

Fulbright Says Documents Suppressed in Nixon's Interests

Oregon's Political Spotlight Shifts To South With 'Candidates' Fairs'

By United Press International
Oregon's political spotlight focused on the southern part of the state today as major candidates for the November election made appearances there.

Some 500 to 600 persons attended a "candidates fair" in Grants Pass Wednesday night at which 38 persons seeking state and local offices appeared. They included Elmo Smith, Republican, and Mrs. Maurine Neuberger, Democrat, candidates for the U.S. Senate; Rep. Charles O. Porter (D-Ore.) and his Republican rival, State Sen. Edwin Durno, plus candidates for

major state offices. Tonight a similar candidate gathering is scheduled in Medford. Smith sent a telegram to Mrs. Neuberger urging her to accept his challenge to debate defense and foreign policy "as it was first presented Monday." He said he rejected her

counter-proposal for formal debate procedure. "The question technique used nationally in the great debates is widely recognized as being more informative and more revealing than debate with prepared statements," he said. Mrs. Neuberger told a Southern Oregon College audience in Ashland today that "America's great quest in the 1960s must be to provide world leadership toward a bright future, not the triggering of nuclear holocaust." She said if underdeveloped areas "are to resist the false promises of Communist agitators, we must make it clear that economic aid and technical assistance is offered not only because we are opposed to the threat of Communism but because we are genuinely concerned about them as fellow human beings."

In other political news: . . . Rep. Porter said William H. Coburn, former chief counsel of the Senate Committee on Legislative Oversight, had written that Porter was "on sound legal ground in your efforts to persuade the Justice Department to take action" on Al Sarena mining claims. Porter was told by the Justice Department earlier their was "no basis upon which an action to set aside the patents could be successful."

. . . Wallace L. Lee, Republican opposing Rep. Edith Green (D-Ore.) said Americans work from Jan. 1 to May 16 each year to pay the cost of government. Estes Backs Sweetland . . . Kefauver issued a statement criticizing what he termed "smear" tactics against State Sen. Monroe Sweetland, Democratic nominee for secretary of state. Sweetland was criticized by State GOP Chairman Peter Gunnar for a news release which Gunnar said attacked the American economic system. Sweetland said Gunnar "distorted" it.

. . . Howell Appling, GOP candidate to succeed himself as secretary of state, told a breakfast meeting in Medford the welfare recovery program under which Oregon has recovered more than \$500,000 in the last three years was an example of the type of laws he favors to protect "taxpayer's hard earned money." He said Sweetland "has clearly demonstrated by the fact that he twice fought against this law that he is even opposed to protecting the people's money from cheats and chiselers."

. . . Mrs. Neuberger predicted a Democratic margin of "about 70,000" when voter registration figures in Oregon are compiled. Poll Shows N. Y. Closely Divided New York (UPI)—The New York Daily News reported today that the first returns of its secret straw poll indicated that New York State was closely divided between Sen. John F. Kennedy and Vice President Richard M. Nixon. The News said that on the basis of 2,821 ballots tabulated, 51.1 per cent of the vote was for Kennedy and 48.9 for Nixon. The News added,

White House Said Keeping Texts From Public

Washington—(UPI)—Chairman J. William Fulbright, (D-Ark.), of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today accused the White House of suppressing foreign policy documents which might hurt the electoral chances of Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

Fulbright charged that the administration was deliberately withholding from the public two major groups of documents: The text of Nixon's conversations with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev in Russia last year and evaluation reports by the U.S. Information Agency on American prestige abroad.

Asked by a newsman if he believed the White House had ordered suppression of the records "for partisan political purposes," Fulbright replied: "That is my conclusion." Cites Earlier Testimony In regard to USA reports on American prestige abroad, Fulbright said the only conclusion he could draw was that this country's standing overseas was "worse" than before or at the same level described by administration spokesmen in congressional hearings earlier this year.

Fulbright accused the administration of violating bipartisanism in foreign policy. He warned at a news conference that if Nixon won the election, Democrats in Congress would not forget the "deception."

