

Jacoby On Bridge

Presidential Hopefuls Face Bitter Struggle For Republican Nod In 1964

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WASHINGTON (NEA)—Republican leaders coast to coast, plunged into confusion by New York Gov. Nelson Rockefeller's remarriage and the Barry Goldwater upsurge, see now a struggle for the 1964 GOP presidential nomination that could become bitter and disruptive.

A survey of politicians shows Arizona's Senator Goldwater is the prime beneficiary of the changed outlook, although Gov. George Romney of Michigan gains steadily as a man "held in reserve" should Rockefeller's fortunes decline severely.

This reporter's interviews with more than 30 party leaders in half the 50 states indicate a presidential race mounting in tension and very much in flux. Party professionals generally regard Rockefeller as a live article for 1964 despite their puzzlement over the impact of his remarriage and their recognition of Goldwater's advances.

Goldwater's large core of militant backers take great new heart from the turn of events, and labor to build irresistible momentum for him.

Many politicians, foreseeing a sharp Rockefeller-Goldwater collision, either wait nervously for today's confusing dust to settle or cautiously consider moves to block a clash they fear could rip the party apart.

One such effort under way in Wisconsin — an organization supported "favorite son" drive for U.S. Rep. John Byrnes — could if pressed to the limit tend to discourage both Rockefeller and Goldwater from entering a 1964 primary whose stake is 30 convention delegates.

Plausible talk stirs that Ohio might similarly advance Gov. James Rhodes to bottle up that state's 30 - delegate primary prize. Oregon and huge, crucial California might also see favorite son efforts.

In the present turbulence, single-minded Goldwaterites confidently muster new force. Their open maneuvers in Indiana led State Chairman Dale Brown, supposedly a Rockefeller man, to quit. In Oklahoma, cagey GOP leaders narrowly averted a broad state convention commitment to Goldwater. Young Republicans in Minnesota, Oregon and elsewhere have pushed Goldwater hard. Only by 17 to 16 did Virginia's GOP State committee avoid plumping for the senator right now.

Polls of county chairmen in Ohio, Illinois and Missouri look good for Goldwater. As do a recent check of all state chairmen.

land a southern survey of potential 1964 delegate strength. Says one Southerner cockily: "Goldwater has more conventional delegates locked up today than anybody else."

A Western politician thinks Goldwater's surge clearly prefigures the prickly Rockefeller remarriage development. "The senator began to take off like a big bird a few weeks ago," One GOP veteran not committed to any candidate thinks Goldwater would win the nomination "hands down" if the voting took place now.

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Yet most politicians say they know little of Romney's real views. His bent toward an Eisenhower-style nonpartisanship annoys a good many. Says one here in the capital: "A lot of politicians still are not convinced that Romney is their kind of guy."

A further problem is Romney's quick word of this as the early aftermath of the remarriage announcement. Nearly a hundred calls to New York carried reassurance. One aide comments: "Sure most of these people are our friends. But if they wanted to take a powder, this was the time to do it. They didn't."

Leaders everywhere mark the marriage to Mrs. Margaretta Murphy as at least a temporary setback for Rockefeller in the 1964 race. But many think the injury will not be lasting.

A Midwesterner thinks the governor may show again the "bounce" he displayed after the original divorce announcement. A large number say he may benefit from short public memory. Almost as many forecast that if he and his new wife create a "good image" and keep her four children much or all of the time, the sting will go out of the issue.

From the plains states comes this reaction from a professional: "It could make a difference if Rockefeller bounces those kids on his knee, or if his wife has a new child and starts matching Jackie Kennedy baby for baby."

The same politician had another thought: "If a state like New Hampshire can pass a lottery law, maybe there's been a change in the moral outlook in the United States."

A mountain state governor, after listening to considerable criticism of Rockefeller's new marriage, heard a countering word from a cab driver:

"I wouldn't want a man for president who wouldn't get married when he wanted to, just to serve his political ambitions."

Nevertheless, despite the overwhelmingly general view that the issue probably would not inflict permanent hurt to Rockefeller, leader after leader voices sufficient bewilderment to cause him to take a "wait and see" attitude. Politicians distrust the unknown.

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Other appraisers argue, however, that it makes as good sense to believe some party leaders may conjure up the "favorite son" idea to bar a dangerous clash or retain some freedom of action while they measure the 1964 drift in party sentiment.

The "Goldwater or Else" spirit exhibited by many of the senator's fiery backers strikes real fear in some leaders' hearts. This is one reason Romney, as well as Goldwater, has benefited from the shifting outlook.

