

LEAD L.J.-P.G. Mon. Sept. 22, '52.

(Here's the latest in <sup>this whirlwind</sup> ~~the rising~~ political storm -- a charge that Governor Stevenson "promoted" a - private fund to supplement the pay of his own Illinois state employees. That is, a fund similar to the one put up in California for Senator Nixon.) A statement is made by a Chicago business executive, Kent Chandler - who, tonight, called upon the Democratic nominee to ~~xi~~ give the public the full facts about the fund.

This new bombshell takes the form of a telegram from Chandler to Stevenson - and it is worth quoting:

"In view of the attack on Senator Nixon, because of the privately raised expense fund," wires the business executive to the candidate, "it is your responsibility to state publicly - that this method of financially assisting public officials is in keeping with the policy you expressed to a group of your friends, including me myself, at the Commerce Club, April twenty-third last. Furthermore," the telegram goes on, "that, as Governor of Illinois, you personally promoted a -

similar cash fund contributed by private individuals which was paid to various of your official appointees to state jobs, in order to supplement the salaries paid them by the State." The wire concludes with the demand that Stevenson make public the names of all contributors to the fund, the amount each contributed, and the names and amounts received by each Stevenson appointee.

On top of this, the Chicago Daily News prints a story that Governor Stevenson's assistants kept a list of more than one thousand corporations and business firms, which were solicited for campaign funds, and for expense funds. According to the newspaper, the list included ~~the~~ firms that sold supplies to the state.

To this we can add a dramatic bit of -- silence, today. (Democrats all over the place were jumping on Senator Nixon. But,) in his address before the American Federation of Labor, Governor Stevenson said not a single word about the political ~~tempest~~ tempest

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# STEVENSON

On Friday night, when the story of the Nixon fund broke, Stevenson advised the Democrats to withhold condemnation of General Ike's running mate -- until there was further information about it. The reason for this advice is now evident.

## NIXON-WITHDRAWAL

Here's a flash from Los Angeles. A source close to Senator Nixon stated tonight - that the Vice Presidential candidate would withdraw from the Republican ticket - within the next seven days.

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NIXON

*This leaves*

1 The Nixon question is in a state of ~~breathtaking~~ suspense. Last night, at St. Louis, General Eisenhower put in a telephone call to his running mate in Oregon -- for the first talk the General has had with Senator Nixon, since the disclosure of that eighteen thousand dollar fund. We don't know what was said. The General, on his campaign train, kept the call a complete secret.

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~~their~~ Correct advice, ~~to~~ to relax -- in the  
position in which Dick Nixon finds himself!

*the able young Senator*  
In a statement given to the newsmen, ~~he~~ says:

"I intend to lay before the American people all the facts concerning the fund, which was used for political purposes. I'm going to present to the American people my entire personal, financial history, from the time that I entered political life.

General Eisenhower agrees that this is a proper way to handle the situation. He insists, we are told, that his running mate must come out of the affair, *and put it in that homey old phrase:--*  
~~in~~ the General's ~~words~~ -- "as clean as a hand's tooth."

The Republican national Committee is putting up the money for the Nixon explanation to the American people -- which will be nationwide on major television and/radio/networks, tomorrow night. The committee denounces



the attacks on Nixon, as "a smear initiated by men who have promoted Communism, supported traitors, and never fought so much as one day for their country."

On the Eisenhower special train, the word is that the General will not be rushed. He'll make his decision in his own good time - all depending no doubt, on the Nixon explanation tomorrow night.

A tough spot for the young V.P. candidate? Yes, and its also a tough situation for the General. How do you drop a Vice-Presidential candidate, if you have to? Presumably, the leadership of the Republican party might select a substitute. But then there is the matter of all the campaign material for the Eisenhower-Nixon ticket, the banners and all that. It might seem - almost impossible.

In the winning of the Second World War in Europe, the commander-in-chief, General Dwight Eisenhower, had many a hard problem to handle. And now as he enters

presidential politics, he finds himself with a problem that may be <sup>more</sup> perplexing than anything that Hitler's Generals had to offer.

Today the Eisenhower train continued along the line of the whistle stops. At Louisville, huge crowds turned out for a confetti throwing demonstration, hailing General Ike. It was noticed that, in speeches at the whistle stops, the General did not bear down on the theme of government corruption - which has been his major topic. He assailed confusion and blundering on the diplomatic front -- such as led to the Korean war. The theme of corruption, it would seem - awaits that Nixon answer.

Tonight, at Cincinnati, the General made a major campaign address, in the home state of Senator Taft. In it he refers to Adlai Stevenson's attitudes in the fight against Communism, and called him a man of faint heart and "elaborate indecision."

