

Johnson Leading Presidential Choice of Congress' Democrats

By Congressional Quarterly
Washington - (CQ) - Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson (D-Texas) is the leading Presidential choice of Democrats in Congress, according to a Congressional Quarterly poll released yesterday.

In the same poll, Republican Senators and Representatives made Vice President Richard M. Nixon their top choice for President by a 6-1 margin over New York Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller (R). Rockefeller was their first choice for Vice President.

Johnson, the Senate majority leader, was named to head a ticket with Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) for vice president.

The poll, distributed July 22, just before Nixon's trip to Russia and Poland, asked each member of Congress to give their judgment on your party's strongest possible ticket for President and Vice President.

The response was unusually heavy. Anonymous replies were received from 189 Democrats, comprising 55 per cent of the party's total membership, and 115 Republicans, making up 61 per cent of the entire GOP strength in Congress.

Democratic Results
Johnson moved up from third place in a CQ poll last January on the Democratic Presidential race. Sen. Stuart Symington (D-Mo.), the winner of the January poll, fell back into a virtual tie with Adlai E. Stevenson and Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.). Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.) was in fifth place, well behind the others.

Democratic President	
	July January
Johnson	32% 14%
Stevenson	18 12
Symington	18 33
Kennedy	17 17
Humphrey	6 13
Others	7 8
No Choice	2 3

In naming Johnson to head their "strongest possible ticket," the Democratic lawmakers ignored the public opinion polls, which show Kennedy and Stevenson pacing the field. They also passed over Symington and Humphrey, both of whom are classed as willing candidates, to pick a man who says he is not interested in trying for the nomination.

Johnson was given an advance look at the poll results and commented: "Any member of Congress appreciates the confidence of his colleagues."

But the majority leader repeated his often-issued statement that "I am not a candidate for the Presidency."

Republican Results
In the Republican Presidential race, Nixon widened his lead over Rockefeller by 9 percentage points from the January poll. The only other man to draw mention was Sen. Barry Goldwater (R-Ariz.), who had one vote.

Republican President
July January
Nixon 84% 78%
Rockefeller 14 17
Other, No Choice 2 5

Kennedy and Rockefeller were the overwhelming favorites of their fellow partisans for the Vice President places, despite the fact that both of them have said they would decline the Number Two position.

Kennedy improved on his

already substantial lead in the January poll, as California Gov. Edmund G. (Pat) Brown (D) emerged as a solid second choice. Symington, Humphrey, Johnson, New Jersey Gov. Robert B. Meyner (D) and 15 others also drew mention.

Democratic Vice President	
	July January
Kennedy	49% 41%
Brown	12 5
Symington	6 12
Humphrey	4 5
Johnson	4 6
Meyner	3 3
Others	11 17
No Choice	11 9

Trailing behind Rockefeller in the Republican Vice Presidential race were Nixon, House Minority Leader Charles A. Halleck (R-Ind.), Goldwater, Secretary of Interior Fred A. Seaton, Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, Senate Minority Leader Everett McKinley Dirksen (R-Ill.) and 14 others.

Republican Vice President
July January
Rockefeller 53% 21%
Nixon 6 8
Halleck 4 8
Goldwater 3 3
Seaton 3 1
Mitchell 3 5
Dirksen 2 8
Others 12 20
No Choice 14 26

A regional breakdown of the Presidential balloting in both parties shows a strong contrast between the Republicans' agreement and the Democrats' disagreement.

Nixon led Rockefeller, 25 votes to 11, in the East, and scored a near sweep in other parts of the country. He was the Presidential choice on all five ballots from Southern Republicans, on 47 of 52 from the Midwest and on 20 of 21 from the West.

In the Democratic voting, on the other hand, each section had a different choice for President: Johnson in the South, Symington in the Midwest and Kennedy in the East.

Johnson received 39 of his 60 votes from the South, but he also gained strength in each of the other sections of the country from the January poll.

