

Control by the moderate middle which surged forward as Chicago last night extended in other parts of the American scene, says Marquis Childs. See his column on today's editorial page 18A.

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BY ROWLAND EVANS JR. WASHINGTON (AP)—The longest, costliest steel strike in American history is expected to resume next week. The striking CIO Steelworkers' Union was considered virtually certain today to ratify a strike-ending agreement reached at the White House after President Truman personally demanded it and got a settlement. It was not a clear-cut victory for anyone concerned—the union industry or the government. There was give and take on all sides. The end of the crippling, 53-day strike was announced late yesterday by the President himself, with CIO President Philip Murray and U. S. Steel Chairman Benjamin Fairless having reached agreement on important basic issues after day-long conferences, and predicted a "speedy resumption of steel production."

Democrats Keep South Inside Fold

By JAMES MARLOW CHICAGO (AP)—It was like looking at a political party in convulsions. Democrats yesterday to demonstrate publicly they need every vote they can get in November. They did this by making a farce of their attempt to get tough with the South. And it was a celebration when the late Sen. Estes Kefauver made it easier for Illinois to secede from the Union. When the convention opened Monday delegates' faces did not smile. They were not to be spared any Southern votes as in 1948 when President Truman sought to work out a compromise that took 30 electoral votes from him. Nevertheless, a "Fair Deal" group, headed by Sen. Blair Moody of Michigan, decided on a showdown with the high conservative wing of the party. Moody had made a denunciation of "Fair Dealism" part of his career. STRIKE FOR POWER It was a struggle to see who'd set the party tone. It was known that if it were the conservatives, they didn't like the platform or

OUR WEATHER

Fair and slightly cooler today and tonight. Saturday cool and rather warm. High temperature yesterday 100 degrees. High temperature expected today 90 degrees. Low temperature this morning 75 degrees. Low temperature expected tonight 65 degrees. Sunrise 5:27 A. M.; Sunset 7:32 P. M. More Weather Data on Page 6A

AH! JANUARY!

Not enough for you? Maybe you're longing for some nice cold January weather about now. It's human nature to become satisfied with any type of weather, and this is the hottest time of the year in many places. But as in- viting as January weather might seem right now, you'll redis- cover that it has 7-15 its drawbacks, too, when it comes around again. In January health and efficiency are at a low ebb; and cold weather presents addi- tional troubles, such as heating bills and extra auto maintenance. Come January, you'll probably be yearning for July weather.

[that long to heat up the banked blast furnaces which stand by workers have kept alive ever since the strike started June 2. The new steel which comes out of some 380 struck plants will sell for at least \$5.20 a ton more than before the strike started. A few minutes after Truman's dramatic announcement the government approved a price in- crease of that amount for raw or carbon steel. Specialized, high- alloy steel will get a boost of \$5.65 a ton. Some officials have predicted that such a boost would increase the cost of living, already at an all-time high. Economic Stabilizer Roger L. Putnam, described by friends as "unhappy" over the price deal, called on President Truman, presu- mably to discuss its impact. Putnam prepared to issue a statement today. There was not the slightest indication, how- ever, that he planned to resign. The \$5 price increase, ironical- ly enough, was the price increase Charles E. Wilson, as defense mobilizer, had said the industry should get to compensate for high- er wage costs. Wilson said he thought he had presidential ap- proval for the price deal, but Price Stabilizer Ellis A. Small refused to go along and said that as long as he was price boss the industry would not get more than the \$2.84 allowed under the Cap- able before any substantial pro- duction of steel is reached. It takes See STEEL MILLS on page 6A

State-By-State Vote

First Ballot (Through Oregon)

Table with columns: Del. State, Russell, Stevenson, Harriman, Barkley, Fulbright, Kerr, Ewing, Williams, Humphrey, Dever. Rows list states from 22-Ala. to 12-Ore.

THEY LIKE RUSSELL



David McConnell, of Charlotte, N. C., chairman of the Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, Democratic committee, and a delegate-at-large from North Carolina to the Democratic National convention in Chicago, is pictured with Mrs. W. M. Hamilton of Dodson, Mont., national committeewoman. Mrs. Hamilton is a sister of Mrs. Baxter Davidson of Charlotte. (AP Photo).

