

LABORITES CLAIM VICTORY IN BRITISH VOTE

Attlee's Party Holds 5 to 3 Margin Despite Gains by Conservatives

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Planners Oppose Capitol Zone Change

FEPC Bill Passes Minus Legal Teeth

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—In a bitter defeat for the administration, the house today passed a substitute FEPC bill stripped of the legal barriers against racial discrimination in employment that President Truman has demanded.

Lyons Group to Protest Road By-Pass Plan

MEHAMA, Feb. 23—Lyons businessmen today prepared to protest the new Mehama-Mill City highway which will by-pass Lyons.

'World Citizen' Davis Wants to Return to U.S.

STRASBOURG, France, Feb. 23 (AP)—Garry Davis started trying to regain American citizenship today after a two-year career as "No 1 citizen of the world" without a passport.

Record-Breaking Shipments of Air Freight Set Salem Record

Record-breaking shipments of air freight have been flown out of Salem in recent days by United Airlines to cap a winter of shattered production marks.

Money Measures Scheduled for Ballot in Portland

PORTLAND, Feb. 23 (AP)—The city council voted today to submit two financial measures to the people in the May 19 primary election.

Storm Warnings Remain on Coast

SEATTLE, Feb. 23 (AP)—The weather bureau issued the following continued storm warning tonight:

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH

"Guess what, kiddies—daddy's taking us all to the dog show—and then after dinner..."

Ask Work Of Board Retained

Opposition to changing any zone classifications in the state capitol area or fringes around it was expressed Thursday night by the Salem long range planning commission.

Longshot Bet Gets High Odds

LONDON, Feb. 23 (AP)—A customer got 10,000 to 1 odds on a £1 (\$2.80) bet with bookmaker Douglas Stuart today.

Seven Gunmen Steal \$350,000 in Uninsured Jewels

CLEVELAND, Feb. 23 (AP)—Wearing stockings on their shoes and hoods over their heads, seven gunmen got an estimated \$350,000 in uninsured jewels today in a slick holdup at the William G. Mather mansion.

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Candidate School Club Case Near End

By Winston H. Taylor Staff Writer, The Statesman



Testimony was completed Thursday afternoon in the trial concerning alleged secret society activities at Salem high school, assuring that the proceedings would end today in Marion county circuit court.

Norblad Asks New Term as Congressman

Walter Norblad, republican congressman from the first Oregon congressional district, filed for reelection Thursday. He is now serving his third term.

Govt. Official Defeated in Election

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40 Per Cent of Vote Counted; Shows 163 Seats for Labor, 102 for Tories in Parliament

LONDON, Friday, Feb. 24 (AP)—Britain's labor party wrapped up a 5 to 3 lead over the conservatives in parliamentary election returns from more than a third of the nation today. Labor claimed a clear-cut victory and with it, a mandate to drive Britain along the road to socialism for five more years.

Returns from 266 of 625 constituencies—or 40 per cent of the vote—showed labor clinched 163 seats in the new house of commons, the conservatives 102 seats, and the once-powerful liberals, only one. At that point counting ended for the night.

Two of the 266 seats decided were filled without balloting because the candidates were unopposed. The popular vote for the other 264 totaled 12,748,240. Disregarding minor parties, it was split this way: Labor, 6,179,751; Conservative, 5,395,092; Liberal, 1,092,919; Communist, 46,670.

Prime Minister Attlee was reelected to the house, along with Sir Stafford Cripps, chancellor of the exchequer, and Aneurin Bevan, the health minister.

Attlee hailed the results as "pretty satisfactory." At 4:45 a.m. (8:15 p.m. Thursday, PST) he told labor party officials at party headquarters: "I should say while one never likes to anticipate a result before the finish, the results are pretty satisfactory and the vote is up."

The indications were that the vote was the heaviest in Britain's history—somewhere in the neighborhood of 26,000,000. Late afternoon an early evening rainstorm which caused labor some dismay apparently had little effect on the size of the outpouring of voters seeking to say their say on the issue of more or less socialism.

Cripps, whose popularity was not enhanced by his position as czar of Britain's belt-tightening austerity program, told his supporters: "The results show that the people are determined to hang on to what they have won in the past. We have done all sorts of things in the labor government which have been popular, yet you are coming along and supporting the most unpopular man of all." He meant himself.

The labor minister of health, Bevan, was a four-to-one winner in his district in Monmouthshire, Wales. Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin was returned to the house, but Colonial Secretary Arthur Creech Jones lost out to his conservative opponent by a margin of 81 votes.

The vote in conservative leader Churchill's district was not to be counted until later today, but like most top party leaders, he was a "safe" constituency with election virtually assured for the 75-year-old leader of his majesty's loyal opposition.

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Among the labor ministers reelected were: Arthur Henderson, secretary for air; George R. Strauss, minister of supply, and A. J. Barnes, minister of transport.

Oliver Stanley, a prominent conservative, won a seat. Sir Andrew McFadyen, liberal party president, trailed the field at Finchley. In biting into labor's majority, the conservatives took 21 commons seats which had been laborite, while surrendering only one which had been conservative. Because of the revision of constituencies, it was not possible in most cases to compare these results with those of 1945, when labor scored its postwar landslide.

The count of votes will be resumed this afternoon. The communists had won no seats at all. They had two seats in the last parliament and put 100 candidates in the field this time. Among the defeated conservative candidates was Randolph Churchill, son of the conservative leader.

Reports indicated that the greatest outpouring of voters in Britain's history cast ballots on this issue: More socialism under labor, less under the conservatives.

THE WEATHER table with columns for Max, Min, Precip. for Salem, Portland, San Francisco, New York, and Chicago.