



**ENGINEERING FEAT**—Huge center section of pre-stressed concrete bridge is hoisted in place on 10 1/2-mile Venezuela highway between Caracas and seaport town of La Guaira.



**POPULAR LIFEGUARD**—Lifeguard Joyce Mitchell, 15, has the boys "drowning" all over the place when she comes on duty at Oakland City swimming pool in Atlanta, Ga.

# Stevenson Question Looms As Demo Convention Nears

By HELMAN MORIN  
CHICAGO (AP)—The Democrats are streaming into Chicago to nominate a presidential candidate in a convention they forecast will be rough, rugged and wide open. They open full sessions next Monday.  
Before then, they hope a large and perplexing question will be settled—what will Adlai Stevenson do, and what will the convention do about Stevenson. The long shadow of the governor of Illinois hangs heavily over the whole party right now.  
For months, his name had been bandied about as the probable Democratic candidate. He is reported to be in to have been President Truman's personal choice for that role.  
Stevenson repeatedly has insisted he doesn't want it, and that all he does want is another term in the governor's office in Springfield.  
Sunday, at Camp Ripley, Minn., he told a Minnesota delegate to the Democratic National Convention: "No politician can say he would refuse a draft."  
In Washington, Sen. Richard Nixon, the Republican vice presidential nominee, told a reporter that Stevenson is the strongest possible Democratic candidate.  
But until the probability of a draft action by the convention has been settled finally, he will continue to be the great x-factor in the Democratic equation.  
Meanwhile, the avowed and announced candidates are due here within the next few days.  
They are Senators Estes Kefauver of Tennessee, Richard B. Russell of Georgia, Robert Kerr of Oklahoma, Brian McMahon of Connecticut, Vice President Alben Barkley, and W. Averell Harriman, of New York, director of the Mutual Security Administration of a draft Sunday and said he

saw little possibility of one. "A draft would imply the bankruptcy of the party," Sullivan said. "We have a lot of fine candidates," Sullivan was one of the first of the principal Democratic figures to arrive in Chicago.  
The backers of Sen. Russell were a few hours earlier, and they were quick to seize the advantage. They set up headquarters, called a news conference Sunday afternoon, and had Sen. John Sparkman of Alabama as the spokesman.  
Sparkman said, among other things:  
1. Russell's chances of winning the candidacy are stronger now than the Republicans have picked Dwight D. Eisenhower. (There has long been a belief that Stevenson would not run against Eisenhower, but might accept a draft if Sen. Robert A. Taft had been the nominee.)  
2. Russell will not lose "a single electoral vote" from among the Southern states if he is nominated.  
3. "However, we would be blind if we failed to recognize the extent of Eisenhower's popularity in the south."  
4. Russell's greatest handicap lies in the popular belief—totally that he is a "sectional candidate." Sparkman said the senator's whole record belies any evidence of sec-

tionism in his thinking or action. All of which brought up the issue of a civil rights plank in the Democratic platform.  
Sparkman said the Republican plank was vague and formless, and predicted the Democrats would write one "far more fair and frank."  
The President has demanded an F.E.P.C. backed by federal law. Large sections of the party go with him. Russell and the Southern senators do not.  
But there won't be a walkout, as there was in 1948, Sparkman predicted.

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## It Happened This Way New Pine Creek

By IRVIN FARIS

Now that the Fourth is history everyone can settle down to the old bread n' butter routine about plain but upon which all depend for individual and mutual happiness. To do our bit in the national scheme renders unto us that important feeling of belonging. That is a soulful thing—and the justification of our existence—indispensable to happiness.  
Nor do we mean to belittle the importance of our holidays! They work like a balanced team along with the humdrum. It's time out when they come along—a breather—sometimes seemingly forced upon us like a hot sun boring down or a needed storm that persists so violently as often to disturb our equanimity. But they are much needed like the frosting on the cake.  
They give us a better understanding of values. With understanding comes peace of mind that nurtures contentment and therefore—his good.  
Such is the effect of the East Side Grange sponsored community picnic up Pine Creek Canyon on the Fourth. It was not exactly largely attended by the membership or by the community but nevertheless there was a goodly crowd who had a genuine moment of relaxation, invigorated spiritually if not physically, with larger memories and sore muscles.  
The foot races included everyone ranging from three year old floozies to the granddaddies—hardly anyone was left out. There were plenty there for two soft ball teams who vied for seven innings in more or less a "Comedy of Errors" for supremacy. Very wonderful Carrol Cloud and George Carleton—the latter's aggregation winning 18 to 14. Everyone had a lot of fun—a few tumbles and a lot of sore muscles the next day or two—but what the heck! Wonderful sets of most every variety, with an abundance of grand, homemade cakes and super-abundance of delicious ice-cream and punch—all of which made the event fitting enough to remind us that the day our nation was founded was a great day for us and our children's children.  
The Partin family reunion held at the Roy Partin home on July 4, was both a celebration of our Day of Independence and a day to honor the mother. Mrs. Lydia Smith who is 88 years old. All of her five children were present—Roy, Mark, Bill, George and Hattie (Partin) Thompson. They feasted and the children frolicked. All tightened the bonds of family relationship in reminiscence and increased knowledge of each others

