

## GOP Position of Senate Floor Leader May Touch Off Fight Among Republicans

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Congressional Republicans bickered over the spoils of the Eisenhower landslide victory today as the President-elect prepared to send his first invasion wave into Washington.

Senate GOP members found themselves embroiled in a possibly bitter fight over their party floor leadership.

Sen. Styles Bridges of New Hampshire spread the word he would rather be temporary president of that body—and third in the line of succession for the presidency—than keep the job he now holds. Republican floor leader, Bridges also can be chairman of Appropriations or Armed Services Committees in a Republican-controlled Senate.

Senators Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts, Homer Ferguson of Michigan, William Knowland of California, Homer Caphart of Indiana, Bourke B. Hickenlooper of Iowa and Everett Dirksen of Illinois were projected by speculation into the scramble.

Although Saltonstall was the only early and enthusiastic Eisenhower backer in this group, it seemed likely that Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio—still commander of the Republican policy makers—would have a great deal to say about the choice of the floor manager.

Taft also indicated in Cincinnati he may take a seat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in

preparation for active participation in foreign policy decisions.

The Ohio senator lost the nomination to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, but his campaign support of the GOP nominee assures him a major voice in Senate affairs.

Caphart and Dirksen were original Taft supporters. Hickenlooper and Ferguson were neutrals until after the nominating convention. Knowland supported Gov. Earl Warren of California but worked for Eisenhower after the nomination.

Sen. Richard Nixon, who said yesterday he will resign before the new Congress meets to give an appointee of Warren a break on seniority, hinted that Eisenhower will interest himself personally in selection of the floor leader. Nixon will take over as vice president Jan. 20.

Nixon's hint was interpreted as a sign that Eisenhower might back Knowland.

There were no advance indications of a squabble for power among House Republicans. Rep. Joseph Martin, Jr., of Massachusetts, is not likely to be opposed for speaker of the House, a post he held during the Republican-controlled 80th Congress.

The \$30,000 a year job puts the speaker second in line of Presidential succession, right behind the Vice President.

Rep. Charles Halleck of Indiana, floor leader when Republicans last were in power in 1947-48, is expected to take the job again in the 81st Congress.

In most cases, the men to whom chairmanship of the key House committees will fall have been outspoken critics of the Truman administration.

And the men who will head the key financial committees all have backed legislation to reduce taxes, restrict controls and cut spending.

Rep. John Taber of New York will take over as chairman of the powerful appropriations committee. Rep. Jesse Wolcott of Michigan of the Banking Committee and Rep. Dan Reed of New York of the Ways and Means Committee.

In foreign affairs, the committee chairmen will be men who are strong critics of all-out foreign spending and of the draft.

Rep. Robert Chipfield of Illinois, who'll head the Foreign Affairs Committee, has long been a critic of the Truman foreign policy.

Rep. Dewey Short of Missouri, new Armed Services Committee chief, has been opposed to the draft and universal military training.

Eisenhower said at Augusta, Ga., where he is vacationing, that he wants to put his men in touch with the operations of government as soon as possible.

## Juckeland New Kiwanis Boss

Hans O. Juckeland, Klamath Falls auto and truck sales executive, was elected president of the Klamath Falls Kiwanis Club yesterday replacing Russ Marshall.

John Van Doren was named vice president, and Bert Thomas was re-elected to the post of treasurer.

Named to the club's board of directors during voting held at the regular weekly Kiwanis meeting were:

Robert Smith, Roy Murphy, Robert Kent, Marion Grant, Joe LaClair, Keith Cobo, Glen L. Evans and Howard Stroud.

## Hiss Applies For Parole

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Justice Department says Alger Hiss has formally applied for parole from the Lewisburg, Pa., Federal Penitentiary.

Hiss, a former State Department employe, was convicted of perjury in 1950 in denying he gave secret documents to a Communist courier and began serving a five-year term in March, 1951. He becomes eligible for parole Nov. 21, when he will have completed one-third of his time in prison.

The five-man parole board will hold a hearing next week, possibly Wednesday. If Hiss' application is approved, he could leave prison Nov. 21.

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