

Yanks Swing Through 20-Mile Hole in Line Near Metz

Weather

Forecast: Cloudy with showers tonight and Saturday; colder tonight.
Highest yesterday 46
Lowest this morning 40
Fast 24 hours 34

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ROOSEVELT COUNT GROWS IN FINAL OREGON RETURNS

Totals Now 239,967 to 219,680 With Two Vanport Precincts to Be Reported.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 10.—(U.P.) The tabulation of returns for Tuesday's election was virtually complete today, with only two precincts out of Oregon's 1829 as yet unreported, in the populous Vanport housing community in Multnomah county.

With each additional return from the metropolitan section of Multnomah county, President Franklin Roosevelt's majority over Gov. Thomas E. Dewey continued past the 20,000 mark in the statewide returns, with a lead of more than 24,000 in Multnomah county alone. He lost the up-state section by about 4,100.

Morse, Cordon Strong
In the stretch race for the U. S. senate, the large majorities piled up by Republicans Wayne L. Morse and Guy Cordon continued to grow, although returns from predominantly Democratic Vanport slowed down the gains somewhat.

Of the two contests for state offices, by far the closest was that for attorney general, with Incumbent George Neuner leading Challenger Bruce Spaulding by only 5,078 votes. He appeared to be safe, however, with probably not enough votes uncounted to kill his majority.

Leslie M. Scott, who received the largest number of votes cast for any single candidate in the primary election in May, had outstripped Challenger William T. Lambert, leading him by 64,577 votes.

Returns from 1827 of the state's 1829 precincts gave: President—Roosevelt 239,967; Dewey 219,680; Thomas (D) 3,772; Watson (D) 2,210.

Senate—Short term, Mahoney (D), 188,075; Cordon (R), 247,439.

Senate—Long term, Smith (D), 164,400; Morse (R), 257,147.

Vote Shrinks

As the last returns came in slowly, it appeared that the vote in the state was slightly smaller than had been estimated by state officials earlier. A total of all votes cast in the presidential race, excluding the five unreported precincts, showed 459,657, or some 20,000 fewer than the 480,000 hoped for.

About 79 per cent of Oregon's voters cast ballots in 1940, when Roosevelt was running for a third term, but only 59 per cent voted in the by-election two years ago.

The four representatives of Oregon in the congress were all returned in the election by substantial majorities.

BAD CHECK ARTIST IS RETURNED BY SHERIFF

Fred Parkhill, also known as Fred J. Batty, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses, has been returned here from Seattle by the sheriff's office. The sheriff reports Parkhill will enter a plea of guilty and is writing a statement covering his operations here. The district attorney reports he has a long criminal record. During his stay here he allegedly cashed spurious checks totalling between \$500 and \$600 and was employed as a cook.

SIDE GLANCES

Cautious motorists lingering at the Main and Central intersection many minutes before finding out that the traffic light was stuck on red.

Bill Cramer, Jimmy Hall and Tony Manno undecided as to who owned a dollar after handing it around several times in payment of election bets.

Ike Stenerson highly exhilarated by success of his candidates for constable.

Michigan pulling Hemmerley Conger out of a bad financial situation.

Monstrous New V-2 Rockets Strike From Stratosphere; Less Terrifying Than V-1s

By Robert Musel
United Press Staff Correspondent
London, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—Germany's monstrous new V-2 rockets strike unseen and unheard from the stratosphere. If you were within range, you would never know what hit you. They dive out of the sky so fast—1000 miles an hour—you don't have time to be scared.

But the fantastic speed attained by the rockets robs them of most of what the Germans undoubtedly intended should be their principal effect—terror.

Outstrip Sound
Traveling 60 to 70 miles high in the stratosphere, they cannot be seen, while they outstrip sound in their descent.

They carry only a ton of explosives despite their overall length of perhaps 30 to 50 feet. And that is only one-sixth of the weight of the great "Earthquake" bombs being unloaded on Germany by the Royal Air Force.

In most ways, the rockets have not even measured up to the smaller, jet-propelled V-1 robot bombs, let alone the terror of the all-night fire raids by German bombers in the 1940-41 blitz on London.

Although they carry the same weight of explosives as V-1s, they have less blast effect than their predecessors because they penetrate deeper before exploding.

Thus there have been fewer cases of death and maiming from scattered glass than was the case with V-1.

Some Hit Sea
Not all of the rockets have even reached England, and many of those which did fell in open country. Some fell in the sea.

