

Memorandum to Newsmen

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Conventions

Welcome to W&L's mock Republican convention.
We hope you enjoy being here as much as we enjoy having you.

We have tried to gather information on these pages that might prove helpful to you in covering the convention:

-- NEWS STAFF --

The names of those people who are working for W&L's News Bureau and who will be on hand at all times to help you are:

Charles O. Voigt, professor of journalism and director of the W&L News Bureau (also chairman of the SIPA convention to be held here May 1-2-3), is top man on W&L's news totum pole. He can be contacted at 535 or at home, 4034.

Robert E. Bradford who is an announcer for the local radio station and winner of the Virginia Associated Press Broadcasters top award for news analysis and presentation. Bradford is doing tapes for radio coverage of the event. He can be contacted at 535 or 6111 anytime during the convention.

Norman L. Dobyms, assistant director of the W&L Bureau, a reporter on the Newport News Daily Press when not at W&L, can be contacted at any time during the convention at either 535 or at home, 431.

Charles Monzella, news announcer at WJLD in Bessemer, Ala., and assistant director of the W&L Bureau, can be reached at 535 or at home, 557. Monzella will be on hand to assist radio and television people with engineering if needed.

This news bureau staff will do everything in its power to make your job as enjoyable as possible, so don't fail to call on it for help or information.

-- RECEPTION FOR VISITING NEWSMEN --

Monday evening from 5:30 until the night session of the convention begins, there will be a reception for the visiting newsmen at the Dutch Inn on West Washington street. All newsmen are invited.

-- CONVENTION FACILITIES --

Convention Hall has been fixed up with a working-lounging room for the pressmen on the first floor of the gym directly in front of the main entrance. The room is equipped with a phone, typewriters, copy paper, tables and chairs. There will also be a few lounging chairs around for breaks. Unfortunately, our Western Union people are striking, so stories to be wired will have to be sent down to the office on Main St., across from the Lee Hotel. A student will work as general flunkie and all-around assistant to the newsmen. He will assist you with anything you need to have done along this line.

On following pages, we have tried to give some information you might need. There is a page with the names and addresses of the students who will be giving the nominating speeches at the convention, a historical background on Washington and Lee, a historical background on the convention, a date-by-date run-down of past conventions,

a list (although it may be slightly changed by the time you arrive) of visiting newsmen, and several other odds and ends. In the News Bureau office, we plan to have a large sign showing the floor arrangements in the convention hall. This plan will show positions of cameras, news tables, speaker's platform, etc.

As for picture arrangements, Thorne Borthwick of Lexington is the official convention photographer. All those newsmen who have made no previous arrangements for pictorial service might want to contact him. Of course, Harvey Georges of AP Wirephotos will be covering the event for member newspapers.

A schedule of the convention is attached in case we haven't sent you one previously.

If anything else comes up, call Dobyys or Monzella at 535 and we will give you all the information we have--which incidentally, gets to be less and less as the convention progresses. It's really turning out to be a great affair and we certainly hope you enjoy your stay here.

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SENATOR FRANK CARLSON, REPUBLICAN, KANSAS*

1952 W & L MOCK CONVENTION KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Senator Frank Carlson of Concordia, Kans., is a farmer and a stockman. He was elected to the Senate Nov. 7, 1950, to fill an unexpired term, the regular term ending Jan. 3, 1957.

He served in the House of Representatives from the 74th through 79th Congresses. He was elected Governor of Kansas on Nov. 5, 1946, and was re-elected two years later. He served as chairman of the National Governors' Conference in 1949 and as a member of the State and Federal Affairs Committee of the Hoover Committee for Re-organization of the Executive Branch of the Government.

Sen. Carlson keynoted a similar student event at Syracuse University in March. He is also scheduled to address another convention May 10 at Willamette University, Salem, Ore.

*Senator James H. Duff (R-Pa.), originally scheduled to keynote the 1952 W&L Mock Convention, had to cancel the engagement Friday, April 25, because of illness. Both Duff and Carlson are Eisenhower backers.