

Six Hopefuls For Chief Not Always As Frisky As They Appear Today

WASHINGTON (AP) — The six men currently regarded as top contenders for presidential nominations this year were not always as frisky as they appear today. The ills of the flesh have assailed in varying degrees all of those who figured prominently in a campaign likely to put a premium on physical stamina. In seven years in office President Eisenhower has had three serious illnesses, including a heart attack, and voters can be expected to pay more than ordinary attention to the health of the prospective candidates. As the likely Republican nominee, Vice President Richard M.

Nixon maintains that he has no worries on that score. But vigorous as he appears, Nixon at 47 is subject in times of stress to what he calls a nervous stomach. He also has a touch of hay fever now and then. Because he has high blood pressure, Nixon watches his diet closely, particularly while campaigning. Doctors keep a check on his cholesterol (blood fat) content because of his blood pressure. Aside from infrequent rounds of golf, Nixon takes little exercise except to walk from his office in the Senate office building to the Capitol, a distance of about two city blocks, a couple of times a day. Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass), 42, an avowed candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, gives every evidence of having recovered from a spinal injury for which he underwent surgery in October 1954. Kennedy was injured when the torpedo boat he commanded in World War II was hit by a Japanese destroyer. He first was operated on in 1945 but his condition worsened in the early months of 1954 and he was forced to use crutches. He was on the operating table four hours that year, and returned to the hospital in February 1955 for removal of a metal plate that appeared to be slowing his recovery. Those who see Kennedy slide down comfortably in a chair these days and toss his leg casually over its arm are convinced he has no further spinal trouble. Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.), 48, another avowed candidate, has not had a serious illness since pneumonia almost took his life when he was 7 years old. However, he has had two operations, one for a double hernia, and the other an appendectomy. Those who see Humphrey going at top speed on long-hour days have no fears about his health. Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas, who obviously is available for his party's top nomination, is the only one of the group who has had a recorded heart attack. Johnson, now 51, was stricken at the home of a friend in Middleburg, Va., in July 1955 with what was described as a moderately severe heart attack. He had been operated on in March of that year for removal of a kidney stone. Johnson is something of a despair to his wife and doctors who want him to take things a lot easier than he does. But the Democratic leader is a wound-up man who has trouble slowing down, even when he takes a rest on his Texas ranch. None of his colleagues gives a thought these days to the Johnson heart attack. His dynamo has not slowed down and he seems in vigorous health. And President Eisenhower's recovery from his heart attack has gone a long way to remove that ailment as a barrier to election to the presidency. Like Nixon, Sen. Stuart Symington (D-Mo) has been bothered in the past by high blood pressure. Symington, 53, is an unannounced candidate who says he would like to be president. Symington's recovery from a March 1947 sympathectomy appears to have been complete. This is a delicate operation in which the sympathetic nerves to the spine are severed to relieve high blood pressure. A golfer who often shoots in the 70s, Symington was back on the course three months after the operation. He says he feels fine physically and looks it. Adlai E. Stevenson, who currently is avoiding being proposed as a potential nominee, has had kidney stone trouble, like Johnson. In June 1952 shortly before he was nominated for president by the Democrats the first time, Stevenson underwent an operation for removal of kidney stones. He had a similar operation in April 1954. However, Stevenson's doctors annually pronounce him in good health. He is now 60 and the pace he maintains indicates he has few worries on that score. Although not regarded as among the top contenders, Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore) has declared himself a serious candidate for the nomination. The 59-year-old Morse has had some difficulties with animals. At an Orkney Springs, Va., saddle horse show in 1951 Morse was knocked cold by a horse's kick. The senator suffered a broken jaw and lost some teeth. In 1949 he was injured when he was thrown to the ground in a sulky race at Salem, Ore. In 1953 Morse collapsed in the Senate reading room after a two-hour speech opposing confirmation of Charles E. Wilson as secretary of defense. He attributed this to what he called a "codeine blackout," explaining he had been taking the pain-killing drug because his injured jawbone had been scraped to remove a slight infection.



DIANA MARDEAN HAYES, employe at the J. J. Newberry Company store, was the first model to respond to Beach's Jeweler's big Sunday ad inviting 100 feminine models to apply to display Beach's Jeweler's dinner rings. She is shown making good her agreement by displaying one of the dinner rings to the Herald and News' more than 15,500 subscribers.

CITY BRIEFS

Isabelle Braxner and Mrs. Dick Owens will appear on the program at the annual meeting of Eulalona Chapter, DAR, Monday, February 1, at 8 p.m. in the community lounge. There will be election and installation of officers.

Merry Mixers square dancers will hold a rummage sale just one day, Saturday, January 30, beginning at 8 a.m. in the Pelican Theater Building. Anyone wishing to donate rummage, please call TU 4-4482.

Pauline Shaw, publicity chairman for the BPW Club, announces the group's regular meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. February 1, in the city library building, Fifth Street and Klamath Avenue. Tickets will be one dollar. Bring a potluck dish and own table service. Entertainment provided and guests invited.

A Dance for GI's from ages 21 to 101 will be held Saturday night, January 30, in the VFW Hall. No cover charge. Music by Louie and Ozzie.

