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for 15 years. She is the
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WELCOME TO CHARLOTTE

MAJORITY VOTE OPENS BUSY WEEK

Many Delegates At Stake For Both Party Conventions

By ASSOCIATED PRESS
One of the busiest weeks of the political year to date gets off to a running start today (Monday) with the Maryland presidential primary.

Maryland voters nominate Senators and House members. The delegates to state conventions which in turn will name 24 Republican and 24 Democratic delegates to the national conventions.

With write-ins handed, voters have but one chance to cast ballots at the White House aspirant; Democratic Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee is the only Presidential candidate.

In a few scattered sections Republicans may build on delegates won by openly endorsed Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower for the GOP Presidential nomination.

GOVERNORS ON STAGE

However, Maryland's 24 Republican delegates — when named — are expected to follow the lead of Gov. Theodore B. McKeldin. The governor has dropped broad hints he may back Eisenhower.

He also has encouraged followers of Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio to believe he may endorse that candidate. It will be a busy week for delegates with Democrats choosing 180 convention delegates and Republicans choosing 180 delegates to the primary caucus in Ohio and Florida tomorrow.

Additional delegates will be chosen in Alabama, Indiana, New Mexico, Illinois, Nevada, Utah and Michigan.

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PEPPER BACKS KEFAUVER

It is the first head-on clash between Kefauver and Russell. Kefauver, currently leading by a wide margin, has his sturdiest political opponent behind him.

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Atlantic Union Booster To Speak

By VIC BEHREMER
Associate Editor, The News
Estes Kefauver, left, nominee for the Nobel Peace Prize, is greeted on his arrival here by Dr. R. S. Snyder, chairman of the local Atlantic Union Chapter, at a meeting tonight at the Myers Park Presbyterian Church.

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of the Atlantic Union resolution, which would have the President call a convention of citizens from some Atlantic Pact countries to explore possibilities of forming a Federal Union, believes Clarence Streit, "We can win without war."

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California Oil Pact May Set Pattern

Independent Union Signs With Standard

By ASSOCIATED PRESS
DENVER — A small settlement in the nation-wide oil industry strike may be an important step.

The Independent Union of Petroleum Workers, one of 22 unions on strike, announced at Los Angeles last night a wage agreement with the Standard Oil Co. of California covering 5,000 workers.

The agreement reportedly granted a wage increase of 18 1/2 cents an hour — 7 1/2 per cent retroactive to May 1 and 4 1/2 per cent retroactive to Jan. 1. Shift differentials will be 10 to 12 cents an hour. The wage rate has averaged \$2.08 an hour an differential 4, 5 and 6 cents.

Spokesmen immediately hailed the terms as possibly setting a pattern for other settlements in the oil industry.

However, O. A. Knight, president of the Oil Workers International Union (CIO), said at Denver headquarters the Los Angeles settlement "has nothing whatever to do with the current nationwide strike of oil workers."

"You'll have to take a look at some of the 'Big Oil' Federal Union newspaper ads I have in my pocket," he said, smiling. "The fact that Atlantic Union organization in Nebraska State Senator Kefauver won by more than 30,000 votes."

"I'm going to tell the audience tonight about some of General Eisenhower's statements in his recent NATO report," he said.

"The enormity of the present threat will never be met by half-measures. This pattern of events which points so surely to disaster can be changed if only the peoples of the West have the wisdom to make a complete break with many things of the past."

"Peace-time coalitions throughout history have been weak and ineffectual. There is no power in our union. Visible and invisible grasp we have the capability of building such military, economic and moral strength as the Communists never dared dream of."

"The Air Force began cutting down training flights last week in California on page 8-A

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ELECTION
A system which allows us to decide what politicians we prefer to meet things up for us.

The secret sessions of the chief delegates began one week ago when the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women held its first session in New York.

McCarthy expressed surprise that a "great pillar of virtue such as Mr. Benton" would not have his name on the list.

McCarthy called his libel-slander suit against the Connecticut Democrat "very important" and said he would not object to having an absolutely accurate record.

McCarthy's two-million-dollar suit developed from a move by Benton looking toward ousting McCarthy from the Senate. McCarthy's records his charge that Communist have infiltrated the state department.

Pre-trial hearings are designated to lay the groundwork for actual court proceedings. They sometimes include the trial. McCarthy and Kefauver argued sharply on the propriety of having a tape recording for the pre-trial hearing.

