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ELECTION REVIEW

The nation's seesaw presidential vote has the pre-election dopesters running in circles trying to figure out what happened. The "dope bucket" most definitely was upset! All polls had predicted a Republican landslide, but it was evident from the earliest returns that it was to be a close contest all the way.

How could all the leading polls be so far off-base?

The best analysis brought to our attention was given by Hayden Garber, Congressman Harris Ellsworth's secretary, who has been aiding the Fourth District's representative in his campaign. A close observer of elections, Garber says his observations indicate that when the vote is extremely heavy the top 10 to 15 percent of votes is predominantly Democratic. A normal turnout of voters may be expected to follow closely the trend shown by polls. But when the vote is heavier than normal, the excess votes usually run to the Democratic side. This preponderance of Democratic votes apparently was not taken into consideration by dopesters, Garber contends.

There also are interesting psychological factors. Americans are traditionally sympathetic with the "underdog." Truman, deserted by many party leaders, fighting a lone battle, said by dopesters to be lacking even an inside chance for election, doubtless drew many thousands of "sympathy" votes.

It also is an interesting observation that the party which "invented" the slogan "Freedom From Fear," used the fear theme most successfully—fear of war, fear of depression, fear of collapse of international relations, fear of wage cuts, fear of reduction in farm income. In fact, fear of most everything if the Democrats failed to win.

Truman's sensational fight for the presidency and his battle against the "second worst Congress in history" apparently has resulted in a complete Democratic victory in the Congress, restoring majority control in both houses to the Democrats. House control, if determined in final counts, will be a decided upset. A change in Senate majority was not too surprising.

The unpredictableness of elections is amply demonstrated by decisions by Oregon voters on ballot measures.

After turning down several old-age pension proposals in the past, they have voted in one of the most crackpot pieces of legislation to be presented on any ballot. They rejected a simple bookkeeping transaction to clear a state deficit by authorizing the use of income tax surpluses and may now have to pay a stiff property tax, while, at the same time, they denied more revenue by increasing personal income tax exemptions. We fail to find any explanation for that kind of voting.

Collection of the Douglas County returns was the slowest since the days when, because of lack of telephone lines, tabulation had to await return of ballot boxes to the office of the county clerk. The large ballot was one cause for delay, but to this was added the county's huge population increase without adjustment of precincts. The County Court will be required in the very near future to create many new voting precincts. Population has grown so fast that many counting boards had from three to four times as many ballots to count as in former heavy elections. Correction will be needed before another election rolls around.

Glendale precinct again was the first with its report, but Camas Valley was a very close second. Melrose was in third place. Many precinct counting boards still were working during the forenoon today.

The News-Review management and election crew are most grateful for help given by many people and for numerous kindnesses.

We appreciate the cooperation given by County Clerk Roy Agee, Sheriff O. T. Carter and his deputies, election boards in all parts of the county, telephone operators and many others who assisted in collection of election returns.

We are very grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Rice for a bounteous midnight lunch, and to Mr. and Mrs. William Damewood of the Silverbrook Grill for an early lunch of coffee and doughnuts. It's surprising how much a tabulation crew can eat, particularly when work is slow!

In the Day's News

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appears to have been sawed most of the way through and a cable then stretched from it ACROSS THE CAR TRACKS so that the first car passing would smack into the cable and topple the tree.

THE kids, of course, were just having fun. But there are so MANY kinds of fun. Fun is often very, very costly to somebody. It has a way of being costly to people who get no part of the fun.

WHAT should we do about such things? Pass another law?

There are so MANY laws. When you get tangled in the law, it's a good deal like getting lost in a swamp.

It might be better if more parents kept more kids at home on Halloween—at least until they learn to behave like decent junior

citizens rather than hoodlums.

THIS writer personally spent the early hours of the evening helping to pass out treats as an alternative to tricks. At around an even hundred, we lost track. Most of the youngsters were just having themselves a whale of a nice, happy time. They'd take one piece of candy, say "thank you" like they meant it, and go their way laughing as one likes to hear children laugh.

Some of them grabbed like pigs shouldering their way to the feed trough, and went on without even a grunt.

THIS might be a good rule when sending children out on trick-or-treat patrol:

Say to them: "Tell your names when someone comes to the door. Stick to our neighborhood. I'm going to check up on you among our friends. If you have conducted yourselves well, you can go again next year. If not, this will be the last trick-or-treat time."

OUT OUR WAY



A letter from New York State this week with a scarlet and gold maple leaf in it stirred up so many memories, just as I used to stir up the leaves in sheer delight at their colors. We children would make aprons, caps, coverlets for doll carriages, all sorts of things, out of the maple leaves, pinned together with the little leaf-stems.

