

Names Crop Up On Candidate To Run With Nixon

Washington—UPI—At least a dozen names cropped up in speculation today over the 1960 running mate for Vice President Richard M. Nixon if he wins the GOP presidential nomination as expected.

Nixon has given no indication as to whom he would favor as the vice presidential candidate. He takes the position that speculation over the second spot on the ticket is premature because he hasn't even announced his own plans.

Some of Nixon's backers have indicated that he might leave the choice entirely to the Republican convention

Social Security Deductions to Increase Friday

Washington—UPI—Starting Friday, Uncle Sam will take more from your pay check for social security taxes.

The 20 per cent hike, which will be felt by virtually every worker and employer in the nation, is designed to bring the government an additional \$2 billion a year in revenue.

It will be the fourth increase in social security taxes in the last six years. The present law calls for three more increases spread over the next nine years.

Higher taxes are needed to cover the swelling costs of the program, which now provides monthly benefit checks to 13,400,000 persons.

Now 3 Per Cent

Beginning Friday, wages and salaries of employees will pay social security taxes amounting to 3 per cent of the \$4,800 in annual earnings. That compares with 2.5 per cent this year.

So if you make \$4,800 or more, your tax next year will total \$144—an increase of \$24 over this year, and \$49.50 more than the tax was in 1958.

Self-employed persons won't be hit until they file their tax returns in April, 1961. They will pay 4½ per cent of their first \$4,800 in 1960 earnings, compared with 3¾ this year. Their maximum tax will climb from \$180 this year to \$216.

Typhoon Heading Toward Philippines

Manila—UPI—Late-season typhoon Harriet roared today toward the northern Philippines with 140-mile-per-hour winds.

The Manila Weather Bureau said the southern part and eastern coastal regions of Luzon, the Philippines' biggest island, will begin to experience intermittent rain and strong winds late this afternoon.

Ashland Woman Struck by Car

Mrs. Illa Mae Summerow, 30, of 194 Mead st., Ashland, was reported in good condition this morning suffering from injuries received Tuesday shortly after noon when she was struck by an automobile on East Main st. between Riverside ave. and the Bear Creek bridge.

According to city police, Mrs. Summerow was crossing East Main st. when she was hit by an automobile operated by Dr. Clarence I. Drummond, 2909 East Fairview place, Medford. Witnesses told police that Mrs. Summerow was in the crosswalk at the time of the incident. Dr. Drummond was cited by police for failure to yield right of way to a pedestrian in a crosswalk.

Mrs. Summerow was taken to Sacred Heart hospital by Medford Ambulance service, where she was treated for a dislocated arm and facial bruises.

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FOUR DIE IN CRASH—Four University of Washington students en route to see their football team play in the Rose Bowl game at Pasadena, Calif., Friday, were killed in this car crash north of Eugene early Tuesday. Their station wagon collided with a truck which had jackknifed on the icy pavement. Barbara Jean Hill, 21, of Seattle, who was injured in the collision, remains in critical condition in a Eugene hospital. Killed were Derwood B. Nordin, 23, Palos Verdes Estates, Calif.; Myra Lee Taylor, 21, Tacoma; Evelyn Joy Simons, 20, Shelton, Wash.; and William Robert Moser, 22, Tacoma. —(UPI Telephoto)

Three Injured in Traffic Mishap

Three persons suffered minor injuries Tuesday when their pickup truck skidded on the ice at the intersection of Highway 234 and 82 and turned on its side in a ditch, state police reported.

Driver Roy Gustafson, 22, of Phoenix, Ariz., and his passengers, Karlene McGee, 19, of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Galyn Knight, 13, of Grants Pass, all suffered cuts and bruises, but were not hospitalized.

The accident occurred at 12:02 p.m., police said, when Gustafson, heading east on Highway 234, was unable to stop at the intersection. No citation was issued.

Talent Man Takes Own Life With Gun

Harold E. Baldwin, 40, of route 1, box 457, Talent, died Monday from a self-inflicted gunshot wound, according to sheriff's deputies.

Deputies said Baldwin shot himself through the head with a .22 caliber revolver when deputies called at his trailer to question him.

Baldwin's body has been taken to the Ashland mortuary, they reported.

Hood River Youth Injured in Crash

Pendleton—UPI—Jackie D. Braslet, 20, Hood River, was in critical condition in a local hospital today with injuries suffered when his motorcycle and a car collided.

The accident occurred Tuesday night on Highway 730 about 7 miles west of Umatilla. Ellsworth Cresap, 48, Umatilla, the car driver, was not hurt.

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Stock List Extends Gains of Tuesday

New York—UPI—Stocks extended Tuesday's gains in moderately active trading today.

The industrial stock average rose more than a point during the first hour to move within 4.50 points of the all-time high, 678.10 touched Aug. 3.

Traders interpreted Tuesday's advance, the first significant rise in more than a week, as the beginning of the year-end rally. However, if the industrial stock average is to poke through the peak, it has only today and Thursday to do so.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York—UPI—Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 672.23, up 2.48; 20 railroads 153.72, up 0.40; 15 utilities 87.29, up 0.15, and 85 stocks 217.75, up 0.55. Sales Tuesday were about 3,020,000 shares compared with 2,830,000 shares Monday.

