

# Atomic Energy Development Big Issue in Presidential Campaign

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Washington—Atomic energy development, for the first time in American history, has become a major political issue in a presidential campaign this fall with the Republicans and Democrats at odds over atomic policy.

This is quite aside from whether H-bomb tests should be discontinued, as advocated by Adlai Stevenson, or carried forward as endorsed by President Eisenhower and his administration.

The H-bomb issue is basically a military question with international implications, whereas the atomic energy question is one of domestic prominence, although it too has international aspects.

The atomic energy issue has implications for the Pacific Northwest because one of its chief uses is in development of electric power. Congress this past session narrowly defeated a bill for construction of a series of atomic power reactors, one of them at the Hanford Works, Richland, Wash.

How the two parties differ on the atomic energy issue is outlined by Harry R. Stringer, editor of Washington Atomic Energy Report, an independent weekly publication. He said:

**Emphasis Would Shift**  
"If the Republicans win, there will be no fundamental change in the present policy, but there will be a shift in emphasis. Less will be heard about atomic power and its dramatic promise of making electricity so cheap that it will not pay to meter it (a prospect held out by Lewis L. Strauss, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission.)"

"More will be heard about nuclear production for ships and aircraft, and even vehicles and the opportunities it offers for peacetime applications. More will be heard about the exploits of the atom in industry, agriculture and medicine; how it may bring revolutionary changes in the preservation and packaging of foods, and the imperative necessity of gearing up our educational system for the tremendous job of producing the specialists that will be required for the atomic age."

"The foreign development policy will continue as it is with possibly more emphasis on hemispheric plans for the utilization of the atom. Beyond de-emphasizing it, there will be little change in the power development program. The Atomic Energy Commission will continue to experiment with the pilot plants on which it is now working, adding new concepts that display promise. Industry

will be encouraged in building power plants, but prudence will be the watchword."

**Demos Would Change It**  
"If the Democrats win, there will be radical changes made in the policy and conduct of the peacetime program. The fundamental policy will underscore power development. A 'crash program' of prototype reactor construction as proposed in the Gore-Hollifield bills, which were defeated in last session of Congress, will be undertaken."

"A vigorous program of development will be initiated abroad. The Democrats do not intend to wait until a vague time in the future when this country attains technological superiority in building reactors."

They insist that this policy now in effect is seriously impairing American prestige in world atomic affairs and is vitiating the whole atoms-for-peace program.

"The atomic energy act will be revamped. Chairman Clinton Anderson (D-N.Mex.) of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy is now preparing a bill to reorganize the AEC to separate the commission's research, development and production activities from its licensing and regulatory functions."

"Should the status quo—a Republican administration and a Democratic Congress—be maintained, the atom doubtless will become more deeply enmeshed in politics."

## Southern Oregon College Site of Regional Confab

Ashtland—The northwest association for supervision and curriculum development regional conference was held in Ashtland recently with Dr. Gertrude Noar, director of education for the anti-defamation league of B'nai B'rith, as leader.

The first meeting was held at Lincoln school with Dr. Bill Sampson, professor of education at Southern Oregon college, presiding. Dr. Noar discussed human relations and curriculum.

Preceding her address, a tea was held by the Ashtland Teachers' association with Mrs. Dorthea Bushnell, president, Mrs. Charlotte Hull, social chairman, and her committee in charge. Miss Florence Allen and Miss Bertha Stephens assisted.

**Initiation Ceremonies**  
Miss Mary Thums, president of the John D. McAulay chapter of the Future Teachers of America, conducted initiation ceremonies for 24 initiates. During the meeting, Dr. Noar spoke on teaching in a modern school.

A breakfast for group leaders and recorders was directed by Mrs. Betty Lou Dunlop, assistant professor of education at SOC.

Others who participated in the program included Dr. Sampson, and Miss H. Irene Hallberg, executive secretary of Oregon ASCD. Discussion leaders were Otis Johnson, principal of Grants Pass Junior High school; Elliott Becken, assistant superintendent of Medford schools; Miss Dorothy Masters, assistant professor of education at SOC; and Mrs. Isabelle Brinker, elementary supervisor at Klamath county.

## Spoilless Food Being Developed

Washington—U.P.—Science is coming up with another big break for American housewives—food that will keep for weeks without spoiling.

Experts reported today they now have evidence that poultry, fish, ham, beef, sausage, lobster and many other perishable foods can be kept fresh for long periods with antibiotics. The drugs kill bacteria which cause most food spoilage.

The scientists said use of the drugs will mean far less waste—one out of every four pounds of food now goes into the garbage can. It also may mean fewer stomach upsets and a significant increase in the world's food supplies.

The optimistic reports were made at the final session of the Food and Drug Administration's fourth annual symposium on antibiotics. Several hundred experts from the United States and nine other countries have taken part.

**NOT ON LIST**  
Nantucket, Mass.—U.P.—Island residents here, rather proud of their whaling and Revolutionary forebears, are wearing red faces these days. A University of Massachusetts historian recently revealed that only one of 19 persons listed on a DAR chapter plaque actually served in the Revolutionary War.

## In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS  
On the political front, Tom Dewey describes Adlai Stevenson's proposal to quit experimenting with H-bombs as "an invitation to national suicide."

