

Area Delegates Head For Platform, Credentials Fights

CHICAGO -- Michigan delegates started arriving today for platform and credentials battles before tossing 100 votes into the National Democratic Convention's fight over a presidential nominee.

The full Michigan delegation will confer for the first time here in a caucus at 8 p.m. Sunday in the Holiday Inn.

State Democratic Chairman Senator Sander M. Levin will head the Michigan delegation.

"I'm sure we'll be active in the major discussions of the convention," he said. "But at this point I can't see that there's a particular rallying point for Michigan."

He said the early arrivals will zero in on the platform hearings in an attempt to get a strong Vietnam plank and on credentials hearings to enforce black representation from the south, a decision of the 1964 national convention.

The Michigan party has already sent \$2,500 to the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party delegation, Alabama's National Democratic bloc has also asked for help.

Among the 17 credentials challenges will be one from Michigan's Sixth district (Ingham, Livingston, Jackson counties) over Humphrey and McCarthy groups.

FARMINGTON'S Aldo Vagnozzi

nozal and Mabel Stolz, of Owosso, members of the national conventions rules and platform committee, have been in Washington for hearings and were scheduled to go to Chicago today.

Delegates and alternates from this area are:

18th district: Delegates -- Eugene Cuthby, Ken Morris, Fae Walse and Allen Zennoni; alternates -- Phil Mastin, Jr., Marian Tymkow, Bill Merrill and Sam Fishman.

19th district: Aldo Vagnozzi, Jerry Ruffalo, George Googasian, Ed Decca Woods; alternates -- Harold Julian, Glenn Haxel, Charles Deamus, and Paul Kadish.

2nd District Delegates -- Morton Coon, Jerry Cappari, Gerald Sixbey and Marjorie Horkey; alternates -- Robert Dwyer, Matt Hamilton, Ferment, Emerson and Helen Bird.

Backers of Senator Eugene J. McCarthy are claiming 12 of the 100 convention votes to be cast by Michigan, with Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey's troops claiming the rest.

The sortie into Michigan by South Dakota Senator George McGovern last week failed to jar away the Humphrey-McCarthy support, though McGovern said: "We gained some ground."

LEVIN said the Michigan delegation would be searching for support for fresh answers to urban problems and "a new emphasis on the problems of youth."

Early arrivals here, in addition to Vagnozzi and Mrs. Stolz, were Mildred Jeffrey and Rep. Charles C. Diggs, Jr., to take part in the credentials fight.

The Michigan delegation will be housed at the Holiday Inn Motel on Lakeshore Drive.

HE SAID he was not "under any illusion" about his chances at Chicago, but added that "I don't think we're going there to ratify the front runner."

If it goes to the third or fourth ballot--and he thinks he might help Senator Eugene F. McCarthy stall Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey's first-ballot bandwagon.

Georgia's Gov. Lester Maddox late announcement left McGovern cold. McCarthy was making noises like he'd move to toss Maddox and his Georgia delegation out of the convention.

But whatever happens, McGovern said he will support whatever ticket the convention chooses.

Later, he said he favors ending the draft and employment of a well-paid volunteer army, that FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover and Selective Service Director General Lewis Hershey both "deserve a rest."

McCarthy has said he would fire them, McGovern said he favors opening relations with Red China, in slow steps, removing travel restrictions, exchange professors and other educators, lifting some trade barriers, then including Red China in the family of nations, "an international discipline."

He proposed a national presidential primary in each state to take the "nominee selection out of the back rooms" but he had no great fight with the electoral college.

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Vietnam: Not Always Correct

Senator George McGovern Wants To Tell Country Of His Dream

By DON HOENSCHELL

Senator George McGovern is a kind and quiet man who would rather give his country his dream than have it elect him president.

His prospects for achievement of his priorities lie in the National Democratic Convention in Chicago next week.

McGovern's light suit was rumpled and creased from a day of delegate head-hunting in Detroit and the suburbs before leaving the Oakland County Democratic convention at 11:20 p.m.

But his eyes shone and his fingers danced in gestures as he told of his long anger at the 16-year war in Vietnam in a rich baritone that might have scolded a boy.

The depth of McGovern comes through. He's realistic about his dream. He's honest about his worry for the nation. He has a shy humor which must prop up his sanity in times of agony.

"I not only don't want the vice presidency," he said, "I won't accept it."

"I want to be in a position to speak out without having to clear it with someone else. I'd much prefer to be a senator."

He said he would resign if lightning strikes on a late-ballet miracle in Chicago but, if not, he will return to South Dakota forthwith and campaign to keep his seat, at stake Nov. 5.

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PARTY LEADERS Aldo Vagnozzi (left), chairman of the 19th District Democratic executive board meets with George Googasian, Oakland County Chairman at the party convention Friday night.

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Area Republicans Back 'Block Fortas' Try

Michigan Republicans are rallying behind Sen. Robert Griffin in his fight to block President Johnson's two Supreme Court nominations.

Both the Wayne and Oakland county portions of the 19th Congressional District Republican organization Wednesday passed convention resolutions supporting Griffin.

The Michigan freshman senator has taken on the Senate leadership in his effort to block the appointment of Justice Abe Fortas as chief justice and Judge Homer Thornberry as an associate justice of the Supreme Court.

being heard, The Wayne-19th resolution was passed overwhelmingly, too.

This doesn't mean that some Republicans don't consider Griffin wrong. Actually, there is disagreement in GOP ranks, but the dissenters say they were in the minority and chose not to embarrass a number of their own party--and one whom they had labored hard to elect against big odds in 1966.

PRESIDENTIAL - nominee Richard Nixon is reported to be hoping secretly for Griffin's success.