Mrs. George Proctor will speak before the Klamath Chapter, Daughters of American Colonists, at a luncheon meeting in the Pelican Party Room at noon Saturday, January 30.

International Footprinters will have their installation of officers and first business meeting of the year at a 6:30 p.m. dinner at Sari's Restaurant, Friday, January 29. There will be committee reports.

Knife and Fork Club has invited Toni Gauer, a versatile Swiss instrumentalist, to speak and perform during a banquet Thursday evening, beginning at 6:45 in the Willard Hotel.

James E. Mellentine, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mellentine of 317 North Ninth Street, was promoted to Navy seaman while serving on the staff of the commander of an amphibious corps, aboard the Pacific Fleet amphibious force flagship Eldorado, recently.

Roger L. Bennett, Navy midshipman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matt A. Bennett, 1720 Johnson Street, has been named to the superintendent's list of high academic averages for the second half of the first term at the Naval Academy, Annapolis.

S. J. Connolly, 81, formerly of Klamath Falls, was hospitalized with a serious illness at Polson, Montana, recently, where he is retired. Connolly lived here many years and operated a saddle shop on Main Street.

KUHS Parents and Patrons meet at 8 p.m. Monday in the high school cafeteria. Richard B. Farnsworth of San Francisco, representing the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, will speak on "Forward Look in Education."

A Film, "The Stones Cry Out," sponsored by the Interscholarship Christian Fellowship at Oregon Technical Institute, will be shown free to the public at the campus theater Friday at 8 p.m. The movie was produced by the Moody Bible Institute. It concerns science.

Merry Mixers will dance starting at 8 p.m. Friday, January 29, at the hall in Pelican City. Bill Mayhew will call. Women take choice of refreshments.

School of Missions at the Methodist Church will open its second session with a potluck dinner at 5:30 Saturday night. A film on David Livingstone in Africa will be shown at 6:15, followed by classes for all ages. All are invited.

Alex Cammock, Midland Grange master, has called a meeting of officers for 7 p.m. Sunday to discuss plans and practice for the year. Home Ec chairman Alice Hoover asks officers to bring dessert potluck of sandwiches to the hall.



THOMAS E. MORRIS, Navy seaman apprentice, Bonanza, has begun a 20-week radar training course at Treasure Island. He was graduated from Bonanza High School. He recently was home on leave.

Ship Sinking Payola Told

SEATTLE (AP) — A former skipper and a former crew member of the fishing boat Cape Douglas testified Wednesday that Odd John Solnordal offered them payments ranging from \$2,000 to \$10,000 to sink the boat.

Marvin Hamlin, 45, former cook on the vessel and now a truck driver, said he was offered \$2,000. Capt. Jack Ray, 37, said he was offered amounts varying from \$3,000 to \$10,000. Both said they refused.

Solnordal, 23, a native of Norway, is on trial in U. S. District Court on charges of wilfully sinking the 78-foot craft in December, 1958, in Puget Sound by opening the sea valves.

He testified briefly in his own defense after the prosecution rested following the testimony of Hamlin and Ray. He said he was a veteran of 15 years at sea.

Under cross-examination, Hamlin conceded Solnordal didn't use the words "sinking or scuttling," but he added: "I'd heard this talked over and thrashed over so many times I knew what he meant. That's all we talked about the whole trip . . . to sink the boat because of bills and things."

But because of bills and things, \$80,000 but no payment of the claim has been made.

Barometer Of Stock Mart Scanned By Wall Street

By ELMER C. WALZER UPI Financial Editor
NEW YORK (UPI)—Wall Street regards the stock market as a business barometer and hence is keeping a close tab on it to determine a change in trend that might precede a business dip. The financial district recalls how the market fell in advance of the recession of 1957-1958 and how it rallied long before the business dip had touched bottom in April of 1958 to anticipate a recovery movement.

According to Miron Naeman, analyst for Green, Ellis & Anderson, the year 1960 will be a good year, "but its rate of growth may not be as good as last. We are, after all, in a later stage of cyclical expansion. Recent profit-taking could be a direct consequence of this realization."

He believes a basically sound economy will probably work against any deep-seated market correction in the months ahead. "But," he adds, "there's nothing that says it has to propel stocks higher than they are now. Don't forget that earnings of each share on the big board rose 60 per cent between the market peaks of 1949 and 1959 while prices went up 292 per cent."

Naeman sees a record high in steel production in 1960 with most of the companies having no trouble doubling their estimated 1959 earnings. He sees good business ahead for the truck producers with trucks taking big chunks of the nation's transportation business. Passenger car output of close to seven million units would turn 1960 into the second best year for that industry, he notes.

Chemicals appear to be heading higher, aided by plastic which had a wide growth in 1959, he says. He finds drugs looking like chemicals. And he has some good things to say about the oil industry and feels that this year will see generally higher earnings and even a number of dividend increases for the industry.

"In the two years after the 1949 recession," he says, "energy demand rose an average of 11 per cent. During the same period following the 1954 recession it rose 10 per cent. But so far the

comeback in demand from the latest recession, has been at a rate only about half as good. "The steel strike was a depressing factor, leaving lots of pent-up demand. That's why as much as a 6 per cent increase in petroleum demand is being predicted by industry sources for 1960."

