

To: All Illinois delegates and alternates
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QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"...If Stevenson does not go to the White House, millions of his fellow Americans will feel they have been robbed of their opportunity to live in a time of greatness."

the late Senator Richard L. Neuberger, 1960.

CALIFORNIA DELEGATION
2 TO 1 FOR STEVENSON

"The California delegation to the Democratic National convention favors Adlai Stevenson, better than two to one over Sen. Kennedy for the presidential nomination, according to a poll by a party leader," reported the CHICAGO DAILY NEWS, Monday. The delegation, with 81 votes, is the second largest in the country.

"The poll, considered 'very accurate' by its taker, was completed at a meeting of the delegation Saturday, showing: Stevenson 64, Kennedy 27, Sen.Symington 24, Sen.Johnson 13, Kennedy or Stevenson 11, undecided 10, unknown 13."

In another story commenting on the California Democratic Party caucus the NEW YORK TIMES discussed the election of Attorney General Mosk as the new National Committeeman. The paper said:

"Governor Brown ostensibly decided to promote Attorney General Mosk as his candidate for the committee post 'in the interest of party unity.'

"Mr. Ziffren, who has held the post since 1953, was accused by associates of the Governor of trying to persuade Senator Kennedy to come into the California primary in opposition to Mr. Brown's favorite-son candidacy."

NEW YORK TIMES, June 13, 1960

NEWS MAGAZINE REPORTS MEETING

In an item headed "A SECRET TALK THAT COULD HOLD THE KEY," the U.S. News & World Report said:

"A secret meeting that may influence the choice of the Democratic nominee for President was held here (Chicago) June 12.

"At this meeting, Governor David L. Lawrence of Pennsylvania and Mayor Joseph Barr of Pittsburgh talked with Mayor Richard Daley of Chicago and Jacob Arvey, Illinois National Committeeman.

"Together, Pennsylvania and Illinois control 150 delegates to the Democratic Convention - enough to decide a close race. Governor Lawrence has tended to be friendly to Adlai Stevenson; Mayor Daley is inclined to Kennedy.

"The four leaders checked with Stevenson by telephone during their meeting and found him available.

"Result: A 'wait and see' attitude by these important leaders who are under growing pressure from Kennedy forces."

U. S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT, June 27.

NEGRO POLITICAL LEADERS
2 TO 1 FOR STEVENSON

Stevenson obtained over twice as many votes as any other Presidential candidate in a JET magazine poll of 500 Negro political leaders on their Presidential preferences. The poll showed:

STEVENSON.....52%

KENNEDY.....24%

SYMINGTON.....14%

HUMPHREY..... 6%

This "magical touch" of Stevenson with the Negro voters has far-reaching importance for three reasons:

1. The four largest state delegations-- Illinois, Pennsylvania, California, and New York--contain large and powerful Negro populations;
2. Voters may stay home.
"Interestingly, the new poll brought out another trend developing among some Negro Democrats. That is this: If the Democrats fail to nominate an acceptable (to Negroes) slate, there could be a rash of stay-at-homes on election day. Several leaders indicated they might 'sit this one out' rather than bolt party lines and vote GOP."
3. Stevenson's leadership

"Perhaps the 'new white father' of Negro Democrats, Stevenson appears to be one of the few Democrats able to hold intact the Negro Dems' support. In the event he is not a nominee, Stevenson probably could be instrumental in 'selling' a lesser-known candidate to Negro communities."

JET MAGAZINE, June 23 pp. 12-15

EVERYONE IS FOR STEVENSON:

This week distinguished TV and Motion picture stars, authors, and community leaders joined the ranks of labor leaders, newspaper and magazine editors, educators, churchmen and leaders in every field who support Stevenson!

Included in the Advisory Council of the Stevenson for President Committee of New York are:

Henry Fonda, Melvyn Douglas, Mrs. Marshall Field, Carl Sandburg, John Mason Brown and John Steinbeck.