Fulbright's charge came as a member of a hush-hush presidential committee confirmed that an effort was underway to measure U.S. prestige abroad. One report on the study said it showed a loss of standing.

Made Telephone Call Fulbright said he had called USA Director George Allen Wednesday night to seek the release of reports on American prestige abroad. But he said Allen claimed that the material was "privileged matter" and would not be made public. Fulbright said Allen admitted there had been "full liaison" with the White House on the refusal to release the records.

Fulbright said that Nixon and other top members of the Republican administration are "fully aware" of what the prestige reports contain. But he said he doubted whether Sen. John F. Kennedy, the Democratic presidential nominee, could get access to the same information "at least not until after Nov. 8." At that point, another reporter asked Fulbright if he thought the withholding of the documents was a deliberate attempt "to deceive the American people." "That is my impression," Fulbright replied.

When Napoleon became Emperor of France he relented enough to hold a prebiscite. The "popular" vote was 3,752,329 in favor and 2,569 opposed.

however, that the ballots counted so far represented only 10 per cent of the 30,000 planned to be counted before election day, and the results so far were too fragmentary to be definitive.

Kefauver Raps 'Creeping Isolationism'

Corvallis—(UPI)—Sen. Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.) charged Wednesday night that "Republican creeping isolationism" was to blame for what he termed America's loss of prestige throughout the world. Speaking to some 100 Democrats who waited for two hours when he was delayed by fog on a trip from Bend, Kefauver said U.S. prestige in the world "has sunk to a new low."

"Since President Dwight Eisenhower took office," the one-time vice presidential candidate said, "The dreams and hopes and expectations that were the 'beacon of America' have faded." He said Cuba has become an ally of the Communists and added that the U.S. has consistently supported enemies of democracy in Latin America. He said in Spain the U.S.

has allied itself with the only major non-Communist dictator of the world and charged that the U.S. has adopted a "Madison Avenue Approach to foreign policy." "If we value our necks," he said, "we had better worry about whether we are respected, admired, loved or hated in other countries."

Touching on domestic issues, Kefauver asserted, "The GOP bleats that the country cannot afford federal aid to education, adequate social security payments, effective unemployment insurance or a decent minimum wage." He said Republican philosophy is "concern with money, not with the mind, with dollars not with dreams, with deficits not with defense, and with the good of the few not the welfare of the many."



AT MEMORIAL DINNER — The two aspirants for the presidency, Sen. John Kennedy, left, and Vice President Richard Nixon, right, are joined by Francis Cardinal Spellman as they attended the 16th annual Alfred E. Smith memorial dinner in New York City. Earlier, Nixon accused Kennedy of a series of "misstatements and distortions" and issued a lengthy campaign document aimed at refuting the Democratic candidate's claims. (UPI Telephoto)

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Majority of Stocks Clipped for Losses

New York—(UPI)—A majority of stocks were clipped for small losses in a mild wave of early selling today. Gold issues dominated the play again, however, as the price for gold rose to a new peak on the London market. McIntyre Porcu pine added around 1 1/2. Dome more than a point and U.S. Smelting picked up around 2.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES
New York—(UPI)—Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 587.01, off 1.74; 20 railroads 126.60, off 0.11; 15 utilities 93.91, off 0.19, and 85 stocks 198.12, off 0.46. Sales Wednesday were about 2.41 million shares compared with 2.22 million shares Tuesday.

Wednesday's prices on selected stocks:
Allied Chemical 49 1/2
Alum Co. Am. 65 3/4
American Can 35 1/2
American Motors 21
A. T. & T. 92 1/2
Anaconda Copper 43
Armco Steel 61 1/2
Bendix Corp. 58 3/4
Bethlehem Steel 41 1/2
Boeing Air 31
Caterpillar Corp. 26
Chrysler Corp. 42 3/4
Continental Can 24 1/2
Crown Zellerbach 42 1/2
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Dow Chemical 74
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Firestone 34 1/2
General Electric 74 1/2
General Foods 63 1/2
General Motors 42 1/2
Georgia Pacific 48 3/4
Graham Paige 20 1/2
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