

## Barkley Gets Political Prize He Didn't Seek

**Faces Major Role As Party Peacemaker**

PHILADELPHIA, July 15 (UP)—Alben W. Barkley leaves town today with a prize he didn't seek—the Democratic vice presidential nomination.

As the 70-year-old Kentucky senator himself explained it in his acceptance speech to the Democratic convention shortly before 1 a. m. (Indianapolis Time):

"If anybody told me when I left home for Philadelphia a few days ago that I would leave here as the nominee of the Democratic Party on the national ticket, I would have denounced such a person as a prophet without honor."

"I did not come here as a candidate, and I did not become one after I got here."

He didn't, either. He came here solely as the convention keynoter. But, as it turned out, that was the role which projected him into the No. 2 spot on the Democratic ticket.

**Wins by Acclamation**

After Mr. Barkley's keynote speech Monday night, there was no doubt who the Democrats wanted for their vice presidential nominee. The delegates made it official by acclamation.

The choice of Mr. Barkley was, in fact, the only major piece of business at this convention on which the feuding Democrats agreed unanimously. It was as genuine a draft as any political convention has seen.

Mr. Barkley hadn't wanted this job. But once it was thrust upon him, he reacted typically:

"I pledge to you my unremitting toil and loyal support, not only to the head of our ticket, but to the platform which has been adopted by this convention."

"And I shall do everything within my power to see that the message we have for the American people is taken to every precinct in the United States."

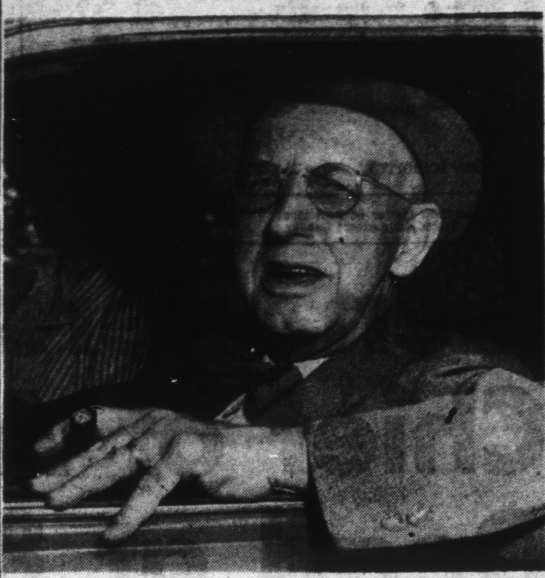
**Role of Peacemaker**

Mr. Barkley's biggest task in his newest role will be that of party peacemaker. It's a big job, for the Democratic Party is as badly split as it has ever been.

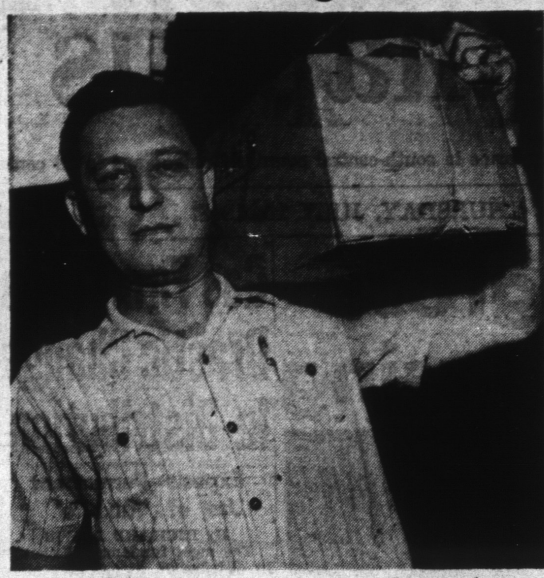
At 70, Sen. Barkley has spent half his life in Congress. He served in the House from 1913 to 1927 and in the Senate since 1927. He was Senate Democratic leader since 1937 when he succeeded the late Sen. Joseph T. Robinson with the blessings of the late President Roosevelt as expressed in the famous "Dear Alben" letter.

He broke only once, and then briefly, with Mr. Roosevelt over the sharp tone of the Roosevelt tax veto in 1944. He resigned as Senate Democratic leader over the incident, but was re-elected promptly to leadership post. He made up with Mr. Roosevelt soon afterward.

## Two Grocers Win Times Safe Driving Awards



**'BUT IT'S A NEW CAR'**—W. F. Schortemeier, grocer at 3928 E. Michigan St., "blamed" his cautious driving on his new car when he modestly accepted a Times \$5 safe driver award. But ... he has been driving 31 years and never had an accident.



**LAWRENCE DRIVER WINS**—William Grein, a Lawrence grocer, delayed his errand to King & Co. long enough to receive his \$5 award from The Times for being a careful driver. A driver since 1920 he never had an accident, and always uses hand signals.

## Dewey to Start Drive Next Week

**NEW YORK, July 15 (UP)**—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's campaign managers will swing into action next week when national headquarters are opened in Washington, it was reported today.

Herbert Brownell Jr., his chief political adviser, and National GOP Chairman Hugh Scott will direct the drive.

