

Solons Seek To Restore Ike To Five-Star Rank

WASHINGTON (AP)—Congressional leaders are working quietly on a plan to restore President Eisenhower to his five-star general rank soon after he leaves the

Nixon Will Practice Law, Also

WASHINGTON (AP)—Vice President Richard M. Nixon is getting set to practice politics, as well as law, when he goes back to California after his term ends Jan. 20.

Nixon, defeated for the presidency by a whisker, wants another shot at the prize in 1964. In the intervening time he is going to do everything possible to convince the Republican party it ought to give him another chance.

This will involve the maintenance of close contacts with Republican leaders in all sections of the nation. It will include speeches, public appearances and statements on national issues in his role as titular head of the party.

Beyond that, Nixon proposes to campaign vigorously for Republican candidates for the Senate and House in 1962. He figures if he can help Republicans win two years from now, he will broaden the base of his strength in bidding for a second nomination in 1964.

Because of the strong showing the vice president made in losing the election to Democratic Sen. John F. Kennedy by a popular vote margin of only about 112,000 ballots, Nixon believes he has a reservoir of built-in support among GOP Senate and House members elected this year.

Nixon's associates say the vice president carried 228 congressional districts to Kennedy's 206, with independent electors winning 3 in Mississippi.

As of now, Nixon prefers campaigning for a Republican Congress to getting into the race for governor in California. He has not closed the door on that possibility.

Several factors are involved on both sides of this unsettled question. If he runs for governor, all of his campaigning will have to be in California and he will lose contacts with Republicans in other areas.

If he should run and be defeated, either in the primary or the general election, his political career would be over.

If he ran, Democrats would be certain to say he was seeking the governorship as a stepping stone to another presidential race. He would be questioned repeatedly if he intended to serve out a four-year term.

On the other hand, there are some who believe Nixon could become the forgotten man by 1964 if Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller is reelected in New York in 1962.

These strategists argue that Nixon will need a position rivaling Rockefeller's and could get it only by going after and winning the California governorship back from the Democrats.

Chicago Fire Guts Building

CHICAGO (AP)—A fire that raged out of control for five hours Monday burned out a four-story building near the Loop, causing an estimated \$250,000 damage.

More than 500 pieces of equipment, a fourth of the city's fire-fighting facilities, fought the blaze in freezing weather. Fire officials said equipment owned by 30 firms including a jewelry manufacturing company was ruined. Cause of the blaze was not determined. Three firemen suffered minor injuries.

Reception Will Honor Trumans

WASHINGTON (AP)—Former President and Mrs. Harry S. Truman will be among those honored at an inaugural week reception for governors and special distinguished guests.

Each governor will have a box decorated with his state seal and state flag for the Jan. 19 reception at a Washington hotel. A special box will be provided for the Trumans and other special guests.

Norfolk To Get MacArthur Mementos

NORFOLK, Va. (AP)—General of the Army Douglas MacArthur has accepted an invitation from the city of Norfolk for the establishment of a memorial that will house his personal papers and mementos.

The city hopes to have MacArthur on hand to dedicate the memorial within nine months to a year. It plans to spend nearly a half million dollars for the renovation of its 111-year-old courthouse, soon to be vacated. It also has tentative plans to landscape the courthouse block and rename it "MacArthur Square."

In agreeing to let the site of the world's largest navy base be the home for his personal memorabilia, MacArthur requested that he and his wife be buried here—presumably within the memorial, which will feature a rotunda dominated by a statue of MacArthur surrounded by his 126 battle flags.

The city's plans were presented to MacArthur in New York in November by Mayor W. Fred Duckworth and councilman Roy B. Martin, who cited the Army's most decorated general's "strong ties" with the port city.

"These ties included the fact that his mother was born, reared and married here, and that he had become our first honorary citizen, that such a memorial would easily become the city's No. 1 attraction, and that our centrally located courthouse soon would be available," Duckworth said.

MacArthur presented the city's first certificate of honorary citizen when he came here Nov. 18, 1951, for the opening of a memorial to his mother, the late Mary Pinckney Hardy MacArthur.

"As a Virginian myself, whose mother came from a long line of Virginians and whose mother and father were married in the present city of Norfolk," said Mac-

Arthur, "I accept as a great honor the invitation of the city to place my papers, decorations and other mementos of my military service in its perpetual care and keeping."

MacArthur's long-time friend, Maj. Gen. Courtney Whitney (ret.), has offered his services to the city in assisting with project Whitney is MacArthur's biographer and served as his chief of staff.

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