

THE VOTERS SPEAK: 6

Change Hits Graft But Won't Erase It

WASHINGTON (AP)—The uproar over the political funds of Sen. Richard Nixon and Gov. Adlai Stevenson provides a good occasion for examining just how the American voters really feel about the whole question of corruption.

Adlai Bares Income For 10-Year Period

Nominee Paid Over \$200,000 In Taxes

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP)—Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson disclosed last night that his income over the last 10 years was a half million dollars. And he paid Uncle Sam more than \$200,000 of it in taxes.

In making public his federal income tax returns, the Democratic presidential nominee in effect challenged his GOP rival, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, to come through with his own.

It was a spectacular flourish, too, to the baring 24 hours earlier of the financial operations through which Stevenson made gifts to supplement the pay of eight top Illinois state officials.

VARIETY OF SOURCES Over the 10 years—1942 through 1951—Stevenson's fees and salaries from a variety of jobs amounted to less than one-fifth of his total income. Most of the income came from dividends on stock in corporations, but there was some, too, from farm rental, oil leases, and the stock market.

Income from all sources was \$523,242.33, with \$252,242.33 in salary, the returns showed. Taxes took \$231,980.42, leaving Stevenson \$291,261.91.

For three years of his gubernatorial term that are covered by the returns—1948 through 1950—Stevenson's salary was \$125,209.83, but there was income \$131,210.28, for a total of \$256,419.98. Taxes came to \$88,459.25, so his net was \$167,960.73.

Here and there, like any other taxpayer, the governor took a few deductions on his returns. Last year, for example, showed a loss on farming operations of \$12,521.42. The returns also showed a deduction of only \$521.46.

CONTRASTED With the returns of Back in 1942 and 1943, Stevenson's contributions included \$10 each year to the Institute of Public Affairs. The Senate internal security subcommittee headed by Sen. McCarran (D-Nev.) said the institute was a Communist front and pre-Communist take-over of the IPR. The report also said there was no reason to believe that any of its members supported it "for any reason except to advance the pro-posed research and scholarly purposes of the organization."

Stevenson announced Saturday night that he would make public his tax returns for 10 years and so would his vice presidential running mate, Sen. John W. Sparkman of Alabama.

It has been often thought that every candidate for high public office should, as a matter of course, make a full disclosure of his personal financial condition over a period of years.

But at Stevenson's headquarters, aides to the Illinois governor said they figured the Illinois governor has not been asked for anything of a spot. They reasoned that if Eisenhower and Sen. Richard M. Nixon of California, the GOP vice presidential nominee, don't come forth with tax returns the Democrats will be able to start asking whether they have anything to hide.

That was the question GOP leaders—including Nixon—were being thrust at Stevenson in connection with the "Illinois fund" which a few state officials get gifts from the governor.

Nixon started pointing out at Stevenson after he himself had told the American people about how he accepted and used for political expenses an \$18,000 fund collected by some of his California supporters.

The Illinois governor at first declined to name names and amounts, then changed his mind. The list, then ADLAI on page 5-A.

OUR WEATHER

Partly cloudy and continued mild today, tonight and Tuesday. High temperature yesterday, 77 degrees. Low temperature yesterday, 73 degrees. High temperature this morning, 78 degrees. Low temperature this morning, 68 degrees. High temperature expected tonight, 53 degrees. Low temperature expected tonight, 41 A. M.; sunset, 6:10 P. M. See weather data on page 5-A.

TRAVELER

ONE KILLED, ANOTHER HURT BY 'DUD' SHELL

INDIANAPOLIS (AP)—Two boys played with a supposedly dud shell that had been a toy of neighborhood children for two years.

David Thom, 14, threw it and it exploded. The shell exploded and David ran blindly across a road, his body torn by flying metal. He collapsed and died in a barn lot.

David's companion, Fred Brooks, also 14, suffered leg and eye injuries.

The accident occurred Sunday at New Palestine, 18 miles southeast of Indianapolis. The shell was taken to New Palestine by a former soldier.

China Red Air Power At Peak

TOKYO (AP)—The chief of the Far East Air Forces said tonight the Chinese Communists have more planes than they have ever before.

Gen. O. P. Weyland estimated the Reds have 2,500 planes—including 1,100 jet fighters based in China and Manchuria. He told NBC Reporter Irving Levine in an interview that this was a slight increase over all previous estimates.

Weyland said, however, that Red air power strength is leveling off. U. N. figures show a record of 61 MIG kills this month but Weyland said Chinese "replacements seem to be coming in for the last Red jet."

Weyland declared that Russia maintains an "air capability" on Hokkaido Island, which is within range of Japan's northern island, Sakhalin.

He added: "It is well known that there are more fighter bases on Sakhalin" than on any other part of the country.

Five in Family Die In Blaze

SOUTH CHARLESTON, W. Va. (AP)—Flames which roared through a small frame house in a lonely mountain area wiped out the lives of five people, including a mother and her four children.

The father escaped but was critically burned in the blaze yesterday morning. The other child was staying with his great-grandmother.

The father's sister listed the victims as Mrs. Imogene Bay, 42; Evelyn and Terry, both 2; and Brenda Sue, 5 months.

Get-Out-the-Vote Letter Contest Closes Saturday

This is the week for letter-writing, and we've got the subject for you. Write and answer this question: "Why People Should Register and Vote."

The deadline for entries in The News "Why Vote" contest is midnight Saturday, a 25-cent bond is offered as the prize for the best letter written by an adult, and another \$25 bond will be awarded to the school child who writes at least on the same subject.

