

Noted Political Figures Await Voters' Verdict

By ERNEST B. VACCARO
WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Some of the best-known figures in public life await the verdict today as the nation's voters pick party lineups for the 79th congress.

Whether the republicans can take six house and 12 senate seats from democratic holders to win control of the country's legislative machinery depends in large measure on the success of veteran campaigners.

The new congress will work with war and post-war problems of unprecedented magnitude. That is particularly true of the senate where a two-thirds majority is required for ratification of peace and other upcoming treaties.

Thirty-five senate seats, three for short terms, are at stake. In the 435-man house, 432 races are under way, Maine having re-elected its three republicans in September.

Barkley In Race
Sen. Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky, majority leader of the senate, is opposed by republican James Park. Their race tops the list of democratic incumbents with fighting republican opposition.

Eight republicans dubbed "isolationists" by Sen. Harry S. Truman, are up for re-election. These men are Sen. Taft of Ohio; Tobey, New Hampshire; Nye, North Dakota; Danaher, Connecticut; Davis, Pennsylvania; Reed, Kansas; and Wiley, Wisconsin.

The republicans in advance claimed victory in their efforts to unseat democratic Sen. Guy M. Gillette of Iowa, opposed by republican Gov. Bourke B. Hickenlooper; Sen. Scott W. Lucas, Illinois democrat, opposed by Richard J. Lyons of Libertyville, and in senate races in Missouri and Idaho and other states where democrats hold seats.

Democratic Sen. Robert F. Wagner of New York, 67-year-old author of the labor relations act, faces Thomas J. Curran, 45-year-old republican secretary of state of New York, an associate of Gov. Thomas E. Dewey.

On the west coast, democratic Sen. Sheridan Downey has the spirited competition of republican Lt.-Gov. Frederick F. Houser, Missouri contest.

The Missouri contest brought Atty. Gen. Roy McKeltrick, victor in the democratic primary over Sen. Bennett Clark, up against republican Gov. Forrest C. Donnell.

With the republicans talking of gaining as many as 60 additional house seats from the democrats, and the latter forecasting a minimum gain of their own of 25 in that body, numerical calculations overshadowed personalities in all but a score of the races for house seats. Democrats now hold 214, the republicans 212. There are five vacancies and four seats held by minor party members.

Yoder On Staff Of Lumberman's Ass'n.

SEATTLE — Moving closer to the need for re-education of lumber promotion in the channels of normal peace-time trade, the West Coast Lumbermen's association has added Ralph E. Yoder, Jr., Portland, to its staff, according to R. T. Titus, director of trade extension.

A 1938 forestry graduate of Iowa State college, where he majored in wood utilization, Yoder has had experience as logger, sawmill worker and lumber buyer. Stationed in the Seattle headquarters of the association, Yoder is presently handling the WCLMA home planners institute nationwide program of popular education on postwar home building in cooperation with retail lumber groups. He is scheduled for future lumber trade extension field work throughout the Pacific northwest, where normally 20 per cent of west coast lumber production is marketed.

Japs Building Sub Bases On China Coast

KUNMING, China.—(AP)—The Japanese are rapidly fortifying the China coast and converting Chinese ports into submarine bases in anticipation of a probable American landing on the Asiatic mainland after the liberation of the Philippines, the local Chinese press reported.

Japanese submarine bases were reported under construction at Amoy, resort and harbor city south of Fochow on the Fukien province coast; at Wenchow, on the Chekiang province coast; on islands around the harbor below Fochow; and possibly at Swatow, Kwangtung province port south of Amoy.

The ports apparently were intended to serve as rear bases for under-water offensives in the event the present submarine pens at Formosa are neutralized in future operations.

Water Problems To Be Put Before Congress

PORTLAND, Ore.—(AP)—W. D. B. Dodson, Washington representative of the chamber of commerce, predicted here Monday that there would be three comprehensive omnibus bills in congress immediately after the war concerning rivers and harbors, flood control, and a measure dealing with irrigation.

