

Rumored G. O. P. House Plan Gives Worry to Demos

WASHINGTON, July 28—(AP)—Democrats showed a bit of concern today over a possibility that republicans might try to wrest the house leadership from them before the election.

The organization of the house by the republicans conceivably could help their vote-getting capacity in November. And there is just enough of a chance that they might make the attempt, and succeed, to cause their opponents some worry.

The worry has a mathematical basis. There are 216 democrats in the house now, against 212 republicans and 4 minor party members. Three seats are vacant.

Under the present lineup—assuming the full membership present and voting—a reorganization motion, to carry, would have to be supported by all republicans and the minor party members plus at least one democrat.

The party that organizes the house gains the speakership, the majority leadership, all the committee chairmanships and therefore the dominant position on legislation in the chamber.

Although House Minority Leader Martin, of Massachusetts, said before the congressional recess that republicans have no intention of trying to reorganize the house at present, Senator Thomas (D-Okla.) reported today some talk had filtered through to the senate that "the house is going to be reorganized right away."

"We've even heard the republicans might try to reorganize the senate," he said. "But to do that they would have to get 10 democrats to go along with them, and I doubt they could."

The democrats also have some intra-party troubles to contend with, including a third party threat from dissatisfied southerners.

Dewey Raps New Deal For Economic Slump

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deal has failed to plan for post-war reconversion.

"It may not be long," he added, "before the most vital thing that faces every American is his opportunity to work."

The New Yorker stopped off in Pittsburgh en route to a meeting of republican governors in St. Louis. That meeting shares interest with candidate-picking by parties in seven states this week.

Dewey, who scheduled conferences with political, business and labor leaders, said he planned to discuss the reconversion problem as well as the political campaign. He told a news conference in New York yesterday:

"I am very hopeful the conference of governors will furnish a real example of solving critical problems of government by discussion. Instead of leaving them unworked as has been the case for the last 12 years."

Fish, Clark Face Battles
Renomination efforts of Rep. Hamilton Fish, New York republican whom Dewey criticized last week on the grounds he had raised "racial and religious issues," and of Senator Bennett Clark, Missouri democrat, are of chief interest nationally in this week's primaries.

Both come up tomorrow. Fish is opposed by Augustus W. Bennett, Newburgh lawyer. The congressman said yesterday his attorney would bring libel action against Playwright Maxwell Anderson and other signers of an anti-Fish political advertisement. Wendell L. Willkie agreed to represent Anderson as "a public service" when Fish had mentioned going before.

Clark, a hard worker in the nomination of Senator Harry S. Truman as the democratic candidate for vice president, is opposed by State Attorney General Roy McKittick. McKittick has been running as pro-Roosevelt and in attacking Clark's record blasted at "senators blinded by isolationism."

Missouri nominations will also be made tomorrow for the governorship, 13 house seats and a full state ticket. Fish's seat is one of 45 in the house for which nominations will be made in New York.

The remainder of the week's schedule includes primaries in Kansas and Virginia tomorrow, primaries in Tennessee Thursday, a democratic convention in Connecticut Friday and Saturday, and primaries in Kentucky Saturday.

Also, on Wednesday South Carolina democrats are to have a state convention to decide on what attitude to take toward the decisions of the national convention in Chicago. Anti-administration democrats in Alabama have called a convention for Friday.

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I SAW

By PAUL JENKINS



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Mrs. Black will be 88 years old the 17th of October. Competent and energetic as she always has

been, with sons and daughters thoughtful of her comfort nearby, life must seem very nice to her. Born in Georgia, later removing to Texas she and her husband came to Douglas county in 1900. For many years Mr. Black had charge of the power plant at Winchester, now operated by the California Oregon Power company. He died in 1938.

She has vivid recollections of her family burying the silver and other valuables when that man Sherman came to visit her neighborhood, when she was a small girl, a precaution which no doubt

was just as well taken. Not, of course, but then why go into that?

It requires a lot of stamina and a lot of application to make a comfort—such heavy, serviceable comforts as Mrs. Black makes, but apparently she thrives on the work. Her friends give her much of the material she uses, in the form of old clothing, drapes, etc. Much of it is of warm wool. Arranged in attractive, "homey" patterns, the sailor fortunate enough to receive one for his use will be a very lucky young man indeed.



