

# Stevenson May Be Ready For Democratic 'Draft'

By JACK BELL.  
SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson of Illinois apparently is doing nothing to discourage the rapidly growing assumption that he will not refuse the Democratic presidential nomination if it comes his way.

Although the governor returns a steadfast "no comment" to questions about a possible draft, his friends say he has not taken advantage of numerous opportunities quietly to scotch their moves.

# Iranian Oil Outbound

ROME (AP) — Fifteen thousand tons of Iranian oil are on the high seas in three tankers bound for foreign ports in defiance of British warnings, Italian agents said Friday.

The cargoes, destined for Switzerland and Norway, are believed to be the first bulk sales since Iran nationalized the Anglo-Iranian Oil Co.

The agents said the purchasers agreed to buy the oil at 18 percent below the prevailing world market price.

Anglo-Iranian has threatened legal action against anyone purchasing Iranian oil while the nationalization issue remains unsettled. The matter is now being argued before the World Court at The Hague.

# Local Girl High Judge

Shirley Sehorn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Sehorn who is attending Girls' State at Eugene this week was sworn in at the Capitol yesterday as chief justice during inauguration ceremonies.

The girl legislators opened legislative sessions in the House and Senate this morning.

Anne Ehrlich, Portland, is president of the Senate and Shirley Gray, Independence, is speaker of the House.

Sponsored for Girls' State from here also were Trudy Bramlett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bramlett and Mary Ann Guide.

# Hudson House Wins Pay Hike

PORTLAND (AP) — Employees of Hudson House at Portland, Salem and The Dalles who are represented by the AFL Oregon Cannery Council, have won wage boosts and other benefits, union officials said Thursday.

About 800 workers are affected, E. B. Benjamin of Salem, council president, said.

Talks are scheduled shortly with Birds-Eye and other employers, he said.

The Hudson House agreement calls for hourly wage increases ranging from 3 to 5 cents; two additional paid holidays; shift differentials of 5 and 10 cents; two weeks vacation after three years; and dues check-off.

pointed in that direction.

Jacob Arvey, Illinois national committeeman, tells all corners that Stevenson will respond to a draft. All the governor says, publicly and privately is that he doesn't believe any draft will take place. He says all he wants to do is run for re-election.

But if Arvey and others have their way, there will be a movement at the Chicago convention next month to put Stevenson in the race. He probably will get Illinois votes on the first ballot. If New York and Michigan then swing behind him, a bandwagon movement might be started.

Stevenson looks good to many Democrats as a potential nominee because (1) he has proved he can carry vital Illinois; (2) has a clean-up record which would offset Republican "corruption" shouts against the Democrats; (3) is for continuity in the administration's foreign affairs program; and (4) supports the civil rights proposals without being obnoxious to rebelious Dixie Democrats.

On the other hand, Stevenson appears to be one of those rare politicians who really doesn't pin to be president. He would rather be governor again and finish his efforts to reorganize Illinois.

# Reds Hold Captives

BERLIN (AP) — The Russians Friday freed one German they had kidnapped from West Berlin, but they defied a British protest by continuing to hold two West Berlin newspaper men seized at the same time.

A young West Berlin woman also was arrested by Communist police Thursday night and was still in their custody. She was the first victim of a new Communist decree which extended to Berlin's boundaries the same severe measures which have sealed the East-West German frontier.

This decree, issued Thursday night, was the latest move in the Communist campaign to squeeze out of West Berlin the Allies' last stronghold behind the Iron Curtain.

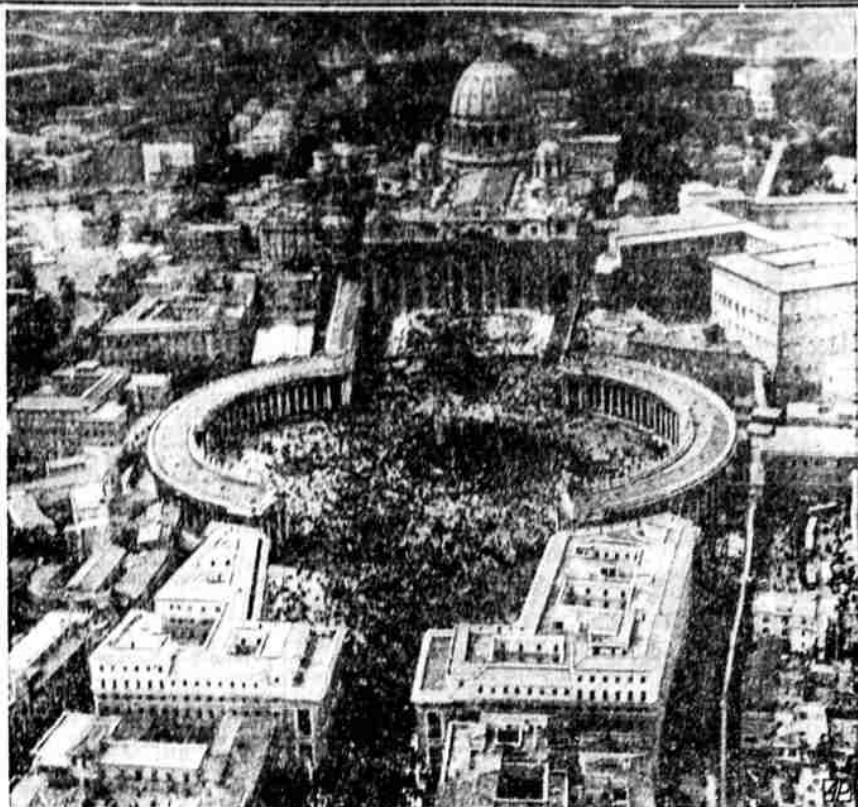
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PILGRIMS MEET FOR PAPAL BLESSING — Saint Peter's Square, Vatican City, is dotted with faithful gathering to receive the Easter Sunday blessing of Pope Pius XII.

