

Dewey Invites All Republicans to Share Driver's Seat in Presidential Campaign

By JACK BELL
CHICAGO, June 29 (AP)—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey invited republicans everywhere today to share the driver's seat with him for the presidential campaign, pledging "joint decisions" with Gov. John W. Bricker and welcoming any advice from Wendell L. Willkie.

At what he called "the world's biggest news conference," the GOP nominee endorsed his party's platform as "representing my views," declined to join in cabinet speculation, defined his foreign policy stand and welcomed the "support of every good American in the United States."

Then he went to work putting into effect what has emerged as a set policy of drawing the entire republican organization into the inner councils of the campaign. He began conferences with national committee members, state chairmen and other party leaders, including former President Herbert Hoover.

Tentative plans were made today to have the nominee confer some time after the democratic convention, which opens

July 19, with the other 25 republican governors. Gov. Dwight Griswold of Nebraska said the state executives would attempt to arrange with Dewey a program to supplement in their states the work usually performed by the national committeemen and state chairmen. It was likely the plan would be presented to Dewey before he leaves Chicago.

His day began with a breakfast conference with Gov. Bricker, his running mate. Dewey said Bricker would share in all of the campaign plans and would make with

him all the decisions on major policy matters.

Bricker went home to Columbus for a civic celebration there tonight and Dewey planned to consult with him by telephone, particularly over the question of filling the national committee chairmanship. The committee delegation of six of its members to consult Dewey on this question.

There have been reports that the present chairman, Harrison E. Spangler, would be placed in charge of the western campaign, with Herbert Brownell, Jr., directing the national show.

Spangler was one of a long line of visitors who streamed in and out of Dewey's suite. Others included Alf M. Landon, 1936 presidential candidate, and Edgar Brown of the National Negro Council, Washington, D.C.

In what his associates called unprecedented procedure, Dewey was conferring by groups of states at half hour intervals, with members of the national committee and state chairmen and vice chairmen.

He talked twice with a sub-committee of the national committee concerning the party's

national chairman, who probably will be named tomorrow by the full committee which Dewey has been invited to address informally.

Ten minutes late to his first news conference since he became the nominee, Dewey walked into a Stevens hotel ballroom where more than 500 persons, including some curious spectators, had gathered. The grinning governor, dressed in a light gray suit and appearing fresh despite a hand-sinking marathon that lasted well after midnight, posed politely for photographers. He confessed that

the size of the gathering left him "awestruck."

Sitting at a table and puffing at a cigarette in a six-inch holder, Dewey covered a wide range of issues as reporters posed questions at him from every angle. Those in the rear of the crowded ballroom stood on chairs to see him better.

Declaring that the GOP platform "represents my views," the nominee said it was longer than he had desired, represented some compromises but was produced by "an unbossed convention."

He laid emphasis on Bricker's

part in the campaign and said he wanted to talk to every member of the national committee and every state chairman.

"Will Willkie be invited to take part in your strategy conference?" he was asked. "So far we have consulted only with members of the national committee, but later there will be consultations with others," Dewey said.

"Does that include Willkie?" a reporter insisted. "Certainly," was the answer. In New York, Willkie had no comment.

IT SEEMS TO ME
By Charles F. Squire

If one reads through to the end of the republican platform (and few do) he comes on this penultimate paragraph:

"The essential question at trial in this nation is whether men can organize together in a highly industrialized society, succeed, and still be free. That is the essential question at trial throughout the world today."

A philosopher on the resolutions committee! And a penetrating philosopher too. After all the sawing and fitting of lumber to make a party platform, this bit of philosophic hardwood appears. At least it may be said that the republican resolutions recognize the central problem of our times: preservation of freedom while we develop the integration necessary to industrialized organization.

While the republican platform represents no philosophic treatise, no effort to work out either a creed or a plan of action to effect a creed, in general it puts its emphasis on "freedom." The party both in its platform and in the expressions of its leaders presents itself as a champion of freedom from the central state, from political domination of the details of living. (Continued on Editorial page)

Wanted! 6000 Ration Points For Barbecue

Twelve hundred pounds of steer beef are hanging in the freezing lockers of the Valley Packing company, set aside for the free barbecue at the Salem Fourth of July celebration but Valley Pack will not let the beef go without some 6000 ration points.