We used to make aprons, too, of dandelion stems, joined in rings, and linked together. We made chains and all sorts of things of flowers, too. (I was so pleased, one day, when three little girls who used to be our neighbors, came one day with "flower-bracelets" for me, and they were pretty enough for wear with a party dress. It brought back my childhood to see them in the children's hands.)

But of course that was girl-stuff. When I played with my next door neighbor, I was usually the British Army and George was, of course, the Revolutionary Army, and some of our grand battles ended up in sharp words. He would want to tell me how to run my Army and I did think I ought to be allowed to do as I liked with it!

When we went for the cows we, of course, drove them backwards if they had started for the barn

because when the cows were brought in I had to go home. We liked to go through the creek to fetch the cows, and of course we found time for the British Navy and the American Navy to have a little action. If the cows started for home too soon there was no Naval action for us!

I remember the day when two children, fishing with poles (were we still using saplings cut from the woods, or had we been graduated to twenty-five cent bamboo poles, hook and line included?) in that creek, hooked a beautiful trout by the tail! We could not understand the fury of a certain adult who had whipped that stream from its hill-beginning as a spring, using the most expensive and professional equipment and never caught a trout. Here we were, with a really big trout, hooked near the tail. That young fisherman is now Mayor of Groton with a writing career and Broadway plays to his credit. But I think he still remembers the thrill of that trout.

Brookholm is still in the family, as it has been for generations, but they had labor trouble this summer: the tenant farmer after being with them for thirty-one years, left without notice. He just "got tired of farming!"

Army, Air Force Offer Vets Chance For Commissions

The current expansion programs of the Army and Air Force have opened the way for thousands of veterans and other young men to earn commissions, according to S. Sgt. W. M. Stauffer, station commander of the U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force recruiting service in Roseburg.

The Army, Sgt. Stauffer said, needs 35,000 officers between now and June 1, and the Air Force has inaugurated a program to fill 10,000 officer vacancies.

High school graduates, without prior service, between the ages of 19 and 28, may enlist in the Army for attendance at Officer Candidate School. On graduation, they will be commissioned second lieutenants in the reserve, and called to active duty for two years.

Veterans who have had one or more years of active duty in any of the armed forces, with good service records, and who have completed two or more years of college, may apply for commissions as second lieutenants without the need of attending Officer Candidate School. If within the established age limits, they may receive direct appointments as a result of screening and appearance before a board of officers.

Opportunities for Air Force commissions are open to veterans and non-veterans between the ages of 20 and 28 years of age, with two years of college or the equivalent, in both flying and non-flying categories.

The Aviation Cadet Program allows unmarried men to qualify for pilot training. On successful completion of a one-year course, they win their wings and receive commissions as second lieutenants.

Veterans and other qualified young men may enlist for attendance at Air Force Officer Candidate School, and receive commissions on graduation.

Sgt. Stauffer said many veterans had completed high school or attend college under the GI bill since leaving the service, and now possess the educational qualifications to enable them to become officers under the new plans.

'STENOGRAPHS' NEEDED
Need for six stenographers to be employed immediately at the

Roseburg Veterans Hospital was reported today by Ralph Church, assistant personnel director. Church will be in the Roseburg postoffice lobby from 10 a.m. until noon, Wednesday through Friday, to interview prospective applicants, he said. Other forms of Civil Service employment will also be explained.

Pair on Search Flight Die in Flaming Plane

TEMPLE, Okla., Nov. 2.—(AP)—The Oklahoma Air National Guard tried to learn today whether parachute failure or personal injuries let two fliers hurtle to death from a flaming B-26 bomber.

First Lt. James H. Salmon, 26, the pilot, and First Lt. Philip J. Clinton, his observer, were killed yesterday.

The two reserve officers were on a search flight for a missing private plane that had been located with all four occupants dead—just minutes before their own accident.

Chinese Premier Quits; Yuan Issue Too Tough

NANKING, Nov. 3.—(AP)—Premier Wen Wen Hsiang announced yesterday that he would resign.

The tiny premier, who accepted the post under protest and twice has attempted to quit, reported on the economic situation to a hostile legislative yuan, admitting that his efforts to balance the national budget were "a total failure."

Economic control regulations backing the new gold yuan currency collapsed completely, and were withdrawn by the government yesterday.

Orville Miller Estate Estimated at \$586,600

PORTLAND, Nov. 3.—(AP)—The estate of Orville R. Miller, Portland lumberman, was estimated at \$587,601 yesterday in an appraisal filed in Circuit Court.

Included were stock in the Glenwood Lumber Company, valued at \$137,316, and stock in the Mount Jefferson Lumber Company, appraised at \$120,000.

The widow and a son, Walter D. Miller, were sole beneficiaries.

100 Ships Head For Mock Battle In Arctic Ocean

BOSTON, Nov. 3.—(AP)—A hundred ships manned by 36,000 men plowed northward today toward the Arctic and a mock battle to test the U. S. Navy's postwar strength.

