

# Applicants Wanted For Presidential Running Mate

WASHINGTON—The advertisement might read: Wanted, self-effacing man, preferably around 50, popular with young people, liberals, Negroes, city dwellers and doves; for well-paying job with chance of advancement.

Applicants should apply to Hubert H. Humphrey and Richard M. Nixon, who at this point must be regarded as the probable presidential nominees, and who sooner or later must select running mates.

young Kennedy has only to nod his head to get the job from either man; also that the resultant ticket would be extremely hard to beat; also, that the senator will not choose to run.

If he does stay out of it, the Democrats are seen to be extremely short of possibilities. Sargent Shriver, a Kennedy in-law, maybe has the best known name, for his administration of the Peace Corps and the war on poverty.

Would Humphrey, despite a partial constitutional block,

choose McCarthy as his second man? And would McCarthy say yes, when he isn't even sure he could vote for him? Would Macy's take a second? Gimbel's?

(One answer to that is yes, the quick example being Lyndon Johnson's agreement in 1960 to run on the Kennedy ticket, after his best friends said it was impossible.)

And who else? It is a sad fact for Democrats that they have no one of sufficient distinction to demand attention in the running-mate department;

no one whose name leaps quickly to mind and brings forth the instant "of course, it is a ticket made in heaven."

NIXON HAS a somewhat easier chore. He has at least three young men on the green side of 50 who are dourish, liberalish, handsome and generally strong among voters, where the former vice president is not.

One is Sen. Mark O. Hatfield of Oregon, who until his recent surprise endorsement of Nixon was one of his

stronger critics. But he has no national reputation.

Another is Sen. Charles H. Percy of Illinois, who may be even better-looking than Hatfield and, furthermore, comes from a big state and has quickly made his name known nationally. Both he and Hatfield are willing.

Then there is Mayor John V. Lindsay of New York, who is the best-looking of the three, and not only has a magnetic quality but comes from a great big state that Nixon might well need help to carry.

But, in addition to showing no particular liking for Nixon's brand of Republicanism, Lindsay is from Nixon's state, as McCarthy is from Humphrey's.

THE CONSTITUTION does not say residents from the same state may not be elected President and vice president — only that Electoral College members from that state cannot vote for both.

It is thought possible that the Constitutional requirement could be met by having one or the other of them, after the

election, move out of the state and declare himself, for example, a resident of Washington. It has never been court-tested.

But suppose, in the case of a Nixon-Lindsay ticket, that the New York electors kicked over the traces and chose to vote for Mayor Lindsay instead of Nixon. In a close election the Empire State's 43 Electoral College votes might well beat him.

So it is possible that we could have a President and a vice president of different

parties. And there is another way this could happen.

If George C. Wallace's third-party candidacy wins in enough states, none of the nominees could get the required Electoral College majority, thus throwing the presidential election into the House.

And at the same time, the Senate would be choosing a vice president, who might easily be a Democrat while a Republican — Southern Democrat coalition in the House was electing a Republican President.

THE THEORY is that the vice-presidential nominee will balance the ticket, and give it strength in geographic, ethnic and ideological areas where the top dog is weak, and now and then it works out that way.

The best recent example is the tangible support Lyndon B. Johnson gave to John F. Kennedy in the unusually close election of 1960, particularly in the South (What's Richard M. Nixon ever done for Cutpepper, Va.?).

This year's election may well be just as close, and both Democratic and Republican second men will be expected to pull a lot more than their own weight in the coming campaign.

The Democrats have the ideal man for Humphrey — and for his tenacious opponent, Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy, as well. It is Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.), who fills the bill admirably and who has the charismatic additive as well of being a Kennedy.

MANY POLITICIANS think

## Find Cancer Link

Important new clues in the fight against human cancer have recently been discovered by researchers studying cancer in dogs at the Epizootology Section, National Cancer Institute.

Established seven years ago at Michigan State University, the epizootology section has been collecting data on animal diseases from 14 university veterinary clinics and diagnostic laboratories in the United States, Canada, England and Czechoslovakia.

ON JULY 1, the section was transferred from MSU to the National Cancer Institute's headquarters in Bethesda, Md.

Dr. Richard A. Tjalma, former section chief who is now with the Mayo Clinic, said one of the most meaningful findings of his research staff was that bone cancer occurs 257 times more frequently in large dogs (over 80 pounds) than it does in small dogs (under 20 pounds).

This information, he said, confirms what epidemiologists have long suspected — that there is a possible connection between bone cancer and rapid growth, perhaps due to an error in cell division.

"For example," Dr. Tjalma said, "we know that large children have bone cancer more frequently than smaller children and that the disease occurs more often in Americans than in the smaller Japanese.

We also know that incidence of bone cancer has increased in Japan along with the national increase in average height."

"HOWEVER, the evidence was not clear—the differences were too small—until the data about the dogs was brought to light.

Dr. Tjalma said that collecting this kind of information was almost impossible in the past because there was no standard system for reporting the information, and different veterinary schools used various names to describe the same disease.

The epizootology section at MSU attempted to meet these obstacles, Dr. Tjalma said, by establishing a standard nomenclature, devising a standard hospital records system, and designing a computerized medical data storage and retrieval system.

These procedures have now been adopted by the 13 other clinics and laboratories working in this research field, with European stations reporting directly to the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland.

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