

Demo Hold on Congress Adds to Truman Victory

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Oregon Vote Leaves Financial Headache Pension, Deficit, Tax Cut Leave Problems

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 3—(AP)—Oregon alone of the Pacific coast states went solidly republican in the election—and that gave the republicans a solid headache. For on the same ballot that Oregonians gave every major office to GOP standard bearers, they complicated the state's already tangled financial situation. They did this by voting a \$50 monthly old age pension, by increasing income tax exemptions and by refusing to wipe out a \$6,500,000 deficit through transfer of surplus income tax funds.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

Harry S. Truman, the man whom nobody wanted, was elected President of the United States Tuesday.

Upgraded by party leaders to withdraw before the democratic national convention was held, marked as a liability by big city bosses, deserted at both extremes of the party arc, regarded dubiously by labor, neglected by the party organization and by most of the beneficiaries of its favors, handicapped by lack of a party war chest, counted out by pollsters, opposed by most newspapers, the little man from Missouri wrought his victory alone.

He himself was the only one who predicted his victory with any show of confidence, and that seemed based on his trust in Lady Luck, which had smiled on him in previous campaigns. There has been nothing like this in the history of our national politics. What happened? The stunned republicans, the false prophets, with the crystal balls arise to inquire. What happened was that at Philadelphia Thomas E. Dewey reached his pinnacle. Two weeks later at Philadelphia Harry Truman struck bottom—and started climbing. Into that dispirited gathering, the democratic convention, his fighting speech breathed life and hope. He went out from there carrying his message to the people. His "undignified" (give 'em hell) his rejection of his punch-line about the wicked 80th congress, his arousal of old fears of depression, his pasting of old labels of privilege and...

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Gas Heat Rate Boost Sought

PORTLAND, Nov. 3—(AP)—The Portland Gas & Coke company proposed rate increases today on gas used for home heating. The increase would not apply to gas used for home cooking or water heating. The company said the average gas-user took 125,000 cubic feet annually to heat his house. The increase for him would amount to \$3.48 a year, company officials said. Filled with public utilities commissioners of Oregon and Washington, the increases—if approved—would go into effect November 28 in Oregon.

At the same time the company announced net income for the 12 months ending Sept. 30 was \$26,290. This was an increase of \$207,926 over the previous period.

UTILITY DISTRICT BEATEN RAINIER, Nov. 3—(AP)—A proposal to establish a people's utility district in Rainier was defeated in the election here, 327 to 114.

Animal Crackers By WARREN GOODRICH

Board Designates Major Highways As Throughways

PORTLAND, Nov. 3—(AP)—The state highway commission today designated virtually all major routes in the state as throughways in a move to prevent further encroachment of businesses. Included were Pacific highway 99E and 99W, the Columbia river highway and the Old Oregon Trail routes, Central Oregon, The Dalles-California, Oregon, Oregon Coast and the Santiam. Others were also listed. Engineer R. H. Baldock said the highways so designated would be posted with "throughway" notices as provided by law. Attorney J. H. Devers explained that the law provides exceptions to the ruling where 10 firms per mile are already established.

20 Families Marooned on Oregon Coast

By The Associated Press Twenty or more families were isolated Wednesday night on a small island chopped out of the Bay Ocean community by huge seas washing over an Oregon coast peninsula. Three duck hunters are believed drowned in the area where a boat was found capsized in Tillamook bay. Authorities at nearby Tillamook estimated 75 to 80 persons were marooned by the heavy seas pounding the coastal resort area. The waterline of the peninsula was still feeding water to the marooned group of houses. Plans were being made to drop food supplies. Driftwood Logs Seas were washing across a 200-foot wide swath of the peninsula. The Oregon Coast highway for scattered sections along the northwest Oregon coast was littered with huge driftwood logs being cast up by the Pacific. Damage to beachfront, resort and fishing property is mounting. Small craft docked and beached in bays from Seaside to below Newport were reported damaged. At Depoe bay, the heavy seas were crashing over the high concrete bridge which spans the narrow bay entrance. Railroad tracks near Rockaway were also blocked by driftwood. An estimated \$10,000 damage was caused to a drainage ditch at Rockaway. Log Dumps Broken Log dumps and storage areas in small Oregon coast bays and river estuaries were broken up. Channel entrances to the small bays were being clogged with debris. At Manhattan Beach, Taft, Neicott and Delake, logs were thrown against beachfront homes. The seawall at Delake was washing away. A dock inside Depoe bay was torn away and broken up by waves rolling into the narrow rocky entrance. The three men missing since Tuesday in Tillamook bay are identified as Chester Ross, Leo Bird and Elmer Odell, all of the Tillamook area.