Tuesday's prices on selected stocks:

Allied Chemical	114½
Alum. Co. Am.	105½
American Can	42¾
American Motors	80½
A. T. & T.	77¾
Anaconda Copper	63¾
Armco Steel	73¾
Bendix Aviation	71¾
Bethlehem Steel	54¾
Boeing Air.	30¾
Caterpillar Corp.	34½
Chrysler Corp.	67½
Continental Can	46¾
Crown Zellerbach	54¾
Curtiss Wright	31

Oregon Cropland Out of Production

Portland—UPI—About 240,000 acres of Oregon cropland will be held out of production in 1960 under conservation reserve contracts, according to J. E. McBurney, chairman of the Oregon State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee.

He said some 190,000 acres in Oregon already are out of production under a program and about 50,000 additional acres are expected to be added.

The land is held back to help ease the farm surplus situation. The government pays an annual rental for the land.

Dog's Curiosity Killed the Cat

Centralia, Ill. — Wyatt Stulke's curiosity got the better of him when his dog kept barking after treeing a "cat."

Stulke shot the treed animal and asked the Illinois Conservation department to identify it.

It was a bobcat, a rarity in this section of the country.

Efate Island Whipped By Hurricane Winds

Noumea, New Caledonia—UPI—Hurricane winds of "fantastic force" lashed Efate Island Monday night, flattening 80 per cent of its buildings and 90 per cent of its food crops, it was reported today.

There was no immediate report of casualties. The French frigate Compiègne sailed for the island today to take off 1,200 women and children left virtually without shelter by the savage storm.

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Underground Nuclear Tests May Be Successfully Hidden, Scientists Say

Pasadena, Calif.—UPI—American scientists said today that nuclear tests, once thought un concealable because of their vast force, may be effectively hidden from other nations if conducted underground.

A means of disguising nuclear explosions as earthquakes was reported to physicists meeting here.

The reports followed recent conventional explosive tests carried out by the Atomic Energy commission in a Louisiana salt mine this fall.

They also coincided with an editorial in the Moscow organ Pravda accusing the United States of conducting underground nuclear explosions. Pravda did not specify whether it claimed the tests

Expense Account Tax Crackdown Told By Bureau

Washington—UPI—A government tax crackdown on expense accounts threatens to end the high way of life to which some business executives have become accustomed.

The Internal Revenue Service announced Tuesday its long-expected new rules requiring all employers to report more detailed information on their tax returns about expense accounts paid to employees.

The extra data must be supplied on tax returns filed in 1961 for 1960 income.

Two Types of Dodgers

The move is aimed at nabbing two types of tax dodgers: —Corporations that claim tax deductions for entertainment, travel, yachts, hunting lodges, club dues and business trip — vacations which really are not "ordinary and necessary" business expenses.

—Business executives who do not pay taxes on the cars, apartments, houses, fishing camps, yachts and hunting lodges their employers allow them to use as a form of compensation.

Internal Revenue Commissioner Dana Latham, who announced the crackdown, said an increasing number of firms are paying officers, employees and partners with this non-cash compensation.

At the same time the firms deduct these outlays from their income tax as an "ordinary and necessary" business expense, Latham said.

LONG HIGHWAY

New York—UPI—The Lincoln highway, New York to San Francisco, is 3,384 miles long.

First Fatality in '59 Was When Year Was 1¾ Hours Old

Salem—Who will be Oregon's first 1960 traffic victim? It could be almost anyone.

In 1959, the New Year was an hour and 45 minutes old when the state recorded its first traffic death—the first of more than 400 which were to follow in the next 12 months.

The victim was a 19-year-old youth who died when he was thrown from a car as it missed a curve at 80 miles an hour. The accident occurred in Jefferson county.

Little more than an hour had passed when the second fatality of the year occurred, this time in Willoughby county when a 39-year-old man died as a truck left the road. Two and one-half hours later a third victim, a 27-year-old Portland woman, was killed when a car hit a guard rail and then bounced into a light pole.

The year before, the state managed to go about eight hours before its first two fatalities took place. They came when a driver who "had been drinking" crashed into a bridge railing and then through a guard rail. He and one of his two passengers were killed.

Whoever the first victim is, whenever and wherever it happens, officials say it will pave the way for an expected death toll of more than 400 on Oregon streets and highways. In addition, more than 17,000 probably will be injured and some will be permanently crippled.

Not since 1953 has the state managed to keep its traffic toll below 400. In the decade about to end, more than 4,100 people have been killed in Oregon traffic.

What the 60's bring in traffic safety, Oregon safety officials say, will depend largely on how much longer the public is willing to tolerate highway deaths. Public support for needed legislation; and current accident prevention programs will go a long way toward reducing the toll during the next decade.

resumed testing. There has been considerable pressure for the United States to resume testing in order to perfect tactical nuclear weapons and to explore peaceful utilization of atomic explosions in construction and mining projects.

One of the recommended areas of testing was underground, to keep the atmosphere free of fallout. Several physicists spoke here on the subject of underground tests.

They said that by muffling a blast in a deep earthen cavity scientists could make it appear on far-away seismographs that an earthquake was occurring.

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