Vice President Nixon describes Stevenson himself as "incredibly naive."

I CAN'T agree completely with either of them.

Mr. Stevenson isn't "inviting national suicide"—because, among other things, he won't put a stop to H-bomb experimentation and testing if he becomes President. Nor is he "incredibly naive."

He is just playing politics. And— I'd say— VERY SHREWD politics.

EVERYBODY in the world is horrified by the A and H bombs. Everybody would love to have them all sunk in the sea and forgotten. But all realists know it can't be done. We have to take life as it comes.

Gunpowder was indescribably horrible when it came into warfare. It put an end to the armored knight and the fortified castle. It sounded the knell for the archers who had been dominant in warfare. It substituted tearing and shattering wounds for the clean wounds made by sword and spear and arrow.

It shook the world. But it had to be accepted.

ALL fuzzy-minded idealists have the idea that we can look the other way and ignore these AWFUL weapons.

We can't. Any nation that had abjured gunpowder would have become a SUBJECT nation—because there would have been some nation that wouldn't have abjured it—and by its resulting superiority in gunpowder weapons it would have been able to conquer the world.

The same rule holds good for nuclear weapons.

MR. STEVENSON knows all this, because he possesses a keen and well-trained mind.

But— He has convinced himself that large numbers of people will shut their eyes to realities and vote for him ON PURE EMOTION because of its glittering and chimerical hope he has raised that if elected President he will put a stop to H-bomb experimentation and testing.

He figures, as so many politicians before him have, that what you say to get elected doesn't matter. That the end justifies the means. That after you are ELECTED you can do as you please.

IF YOU will analyze his utterances carefully, you will note that all he says is that his first act after he is elected will be to WORK FOR the end of the H-bomb.

Well, President Eisenhower has been working steadily toward that end. The trouble is that the Russians won't play. And the Russian rulers plan definitely to conquer the world for communism.

President Eisenhower knows we can't risk our whole future by letting the Russians gain superiority in the skills of nuclear warfare.

And— He is HONEST enough not to dangle before our eyes in election years any glittering promises that he will do away with the H-bomb.

## Cubans Youths Invade Island

Havana—U.P.—The British Embassy labeled today as "irresponsible" the two bands of Cuban youths who carried out the bloodless "invasions" of Britain's tiny Key Sal Islet 25 miles off Cuba.

The invaders met with no resistance from the two Britons found on the 50-square mile islet as they lowered the Union Jack and ran up the flag of Cuba Thursday.

The Cuban government admitted it was informed of the incident but disclaimed any connection with it. A statement issued by Foreign Minister Andres Domingo Morales Del Castillo said the youths "acted on their own initiative."

Two yachts carried the "invaders" to the islet which the British have leased for 90 years at \$1,000 per year to Clarence B. Moody, a Miami, Fla., contractor. Moody has been trying to promote Key Sal as a tourist resort.

## Civil Service Taking Job Applications

Applications are now being accepted for highway engineer trainee, highway engineer, chemist, electronic scientist, engineer, mathematician, metallurgist, and physicist, the civil service commission has announced.

Additional information may be obtained from the civil service office in the Medford post office building.

Petroleum shipments constitute one-eighth of Texas' rail tonnage.

## DeVore Chosen as College Candidate

Eugene—Michael R. DeVore, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Ronald DeVore, 806 East Jackson st., Medford, has been chosen along with five other sophomore men to compete for the title of Joe College at the University of Oregon.

The six finalists were chosen by a panel of Eugene judges from 24 candidates nominated by men's living organizations. The winner of the Betty Co-ed and the Joe College contest will be decided by a vote of those attending the Sophomore Whiskerino, an annual dance sponsored by the sophomore class. It will be held Saturday, Oct. 20.

DeVore, a premedical major, is a member of Skull and Dag-

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## Woman Arraigned as Head of UN Call Girls

New York—U.P.—A shapely red-haired former displaced person faced a possible five years in prison and \$10,000 fine today for allegedly running a "United Nations" call girl ring.

Neia Bogacki, alias Nelda Bogart, alias Nina Sandman, 32, was arraigned in Federal court Thursday and accused of violating the Mann act. The government charged her with operating an international call house that recruited glamor girls from at least five nations and possibly more for \$25-\$125 "dates."

The girls, like Miss Bogacki, were either displaced persons or visitors with transient permits forbidden to work in this country.

## Truman Slates Swing To Western States

Washington—U.P.—The Democratic National committee announced Thursday that former President Truman will make a three-day swing to the West coast next week.

His schedule: Oct. 24, speech at Democratic rally at Salt Lake City's Murray armory; Oct. 25, speech at convention of Bakery and Confectionery International union of America in San Francisco; Oct. 26, speech at Butte, Mont., rally.

Mr. Truman was scheduled to arrive here today for a speech Friday night to a Democratic "17 days to victory" dinner.

## WRONG BLOCK

St. Louis—U.P.—Two drag racers with roaring motors and squealing tires picked the wrong neighborhood to display their accomplishments. They were racing in the 5100 block of Westminster Place. One of the residents in that block is I. A. Long, president of the board of police commissioners.

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