

Barkley Slated To Answer GOP Chairman's Attack On Truman's Fiscal Policies

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—(AP)—Vice President Barkley starts this week in a 1950 campaign warm-up enlivened by Republican talk of the Truman program as leading to a "poorhouse state."

Newly-wed Barkley, accompanied by his bride, is billed as the principal speaker and chief attraction at a Democratic fund-raising dinner in New York City Friday night.

Barkley is an old hand at key-noting party drives. He may come up with a democratic answer to the charges of Guy G. Gabrielson, the republican national chairman, that the Truman administration is spending the country into the kind of doubtful security given poorhouse inmates.

Welfare State Scored
Gabrielson teed off on the opposition in a national broadcast

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last night, declaring: "If we continue under the present administration we are headed for a poorhouse state and, while the inmates of a poorhouse may have a certain amount of so-called security, their lot is not particularly enviable."

It was a departure by the G. O. P. leader from the "welfare state" phrase with which his party members have been describing what President Truman calls his "fair deal" program.

In this battle of catch-words, some republicans were said to believe that if they kept on talking about the "welfare state" in derisive terms the voters might begin to believe they didn't have public welfare in mind.

Says Idleness Fostered
Gabrielson laid down some broad charges against the Truman administration, among them that it is fostering unemployment.

During the week ending November 12, he quoted labor department figures, 1,746,200 claims for unemployment compensation were pending. He said this compared with 865,721 such claims in the week ending Nov. 13, 1948, when a republican congress was in charge on Capitol Hill.

"That indicates the kind of security the Truman administration is providing, and ironically enough, the figures are supplied by a bureau of employment security," he said.

Spending Flayed
The republican chairman pounded away at the point that the government is spending money it doesn't have.

"We are today picking the pockets of our grandchildren and great grandchildren to pay for the senseless extravagance and waste of the present administration," he declared. "Personally, I think we are paying a very high price to keep Pendergastism in deep-freezers in Washington."

Gabrielson's attack on administration handling of reciprocal trade agreements apparently reflected a plan by some republicans to make this an issue in

Copco Dam Project In California Considered

YREKA, Calif., Nov. 28.—A hearing has been held at Yreka by the California State Game Commission to consider a proposal to construct a power dam on the Klamath river.

The proposed dam, which would be located at Iron Gate on the Klamath, will be a source of electric power for the California-Oregon Power Co. Estimated cost of the dam is \$1,900,000. The state of California would stand \$376,000 of the expense.

The dam would be constructed to maintain a normal flow of water in the stream and to provide the maximum amount of food for salmon and trout.

Officers Retained By Woodworkers

PORTLAND, Nov. 28.—(AP)—CIO woodworkers have reelected James E. Fadling, Portland, to his third term as president of the International Woodworkers of America.

The union's election committee announced mail ballot returns on the top offices and five union constitutional amendments here Saturday.

Swept back into office with Fadling were Al Hartung, first vice president; Carl Winn, secretary-treasurer; and Herb Irving, a trustee. John Hawkins, Montgomery, Ala., defeated William Botkin, Aberdeen, Wash., for second vice president.

Fadling carried all districts except the Columbia River district, No. 5, which gave its vote to Claude Ballard, Seaside, the only opponent of the incumbent president.

The major constitutional amendment will give the union's chiefs power to curb rebellion. It stemmed from last year's action by the British Columbia district. The amendment gives the executive board power to appoint an administrator to take over and manage funds and property of any district council, local union or other chartered subordinate unit that might attempt to secede from the international union.

The ballot count will be reported next month upon certification by the executive committee.

next year's congressional campaign.

The GOP chairman said that by cutting tariffs the president was in effect "exporting the jobs of American workers." He said this was particularly noticeable in New England unemployment figures.

Gabrielson's talk was billed as an answer to President Truman's November 2 speech in St. Paul on the "fair deal" program.

