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PRE-ELECTION CIRCUS.

Adlai Stevenson is again the Democrats' presidential candidate. Ex-president Harry Truman buries the hatchet, after fighting his nomination throughout the party's Chicago convention. Senator Kefauver is chosen as vice-presidential candidate, and experts think he may improve Stevenson's chances - for he's popular in the vital Farm Belt.

In San Francisco, the Republicans are united on one thing; they all want Ike in the White House for another four years. But a fierce battle rages over Richard Nixon, whom Eisenhower wants to keep as his team-mate. Vice-president Nixon arrives with his wife, full of confidence that with Ike's support he can win the Convention vote. His speech of acceptance is in his pocket, already written.

Harold Stassen leads the campaign against the Vice-president. His support goes to Governor Christian Herter. But the party votes for Nixon - so it's Ike and Nixon again for the Republic ticket.