

AMERICANS MOP UP CHERBOURG

Weather

Forecast: Fair tonight and Tuesday but with scattered showers over the mountains. Little change in temperature.
Temp.
Highest yesterday 84
Lowest this morning 58
Precipitation past 24 hrs. 0

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Delegates Flock to Dewey Bandwagon; Confidence Marks Convention Opening

721 PLEDGED TO NEW YORKER AS SESSIONS START

Delivery of Keynote Address By Governor Warren Tonight Next On Docket

Chicago Stadium, June 26.—(U.P.)—Cheering thousands of Republicans opened their first wartime national convention since 1864 in a mood of confidence today as the rush of delegates to Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's bandwagon developed into an avalanche of first ballot votes.

In the hours before the convention belatedly got under way at 11:16 a. m. CWT, the 42-year-old New Yorker's strength jumped from 668 pledged votes, as determined by a United Press survey, to 721, a round half hundred more than he will need on Wednesday for a first ballot nomination.

Keynote Tonight
Having delayed the convention opening for an hour and a minute past the scheduled opening time, the Republicans quickly got down to the business of getting preliminaries out of the way and electing Gov. Earl Warren of California as temporary chairman. He will deliver the keynote address tonight.

The convention's first session lasted only an hour and four minutes. It recessed at 12:20 p. m. CWT, until 8:15 o'clock tonight.

While a music master tried to stir the sweltering delegates and visitors into song until the convention started, last minute state caucuses were swelling Dewey's total of pledged votes and cutting into those for Gov. John Bricker of Ohio.

Shortly before Republican National Chairman Harrison E. Spangler wiped the moisture from his steel-rimmed glasses and called the delegates to order, Bricker's total of pledged first ballot votes, a check showed, stood at 77.

Bricker Steps In
Despite the apparent hopelessness of his position, however, Bricker refused to withdraw and accepted a reported proposal by Dewey managers that he make the nominating speech for the New Yorker. The Dewey managers then selected Gov. Dwight Griswold of Nebraska to make the speech for their man on Wednesday.

The convention was opened with a prayer by the Rev. John Holland of the Little Brown Church of the Air who, standing in the glare of batteries of great blue-white lights, asked that "what we do here may bring throughout the earth and in America first government of the people, by the people and for the people."

Gov. Dwight H. Green of Illinois welcomed the 1,057 delegates with the statement that the Republican party carries the hopes of the country for "restoration of free and constitutional government." Speaking solemnly, Green declared that the GOP is the only major political force in the United States "which stands forthrightly and four-square for the republic and its constitution."

California First
The last-minute swelling of the tide of Dewey votes was started before convention time when the California delegation decided definitely to cast its 50 votes for the New York governor. Vermont and Nevada caucused and followed suit with nine and six votes respectively.

Warren Reaches Chicago



Headed by Gov. Earl Warren, leading contender for Republican vice-presidential nomination, the California delegation to Chicago G.O.P. convention raises a cheer on arrival. Mrs. Warren stands beside her husband.

Warren Claims Interest As Vice Presidential Choice

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Convention Headquarters, Chicago, June 26.—(U.P.)—The upsurge of enthusiasm for Keynote Earl Warren, governor of California, today swung Republican convention interest to the west coast and the strong probability that Warren will be the vice-presidential nominee.

Warren has been the "man of the hour" ever since he swung off the California delegation train yesterday morning. His pictures blossomed in all the newspapers and his first press conference jam-packed a spacious room in the Stevens hotel.

Warren persisted in his declaration he did not want the vice-presidential nomination but there was no stopping the trend for a Dewey-Warren ticket. All eyes were on the strapping 53-year-old westerner, as well as gracious Mrs. Warren and 16-year-old Virginia Warren, only one of the governor's six children to come to Chicago.

Warren's big moment will come tonight at 7 o'clock (PWT) when he keynotes the convention in Chicago's flag-bedecked stadium. Delegates hoped that his brief address—36 minutes reading time—plus the probable presence on the ultimate ticket would help swing western states into the Republican column in November.

