepted in other contract settlements within the aluminum industry."

The steelworkers signed a contract with the Aluminum Company of America last week calling for a 46-cent-an-hour wage increase and other fringe benefits over a three year period.

The breakdown in negotiations dashed early optimism that a contract settlement was at hand. Company and union officials met throughout the day with federal mediation officials before breaking off the talks indefinitely.

DOCTOR'S DOCTOR

Hartford, Conn.—(U.P.)—Twelve doctors gathered here to honor a veteran colleague to whom they were especially grateful. Dr. Morris Tuch, marking his 50th anniversary as an obstetrician, was the doctor who brought the 12 into the world.

record of 1,132 miles per hour they asked him how the high-speed air friction affected the temperature inside his refrigerated cockpit. His answer might have been the American comment on British speed competition. "Getting hot," he said.



HARRY'S HARD TO KEEP UP WITH—Democratic presidential Adlai E. Stevenson (arrow) has some difficulty reaching former President Harry Truman to greet him on his arrival in Chicago. Harry is well boxed in by newsmen and members of the former Truman administration as he moves along the train station platform. When Adlai finally made it he grasped Harry's hand and threw his arm around his shoulder.

Thunderstorms Dominate Weather

By UNITED PRESS

A band of thunderstorms and showers from New York State southwestward to New Mexico dominated the weather across the nation early today.

Outside of this band, there were a few widely scattered showers in the Southeast.

Meanwhile, hurricane Betsy was reported about 320 miles east-southeast of Miami and moving northward at 16 miles per hour. Highest winds were estimated at 120 miles per hour. Front-running squalls of the powerful storm were expected to

slam into Florida's East coast today, and the entire area braced for the onslaught.

Temperatures were slightly warmer in the northern plains and the north section of the central plains. Otherwise, there was no significant change in temperatures.

Hot weather was to continue today for the southern plains region while generally fair conditions were to persist in the far West and Northwest. Scattered showers and thunderstorms were forecast for the Southeast and the plains regions, the lower Ohio Valley and New England.

24 Cases of Disease Reported Last Week

A total of 24 cases of communicable diseases were reported to the Jackson county department of health for the week ending Aug. 10, according to Dr. A. Erwin Merkel, health officer. There were 13 cases of measles, two whooping cough, three infectious hepatitis, four chicken pox and two mumps.

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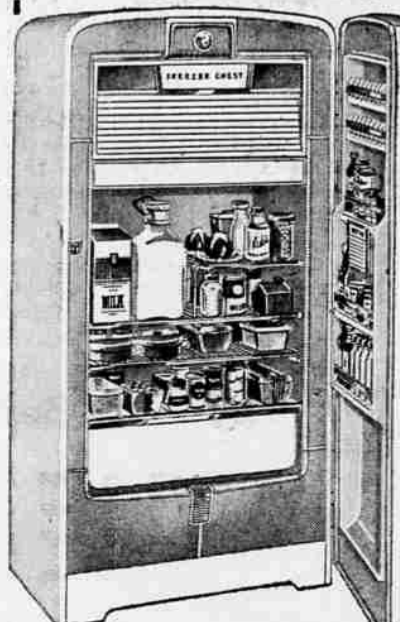
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