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Martin To Direct Willkie Campaign



Representative Joseph W. Martin, Jr. (right) of Massachusetts was named national chairman of the Republican party and will direct the campaign of Wendell L. Willkie (center), Republican presidential nominee, and his running mate, Senator Charles L. McNary of Oregon. The men are shown here as they conferred in Washington.



Washington, D. C., July 11.—To the White House last week went a New Dealer with an ambition. He informed Mr. Roosevelt that he would take a shot at the presidential nomination, provided Mr. Roosevelt does not want it; otherwise he would seek the vice-presidency, if Mr. Roosevelt had no objections.

Said the President, he did not want four more years in office; that he had hoped to retire at the end of the present term, but that conditions have developed which make it necessary—much against his personal wish—to accept the nomination at Chicago next week. What the impelling conditions are which make a third term necessary the chief executive did not explain.

For vice-president, said Mr. Roosevelt, he would like to have Cordell Hull, present secretary of state (who could not bring Mr. Roosevelt any votes he does not now have), but doubted if Hull would be interested. He thought well of Bill Douglas, associate justice of the supreme court, because he is a 100 per cent New Dealer. However, added Mr. Roosevelt, he has made no commitments and his visitor could feel free to work for the vice-presidential nomination.

Based on this story, friends of the ambitious New Dealer are now night and day rounding up delegates.

GOVERNOR STARK of Missouri is making a bid for the 10 votes in the Oregon delegation for vice-president. Overtures are also being made for the Washington delegates. Oregon delegates have adopted a resolution that they will support Assistant Secretary of War Louis Johnson, who is a Democrat, and not young Senator Bob LaFollette, who received the Democratic primary endorsement by a few hundred votes. Presenting the name of a Republican in a Democratic convention would make the dele-

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SIDE GLANCES

by TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Effie Kurtz telling an interested group about how she arises at 4:30 a. m. these beautiful summer mornings.

And Zontian Mabel Conger lookin' awfully pert in a white and brown ensemble trimmed with Irish green.

And Janie V. Smith, as head man of Zonta, conducting a right peppy session.

Willkie Will Confer With G. O. P. Leaders Next Week

By William B. Ardery

Colorado Springs, Colo., July 11.—(AP)—Wendell L. Willkie said today he would confer next week with "important men" in the republican party and indications were that former President Herbert Hoover and Alf M. Landon, 1936 republican presidential nominee, would be among the group.

He told a press conference that "it is fine that the house has passed the Hatch bill," extending to state employees paid partly from federal funds the existing restrictions on political activity by federal workers.

The republican nominee received today a letter from Landon saying that "there is no doubt that you have caught the imagination of the American people."

Washington, July 11.—(AP)—The senate campaign expenditures committee decided today that there is insufficient evidence to justify an investigation of reports that a "high pressure" telegram drive was employed in the successful campaign of Wendell L. Willkie for the republican presidential nomination. Chairman Gillette (Iowa) announced that the committee members had agreed unanimously that information laid before it in several "suggestions" for an inquiry into the Willkie pre-nomination campaign lacked sufficient facts to warrant committee action "at this time."

PEAR GRADE CHANGES TO BE DISCUSSED AT HEARING HERE SOON

Salem, July 11.—(AP)—Public hearings will be held July 19 in Medford and Hood River to discuss proposed revisions of grades for winter pears and also of several varieties of summer and fall pears, the state department of agriculture said today.

The proposed revisions would put Oregon grades in line with new federal standards for Anjou, Comice, Bosc, Winter Nells and other winter pears. Under the suggested revisions, U. S. No. 1 grade would be the same as Oregon extra fancy; U. S. No. 1 would be slightly higher than Oregon fancy, and U. S. No. 2 would be the same as Oregon fancy.

The hearing here will be held in the county courthouse auditorium, the hour to be announced later, pear men here said.

SCHOOLBOY ESCAPES DEATH ON GALLOWES

Boise, Idaho, July 11.—(AP)—Clifford Albert Zipse, 16, has escaped death on the gallows for the fatal shooting of a schoolmate but ahead of him today was a lifetime in the Idaho state penitentiary.

The state board of pardons yesterday unanimously voted to commute Zipse's death sentence to life imprisonment.