## EISENHOWER-TRAIN

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There was an odd repetition of history at Carmi, Illinois today - when the Eisenhower campaign train ran past the station, and stopped a block away. Fifteen hundred people, waiting for General Ike, chased after the train.

Carmi, Illinois, is not so far from the town of Beaucoup - where, in Nineteen Forty-Eight, the Dewey campaign train went slightly haywire. That time, it backed up suddenly - moving toward the crowd waiting to hear the Republican candidate. Which disconcerted Governor Dewey -- and no wonder. Today, General Eisenhower could only grin and ruefully and call out -- "I'm sure sorry." As -- fifteen hundred people came running for a whole block.

And now, to complete the coincidence, the engineer who ran past the station today, is a brother ~~xxxxx~~ of the engineer who backed up the Dewey train,

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## EUROPEAN FEDERATION

At the city of Strasbourg, in France, a committee sat down today to begin the task of writing a constitution for - the first European Federation.

The project has grown out of the Schuman plan for pooling West European resources of coal and steel.

Six nations are in this industrial pool, France, Italy, West Germany, Luxembourg, Belgium and the Netherlands.

They have decided to form a political federation -

under a constitution. ~~Some~~ the framing of

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*is a monumental task that was*  
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The committee, representing the six countries,

began its proceedings today by electing a chairman -

Heinrich Von Brentano - a German social democrat. Great

Britain and eight other European countries are attending

the committee meetings - as observers. They are not

joining the European federation, but wish to be closely associated with it.

## CHURCHILL

London says that Prime Minister Winston Churchill has drafted a military plan for west European defense - revolutionary in character. A departure from the standard methods of warfare - the accent is on jet bombers and guided missiles. This fits in with ideas Churchill has expressed previously - and he'll present the program as a substitute for the armies planned by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, conventional armies of the second World War type. Churchill believes that the schedule of armament adopted by NATO would overtax British economic strength. So he's all for an ultra-modern way - emphasizing jet planes and guided missiles.

The Churchill program, says London, will be laid before the North Atlantic Council, when it meets in December. Part of it, however, is not yet complete,

Charlie Chaplin arrived at his first stop, today, and won't be until the first British atomic tests are held - on the Monte Bello islands off Australia. <sup>These are</sup> ~~They're~~ expected any day now, and the result will decide various angles of the Churchill plan.

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## CHAPLIN

Charlie Chaplin arrived at his first stop, today, on his way back to his native England. The liner Queen Elizabeth put in at the French port of Cherbourg, where a crowd of reporters were waiting. Chaplin seemed in high good humor - posing for pictures, together with his wife and their four children. His wife, the former Oona O'Neill, daughter of playwright Eugene O'Neill.

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I'm an individualist, and believe in liberty. That is as far as my political convictions go."

British newsmen said to him: "We in Britain would like to think that you've come back to England to stay." But Charlie Chaplin replied - no. Explaining that he had interests in the United States, dating back forty years.

He was asked - why had he never become an American citizen? His answer to that was as follows:- "That," he replied, "has come in for a great deal of criticism. Super-patriotism leads to Hitlerism. I assume that, in a Democracy, one can have a private opinion." Which means what? At any rate according to Charlie Chaplin, in this country for forty years, that's, Nelson why he never became a citizen! Stet stet. And now back to you, Nelson.

## STEVENSON'S SPEECH

*Getting back to our own political campaign* Governor Stevenson made his address to the A.F. of L. Convention today, and was still on the subject of wit and humor.) Which seems to have become a major campaign issue in this Presidential election - to joke or not to joke.

To the union delegates, Adlai said: "You've been transacting your business here for eight days. This makes it high time for a little humor." He noted that the G.O.P. has been assailing him for his jesting levity, and <sup>he</sup> referred to what he called - "the new Republican law of gravity." ) That was joke number one for the day.

Joke number two was on the subject of truth and falsehood - as follows: "I am reminded," said the candidate, "of the saying - that a lie can travel around the world, while the truth is pulling on its boots."

On more serious matters, Stevenson gave his

view of the Taft-Hartley law. General Ike wants to amend it - his opponent wants it repealed, and a new law enacted. Why? What's the difference.

Today Governor Stevenson said: "Because the present law is spiteful, and because it has become a symbol of dissension and bitterness." So - have another law, with another name.



ADD STEVENSON

(The A F of L convention gave the Governor ■■  
an uproar of applause, with shouts of "pour it on,  
Steve.")

Which exclamation follows a pattern set by  
New England factory workers last week, when Adlai  
Stevenson talked to them. (They found "Adlai" not such  
a vigorous name to shout. "Steve" more rugged.)

*So Adlai has now become Steve!*

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*Nelson.*