It is donating the meat as far as money cost is concerned, but can't donate the ration points. So the Fourth of July celebration committee, headed by Col. Carle Abrams as general chairman, is appealing to the public to contribute enough red points to satisfy the OPA demand. The points may be left in the receptacle provided for same at the bond headquarters in the Breyman building at Court and Commercial.

The bread for the barbecue sandwiches is forthcoming, being donated by the Salem Wholesale Bakers association composed of the principal bakeries, and no ration points are required for the bread. Enough bread will be provided to serve 6000 persons, so if the public will only come forward with enough red ration points for the rest, the table will be set at Marion square next Tuesday noon. John Olson, commander of Capital post of the American Legion, King Bartlett and Harry Levy are the barbecue committee.

The barbecue is only one feature of an all day celebration which will start with a parade at 10 a. m. A patriotic program will be given at 11. In the afternoon (Continued on page 2)

Canned Peas, Asparagus, Tomatoes to Cost Points

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH
WASHINGTON, June 29 (AP)—The office of price administration tonight ordered the restoration of point values for canned peas, tomatoes and asparagus, effective Sunday, and dropped a broad hint that other vegetables now ration-free may require points again soon.

OPA assigned a value of five points for No. 2 cans of peas and tomatoes. Asparagus goes back on the list at 10 points.

Price Administrator Chester Bowles said the changes were in line with OPA's earlier statement that points would be restored when the remainder of the 1943 pack was cleaned up, indicating that the time is near for placing other vegetables back under rationing, he added.

"We are already getting into the new canning season, the problem now is to distribute this year's output of canned vegetables evenly, giving everyone an opportunity to buy his share. This could not be done with canned vegetables at zero point values."

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New Allied Landing Reported on French Coast Red Armies Capture, Kill 111,000 Germans

Disaster Overtakes Enemy Defenses In White Russia

By RUSSELL LANDSTROM

LONDON, Friday, June 30 (AP)—More than 111,000 German troops have been killed or captured in the fighting around Vitebsk and Bobruisk, the Russians announced today, as a terror and disaster overtook the Nazi defenses in white Russia for what some Moscow dispatches described as "the greatest defeat in history."

Bobruisk, last German stronghold on the "fatherland line" in the east, fell to the Russians yesterday, and with it was completed the liquidation of five encircled Nazi infantry divisions.

In this defeat, accomplished in two days of terrible fighting by the first white-Russian army of Konstantin K. Rokossovsky, 18,000 Germans were left dead on the battlefield and 18,000 were taken prisoner.

For his triumph Rokossovsky has been promoted to a marshal of the soviet union, it was disclosed.

Another 52,000 were killed and 25,000 captured in the Vitebsk area in the first four days of the great summer offensive by the First Baltic army and the Third white Russian army, Moscow also announced in a special communique.

Premier Stalin personally announced the capture of Bobruisk and also of Petrozavodsk, capital of the Karelian soviet republic, in two special orders of the day.

The liberation of Petrozavodsk, a city of 70,000 in peacetime, opened the railway to Murmansk, and was of such vast strategic importance that Stalin ordered this victory saluted by 24 salvos from 324 of Moscow's big guns compared with a barrage of 20 salvos from 224 guns in celebration of the taking of Bobruisk.

Petrozavodsk was freed by a deep encircling maneuver along with an amphibious landing of troops on the shores of Lake Onegashoo (Onega). This same advance by the Karelian army of Gen. Kirill A. Meretskov also took the town and railway junction of Kondopoga, 20 miles farther north.

Besides opening the direct rail route to the Arctic port of Murmansk, through which the allies have been funneling supplies to (Continued on page 2)

Clark's Troops Drive 5 Miles In Nazi Chase

ROME, June 29 (AP)—Fighting in stifling heat and against intensified German resistance, Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's American troops clubbed their way another five miles up the west Italian coast yesterday and captured the town of Castagneto, 25 miles from the major port of Livorno (Leghorn).

Another Yank column, plunging inland up highway 73, hurled the Nazis out of Monticiano and continued within less than 12 miles of the communications center of Siena, 31 miles below Florence.

