

Goldwater Opposes Knock-Down Fight

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona was pictured today as determined to avoid a knock-down, drag-out, party-splitting fight with Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller for the Republican presidential nomination.

A source close to the senator told UPI the New York governor's formal announcement of his candidacy will have no effect on Goldwater's plans. The senator expects to announce in January whether he will seek the nomination. He also will decide then whether to enter New Hampshire's first-in-the-nation primary.

This source, who knows Goldwater's political thinking, conceded that pressures are building up for the senator to announce early and to plunge into the primary fights.

Goldwater, however, has considerable skepticism about the value of presidential primaries. He never has considered them "too important," the source said.

Concerned About Campaign
He also was said to be concerned about the kind of a campaign which might be waged.

"He will not go into a fight which could be suicidal for the party," the source said. "If it turns into one of those things, the governor will be making it that way."

The senator himself, has recalled primary fights in which so much bitterness was generated that an outsider won the election. His concern is that Republicans should attack Democrats — not each other.

Does this mean the senator will avoid primary fights with Rockefeller? Not necessarily. It's too early to say what he will do about entering primaries until after he decides one way or another about being a candidate.

Some Goldwater backers believe that primary competition from Rockefeller is the best thing that could happen to Goldwater. They feel it would make the primaries meaningful and enable the senator to sew up the nomination in advance of the convention.

They assign to Rockefeller the political punching bag role provided by Sen. Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota in the 1960

Democratic primaries. Two solid primary victories over Humphrey gave John F. Kennedy the edge needed to win a first-ballot victory at the Democratic convention.

Must Weigh Factors
Without active competition, these politicians argue, the GOP primaries could turn into the kind won by the late Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee when he was seeking the presidency. They brought him little but headlines.

Goldwater must weigh several political factors before reaching a final decision on entering the primaries. Among them:

— Does Goldwater, as the front-runner, have anything to gain by furnishing a primary target to Rockefeller?

— Does Goldwater stand to gain more by taking on and trouncing Rockefeller than he would lose by a party blood-letting in a primary fight?

— Would it be possible to smash all possible stop-Goldwater movements by demonstrating the senator's popularity with Republican voters in a few key primaries?

Some Goldwater followers also have an eye on former Vice President Richard M. Nixon, who lost the White House to Kennedy by a whisker in 1960. They believe a Goldwater-Rockefeller impasse might start a movement toward Nixon as a compromise acceptable to both factions.

Roudebush Serving At Camp Pendleton

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. (FHTNC) — Marine private first class Ronald J. Roudebush, son of Mrs. Audrey Lee or Route 4, Decatur, Ind., is serving with headquarters and service company, third battalion, Fifth Marine regiment, First Marine division at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

The regiment recently participated in an amphibious landing exercise on the beaches of Southern California. It also conducts cold weather training at Bridgeport, Calif., and desert exercises at Twentynine Palms, Calif.

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School Pupils, Adults Become Ill At School

SALEM, Ind. (UPI) — Forty-seven pupils and three adults were hospitalized overnight when a wave of illness blighted tentatively on food poisoning swept through the classrooms of a country consolidated school near here Wednesday.

The ailment affected about 60 children and several adults at the Polk Twp. School southeast of Salem near Pekin. The victims were rushed to Washington County Hospital here and state and local health officials immediately launched an investigation.

The victims included a teacher and the school janitor. All were reported as recovering this morning and scheduled for release from the hospital before the day is over.

Laboratory tests were being performed to determine the cause of the illness.

Dr. A. R. Episcopo, Washington County health officer, said it appeared to be food poisoning resulting from something eaten at lunch in the school cafeteria Wednesday noon.

School officials said the lunch menu Wednesday was wieners, corn, potato salad and hot biscuits.

However, a spot check of some of those who became ill and those who did not indicated there was illness among various pupils who did not eat certain of the foods on the menu — among some who did not eat potato salad, or corn, or wieners.

Authorities said his might indicate contaminated water was responsible. A few of those stricken became ill shortly after lunch but the bulk of the students did not become sick until after reaching home. Their parents rushed them to the hospital here.

The sudden influx of patients strained the capacity of the hospital and administrator Harry Voyles appealed to residents of the area to provide additional cots and beds which were set up in the corridors for the patients. All doctors and nurses in the area were called to the hospital to help treat the pupils.

Dr. A. C. Offutt, state health commissioner, sent two investigators here from Indianapolis to help determine the cause of the outbreak. Offutt also said he thought it was food poisoning.

Voyles said he was not sure how many of the school's 250 pupils became ill. He said hospital staff members were so busy they did not attempt to keep a count of those who were released after examination and treatment.

Geisel Promoted To Airman First Class

CASTLE AFB, Calif. — Larry O. Geisel of Decatur, Ind., has been promoted to airman first class in the United States Air Force.

Airman Geisel is assigned to the 2035th communications squadron here as an air traffic controller. The airman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Geisel of R. R. 2, Decatur, graduated from Ossian high school and attended Manchester College.