Vets 50-60 Pct. Disabled To Get Dependency Aid

Veterans with service-connected disabilities rated 50 to 60 percent, and who have one or more dependents, will soon receive additional allowances for their dependents by virtue of legislation enacted by the 81st Congress, according to the Veterans Administration. Prior to passage of the new law only veterans rated 60 percent and up were entitled to dependency allowances.

Monthly additional amounts for veterans disabled in wartime, based on 50 percent, are:

Wife alone, \$10.50; wife and one child, \$17.50; wife and two children, \$22.75; wife and three or more children, \$28; one child (no wife), \$7; two children, \$12.25; three or more children, \$17.50; one dependent parent, \$8.75; and two dependent parents, \$17.50.

Veterans entitled to compensation for disabilities incurred in peacetime service receive 80 percent of the wartime rate.

In order to qualify for dependency allowances, the veteran must submit proof of relationship, such as marriage and birth records. Where his dependents are on record with the VA on December 1, 1949, and the necessary evidence of relationship and dependency is furnished within five months from that date, the award will be made effective December 1. Otherwise, the effective date will be the date the evidence is received.

The VA said it is now reviewing the case files of veterans rated between 50 and 60 percent disabled so as to advise them of their possible entitlement to dependency allowances.

OREGON BIRTHS UPPED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28.—(AP) The northwest's birth rate continues to rise, the public health service said yesterday.

Stark activity, as shown by stark statistics, revealed the following: Washington had 55,833 births in 1948—or 22.7 births per thousand population—for an increase of 40.1 per cent over the 1940 total.

Oregon's 35,206 births during the year represent 21.5 births per thousand population and a percentage increase of 34.4 per cent over 1940.

Under regulations of the federal communications commission a single owner can possess no more than five television stations.

UTILITY JOBS SLATED COOS BAY

COOS BAY.—(AP)—First contracts for the Bonneville transmission line from here to Reedport will be called for in March. The work, which includes several substations, is scheduled for completion next year.

Yule Decorating Begun On Streets

Civic-minded Roseburg citizens weathered showers to help create a Christmas atmosphere in the city's downtown area in a day-long decorating spree Sunday.

Headed by City Manager Matt Slinkard, several hardy town-folk joined members of the Lions club, and the city's street and fire department personnel to string cedar boughs and colored lights across Roseburg's main thoroughfare.

Each ornamental effort was topped with a spangled star to the street-crossing wreaths and lights. Slinkard said today electricians are readying the light strings and hope to have Roseburg's Christmas decorations in full bloom tonight.

Still to come are the shiny tinsel outlines, to be added to the Santa Claus figures already mounted on street light poles. Slinkard said the outlines have been ordered but have not yet arrived.

Morse Defends Banker Sammons From Demo Rap

EUGENE, Nov. 28.—(AP)—Senator Wayne L. Morse, who had announced Saturday that Portland banker E. C. Sammons would be treasurer of the senator's reelection campaign, had a defense of the appointment last night.

His statement here was an answer to criticism by Democratic National Committeeman Monroe Sweetland. Sweetland heard of the Sammons appointment at Salem and said it marked "a new low in the decline of the one-time liberal senator." He declared "now one of Oregon's anti-labor leaders is to pay the fiddler and presumably call the tune."

Morse replied last night: "Eddie Sammons record of outstanding citizenship needs no defense from me or anyone else in the state."

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ded that Sammons is "one of the progressive, liberal minded, forward looking Republicans of our state. His work as a member of the Portland labor-management committee has won for him the respect of labor and his many public services in behalf of the people of our state has won for him the admiration of Oregonians generally."

BRITONS GET PENSIONS
LONDON.—(AP)—Nearly 10 percent of the British people are drawing old age pensions. Minister of National Insurance James Griffiths disclosed the figures in parliament recently. He said 4,540,000 Britons receive pensions. He estimated the cost to the government at \$784,000,000 a year.

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