(NEA Telephoto)
BEAR'S VICTIM—Catherine Seales, young New Jersey girl, whose right arm was bitten off by polar bear in New York's Central Park Zoo during nocturnal visit to animal's cage.

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Argentines Shout Approval of Stand

BUENOS AIRES, July 28.—(AP)—Several thousand persons, voicing approval of the government's foreign policy with shouts of "Argentines yes, Yankees no," participated last night in an orderly demonstration during which a noise bomb exploded in front of the building occupied by the newspaper La Nacion.

The crowd assembled first in front of the U. S. embassy where, as a precaution, women employees had been sent home early. The explosion, injured no one.

Numerous organizations sponsored the demonstration, which came 24 hours after Foreign Minister Poluffo, in a radio speech, had said Argentina would continue her present foreign policy, criticized officially by the United States as favoring the axis.

(A dispatch from Montevideo said travelers arriving from Buenos Aires brought with them copies of a manifesto circulated by the Argentine Federation of University students protesting against the internal and foreign policies of the present regime.)

President Farrell acknowledged cheers and asserted Argentina was determined to continue the road she has chosen.

Yankees Smash Deeply Into City of Avranches

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highway from Avranches to Paris, 180 miles east, was severed.

Three thousand American planes lashed the Hitlerite fortress in widespread raids. The Munich area, central Germany and Romanian oil works at Bucharest and Ploesti were targets for this vast air armada, which included 1,700 bombers.

By German account, Turkey was on the verge of a complete break with the axis.

The Nazi grip on Bulgaria seemed to be slipping in view of Istanbul reports that the Bulgarian government had approved opening of soviet consulates at Varna and Burgas, Black Sea ports.

In Italy the Nazis threw fierce counter-attacks against the eighth army which stood in the hills some five to seven miles from Florence but it appeared these costly efforts would avail the Germans little. Heavy artillery duels flamed on the Fifth army's 30-mile river Arno front. The Americans still were in the southern limits of Pisa.

Two Youngsters Saved From Burning Home

PORTLAND, July 31—(AP)—Two youngsters, one and three years old, were rescued from the smoke-filled second floor of their

home by a neighbor and a fireman Saturday night. Harry Helse, fire department investigator, said the parents were out. The smoke came from a burning davenport, and apparently was caused by careless smoking, he added.

Yankees' Secret Weapon Deals Woe to Japanese

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and took the 4,700-foot airstrip.

Tinian Noose Tightening
Marines on Tinian island, 125 miles north of Guam, swept through Tinian town, shattered capital on the southwest coast, Saturday. Simultaneous gains of up to two miles were registered all along the trans-island front, but the 4,000 or 5,000 Japanese trapped in the southern third of the island, an area less than five miles square, were stiffening their resistance as the noose tightened.

Light American planes already are using Tinian's Ushi airfield, largest in the Marianas. "There's tough fighting ahead, but the end of the Tinian battle is in sight," Green said.

Russians Reach Warsaw, Prepare to Launch Attack

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23 was liquidated west of fallen Brest Litovsk and 2,000 Germans surrendered after 15,000 had died, Moscow said.

Konaras is astride the main road to East Prussia. A stroke to the southwest might prove the quickest road to the land of the Junkers.

Attempt to extract the sting from the latest batch of black news, the Berlin radio quoted a military spokesman as asserting the present retreat is the last phase of the German defensive warfare in the east and that soon "our offensive warfare will restart."

300,000 Nazis Face Trap
Berlin said hard fighting was in progress at Jelgava, the Latvian rail center 20 miles south of the Gulf of Riga and 25 miles southwest of Riga itself.

A Moscow dispatch said three strong Russian columns had turned north upon Riga and were making great strides in a supreme effort to trap the estimated 30 divisions of the German 16th and 18th armies of up to 300,000 men.

The Moscow newspaper Pravda reported from the Suwalki

triangle area that "catastrophe" befell the Germans in the breakthrough and that the Nieman river was choked with the bodies of floating dead Germans. The dispatch said many nazis were surrendering, throwing their arms in the air and shouting "kaput" (finished). Numerous German mobile units were concentrated in the breakthrough sector after retreating from Wilno and there were indications that reserves from East Prussia, including boys of 16, had been thrown into the battle.

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