

Everyone Gets to Votes Except D. C. Residents

By ARTHUR EDSON
WASHINGTON (AP)—Elsewhere the natives grow restive, and demand a voice in their government.

residents of our nation's capital full citizenship rights." Several reasons are advanced for the problem.

But here in Washington, for 85 years no citizen has had the right to select so much as his own dog-catcher.

For one thing, not everyone is eager to get his hands on a ballot. For another, since government is its main industry, the District has curious and complex tax problems.

The situation can be summed up like this: No storming the White House, no angry march on Congress, no pitched battle with the ruling classes—but a mildly hopeful attitude that, with Alaska and Hawaii in the Union, can the nation's capital be far behind?

Then, too, the Negro population in Washington—it now has reached 50 per cent and is growing—undoubtedly has caused some congressmen to balk.

The plight of the 802,178 voteless residents of the District of Columbia is curious, to say the least.

But those who work for the Washington Home Rule Committee said today they hope something will give at long last in this Congress, that local business will be returned to local voters.

Sen. Joseph S. Clark (D-Pa) told the Senate: "America no longer is a colonial power so far as Hawaii and Alaska are concerned, but we still have this one little colony here in the District of Columbia, which we do not permit to enjoy the same right of home rule which the British empire grants to areas in darkest Africa."

One compelling factor in this reasoning: In a world bursting into outer space, congressmen no longer have the time, or the patience, to fool with District affairs.

And Sen. J. Glenn Beall (R-Md) said: "It does seem to me ironical and unfair. In the District of Columbia there are as many citizens as there are in Hawaii and Alaska combined. Yet Congress declines to give

the Washington, D.C., resident would not be able to vote for president until the Constitution is amended, which, of course, would take much longer.

New York Conducts Political Experiment

By J. M. ROBERTS
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New York State, which recently acquired a new governor who never before had sought elective office, now has a new higher schedule of personal income taxes and a new political experiment to watch.

cans, many of whom saw it as endangering their chances in New York State for 1960, and many of whom began to see a boom-rang in their backing of Rockefeller against Nixon for the presidency.

Nelson A. Rockefeller, millionaire grandson of the founder of Standard Oil, was elected last fall over Averell Harriman, another millionaire heir to one of the great fortunes left over from the days of the nation's pioneering expansions.

Rockefeller campaigned. But he made no general charges against those who were afraid of the political effects of higher income taxes. He did accuse the Democrats of having left state finances in a mess, saying they yielded to political expediency. The Republicans, he said, had to straighten things out even if it hurt. President Eisenhower wrote him a letter saying that Rockefeller was fighting the same battle in the state that was going on over the national budget in Washington. Rockefeller compromised with Republican legislative leaders on minor points of his bill. It finally squeaked through, with all the Democrats opposed.

Harriman himself had been elected in his first political campaign, too.

Rockefeller is credited in some quarters with having displayed not only a firm but also wise and compromising leadership such as is needed in the presidency. In other quarters he is accused of making the people pay for inadequacy in a search for sufficient savings to avoid the tax increase.

Both previously had become prominent political figures, however, through service to the federal government in Washington and abroad.

Some grating on the part of the public is audible, but its ultimate reaction is not yet determinable. Rockefeller has taken the line that the people might as well know that when they demand government service they are going to have to pay for it. How it will affect his standing in state and national politics remains to be seen.

As governor of New York, Harriman had been a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination in 1952.

Social Whirl

Then Rockefeller made a decision.

7:30
Fifth Battalion Wives Club will meet in Room 105 of the Biological Sciences Bldg. for a short business meeting and a guest speaker on rug making.

He said he had found the state's income to be far below its outgo. To meet fixed obligations and services which he felt could not be evaded, he faced the biggest budget in history—more than two billion dollars.

8:00
Physical Education Wives Club will meet in the P. E. Library in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

About half of the state's income passes in turn to urban communities. New York City alone gets about 400 million dollars, and the city itself was in a bad financial fix.

The city administration is nearly always Democratic. The State Legislature is just as regularly controlled by the Republicans. Rockefeller said: "All right, we've got to meet these bills. And at the same time we've got to balance the budget."

The Democrats in the Legislature, despite the city's needs, opposed him in a solid bloc. So did many Republicans, whose votes were necessary. It became a national issue among Republi-



"I may as well warn you—we have our suspicions as to who's starting these waterfights."

Better Parking Facilities-6

Aggies Have Paid \$80,082 For Parking Lots Since '55

(Editor's Note: This is the sixth in a series of articles explaining the student parking situation at A&M.)

By BILL REED
Battalion News Editor
Since September, 1955, \$80,082.75 has been deposited in the Student Parking Area Extension Account in the Fiscal Department, said Charles A. Roeber, business manager of the college. This figure was recorded on Feb. 28.

During 1956-57, \$12,823 was deposited in the student extension account, and the record books show that \$6,030 was paid for parking improvements, he continued.

When student registration fees were increased from 25 cents per year to \$2 per semester during the 1957-58 school term, the year's collections almost tripled. During that year \$33,998 in registrations and fines was deposited.

Roeber said \$11,859 was paid out during that school year. So far this school year \$23,367.75 has been taken in by the Fiscal Department, Roeber said.

Following are expenditures for the individual lots, including all repairs and construction since September, 1955:

Guion Hall	2,468.22
Parking Blocks	5,884.89
Traffic Signs	626.44
TOTAL	\$55,996.25

Of the total receipts from student registration fees and penalties, \$55,096.25 has been spent on student parking lots since the account began in September, 1955.

Roeber also reported that \$7,534.44 in contracts is still unpaid.

Presently the balance of the account is \$17,452.06.

"This amount is now available and will be used for further improvement of student lots in the near future," Roeber said yesterday.

He said that \$9,894 in reinstatement fees was collected during the 1955-56 school year. Of that amount \$5,693 was spent that year on student parking lots.

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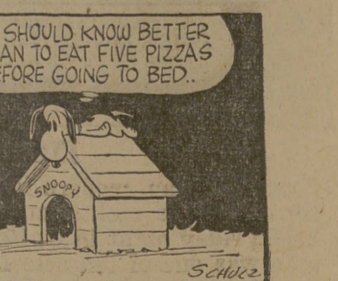
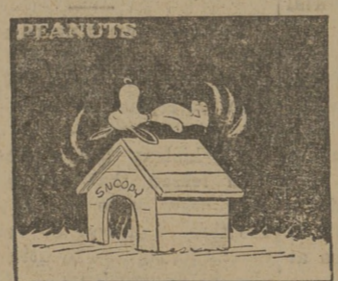
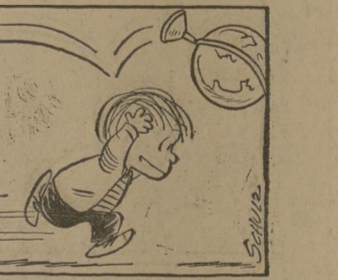
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