problems and points of well-being.  
Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George Partin of Prineville; Mr. and Mrs. William Partin and daughter of South Prairie, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Mark Partin and daughter, Sylvia, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Partin of Prineville; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Partin and daughter, Joyce of Prineville; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Partin and three children, Joyce, Judy, and Thomas, of Prineville; Mr. and Mrs. James Partin of San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Partin and son, Melvin of Ft. Bidwell, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Anderson and girls, Shari and Barbara, of Canby; Mrs. Arlie Thompson of Central Point, Ore.; Miss Martha Gifford of Medford; Mrs. Hazel Klough of Santa Rosa, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Partin and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moore and daughter of Prineville. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Evans spent the Fourth visiting Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Chipley and other relatives at Delicart, California, a mill camp town up in a beautiful, mountainous setting along the Feather River Canyon. They had a very fine time having left on Thursday evening and returning Sunday evening.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jess Clements of Granite City, Ill. (Mrs. Clements is a niece of Tom Dick and Mrs. Grantham's eldest daughter) were here visiting over the weekend. They went on to Dallas, Texas.  
Michigan State wrestling coach Fendley Collins was undefeated throughout his undergraduate wrestling career at Oklahoma A. & M.

## Food Poison Victims OK

PORTLAND (AP)—Only a few of the 138 persons stricken with food poisoning at Saturday's Boiler-makers' picnic, remained in hospitals here Monday.  
Most of them were released Sunday after being treated for the acutely uncomfortable but seldom fatal illness.  
Results of laboratory tests of the food served at the picnic were to be reported Monday, Dr. Thomas L. Meador, city health officer said.  
He speculated that the symptoms of severe stomach cramps and nausea were caused by staphylococcus toxin, a poison which forms in certain spoiled food.  
The sickness broke out shortly after 11:30 a.m. when the first food was served. The number of stricken mounted throughout the day. Ambulances were called to haul the sick to Portland hospitals.  
Traffic became stalled when a Portland radio station urged listeners to rush to the scene to help. The traffic tangle slowed the ambulances.  
Meantime police, the Red Cross and health officers hurried to the park not far from the Portland city limits to administer first aid.  
Boilermakers at first barred reporters from the scene and one newspaperman reported that his camera was smashed.  
One reporter who got in when the sickness was at its height, said that approximately 150 persons—men, women and children—were sick.  
Many hospitals were jammed to capacity through the night.



**A CROWN ON HER HEAD**—Miss Universe, blonde Armi Kuusela, 18, who represented Finland, wears crown after winning beauty pageant contest at Long Beach, Cal.

## Police Mull Child's Death

PORTLAND (AP)—Investigation continued Monday of the death Saturday of the 3-month-old daughter of John Henry Rhodes, 26.  
Rhodes, a Negro musician, was held in jail here on a fugitive warrant from Seattle where he is accused of grand larceny.  
He was arrested at Hood River Sunday. He fled there after his child suffered a fatal head injury. Detectives said Rhodes took the child to a doctor and told him she was struck on the head when the wind blew a door closed.  
After his arrest, police said Rhodes told them the girl was injured when she fell from a bed.

**ALDERMAN DIES**  
SALEM, (AP)—Albert H. Gille, 65, a long time Salem alderman and head of the tax roll division of the State Forestry Department, died here Friday.  
He had been ill in a hospital here since Tuesday.

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## Yugo Army in Top Condition

SALEM, (AP)—The Communist Yugoslavia looked forward Monday to stepped up American military aid—including jet planes, tanks and heavy artillery—after a ranking U. S. military team found Premier Marshal Tito's fighting forces in excellent shape.  
The decision to greatly strengthen the American aid program in this Anti-Soviet ally was announced Sunday night at a formal dinner given by Tito at his summer palace here for the U. S. mission headed by Frank C. Nash, special assistant to Defense Secretary Robert Lovett.  
Four U. S. generals present gave a highly favorable report of their first-hand inspection of Yugoslav forces and their use of the limited American aid already received.  
The American officers were Maj. Gen. George Alnsted, director for military assistance, Maj. Gen. Clyde D. Eddleman, deputy chief of staff; Maj. Gen. George J. Richards, chief of the military assistance group in Paris, and Brig. Gen. John W. Harmony, head of the military assistance program in Yugoslavia.  
The generals reported that the

## Couples Have Smashing Time

KANSAS CITY (AP)—Two Brothers-in-law and their families planned to meet at a restaurant for dinner Sunday night.  
They met sooner than they expected. While enroute to the restaurant, their cars collided at an intersection.  
The men, John J. Shockey and Carl Markus, said they recognized each other just before the crash. Mrs. Shockey suffered head injuries and was hospitalized.  
Yugoslavia's greatest needs were planes and heavy armor.  
Their supply of small arms was reported as adequate, and the training, conditions and morale of troops was described as excellent.  
The Yugoslavs were told they would be furnished equipment that would enable them to fight an offensive as well as defensive war if attacked.  
Previous aid in light equipment had been extended on the theory that Yugoslavia's role against a future aggressor would be limited chiefly to holding actions and guerrilla warfare.

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