

POCKETED AIRTROOPS WITHDRAW

Weather

Forecast: Clear tonight and Thursday. Little change in temperature.
Highest yesterday 91
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DEWEY CONFIDENT CHANCE ENHANCED BY COAST JOURNEY

Final Speeches Reiterate
Pledge to Finish House-
cleaning in Washington.

Aboard Dewey Campaign Train, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey sped homeward today feeling confident that his opening campaign tour from coast to coast has greatly bolstered Republican chances in November.

The GOP presidential nominee slept late today, while his special train crossed Illinois and western Indiana, recovering from yesterday's most strenuous time of the 6,700-mile cross-country tour.

"On Our Way"
He had been up past midnight, delivering fighting speeches to station crowds which greeted him during brief stops across Oklahoma and Missouri.

"We're on our way," he informed them. "It's not going to be such a tough job. We'll have the American people united before November."

Again and again, he pledged that if he succeeds to the white house next January 20, one of his first official acts would be a "complete housecleaning" in Washington.

He put followers of communist Earl Browder and CIO political leader Sidney Hillman at the head of his purge list if he is elected.

New Dealers Included
The purge list, which also included Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins and White House Adviser Harry Hopkins, ranked high in the personal program the New York governor expounded for audiences across Oklahoma and Missouri.

In addition, he promised:
1. To unify the nation for the war and in the creation of a lasting peace.

2. To rewrite, with the aid of a sympathetic congress, "the new deal laws so that lawyers at least can understand them."

3. To eliminate "repressive" tax laws, which he charged retarded development of job-producing business.

4. To put in high administrative office "men who have walked the streets of the country somewhat more recently than 12 years ago."

5. To set up an administration "that believes in our freedom, which respects the integrity and honesty and freedom of the American people and . . . whose spoken word can be trusted and believed."

Chamber Cancels Merchants Clinic

The September Clinic, scheduled by the retail merchants' committee for tonight at 7:45 o'clock at the chamber of commerce office, has been cancelled, Frank Hull, secretary of the chamber of commerce stated today. Edward N. Phelan, manager of the Seattle Retail Trade Bureau who was to be speaker at the clinic, will not be able to appear, due to transportation difficulties which make it impossible for him to arrive in Medford.

NEW YORK, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—

Henry J. Kaiser, shipbuilder and industrialist, today urged federal procurement officers to take steps to insure war workers time off to register as well as vote.

SIDE GLANCES By TRIBUNE REPORTERS

Seth Bullis and two strong cohorts helping Vera Humphrey pack prisoner of war recreation kits at the Junior Red Cross headquarters.

Sheriff Syd Brown strolling down the street wearing his inevitable 10-gallon bonnet and big black cigar.

Gladys Hughes mounting her trusty horse and riding clear across the valley to borrow some needed items from a friend.

Aimee McPherson Dies Of Sudden Heart Attack

Oakland, Cal., Sept. 27—(U.P.)—Aimee Sample McPherson, 53, who as "Sister Aimee" of Los Angeles evangelism converted thousands to her Four Square Gospel church and once disappeared in a 34-day "kidnaping," died today of heart disease at the Leamington Hotel.

Mrs. McPherson, acknowledged mistress of hallelujah revivalism for nearly two decades, collapsed and died before noon while an inhalator squad of the Oakland fire department vainly tried to revive her.

Two physicians, summoned by the hotel manager were in attendance when Mrs. McPherson succumbed.

Los Angeles, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—Rolf McPherson, son of Evangelist Aimee Sample McPherson, will become head of his mother's gold-domed Angelus temple under terms of her will, Temple Attorney Joe Fainer said today.

Angela Sid, personal maid to Mrs. McPherson, said her employer had collapsed in bed. When the physicians arrived they called the inhalator squad, but by that time she was beyond help.

Dropped From Limelight
Mrs. McPherson was in Oakland for a little-publicized church appearance when she was stricken in her room. Since her much-discussed kidnaping in 1926, marriages and divorces and great evangelistic festivals at the Angelus temple in Los Angeles, Mrs. McPherson had gradually dropped out of the public eye.

But she made fronts pages throughout the nation for 88 consecutive days when she vanished while surfing bathing at Ocean Park, May 18, 1926, and hiked in from the Arizona desert a month later with a story of having been abducted.

This story was publicly doubted by authorities, but regardless, it served to attract even greater throngs to her tabernacle.

Audiences Spellbound
Wearing a large cross about her neck, and in flowing white robes, Mrs. McPherson used old-fashioned oratory to spellbind her audience and lead thousands "into the fold."