Gov. Dewey said he was departing from the usual procedure of running the campaign from New York City because he wanted his managers to work in close harmony with the party's national committee.

**In Conversation Stage**

Close association of the governor said Gov. Dewey not only wants to assure his own victory but that he is anxious to maintain Republican control of Congress.

He will make several campaign speeches in so-called "doubtful" states, where Republican senators and congressmen are waging close contests.

"At present, campaign plans are in the conversation stage," Gov. Dewey said following a lengthy conference with Mr. Brownell.

He also discussed the drive with his running mate, Gov. Earl Warren of California, by telephone. No decisions were reached.

Gov. Dewey said he expects active support from two of his rivals for the nomination—Sen. Robert A. Taft and Harold E. Stassen, former governor of Minnesota.

## Both Grocers Proud of 'Wreck-less' Record Over Number of Years

**By ART WRIGHT**

It turned out to be the neighborhood grocer's day in The Times search for careful drivers today.

W. F. Schortemeier, owner of a grocery store at 3928 E. Michigan St., and William Grein, former resident of Indianapolis who operates the Lawrence Super Market at Lawrence, received \$5 bills from The Times for using proper hand signals and otherwise operating their vehicles cautiously.

Mr. Schortemeier was driving his passenger car in Irvington when the police safety car operated by Sgt. W. C. Herkless trailed him. Halted on Pleasant Run Blvd. after turning left from E. Washington St., Mr. Schortemeier was modest about his cautious driving.

**Driving New Car**

"I guess I should drive safely," he told Sgt. Herkless and The Times observers. "This is a new car ... just got it a few days ago."

But Mr. Schortemeier's "clear record" couldn't be attributed to new cars alone. He's been driving since 1917 and never has had an accident.

He was modest, too, about having his picture taken for the paper. "But it's okay if it will help promote safety," he agreed.

**Gave Proper Signals**

Mr. Grein was driving a light delivery truck, using proper hand signals and observing all the rules of motoring courtesy when he was "spotted" by the police safety car.

Handed a new \$5 bill as he pulled into King & Co., Mr. Grein said he has been a driver since 1920 and that he never was involved in a wreck.

"I don't have any complaint against Indianapolis drivers," he said. "But I do feel that the

## Pershing's Body To Lie in State On Lincoln's Bier

**WASHINGTON, July 15 (UP)**—Gen. John J. Pershing will lie in state in the Capitol rotunda on a catafalque of rough pine on a platform which contained a civil rights plank such as the convention had adopted.

The Southerners were glumly greeted by themselves and their delegates as the long session came finally to an end.

**Calls the Roll**

Mr. Truman ridiculed what he called this "worst 80th Congress." He called the roll of legislation he had proposed to the Republican Congress and upon which it had refused to act.

And he scoffed many bills which it passed as worth less than the paper on which they were written.

**Those Who Lay in State**

The rotunda include five Presidents—Mr. Lincoln, James A. Garfield, William McKinley, Warren G. Harding and Mr. Taft.

The others included Civil War Gen. John A. Logan; Adm. George Dewey, hero of Manila Bay; Maj. Pierre Charles L'Enfant, planner of the City of Washington; Thaddeus Stevens, Congressman from Pennsylvania in the reconstruction period after the Civil War; and Charles Sumner, Senator from Massachusetts for 24 years.

**Wins Beauty Title**

Dorothy Small, 22-year-old Wabash, Ind., beauty, has been selected as the finalist for this state in the seventh annual "Miss Stardust" contest. If she is chosen for the grand prize she will be awarded a trip to New York City, \$500 in cash, and a modeling contract.

## Call to Congress Challenges GOP

**Truman Asks Action On Housing Prices**

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obtain fair employment practices in all the states.

The South put up Sen. Russell of Georgia as its candidate for President. When the roll was called Mr. Truman had a fat 947½ votes. Mr. Russell got 263 from Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

North Carolina's vote was divided: Truman, 13; Russell, 19.

**½ Vote for McNutt**

Former Gov. Paul V. McNutt of Indiana, a surprise starter in the presidential contest, got ½ a vote when the roll call had been tabulated and corrected. He would have done a bit better had not his own Indiana delegation announced that he was not a candidate for the presidential nomination. Mr. McNutt was proposed by a Florida delegate.

Alabama tried to put Sen. Russell in the vice presidential contest against Mr. Barkley. But Georgia took him out. Sen. Joseph C. O'Mahoney of Wyoming also withdrew. With that the convention suspended its rules and named the Kentuckian by acclamation.

Gov. Ben T. Laney of Arkansas has been a Southern state's rights candidate against Mr. Truman but he withdrew, explaining that he could not seek a nomination on a platform which contained a civil rights plank such as the convention had adopted.

Gen. Pershing will be the 12th American to lie in state beneath the great dome of the Capitol. President Lincoln was the first. The last was former President William Howard Taft, whose body was viewed by thousands as it lay in the rotunda on Mar. 11, 1930, surrounded by the customary guard of soldiers, sailors and marines.