Highways behind the hard-hitting American troops were littered with enemy dead and burned-out and abandoned enemy equipment. The roundup of German prisoners continued, with more than 25,000 now in fifth army enclosures, and an Allied spokesman declared that the Nazis were "showing signs of confusion" in the coastal sector.

In an effort to check Clark's relentless pursuit, which has been aided in recent weeks by the capture of several usable ports, the Germans were resorting to the most elaborate demolitions—even to felling trees across the roads and stringing the limbs with booby traps.

(War secretary Stimson said in Washington that the Nazis evidently were achieving all possible delay in the Allied advance while they built up their defenses in the "Gothic" line between Pisa and Rimini, their last belt of fortifications.) (Continued on page 2)

Lt. L. Waters Dies in India

STAYTON, June 29—Second Lt. Leonard D. Waters, US army air corps, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Waters, Vancouver, Wash., was killed June 14, in a plane crash in India, according to information received from the war department by members of the family. His wife, Lt. Virginia E. Waters, US army nurse, is believed stationed at Spence field, Ga., where she pinned his wings on, following his graduation from the army air corps at that place.

Lt. Waters was born in Brownsville, March 1923, and came to Stayton in 1933 where he attended school and volunteered for the army in 1940. He received training at Fort Lewis, Camp Roberts and later in Georgia. He went overseas May 30, 1944.

Besides his parents and his wife he is survived by a sister, Mrs. Roy Pale of Mill City. An uncle, W. W. Waters, lives in Stayton. (Continued on page 2)

Nips Take Hengyang Airfield

US Communique Calls Junction Jap Stronghold

By SPENCER MOOSA

CHUNGKING, Friday, June 30 (AP)—Encircled and battered Hengyang has been bombed by American planes and left aflame after abandonment of the American airbase nearby, it was disclosed last night by an American communique which referred to that vital Hunan province railway junction as a "Japanese stronghold."

A Chinese communique declared that the city still was in the hands of the defenders, but was based upon reports through Tuesday night, while Stilwell's report of the bombing of the junction detailed operations Thursday.

Hand-to-hand fighting was reported in the outskirts of the city by the bulletin, and a later communique early today reported the Chinese had scored their first success in Hunan in several weeks by recapturing Yiyang, more than 120 miles northwest of Hengyang. A major portion of the enemy forces at Yiyang was annihilated Thursday, and reinforcements have been routed, the Chinese said.

The Chinese also said their troops who had remained behind the Japanese lines east and west of the Canton-Hankow railway had started a large-scale counter-offensive at both ends of the 85-mile Hengyang front.

The American communique, from Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's headquarters, referred to both Hengyang and Anjen, 40 miles farther east, as "Japanese strongholds" bombed by American planes. The Chinese said only that fighting was continuing north of Anjen "without change of position."

Whole Nation Feels Summer Heat Wave

Nation-wide heat wave sent the thermometer soaring to 113 degrees at Needles, Calif., and above the 90-degree mark in numerous places from coast to coast and border to border, began tapering off in most sections yesterday.

Phoenix, Ariz., registered 112 degrees, with 107 at Bakersfield, Calif. None of these high temperatures was a record, however.

Portland, Me., with 87 degrees, had its hottest day in three years. Westfield, Mass., topped the eastern cities with a 101 degree temperature.

Ninety six degrees in Oklahoma, combined with sunny weather, greatly aided the wheat harvest, but in North Carolina farm agents feared heavy crop damage unless rain falls soon. Charlotte reported the eighth consecutive day of temperatures in the 90's with a top of 96. The temperature hit 100 twice in the last 10 days at Nashville, Tenn., breaking all-time records for this period, the weather bureau said. West Virginia and Maryland expected relief from storms brewing after a 99 degree (Continued on page 2)

Yanks Fight Off Jap Attack



Guns of a US navy task force covering the American invasion of Saipan in the Marianas, throw up a storm of anti-aircraft fire against a Japanese attack. This photo was made from a coast guard attack transport. Other US craft are silhouetted in the background. (AP Wirephoto from US coast guard.)

US Bombers Strike Deep Into Germany

By AUSTIN BEALMEAR

LONDON, June 29 (AP)—Two thousand US warplanes—1000 heavy bombers and an equal fighter escort—struck deep into Germany today and smashed at seven aircraft factories and a number of other targets while allied fighters and medium bombers swarmed over the Normandy battle field in scorching support of ground troops.