Both California and Oregon delayed caucus meetings until today. Former President Herbert Hoover was to arrive for his speech tomorrow night.

JACKSON CO. BIRTHS SHOW SLIGHT DECLINE
Births in Jackson county during April numbered 67, according to a report issued last week by the Oregon State Board of Health. This is somewhat lower than the same month of 1943, when births numbered 75. Births since January 1 of this year now number 256, as compared to 285 for 1943, the report shows.

April deaths totaled 52, as compared to 40 in 1943, the chart shows. Deaths since Jan. 1, 1944, number 167 in the county and during the same period in 1943 numbered 173.

Chairman Edwin F. Jaekle, "many people over the country active in the Dewey movement though he was the ideal choice." "He was ideally situated and has been associated with the Governor (Dewey)" Jaekle said.

Griswold's selection was interpreted as a move to solidify midwestern support behind Dewey.

ASHLAND YOUTH LOSES LIFE IN EMIGRANT LAKE

Gary Allen Warner Drowns While Playing On Rocks During Sunday Picnic

Seven-year-old Gary Allen Warner, son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Warner of Ashland, former Medford residents, drowned in Emigrant lake south of Ashland late Sunday afternoon, bringing to a tragic end a picnic and boating party being enjoyed by his parents and the Vernon W. Conley family, also of Ashland.

According to Deputy Coroner C. M. Litwiller, the little boy apparently slipped while playing on some rocks out of view of the other persons in the party, and fell into deep water about half way between the Pacific highway and Emigrant dam on the right side of the lake.

Body Recovered
Litwiller said he learned that Gary was missed by his parents about 5 p. m., just as everybody was getting ready to eat. After a futile, lengthy search the Ashland fire department was notified and asked to bring grappling hooks to the scene, but prior to their arrival Vernon Conley, employee of the Southern Pacific Railroad company, recovered the body with a casting rod.

Artificial respiration was administered by the adults in the party until the arrival of firemen, state police, a sheriff's deputy and Litwiller, after which they continued to work over the boy for almost two hours. An Ashland physician, who was also called, pronounced him dead some three hours after he had last been seen.

Born in Medford
The boy, only child of the Warners, was born in Medford, March 13, 1937. Mr. Warner is employed by the Southern Pacific in Ashland. Other survivors are his grandmother, Mrs. Ethel Miller of Ashland; his grandfather, W. H. Warner of Fresno, Cal., and an aunt, Frances Miller of Ashland.

Funeral services have been tentatively set for Wednesday at 1:30 at Litwiller's.

No Enamored Ware On Early Horizon
Washington, June 26.—(U.P.)—Housewives today were given scant hope that their supply of enamored ware would be increased in the immediate future.

The name of the town of Yreka is a corruption of the Indian Wai-ri-ka, meaning mountain.

Anti-Regimentation Platform Effort Snagged by Foreign Trade Proposals

Convention Headquarters, Chicago, June 26.—(U.P.)—The Republican convention's resolutions committee, racing against time, tried today to weld into an anti-regimentation platform various tentative planks submitted to it by half a dozen subcommittees.

A three-point proposed plank on foreign trade, drawn after a committee room fight threatened to throw the subject into a convention floor contest, was submitted shortly before noon. It would commit the Republican party to:

1. Reciprocal trade agreements only when such agreements are "mutually beneficial" to the United States and the other nation in the pact, and requiring that all reciprocal agreements be ratified by congress;
2. "Adequate" protective tariff; and
3. Establishment and maintenance of a privately-owned air transport system, together with maintenance abroad of "adequate" air bases for American national defense.

"The foreign trade platform," a subcommittee member said, "gives recognition to the protective principle without foreclosing world economic cooperation."

The committee room fight, one member revealed, flared when "some of our surprisingly internationalistically inclined" members proposed a virtual free tariff policy. During the night, this member said, the foreign trade subcommittee was "on the verge" of quitting all efforts to write a tentative plank and pitch the whole subject into a convention floor fight. When the meeting resumed this morning, however, agreement was reached on the plank and it was sent at once to the drafting committee.