At a meeting at the Republican National Convention with midwest delegates, Nixon was asked his opinion of Griffin's battle.

Nixon reportedly replied that he was, in effect, in a conflict of interest situation--he stands to gain if Fortas and Thornberry are blocked; if elected

president, Nixon would be able to make his own appointments.

But Griffin told the Observer Newspapers on the way back from the convention that Nixon is very much in favor of his stand, although he won't say so publicly.

WHEN GRIFIN first announced he would fight the court appointments, most political commentators thought (1) he was wrong and (2) he didn't have a chance.

Since then, many have revised opinion No. 2.

Griffin has a reputation as a parliamentary maneuverer practically without peer.

Few thought he would win, as a young representative, with his Landrum-Griffin Labor Act, but he did. Everyone was surprised when he helped maneuver Michigan's Gerald Ford in and Indiana's Charles Hallack out as Republican leader in the House.

TO PLACE him in perspective, McGovern was the first United States Senator (South Dakota) to protest the United States involvement in Vietnam in 1965.

During the early campaigning, McGovern was a Robert F. Kennedy man. Kennedy people recently urged him not to run in a motel conference at O'Hare airport in Chicago because the time was late. But, he did.

State Democratic Chairman Senator Sander M. Levin, a veteran of Oakland County politics, introduced McGovern charitably. A touch of realism, a pinch of hope.

"Senator McGovern is helping us take a fresh look. He is appealing to our better aspirations, not to our fears."

McGovern, whose wispy hair over a rising hairline still doesn't need help on television, said he came to Michigan to "have you look me over" and said it was not at all a ploy for the second spot.

prevail.

MINORITY REPRESENTATION: We must make good on our pledge at the 1964 National Convention by refusing to seat any delegates which are racially unrepresentative. There can be no equivocation on this issue.

VICE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION: This choice must not be dictated by a desire to appease or offend--it must be the choice of the party who believe that the answer to our problems is to stand still. We must not repeat the mistake of the Republicans in their choice of the Governor of Maryland, by selecting someone with the ideological orientation of Governor Connelly of Texas as our vice president candidate. Our vice presidential candidate must be a man who is in the progressive mainstream of our party and who is fully capable of being president himself."

Raise Sights Of Restless Americans, Says Party Chief

State Democratic Party Chairman Sander M. Levin urged Democrats nationally to "fill the vacuum left by the Republican convention and assume the role of constructive critic of the status quo."

In a speech before the Oakland County Democratic Convention Friday night, Levin said that the "Democratic party should not shirk this important duty, even if it means engaging in criticism of some of our own party's policies and programs."

The meeting was held in the Oakland County civic center in Pontiac.

Included in the audience were delegates from Farmington and Livonia.

"We must not miss the opportunity, as do the Republicans, to utilize the national convention as an opportunity to take a fresh look at our nation's future," said Levin.

"Even though we are the party

in power we must avoid the trap of becoming automatic defenders of the status quo.

"Usually in politics the 'outs' attack the status quo and the 'ins' defend it. We Democrats must change this pattern in 1968.

"We must raise the sights of a restless America, not play on its worst fears, as Richard Nixon did in Miami.

"Richard Nixon responded to this nation's problems by distilling out a recipe of mediocrity and self-serving compromise.

"We must seek the adventure of new ideas, not the false security of a halfway position on every issue."

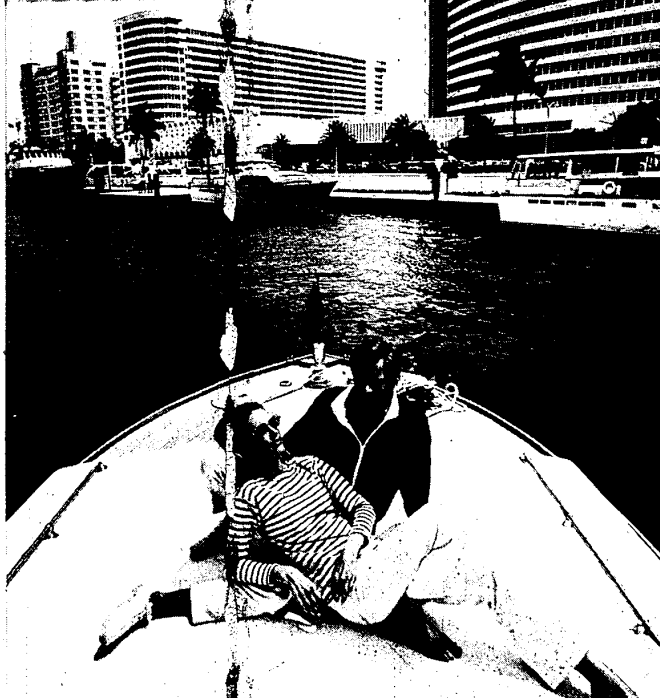
Levin said that the fresh look he is urging should include the following:

"VIETNAM: We must develop a candid statement of the best foreign policy for this nation in Vietnam and elsewhere, even if this should require recognition that our policies have not

always been correct. The Republicans put together a Vietnam plank which they hoped would offend no one, but in doing that they wrote a Vietnam plank which is meaningless.

"METHOD OF Nominating the President: We must be willing to admit the inadequacy of our present method of selecting the nominee. This is a complex problem, but we should strive to put together a specific platform recommendation which combines the most useful features of the national convention system with the broader base which would be provided by a national presidential primary.

"DOMESTIC Platform: We must say clearly that Richard Nixon is wrong. Of course, every American must be free from domestic violence, but no right can be given a higher priority than justice for all of our citizens and elsewhere, even if this should require recognition that our policies have not



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