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Douglas GOP For Snell, Ellsworth, M'Nary, Parkinson

Demos' Vote Given Dover And Wallace

Dixon, Ellison Rivals For Assessor; Hartfiel Nominated for Justice

Douglas county voters, participating in the primary election Friday, were quite emphatic in their selections of nominees for the various contested offices. In only a few contests was there a close race, while in others the unanimity of opinion was shown by as much as five to one ratios.

United States Senator Charles L. McNary was outstandingly favored by republican voters over his republican opponent Arthur M. Geary, while Walter W. Whitbeck was favored over MacBeth A. Milne for the democratic nomination.

Harris Ellsworth of Roseburg was given a highly flattering vote by the republicans of Douglas county, polling approximately twice as many votes as his three opposing candidates combined.

Earl Snell was approximately two-to-one choice by Douglas county republicans over Governor Charles A. Sprague for the gubernatorial nomination, while the democrats favored Lew Wallace over Howard Latourette and Grover C. Fretwell.

Parkinson For Senator Tom Parkinson was the selection for the republican nomination for state senator from Douglas county with a majority vote over Russell Hubbard and Walter V. Monger. There was no democratic candidate.

There was no contest for the nomination for representative from Douglas county to the state legislature, Carl C. Hill and Robert Gile, the republican incumbents, and George M. Radich, the lone democratic candidate, receiving fine expressions from the voters of their respective parties.

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Martinique Pact Spurned By Vichy Govt.

Delivery of Vessels to U. S. to Be Opposed, Note From Laval Declares

VICHY, Unoccupied France, May 16—(AP)—Pierre Laval, chief of government, announced today that Vichy had informed Washington officially that it could not accept the United States' conditions regarding the status of Martinique.

Laval told the press that a note sent to Washington had declared the American conditions to be a "grave blow to French sovereignty" over France's West Indies possessions.

"France will not relinquish any of her rights over Martinique, no matter what happens," the pro-axis chief of government told correspondents.

The concluding words of the note said the United States government, "which knows France is in a state of misfortune and that she is doing everything to assure her restoration in keeping with her noble national traditions, would take a heavy responsibility before history by breaking, through unjustified violence, the ties of friendship which have always united our two peoples."

U. S. Ignores Laval

(The Washington government maintains that Laval's government is not concerned in the negotiations it is conducting at Fort de France with Admiral Georges Robert, the French high commissioner, seeking effective neutralization of Martinique. Washington maintains the admiral is the "ultimate authority" and that Laval's reactions do not concern it.)

(Thursday an authoritative Washington source said agreement had been reached already with Admiral Robert for immobilization of the French aircraft carrier and two cruisers at Martinique. Disposition of some 150,000 tons of merchandises there is said to be another subject of ne-

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Nominated by Voters at Primary



Harris Ellsworth



Edward C. Kelly



Thomas Hartfiel



Tom Parkinson



A. J. Ellison



Ned Dixon

Choice of the first congressman at the November election to represent the newly-created Fourth Oregon district of seven counties lies between Harris Ellsworth, republican, of Roseburg, editor of the News-Review, and Edward C. Kelly, democrat and Medford attorney, who were nominated by their respective parties at Friday's primaries. Tom Parkinson, Roseburg grocer and civic leader, was the republican nominee to succeed Ellsworth as state senator from Douglas county. The nomination may be regarded as equivalent to ultimate election inasmuch as no candidate was named by the democrats. Thomas Hartfiel, nominated by the republicans for justice of the peace of Deer Creek (Roseburg) precinct, is chairman of the Snell-for-Governor club, while the runner-up, Ira B. Riddle, incumbent is an interim appointee of Gov. Sprague. Rival candidates for assessor as the result of party victories in the primary are A. J. (Bud) Ellison, democrat, and Ned Dixon, republican.

Roosevelt Commutes Browder's Sentence

WASHINGTON, May 16—(AP)—President Roosevelt today commuted the sentence of Earl Browder, communist party leader who has served approximately 14 months of a four-year sentence for passport fraud.

Boxer Dies of Skull Fracture From Bout

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16—(AP)—Johnny Marquez, 26, Redwood City boxer, died today from a skull fracture received in a boxing match last night, emergency hospital authorities reported.

Official Primary Vote Count Starts Monday

The official count of the votes cast in the primary election Friday will be started Monday, County Clerk Roy Agee announced today. Mr. Agee reported the appointment of Bert Wells and Mrs. Lester Wimberly to act as judges of the official counting board. Clerical help will be furnished by the clerk's office.

Reds Take Big Toll of Nazis In Ukraine

Battle for Burma Still Fought; New Guinea Jap Base Heavily Blasted

(By the Associated Press)

Adolf Hitler's field headquarters asserted today that German troops had occupied the Crimean town of Kerch, gateway to Caucasus oil riches, but a greater prize appeared to be falling within the grasp of the red armies—the big Ukraine city of Kharkov.

Unconfirmed reports said Marshal Timoshenko's troops already had battled their way into the northeast suburbs of Kharkov and were fighting the Germans in the streets.