Keep the letters less than 200 words, your name and address on your address and note on the bottom of the letter.

Library And School Funds To Be Asked

Election To Be Held On Dec. 5 Or 12

BY MACK BELL Charlotte News Staff Writer

The County Commissioners today approved the calling of an election to decide on a city-county school building bond issue of \$7,500,000 and a county-wide library bond issue of \$800,000.

Approval of the library bond issue election was given provided the voters would approve an election for a bond issue of the same amount.

Voters of the city and county would probably vote Dec. 5 or 12—the dates requested by the City School Board at a previous meeting.

The library bond issue request was presented by J. A. Mayo, chairman of the Public Library board of trustees.

No speeches on behalf of the request were made because Commissioner Caldwell McDonald moved that the request be granted immediately after Mr. Mayo presented the library board's resolution.

The new \$7.5 million library bond issue would be used to build a new main public library building and a system of branch libraries in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County.

The resolution requested the City Council and County Commissioners to jointly call an election "to determine the will of the people as to whether the governing bodies shall authorize the issuance of \$7,500,000 in bonds by Mecklenburg County and \$800,000 in bonds by the City of Charlotte to provide for the construction of a new main public library building and a system of branch libraries in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County."

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On a roll call vote all five Commissioners approved the bond election. The order to call the election was prepared when the City Council approves the election for city and county school bonds.

City and County School Board members and administrative officials requested approval of the \$7,500,000 school bond issue last week, but the Commissioners put off the decision because of the absence of the school board.

The amount will be split between the two systems as follows: city school system, \$7,500,000; county school system, \$800,000.

At the time the request for the bond election was made Chairman of the Board of the City School Board said that the city school population has increased 5,600 in the last five years.

John Dunlap, city school business manager, said that \$11 to \$12 million is actually needed for the city school building program.

Crash Is Warning For Family To Run

OSCEOLA, Ind. (AP)—When Mrs. Richard G. Erwin heard a highway crash outside their home, they looked out the window and saw a car crash into a tree. The car was carrying two children and ran out the back door.

They escaped just ahead of a truck-truck that careened 100 feet across their front yard and plowed through the living room and kitchen.

Commissioners OKay Ten 2-Bond Issues

BACK IN THE SADDLE AGAIN

This will be a familiar sight in 24 states as President Truman swings across the country in a whistle-stop tour of the Republican Party. The open-palmed salute and glove-off attacks against

the opposition are favorites with the President. His first barnyard tour was fired in Fargo, N. D. (United Press Telephoto).

It was a glove-off attack Truman turned on his former chief of staff at Fargo.

"SWALLOWED PROPAGANDA" He said of the Eisenhower administration's record on the economy, the President said, "I have given little attention to the economy. The Republican Party has given little attention to the economy. The Republican Party has given little attention to the economy."

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Truman Calls Ike 'Front For Lobbyists'

MAKE OR REVEAL HIS Financial Standing

BY JACK BELL NEW YORK (AP)—Gov. Dwight D. Eisenhower's headquarters announced today that he will make public his entire financial statement.

The Republican presidential candidate thus accepted an implied challenge from Gov. Adlai E. Stevenson of Illinois, the Democratic Presidential nominee, to bare the status of his finances.

Stevenson made public yesterday his income and tax payments for the last 10 years.

A spokesman at Eisenhower's headquarters said he did not know at this point whether the general would report his tax returns for each year or whether it would be a general financial statement.

TIME UNCERTAIN The headquarters announcement gave no indication of exactly when the general would release a statement. A spokesman said he did not expect it before the general's departure tomorrow for a speaking engagement in Columbia, S. C.

James E. Hagerty, the general's press secretary, responded to numerous queries from the press concerning the general's intentions by issuing this statement:

PUBLIC INTERESTED "Since the general has not previously been in politics and since he has not had a political fund, and

does not now have such a fund, he has given little attention to the stories in the papers in the last few years regarding the relationship of such funds to income tax.

"Not until Saturday did the general have any press queries directed to him concerning his financial situation."

"Since there now seems to be a public interest in his financial situation, he will get his records together and I am sure he will make a statement later on."

To queries as to whether the forthcoming "statement" would be a financial one, Hagerty said it would.

He added that the public will be informed "on his entire financial situation."

Asked whether the statement would be a general financial statement or whether it would show his income and tax payments year-by-year for the last 10 years as Stevenson's statement did, Hagerty said he did not know.

NO ARMY PAY Eisenhower, resigned from active duty in the Army, no longer draws a military salary. He is on leave as president of Columbia University.

Chief interest in his income has been the "Illinois fund" which a few state officials get gifts from the governor.

He said the special group "pulling the strings behind Eisenhower" included: 1. The "power lobby" which... 2. The "power lobby" which... 3. The "power lobby" which...

Ten Convicts At Large After Hillsboro Break

HILLSBORO (AP)—Ten long-term convicts—described as dangerous—sawed their way out of the prison camp near here last night.

Prison Guards, highway patrolmen, sheriffs' deputies, and officers from the State Prison Department were called in to conduct a widespread search for the fugitives, all of whom are white.

None had been captured by midnight. The general has been in politics and since he has not had a political fund, and

Truman Praises One GOP Senator

FARGO, N. D.—President Truman credited one Republican in Congress with fairness in his speech to a trainee crew here today.

He said that "one of the finest comments on the Internal Revenue Bureau as the aftermath of a popular charge" affecting that agency was "made by your senior Senator from North Dakota, who is a Republican."

He referred to Senator Lister H. (R-N.D.) who defended Government operations in a Senate speech last October.