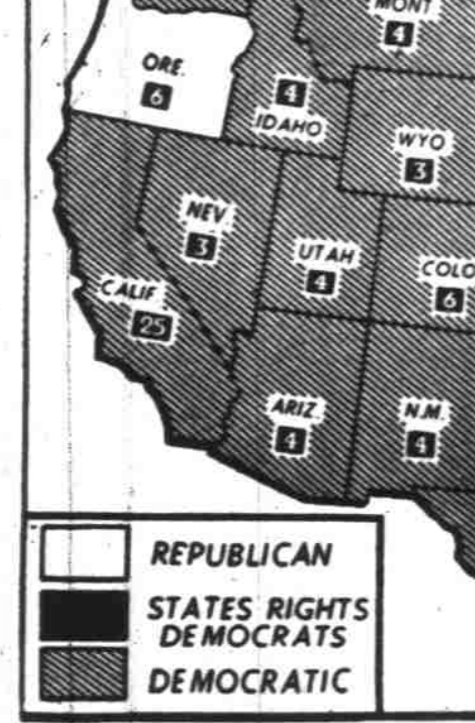
Reclamation Meet

GRANTS PASS, Nov. 3—(AP)—Officials of the Oregon Reclamation Congress gathered today for the opening of a two-day session beginning tomorrow.

Truman Uses 'Peace' Theme In Victory Talk

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 3—(AP)—Harry S. Truman, the man who turned an apparent rout into a "miracle" victory, talked only of peace and American "prosperity and happiness" today as the tributes of a nation rolled in. Now president of the United States in his own right, and the popular champion of its political arena, he accepted the honor with mid-western modesty. "I feel very deeply the responsibility which has fallen to my lot as the result of the election," he said in a simple statement. "I shall continue to serve the people to the best of my ability. All my efforts will be devoted to the cause of peace in the world and the prosperity and happiness of our people here at home." The 64-year old onetime farm boy, was as humble as he was happy as the friends of his boyhood and the comrades of his campaign showered him with praise and congratulations. Telegrams came in by the thousands from all parts of the nation.

Electoral Vote Map



This is the way the electoral vote stood when Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, republican nominee, conceded the presidential election to president Harry S. Truman. The Dewey announcement came after Truman took the lead in California. The electoral vote picture remained unchanged, with Truman leading in 28 states with 304 electoral votes, and Dewey leading in 16 with 189 votes. States Rights candidate J. Strom Thurmond gained 38 votes in four southern states. (AP WIREPHOTO to The Statesman.)

Late Count Confirms Salem, County Results

Gradual completion of the longest count on record brought confirmation today to the results of the Salem and Marion county vote as shown in The Statesman's initial tabulation Tuesday night. Some precinct boards, however, still had not turned in their complete tally by early this morning. A few neglected to post their returns. In Salem, late returns confirmed the election of W. W. McKinney as municipal judge; defeat of the proposal for a commission form of government and passage of two measures granting a franchise to Salem Electric and levying a tax to permit shorter hours for firemen. They also indicated the election to the city council of Daniel Fry in ward 4 and Tom Armstrong in ward 6, but some votes still were out. Republicans Win In the county, the four republican candidates for state representatives were elected; Denver Young and Edward O. Stadter, jr., republicans, were chosen sheriff and district attorney, respectively; Earl Adams, republican, was re-elected constable of the Salem district. The county remained safely in the Dewey column, and also joined the state in endorsing all republican candidates for state office. It opposed a \$25,000 allotment for veterans' building and with one exception, voted with the state-at-large on all measures. The exception was Marion county's rejection of the plan for a boys' camp. The state favored it. All Precincts Reported On the basis of complete returns from 74 precincts out of the county's 92, and incomplete returns from all the other 18, the Statesman's tabulation—made up in part through the work of County Clerk Harlan Judd and his staff—today showed the following results: State Representatives Douglas Yeater, 14,870; Frank Doerfler, 14,868; W. W. Chadwick, 14,038; John Stechhammer, 13,973; Josephine Spaulding, 12,430; Arthur Davis, 9,777; Raymond Knight, 8,156; Charles Fantz, 4,913. District Attorney Edward Stadter, jr., 14,724; Herbert Carter, 9,842. Sheriff Denver Young, 15,179; A. C. (Andy) Burk, 10,465. Veterans Building Yes, 5,534; No, 14,912. Complete returns from 22 Salem precincts and incomplete returns from the other 14 in the city showed: Municipal Judge W. W. McKinney, 5,348; Peery Buren, 3,854. Firemen's Measure Yes, 5,149; No, 3,863. Commission Government Yes, 2,847; No, 5,603. Power Franchise Yes, 5,033; No, 4,124. Nearly-complete returns in the two councilman races showed: Ward 4 Daniel J. Fry, 678; Almer Amundson, 424. Ward 6 Tom Armstrong, 587; George Cadwell, 461; Robert DeArmond, 500. On the basis of nearly-complete returns from all 56 precincts in the district, E. Adams held a safe lead over Fred Hall for Salem constable, 9,387 to 5,566. (Marion county returns page 2.)