Simultaneously, a Stockholm dispatch said the Russians, flanking Kharkov to the south, had breached the German defenses at Lozovaya in a drive to cut nazi communications with the entire front south of that point.

Lozovaya is a rail junction town, about midway between Kharkov and Stalino.

A successful lunge through there would imperil the big hydro-electric power city of Dnieperopetrovsk and threaten the whole German campaign in the Crimea and along the Sea of Azov.

Soviet dispatches said the Germans were paying a terrific toll in killed and wounded.

Nazis Claim Kerch Hitler's command issued a special communique asserting that naz troops penetrated Kerch yesterday "after overcoming stubborn resistance," and added:

"The town and harbor are in German hands."

In any event the fall of Kerch would not necessarily mean that Hitler could reach out and seize the great Caucasus oil fields, across the narrow Kerch strait from Kerch city.

The Germans held Kerch for two months last year without risking a thrust across the Kerch strait under the guns of the soviet Black sea fleet.

Soviet dispatches gave no indication of Kerch's fall, reporting merely that stubborn battles rag-

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Grand Jury Indicts Three, Files Three Not True Bills

The county grand jury, recently summoned to investigate criminal matters pending before the circuit court, filed its report today returning four indictments against three defendants and reporting three not-true bills.

Governor Trails Opponent By 20,000; Wallace Given Nomination by Democrats

Senator McNary, Congressman Angell Win but Pierce Appears Lost; Ellsworth Far in Lead in New Fourth Congressional District; Kelly, Dover in Close Race

PORTLAND, May 16—(AP)—Earl Snell held the republican nomination for governor today with 1317 of the state's 1770 precincts giving him 66,570 votes to 47,238 for Charles A. Sprague, the incumbent. Sprague conceded the nomination shortly before midnight last night.

Lew Wallace appeared his probable democratic opponent, holding a 3986-vote lead over Howard Latourette with 30,146 to 26,160 in 1317 precincts.

Senate Minority Leader Charles L. McNary overwhelmed Arthur M. Geary more than 4 to 1 but an upset in the congressional delegation appeared imminent with Charles H. Mack, Klamath county assessor, leading the veteran Walter M. Pierce 5,795 to 5,309 in 272 of the second district's 433 precincts for the democratic nomination.

Pierce, former Oregon governor, who is 81, has served the second district in congress for five terms.

In the 17 counties of the district, however, Mack was ahead in only three—Baker, Deschutes and Klamath. Returns from the 14 counties in which Pierce was leading were far from complete, giving Pierce a good chance to come out on top.

Lowell Stockman, Pendleton, held a commanding lead, 9,847 to 5,017 for the second district republican nomination over Marvin Klemme, Burns, in 276 precincts.

Walter W. Whitbeck, Portland insurance man, was assured of democratic nomination to oppose McNary for the senate. In 1317 of 1770 precincts he led Dr. MacBeth A. Milne, Portland, 35,361 to 17,956.

Ellsworth Far in Lead In the new fourth congressional district, Harris Ellsworth, Roseburg publisher, went far ahead of the republican field in 273 of 394 precincts with 8,020 votes. His nearest competitor was Ed. G. Boehnk, Eugene, with 5,226.

Edward C. Kelly, Medford, was in front in the fourth district's democratic race on totals from 279 precincts. His 3,509 votes gave him a substantial but not conclusive margin over the 3,154 for Floyd K. Dover, Grants Pass.

In the first district, Earl Ross, McMinnville, led Lyman Ross, Aloha, 6,592 to 5,595 in 340 of 500 precincts for the democratic nomination. James Mott, Salem, incumbent, was unopposed on the republican ticket.

Homer Angell, republican congressman from the third district, won renomination handily over John M. Schofield, Portland, with 30,500 votes to 10,254 in 400 of 433 precincts.

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Pierce Takes Lead in Race For Congress

PORTLAND, Ore., May 16.—(AP)—Congressman Walter M. Pierce established an inconclusive lead of 183 votes over Charles Mack, Klamath Falls, in the incomplete returns from the second Oregon district democratic primary election.

Unofficial reports from 325 of the 433 precincts showed: Pierce 6541 and Mack 6358.

Of the 108 unreported precincts, there were only 22 in counties where Mack led—Klamath and Baker.

It was the first time Pierce had been ahead in the incomplete returns from yesterday's primary election.

Three Brothers Confess Thefts, Women Assaults

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 16.—(AP)—Deputy Sheriff Harold Quarnberg said today three brothers had confessed to a series of crimes, including an attack on two 17-year-old Portland girls May 4.

The three, Rasse, 21, Glen, 17, and Truman Wilson, 16, were held in the county jail. Quarnberg said they had waived extradition rights.

The deputy said among the admitted crimes were the robbing of four other Portland women and the looting of 15 stores and taverns.

A satchel holding \$300 in nickels was found at the farm where the trio was arrested. Quarnberg said a watch taken from one of the assaulted girls also was recovered.

Rasse, married and the father of three children, is a shipyard worker. The three said they exchanged shots with police in downtown Portland early Thursday, Quarnberg added.

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In the Day's News

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