

# Gov. Clement Indicts Republicans in Fiery Democratic Keynote Speech

## Listeners React 49 Times With Loud Applause

Chicago — (U.P.) — Frank G. Clement started shouting at 9:18 p.m. (C.D.T.).

When he stopped at 10:30 p.m. it was a good thing no Republicans were around. Those Democrats would have eaten 'em alive.

One flush-faced delegate ventured the opinion it was the greatest keynote address ever delivered. Anyway, he said, "It was terrific—just terrific."

Tennessee's 36-year-old governor brought to his keynote role evangelical zeal and the fruits of a bible-reading Methodist upbringing plus training in the law.

**GOP Indicted**

He dedicated the Democratic party to the "Greater Glory of God," created a reasonable doubt that the Republicans were on the side of providence, indicted the GOP on 10 felonious counts and found it guilty as charged.

Judging by the way the Democrats reacted, it was one of the most rousing speeches ever heard at a political convention.

From Clement's viewpoint, it may have been too rousing. He had counted in advance on 41 interruptions for applause and had timed himself accordingly. There were 49, and he had to cut a paragraph here and there.

Clement clearly is an addict of alliteration. He said the Democrats would nominate "candidates of competence and conscience" who would drive out the "party of privilege and pillage."

**Dulles 'Frets and Flits'**

He said of Secretary of State Dulles, a Republican, that John Foster "fiddles, fritters, frets and flits." He said Republicans "follow a fantastic, frantic and fatal foreign policy."

He scored "the Republican triple B—Benson, below party, and bankruptcy."

No delegate who heard him will ever deny Clement's ability to sway an audience from time to time. He even had the Democrats applauding President Eisenhower.

That happened when he said that "no God-fearing Democrat" wishes the Republican President "anything less than the best of health and the greatest of happiness."

Clement touched off an ovation for Mr. Truman when he said that "the greatest asset of this convention" is that Mr. Truman is present to remind Democrats to "fight! fight! fight!" Mr. Truman, attending the convention for the first time, radiated approval of Clement's speech, which was reminiscent of his own "Give 'em hell" style.

Mrs. Truman gently nudged the former president to his feet to acknowledge the ovation.

**Excerpts From Address**

Excerpts from Gov. Clement's keynote address:

The Eisenhower administration is "a Republican administration with a sordid record of broken promises . . . a party which degenerated while out of power to the extent that it was not qualified to govern upon its return—a party that four years ago admitted to the world that it did not have within its ranks a single bona fide member whose record and ability could command the confidence of the people" and nominated "a genial, glamorous and affable general who had joined the Republican party after retirement . . ."

"The President's record and his party's record are one and the same. He cannot pry them apart."

**Farm Income Down**

" . . . The farmer's income" is "down 26 per cent under the Eisenhower-Nixon-Benson administration."

" . . . The vast gains of labor . . . are now gravely endangered, while the barons of big business in the national administration look upon the laboring man as a sort of secondary citizen . . ."

"The present national administration has denied small business a rightful share of the expanding opportunities in America, in favor of monopolistic mergers and big business domination . . ."

" . . . The Republican party is guilty of corruption in high places involving an unprecedented spree of giveaways, grab and greed."

"A veil of secrecy has been thrown around activities . . . in Washington . . ."

**Power Delegated**

" . . . The action of General Eisenhower in announcing delegation of the powers of his office into the hands of associates is in violation of the spirit of the constitution . . ."

" . . . The natural resources and public facilities of this country have been made the subject of bargain-counter giveaways . . ."

" . . . Republican promises of



MRS. ROOSEVELT Uses Husband's Own Words

## Mrs. Roosevelt Asks Democrats To Turn To Younger Leadership

Chicago — (U.P.) — Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt told the Democratic Party Monday night to put Franklin D. Roosevelt's "New Deal" into the past and find a young leader with a bold new program of his own.

The 71-year-old former first lady used her husband's own words in a motherly lecture telling her fellow Democrats that Harry S. Truman's "Fair Deal" also belonged to history.

"All you have to fear, the only thing you have to fear is fear itself," she quoted her late husband.

Mrs. Roosevelt, introduced as "The first lady of the world," calmly and precisely delivered what almost amounted to a second convention keynote speech.

It was in sharp contrast to the fiery words of the official keynote, 36-year-old Gov. Frank C. Clement of Tennessee.

**Pleads for New Youth**

She emerged as a sort of elder stateswoman of the party, with her plea for new youth and vigor, which came from her endorsement of 36-year-old Adlai E. Stevenson for the presidential nomination over Averell Harriman, 64-year-old candidate of Mr. Truman and former official of both the "New Deal" and "Fair Deal" administrations.

In a voice that wavered only slightly despite her admitted fatigue from politicking, handshaking and autographing, Mrs. Roosevelt said there had been a lot of talk about living up to the

traditions of the Roosevelt and Truman programs. There is good reason to be "proud" of those traditions, she said, adding: "But our party is young and vigorous. Our party may be the oldest Democratic party, but our party must live as a young party and it must have young people."

**Must Have Courage**

"They must take into account the advice of their elders, but have the courage to look ahead, to face new problems with new solutions."

Before she spoke, Mrs. Roosevelt sat in a box across the convention floor from Mr. Truman. She received a standing ovation from the delegates as she mounted the speaker's platform as the band played "The Sidewalks of New York."