Others exploded in mid-air, scattering fragments far and wide. Self-appointed experts have guessed that the missiles may have come as much as 200 miles, probably from Holland. There

also was a discussion of mysterious gigantic sites captured by allies in France as possible typical launching places for the rockets.

Prime Minister Churchill backed up the experts in part today when he told Commons that some of the launching platforms had been overrun by the allies on Walcheren island in southwest Holland.

Earth Shudders, Debris Showers When V-2 Falls
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Hearing On Doris Cromwell's Nevada Divorce Postponed
Reno, Nev., Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—Hearing on Doris Duke Cromwell's motion to amend her Nevada divorce proceedings today was continued until Monday to allow Washoe county district Judge William McKnight time to read and consider voluminous depositions.

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He pointed out Cromwell had claimed residence in New Jersey but said the former minister to Canada had not been in residence there since 1940.

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Stay For Appeal
Twenty-eight others were given until next Friday to prepare appeal bonds. Sentences for two women, Juanita and Mary Beth Barlow, were temporarily suspended pending a supreme court decision as to whether the state district court has jurisdiction over persons under 18.

Only one of the 11 women sentenced today is childless. The others have a total of 18 children. All 31 defendants sentenced have a total of 310 children.

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6 MORE JAP SHIPS SENT TO BOTTOM BY AMERICAN SUBS

Light Cruiser, Plane Tender and Tanker Among Latest Prey; Total Over 1,000.

Washington, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—American submarines have sunk six more Japanese vessels, including a light cruiser, the navy disclosed today.

The latest bag brings to 984 the number of enemy vessels hit by American submarines in this war—831 sunk, 37 probably sunk, and 116 damaged. Due to the navy's recent policy of not reporting enemy craft probably sunk and damaged by submarines, the actual total is now well over 1,000 enemy vessels.

Besides the cruiser sunk, today's announcement included one medium converted seaplane tender, three medium cargo vessels, and one tanker.

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Armistice Day Observance Urged By Mayor C. A. Meeker

Urging the observance of Armistice Day by the people of Medford, Mayor C. A. Meeker today issued the following statement and proclamation:

"The hour of 11 o'clock A. M., November 11, 1918, marked cessation of hostilities in World War I and each year thereafter the people of the United States, and particularly the ex-service men who participated in said war, have celebrated the anniversary of Armistice Day as the termination of hostilities and have also observed the anniversary of Armistice Day in memory of the soldiers and sailors who made the supreme sacrifice in World War I.

"We are engaged in World War II with substantially the same participants and many of our young men have and will again make the supreme sacrifice for our country and it is particularly fitting and proper that the anniversary of Armistice Day on November 11, 1944, be fittingly observed, not only as a day of celebration and of memorial but also with the thought that the present war be successfully terminated as soon as may be possible and as a reminder to all of us of the hardships and dangers that are being and will be incurred by our present service men, and having in mind the above:

"I HEREBY PROCLAIM Armistice Day, November 11, 1944, as a day to be observed by the people of the City of Medford and urge the people of the City of Medford, as a reminder of all the things Armistice Day stands for, to participate with the ex-service men of World War I and service men of World War II in the celebration of said day and to observe the same in memory of the men who in World War I and in World War II have made the supreme sacrifice for our country.

"C. A. MEEKER, Mayor."

LIQUOR HOLIDAY DURING JANUARY
Washington, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—War Production Board Chairman J. A. Krug today notified the nation's grain beverage distillers that they will be permitted to make liquor again during January.

He said the distillers' facilities will not be required for manufacture of industrial alcohol during that month. The release of the facilities for production of liquor follows WPB policy of releasing production not needed for war production.

SHARK BOAT SUNK
San Francisco, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—A navy vessel of an undisclosed type rammed and sank a 52-foot shark boat, Sun Tower, five miles off the Golden Gate Wednesday, the 12th Naval District announced today. The five crew members were rescued, uninjured, by a second navy boat. They said the Sun Tower was outboard when it was struck from the rear by the navy vessel which proceeded on its course.

ROOSEVELT GETS MOIST WELCOME IN WASHINGTON

4-Time Winner Acclaimed In Procession To White House While Rain Pours.

Washington, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—The four-time winner and still champion came home today and was acclaimed by thousands in a triumphal victory procession to the White House.

The jovial Franklin D. Roosevelt, despite a steady rain, responded to the cheers of the admiring throngs and drove through the heart of the city in an open car.