She had been "wholeheartedly in her work," according to associates, since her "extremely unfortunate matrimonial experiences" ended in the middle 1930's.

Her husky-voiced pulpit appeals threw an almost hypnotic spell over her followers. One young Los Angeles housewife slashed her throat and died because her husband kept her away from Angelus Temple.

Angelus Temple hummed, and could afford a \$50 a week press agent, Four Square Gospel church branches sprouted throughout the country. Under "Sister Aimee's" spell, the congregation gave liberally for religious work.

Strange Interlude
Aimee's record-breaking stay on the front pages followed her disappearance while swimming at Ocean Park, Cal., on the afternoon of May 18, 1926. Thousands of her flock stood vigil at the beach while divers hunted for her body. Two men were drowned in the frantic search.

Without warning, on June 22, the evangelist reappeared in a semi-exhausted condition along the Mexican border near Douglas, Ariz. She said she had been kidnapped and had just escaped from a shack on the desert. Although she claimed to have struggled miles over the sands, her clothing and shoes bore little sign of travel.

Her story was scoffed at in Los Angeles, and it was charged she had "disappeared" to spend the time in a cottage at Carmel-by-the-Sea with Kenneth G. Ormiston, husky bald-headed radio operator of her Angelus Temple station.

PLAYWRIGHT DIES
New York, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—Funeral services will be held tomorrow for Edwin Burke, playwright, scenario writer and director, whose screen script for "Bad Girl" won the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences award in 1932. Burke, 55, died at Post-Graduate hospital yesterday after a six-week illness.

BRITISH EXPAND RUBICON DRIVE

Rome, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—British 8th army troops expanded their bridgehead across the Rubicon and drove up the Po valley today as American 5th army infantrymen joined the Germans in ferocious battle to retain the allied gains in the rough, difficult Apennine mountain sector.

The 8th army, after clearing up the last enemy resistance south of the Rubicon, sent Canadian units to the outskirts of the town of Bellaria, on the Rimini-Ravenna coastal highway seven and a half miles north of Rimini. Meanwhile, other 8th army units further inland approached the town of Savignano, on the Rimini-Forlì highway eight miles northwest of Rimini.

20 LIBERATORS SHOT DOWN WHEN NAZIS GANG UP

100 Luftwaffe Fighters
Strike Yanks in Bomb-
ing Attack on Kassel.

London, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—The German luftwaffe threw more than 100 fighter planes at a single group of 40 Liberator bombers attacking Kassel, Germany, today, and shot down half, if not more, of the American raiders in one big sweep.

The luftwaffe made its strike, one of the heaviest so far recorded against American heavy bombers, as nearly 2,000 Flying Fortresses, Liberators, and fighters smashed at war plants and rail yards in the Rhineland and western Germany.

Forty-three United States bombers were listed as missing in the day's operations.

The total number of enemy planes destroyed by the Liberators over Kassel was undetermined, but those bombers returning claimed to have knocked down at least five. A single group of about 40 Mustang fighter planes rushed to the defense of the bombers, and, fighting against two to one odds, they shot down five German planes for one Mustang lost.

ONE COUNCILMAN HAS COMPETITION IN CITY ELECTION

There will be only one contest for a city office in the November 7 general election, Donald Campbell, an employee of Timber Products, having filed for councilman in the fourth ward in opposition to Elmer Childers, incumbent, whose term expires and who has filed for reelection.

Filing for reelection today were Mayor C. A. Meeker, City Recorder Ralph Woodford and City Treasurer Oris C. Crawford. All will be unopposed.

Councilmen filing for reelection were J. C. Collins, first ward; T. G. Bradley, second ward; and Harold Fry, third ward, in addition to Childers in the fourth ward.

Holdover councilmen, whose terms have two more years to run, are Harvey Field, first ward; Larry Schade, second ward; C. H. Herman, third ward; and Frank Runtz, fourth ward.

Terms for mayor, recorder and treasurer are for two years; for councilmen, four years.

Recorder Woodford today gave the names of all who filed to County Recorder George Carter, who will place the names on the Nov. 7 election ballot.

Nazi Casualties Total 900,000

U. S. 1st Army Headquarters, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—Allied armies on the western front, including south France, were estimated today to have inflicted 900,000 casualties on the Germans since D-Day.

(Supreme headquarters yesterday estimated German casualties since D-Day at 800,000 without specifying the inclusion of the campaign in southern France.)

BASEBALL

Briggs Stadium, Detroit, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—Southpaw Hal Newhouser pitched a five-hit, 4-0 shutout over the Philadelphia Athletics today for his 28th triumph of the season, to give the Detroit Tigers a half-game lead in the torrid American league pennant race.

