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IKE NOMINATED.

Eisenhower and Nixon are again the Republican choice for President and Vice-President of the United States. At the Party convention in San Francisco's Cow Palace, Charles Halleck of Indiana nominates Ike:

"I now place a nomination as the candidate of the Republican Party for President of the United States, the name of the most widely beloved, the most universally respected, the most profoundly dedicated man of our time, Dwight David Eisenhower!"

Representative Halleck's words may sound like the conventional praise of a political gathering, but this time they really express the Party's feelings. The crowds who welcome Ike to San Francisco leave no room for doubt that he's the Party's most popular leader for many years - and there's not another candidate in sight. Ike's popularity extends to his wife, Mamie.

The thirteen hundred delegates give Ike a tremendous ovation when he steps on to the platform, with Vice-President Richard Nixon. Accepting their unanimous nomination, the President outlines his policy. He stresses the need for continued unity of the free world, and adds:

"But even this is no longer enough, we are in the era of Thermo-nuclear bomb that can obliterate cities and can be delivered across continents with such weapons war has become not just tragic, but preposterous".

He looks to the day when the world will no longer be divided. America, he says, must face tomorrow, not with anxiety, but with faith; and he concludes:

"My friends in firm faith and in the conviction that the Republican purpose and principles are in league with this kind of future, the nomination that you have tendered me for the presidency for the United States, I now humbly but confidently accept".