Symington, despite his loss of votes in the South and West, shared with Stevenson the distinction of having the best-balanced strength in all four regions. Kennedy received more votes outside the South than anyone else, but was named on only three Presidential ballots in Dixie.

Other Democrats who received votes for President were: Michigan Gov. G. Mennen Williams (D), 4; Rep. Chester W. Bowles (D-Conn.), 3; Sens. Frank J. Lausche (D-Ohio), John L. McClellan (D-Ark.), Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.) and Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.), and Reps. Randall S. Harmon (D-Ind.) and Graham A. Barden (D-N.C.), one each. Congressional Quarterly Inc. (Copyright 1959).

Timber Sold at BLM Oral Auction

Two tracts of timber in southern Douglas county were sold by the Medford district of the bureau of land management at an oral auction sale here Aug. 13. The two tracts, which contained an estimated 11,278,000 board-feet, brought a total price of \$339,837.80.

There was heavy competition for the first tract containing 1,702,000 board feet located on Whitehorse Creek near Azalea. Of the four bidders taking part in the sale, Cavanaugh, Inc. of Grants Pass made the highest offer, which included a price of \$44.20 for the Douglas fir and a total price of \$70,367.60.

Patterson Lumber company, Inc. of Glendale was the higher of two bidders competing for a tract located in Elk Valley containing 9,576,000 board feet. Their bid was \$29.75 for the Douglas-fir and \$269,470.20 for the total sale.

The Medford district of the bureau has indicated that the next sale planned by the office will include six tracts varying from 13,000 to 5,405,000 board feet with a total volume of 16,060,000 board feet. Three of the tracts, containing 10,577,000 board feet are in Klamath county. Two tracts in Jackson county contain 5,470,000 board feet. One 13,000 board feet sale is in Josephine county.

Tests Scheduled For School Pupils

Tests for under-age children who wish to enter Medford public schools in the fall term will be held from Aug. 17 through Aug. 31, school officials have announced.

According to Oregon law, children are accepted for September entrance if their sixth birthday is on or before Nov. 15.

Medford public schools will accept children whose sixth birthday is on or before Jan. 31, 1960, however, providing they show a mental development of 6½ years on a mental age test.

Parents may make appointments for their children at the school administration office, SP3ring 3-3683, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

All testing is expected to be completed prior to school opening.

Timberwolf Division Due Home Today

Yakima Firing Center, Wash. - Reservists of the 2nd Battalion of the 414th Regiment, located in Medford, are undergoing their annual two-week summer training here and are scheduled to return to their homes today.

The unit is part of the 104th Division, known as the "Timberwolf" division, activated during World War II. The duty of the battalion, if mobilized will be to train recruits in basic combat techniques.

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Registration Set At Rogue River

Rogue River - All Rogue River High school students and new elementary students are advised by John B. Harr, superintendent, that registration for classes will be held on Aug. 26-28.

First grade students are asked to enroll on Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 26 and 27, in the primary building. First-graders must bring a birth certificate, or other evidence of age, showing that their sixth birthday falls on or before Nov. 15.

High school students who do not register at this time in the high school office will be signed for the classes which they selected in pre-registration.

Elementary students who did not attend Rogue River at the close of the last school term are urged to register in the grade school office in the primary building.

4-H Club News

Morse Motors donated the oil drums to be used as trash cans at the Jackson County 4-H and FFA fair. On Tuesday of last week, Korny-Kampers painted the drums green and this week the project was completed with white lettering by Penny Sampert.

During the business meeting, club members discussed the coming fair and the pre-fair outdoor cooking contest held July 20.

Jan Main received champion and blue ribbon awards in twister making and completed twister. Marda Heffner, Cynthia Charley, and Hugh Charley were awarded second place in twister making and third in completed twister.

In the cornbread contest, Craig Wright received champion and blue ribbon awards for the making and completed cornbread. Linda Smith, Becky Gates, and Penny Sampert will exhibit outdoor menus during Jackson County Fair this week at the fairgrounds.