Klansmen Ask Mercy As Judge Dismisses Jury

WHITEVILLE (AP)—Ku Klux Klansmen continued to throw themselves on the mercy of the court today as the state's main crackdown on nightriding terrorism apparently neared an end. Following a roll of the approx- imately 60 defendants in cases yet to be heard, Superior Court Judge Clawson L. Williams dismissed the jury and the special venire from which the jury was picked. All the remaining defendants (no contest), the equivalent of an admission of guilt for sentencing purposes. Judge Williams said he would de-

POW Exchange Deadlock Is 'No Nearer Solution'

By GEORGE MARTHUR MUNSAN Korea (AP)—The three- week news blackout was lifted from the Korean armistice talks today showing the deadlock over prisoner exchange—final issue blocking a truce—still unbroken. Despite a United Nations offer to return an additional 12,000 captives to the Communists, 18 off- the-record meetings since July 4 proved "completely fruitless," said Maj. Gen. William K. Harrison Jr. "We are no nearer a solution of the problem today than we were on July 4," the chief Allied de- state said, but added: "As long as we continue negotia- tions there is always hope, when the enemy proposed this morning that we go back into open sessions."

President Truman Flies To Chicago Convention

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman took off for Chicago today to cap the fiery Democratic con- vention with a "give 'em hell" speech against his favorite foe, the Republicans. The President left National Air- port in his plane, the Independence, 1:41 p. m. (EST), still mulling over the speech he hopes will help lead the way to a Demo- cratic victory in the November election. Mrs. Truman accompa- nied her husband. There was a flurry of excitement a half hour before Truman de- parted. The noise wheel tire went flat for some unknown reason. It was quickly repaired. The President's timing was re- markable. At the exact moment that he was boarding his plane, Thomas J. Gavin of Kansas City, his convention alternate, was cast- ing Truman's ballot at Chicago. It was for Gov. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois. Truman will speak from notes in Chicago. He is at 9 p. m. (EST) tonight. He is at his oratorical best when he is not read- ing from a prepared text. And he was telling no one just what he in- tended to say. There were two things, though, that the President was expected to stress. He had brought about an agreement to end the steel strike and (2) he was ready to stump the country for the Democratic nominee, no matter who he happened to be.

TRUMAN LEAVES FOR CHICAGO AS MISSOURI VOTES

MISSOURI (AP)—President Harry Truman timed his arrival at the Washington National Airport perfectly today. Just as Charlotte telepho- nists were waiting for the Missouri delegation to be polled about its support for Truman, the President's car arrived at the airport. While the President's alter- nate, Tom C. Gavin, prepared to vote for Gov. Adlai Steven- son in Chicago, Mr. Truman stood on the steps to his private plane in Washington for a big TV close-up. As Gavin cast the President's vote, Mr. Truman waved his hat and stepped inside the plane. Despite the distance of sev- eral hundred miles, the timing of sound and sight couldn't have been better.

Star Performers in Frenzied Political Show



Speaker Sam Rayburn, permanent chairman of the convention; Gov. John Battle, head of the Virginia delegation which has figured in much of the dispute over seating; and Rep. John W. McCormack of Massachusetts, chairman of the platform committee and sometimes a pinch- hitter for Rayburn on the podium. (UP Photos).

