

Ike Edges Up On Sen. Taft In Slow South Dakota Count

GOP Leaders Fight It Out Down to Wire

Senator's Lead Razor Edged

By United Press
PIERRE, S. D., June 4—Sen. Robert A. Taft (R. O.) and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower battled right down to the wire today in the South Dakota presidential primary with Sen. Taft holding a razor-edge lead.

The General was pulling slowly but steadily abreast of him, closing the gap a few votes at a time, when county vote collection offices closed down for the night and all counting of yesterday's voting was halted.

It appeared that the final results would not be known definitely until later today. Some observers speculated it might be tomorrow before any positive results could be announced.

With only 267 of the state's 1953 precincts yet to be heard from, Mr. Taft was only 688 votes ahead of Gen. Eisenhower. The Senator had 60,125 to the General's 59,436.

Warren and Kefauver Win in California

SAN FRANCISCO, June 4 (UPI)—Sen. Kefauver and Republican Gov. Earl Warren of California emerged today as winners of the Golden State's presidential primary election.

Mr. Kefauver pocketed 68 more votes for the Democratic national convention in Chicago in July after beating a delegation of old-line Truman followers.

Coupled with his victory in yesterday's South Dakota election, the coon-skin-cap Senator from Tennessee now commands 251 convention votes. He needs 616 to win the nomination.

Mr. Warren, three times governor, defeated an unpledged slate of delegates which openly admitted it favored either Sen. Taft or Gen. Douglas MacArthur for the GOP nomination.

Can 'Hot Rods' Teach Safety?

At last, teen-agers are cracking down on the "wise guys" who are giving them a reputation as "terrible drivers."

Read how they're doing it . . . in PARADE next Sunday.

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CANDID—The mobile face of Gen. Dwight Eisenhower makes for excellent camera studies. These pictures were taken at his press conference in the Pentagon building at Washington.

Strikers Vote Today On La Porte Walkout

LA PORTE, June 4 (UPI)—United Electrical Farm Equipment Workers Union No. 173, met today to vote on a contract to end a two-day-old strike at Bastain-Morley Co.

Some 450 workers left their

Drowns in Gravel Pit

KOKOMO, June 4 (UPI)—William Franklin, 16, Jerome, drowned when he stepped into a 15-foot hole in a gravel pit near his home yesterday.

Political Roundup—Barton Given Democrat Post

Will Be Secretary Of State Committee

By IRVING LEIBOWITZ
Former City Controller Patrick Barton today was named secretary of the Democratic State Committee.

The appointment was made by State Chairman Charles Skilled.

Mr. Barton, 3374 E. Fall Creek Blvd., was a close friend of the late Mayor Peeney and Judge Phillips Bay.

The Democrats also made plans to hold a State Committee meeting June 12. The platform advisory committee has invited all Hoosiers to help formulate the Democratic platform the same day at the Claypool Hotel.

Duff for Ike

Sen. James Duff (R. Pa.), one of the leading supporters of Gen. Eisenhower for President, was due to fly to town today to sing the praises of the General.

A busy schedule awaits the Eastern lawmaker. He has a press conference at 2 p. m., a meeting with Eisenhower leaders at 3 p. m., visits with top Ike boosters at a dinner meeting at the Columbia Club tonight.

At the Claypool Hotel, apparently there were some politicians who weren't impressed with Sen. Duff's visit. They had painted two signs in the hotel corridor, saying: "Sen. Bluff speaks for General Mum."

Political Notes

Herbert W. Lane, who lives in the Columbia Club here, said he would formally run for Governor today. He has been campaigning all over the state in a trailer called the Lane Caravan. But

politicians don't take his bid seriously. . . . Elmer (Little Doc) Sherwood, ex-Legion lobbyist, has charge of Eisenhower-for-President headquarters in Chicago. . . . All the hullabaloo about whether the Republican delegates vote for one office at a time or all together is phony propaganda to confuse the issues. Delegates don't care.

Ike's Old Home Town Gives Him Big Show

By CHARLES LUCEY
Scripps-Howard Staff Writer

ABILENE, Kas., June 4—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower came back to his own sun-soaked, wheat-rich Kansas today to establish his first political beachhead.

A speech late today, a vastly tougher test in a press conference tomorrow—these will let Americans make their first judgment of the political thinking of the man who is here, on his own word, because politics wouldn't let him alone.

So close is the race between the General and Sen. Robert A. Taft (R. O.) that the soldier's top supporters are saying: "It's up to Ike from here on."

Since the New Hampshire primary three months ago, the leadership of the Eisenhower-for-President movement has managed to keep its man within hailing distance of the Senator.

Now Gen. Eisenhower must speak for himself. His backers have said he will be nominated unless he pulls a mighty boner, and they do not expect it. But some agree victory may not come unless these things happen:

First, that at least on the big issues, he lays his cards on the line with impressive candor.

Politicians Everywhere

Second, that he shed any stand-offish, let-them-come-and-get-me stance and buckle down to a drive to round up every possible delegate.

