

Hatfield's Trip To Gridiron Dinner Puts Him in Limelight

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Washington - It might seem a bit strange to the average citizen to cross the continent to attend a dinner, as Gov. Mark Hatfield did last week end, but not if one understands the great game of politics.

Hatfield came here as guest of Roscoe Drummond, the syndicated columnist, for the annual dinner of the Gridiron club, which is the inner club to end all inner clubs in the newspaper world here. Of the hundreds of journalists in this city, its membership is limited to 50.

The list of 500 guests at this annual feed reads like a political who's who. Every top politician and all those who have higher aspirations and a friend in the club usually turn up. Hatfield wasn't the only transcendent dinner guest. Gov. Pat Brown of California was one of the speakers.

No one would believe that it hadn't occurred to Messrs. Hatfield and Brown that they might be among the possible candidates on their parties' respective national tickets next year. Since all the Democratic presidential prospects come from east of the Mississippi, Brown might make the vice presidential spot to give the Democrats the geographic spread that a convention usually seeks in selected candidates.

Eastern Running Mate
Hatfield probably stands no chance of being tapped for vice president next year by the GOP convention if Richard Nixon of California gets the presidential nomination. Geographic necessity would dictate an eastern running mate. Conversely, if Nelson Rockefeller of New York gets the presidential nod, the convention might look as far west as Oregon for a vice presidential candidate.

In a word, the Gridiron dinner is a good Washington event for an out-of-town politician to attend. It's an opportunity to see and, mainly, be seen by the high and mighty. It's like an assembly of lightning rods, each wondering whether he will be the lucky one to be struck from above.

To make good use of his extra time here, Hatfield spent nearly an hour chatting with President Eisenhower, had lunch with Interior Secretary Fred A. Seaton, spent another hour with the three members of the Oregon congressional delegation who were in town, Reps. Walter Norblad, Al Ullman and Edith Green. Sen. Richard L. Neuberger returned to have breakfast with Hatfield Sunday. Rep. Charles O. Porter had just left for Europe and Sen. Wayne Morse was speechmaking in St. Louis.

State Paid Costs
These expenses on state issues helped justify the state paying for the governor's trip to Washington. Travis Cross, his press secretary, accompanied Hatfield, but his expenses were not paid by the state, he said.

Main reason the Gridiron club journalists pull in the big shots is to kid them with satirical sketches and com-

BURMA ENVOY DIES
Washington - (UPI) - J. Klahr Huddle, 67, first U. S. ambassador to Burma, died at his home here Tuesday.

News About Servicemen

NEW STATION
Technical Sgt. Harvey J. Jacobson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Jacobson, 1508 Terrace dr., Medford, recently completed an 8-week course in turbo-propellers at Caldwell, N.J.

The Air Force man and his wife and son visited in Medford last week end enroute to his new duty station at Travis Air Force base, Calif.

STATIONED IN N.Y.
Technical Sgts. Robert S. and Raymond S. Helm, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Helm, 460 North Seventh st., Central Point, are both assigned to the directorate of flight test at the Rome air development center, Griffiss Air Force Base, N.Y.

Both men are maintenance supervisors on the Center's B-57 light bombers. The brothers enlisted in the Army in April 1948 and with the exception of one month when they were in the same state but different cities, have shared the same assignments and promotions.

mentary reminiscent of Will Rogers. President Paul Woolton of the New Orleans Times Picayune summed it like this: "In these outer spacious times we live in an atmosphere of change. In Virginia, the Byrds had gone to roost and massive is in the cold, cold ground. Dave Beck gets five years in jail. He hopes for a parole after four years. For once he hesitates to take the fifth."

"In the complex of change, confusion is apparent in political ranks. Everyone seems to be avoiding something. Rockefeller is avoiding Nixon. Nixon is avoiding another goodwill trip to Venezuela. Khrushchev is avoiding any more American presidential candidates. Gov. Williams wants out of Reuther's pocket."

"Senator Symington is avoiding too close links with Lyndon Johnson. Kennedy is avoiding the South. Ike can't wait to get in. Dick can't wait to get in. And Kennedy can't wait - period."

Hatfield concedes that he can't wait either. On these out-of-town trips, he can't wait to get back to Salem to relieve Democratic State Sen. Walter Pearson of the title of acting governor in his absence from Oregon.

French Police Club Rioting Communists

Le Havre, France - (UPI) - Riot police used tear gas and clubs Tuesday night to beat off Communist longshoremen and steelworkers who tried to prevent installation of Socialist Mayor Robert Monguillon.