Dodson said the irrigation bill is under the leadership of Rep. Compton White of Idaho and will be sweeping in its scope. "There is some talk in Oregon's delegation to congress of a need for this state to have a full time representative in Washington, in a lay capacity, to watch Oregon's interests in these three tremendous undertakings."

Dodson said that in his opinion there are excellent opportunities in sight for "selling" Oregon state. "The chance is here, and Oregon must go after it," he said.

School Cafeteria Serves Pheasant

OREGON CITY, Ore.—(AP)—The West Linn high school students who lunch at their school cafeteria are acquiring epicurean tastes.

Superintendent Robert Henagin and Coach Paul Brown recently contributed roast pheasant to the menu. Then Coach Brown and Guy Barnett, Oregon City high school principal, brought an offering of rainbow trout.

Now the students are looking forward to a wild duck feed—as soon as Brown and Henagin can bring the ducks.

South Pacific Air Crossing Completed

SYDNEY, Australia.—(AP)—The first aerial crossing of the south Pacific from America to Australia has been completed by a Catalina flying boat on a pioneer survey flight to chart a possible route for post-war commercial airline operation, it was disclosed here.

The Catalina took off from a base in Central America and made the entire flight below the equator. The survey trip lasted two months.

Queen Elizabeth's Father Succumbs

LONDON, Nov. 7.—(AP)—The earl of Strathmore, 89, father of Queen Elizabeth of Great Britain, died today at Glamis Castle, his home at Forfarshire, Scotland. Lord Strathmore had been ill for about a month, but his condition took a serious turn over the weekend, and became critical last night.

In England the pawnbroker arrived with William the Conqueror.

St. Mary's Episcopal church Bazaar Chon Eysie supper, 7:30 Friday night 5 to 7 p.m.

Budapest Tank Battle Rages

MOSCOW, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Victorious soviet armies have killed or captured 8,590,000 German troops on the eastern front. Marshal Stalin disclosed today as his forces engaged the enemy in a great tank battle outside Budapest, last nazi satellite capital in Europe.

(Berlin reported that the Russians were bringing up strong motorized formations for a final assault on Budapest, and claimed that other soviet forces had made two attempts to cross the Danube in an effort to swing around the rear of the capital.)

Stalin, in an order of the day observing the 27th anniversary of the red revolution, said the German-violated frontier had been restored for its entire length from the Black Sea to the Barents Sea, and triumphantly declared:

"Our aim now is to smash Hitlerite Germany by the crushing pressure of the allied nations." Stalin disclosed that the two summer offensives which carried soviet troops into East Prussia, pushed the Germans back to Warsaw and liberated Romania and Bulgaria, cost the Germans 790,000 killed or captured.

On June 22, German casualties for the first three years of the eastern campaign were set at 7,800,000, thus bringing the total to 8,590,000 for less than three and a half years of warfare.

Although the regular communication for the first time since Oct. 2 reported "no essential changes on the front," military dispatches said the battle before Budapest had reached "fierce proportions" as the Germans made an 11th hour attempt to halt Marshal Rodion Y. Malinovsky's 2nd Ukrainian army.

Dr. Merriam Talks To Rotary Club

Speaking on History and World Problems before the Eugene Rotary club Tuesday noon at the Osburn hotel, Dr. John C. Merriam, consultant and lecturer on the human values of science and nature from the university, and president emeritus of the Carnegie Institution, Washington, D.C., expressed the belief that there is no subject in the whole range of human vision that carries a more interesting or more important message than that which comes out of study on affairs in human history or evolution, giving us appreciation of the forward or constructive movements characteristic of human life in the large.

"I could feel more comfortable at this particular time in the tangled history of the world if I felt that the underlying objective of great struggles in which we are now engaged is really something more than the sound of muffled drums, beating funeral marches to the grave," he said.