Sitting earlier with her son, Elliott, and his wife, Mrs. Roosevelt watched a documentary film on the Democratic party that included high points in her husband's administration and the last movies of him before his death in 1945.

"It was a beautiful picture," she said afterward.

The pygmy marmoset of South America's Amazonia is the Western Hemisphere's smallest member of the monkey family. Full-grown specimens weigh only three to five ounces.

## Suspense Building Over What's Going On In Smoke-Filled Convention Backrooms

**By DOC QUIGG**  
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Convention Hall, Chicago — (U.P.)—No matter what clinching deals may be firming up in the filter-smoked backrooms of the Democratic National convention, the mood of the individual delegate on the floor seems to be one of vague urgency, of asking "what's up?" There's a good deal of shopping around among delegates in a "what's-going-to-happen?" attitude. Suspense is building. The general consensus appears to be that anything can happen.

The delegates were glad to have the definite, positive, spell-binding keynote of Gov. Frank G. Clement Monday night. They listened to him, smiled at his verbal nips, roared at his fighting phrases. Many of them sat enthralled through parts of his address, mouths open as if to exclaim: "Gee whiz!"

A good part of his success lay in the fact that he is a thundering speaker. When he talks the loudspeaker bellows. But when he sat down and Mrs. Roosevelt came on to speak, she didn't project loudly over the speaker system. Many of her words were so soft-spoken that they were lost on the audience.

One delegate, when Clement finished speaking, opined happily that "this is the Elvin Presley of the Democratic party." Another said simply: "Billy Graham, move over."

Although Mr. Truman and Mrs. Roosevelt, sitting facing each other in opposite mezzanine boxes, were talking to each other in opposite mezzanine boxes, they were talking to each other in opposite mezzanine boxes.

tax reduction were deliberately altered to favor the corporate interests."

" . . . The Republicans have wilfully permitted our foreign policy to be streaked with indecision and blurs . . ."

"Civil rights, segregation, and related issues will be to the forefront in 1958 . . . we must respectfully resolve our problems within the framework of our great party . . ."

spellings demon who was introduced by Clement as a young Democrat, was asked later how she would vote for president two elections from now, when she's of voting age.

"I don't know," said Gloria.

"Well, how does your grandmother vote?"

"Don't know," said Gloria.

"She never tells me."

Backstage, after appearing on the platform with Clement, the 11-year-old stock market whiz and television star, Leonard Ross, gravely discussed the market with hangers-on. A page boy asked Leonard what he thought of Hilton hotel stock. Pretty good, said Leonard, and listed the pros and cons.

"Thanks," said the page. "I've got 200 shares."

A comically inclined sergeant-at-arms walked up and said: "Say, kid, I've got 10 bucks. How should I invest it?"

Without batting an eye, Leonard replied: "Slot machine."

Gloria Lockerman, 13, the

**Elliott Roosevelt Sums Up Family's Views**

Chicago — (U.P.) — Elliott Roosevelt summed up his family's political views this way.

Elliott said he is behind his mother, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, in her support of Adlai E. Stevenson.

His elder brother, Rep. James Roosevelt (D-Calif.) also is for Stevenson.

John, the youngest Roosevelt son, still is a Republican, as he was in 1952, Elliott said.

As for his sister, Anna, he said only, "she's a Democrat."

Hartford, Conn. — (U.P.) — Bernard Rosati had to wait eight years before a damage suit he filed was heard. He was awarded \$14,400. Judge Abraham S. Bordson said Rosati's recovery from injuries received in the accident was delayed by "litigation neurosis."

## Women Take Turns To Attack GOP at Demo Convention

Chicago — (U.P.) — Democratic women got their turn to attack the Republican administration today at a "ladies' day" session of the Democratic National Convention.

Mrs. Katie Louchheim, director of Democratic women's activities, opened the feminine attack with a charge that the Republicans have substituted "attitudes" for "action" and "platitudes" for "programs." She was followed to the platform by Democratic women members of Congress.

**Resources Down Drain**

With a record high 650 women delegates and alternates in the audience, Mrs. Louchheim compared past Democratic administrations with the "sorry spectacle we are witnessing today," government by "stag dinner" and government "by stagnation."

Rep. Gracie Pfoz, Idaho, in her turn, hit at the "orgy of oil leasing" and GOP water, power and forest policies which she said are sending the nation's natural resources "down the drain, irretrievably, forever."

Rep. Edith Green, Oregon, criticized the GOP for its "un-

## Deadline Sept. 1 On Legislative Bills

Salem — (U.P.) — An interim committee of the state legislative council has set Sept. 1 as the deadline on request from state agencies to draft bills for the 1957 Legislature.

The committee, meeting here yesterday, said letters were being sent to state agencies asking them to submit requests for bill drafting without delay.

Legislative Council Sam Haley said 176 requests already had been received, about double the number received at this time before the 1955 Legislature.

Haley said early drafting of bills was designed to prevent a last-minute jam of bills in the state Senate and House.

## Girl Scouts Join in Demo Placard Parade

Chicago — (U.P.) — Six girl scouts today joined the parade of femininity toting placards around Democratic convention headquarters.

The Girl Scouts' cards urge: "Don't be a litterbug."

generous prosperity." She said whenever Republicans "have to choose between the value of people and the value of money, they . . . put money ahead of people."

Along some roads in the Canadian province of Quebec there are signs ordering motorists to blow their horns. In contrast, New York City has a new statute forbidding unnecessary horn blowing.

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