Flak and swarms of German fighters challenged this mighty air fleet and 33 enemy fighters were knocked down by the vigilant escort, while bomber gunners picked off three more which fought through to the heavies.

Fifteen US heavy bombers and three fighters are missing. Eleven other enemy planes were shot down over Normandy, and four allied planes were missing in that area.

Methodically the heavyweights unloaded their cargoes of destruction visually on plane plants of Leipzig, Ocherleben, Aschersleben, Magdeburg, Bernburg and Wittenburg, all within a 150-mile radius southwest of Berlin, and Fallersleben, 40 miles east of Hannover. (Continued on page 2)

Lt. Ben Reeser Dies From Battle Wounds

WOODBURN, June 29—A telegram from the war department, announcing the death of her husband Lt. Ben Reeser, was received by Mrs. Reeser this week. He was wounded in action April 3 and had spent much of the time since in the hospital. Lt. Reeser was the son of Mrs. Elsie Reeser, who was reared in this community, graduating from the Woodburn high school.

He was a member of the group leaving Woodburn in 1940 to become a part of the 61st division. They landed first in Australia, and then saw action in New Guinea. His wife is the former Betty Jo Scheidegger. (Continued on page 2)

Paris Radio Says Tommies Capture Port of Cabourg

LONDON, Friday, June 30 (AP)—The Paris radio, in a broadcast reported by Reuters, declared today that allied troops had landed on the east bank of the Orne estuary and had captured the port of Cabourg.

The broadcast said the landings were made by British and Canadian troops. Violent fighting was said to be raging on this new front.

There was no immediate confirmation of the new landings from allied sources.

Cabourg is about four miles east of the mouth of the Orne and about 12 miles northeast of Caen, where British troops now are pressing an all-out offensive.

By James M. Long
SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, Friday, June 30 (AP)—The Germans hurled all available armor last night in a bold bid to lop off the menacing British thrust five miles below strategic Caen but were thrown back as more enemy reserves streamed from central France and the reich itself for the developing show-down battle of Normandy.

A British staff officer told Associated Press Correspondent Roger D. Greene that Field Marshal Gen. Karl Rudolf Gerd von Rundstedt had sent his tanks hammering at the flanks of the firm bridgehead across the Odon river to try to dent the lines but "he is not succeeding."

Only 2 1/2 miles north of Caen, astride the road to Paris, the British slugged out local gains in fierce fighting, the supreme headquarters communique announced.

Tommies who stormed Gavrus, a mile and a half north of Evrecy, and tanks which approached Evrecy near the right flank of the bridgehead, said enemy casualties were heavy on this front.

The communique said the positions across the Odon, which at points reach within a mile of the big Orne river, were "strengthened after further heavy fighting" in which all counter-attacks were "firmly repulsed." The Germans were reacting swiftly and vigorously to this threat to Caen, coming closely on the fall of Cherbourg.

Although Caen does not seem (Continued on page 9)

And while they are selling, so are men of the American Legion, who have established a bond booth at Marion square, site for the county's big old-fashioned celebration of the glorious Fourth. With a million dollars as their goal, they are suggesting that the money many families would otherwise have (Continued on page 2)

Mallon Says Dewey Has Chance of Defeating FR

By PAUL MALLON
CHICAGO, June 29 — Can Roosevelt be beaten? Has Dewey a chance? Stories have been creeping into the newspapers that this convention had a defeatist spirit. The administration partisan writers chose that not unusual political line.

The London Times, which always assumes itself to be the British Empire, has editorially derided republican chances, but this also may reflect a personal interest. The Times may wish to continue the Churchill-Roosevelt dealings into postwar.

Yet aside from these interest-inspired stories, there is a rather wide prevailing awe of the Roosevelt tendency to control everything, respect for his great powers, and naturally he is doing nothing to discourage that interpretation.

But this is a usual technique in his campaigning, the imposition of an atmosphere of discouragement upon his opposition. A factual reporting job on this convention, however, will give you a different picture. If you will (Continued on page 2)

Weather
Maximum temperature Thursday 86 degrees; minimum 52; no precipitation; river -24 ft.
Fair except low clouds along the coast; cooler west of Cascades Friday; slightly cooler in east portion Saturday.