He looks for a good performance from companies making electric appliances, electronic equipment, radio and TV sets, household furnishings, and from copper miners. Residential housing starts will be off about 10 per cent, he estimates, "but this should be offset by other types of construction, particularly industrial outlays for new plant and equipment."

He estimates corporation profits of around \$27 billion, some 13 per cent ahead of last year. He indicates that the market's recent selloff seems excessive beside the near-term business picture now taking form.

U.S., Reds Sever Talks On Payment

WASHINGTON (AP) — Soviet reaction to collapse of lend-lease repayment talks may provide a clue to Soviet intentions in other negotiations this spring, U.S. officials said today.

The United States broke off the talks Wednesday. It said the Soviet Union was insisting on getting U.S. trade and aid agreements as part of negotiations that were supposed to deal only with Soviet repayment for U.S. lend-lease aid during World War II.

No bitterness was expressed at Wednesday's final session, and American authorities professed to see no big impact on other scheduled negotiations as a result. But some said that the virulence — or lack of it — in any Moscow effort to blame this country for the impasse could give a hint of what lies ahead in a March disarmament conference and the scheduled May summit meeting.

The lend-lease parley was resumed Jan. 11 as an outgrowth of Premier Nikita Khrushchev's Camp David meeting with President Eisenhower last September. What the United States wants is fractional repayment, as it has received from other wartime allies, on the mountains of lend-lease goods sent to the Soviets in a common war against Hitler's Germany. Although the total of the military and civilian items sent the Soviets reached 11 billion dollars, Washington is seeking a repayment just on items of civilian economic value after the war.

These U.S.-supplied goods included a tire plant, oil refining equipment, communications gear, trucks and merchant ships. As unsuccessful lend-lease talks ended eight years ago the United States was seeking 800 million dollars while the Soviets offered 300 millions.

But the negotiators never really got into the hard dollars and cents figures this time. Explaining the collapse, the State Department said the Soviets have steadfastly held that a lend-lease settlement must be accompanied by simultaneous conclusion of a trade agreement giving most favored nation treatment to the Soviet Union, and the extension of long term credits on acceptable terms to the Soviet Union.

The administration view is that only after a settlement of lend-lease will it consider asking Congress for easing of restrictions on trade with the Soviet Union.

Police Jail Paper Worker

PORTLAND (AP)—An employe of the struck Oregonian-Oregon Journal, who Tuesday told police he was beaten and threatened, was jailed Wednesday on a charge of making a false report to police.

Police Sergeant John Fraser said Tommie J. Buckner, 26, related that he fabricated the beating story, hoping it would make it easier for him to return to Oklahoma City, which he wanted to do.

Fraser said Buckner's wife left Monday for their Oklahoma City home and wanted him to stay on the job in Portland so he could pay off family debts.

Buckner was quoted by Fraser as saying he was reluctant to resign his position as an instructor for new workmen at the struck newspaper plant. Fraser said Buckner felt the beating story would give him a good excuse for returning home.

Fraser said Buckner cut, scratched and hit himself and then told police two men had done it.

After the arrest Wednesday Buckner was fired by the management of the combined newspaper. The Portland Inter-Union Newspaper Committee contended the case was "another attempt by the publishers of the Oregonian and Oregon Journal to smear newspaper unions with the 'goonism' label."

Treasurer's Fight Looms

PORTLAND (AP) — A contest for the Republican Party's nomination for state treasurer appeared to be taking shape today. The principals: Treasurer Howard Belton, recently appointed to the post by Gov. Mark Hatfield, and state Rep. Shirley Field (R-Portland).

At a GOP "Dinner With Ike" here Wednesday night, Senate minority leader Anthony Yturri introduced Belton, saying no other Hatfield appointment had been more warmly received.

"We expect to see him hold this particular office after November, and January next year," Yturri said. While all that was going on, copies of the Trumpeter, the official organ of the Oregon Young Republicans, were at tables throughout the banquet hall.

And in a front-page article, the Trumpeter urged Miss Field to run for treasurer, saying there was support for her from "younger Republicans, women's civic and service organizations and various professional and educational groups."

Earlier, Belton had shown some reluctance to committing himself about the May primary. There were reports Wednesday night, though, that Belton was thinking seriously about entering the race and seeking a regular four-year term.

Belton was appointed when Sig Unander resigned recently after being appointed to the Federal Maritime Board.

Demos Belted By Hatfield

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. (AP)—Gov. Mark Hatfield accused the Democratic majority in Congress Wednesday night of responsibility for a swelling backlog of federal court cases.

Hatfield said creation of new federal judgeships "has been delayed four years by the Democratic majority in Congress in the past by a patronage-passing President of their own party would be coming along."

Hatfield spoke at a Republican fund-raising "Dinner with Ike," one of 30 held throughout the nation. The guests heard President Eisenhower's closed-circuit television address in Los Angeles.

Hatfield said there were only four federal court districts out of 87 last year where one-half or more of the civil cases filed reached trial in less than six months.

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