4 BILLIONS FOR NAVY EXPANSION AWAITS F. R. PEN

Washington, July 11.—(AP)—A \$4,000,000,000 naval expansion bill was sent to the White House today by congress. It was a major portion of the defense campaign and legislators on Capitol Hill were manifesting a desire to approve President Roosevelt's request for \$4,848,171,957 in cash and authorizations to start this expansion and to increase greatly the army's land and air forces. The defense commission announced meanwhile that it had let \$100,000,000 in contracts in recent days for new warplanes for the army and navy. Other contracts are being negotiated. It was said, with a view to adding 25,000 planes by July 1942.

The navy expansion measure, sent to the White House for President Roosevelt's signature by unanimous house agreement to minor senate changes, would virtually double the size of the present navy blue bill.

ASHLAND YOUTH HURT AS CAR CRASHES INTO PLAZA BUILDING DOOR

Ashland, July 11.—(Sp.)—Vernon E. Rush, 18, employee of the Selby Chevrolet company, was confined in Ashland Community hospital today with a broken right foot, a deep gash on the right knee and bruises and abrasions following an automobile accident early this morning in which the car he was driving crashed through the front door of the Henderson Ford Motor company.

Rush, driving a 1940 Chevrolet sedan owned by Vern Hastings, failed to negotiate the Plaza corner at the foot of the North Main street hill while traveling south, it was reported. The machine leaped the curb in front of the Henderson garage and catapulted through the front door into the show room, damaging three new cars and demolishing the Chevrolet.

Cigarette Causes Fire
Portland, July 11.—(AP)—Fire springing from a discarded cigarette swept a two-story apartment in the St. Johns district last night and seriously burned Charles Kern, 56, a carpenter who lived on the top floor.

BRITISH SHIPPING LOSSES HEAVY AS GERMANS TIGHTEN BLOCKADE

ICKES CONVINCED ROOSEVELT WILL TAKE NOMINATION

Interior Department Chief Admits Nothing Definite From F. D. R. However

Washington, July 11.—(AP)—Secretary Ickes, an ardent advocate of a third term, said upon leaving the cabinet meeting at the White House today that he had not the slightest doubt that President Roosevelt would accept Democratic nomination.

"If I were a betting man I would bet on it," the interior department chief added.

He said, however, that President Roosevelt had never told him his attitude toward a third term and that his statement was simply based on his own opinion.

Renomination of President Roosevelt to a third term was demanded today by 64 Democratic members of the house who signed a statement setting forth their position.

The signing of the statement became known as speculation over the manner in which Mr. Roosevelt will announce his intentions grew even more intense than the discussion over what his intentions are.

Thus the big question in Washington became not "Will president Roosevelt run for a third term?" but rather "How will he announce his decision?" The statement bore the names of house members from 21 states including Pierce, of Oregon.

MEDFORD MEN IN NARROW ESCAPE WHEN CAR BURNS

Two Medford men escaped unscathed, four 66,000-volt high tension wires were broken by fire and electric service from this city to Ashland was affected in one of the most unusual accidents ever recorded here.

Jack Smith, 28, of 408 North Holly street, accompanied by Lloyd Morrison, also of this city, was returning home from Ashland last night when, about 10:25 as he neared the Voorhies crossing a short ways south of Medford, he saw fire under the hood of his 1935 sedan. Explaining the strange mishap today, Smith said he jammed on his brakes and the car began to wobble. The machine ran into the ditch at the side of the road, turned over on its side and jammed under a barbed wire fence, the strands of wire pressing over both car doors on the upturned side, Smith said.

Before the fire reached them, Smith and Morrison were able to work their way out of the car between the strands of barbed wire. Then seeing that the whole car, with its gasoline supply, was going to burn up, they blocked off a safe area on the highway and stopped traffic, Smith said.

A few minutes later the gasoline tank ignited and shot gasoline skyward. The flaming gasoline burned and broke the California Oregon Power company's four high-tension wires. Until the company could be notified, the ends of the live wires snaked around menacingly but by then all traffic had been halted and no one was in danger, Smith related.

When the wires broke, all Copco switches were thrown out automatically, lights in Medford flickering out momentarily until the switches were thrown back on. Electric service in Ashland was out from 10:29 to 10:55 p. m. Some rural sections were without electric service for three or four hours but, since it was late at night, no great inconvenience was experienced. One airways beacon in Ashland was out for a few minutes.