Gen. Eisenhower has insisted on the nonpolitical nature of his Abilene speech today, but the atmosphere here inevitably was political.

Probably no presidential candidate ever had such a made-to-order springboard to reach the whole nation. Politicians here are stacked to the ceilings and Republican governors, shepherding delegates, are here from a half-dozen states.

An estimated 75,000 were to hear the General's speech. Mostly, they are from his own Kansas, and it's a happy land today. Harvesting began this week on what may be the second largest wheat crop in history. This is the 12th straight year of rich bounty in America's farming midland.

All through Abilene, shrubs are trimmed and lawns manicured. Under the great arched elms yesterday, Mrs. Joseph Walker, ex-Legion lobbyist, was elected chairman of the Indiana Civil Defense Association of Indianapolis.

Some 250 construction truck drivers, members of the local, walked off their jobs May 1 to

back demands for a 16 1/2-cent hourly wage boost and health and welfare benefits.

Gen. Eisenhower's visit to Abilene, Kas., will be heard and viewed by millions of Americans over television and radio today.

Locally, WFBM-TV, WTVF and WIRE will bring Ike's live speech into your home at 6 p. m. Later tape recordings will be heard over WIBC at 8 p. m., WFBM at 9 p. m. WISH will carry the talk at 9 p. m. if the ball game is rained out.

genuineess of Abilene's wish to give its famed soldier a friendly warming start toward the presidential election.

From Abilene on, there will be little peace and almost no privacy for Ike.

There has been growing readiness in the last couple weeks to pierce his peit with sharp new political darts meant to hurt. Nowhere in the long string of presidential primaries was there such direct, open attack on the Eisenhower record as in the South Dakota campaign just ended.

There's little doubt the Taft strategy will be hit to Gen. Ike hard at every opportunity. In yesterday's Pentagon press conference, the General plainly was firing right back at Sen. Taft's big air power theme when he said he knew no way to run a war without foot soldiers.

Will the General slug it out with the opposition all the way?

Some of his Kansas backers think the answer may determine the presidential nomination.

State Civil Defense Needs More Manpower

A manpower shortage has hampered efforts of the Indiana Civil Defense program. Frederick T. Cretors, state director, said today.

Mr. Cretors said 31 counties reported an enrollment of 80,000 volunteers, 124,000 short of the necessary requirements to man all services fully.

In the Indiana Civil Defense Association of Indianapolis, Council's first annual meeting yesterday, Mrs. Joseph Walker, ex-Legion lobbyist, was elected chairman.

Mrs. E. Spencer Walton, Mishawaka, vice chairman, and Ralph C. Werner, Indianapolis, was re-elected secretary.

Dixie GIs to Go Overseas

By ED KENNEDY
CAMP ATTERTBURY, June 4—

Overseas orders for at least 5000 members of the 31st (Dixie) Division have been received here.

A high Army spokesman confirmed the draft of men to serve as replacements in Korea and Europe had been ordered by the Department of the Army.

The men will start moving out July 5 by increment with the last group leaving July 20. Half will go to Korea and half to Europe.

Those going to the Far East will leave from Camp Stoneman, Cal. The European-bound men will stage at Camp Kilmer, N. J.

Officers to Korea

All will get pre-embarkation furloughs.

The soldiers to go in the overseas draft have not been selected, but it was believed no National Guardsmen from the original Mississippi-Alabama unit would be included.

The draft of filler replacements, mostly privates and privates first class, followed by a week the reassignment of many of the division's original officers to posts in Korea.

Less than 15,000 men are in the division and the Army order will reduce it to less than two-thirds of combat strength.

Maj. Gen. A. G. Paxton, division commander, was out of town yesterday and could not be reached for comment.

No National Guardsmen are being taken this time, because earlier orders sent them overseas by the thousands. Those remaining have too short a time to serve on their present tour of duty to make overseas assignments practical.

Union Calls Meeting On Strike Compromise

A chance that a strike which has tied up an estimated \$100 million worth of construction in Marion County may be settled this week end was indicated today.

Officials of AFL Teamsters Local 716 called a membership meeting for 8 p. m. Friday in the teamsters' hall, 28 W. North St., to consider a compromise wage offer by the Building Contractors Association of Indianapolis.

