

Stevenson Takes Self Out of Race; Ike Rolls to 150,000 Lead in Jersey

By the Associated Press

Gov. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois plunged the scramble for the Democratic Presidential nomination into deeper confusion yesterday (Wednesday) with the announcement that he "could not accept" a bid to become his party's standard bearer.

The development came as Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower rolled up a 150,000-vote victory over Senator Robert A. Taft in a test of strength in the New Jersey primary election.

In Paris, Eisenhower said he was "very proud" of the outcome. Some of his supporters said it meant the five-star general would not have to undertake an all-out campaign to win the Republican Presidential nomination against the hard-stumping Taft.

Gov. Stevenson's "could not accept" announcement apparently slammed the door on efforts to boost him as a counter to the front-running Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee.

Kefauver promptly hailed the announcement as "very favorable" to his own candidacy and invited Stevenson's supporters to "switch to me."

The immediate effect of Stevenson's withdrawal was to remove a potentially formidable contender and thus throw the gates even wider open for new entries—and touch off a behind-the-scenes scurry to find another stop-Kefauver candidate.

With Stevenson out of the picture, talk arose that W. Averell Harriman, now head of the foreign aid setup, might step in as the party's "liberal" candidate to carry on President Truman's "Fair Deal" programs.

Truce Teams Meet Briefly

MUNSAN, Korea, Thursday, April 17—(P)—Allied and Communist truce negotiators marked time again Wednesday in a brief meeting—evidently awaiting concrete developments on the prisoner exchange problem.

The sub-delegates met for only 20 seconds Wednesday. They still are deadlocked on two key issues: Communist nomination of Russia as a neutral truce inspector and Allied insistence on a ban on military airfield construction during an armistice.

The communists still were waiting Wednesday for the Allies to say when they would be ready to resume discussions on prisoner exchange.

The staff officers considering that issue have been in recess since April 4 to permit both sides to develop some solution to the main stumbling block—Allied insistence on the principle of voluntary repatriation.

The Reds said Sunday they were ready to resume the talks. Unofficial observers have expressed belief both sides have revised their lists of prisoners in an attempt to reach an agreement.

Spelunkers to Sponsor Cave Exploring Movies

Four cave exploring movies, three in color, will be shown at the regular meeting of the Nittany Grotto, spelunkers society, at 8 tonight in 100 Horticulture.

Names of the movies are Carlsbad Caverns, New Mexico; Juroy Caverns, Va.; Crystal Cave, Pa.; and The Blind Fishes of La Cueva Chica.

The meeting will be open to the public. A short business meeting will follow the movies.

Withdraws Candidacy



Gov. Adlai Stevenson

Army to Send New Medium Tank to Korea

ABERDEEN Proving Ground, Md., April 16—(P)—United States Army forces in Korea probably will be getting new 48-ton, M-47 medium tanks soon.

The Army, in exhibiting the new tank to reporters here today, announced it is being accepted for delivery to troops in this country and "abroad," which could include Korea and Europe.

About 15 defects were found in original models, a primary trouble appearing in the traverse mechanism which turns the turret.

Gen. J. Lawton Collins is on record as believing that the new tanks "are better than anything we have had before and more than a match for their Soviet counterparts."

Here are some of the claims the Army made for the M-47 in its announcement today:

1. "Increased probability of a first round hit." (In a duel with enemy tanks, the first shot can knock out the enemy. If it doesn't the enemy may score a knockout and the duel is over.)
2. An automatic compensator restores the aim of the gun after each shot, so that the crew does not have to re-aim manually.
3. Separate fire control systems allow either the gunner or the tank commander to fire the gun. If one man is wounded, the other can take over gun control without changing position.
4. Armor has been "improved to make it more difficult for an enemy shell to get a 'bite'."
5. Ability to "stop on a dime and turn in its own length."

Van Zandt to Visit State College Today

Congressman James E. Van Zandt will be in State College today to discuss national issues with residents of this area.

Van Zandt will be in the lobby of the State College Hotel from 10 a.m. to noon. He is the representative of the 20th district which includes Centre County.

AIEE-IRE Meeting

L. R. Maguire and Robert Walsh of Sylvania Electric will talk on the "Manufacturing of Tubes" at the regular meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers—Institute of Radio Engineers at 7:30 tonight in 110 Electrical Engineering.

Truman Called Crisis Creator In Steel Battle

WASHINGTON, April 16—(P)—Senator Bridges (R-N.H.) accused President Truman today of being the principal creator of the crisis that led to seizure of the steel industry.

Secretary of Commerce Sawyer, in an apparent preliminary to a government grant of a pay raise over the heads of the companies, conferred separately with President Philip Murray of the CIO-Steelworkers and President Benjamin Fairless of U.S. Steel Corp.

Price Stabilizer Ellis Arnall ruled out anew any such steel price increase as the \$12 a ton the companies have said they would need to cover the government-recommended pay raise which is the nub of the dispute.

A group of Senate Republicans headed by Bridges sponsored a resolution for a judiciary committee investigation of the seizure, which Bridges called an act of "usurpation" that has "raised the gravest constitutional question since the war between the states."

And Senator Bricker (R-Ohio) injected into the Senate talk a pointed discussion of Congress' impeachment powers.

Nine to Attend Cave Conclave

Nine members of the Nittany Grotto, local chapter of the Speleological society, are scheduled to leave today for the annual convention to be held in Hagerstown, tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday.

Approximately 300 of the 1800 cave explorers belonging to the society will attend the meetings, which will consist of lectures, movies, photo exhibits, and discussions of exploring techniques.

Maps and data collected by Grotto members on their 45 field trips since September will be turned over to the society to be used in the annual publication for 1953 to be titled "The Caves of Pennsylvania."

Truman Tours West As Flood Rolls On

OMAHA, April 16—(P)—President Truman air-toured middle America's flood disaster area today and found a Missouri River straining mightily—but still unsuccessfully—to smash Omaha and Council Bluffs, Ia., with the worst flood in their history.

Upstream and downstream, the "Mighty Mo"—mightier than white man ever has seen her—was having its way.

But at Omaha and Council Bluffs there was defiance. The line of defense ran along 23 miles of levees which had never been expected to get such a test but which in recent days had been bolstered by a hastily-recruited army of 8000 men.

Levees Holding
The Omaha River level passed the 28 foot mark, nearly four feet higher than ever previously recorded, with the levees still holding. The crest-maximum flow—is due at 10 p.m. (EST) tomorrow. Ghostly vacant but still safe behind the hastily-bolstered levees lay nearly three-fourths of Council Bluffs, a city of 45,000, and sections across the river including East Omaha and Carter Lake, Ia.

The homeless, nearly 40,000 in Omaha and Council Bluffs, were among some 100,000 the Red Cross says have been displaced in the Midwest by rampaging waters of the Missouri, Mississippi, Red River of the North and the Milk River in Montana.

New Flood History
"It's time for action, we've fooled around long enough," said President Truman as he sat down in Omaha to discuss the flood control problem with Midwest governors.

Thus was new flood history being written in the rich river valleys of the midlands. Although officials remained cautiously optimistic that the Omaha-Council Bluffs levees will hold, a revised river forecast held discouraging news.

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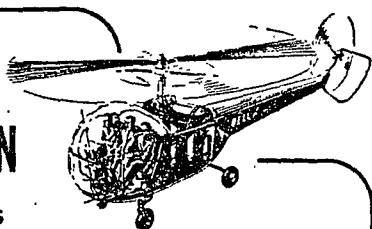
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