



PROMOTION WARRANT to staff sergeant was presented to Glen V. Jackson, left, by Col. Robert Venn, commanding officer of the 2nd recruit training battalion, San Diego Marine Corps base, Jackson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hoerth, 1767 Ivory Street. Before entering the service in July 1949 he was graduated from Klamath Union High School.

### Building Costs Cut Zoo Work

PORTLAND (AP) — Construction plans for the Portland zoo are being cut by more than one-fourth because of a rise in building costs, the zoo commission announced Monday.

The commission approved a committee report recommending that one million dollars worth of construction be dropped from the proposed \$3,000,000 zoo. This will not cause a major change in the overall zoo layout, the commission said, since omitted work can be added later as funds become available.

Construction costs were reported up 18.3 per cent since voters approved money for the zoo in 1954.

### Democrats Gain Six Seats In California Legislature

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Democrats have picked up six seats from Republicans in the last 13 special elections for the Legislature and haven't lost a single district to the GOP.

Does that indicate a Democratic tidal wave and a good chance that Republicans will lose control of the Legislature in 1956 for the first time in modern California history?

Republican State Chairman Thomas W. Caldecott, a legislator himself, doesn't think so.

Caldecott admits Republicans can't find comfort in special election results the last two years. But he refuses to push the panic button and concede the trend is toward Democratic majorities in the Assembly and Senate next year.

"I don't think the special election results indicate a Democratic sweep in the Legislature next year," he said. "I think we'll pick up seats in the Assembly, possibly get back to 50 or 51."

"And I don't think Democrats will carry the Senate. But Republicans are going to have to fight."

With the two Democratic victories in the First Senatorial District and Eighth Assembly District last week, the current alignment in the Legislature is:

Assembly: Republicans 44, Democrats 39, three seats vacant.

Senate: Republicans 22, Democrats 18.

At the opening of the session in March 1955, the lineup was: Assembly: Republicans 53, Democrats 27.

Senate: Republicans 29, Democrats 11.

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