Meanwhile 17 submarines moved for position in the simulated warfare and 543 aircraft were assigned to take part in the engagement.

The surface craft are directed by Rear Admiral James Fife Jr., will attempt to "destroy" or waylay the surface fleet. The planes will assist operations of the undersea and surface craft.

Operational control is scheduled to pass to Vice Admiral Donald B. Duncan Thursday for a combined attack against Argentina, Newfoundland, ending in an amphibious offensive Nov. 8.

All phases will be conducted under wartime conditions, with blackouts, radio silence and submarine and plane warnings.

The second task fleet is slated to enter Davis Strait, dotted with wolfpacks, and into waters off Greenland before returning to its Norfolk, Va., base.

Anti-Totalitarianism Reaffirmed by Pope Pius

VATICAN CITY, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Pope Pius XII reaffirmed yesterday the Roman Catholic Church's opposition to totalitarianism.

He spoke to 1,000 auto workers from Turin and Rome at the summer Apostolic palace, as Castel Gandolfo.

The Pope assailed those who, in "declaring that their own system is the only one truly 'social,' do not defend the personal dignity of the worker, but make of his productive capacity a simple object of which society disposes at its will."

He said religion is the true guarantee of the "dignity of the worker."

Flier Uses Wrong Gas; Crash Fractures Leg

HILTS, Calif., Nov. 2.—(AP)—If Alan Houston of Lakeview, Ore., goes flying again he'll probably use aviation gasoline.

Houston was buzzing along over this little Northern California town Sunday evening en route to Eugene, Ore., from an air show at Port Jones. He was using ordinary gasoline in his rented plane.

The engine sputtered. It stopped. Houston maneuvered for an emergency landing in a street. The plane hit a power line, flopped to the pavement and burst into flame.

Houston escaped with a fractured nose.

International Rationing Of Animal Feeds to End

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3.—(AP)—International rationing of vegetable high protein animal feeds will end Dec. 31.

This was announced yesterday by the International Emergency Food Committee. Since the end of the war, the committee has divided scarce farm materials among cooperative nations by means of import allocations.

The committee said lifting of the controls of the animal feeds is possible because of increased supplies and a limited import demand.

Commodities still rationed by the committee include cereals, coco, rice, food fats and oils and nitrogen fertilizers.

SCOUT HEADS TO MEET

Executive committee of the Garden Valley Boy Scout troop will meet at 7:30 Thursday at the Garden Valley School. It was announced by J. A. Giroux, principal. It is urgent that all members attend the meetings he said.

Park Board Work Shown in Report

A report of the Roseburg Park Commission, covering the period July 1 to Oct. 31, was submitted by Chairman Percy Croft at the City Council meeting Monday night. The commission met four times during that period.

The achievements of the commission during that period were listed as follows: 1. Formation of the new park department. 2. The purchase of a Park Department truck and hiring of a superintendent. 3. Installed the wading pool on Commercial Street complete with fence and playground equipment. 4. Approved plans for the swimming pool dressing rooms. 5. Approved plans for landscaping pool grounds. 6. Installed playground equipment at Umpqua Park. 7. Repaired the playground equipment, fence and painted equipment at the park across from the Elks building on South Jackson street. 8. Started cleaning Laurelwood Park, which is about one-sixth finished.

The Park Commission budget is \$5,000, exclusive of regularly paid employees, and other amounts appropriated for special purposes. The City Council has appropriated \$1,000 for expenditure to date, but of that amount only \$133.81 has been used.

Missing Plane Found; All 4 Occupants Dead

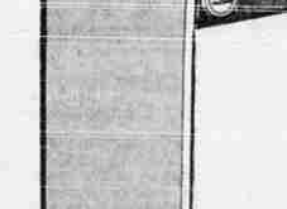
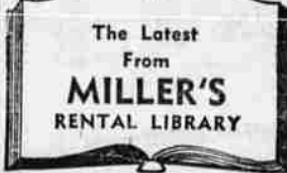
OKLAHOMA CITY, Nov. 1.—(AP)—The headquarters of the Denver Producing and Refining Co., reported today that a missing company plane and the bodies of its four occupants had been found near Matador, Texas.

Otto F. Thompson, secretary of the company, said he was informed by telephone that the four bodies were positively identified as those of R. G. Rapp, president of the company; L. S. Tunks, production superintendent; Mrs. Tunks, and Pilot B. B. Parr.

The plane had been missing since Thursday.

EQUITY SUIT FILED

R. L. Whipple and F. G. Stew. art have filed suit in equity in Circuit Court against Vernon Owen to foreclose on property described as Lot 74, Eden Orchards, containing 21.15 acres. The property was originally purchased from R. Lee and Nora V. Adair for \$800 on May 6, 1946. The latter's interests were assigned over to the plaintiffs Sept. 16, 1946, the complaint states.



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