"I would be better satisfied if I felt that the great leaders of the world, who are doing their utmost now to advance the day when a permanent peace may be established, were at least fairly acquainted with the trend of life through past ages as it might be expressed in an epitome of the history of movement and progress."

"The best evidence of what we may expect for the future may be given in the story of what has happened, and of the principles or trends that have been developed through the ages and may continue to exert an influence."

Dr. Merriam commented on the importance of history in the present day world. "Some of the most important thoughts that we shall have relative to future relations of warring nations should be found in the historical evidence of unity of these peoples, in the sense of family development, organization, and points of view."

Dr. Merriam pointed out that a consideration of the most fundamental meaning of human affairs seen in terms of underlying laws which control life broadly can be understood best if consideration is given to the basic picture of law, with reference to the universe broadly including both man and nature.

Only 462 of the 7,083 islands that comprise the Philippines are more than one mile square.

The average time for building a Liberty ship has been cut from 244 days to 32.

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Three Yank infantrymen hug the earth, one keeping alert eye open for snipers firing from trees, as heavy Jap machine-gun fire pinned them down during "mopping up" operations on Leyte Island in the Philippines. Smoke in background is from fires started by heavy air and sea bombardment. Signal Corps photo.



Slowly advancing through swamps and tangled underbrush, American infantrymen seek out remaining Jap resistance on Leyte Island in the Philippines. Note soldier, bogged down waist-deep, being aided by his buddies. Photo by Stanley Troutman, NEA-Acme photographer for War Picture Pool.

Rehearsals For 'The Damask Cheek' Going

Regular rehearsals are being held this week by the cast of the Very Little Theatre play, "The Damask Cheek," comedy-drama by Van Druten. The play will be produced Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week, Nov. 16, 17 and 18. Tickets will go on sale Monday at the Willamette Street market.

The cast, under direction of Mrs. Eyer Brown, is as follows: Rhoda Jeldrum, an English girl, Sylvia Cuthbert, Daphne Randall, Kay Korn. Mrs. Randall, Gerda Brown. Calla Longstreth, Mary Krenk. Miss Jessie Pinner, Ladelle Houghum. Nora, the maid, Marie Kenney. Michael Randall, George Northam. Jimmy, Randall, Ray Collins. Neil Harding, Kenneth Griffith.

The piece is filled with quiet fun, as well as several interesting social problems, according to the director, and the cast is really getting into the spirit of the thing as opening dates loom near.

Dwight Newman, production manager, has been assisted by Eyer Brown, Horace Robinson and Archie Holman in construction of the set, which is complete and in use at rehearsals.

Scenes from the play which were given recently before members of the VLT brought many expressions of appreciation and interest.

George Grizzle, 72, Native Oregonian, Dies

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Nov. 7.—(AP)—George D. Grizzle, native Oregonian, has died after a long illness.

He was born near McMinnville June 6, 1872, and spent his early life in Oregon except for a few years in Iowa before the turn of the century. He was active in county and city affairs for 44 years, having been county judge, farmer, and a marble worker in Medford.

The Girl Scout organization has loaned six of its skilled workers to UNRRA. All will do rehabilitation work among children overseas, in countries devastated by war.



CIGARET GIRL—Gladys Swarthout, Metropolitan mezzo-soprano who sang Carmen at the Chicago Opera, plays another cigarette girl role, handing out smokes to service men at the Windy City's main USO center.

Second Wartime Election? No, It's Really The Third—War Of 1812 Overlooked By Scribe

"Just to keep history dates straight," Dr. John T. Gano, University of Oregon professor of history, called the Register-Guard late Monday to do some good-natured "reminding" on the statement in a story that Tuesday was the second wartime election. He's right—way back 122 years ago America was in a war when an election was held, the war of 1812 having been declared in June of that year. The Civil war was second, the present war the third—one these two wars being the only ones with the two major political parties as they are now organized.

