

Ike 'Overwhelmed' by Tour Reception, But Favors 'Working Like We Might Lose'

By J. W. DAVIS
WASHINGTON, Sept. 27 (AP)—President Eisenhower, stepping up his schedule of campaign speeches, said today he believed in fighting any battle wholeheartedly—and with the thought there is always "a chance to lose it."

He made the statement in turning aside a news conference question as to whether he was getting reports his re-election campaign against Democrat Adlai Stevenson "may be a closer race than you anticipated."

"I have not anticipated anything," Eisenhower replied with some force. "I believe that when you are in any contest you should work like there is—in the very last minute—a chance to lose it."

"This is battle, this is politics, this is anything," he went on. "So I just see no excuse, if you believe

Storm Causes Trouble Along Eastern Coast

NEW YORK, Sept. 27 (AP)—The Northeast today felt the whiplash of Flossy, once a menacing tropical hurricane but now just a mean old coastal storm.

Southern New Jersey clocked winds of 34 miles per hour with gusts up to 50 m.p.h. as the storm moved on New York and New England at a sluggish pace.

Storm warnings fluttered from the Virginia Capes to Provincetown, Mass., attesting to the high winds, high tides and rain that Flossy brought with her. However, no serious flooding was forecast.

A new tropical storm far out in the Atlantic began moving westward toward the Caribbean at 17 m.p.h. Its top center winds were only 30 m.p.h. but they threatened to build up.

Small craft in the path of the new storm were warned. Hurricane hunter planes were sent out 1,630 miles southeast of Miami to watch it.

The Miami Weather Bureau noted that this is the time of year when most great hurricanes are born.

Flossy came out of the Gulf of Mexico and into Georgia as a full-fledged hurricane. It left 10 persons dead and 10 or 12 missing as it raked the Southeast with millions of dollars in damages.

As Flossy moved along its strength waned. The Weather Bureau in Washington changed its category from that of a tropical storm to that of a typical East Coast storm. It said cold air has surrounded Flossy.

Like Northeast
In New York the Weather Bureau said Flossy's passage resembled a northeaster—a common coastal storm that brings wind and line, persistent rain inland.

Some local flooding was expected between New Jersey and Maine.

For the first time this year, Jersey's hurricane network swung into action. The radio network covers the whole state. It began operations as Flossy moved on south Jersey.

Her approach was heralded with gale winds extending 400 miles northeast of her center. Southern New England was expected to feel the full force of the storm Friday with winds up to 50 m.p.h.

Queen Elizabeth's Baby Doctor Killed

LONDON, Sept. 27 (AP)—Sir William Gilliat, the gynecologist who delivered both children of Queen Elizabeth II, was killed tonight in a collision of his car with a truck just outside London. He was 72.

The world-famous surgeon was driving alone at the time. He was dead on arrival at St. Peter's Hospital.

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anything enough, for not putting your whole heart into it. It is what I do."

Not Pessimistic
However, Eisenhower did not sound at all pessimistic. Nor did the sum total of his remarks on the campaign sound as though he were "running scared," despite his statement about the possibility of losing.

Eisenhower said he had talked last night to his hard-campaigning running mate, Vice President Nixon, and Nixon "seemed to be high" pleased with what he encountered.

Warmth Encountered
And asked for his impressions of his two trips into the Midwest—campaign forays into Iowa and Illinois—Eisenhower said:

"Both Mrs. Eisenhower and I have been not only proud, we have been practically overwhelmed by the warmth of the personal welcome we have encountered."

"We are very, very happy that people seem to feel toward us like they show."

As for the odds of his being re-elected, Eisenhower mentioned this indirectly in comment on a statement by Dean Acheson, secretary of state in the Truman administration, that the Eisenhower administration "seemed to be playing Russian roulette with an atomic pistol."

Rather tartly, Eisenhower said: "If this campaign were going to be settled on the basis of misleading wisecracks, why, I would think the betting would be very considerably different than it would be if it is settled just on facts and on the record."

Deal With Politics
Most of the news conference questions dealt with politics, and Eisenhower—sporting a necktie decorated with a couple of Republican elephants—seemed eager to reply, for the most part.

