

# Adlai Asks New Peace Approach

## Democrats Blast Farm Policies Of Eisenhower

CHICAGO, Sept. 15 (AP)—Democratic farm experts scrapped over farm price supports today but fired a solid fusillade of charges that President Eisenhower's "golden promises" to agriculture in 1952 have turned to "furnished brass."

Three former secretaries of agriculture — Claude Wickard, Charles F. Brannan, and Sen. Clinton P. Anderson of New Mexico—blazed away at the administration on the final day of a national Democratic rally.

Predictions rang out that broken promises to farmers will cost the GOP the farm vote and control of Congress in the 1954 election.

There was plenty of unity on that, but Anderson and Brannan split over crop price supports. Anderson plugged for a system of flexible supports—something Eisenhower's secretary of Agriculture, Ezra Benson, favors. Brannan contended they might ruin the farmer.

Former President Harry S. Truman sided with Stevenson today. He said in an interview that all the GOP can do is follow Democratic foreign programs dating back to Woodrow Wilson, but the way the Republicans are handling them is causing confusion abroad and worrying our allies.

CHICAGO, Sept. 15 (AP)—Adlai E. Stevenson called tonight for new efforts at world disarmament and "durable assurances of non-aggression" for Russia and all the world.

"The door to the conference room," Stevenson said, "is the door to peace. Let it never be said that America was reluctant to enter."

He reported tonight to the people at home that step by step "we are winning the cold war." But he continued that "This is no time to wobble or lower our guard," no time to "go it alone."

### World Conditions Are Better

Stevenson warned, too, against disarmament by America alone, and he said we seem to be "taking the initiative in unilateral disarmament."

Stevenson said that world conditions are better and hope is in the air. He said there is admiration for America in other countries but also misunderstandings and concern.

"And everywhere," he said, "people think they recognize the dominant mood of America in what is called 'McCarthyism,' and now a worldwide word. Inquisitions, purges, book burning, repression and fear have obscured the bright vision of the land of the free and the home of the brave."

### Anxiety Exists

Whatever commitments we make to European allies to back up assurances of non-aggression must be on a long-term basis, he advised.

"For there is anxiety," he set forth in a prepared text, "lest the shaping of our policy may be slipping from the respected hands of President Eisenhower into the hands of the men less concerned with strengthening our alliances abroad than with appeasing our isolationists at home."

At the moment, the hydrogen bomb places a grim and pressing urgency on the international situation, Stevenson said.

Stevenson said frankly he does-

## Labor Leader Wins Appeal

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 15 (AP)—The U.S. District Court of Appeals today reversed the five-year prison sentence given Anthony Valentino, Camden, N.J., labor leader, and ordered him acquitted of falsely denying he ever had been a Communist.

The reversal was based on the fact that Valentino did not commit the crime of which he was accused in New Jersey and therefore the U.S. District Court in Camden, where the labor leader was tried and sentenced, had no jurisdiction.

On the evidence in the case, the circuit court ruled, Valentino should have been tried either in Philadelphia or Washington.

Valentino was indicted on a charge of making a false affidavit to the National Labor Relations Board that he was not a Communist.

It's not known whether new approaches to the Kremlin on disarmament would have any more impact now than in the past. Yet, he said, conditions have changed—Russian threats have produced the massing of military power of free peoples and Korea demonstrated the West will meet force with force.

Furthermore, Stevenson said, the death of Stalin and revolt in the satellites have brought changes inside Russia.

# GOP Returns Fire On Adlai's Criticism

DENVER, Sept. 15 (AP)—The summer White House today called Adlai E. Stevenson's criticism of the Republican administration "just sound and fury signifying nothing"—and then announced that Stevenson and President Eisenhower will confer in Washington soon.

Former President Truman's latest blast at the Republicans also drew return fire at Eisenhower's headquarters.

"Just a lot of noise," said Miss Bertha Adkins, who is in charge of women's activities for the GOP National Committee.

White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty announced that Stevenson, the 1952 Democratic presidential nominee, will report to Eisenhower on the round-the-world trip he recently completed.

Stevenson met with Eisenhower in Washington just before he started the trip. Hagerty told newsmen today that the Democratic leader has agreed to meet with the President in Washington soon. Eisenhower will end his Colorado vacation Friday or Saturday and fly back to the capital.

A date for the Eisenhower-Stevenson session will be set after the President returns to the White House.

The comment on Stevenson's criticism of the Eisenhower administration came from Hagerty.

The President will meet tomorrow with Secretary of Agriculture Benson. Hagerty said Benson requested the appointment to discuss farm problems.

## Really?

BERLIN, Sept. 15 (AP)—East German Communist financial experts claimed today the Russian ruble was gaining strength in the world market and the United States dollar was losing the international commerce battle.

This was the explanation to an apparent flood of letters to East German authorities asking why all trade deals at the recent Leipzig trade fair in the Soviet zone were publicly quoted in rubles.