St. Louis, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—The game between the St. Louis Browns and the Boston Red Sox, last of a series, was delayed today until 8 p. m., because of wet grounds.

PUBLIC COUNCIL TO BACK EFFORT FOR ROGUE PARK SITE

Letters to Chamber of Com-
merce Will Be Forwarded
to Sen. Cordon's Office.

To aid the project of acquiring a tract of land along the Rogue River in Jackson county as a state park for public use, Frank Hull, manager of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce today asked the general public to write letters, addressed to his office, in support of the project. The proposal is to acquire the land, through the state park service, whenever the army releases the river frontage now included in the Camp White reservation.

The letters received at the Chamber of Commerce office will be forwarded to Sen. Guy Cordon in Washington, D. C., where the senator will prepare all material and hold it for immediate use when the land is released by the army.

Land In Demand
"Jackson county must seize this opportunity to acquire a public park on the river," Mr. Hull stated today, "for at the rate river frontage is being bought up, there soon will be no land available. One small advertisement recently inserted in a California paper to sell a piece of Rogue River frontage land brought 328 replies from Californians eager to buy land in this county on the river. It is obvious that soon there will be no river frontage available for public use."

"Anyone interested in this project is urged to write a personal letter endorsing the idea. We need many letters of this type for Sen. Cordon's use in completing the project. The State Park's superintendent, S. H. Boardman, has written that the park commission will aid the project in every way but is of the opinion that the main request must come from the citizens themselves."

Mr. Hull pointed out that several local groups had endorsed the park plan. These include the Medford Garden club, the Medford Board of Education, Crater Lake Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars; the Rogue River Sportsmen's club.

TWO LARGE FIRES IN SISKIYOU AREA

Two large fires, one of which has already covered about a thousand acres in the Gasquet area, are raging today in the Siskiyou National Forest, according to a telephone call from Herschell Obye, supervisor, to officials of the Rogue River Forest Service. Mr. Obye said that the second of the two fires, in the same district, had covered about 300 acres.

Additional details were expected at the local office this afternoon.

Sacramento, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—A new outbreak of fires swept northern California brush lands today, and state division of forestry officials said a 2000-acre fire raging out of control in Butte county near Paradise was threatening Sierra timber land.

Beside the Butte county fire, which was termed potentially "very disastrous," the division listed a 600-acre fire near Iowa Hill in Placer county and a 300-acre fire west of Dobbins in Yuba county, both out of control.

City Supt. Rogers
And Wife Return
From Trip North

City Superintendent and Mrs. Frank Rogers returned to Medford last night from Portland and Seattle, where Mr. Rogers transacted city business and they both visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Culbertson in Seattle.

Monday, in Portland, Mr. Rogers attended a state-wide aviation meeting at the Aero club which was called to launch a movement to further all phases of airport development in Oregon.

Friday, in Seattle, the city superintendent conferred with CAA officials in connection with airport development and a week ago today he met in Portland with engineers of Cunningham and associates in regard to sewage disposal problems here.

FIRST BALLOTS GOING TO MEN IN SERVICE

The county clerk's office today started mailing the first of more than 1,200 general election ballots to Jackson county residents in the armed service, overseas and at home. The first ballots were received this morning from the printer and the required number will be ready by tomorrow. The ballots will be mailed first to the farthest battle fronts.



A thinning band of British paratroopers still holds firmly to the Arnhem gate at Arnhem, but from dispatches that their situation has become desperate and they immediately must save themselves from death and capture. Further west, the corridor between Nijmegen and Arnhem has been widened. Progress of American-driven operations into which is closed in secrecy and, further south, Aimee's death increasing reassurance.

Hitler's Invasion Try In 1940 Repelled In Sea Of Flaming Oil; Belgians Confirm Debacle Rumors

By John A. Paris
United Press War Correspondent
London, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—Adolf Hitler did try to invade Great Britain in the fall of 1940, after France capitulated and the British army lost its armament at Dunkerque, and the British Islands appeared defenseless.

He tried it on Sept. 16 and the Royal Air Force met his invasion fleet in the Channel, setting it and the sea afire. Thousands of his soldiers were burned to death or maimed for life.

Belgian nurses and doctors who cared for his wounded, confirmed the rumors periodically current since 1940. Their stories recalled the heavy attack the RAF made continuously on "invasion barges" in the French Channel ports in September, 1940, and knocked the props from the war theorists who maintain Hitler's greatest mistake was his failure to invade Britain when Britain was "weak" and "defenseless." They gave the theorists their answer: Hitler tried—and failed.

Belgian nurses and doctors told me that the German survivors had called Hitler's debacle "a hellish nightmare."