BASEBALL

National

| | | | |
|--|----|----|----|
| First game: | R. | H. | E. |
| Boston | 2 | 9 | 1 |
| Chicago | 6 | 12 | 2 |
| Sullivan, Strincevich, and Masi; Passeau and Hartnett. | | | |

American

| | | | |
|--|----|----|----|
| Score: | R. | H. | E. |
| Cleveland | 8 | 15 | 1 |
| Philadelphia | 5 | 7 | 1 |
| Milnar, Dobson, and Hemsley; Dean, Heusser, and Hayes. | | | |

Score:

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| R. | H. | E. | |
| St. Louis | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| New York | 6 | 10 | 2 |
| Auker, Mills, and Swift; Russo, Hadley and Dickey. | | | |

(13 innings):

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|--|----|----|---|
| R. | H. | E. | |
| Chicago | 2 | 11 | 2 |
| Boston | 3 | 7 | 0 |
| Rigney and Tresh; Hash, Heving, Dickman and Peacock. | | | |

R. H. E.

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| Detroit | 3 | 9 | 2 |
| Washington | 7 | 11 | 0 |
| Newhouse, Hutchinson and Tebbetts; Hudson and Ferrell. | | | |

BOY SURRENDERS STOLEN AUTO TO ASHLAND POLICE

Ashland, July 11.—(Sp.)—A 17-year-old Portland youth, Ray Baker, was being held in the city jail today to await the arrival of Multnomah county authorities, after he walked into the police station shortly before noon and told officers he had stolen a car in Portland late last night, and driven it to Ashland. The machine, a 1936 Ford Tudor, was parked in front of the station. When questioned Baker could give no reason for the car theft and for giving himself up to the authorities. He merely shrugged his shoulders when asked why he did it.

Baker, according to state police records, was one of three youths who last August 10 held up the Willow Springs service station a short distance north of Medford, while driving a car stolen in Portland. The trio were captured by state police on the outskirts of Medford a few minutes after the holdup. The two other boys were Ira Delmarter and George McClain.

McClain, appearing in circuit court here, was sentenced to 12 years in the state penitentiary on a charge of assault and robbery while armed with a dangerous weapon. Baker and Delmarter, both minors, were returned to Portland, and state police have no record concerning what disposition was made of them.

RECESS CONGRESS SO BOURBONS CAN ATTEND CONCLAVE

Washington, July 11.—(AP)—Congress recessed late today until July 22 to enable democratic members to attend their national convention at Chicago next week.

Chicago, July 11.—(AP)—A democratic national committee subcommittee today debated with a witness whether to grant increased delegate representation in future national conventions to the heavily democratic southern states, or to states regarded as "doubtful" in elections.

The subcommittee heard only one witness who appeared in behalf of a delegate "bonus" for the south. It will report to the whole national committee tomorrow, but there were indications that the whole question might go over until the 1944 convention to await the results of the current population census.

The census will result in shifts in house membership, on which existing delegate representation is based. The platform maneuvers will start Friday.

DYNAMITE BOMBS REVEALED FOUND NEAR CONVENTION

New York Police Head Discloses Philadelphia Plot—Red Meeting Hall Linked

New York, July 11.—(AP)—Two powerful dynamite bombs were found near the convention hall during the Republican national convention in Philadelphia two weeks ago. It was learned from a high police authority today after police Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine disclosed a number of bombs were found during the meeting.

Valentine did not say how many bombs were found nor where they were discovered, but other sources said seven or eight were located, some of them in a hall frequently used for communist meetings.

Valentine made the disclosure in a talk to his detective force in which he asserted that the bomb explosion at the world's fair July Fourth which killed two detectives "is just the beginning."

Out to Get Plotters

The voice of the veteran and hardened peace officer choked with emotion as he spoke of the two victims of the bomb and declared that the department was out to "get" the perpetrators of the plot, convict them and "have them sent to their proper punishment—electrocution."

It was learned from another high police source that about seven bombs were found in various places in Philadelphia and that "some" of the bombs discovered were under construction in a meeting hall where communists gathered.

"Lieut. James Pyke (head of the bomb and forgery squad) went to Philadelphia while the Republican convention was in session," Valentine said. "Some bombs were found there, and he opened two of them."

KNOX TAKES OATH AS HEAD OF NAVY

Washington, July 11.—(AP)—Col. Frank Knox took the oath of office as secretary of the navy at the White House today and left for his department to take over.

His one comment to reporters was that "this is a working job—not a talking job."

At the same time Henry L. Stimson, like Knox a republican, went to work as secretary of war for the second time in nearly 30 years. Stimson took his oath yesterday.

Knox's oath was administered by Associate Justice Felix Frankfurter of the supreme court, a friend of the Chicago publisher.

