

# WASHINGTON

## Eisenhower Steps Out Without Reservations

A careful reading of the full text of the letter in which General Dwight D. Eisenhower gave his reaction to the presidential nomination of the Republican Party, should be enough to convince everybody that the General has definitely taken himself out of the political arena.

In his epistle, the General refers to his decision that I am not available and could not accept nomination to high political office and explains the conclusions which are responsible for his decision. The point expressed by General Eisenhower is worthy of note by every American citizen, and we print its backbone in full:

"It is my conviction that the necessary and wise subordination of the military to civil power will be best sustained and our people will have greater confidence that it is so sustained and our people will have greater confidence that it is so sustained when lifelong professional soldiers, in the absence of some obvious and overriding reasons, abstain from seeking high political office. This truth has a possible inverse application. I would regard it as unalloyed tragedy for our country if ever should come the day when military commanders might be selected with an eye to their future potentialities in the political field, rather than exclusively upon judgment as to their military abilities."

Concluding his letter, the General says that "my decision to remove

myself completely from the political scene is definite and positive". He adds that he makes his letter public "to inform all interested persons that I could not accept nomination even under the remote circumstances that it were tendered me."

The quoted paragraph above represents, it seems to us, patriotism and intelligence of a very high order. The subordination of the military to civil power in this country is as important as the affirmations of freedom contained in the Bill of Rights and there can be no doubt but that General Eisenhower's action will give the people greater confidence that this principle is to be sustained.

Moreover, there is much in what the General calls the "inverse application" of the principle. He thinks it would be an "unalloyed tragedy" if future military commanders were selected because of future political potentialities and the best way to prevent this, as the General knows, is for all military men to make clear their removal from politics.

It will be better for the nation if everybody understands thoroughly that men who give their lives to military service have completely and irrevocably dissociated themselves from political ambitions. With this understanding, the military man will be free to serve his country whenever called upon without entangling alliances and ambitions.

**Battle Over Tax Cut Dogs All Other Issues**  
The fight on the European Relief

Plan, as proposed by Secretary of State George C. Marshall, continues in Congress, where the issue has become involved in efforts to secure income tax reduction in this country.

The statements of various public figures in regard to what this country can do for Europe must be measured, it seems to us, by the opinions of these same spokesmen in regard to the tax reduction measure. Obviously, if a man wants to insure a considerable reduction of income taxes, he will not be too strong in his support of the Administration bill which calls for an expenditure of \$6,800,000,000 in the fifteen months beginning April 1st.

While there may be differences of opinion, the overriding clash in Congress today centers around the efforts to reduce taxation. The European Relief Plan, the appropriations for the next year, and all activities of the Government are weighed in the balance for the purpose of estimating the result in terms of tax reduction.

We believe that Congress might have made faster progress with the relief plan if the question of tax reduction could have been settled. If the Congressmen have made up their minds to vote for substantial reduction in income taxes, the issue should be fixed and future commitments considered without the impression that one would prevent the other.

The cry for a balanced budget has been heard in the country for a long time. Most of the political leaders think that there are votes to be gained by proclaiming that the Federal Government is operating in the black. They also believe that there are votes to be had by reducing taxes on incomes. These are the cardinal conclusions for election-minded statesmen and they will predominate in the deliberations of both Houses.

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**Strong Demand For More Aid To China**

"The Soviet Government, using the Chinese Communists as tools, is threatening to impose its rule on all China," declares Senator Styles Bridges, of New Hampshire, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, in a letter to Secretary of State George C. Marshall, demanding a major plan to aid Nationalist China.

The Senator asserts that "a vital interest of the people of the United States" has been endangered by the Government's policy toward the post-war situation in the Far East where it seemed to treat the "Chinese Communists as mere agrarian reformers" and withholds licenses for the purpose of arms and ammunition in this country by the Chinese Government.

There is a strong sentiment in Congress, and in the nation at large, in favor of forthright assistance to the Nationalist Government of China. Lieutenant-General Albert C. Wedemeyer, former presidential envoy to China, told a House committee late last year that it was "urgently necessary" to send military supplies and give economic help.

**Government in Business Gives Away Its Profits**

There are many business men who are convinced that the Government is unable to properly handle any business whatever, but most of them do not stop to analyze the reasons for the Government's incompetency.

Let us take the question of insurance, for example. Everybody remembers the war risk insurance that the Government underwrote when it appeared likely that private property in the United States would suffer war damage. Fortunately, the premiums collected by the Government far exceeded the losses paid. If the insurance had been written by private enterprise, the profits would have been distributed to stockholders. When the Government made a profit, however, there immediately arose a demand to return the money to the policyholders.

Another illustration comes to light in connection with GI insurance. It seems that the dividends collected have left a large balance because the actual death rate was far below that calculated. Consequently, a bill has been introduced in Congress to divide the surplus among the veterans carrying insurance, either in cash, or by application to their premiums.

We have no particular objection to the idea. If the Government charged an insurance rate higher than necessary on the basis of actual claims paid because of deaths in the service, it could afford to distribute the surplus and the distribution could be justified on the theory that the government wants no profit on the insurance that its veterans carried.

While stating all of these facts, the examples reveal very clearly why the government "makes no money" when it does into business. If the insurance on veterans had been written by private insurance companies, the surplus would have been profits and there would have been no talk of distributing it to the policyholders.

**Congress Amplifies "Voice Of America"**

It is somewhat remarkable that the House and Senate, by unanimous vote, have enacted a bill sanctioning the State department's foreign information program, including the short wave radio program "Voice of America."

The remarkable thing is that President Truman has been seeking such a measure for two years and that Congress, despite the avalanche of Communist propaganda in Europe, cut the appropriations for the State Department's information service last year.

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