Harvest Moon Dance At Elks Saturday

The annual "Harvest Moon" dance, the first of the fall and winter season, will be held at the Decatur Elks lodge Saturday night, from 10 p.m. until 1 a.m. Admission will be limited to Elks and their invited guests, at \$3 per couple. Music for dancing will be provided by the Nite Owls.

Two Women Tie In Princeton Race

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — The outcome of a municipal election tie Tuesday between two women seeking to become clerk-treasurer of Princeton presumably will not be decided until Jan. 1. Indiana Atty. Gen. Edwin K. Steers, his chief deputy, H. F. Knachel, and Steers' father, Edwin S. Steers, senior member of the State Election Board, held an informal telephone conference this morning to discuss what happens in a city election tie.

They decided informally that a 1905 law creates a vacancy in the office when no incumbent is involved, but the vacancy does not occur until the first day of the term of office.

At the time the mayor who takes office on that day may appoint somebody to fill the vacancy with the approval of the new council. In the event of a council tie, the mayor would cast the deciding vote.

GERMAN MINERS

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bring up each man, in an order of rescue determined beforehand by doctors who ordered the most critically ill or injured out first.

The first man to reach the surface was miner Heinz Kull, 51. The last man up was miner Bernard Wolter, 28.

It took exactly 56 minutes to complete the rescue from the time Kull emerged into brilliant sunshine until Wolter stepped out at the end of an entombment that had begun 13 days, 17½ hours earlier.

Kull's face was so sunken it appeared almost shriveled as he was lifted out of the eight-foot-long rescue capsule. He wore a black bandage over his eyes to protect them from the bright sun.

The men went down into the mine at 2 p.m. Oct. 24 to start their regular work shift, and at 8 p.m. that day they were trapped by the cave-in and flood.

SMALL CONVOY

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mand had been satisfied because the Soviet control officer had been able to count the 20 troops traveling as passengers while they were seated in the trucks.

The Russians have always been free to do this, Berlin commandant Maj. Gen. James H. Polk said Wednesday. The men did not dismount, lower the tailgates of the trucks or stand up to be counted, Western officials said.

Including the six hours work they put in before the disaster struck, their total time underground was 336 hours—13 days, 23½ hours.

During that time, they lived side-by-side with death — the corpses of their dead comrades and the possibilities that they might not be discovered and that a rescue operator might send a shower of rock and earth crashing down to bury them alive.

Relatives Of Local People Win, Lose

Tuesday's election results brought both good and bad news to Decatur relatives of candidates throughout Indiana.

In Bluffton, Robert Ehler, brother of the late J.L. Ehler of Decatur, won election as city clerk-treasurer unopposed. He is presently a Bluffton city councilman.

In Portland, Peggy Dunn Glentzer, a graduate of Monmouth high school, was defeated for clerk-treasurer in a Republican landslide, 1,990 to 1,197. She is a niece of Thurman Drew, of Decatur.

Grant Eager, brother of Ray Eager of Decatur, was the sole Republican candidate to survive a Democratic victory in Dunkirk. Eager won a second term by defeating Minor Burgess 674 to 558, carrying every Dunkirk precinct except one.

Ben Webster, former Decatur Why store manager, won reelection to the Huntington city council in a Democratic near-sweep in that city 3,242 to 3,225. In Huntington, former long-time star-route mail carrier "Shorty" Nye's son was Republican manager; his father is a lifelong Democrat.

City attorney Jerome J. O'Dowd of Fort Wayne will leave office with the Burns administration, defeated in a fairly close Fort Wayne election after four-year-long opposition from the city's only Democratic voice, the Fort Wayne Journal-Gazette's O'Dowd is the husband of the former Ruthie Holthouse, daughter of Mrs. A. R. Holthouse, of Decatur.

Lauren Wigger's brother, Marvin Wigger, Republican, was elected mayor of Union City, carrying in an entire Republican city council with him.

In Rensselaer, Tim Eger, cousin of Mrs. Dick Heller, Sr., of Decatur, and nephew of Mrs. Van R. Grant, of that city was

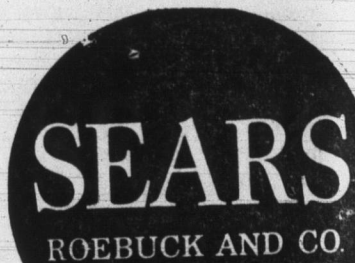
elected the first Democratic mayor in the city's history, carrying in his entire city council. The city is the residence of Charles A. Halleck, Republican minority leader in the U.S. house of representatives.

Sale Of Decatur Residence Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Saalfrank, of Hoagland, have purchased the Jerold Lobsiger property on North Fourth street. Saalfrank is co-owner of the S & S Texaco service station at 13th and Washington streets. William F. Schnepf, realtor, handled the transaction.

Purchase Of Rural Home Is Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Saalfrank have moved into the home on Decatur route 3, which they recently purchased through William F. Schnepf, realtor, from Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Barkley. Vanhorn completed his enlistment in the armed forces last month.



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