It was disclosed that the White House yesterday that original plans to limit Eisenhower's major radio-TV campaign addresses to five or six had been discarded.

How much more speech-making does he now plan? Eisenhower was asked.

Estes Tours In Illinois
BELLEVILLE, Ill., Sept. 27 (AP)—Democratic vice presidential candidate Estes Kefauver whizzed around southern Illinois today, stopping at county courthouses to tell voters the Democrats will give them "a government with a heart."

The Nov. 6 election "will determine if we have an administration that thinks about Wall Street or Main Street," the Tennessee senator said.

Kefauver spent the day campaigning in the home state of Adlai E. Stevenson, the Democrats' presidential nominee after flying here from Indianapolis. Tomorrow he takes off for Pennsylvania.

At a rally in Pinckneyville, he said he knew Illinois voters were going to show their pride in Stevenson by giving him and the entire Democratic ticket a record majority on election day.

Kefauver described Stevenson at a news conference as combining "a rare combination of the fine qualities of Woodrow Wilson and Franklin D. Roosevelt."

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"I am probably doing a little bit more than I originally planned in my own mind," Eisenhower responded, adding with a grin:

"But I will tell you one thing: I am not doing one-tenth of what a lot of people want me to do."

In addition to speeches he has delivered nationally from Washington, Iowa and Illinois, Eisenhower has announced plans for one at Lexington, Ky., Monday night and another at Pittsburgh Oct. 9.

Many Requests
A reporter asked the flat question: "Why, sir, are you expanding or doing more campaigning than you originally planned?"

With an expression of great good humor, Eisenhower replied that it was "simply because there are so many representations made by such good friends that I think I am a little weak. I don't find it possible to decline all of them."

"Now I am not going to go barnstorming, and I am not going

to do whistle-stopping, but I am making two or three more talks than I had first contemplated."

The President got a chuckle out of a woman's description of Mrs. Eisenhower as "your secret weapon." He said Mrs. Eisenhower would accompany him on any campaign trips that would not be "too tiring for her."

As for his own physical ability to campaign—something that recalled his heart attack of a year ago and his abdominal operation

in June, Eisenhower said: "As far as I know, there is no health question involved whatsoever at the moment."

"As I told you long ago, that lead a somewhat more ordered life than I did at one time. I try to get to bed regularly, and all that sort of thing."

"However, as far as I can determine any effect of any of the efforts I have made, either swinging a golf club or on a campaign tour, there has been no effect whatsoever."

Eisenhower treated with these additional subjects, among others, during the half-hour meeting with newsmen:

POLITICS—WAR—Told that Republican committees were putting out literature saying there are four million more jobs now "than the Democrats had with their wars," Eisenhower said the committees "may be thinking of something that I don't know anything about, but I don't believe when

America gets into war we can call it anything but our war."

NAACP—Eisenhower said, "No, I am not" when asked whether he was a member of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People. Nixon told a questioner yesterday that he—Nixon—had been an honorary member since 1946.

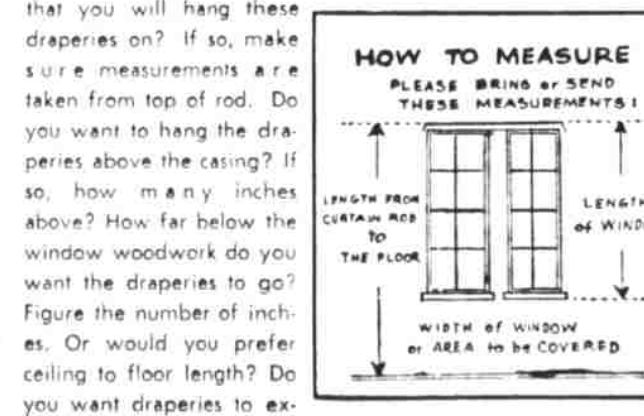
SHORT WORK WEEK—Eisenhower said that "if the day can come that we have a four-day week, and people can have a

greater time for leisure, recreation, and education and so on, why wonderful. But no man can say it is going to come about because I say so."