After the meeting, refreshments were served by Jan Main and Helen McKee. Penny Sampert, Reporter.

Four-fifths of the dwellings in the U.S. are detached, single-family houses.

'Fun for Funds' Event Draws Big Crowd at Park

The "Fun for Funds" event Thursday night at Union St. park was both enjoyable and profitable, according to Mrs. John Davidson, second vice chairman of the Union St. Park Improvement group.

Mrs. Davidson reported that more than 450 persons attended to eat hot dogs and try their hand at the cakewalk. She said the event brought about \$150 for the group's use in furthering the neighborhood park-development project.

About \$125 may be used for purchasing a merry-go-round, it is understood.

Those attending were also entertained by Mrs. Davidson herself, masquerading as a clown, and by rides on the American Legion's 40 ft 8 voiture.

The receipts from sales of food and refreshments represent a clear profit, it is understood, since all the items were donated.

Many who attended, Mrs. Davidson said, expressed the hope that the evening of "surprises and prizes" could become an annual affair.

A group of residents in the area around the park, which is located between Hamilton and Plum sts. at 13th st. on Medford's west side, have brought it from a vacant lot to a popular neighborhood playground through their voluntary efforts.

The "Fun for Funds" evening represented the latest in their continuing efforts to improve the facility.

Blue Tongue Found In County Sheep

Blue tongue, an infectious disease, has been identified in two Jackson county sheep flocks, Dr. L. E. Bodenweiser, state veterinarian, reported Friday.

The state department of agriculture's chief livestock sanitary official said a third Jackson county flock is being investigated and that the department will cooperate with sheep owners and veterinarians in obtaining additional blood samples for use in diagnostic laboratories.

In alerting ranchers to the menace, the state veterinarian listed these early symptoms: swollen ears, swollen muzzle, sores in mouth, bleeding ulcers, swelling of gums and lameness.

Control of blue tongue in Oregon is traced to prompt vaccination where possible. State and local veterinarians have the flocks in question under quarantine and supervision.

The disease is most commonly transmitted by a tiny insect.

17 Disease Cases Reported Last Week

Seventeen cases of communicable disease were reported to the Jackson County Health department for the week ending Aug. 14, according to Dr. C. I. Drummond, public health physician.

Influenza accounted for more than half the cases. Three cases of influenza were reported in Ashland, three in Shady Cove, and two each in Trail and Phoenix.

Camp White reported two cases of tuberculosis. Medford reported three cases of chicken pox and Ashland reported one.

One case of strep throat was reported at Shady Cove.

Storage batteries and the coverings for electric cables account for about one-half the lead used in the U.S.

Local Recruiter Gets Transfer

Murray J. Emmerlich, chief fire control technician, USN, this week relieved Chief Warren I. Boe as recruiter-in-charge of the Medford Navy recruiting station.

Chief Boe has been ordered to the USS Interceptor, a radar picket ship operating out of San Francisco.

Chief Emmerlich is a veteran of 23 years Naval service. His most recent duty was aboard the escort destroyer, USS Jenkins, operating out of Pearl Harbor.

He has indicated the intention of retiring in the Rogue river valley upon completion of this tour of duty.

An average American family has 3.5 children.

Seamless Fabric Dome Aids Missile Tracking

Akron, Ohio - (Science Service) - Improved accuracy in tracking missiles may result from the development of a seamless, Hypalon-coated nylon fabric dome to cover radar tracking antennas.

Previously radar domes were made with overlapping seams that produced slight distortions of the radar beam. The new "radome," developed by the Aviation Products Division of The Goodyear Tire & Rubber company here, is constructed in staggered and laminated sections to give a uniform thickness of about three thirty-seconds of an inch. The 54,000 cubic foot radome, to be used in the Nike-Zeus anti-missile missile program will have a base diameter of 37 feet.



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