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California Demos Predict November Landslide

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—What happened in California's primary election Tuesday? Why the big Democratic splash? Probably no one reason can explain. A number of factors appear to fit into the complex pattern of California politics that background the election figures.

Something similar happened in 1954. It didn't create the same stir, however, because a national figure like Sen. William F. Knowland wasn't involved. And the Democratic margin wasn't as great.

Four years ago, the California ballot began to identify candidates as either "Dem." or "Rep." for the first time. Democrats — who outregistered the Republicans 3-2 — harnessed their big vote and nominated a full slate for state officers.

But in November, Californians returned to their old independent voting ways. They ignored party lines. Every Democrat running for statewide office was defeated — except one. That was Atty. Gen. Edmund G. Brown.

Republicans think they can win again next November. But Democratic party leaders are openly talking about a landslide. They feel the voters are ready for a change.

There's no doubt the primary showed a definite party resurgence in California. One test is the huge vote rolled up by Brown, leading his ticket as the Democratic candidate for governor.

Republicans pointed out that Knowland devoted only 14 days in the state to his primary campaign. That was all he needed for the Republican gubernatorial nomination. It's true. But Brown, who barnstormed for weeks, walked off with the high popular vote by more than 500,000.

Gov. Goodwin Knight campaigned strenuously in his Republican race for the U.S. Senate. But Knowland outdrew him. More important, so did the Democratic nominee, Rep. Clair Engle of Red Bluff.

Just about everyone cross-filed in hopes of winning both nominations. Nobody did except a handful of state legislators and congressmen, and nearly all of these were Democrats.

Knowland's split with Knight apparently didn't hurt him on the Republican ticket. He lost votes among Democrats and independents without whose support no Republican can win in California. The Republican senator undoubtedly lost the labor vote which helped former Gov. Earl Warren and Knight to overcome the handicap of the top-heavy Democratic registration. Knowland's call for a "union democracy" pro-gram, including legislation to outlaw the union shop, brought all-out opposition by union leaders.

Just to keep the picture complicated, remember that Knight was actively supported by California AFL leaders and shared for a "union democracy" pro-gram. The AFL's Senate endorsement with Engle. Knight's vote suggests the rank-and-file may have voted for Engle.

TALLEST MOSAIC
SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (UP) — The world's tallest mosaic has been created by Thurston Munson for the Church of the Holy Cross at South Portland, Maine. It is seven feet wide and 94 feet tall, and contains more than 235,000 pieces of Venetian glass. It depicts the life of Christ from the nativity to the resurrection.

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USCG Halts Golden Rule

HONOLULU (AP) — Coast Guardsmen stopped pacifists from sailing the ketch Golden Rule toward the Atomic Energy Commission's test area again yesterday — this time on the high seas.

Albert Smith Bigelow, Cos Cob, Conn., the Golden Rule's skipper, was arrested before the ketch sailed on a charge that he conspired to violate a federal court injunction against the sailing.

William Huntington, St. James, Long Island, N.Y., returned to Honolulu, providing a navigator just in time to get the 30-foot vessel under way.

George Willoughby, Blackwood Terrace, N.J., one of the crew, said the ketch was well outside the three-mile territorial limit when the Coast Guard caught up. Huntington was arrested on the return to Honolulu.

Because of the doctrine of hot pursuit, it made no difference that the ketch was nabbed outside the limit of United States jurisdiction, said Asst. U.S. Atty. Edgar D. Crumpacker. The doctrine holds that a criminal can be pursued across a border and that his capture in such cases is legal.

A previous attempt to sail was made May 1. That resulted in Judge Jon Wigg finding the crew guilty of violating his injunction against the trip. He gave them suspended sentences and put them on probation for a year in that time.

Other crewmen are Orion Sherwood, Poughkeepsie, N.Y., and James Peck, New York City. Bigelow, Huntington and Willoughby are Quakers. Sherwood is a Methodist. Peck says he is a non-religious pacifist.

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