Rides Hatless
Hatless and buttoned to his neck in a black navy rain cape, he rode from the Union station with Vice President Henry A. Wallace and Vice President elect Harry S. Truman, both sitting at his left. Mr. Roosevelt waved to the sodden crowds in front of the station, smiled, and said:

"I hope it won't be intimated that I expect to make Washington my permanent residence for the rest of my life."

He laughed, his neighbors cheered, the reporters and secret service agents crowded around his car, but the army and navy bands tooted in a haphazard unison, and Mr. Roosevelt smiled down Pennsylvania avenue with sirens screaming and headlights boring into the 9 a. m. gloom.

Rain Pours
The President arrived by special train from Hyde Park at 8:20 a. m., awaited in the station until 9 o'clock before piling into his car, and emerged just as there spread over the city a cloud as black as a kitten's ear.

The chauffeurs switched on their headlights, the government clerks lining the walks snapped up their umbrellas, the police standing every 15 feet buckled their panchos around their necks, and as soon as President Roosevelt started to talk the rain poured down harder than ever.

The bandsmen struggled to protect their drums, the radio experts tried to cover their machinery with their raincoats and hundreds of banners, bearing such slogans as "A United Nation for United Victory" and "We're United with Roosevelt and World Peace" turned into ribbons of wet cardboard.

President Roosevelt was met inside the station by his cabinet and such stalwarts of his administration as Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins in her fancy triangular storm proof hat, Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard, Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones, Postmaster General Frank Walker, Acting Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., Secretary of War Henry C. Stimson, and Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes.

Official count for contested offices completed today by the Jackson county canvassing board shows Commissioner Arthur E. Powell, Republican of Central Point, defeated Ralph G. Jennings, Democrat, by 2,011 votes. The count was:

Powell, 8,137.
Jennings, 6,126.

For justice of the peace, Medford district, W. P. (Tuck) Tucker, Incumbent Republican, won over Fred Kelly, Democrat, by a vote of 5,899 to 3,161, a lead of 2,738 votes.

In the Ashland justice district, Mrs. Nellie Burns was named justice of the peace with 3,585 votes, and John Pittenger was named constable with 560 vote.

H. C. Mechem with 563 votes, and Ike Coffman with 560 votes, were named justice and constable for Jacksonville. W. C. McLean polled 634 for Gold Hill constable.

The official vote for uncontested state and county offices was:

Representative: Frank J. Van Dyke, 9,375.
O. H. Bengtson, 9,113.

For county clerk, George R. Carter, 12,269; assessor, C. A. Myers, 11,197; coroner, H. W. Conger, 12,029. For treasurer, Ralph Sweeney, the lone Democrat on the county ticket, received 12,029. All ran on a Democrat-Republican ticket.

Counting of the vote on measures started today, and will be completed early next week.

Third Army Storms Metz Defenses



The U. S. Third Army drive to encircle and topple Metz gathers steam as General Patton sent more division into action both north and south of vital fortress city. The town of Clemenceau was captured.

Jubilant F. D. R. Confesses He Underestimated Strength

Washington, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—President Roosevelt, back at the White House in jubilant mood, confessed to a news conference today that he had guessed the electoral vote would be 335 for himself and 196 for Gov. Thomas E. Dewey.

In the latest actual returns today, Mr. Roosevelt had won or was leading in states with 432 electoral votes against 99 for Dewey.

At his first press conference since his fourth-term victory, the president fumbled through a litter of papers and memoranda on his desk and came up with a tiny slip of yellow paper on which he had written his pre-election forecast.

He read it and then said he was not very accurate.

Asked whether he had won his 25-cent bet with Frank J. Lewis of Chicago on the outcome in one undisclosed state, he said that he had called the bet off because he had gotten scared.

While Mr. Roosevelt's conference was largely a session of cheerful banter, there were these serious news developments:

1.—Asked about another meeting between himself, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin, the president confirmed that they did want to meet again when it could be arranged. But he said that nothing had been worked out as to time and place, and that when the time and place were determined, he would not tell the reporters about it.

2.—He said he had heard nothing yet from Dewey.

3.—Asked about the appointment of a new ambassador to China, the president said he had not thought about it recently.

4.—Asked when he intends to appoint a board to supervise the war surplus property administration, the president said this was being held up by one name and that he was waiting to hear from this person.

5.—He said Secretary of State Cordell Hull, now in the naval hospital at Bethesda, Md., is getting along well and he supposed he would be back on the job at the state department soon.

6.—Asked whether he had received a peace feeler from Germany, the president said no and commented that the question sounded to him like a pre-election inquiry.