Polk County Judge Defeated By Republican

DALLAS, Nov. 3—Two new members were elected to the Polk county court and six county officers were re-elected, complete unofficial election returns from all 36 precincts of the county showed tonight. County Judge Herman Van Well, a democrat, was unseated by C. F. (Jack) Hayes of Dallas, a republican, by vote of 3,449 to 4,051. Van Well is completing his second six-year term. Other new member of the court will be Commissioner C. L. Burbank, also republican, who defeated democrat James Manchias, 4,487 to 2,431. Republican W. E. Knowler of West Salem holds the third county court seat as commissioner, whose term does not expire this year. Commissioners serve four-year terms. The six re-elected officers are Sheriff T. B. Hooker who defeated James L. Davidson; Clerk Edna Pitzer who defeated Harriett Enstad; Treasurer Tracy Staats who defeated O. E. Anderson; Assessor E. C. Dunn who defeated Nettie Helgeson; District Attorney R. S. Krasnon and Coroner Paul Bollman, both unopposed.

Election returns from Polk, Linn and Marion county communities surrounding Salem appear on pages 10 and 11.

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Stock Values Skid \$3 Billion After Election

NEW YORK, Nov. 3—(AP)—More than \$3,000,000,000 was chopped off the market value of all shares listed on the stock exchange today. The drop in prices was the severest since September 1946. This was the first quick reaction by investors and speculators to a completely unexpected democratic victory. Before the market opened selling orders piled up in brokerage offices from all over the country. Prices started to plunge a second after the trading bell first sounded. Not until the final hour did any substantial support appear. Closing prices, though, were still down 1 to around 6 points. Some of the favorites which had spearheaded an October advance were among the most vulnerable to the selling pressure. They included steels, rails, oils, and motors. Utility stocks, which had been edging toward the highest prices of the year, cracked with the others. Volume piled up to 3,230,000 shares, the largest day's turnover since nearly 4,000,000 changed hands during mid-May's bull market. Activity on Monday amounted to 1,220,000 shares. Trading on the floor of the exchange was orderly throughout the day despite the rapid-fire rate of activity. A good deal of pushing and shoving around some of the posts, and an unusually large crowd in the visitors' gallery, provided most of the visible excitement in the exchange. The Associated Press average of 60 stocks dropped 3 points to 67.8, the sharpest decline since a 3.3 point drop in September, 1946. The decline wiped out exactly all of the October gains. Of the near-record total of 1,132 stocks which were traded, 1,054 declined and 29 advanced.

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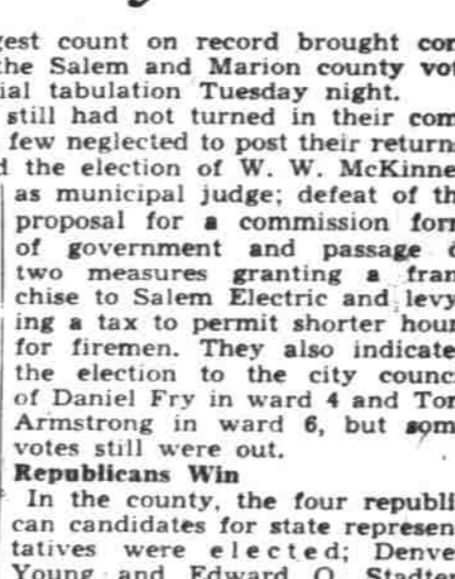
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Truman in Victory



KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 3—President Truman wears a broad grin and raises his hands over his head as he greets a crowd today outside the Hotel Muehlebach in Kansas City, Mo., after Gov. Thomas Dewey had conceded victory in the presidential election. (AP WIREPHOTO to The Statesman.)

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Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	53	41	.57
Portland	52	40	.77
San Francisco	50	32	.11
Chicago	57	52	.73

Forecast from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem: Partly cloudy today and tonight. Slightly warmer tomorrow. High today near 55. Low tonight near 33.

SALEM PRECIPITATION	Last Year	Average	
This Year	7.25	12.78	5.05

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Army Seeks Bids On Clearing Site For Detroit Dam

PORTLAND, Nov. 3—(AP)—Army engineers will invite bids here November 12 for clearing the site of the \$58,899,000 Detroit dam. The bids will be opened November 30. The work is to be completed 180 days later. It will be a concrete structure on the North Santiam river, towering 448 feet above the lowest excavation. It would produce 100,000 kilowatts of power. Also planned is the big cliff re-regulating reservoir to be located 2.8 miles downstream from the dam. It would cost \$6,478,000 and produce 16,000 kilowatts of power. Reconstruction of the North Santiam highway will be completed by next July 1, the engineer said.

Salem Soaked By Rainstorm

Rain and wind which had buffeted the Willamette valley for the past three days eased Wednesday night after soaking Salem with 2.38 inches of precipitation. A total of 53 inches was recorded by the weather bureau at McNary field Wednesday to bring the year's rainfall to 7.25 inches. Average for the period is 5.05 inches. However, this year's total is far below the 1947 mark of 12.78 inches. The Willamette river, fed by rain storms throughout the area, rose considerably Wednesday, but still showed a minus one foot reading.

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