MANAGEMENT LEADERS CONFER AT WHITE HOUSE

Shown arriving at the White House for steel talks with labor leaders and the President are (left to right), Benjamin Fairless, president of U. S. Steel; Frank Purnell, Youngstown Sheet & Tube; and John Stephens, vice president of U. S. Steel. (United Press-Telephoto)

Despite Collapse Of Talks Steel Workers Stay At Jobs

PITTSBURGH — (AP) — Steelworkers grumbled today but they obeyed their leaders and stayed on the job despite collapse of Washington peace talks. Steel production mounted.

The men in the mills took the news plumbly that White House negotiations had broken off. Many were bitter but their grievances were not as deep as those of the steelworkers.

Some of the workers seemed bewildered by the situation which their chieftain called "deplorable." But they kept on working in hopes that the government and industry can come up with a peaceful solution.

Norway said the union has no intention of calling the workers out on strike against the government. He hoped the workers would continue on their jobs while the plant operates the steel mills.

And the giant steel industry took grates over the week-end to achieve full production. Big steel producing companies like U. S. Steel, Republic Steel, and others.

The judges discharged the grand jury and immediately ordered the grand jury to draw a new 12-member grand jury.

No Headway In Truce Parley

By ROBERT B. TUCKMAN
MUNHANG, Korea — Allied and Communist truce delegates produced no signs of headway in a 11-minute session today in Panmunjom. Then he proposed that both sides had run out of things to say in the Korean armistice deadlock.

The lawyers asked that the indictments against the 13 men be returned by the grand jury. They were charged with conspiracy, kidnapping and assault in the flagging of Woodrow Johnson, Whitehead mechanic, last Dec. 8.

The defense asked last Monday that the indictments be dismissed on the ground that the grand jury which indicted the men was not legally made up. Defense attorneys contended Columbus County had not abided by a 1948 act calling for a grand jury rotating system.

The same grand jury which returned the 12 indictments in question also passed on the other indictments. The defendants were scheduled to be tried at a special term last week. However, Judge Williams postponed the trial to allow himself more time to study the defense plea.

Lawyer Says Morris Knew Of Probe into Ship Deal

WASHINGTON — A Justice Department attorney told House investigators today Peyton Ford, former deputy attorney general, asked questions about Newbold Morris' administration.

Stakum said Morris knew five months before he took the cleanup job that his law firm's role in the ship deal was being studied by the Justice Department.

Justice has said that if he had known the firm had been engaged in anything — he didn't use the words "off-color" or "shady" — he would have made inquiries about the cleanup job.

McGovern testified that Ford, who was acting as a consultant to the Justice Department's No. 2 man last September, "dropped in to see" him and made inquiries about the ship deal.

Tribunal To Decide Who Will Dam River

Public Vs. Private Power Issue In Case

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court today agreed to rule on at least one phase of the red hot issue of public vs. private power development.

Specifically, the high tribunal will decide whether private industry or the federal government should build a hydroelectric plant on the Roanoke River at Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

The ruling was asked by Secretary of the Interior, Charles D. Chapin in an appeal from a decision by the U. S. Circuit Court in Richmond. The Circuit Court approved the granting of a Federal Power Commission license for the project to the Virginia Electric and Power Co. Chapin has fought development of the project by the Virginia Commission on the grounds that Congress approved a plan for development of the Roanoke River Basin which included a federal dam at Roanoke Rapids.

The Circuit Court said that until the federal government actually begins construction of such a project, the secretary of the interior has no more responsibility in connection with it than has the postmaster general.

JUSTICE DEPT. NEUTRAL
In this conflict of views between the Interior Department and the Power Commission, the Justice Department is taking a neutral position. The Interior Department and the Power Commission are both equally concerned about the non-issuance of licenses by the Federal Power Commission to private industry.

Chapin's appeal asked the Circuit Court to set aside the license. The Interior Department and the Power Commission are both equally concerned about the non-issuance of licenses by the Federal Power Commission to private industry.

The Supreme Court did not set a time for argument, but presumably the case will be argued next October 6.

Wedemeyer Heads Taft Committee

WASHINGTON — Lt. Gen. Albert W. Wedemeyer today assumed the chairmanship of a national Taft-For-President committee and promptly announced that Taft's candidacy is supported by Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Wedemeyer, who retired after a long military career, said he took the committee assignment on the urging of "numerous prominent leaders" including Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

He told a news conference MacArthur called him two weeks ago to urge him to head the committee "for the good of the country." Wedemeyer said he was "glad" that he is supporting Sen. Taft.

BULLETIN

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Clinton D. Walker, senior figure in a Senate investigation of Government action buying stocks, reported he was "not" a stock speculator. Agriculture Department's cotton branch.

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