REDS CHOP DOWN LAST SURVIVORS IN VIITEBSK TRAP

Russian Banners Hoisted On Biggest Building in White Russian Stronghold

London, June 26.—(U.P.)—The Red army captured Viitebsk, where a German garrison of five divisions was trapped, and Zhlobin, key rail junction 180 miles to the south on the upper Dnepr, in smashing victories at both ends of the White Russian front today.

Moscow, June 26.—(U.P.)—Russian storm troops battled through the streets of encircled and tottering Viitebsk today, chopping down the survivors of its 50,000 to 75,000 trapped Nazi defenders and hoisting the Red Banner atop one of the biggest buildings in the White Russian stronghold.

The Red army's general summer offensive was spreading along a 285-mile battleline to clamp a stranglehold on Viitebsk, outflank Orsha, and threaten Mogilev and Bobruisk, keystones of the defense of White Russia.

Defense Broken
"We have broken the so-called German defense wall for White Russia," a front dispatch said. "Panic is spreading among the German officers."

Nazi broadcasts acknowledged that the Viitebsk garrison was cut off, that the Russians scored a "rather deep penetration" in the Bobruisk area to the south, and had gained more ground southwest of Bobruisk and east of Mogilev and on the Viitebsk front.

Highlighting the offensive launched against the strongest German hedgehog systems on the entire Russian front was the assault on Viitebsk, climaxing a brilliant flanking maneuver in which two Soviet armies sliced in behind the big base and sealed it off for a battle of extermination against the German garrison.

Orsha Dangered
Some German elements which escaped from Viitebsk before the trap closed were reported falling back along the highway toward Orsha, 47 miles below Viitebsk. But with Orsha itself in imminent danger, they encountered a new threat.

The Red army attack was designated to smash the entire German network of defenses protecting White Russia, setting the stage for an advance to Poland and, eventually, Berlin.

GOP Leaders Swap Views



Alf Landon (right), 1936 Republican presidential candidate, and Rep. Joseph Martin (R. Mass.), permanent convention chairman, exchange views on party policy as they confer in Chicago on eve of national convention.

BRITISH PIERCE CENTER OF LINE IN PERUGIA AREA

Rome, June 26.—(U.P.)—British 8th army troops broke through the center of the German line north and west of Perugia after three days of bitter fighting, while American forces on the west coast captured the port town of Piombino and swept on to within 38 miles of Livorno (Leghorn), the second largest Italian harbor left in German hands, a communique said today.

Hard fighting was continuing along a 25-mile front from the Perugia area to the west shores of Lake Trasimeno and down into the city of Chiusi, but official reports said the Germans were being hammered back relentlessly by British, South African and Indian armored columns.

The 8th army advances yesterday were measured in hundreds of yards, but headquarters spokesmen said the strongest enemy defenses in the Perugia sector had been breached and that the British veterans were sweeping forward rapidly today.

Tank columns spearheading the advancing infantry rode hard on the heels of the retreating enemy, frequently surprising demolition squads left behind to destroy roads and bridges.

The Nicasio Indians of Marin county were one of the few California tribes that never made peace with the white man.

DAYLIGHT ATTACK BY BUZZ BOMBS; RAF HITS RUHR

London, June 26.—(U.P.)—Nazi robot bombs hit southern England this afternoon in the first daylight attacks since Friday as hundreds of allied warplanes swept across the channel to renew their assaults on the battlelines and enemy communications in France.

The daylight raids followed wide attacks over the continent last night when allied planes hit Germany and occupied territory from the west and south.

RAF bombers pounded industrial targets in the Ruhr valley and military installations in France, while Italian based heavy and medium bombers raided Budapest, capital of Hungary.

Violent Sky Fights
The German DNB news agency reported that allied bombers were over the Vienna and Danube areas again this morning, and said they were engaged in violent aerial combats.

Although there were no reports from the sections hit by the Nazi robot bombs today, some casualties and damage were caused by pilotless planes which dropped into southern England before the blackout last night, breaking a lull of 14 hours in the attacks.