At least four policemen were injured in the first major street demonstration by the Communists resulting from last Sunday's nation wide municipal elections.

The Communists were furious because the channel port's new city council used a one-vote margin over the Communists to oust Red Mayor Rene Cance, who was elected in 1956. Control of Le Havre, France's fourth largest port, had been a major symbol of prestige for the party.

The Reds were especially angry at the two Socialist councilmen who joined the anti-Communist majority to give Monguillon a 19-18 victory. Communist traits called Monguillon a "traitor to his class."

Girl Scouts

Central Point Scouts
As their community service project for the year, Senior Girl Scouts of Troop 75 have repainted and varnished the Central Point Girl Scout room. The troop also enjoyed a slumber party at the Bruce Stuart home on Beall lane, cooking their dinner and breakfast over a campfire, and sleeping in the hay barn. They also attended the Crater High-Ashland game.

Seven girls and two adults successfully completed the standard first aid course recently given in the Phoenix school. The Senior girls also are planning a semi-formal dinner at which time some of the girls will be capped, and some will receive their Senior pins. The troop leader is Mrs. George Ray, and they meet the first and third Thursdays of each month in the Scout room at Central Point school.

Troop 90, sixth grade girls, are working on several proficiency badges. These include outdoor cook, drawing and painting, and cooking. Those girls completing the cooking badge recently held a slumber party at the Stuart residence and showed their skills by preparing their dinner that evening. They also visited the Jacksonville Museum. Their leader is Mrs. Bruce Stuart.

The fifth grade girls of Troop 119 made tray favors and, with a troop from Lincoln school in Medford, presented them to the Rogue Valley Memorial hospital.

They have also gone roller skating in Ashland with some of the Medford troops. The troop also visited the Livingston home to see some twin and triplet baby lambs being fed on baby bottles. The troop is now working on a play which members hope to present to the PTA in the near future. The leader of Troop 119 is Mrs. Leon Evans.

The fourth grade Brownies under the leadership of Mrs. George Ray have been working on fly-up requirements and the May Festival dances and songs. They gave a Valentine social for their mothers and entertained with a program. Troop 67 meets on Monday afternoon in the Girl Scout room.

Troop 82, third grade Brownies, are working on May Festival activities, this is a newly organized troop, and meets at the home of the leader, Mrs. DeBerry, on Tuesday afternoons.

A 19-inch rainfall was recorded within 15 hours on the Indian ocean's Seychelles island.

Footlighters Have Good Audience at First Performance

For a change, Footlighters had a good audience for an opening night. For some reason or the other, local theater fans seem to shun opening nights, but when the curtain rose on "The Tender Trap" last night at the Footlighters' theater at the Fairgrounds, the house was three-quarters filled.

The audience enjoyed the performance, too. Max Shulman is known for his zesty wit and the play which he and Robert Paul Smith wrote together is a laugh-getter. At times last night the uproar from the audience drowned out the next few lines from the stage.

"The Tender Trap" might be called a domestic comedy. The plot is all about young and good-looking New York females with a yen to get married, and how one at length "traps" an eligible bachelor who has been, havying great fun playing the field.

Seductive looking women run in and out of his apartment at all times, there is much light-hearted love-making, and a lot of fast talk, particularly from the bachelor's friend, happily married but a little fed up at the moment with his kids with

Contest Winners Listed by Store

Mrs. Virginia Wait, 220 Vancouver ave., Medford, won first prize in a recent merchandise contest sponsored by Acme Hardware, Tony Manno, owner of the store, has announced.

Other winners were Mrs. Elva Adams, route 2, box 48A, Jacksonville, second; Mrs. Ken F. MacDonald, 1917 Oregon ave., Medford, third; Mrs. Fred Milledge, 3712 South Pacific highway, Medford, fourth; and David W. Bigham, 25 Bigham rd., Central Point, fifth.

Manno said there were more than 5,000 entries in the contest, which was conducted in connection with the store's recent anniversary celebration.

MOTHER DIES
Hollywood - (UPI) - Mrs. Lida Carmichael, 82, mother of Composer Hoagy Carmichael died Tuesday.

tween the second and third acts each evening of the play's runs. Playgoers enjoy this interlude, and last evening's talk brought out the fact that the large opening

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night audience was due partly to the efforts of Lions club members who took over part of the task of ticket-selling. "The Tender Trap" will be given nightly through Saturday, curtain time is 8:30 p.m. -O.S.

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