## Mrs. McManus Tells Story In Son's Trial

CANANDIAGUA, N.Y., Sept. 15 (AP)—A long story of parental misunderstanding and youthful resentment was told today by Mrs. Charlotte Lodewick McManus in testimony at the murder trial of her 19-year-old son, confessed slayer of five.

It was a story of nightmares and delirium, of beatings and pranks, of apparent sadism and of a youth who feared he was different from other boys.

Mrs. McManus, 42, was the first witness called in defense of Fred Eugene McManus. Her testimony, brought out under questioning by M. Maurice Chacchia, was designed to support the defense claim that the youth's background had left him with a split personality.

McManus is charged with first-degree murder in the pistol killing last March 27 of William Braverman, a Hobart College freshman from Rochester. He has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity.

Fred was severely punished, Mrs. McManus said, for ordinary pranks.

He kept pets in his room. Just before he left for service in the Marine Corps, she continued, he came downstairs with "a tragic look, like he lost a very dear friend."

"I asked him what happened," she said, "and he replied: 'I flushed Kiddo (his pet mouse) down the toilet.'"

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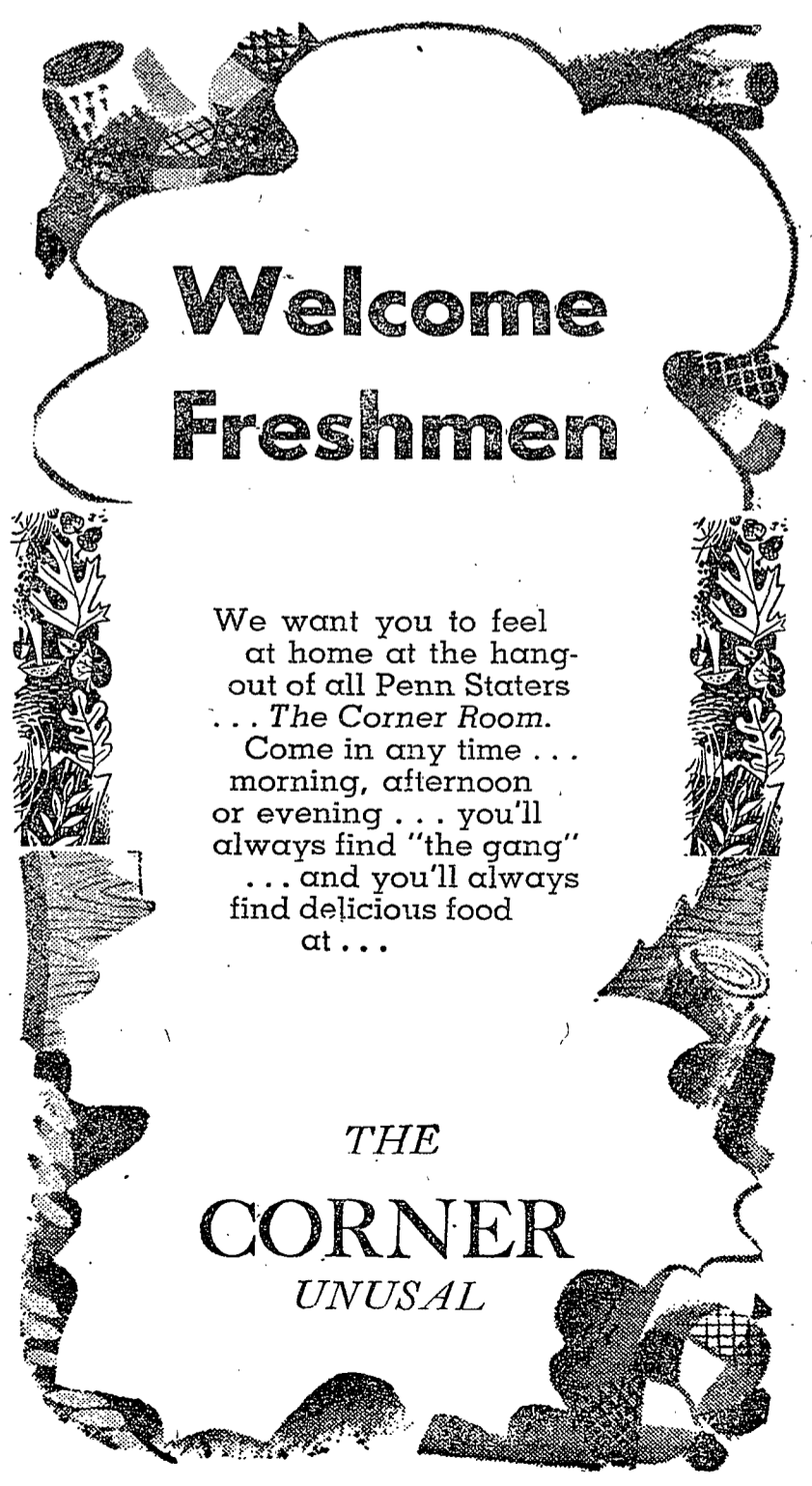
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