

# IKE SUPPORT SEEN IN VOTE

## McKeldin Says It Shows The People Like The President

Governor McKeldin said yesterday that last Tuesday's election proves to him that the people "like President Eisenhower" and what he stands for.

They don't, he added, like those who have "consistently and persistently hampered and blocked him, whether they are Democrats or Republicans."

The newly elected State executive said there was no reason to think that the next two years will bring anything but clear sailing if the people and political figures continue to back Eisenhower's "sane program" of a moderate but "definite liberalism."

**Full Statement Given**  
"If the deadlock foretold by pessimists actually develops, it will be because the Democratic party chooses to follow its obstructionists rather than its abler leaders," he declared.

The Governor's statement in full:

"There is no mystery about the meaning of the election of last Tuesday except the mystery created by people who will not look the facts in the face, but try to twist them to their own preconceived opinions.

"The election of 1954 was simply a repetition somewhat more emphatic of the election of 1952.

The people like President Eisenhower; they like what he stands for; they like what he has done and what he has tried to do and they don't like those who have consistently and persistently hampered and blocked him, whether they are Democrats or Republicans.

### Quotes Jefferson

"The people of this country favor a moderate, but definite, liberalism. "The earth," said Thomas Jefferson, "belongs to the living," and that applies to ideas as well as to men. You can't saddle dead ideas upon the American people, and the sooner politicians of all parties recognize that fact and act accordingly, the better our prospects of achieving really good government.

"President Eisenhower has consistently advocated a sane program of adjustment of our political system to the needs of the time. The more intelligent Democrats in Congress have recognized that, and in many instances have supported him. If they continue that support, I see no reason why the country should not go forward in a smooth and orderly progress toward the goal that all patriotic men desire.

"If the deadlock foretold by pessimists actually develops, it will be because the Democratic party chooses to follow its obstructionists rather than its abler leaders, for we may rest assured that the President will not waver from his advocacy of a steady, but carefully thought-out liberalization of our political institutions.

"Finally, there is another element that may be more important than some observers of politics realize. The people like a gentleman. The ruffian in politics gets

most of the publicity, and for a time may seem to be carrying everything before him; but in the long run he fails, for in their hearts the people just don't like him.

"We are fortunate in having a

very great gentleman in the White House, and under his leadership this nation will continue to go forward confidently and happily, in spite of that minority in both parties that fights progress no matter by whom proposed."