# Communist Negotiator Cites U.N. Weaknesses

MUNSEAN, Korea (AP) — The chief Communist negotiator in the stalled Korean truce talks Friday said the United Nations "is in no position to dictate anything either on the battlefield or in this conference."

The blast by North Korean Gen. Nam Il came at a 15-minute progress session at Panmunjom, one of the shortest in weeks. Otherwise, Nam used softer words for the second straight day but remained unyielding on the final issue blocking an armistice — prisoner exchange.

Maj. Gen. William K. Harrison, the chief Allied negotiator, agreed to another session Saturday at 11 a.m. (6 p.m. PST Friday). But he hinted to newspaper afterward that the U.N. may impose another recess if the Reds continue their propaganda blasts.

A Red charge that three civilians wounded by Allied artillery last week backfired on the Communists at meetings of liaison officers

before and after the main truce sessions.

Marine Col. James C. Murray told the Reds they had been keeping combat troops within the zone.

Another meeting of liaison officers was set on this question, which was not discussed by the senior delegates.

Harrison held a whispered conference with his aides before agreeing to Saturday's top-level session.

"We considered whether it was worthwhile to come back tomorrow," Harrison told newsmen.

The Allies took a three-day walk-out last week in an unsuccessful effort to needle the Communists to change their insistence on return of all 100,000 Allied-held prisoners.

# State Forester Returns to Duty

SALEM (AP) — Col. George Spaur, Oregon state forester who has been on military leave since October, 1950, is expected to return to his desk in a few days.

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# Jail Term For Knife Attack

A Negro barber shop janitor received a badly lacerated hand and another Negro was lodged in the County Jail, booked for assault with a dangerous weapon, as the result of a scuffle near the S. 6th viaduct late Thursday afternoon.

In the lockup is Maurice Berry, 37, a Southern Pacific extra gang hand from Kirk.

He admitted knifed Charles Lewis, 518 Broad, who works at a downtown barber shop.

A Southern Pacific railway special officer, driving down So. 6th, saw the altercation and captured Berry.

He said he saw Berry and Lewis walking near the viaduct, with Lewis slightly in the lead, and then saw Berry dart forward and knock Lewis to the ground.

Then, the witness said, Berry whipped out a knife and started cutting at the downed Lewis.

The railroad officer jumped out of his car and subdued Berry, then started to bring both men into town. Lewis was transferred to a

City Police car and taken to a physician's office for treatment of his cut hand.

Berry said he attacked Lewis because the latter had taken some money from him. But when Lewis was searched, he had no money at all.

Berry, officers learned, had been in town three or four days and had been drinking during the afternoon.

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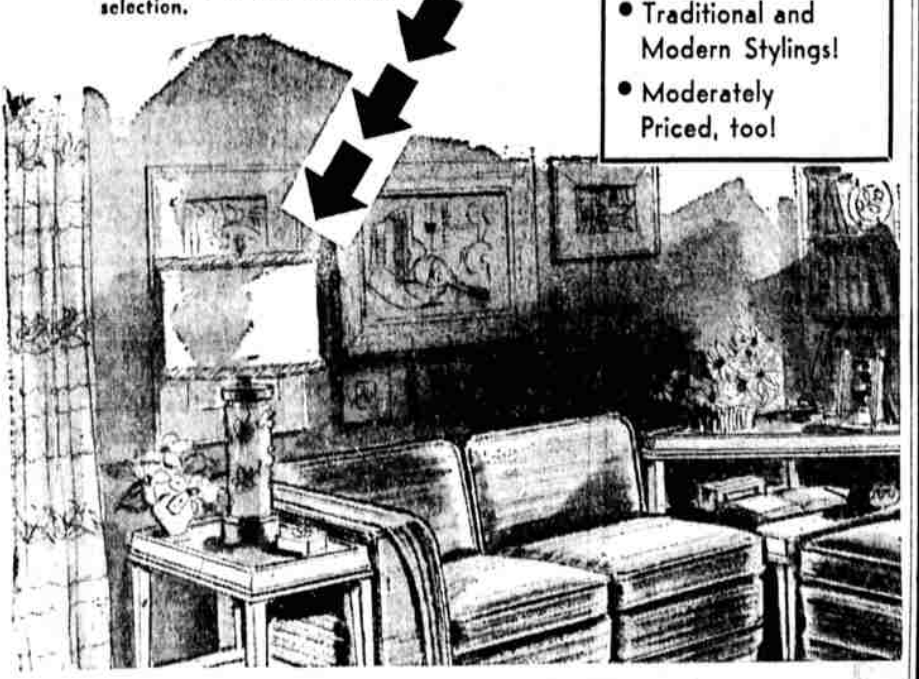
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