

# Youthful Unknown Sweeps Into Office As Mayor Of Denver On Landslide Vote

DENVER, May 21 (AP)—Denver's 20-year mayor, Benjamin F. Stapleton, was swept from office today by a ballot box revolt in favor of Quigg Newton Jr., youthful, politically independent veteran of World War II.

Thomas J. Morrissey, former U. S. district attorney, ran second to Newton with Stapleton a poor third to the 35-year-old attorney who won his first political campaign.

Trailing far back were District Judge William A. Black and William Dietrich, an avowed communist.

The count in 407 of the city's 412 precincts gave Newton 78,388; Morrissey 34,828; Stapleton 17,338; Black 8,125 and Dietrich 399.

Late returns ran Newton's vote up to almost 60 per cent of the total cast—which was the heaviest for any municipal election in Denver's history.

Attaches at his office said Newton had never voted in a regular primary election. He was endorsed by both Denver daily newspapers, Morrissey and Stapleton are democrats, Black is a republican.

A native of Denver, the new mayor graduated from Yale law school, served a year with the securities and exchange commission and practiced law in Denver. He went into the navy as an ensign in 1942 and was separated last year as a commander. He never before had made a political race, but had been president of the university board of trustees and was named by the junior chamber of commerce as the city's "outstanding young man of 1946." He is married and the father of two daughters.

# Pension Boost Bills Readied

PORTLAND, May 21 (AP)—Social security legislation to expand the program for new groups and pay larger monthly pensions is being prepared, Watson B. Miller, social security administrator, said here.

Miller said the purpose of the bills, soon to go before congress, would be to extend the coverage to agricultural, domestic and self-employed workers, including business and professional men; extend benefits to totally disabled of any age and lower the age maximum for female beneficiaries from 65 to 60 years.

The proposals would lift the taxable salary base from \$250 to \$500 a month, raising the maximum retirement payment for a single person from \$44 to \$74.25 a month.

The family maximum payment is now \$85 and the proposed maximum would be \$120. Miller said the expansion could be put into effect without an immediate increase in the payroll tax.

# Wallace To Speak At Vanport School

PORTLAND, May 21 (AP)—Vanport college students will celebrate the first anniversary of the school Monday, opening the all-day program with an assembly talk by Henry A. Wallace.

The school, opened a year ago with 221 students, now has 1400.

The former vice president and cabinet member will speak from an outdoor platform at the school at 10 a. m. and at noon will participate in a tree planting ceremony.

# GIRL WOUNDED

HOOD RIVER, May 21 (AP)—Eighteen-year-old Mary Lou Sparks was in the hospital here today with a gun wound in the abdomen and attendants said her condition was serious.

Officials reported the girl was shot while in the garden at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sparks, and that the gun, believed a .45 caliber pistol, had not been found.

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# Girl Scout News

**Brownies**  
Mrs. Ivan Trapp and Mrs. O. J. Hardin took their Brownie troop 22 of Henley on a hike and had a picnic lunch at Moore park, Saturday, May 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Shepard of the Y cafe at the Lakeview junction entertained the troop and its leaders with music and served ice cream on their return from the park. Mrs. John Hess was a guest.

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# HIGH SCHOOL News Notes and Comment

By MARY O'BRIEN

Culminating another year of activity, the Pep Peppers held their annual mother-daughter banquet last night in the Willard hotel. Highlight of the affair came when Marilyn O'Neill turned the club's gavel over to the newly-elected president, Doris Ethridge. Mary Lou Case, Judy Larson, and Lois Larson were the other girls elected to fill the positions of vice president, secretary, and treasurer.



Parents and Patrons annually sponsor the informal senior banquet to be held tonight at 6:30 in the school cafeteria. Individual placecards have been made for each of the seniors and the tables decorated by a committee of junior girls. Senior mothers cook the banquet meal every year and this year when Marilyn O'Neill turned the club's gavel over to the newly-elected president, Doris Ethridge, Mary Lou Case, Judy Larson, and Lois Larson were the other girls elected to fill the positions of vice president, secretary, and treasurer.

During the evening the outstanding Pep Pepper of the '46-'47 school year, Connie Hunt, was presented with the traditional gold identification bracelet. The second highest Pepper, Marilyn McLellan, was given a bouquet of red roses. The retiring officers—Joyce Sample, Mary Ann Mills and Jean Hilton—were each presented with gold or silver compact with their names engraved on them and the outgoing president, Marilyn O'Neill, received as her gift the complete works of Shakespeare. Lillian Redkey, adviser, and her assistant, Margaret Strode, were also presented with gifts.

The banquet tables were decorated with red streamers and red peppers. The head table had several arrangements of red and white carnations. The very clever placecards were miniature color figures

of Pep Peppers with the girls' snaps pasted on for faces.

The program of entertainment got under way with the reading of the Pep Peppers prophecy by co-authors, Shirley Dalton and Joanne Albee. Cherie Mahan played two Chopin piano solos, "Fantasy Impromptu" and "Minute Waltz." "Calm as the Night" was the chosen solo of Soprano Betty Glidden, who was accompanied by Barbara Zinn.

As planned previously, the Tri-Hi-Y will hold the big all-school picnic at Moore park this Sunday, May 25. If the affair goes off as well as expected the girls will make it an annual event. Picnic chairman is Connie Hunt, president of the Tri-Hi-Y this past year. Committee heads assisting her are Joyce Sample, food committee; Marilyn McLellan, recreation; and Jean Hilton, publicity. There will be a softball exhibition game, sack races and pie-eating contests along with heaps of other fun. Club members will sell the tickets in the near future.

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