Thanks professor. It was another case of sloppy reporting. The writer should have known better—having taken history courses from you, also, having taken journalism at the university where it was stressed a reporter should always check history and dates before using in a story—if only to satisfy himself his information is correct.

P.S.—Misery loves company—this election has been referred to by many papers and writers as the second wartime one—but, of course, that is no alibi for some one else making the same mistake.

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Double Cluster Of Stars Sword-Hand Of Perseus

By J. HUGH PRUETT
Astronomer, General Extension Division, University of Oregon
The astronomy students had finished their work at the observatory and all had gone their devious ways into the night. Alone under the stars, we had put away and locked most of the telescopes—all excepting one—when came the desire to take a last fond look at the object over which the young people had most enthused during the evening. This was the splendid double cluster of tiny stars in the constellation of Perseus.

The Perseus cluster to the unaided eye is a dim nebulous spot midway between the principal stars of the groups Cassiopeia and Perseus. At about 8 p.m. at this time of year this cluster may easily be located. Trace from straight overhead a short distance down toward the northeast. Soon we come to five fairly-bright stars arranged in the form of a rather awkward letter W. This

is Cassiopeia. Still lower stars in a slightly curved line between these groups is a small, faint cloudy patch—an unpretentious object.

What a complete transformation is the telescopic sight! Circular field of view is almost glittering little stars, dozens of them, most of which are in two charming clusters on opposite sides of the field. It appears quite bright, others still others such mere pin points of light on the background dark blue that they go and disappear at intervals. On good nights, their rapid scintillation remind one of a swarm of busy bees. Every one of them is working hard, even the dimmest, energetically trying to do its part in the program of the universe.

One of the clusters is especially fascinating. In its center are stars, much brighter than others, which give the appearance of a rather wide double.

Close to one of these there is a very small half circle of stars in a very delicate pattern on the other side a tangled mass of tiny stars. When the eye very clear and the observer watches carefully the beauty of this picture is enhanced by irregular appearance now then throughout the group of the tiniest of the tiny stellar pinpoints as though sharp needles were pricking the curtain of night, letting through the merest glimmers of the infinite light beyond the stars.

These celestial jewels are usually huge suns so far away that their light requires about 100 years to reach us. Many of them are 100 times brighter than our sun. They are blue-white, intensely hot, with temperatures ranging to 25,000 degrees Centigrade. But across the inconceivable spaces the combined light of these mighty suns gives us this delicate nebulous spot, sword-hand of Perseus.

"I never did know what they were for," she said, "and I still don't."

Her husband left her in 1942, she said. He said he was through and was going to join the merchant marine, or something. She didn't hear any more from him. Then in November, 1942, the mailman brought her an allotment check for \$175.

"I didn't know what it was all about, so I wrote to Washington," she said. "I got a letter back telling me to write to somebody else."

"So I wrote again to find out where my husband was. I got another answer back."

"This happened eight times, and I never did get an explanation and the checks kept on coming."

"So I gave up."

Meantime, Mrs. Bookman, 25, had got a divorce, but that didn't stop the checks. She used part of them to pay for it.

"Then I got a letter telling me to wait for further communication."

"So I waited. Then the 'communication' arrived. It said please send the government back the \$4,025."

"The \$25, maybe I could send back, but that \$4,000 will take quite a while."

She isn't sure yet, she said, whether her husband was in the merchant marine or with the U. S. engineers. The communication didn't mention it.

Dispute Over 15 Cents Proves Expensive

SEATTLE, Nov. 7.—(AP)—Daniel Harold Eagen, 65, was hustled down to police headquarters the other day on suspicion of stealing 15 cents from a news stand.

Eagen proved he had the money coming in rightful change and furthermore showed police \$4.153 in his pocket to prove he didn't have to steal. And that did it.

A deputy collector of the bureau of internal revenue hustled around to the jail and nailed him for \$1,109.27 for back income taxes.

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