

Roman Catholic Leaders Troublesome To Kennedy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Labor leaders and Roman Catholic governors—who some might assume would be his best rooters—are proving troublesome to the presidential aspirations of Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.).

The three governors are threatening to prevent Kennedy, also a Roman Catholic, from competing for about 200 presidential nominating ballots he may need badly at next year's Los Angeles convention. These votes add up to

nearly one-third of the 680-odd likely to be required to win the nomination.

The labor leaders, who loved him in April when he was fighting their battles against what they regarded as punitive labor control legislation, are cooling on him in August as the prospects increase for congressional approval of a strong labor bill.

The political blockade presented to Kennedy by the three Catholic governors, Edmund G. (Pat)

Brown of California, Michael V. DiSalle of Ohio and David L. Lawrence of Pennsylvania, may not be entirely insurmountable, in the view of Kennedy's friends.

Much as he would like to test his popularity in California, Kennedy obviously isn't going to cross Brown in the latter's determination to become at least a favorite son—and possibly a national candidate for the party's No. 1 nomination.

But the story may be different

in the case of DiSalle and Lawrence. Unless his present intentions change, Kennedy is likely to challenge in the May 3 Ohio primary DiSalle's plan to control an uncommitted delegation as a favorite son.

Kennedy's confidence of his strength in such primary tests has been bolstered by recent peace overtures made to him in behalf of Gov. J. Millard Tawes of Maryland.

Tawes has wanted to keep

Maryland's delegation uncommitted. Kennedy has made it plain that in such an event he would move into that state's May 17 primary. The senator and the governor will get together in a couple of weeks to see what they can work out.

It is no secret that Kennedy is miffed at what he regards as Lawrence's desire to hold a publicly uncommitted Pennsylvania delegation in reserve to support Adlai E. Stevenson if the latter's name comes up for the third time in the presidential nomination contest.

Kennedy is toying with the idea

of entering the state's April 26 primary, despite the obvious drawbacks of such a move.

The labor leaders are barking at Kennedy in the hope that he can influence the Senate-House Conference Committee over which he is presiding to produce a compromise labor bill softer than the version passed by the House.

Kennedy thinks a compromise will be reached. But its curbs on blackmail picketing and secondary boycotts are not likely to be accepted by the labor leaders without loud and lengthy complaints.

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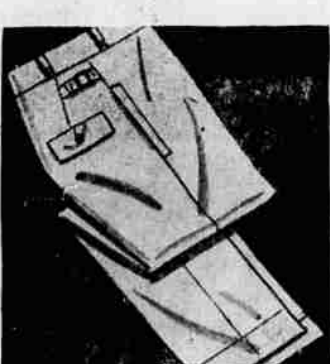
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