Grants Pass Colony Vanishes When Federal Men Plan Visit

Grants Pass, July 11.—(AP)—The "Pioneer Club" outpost north of Grants Pass disappeared during the night without leaving notice or note of where the dozen or so Long Beach, Calif., families were going or why they left.

Leland N. Fryer, of Portland, farm management specialist for the farm security administration, and Walter Mertz, relocation supervisor, made the discovery this morning.

They had come to investigate the news reports of 125 or more families from Long Beach who planned to set up logging colonies in Southern Oregon despite the opinion of county officials and business leaders that they could not eke out even a living wage by following plans announced by President R. J. Wilson.

Promoted



Ira D. Canfield

IRA CANFIELD NAMED OREGON COMMANDER OF FOREIGN WAR VETS

Corvallis, July 11.—(AP)—The state encampment of Veterans of Foreign Wars voted yesterday for immediate compulsory military training for the youth of the United States.

Closing its annual meeting, the encampment also favored expansion of the veterans' aid measure, perfection of a plan for swift mobilization, reserve officers' training corps and civilian military training corps.

Ira D. Canfield, Medford, senior vice-commander, was elected department commander.

Other officers included Louis Starr, Portland, senior vice-commander, William Baer, Bend, junior vice-commander; Walter Ake, Portland, judge advocate; Dr. J. W. Ingram, The Dalles, surgeon, and Harry Windus, Portland, chaplain. W. E. McGuffin, Portland, was re-elected quartermaster.

District commanders included: district 4, Frank V. Wray, Silverton; district 6, Eugene W. Horton, Marshfield; district 8, E. Wilcox, Ashland. Bend was selected for the 1941 encampment.

URUGUAY ADOPTS FORCED SERVICE

Montevideo, July 11.—(AP)—The chamber of deputies today approved a bill requiring compulsory military service. The senate already had passed it.

Uruguay thus will become one of the few Latin American states requiring army service of its youth.

The chamber's vote, 48 to 8, came after a 10-hour session.

SUBMARINE TOLL IS HEAVIER THAN WORLD WAR NO. 1

Nazis Claim Sea Campaign Is Rapidly Becoming Starvation Blockade of Isles

Germany's assault on British sea lanes, life lines of the United Kingdom, has wrought great destruction on shipping, costing Britain 609,000 tons by submarine attack alone in the past six weeks, the Nazi high command proclaimed today.

This rate of sinking exceeds that of the world war period of unrestricted submarine warfare, when U-boats of the Imperial navy and other action sent down an average of 250,000 tons monthly.

The nazis declared their sea campaign rapidly was becoming a starvation-blockade of the British Isles. Nazi claims were a reminder of the early months of 1917 when the United Kingdom had a food supply sufficient for only three weeks.

Britain To Eat

Defiantly, Minister of Agriculture R. S. Hudson told the house of commons that Britain would eat—regardless of German submarines and bombers—but must increase home production.

New light on the controversial question of "battleship vs. plane" in actual combat was cast today with the disclosure by General Francisco Pricolo, Italian air chief, that 300 Italian planes engaged in the battle of British and Italian war fleets in the Mediterranean.

Dispatches from Rome acknowledged that a large part of

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16 NAZI RAIDERS DOWNED DURING BRITAIN ATTACKS

London, July 11.—(AP)—German warplanes beat at England all day long today and again tonight, leaving a tragically lengthening list of civilian dead. At least 16 raiders were declared to have been shot down.

Twelve enemy planes were shot down and many more damaged by British warplanes during heavy attacks today around the coasts of England, the air ministry announced.

"Attempts by strong forces of enemy bombers escorted by fighters to attack shipping and other objectives around our coast met with vigorous resistance," the ministry added.

One British fighter plane was acknowledged to have been lost.

"Many" naz planes were declared damaged. The German bombers had struck at England from coast to coast, and were declared also to have turned machine guns on civilians in the streets of some towns.

"A few" deaths were reported by the government.

At the same time, an air ministry bulletin said medium-sized British bombers had "dived through a storm of sleet and rain" on the German-occupied Boulogne airdrome at dawn today and it was believed that five German aircraft had been destroyed.

British warplanes, striking again at Italy, were reported by the admiralty to have sunk an Italian destroyer and a depot or store ship in a Sicilian harbor.

Mott Home July 14
Salem, July 11.—(AP)—Representative James W. Mott telegraphed his wife today he would arrive at his home here July 14 by airplane to spend a few days while congress is in recess for the Democratic national convention.