The British defense was simple. RAF bombers coated the sea with oil and incendiary bullets ignited the oil and turned the Channel into a sea of flame.

Belgians with whom I talked were surprised to learn that the British and American publics never had been told of the invasion attempt which they said was common knowledge in Belgium.

Renee Meurisse, a Belgian Red Cross nurse, who was in charge of caring for Belgian refugees at the time, told me: "During the day of Sept. 17," she said, "we heard rumors that thousands of bodies of German soldiers were being washed ashore along the Belgian beaches."

This is a view of election balloting as seen from nearly two months away. It specifically excludes those who express a preference to the polltakers but consider themselves quite possibly not voting on November 7. It includes an estimate of armed services voting, computed from civilians of similar age, since polling of members of the armed services is not permitted. The overall civilian figure alone is 51.1%. Interviews were distributed in accordance with accepted sampling procedures, and the results are presented only as an interpretation of the sample.

Small Shifts Vital
In 1940 Roosevelt received 53.0% of the major party vote, 62.2% in 1936 and 59.1% in 1932. In 1940 he received 449 electoral votes out of a total of 531, to be compared with 523 in 1936 and 472 in 1932. For each of his past three terms, therefore, he has had a heavy electoral majority as only 268 electoral votes are necessary to win.

In 1940 however, twelve states were very close, which in themselves totaled 211 electoral votes. They were swung by only two per cent, one per cent or a fraction of one per cent. It is not generally realized that Roosevelt carried by narrow margins such states as Illinois, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Ohio and Wisconsin, while Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Wyoming were only carried by 53%. On the other hand, Willie's margins were narrow in

Colorado, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan and even Maine. A shift of a very few votes from Roosevelt to Willkie in ten states would have reduced Roosevelt's electoral total to 269, only three more than enough to win. By contrast, a shift of a few votes from Willkie to Roosevelt in his five close states would have raised Roosevelt's total to 504.

If these small shifts had occurred, Roosevelt might have had a 55.1% popular vote with 504 electors, or 54.1% with only 269, a very small difference in popular vote but a very great difference in electoral votes. This is because even the smallest majority wins a state. Such percentages are mathematically possible but unlikely because they would mean that all the states concerned would shift to the barest majority of only a few voters in each case. But it has happened in the past, and could happen again—that a nominee might receive a definite majority of popular vote and yet lose the election. For example, this could be the case if Roosevelt received very large majorities in the southern states and missed large northern states by a narrow margin.

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LAST REMNANTS OF GALLANT BAND LEAVE HELL SPOT

Failure to Reinforce British
Red Devils Forces Pull-
back in Arnhem Section.

Supreme Headquarters, AEF, Sept. 27—(U.P.)—Remnants of a gallant band of British Red Devil paratroopers have withdrawn across the Neder Rhine from the Arnhem pocket where for almost 10 days they fought against overwhelming odds, it was announced officially today.

The withdrawal of the elements of the British 1st Airborne division from the little spot of hell around Arnhem left the Germans in full control of the north bank of the river and the key town of Arnhem with its defenses of the northwest passage to Germany.

Liquidation Denied
The announcement of the pull-back, most of which was carried out Monday night, gave the lie to Nazi propaganda reports that the Red Devils had been liquidated.

Supreme headquarters, announcing the withdrawal after a two-day blackout of the Arnhem battle, withheld details of the percentage of the division—the normal size of an airborne division is about 9000 men—evacuated, the number of unmovable wounded left behind, and how the survivors got back across the river.

The failure of Lt. Gen. Sir Miles C. Dempsey's 2nd army relief column to reach the airborne force north of the river and the impossibility of dropping adequate supplies through exceptionally bad flying weather were the chief reasons for the withdrawal.

Thwarted in the relief attempt by the formidable German defenses along and below the Neder Rhine and the massing of Nazi forces there, the 2nd army swung its main weight eastward.

Broadening the north-south corridor up in Holland eastward, Dempsey's troops swept through a number of towns and villages below Nijmegen, reached the Meuse river defense line in some sectors, and were closing against it on a 40-mile front.

A field dispatch filed at 11 a. m. said army officials announced that the situation in the salient was "further improved" with both its east and west walls extended and strengthened.

Roosevelt Leading By 52% In Crossley Poll

By Archibald M. Crossley
Late September sampling of the voting public gives Roosevelt the edge in a close race. A nationwide poll up to September 22 indicates Roosevelt 52.2% and Dewey 47.8%. This was during the westward swing of the first Dewey trip, and before the start of the Roosevelt campaign speeches. The poll was conducted in nearly four hundred cities, towns and rural areas of forty-eight states.

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