Romney has a widespread "name recognition" and is spoken of everywhere as an attractive candidate. Even in Alabama and Georgia he gets good mention. Many think a Rockefeller tumble would quickly move Romney in as a moderate replacement in the 1964 battle lists.

He is not waiting in the weeds to spring something. There is nothing premeditated in the course he is following.

No state leaders seem yet to have committed themselves even halfway to Romney, despite former President Eisenhower's celebrated liking for him.

This reporter's survey of top party men suggests that outside the South a big reason for this may be their still unshaken conviction that Rockefeller continues as the ranking 1964 candidate despite all his problems.

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By OSWALD JACOBY
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The worst player in the group received a three of hearts lead. He went up with the ten in dummy and led a spade to his ace. When the jack dropped he continued with a low spade to drop West's king. Then it was no problem to make four odd for a top score.

When asked about his trump play he replied, "I never finesse at low contracts."

The best player managed to make only seven tricks for a bottom score.

The deuce of clubs was opened against him and he dropped the king under the ace in order to manufacture an extra entry to dummy. This allowed him to finesse both the ten and queen of spades and to lose both. Later he had to lose tricks to the nine of trumps and jack of hearts.

In case any of you readers plan to follow the dub's winning strategy my advice is, "Don't!"

The expert really gave the hand a fine play and the club, after gaining a trick on the opening lead, played the hand badly. The cards don't always lie the way they should and bridge plays are based on percentage. If you use the best line you won't gain tricks every time, but over the years you will make many more tricks than if you go against percentage.

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3♥ Double 4♥ Pass
Pass

What do you do?

A—Bid four spades. This is a gamble, but you should take it.

TODAY'S QUESTION
Instead of passing West's four heart bid your partner bids five clubs. What do you do under these circumstances?

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ANDERSON—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Anderson in Klamath Valley Hospital May 17 a girl weighing 7 lbs., 10 oz.

TURNER—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Turner in Klamath Valley Hospital May 17 a girl weighing 7 lbs., 10 oz.

1963 SUMMARY
Boys: 189 Girls: 179

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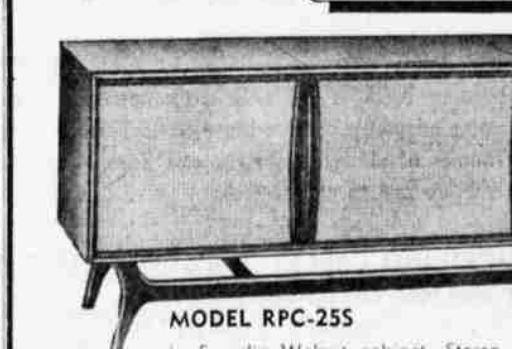
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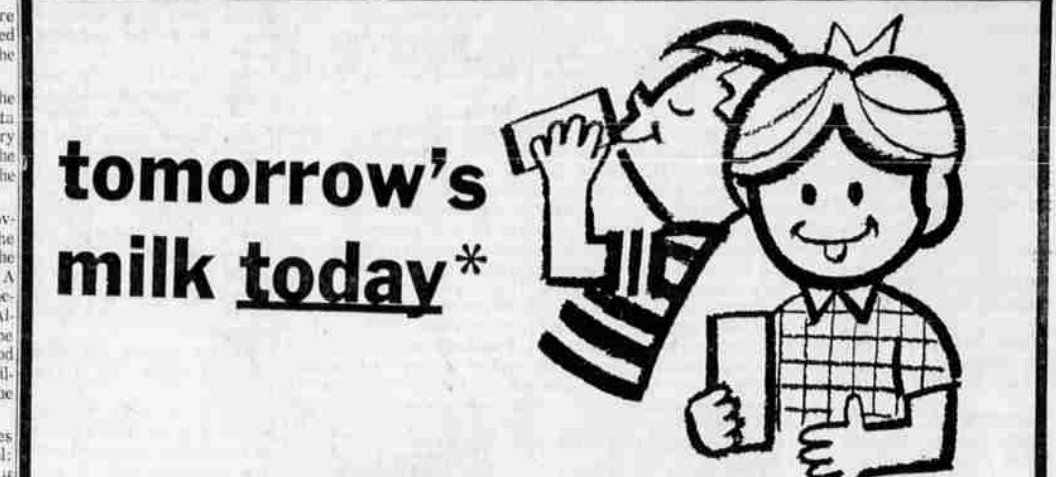
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