Nixon has talked of a four-day week as possible in the future, and Eisenhower said the administration tries to establish the sort of economic climate "where everybody's efforts can be rewarded to the full." But, he said, this is not the sort of thing that can be created by decree.

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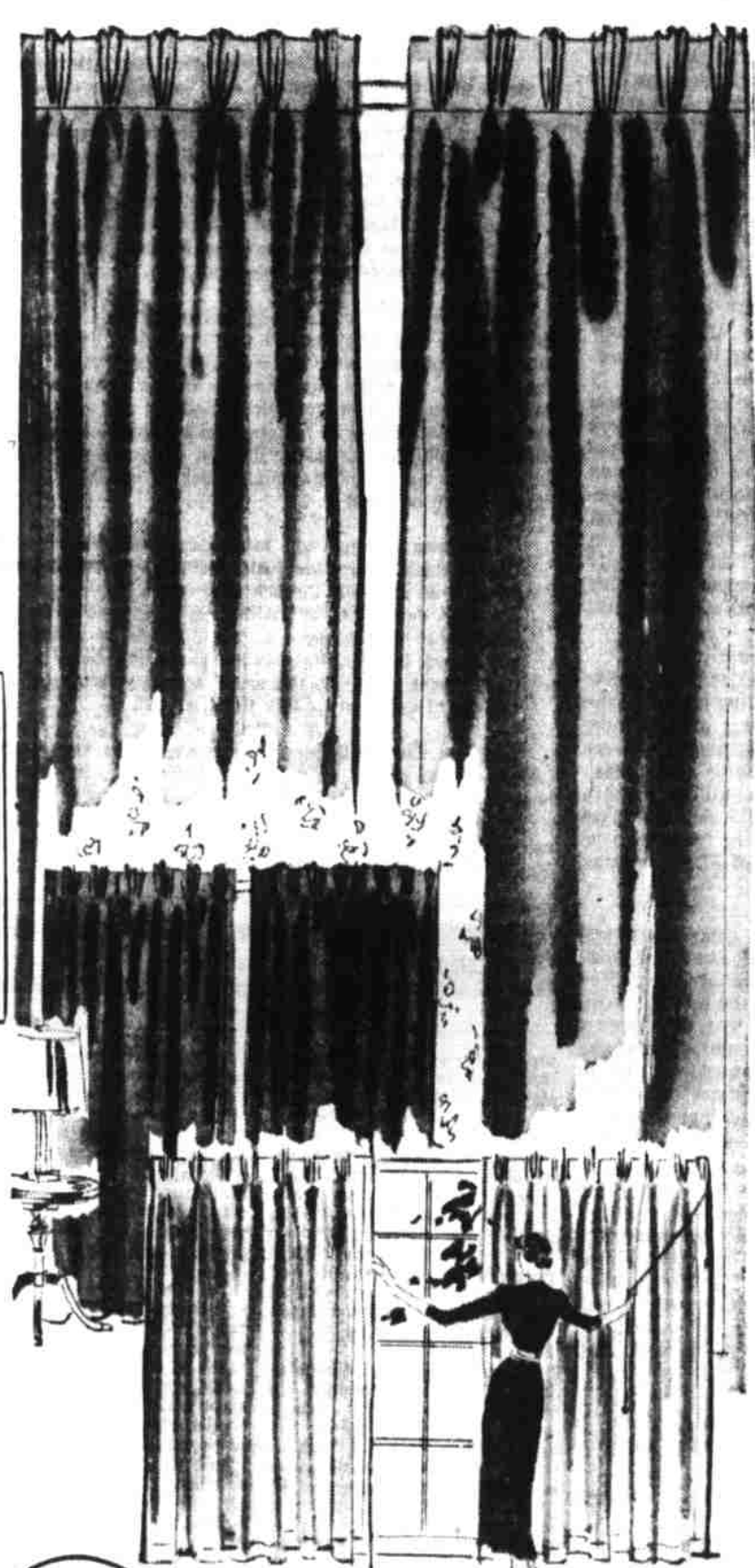
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