Resumption of the robot bomb attacks came after allied bombers and fighters carried out four separate raids Sunday on the launching platforms and more than 12 power stations scattered throughout the next of bomb bases in northern France.

Flier Killed In Astoria Collision

Seattle, June 26.—(U.P.)—Thirteenth naval district headquarters reported today that Lt. Ralph B. Butler was killed in the collision of two navy fighter planes off Astoria yesterday. Butler's widow and 11-month-old daughter live at Astoria.

Another crash Saturday cost the lives of two men when their naval training plane crashed on the north jetty in the Columbia river near Ilwaco, Wash. The victims were Lt. (jg.) Arthur B. Sheets and Robert Earl Porttetter, ARM2c.

TO FEDERAL POST
Salem, Ore., June 26.—(U.P.)—Miss Florence R. Beardsley, a supervisor in the office of the state department of public instruction, will be given a year's leave of absence starting July 1 to work with the United States office of education, it was announced today.

ISOLATED NESTS FERRETE DOUT IN NORTHWEST AREA

Yankees Smash Straight Through City After Seizing Entire Eastern Portion

Allied Supreme Headquarters, London, June 26.—(U.P.)—The final battle of Cherbourg reached the mop-up stage today as American forces weeded out isolated nests of German resistance in street fighting of greatly reduced intensity after seizing the entire eastern part of the city and smashing straight through its heart to the waterfront.

Cherbourg is not yet fully and officially occupied, supreme headquarters reported late today, but all attacking United States divisions have advanced their forward elements deep into the city.

United Press Correspondent Henry T. Gorrell reported in a dispatch filed from Cherbourg at 2 p. m. that with the battle virtually over, American shock troops were ferreting out the last German diehards after taking over command of all the city except a part of the northwest area.

Forts Blown Up
Nazi rear guards last night blew up most of the forts on both sides of Cherbourg harbor, and ammunition dumps and the Armiot Aircraft Works, all of which were burning furiously and casting a vast pall of smoke over the subsiding battle.

Headquarters spokesmen said that Lt. Gen. Omar N. Bradley's siege army, ordered to seize Cherbourg as soon as possible, was driving spearheads through the city into the dock areas regardless of the outlying flanks beyond which some enemy nests held out.

AMERICANS TAKE SAIPAN MOUNTAIN

Pearl Harbor, June 26.—(U.P.)—American troops captured towering Mount Tapotchau overlooking Tanapog harbor on Saipan, a front dispatch reported today, and high ranking officers expressed confidence that the entire Marianas group, less than 1500 miles from Tokyo, will be seized.

The Japanese attempted a counter-attack before dawn this morning, the dispatch said, but the assault failed as the Americans held firmly to positions on the mountain, one of the prize targets on Saipan and focal for new drives against the enemy in the northern part of the island.

Seizure of the 1,554-foot peak came as the Japanese were reeling under the impact of American land, air and sea assaults which gave U. S. troops control of half the island, destroyed at least 747 enemy planes and 30 ships and damaged 51 other vessels since the Marianas operations began.

Oregonians Need No Caucus Before Convention Vote

Republican Convention Headquarters, Chicago, June 26.—(U.P.)—Oregon's delegations to the republican convention, already pledged to a Dewey-Warren ticket, will hold no pre-convention caucus, Henry E. Collier, Portland, chairman, said today at the delegation's first national meeting.

Under an Oregon law, delegates were required to sign pledges to support candidates favored in the state's recent primary election. A write-in campaign resulted in Dewey receiving approximately 50,000 votes and Warren approximately 30,000, Collier said.

The delegation's 15 votes, therefore, will be cast for Dewey and Warren on the first ballot for each position.

The delegation is headed by Collier, State Senator Howard Belton, vice chairman, and State Senator Angus Gibson, secretary.

Sales to date in the Fifth War Loan Drive —	
\$1,311,905.25	
"E" Sales	\$289,056.25
Quota	\$600,000
Total Quota for County	\$2,262,000