

Reeves Scores Win Over Axtell

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (AP) — Albert L. Reeves, Jr., son of a federal court judge, handed Enos A. Axtell, President Truman's hand-picked candidate, a decisive beating Wednesday to win the Fifth Missouri Congressional seat by a majority of about 4,000 votes. Complete unofficial returns from the 255 precincts in the district gave Reeves 40,891, Axtell 36,728. The district four years ago turned in a total of about 53,000 votes.

Early Lead

Axtell, young Navy veteran who was selected by Mr. Truman, James M. Pendergast's local Democratic boss, and CIO-PAC as their candidate to "purge" Rep. Roger C. Slaughter in the August primary, moved rapidly away from the post on the basis of machine ward totals in the early tabulating.

Advisers were reported preparing a victory statement, feeling he

was elected, when the tide turned suddenly shortly before midnight and within half an hour he was trailing.

Even the vote in Washington Township, where Axtell lives south of the city limits, went against him in the late returns. The heavy residential ward vote, always later than machine wards, also was heavily against him.

TRAIN LEAVES TRACK

FLORENCE, S. C. — (AP) — The second section of the Florida East Coast Railroad's "Champion" jumped the tracks at Purvis, S. C., about 40 miles north of here early Wednesday. The railroad's office here reported that one car overturned.

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Scientists to Determine Effect Of Nuclear Radiation on Cells

OAK RIDGE, Tenn. — (AP) — The U. S. Public Health Service has joined with Monsanto Chemical Co. in a research program designed to determine the effect of nuclear radiation upon living cells.

Dr. Alexander Hollaender, chief biophysicist of the National Institute of Health, the Public Health Service's research branch, will supervise the research in conjunction with Dr. Eugene P. Wigner, research director of Clinton Laboratories.

Must Study

"Considerable study must be done to determine the maximum safe exposure to nuclear radiation for workers in this field before atomic energy can have a practical use in industry," the announcement said.

Dr. Hollaender will use the radiations available as a result of nuclear disintegrations within the chain-reacting pile at Clinton Laboratories, operated by the Monsanto company for the government.

Animals Used

Animals were used during the war to determine the limits of tolerance for men working with nuclear energy. This approach was necessary, it was said, "because of the limited time available for preparing the raw materials for the atomic bomb."

Some of the questions Dr. Hollaender and his associates will seek to answer are:

1. What is the lowest dosage of radiation which will interfere with the normal function of a cell?
2. Will this effect be the same if the minimum energy is given in a fraction of a second or spread over many hours?
3. Will this effect be the same if radiation originated outside the cell or if the radiation is emitted within the cell?

Cop Skillful—Ticket & 'Cuffs'

BERKELEY, Cal. — (AP) — Patrolman Robert L. Fry is a fast man with a traffic violations ticket and pair of handcuffs.

Early one day while he was making out a speeding ticket for Vincent B. Summerford, 20, of San Francisco, and Robert E. Wyatt, 23, of Seattle, his police car radio suddenly broadcast the descriptions of two men sought in connection with the holdup of a gasoline station a few minutes before.

Being a thorough officer, Fry first finished the ticket and then arrested the men on suspicion of robbery. Their car, according to police, had been stolen earlier in Marysville and its license plates stolen in Grass Valley.

State Civil Service To Test Applicants

Applications for examinations will be accepted until Nov. 18 by the State Civil Service Commission to fill clerical and caseworker vacancies in three state departments, according to William G. Colman, director.

Examinations will be given for positions of Clerk I, Clerk Typist I, Clerk Stenographer I and Caseworker I in the Unemployment Compensation Commission, Public Welfare Commission and Board of Health.

Other state agencies and their employees will not be affected by these examinations. Beginning salaries are \$125 per month for clerks and typists, \$135 for stenographers and \$150 for caseworkers. Application blanks may be secured at any local employment service office or county public welfare office.

Requirements for typists have been lowered to a typing speed of 30 words a minute and dictation speed for stenographers to 60 words a minute.

Naval ROTC Tests Scheduled on Jan. 18

WASHINGTON — (AP) — The Navy Tuesday set Jan. 18 as "X-day" for choosing some 5,000 high school seniors who will be offered free college educations plus \$50 a month under its expanded officers training program.

On that date, competitive examinations will be held in 555 cities for candidates for either the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) or Naval Aviation College Program (NACCP).

Applications to take the examination must be filed by Dec. 17. High school principals have details. Application blanks and information have been sent to high school heads, college deans and officers of Naval Officer Procurement.

Institutions where NROTC units are established or approved include:

- Universities of California (Berkeley and Los Angeles branches), Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Southern California, Texas, Utah, Washington, Oregon State, Rice and Stanford.

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