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## 'Only Girl That Harry Had' Shy but Cool at Nomination

**BY BETTY HEINEMAN, United Press Staff Correspondent**

PHILADELPHIA, July 15—Maybe Bess Truman didn't cry but you could see her eyes glisten all the way across the platform when Chairman Sam Rayburn said he took great pride in introducing the Democratic nominee for President.

The woman who was the only girl Harry Truman ever had isn't emotional. But the mistiness was there, even though she seemed unruffled in what must have been the proudest moment of her life. Margaret Truman looked proudly at the balcony and crowded auditorium floor.

**Margaret Chats**

Margaret obviously was enjoying the whole show. She smiled and chatted, betraying nervousness only when a sharp bang of the gavel startled her.

Back in their seats, Mrs. Truman and Margaret fanned themselves and tried to keep cool while they listened to the President accept the nomination.

Mrs. Truman kept her eyes on her husband most of the time. Margaret listened to her father's talk but found time to chat behind her fan with young Mrs. Max "Truitt," daughter of the vice president-elect, Sen. Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky.

**Smiles at Delegates**

Told to follow the President, she stepped forward and smiled an acknowledgment to the cheers as her husband took her arm. Once over the first excitement, she smiled at the delegates.

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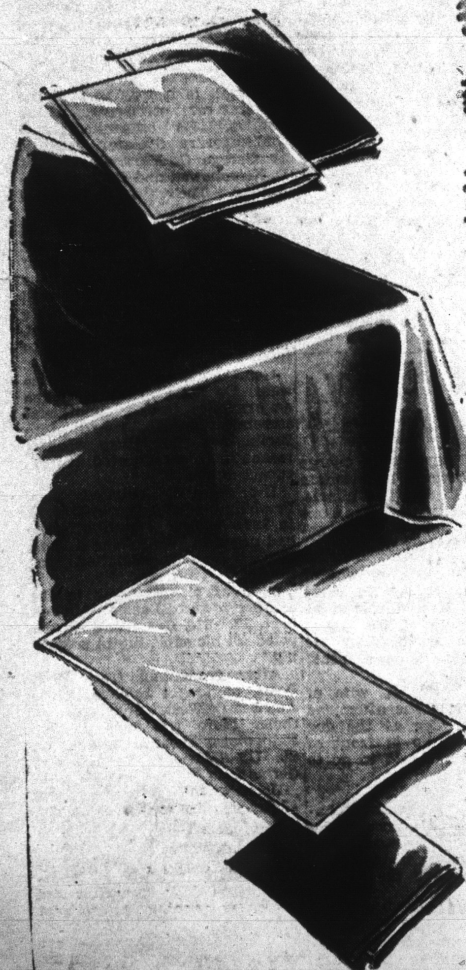
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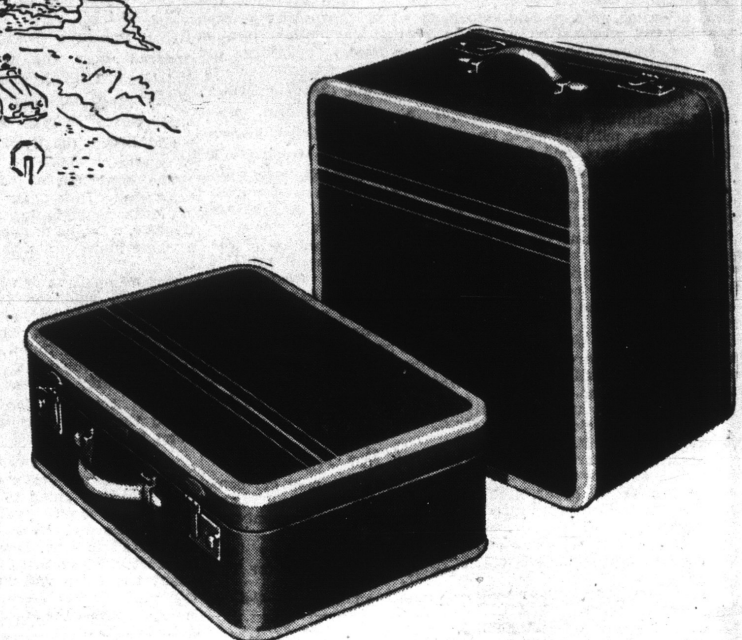
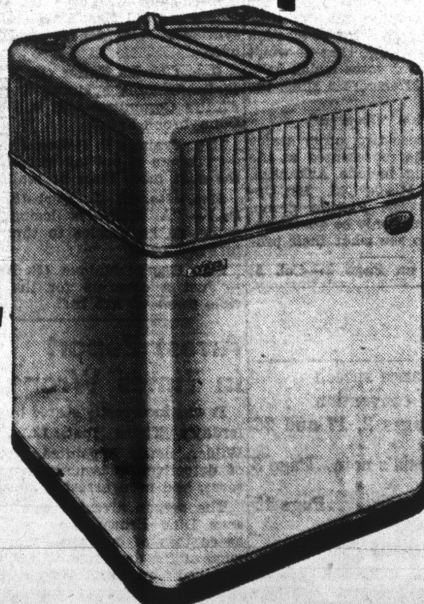
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