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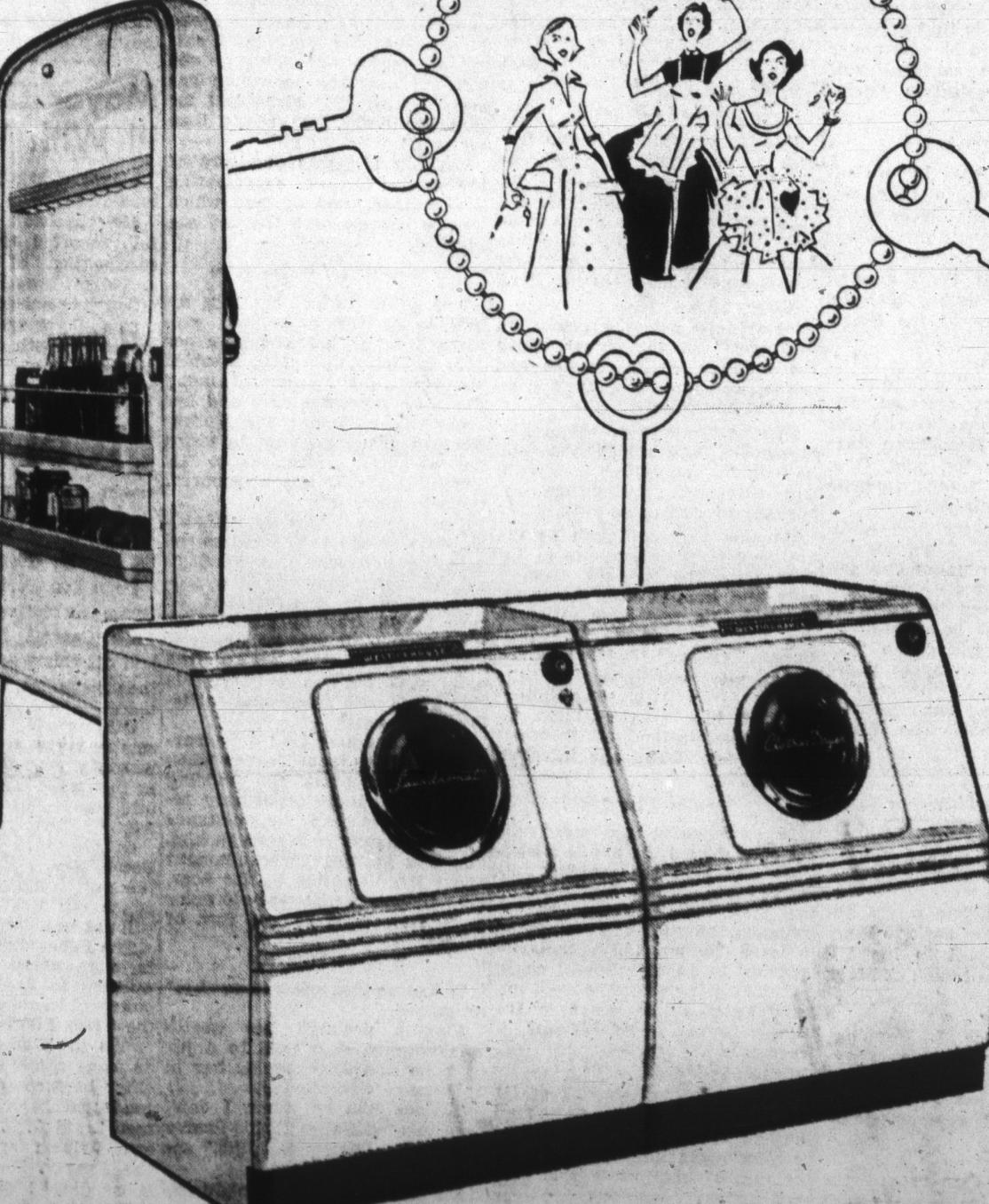
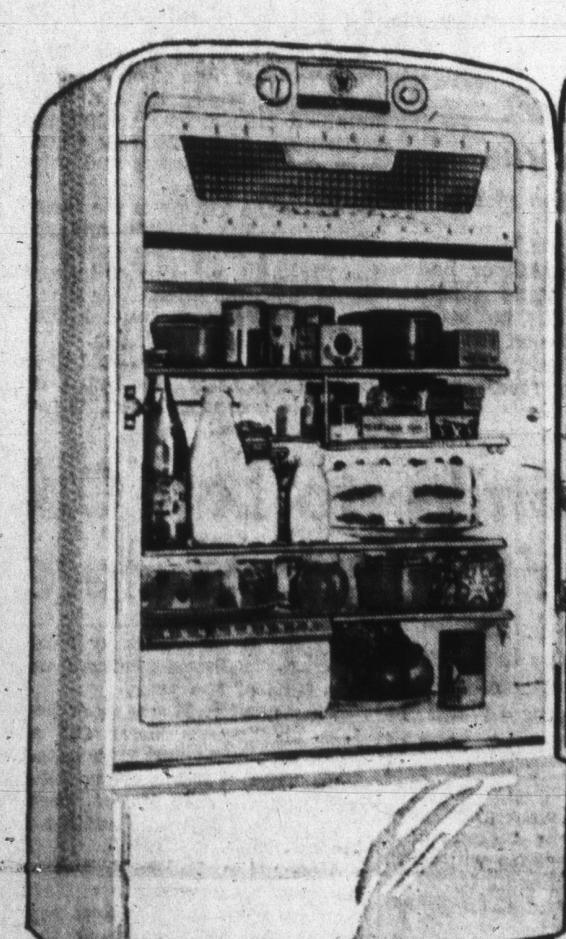
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