Sen. Russell in 3rd Place

CHICAGO — Governor Adlai Stevenson of Illinois and Senator Estes Kefauver of Tennessee were in a se- saw battle for the lead in the first ballot for the Demo- cratic Presidential nomination here this afternoon. With the roll call complete through the State of Oregon, Sen. Kefauver held a narrow lead over the Illinois govern- or, who is supported by President Truman. Senator Richard Russell of Georgia was in third place. The first ballot roll call was delayed by numerous de- mands for polls by delegation. The balloting indicated that there would be a nomination on the first ballot. Many of the delegations were casting first ballot votes for "favorite sons." Unofficial totals on the first ballot, through Oregon, gave the candidates these votes: Russell, 18 1/2; Stevenson, 185; Kefauver, 159 1/2; Harriman, 103; Kerr, 82; Barkley, 42 1/2; Fulbright, 22; Ewing, 4; Humphrey, 40; Williams, 40; Humphrey, 26; Dever, 16; McMahen, 16; Douglas, 3; Murray, 12. Senator Brian M. McMahon of Connecticut, Senator Paul Douglas of Illinois and Senator James Murray of Montana received "fa- vorite son" votes on the first ballot although their names had not been placed in nomination before the convention. SESSION OPENED LATE The convention began its ses- sion at 12:01 P. M., an hour and a minute later than the 11 A. M. starting hour designated by Chair- man Kefauver as he introduced the previous session at 1:55 A. M. today. As the time of decision arrived, the great moment of the conven- tion, it looked like anything but a great moment. Delegates were late in arriving, only a handful be- ing in the auditorium at 11 A. M. They showed no enthusiasm, en- gaged in no hoopla. Which is un- derstandable. They were grouchy from last night's incredible ses- sion. There for almost 14 hours they had stood and bolted while nomi- nating 11 candidates for president. They got themselves enmeshed in a tangle of parliamentary tanglers. They fought their own civil war—as they do every four years. In short, they were whipped out and showed it. At 11:45 fewer than a fourth of the delegates' seats were occupied. But at 12:01 p. m. the "morning" session opened, with the sing- ing of "The Star Spangled Ban- ner." A clergyman among the dele- gates, Bishop C. Clarence Neslen of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints, made the opening prayer. PRANKS FIRE HERO Oklahoma, Miss. governor of Oklahoma, paid tribute to the man who shouted into the microphone "Don't get panicky," during last night's small fire on the conven- tion floor. Murray said this man's conduct saved what could have been a dis- aster in hand. It did. The governor said he was making a Bostonian an honorary citizen on his staff. TRIBUTE TO TRUMAN Then the convention adopted by acclamation a resolution paying tribute to President Truman's leadership, wishing him a long and prosperous life, and pledging to carry on his policies. The resolution was proposed by National Chairman Frank E. Mc- Kinnon and seconded by Sen. Ray- nold. The reading clerk, Emory Frazier, asked one favor of delegates: "If you state is present, please an- nounce your vote for the various candidates in the order in which they were nominated yesterday." Russell, Kefauver, Kerr, Ful- bright, Harriman, Ewing, Steven- son, Williams, Dever, Humphrey, Barkley, Douglas, Murray, and then the call of the roll began—

Favorite Son Votes

Favorite sons were getting their share of support. Arkansas, for instance, went solidly for Fulbright. Connecticut cast its vote for Senator Brian McMahon, even though he had withdrawn from the race because of illness. Kentucky's name was getting more applause than that of any other candidate. Everything went smoothly until a woman from Idaho, Mrs. Lavers Swope, insisted on a poll of that state's delegation. Then the balloting stalled again while the poll was being taken. Another complication developed

Kefauver To Get Michigan Votes

CHICAGO (AP)—Michigan delegates voted in caucus today to cast their 40 votes to Kefauver. Sen. Estes Kefauver on the second ballot after the delegation's vote had been reported. "Does the delegate challenge the country?" inquired the acting chairman, Senator Ernest McFar- land of Arizona. "The accuracy and the wisdom." There was general laughter, but a delegate made a formal challenge of the count and the delegation was polled. That didn't end the confusion. In the poll, Stevenson got eight votes and eight is not a majority in a 16-vote delegation. STEVENSON LOSSES EIGHT If it had been Stevenson would have got all 16 votes. But the ruling was that since no- body had a majority the Kansas votes would be split up just as the delegates voted, so Stevenson got the eight votes. Kentucky and Louisiana spoke up promptly with their votes. Then delay again. A poll of the Maine delegation was demanded and ordered. Again the pace quickened. When Gov. Forrest Smith asked that the delegation be polled so

Tar Heels Give Russell 26 Votes

CHICAGO — The North Carolina delegation gave Russell 26 votes, Stevenson 3 1/2 and Bark- ley one-half vote on the first ballot for President in the Demo- cratic National Convention here this afternoon. The reduction in some other fel- low's salary.

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