



SUPPORTS ACADEMY—U.S. Information Agency Director Edward R. Murrow is shown as he appeared before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in support of the Administration's proposed establishment of a Foreign Service academy. (UPI)

Nixon Proposes Issue of Economics For Southern Votes

By LYLE C. WILSON
Washington—UPI—Richard M. Nixon believes the Republican Party should bid for Southern votes on the issue of economic conservatism and not on the question of civil rights.

Nixon met with old friends in Washington recently on his way from New York to Miami, Fla. He told newsmen his role in the 1964 presidential campaign would be to develop the Republican Party position. He believes he can make the case against President Kennedy better than any candidate could do it.

The Republican Party urgently needs some sound advice on how to win white voters in the so-called solid South. It can be said fairly that the Northern Negro vote licked Nixon in his 1960 presidential contest with John F. Kennedy. Ohio state Republican chairman Ray Bliss reported some months ago to the Republican National Committee that Nixon would have been elected if the Republicans had made a respectable showing in four cities: Chicago, Detroit, Philadelphia and St. Louis.

Kennedy majorities in those cities more than offset Nixon majorities elsewhere in Illinois, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Missouri. A national committee analysis of the 1960 vote showed that in three of those four cities, Chicago, Detroit and Philadelphia, Nixon got only about 18 per cent of the Negro vote.

The hard-nosed political question now challenging the Republican Party is this: Shall Republicans in 1964 go after the white Southern vote

or the Negro vote in the great cities of the North.

Some Republicans believe the presidency can be won by abandoning all hope of Northern Negroes returning to the Republican Party. The strategy then would be to de-emphasize civil rights as a Republican Party policy and to appeal to Southern whites on that basis.

Nixon is against that. He believes the Republicans should maintain the civil rights position assumed in the 1960 campaign. The 1960 Republican presidential platform went almost as far as the Democratic platform on civil rights.

This strategy did not work in 1960. Nixon wants to try it again, but with a difference.

He told newsmen here that he could not believe that civil rights would be the prime 1964 political issue in the South. He said the prime issue for white Southerners would be economic.

Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller could carry the South in 1964, Nixon believes, if the governor could persuade Southern voters that he is an economic

conservative and that President Kennedy is an economic radical.

Rockefeller apparently goes along part way with that strategy. He has sought to make a major issue of his commitment to such economic conservatism as budget balancing, pay-as-you-go. But Rockefeller is as deep as are the Kennedy brothers in all-

out efforts in behalf of civil rights.

A group of Republican senators last month offered an omnibus civil rights bill going vastly beyond anything proposed by the Kennedy Administration. New York's two Republican senators were among the sponsors, an indication of New York thinking on civil rights.

Easter Car Lift Is Planned by Moose

The Medford Moose Lodge will again conduct their annual Easter Car Lift for the people in Medford. The Easter Car Lift is to assist people who have no transportation to Easter services.

Transportation will be provided from 7:30 a.m. Easter Sunday to 1 p.m. Sunday. Anyone needing transportation may telephone 772-2815.

Airport Meets Plane

Dick West Needs Nerve Tonic To Get Into Condition for Return Trip

By DICK WEST
Merida, Venezuela—UPI—Arriving at this city by air is a rare experience, mainly because the plane doesn't land here. It reaches the ground all right, but I wouldn't call it a landing. In a landing, the plane goes down to the airport. Here the airport comes up to meet the plane. We sort of swooped over a

mountaintop and flew along a canyon at an altitude considerably lower than the adjacent terrain. Finally we came to a ledge that was fairly level and there was Merida.

Below the airport is a river and above it is Pico Bolivar, at 16,000-odd feet the highest point in the Venezuelan Andes.

I flew here for more research on a book I am planning called "Don't Let Vacations Spoil Your Fun." This is an ideal place for the pattern on mountain resorts.

The mere sight of those jagged peaks flashing by the airplane window put me in the mood for climbing. The first thing I did was climb a bar stool for an infusion of nerve tonic. Then, it being siesta time, I climbed into bed for a nap.

Such a regimen probably is too strenuous for the average tourist, but I wanted to get into condition for the return flight.

Taking off from Merida should be relatively simple. In a pinch, they can just roll the

plane to the edge of the precipice and give it a shove.

My advice to persons planning a trip to the mountains this summer is to ignore all of the warnings they hear about the air being thin at high altitudes.

Most people will not be bothered by the lack of oxygen, except when they try to breathe.

The same is true of the temperature. Persons who are immune to frostbite won't mind it at all.

I went up past 15,000 feet with hardly any difficulty. My only trouble came at a lower altitude where I experienced a softening of the brain. This was what caused me to go up past 15,000 feet.

What is more, I did it the hard way. I rode up in a cable car.

The cars glide along on cables suspended hundreds of feet above the ground. On the mountainside below I could see Andean hillbillies tending their livestock. But it was no place for chickens.

When I get back home to Washington, even Capitol Hill will probably make me dizzy. That, however, will be no novelty. It always did.

Military Pay Bill Clears Committee

Washington—UPI—The House Armed Services Committee has approved a pay increase for 1.8 million servicemen.

But, under pressure from budget-cutters, the committee gave no raise to servicemen who have served less than two years.

Members agreed by a 31-1 vote on a \$1.1 billion pay increase to help induce servicemen to stay in uniform. This was \$46 million below the administration's request and \$325 million under an earlier recommendation by an armed services subcommittee.

In addition to servicemen on active duty, the bill would raise the pay of 900,000 members of reserve units on draft pay status. It left out 532,000 "short-term" draftees and enlistees who have not yet completed two years of service.

Students Selected For Intern Posts

Eugene—Two students at the University of Oregon have been selected for summer internships in the Washington, D.C., offices of Representatives Edith Green and Robert Duncan, Dr. Lester G. Seligman, associate professor of political science, has announced.

The students selected are Philip A. Cogswell, Portland, who will serve in Mrs. Green's office this summer, and W. Hardy Myers, Jr., McCloud, Calif., who will serve in Duncan's office. An alternate intern is Thomas H. Hoyt, Corvallis.

The internships are made possible through a Falk Foundation grant to the University of Oregon politics study program, which is directed by Dr. Seligman. Contributions have also been made by the university and the two Congressional offices.

The interns will be invited to attend seminars in Washington sponsored by the National Center for Education in Politics. Dr. Arthur S. Fleming, University of Oregon president, is former chairman of the center.

Chesterfield, England—UPI—Telephone officials have apologized to Ernest Driver, the new head postmaster here, because his name appears in the new telephone directory as "Drivel."



DEFAULT DIVORCE—Television actor James Arness, above, has won a default divorce in Los Angeles after testifying his wife was cold and indifferent. Arness, 39, told the judge his 41-year-old wife, Virginia, refused to talk to him on numerous occasions, causing him to become nervous and upset. Under terms of the divorce, Arness will have custody of their three children. (UPI)

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