"Let me be the first to ask you if you are going to run in 1948," a reporter asked.

Mr. Roosevelt roared with laughter, saying he was asked the same question in 1940—or was it 1938?—but that at any rate it was a hoary question.

REDS CUT LINE FROM BUDAPEST
London, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—A Moscow communique reported tonight that the Red army had cut the railroad running north-west from Budapest to Miskolc.

Soviet troops advanced through several localities east of Budapest, the communique said. It reported the capture of 4100 German and Hungarian troops between the Danube and Tisza rivers on November 8 and 9.

Thanksgiving Birds Place Under OPA Ceiling Price List
San Francisco, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—Turkey, the holiday bird, had an OPA price tag put on him today. Maximum retail prices that may be charged for turkeys and other poultry items were announced today by the district Office of Price Administration.

Live turkeys will retail at 43 cents a pound, and the dressed variety will sell for 51 cents. These prices apply to top grade young turkeys of all weights.

Roasting chickens will cost 46 cents a pound, and stewing chickens of the fowl-fricassee type will sell for 41 cents.

Napoleon Bonaparte died in 1821.

TANK FORMATIONS ENTER ACTION ON NAZI SOFT SPOT

Slow but Steady Progress Is Made Toward Rear Great German Fortifications.

Paris, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—American troops and armor swung through a 20-mile breach in the German lines below Metz today after seizing the anchor towns of Louvigny and Chateau Salins, while other 3d army forces to the north brushed aside two Nazi counterattacks and pushed on to within 15 miles of the turned guns of the old Maginot line.

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's tank formations, held out of the battle throughout the first 72 hours of the Metz offensive, swung into action all along the front between Chateau Salins and Louvigny in an effort to exploit a soft spot uncovered in the Nazi defenses.

Steady Progress
Field dispatches said the armored units were making slow, but steady progress through the gap, wheeling northeastward toward the rear of the Metz fortifications.

Deep mud resulting from heavy rains and snowstorms of the past 48 hours hampered the attacking armored spearheads, but the Germans appeared to be pulling back their southern flank without offering too heavy resistance.

North of Metz, however, the Nazis threw in their first determined counter-attacks since the start of the offensive Wednesday morning, striking at the 3d army's bridgehead across the Moselle near Koenigsmaier and in the sector east of Malzevles les Metz.

Counters Beaten Off
Both counters were beaten off quickly and the Americans thrust out to the east and southeast, bringing the vital Metz-Saarbrücken railway line within range of their big guns.

While the scope and power of Patton's offensive appeared to be increasing hourly, only about 1,500 German prisoners were reported taken in the first three days of the attack, indicating the Nazis were playing safe and not committing themselves in force to any one sector until they unmasked the main objective of the drive.

On the U. S. 1st army front, Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' infantrymen hammered out a 600-yard gain west of Hurtgen, but were driven back south of the town after hammering out a similar gain in that sector.

More than 1,350 American warplanes, including 750 heavy bombers resumed the offensive against the German forward bases behind the 1st and 3d army fronts, hitting enemy airfields and communications targets in the Cologne and Frankfurt areas.

Deweys Leaving For Vacation In South
Albany, N. J., Nov. 10.—(U.P.) Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, defeated Republican presidential candidate, announced today that he and his family would leave Albany tomorrow for a "two or three week" vacation on Sea Island, Georgia.

The governor said that he intended to take a complete rest and that he did not intend to talk politics with anyone. An associate added that Dewey would be "deaf, dumb and blind to politics."

CALIFORNIANS FIRM AGAINST \$60 AT 60
San Francisco, Nov. 10.—(U.P.) California voters decisively rejected a proposed constitutional amendment which would have provided a \$60 a month pension to persons over 60 not gainfully employed.

Returns from 14,011 of the state's 14,841 precincts gave: yes, 877,687; no, 1,918,885.

Returns from 14,671 of 14,841 precincts gave for president: Roosevelt, 1,837,314; Dewey, 1,397,586.

Returns from 14,638 precincts gave for U. S. senate: Downey, D., 1,603,852; Houser, R., 1,498,739.

ROOSEVELT GAINS IN POPULAR VOTE COUNT
New York, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—The popular presidential vote as tabulated by the United Press at 1:30 p. m., EWT:

Roosevelt 24,381,656
Dewey 21,290,588

Washington, Nov. 10.—(U.P.)—The War Production Board's compliance division today charged the Chicago Sun with excess use of 886.89 tons of newsprint in violation of WPB regulations.

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