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Sentiments For Hitchcock Grows Throughout State

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Portland — A slowly forming groundswell of sentiment in favor of Philip S. Hitchcock, the underdog candidate against Douglas McKay for the Republican senatorial nomination, appears to be developing generally throughout the state of Oregon as the primary election campaign gets underway.

This was observed in community after community visited by this reporter during the past week. Hitchcock forces here claim they are greatly encouraged by similar findings wherever their candidate has been in recent days.

Sympathy for Hitchcock

While sympathy for Hitchcock is running high, few persons are willing to predict at this early stage that he will defeat McKay in the May 18 primary eight weeks away. Yet most think he will give McKay quite a battle for the chance to challenge Senator Wayne Morse in the November general election.

One of the surest signs that confidence is mounting concerning Hitchcock's chances is that he will have enough financial backing to run an all-out campaign.

This represents a significant change. Hitchcock said that after McKay made his dramatic last-minute entry into the Oregon race, financial pledges earlier made to him were immediately withdrawn by GOP donors who had not counted on the secretary of interior jumping into the contest.

Regains Commitments

Since then, however, Hitchcock has regained the financial commitments that are considered vital to underwriting his campaign.

Reportedly some chief Republican contributors and fund raisers here are ready to put money into the war chests of both McKay and Hitchcock, so uncertain are they of the outcome.

While Democrats are momentarily enjoying this intra-party Republican squabble, they would have preferred to skip this pleasure. Their greatest anxiety now is based on a fear that Hitchcock may beat McKay and go on to sweep Senator Morse out of office in November.

Democrat Suggestion

One top Democrat suggested, in apparent jest, that he might make a speech or two in Hitchcock's behalf, believing this would surely give McKay's opponent the kiss of death politically in the GOP primary.

Yuba City Flood Victim's Body Found

Yuba City, Calif. — (U.P.) — The badly decomposed body of a man believed to be the 38th victim of last December's flood here was still unidentified Saturday, according to Sutter County Coroner B. W. Ullrey.

Ullrey said the body was found late Friday on the E. M. Whitfield ranch by a group clearing a flooded orchard. Clothes worn by the man indicated he may have been working on a levee when it broke.

The man, who was about five feet, nine inches tall and weighed about 160 pounds, carried no identification papers.

Sewage Blamed for Polio Epidemic

Lincoln, Neb. — (U.P.) — Sewage which seeped into drinking water through improper bathroom plumbing was blamed Saturday by two scientists for contributing to a Polio epidemic near here in 1952.

The epidemic, which killed two persons and paralyzed 18 others, struck the village of Huskerville, a town comprising mostly barracks-type homes built during World War II.

Review of Rogue Basin Survey Data Ordered by McKay

Portland — (U.P.) — Interior Secretary Douglas McKay Saturday ordered an immediate review and reanalysis of all available studies and data on the Rogue river basin, because of recent damaging floods in that area.

McKay said object of the review will be to "reach agreement on a plan of development which will properly take into account the divergent interests of the Interior bureaus" and make possible the flood control developments desired by local interests.

First Hand Inspection

Arthur M. Piper, chairman of the Pacific Northwest Field committee, said representatives of several agencies of the department would make a first hand inspection of the basin this week.

McKay said he particularly directed the bureau of reclamation to give special attention to methods of flood control on the main stem of the Rogue, other than Lewis creek dam, in order to study alternatives that would reduce flood damage to the fishery resource.

He directed the fish and wildlife service to evaluate fishery losses that would result from construction of Lewis creek or other dams. Lewis creek dam was once proposed as a flood control structure.

Joint Plan

McKay said the technical review staff of the department had been ordered to submit a joint plan by May 15. He also directed a letter to George Roderick, assistant secretary of the Army and chairman of the inter-agency committee on water resources, urging that the Columbia Basin Inter-Agency committee take action for inter-agency coordination in the Rogue basin.

The basin was hit by record-breaking floods in December and February. It is widely known for its specialty agricultural crops and fishing and recreational facilities.

Third Storm Heads For New England

Boston — (U.P.) — The third storm in eight days swept from Michigan to the Atlantic coast Saturday, crippling traffic in New England.

The storm came as highway crews struggled to clean up the remnants of the paralyzing near-blizzards which hit the Northeast on St. Patrick's day and again Sunday night.

The new storm dumped up to 10 inches of snow in Michigan, up to six inches of snow in New York state and up to 10 inches in southern New England. There already was up to 20 inches of snow in New England from the previous storms this month—only 13 inches below the all-time record of 1916.

Some rain fell on the southern edge of the storm, changing back to snow this afternoon, to add to the highway drifts.

The storm was expected to end during the evening, with the forecast for Palm Sunday calling for clear and cold weather.

The new storm, like its predecessors, forced dozens of events to be cancelled, including the St. Patrick's day parade in Boston—held over from last week.

Washington — (U.P.) — The United States has rejected a Japanese plea to suspend its great spring series of nuclear tests in the Pacific. It said the tests are vital to defense of the free world.

Hitchcock Claims His Support Came From Bend Region

Bend — (U.P.) — Phil Hitchcock told a luncheon audience here Saturday that it was from Bend first urged him to seek the United States senate seat now held by Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) and that the first financial help for his campaign came from this central Oregon city where he once worked as a logger.

He added that when Interior Secretary Douglas McKay entered the same race, "The most urgent insistence that I stay in the race came from Bend."

The candidate said "We have just completed a tour of Oregon and we found throughout the state the kind of driving enthusiasm and support it takes to win a political campaign."

Willing to Debate

Hitchcock, candidate for the Republican nomination, declared that he was willing to debate public issues with Morse "any time, any place."

He said he made "no claim to being as glib as Morse, but if he tried to attack my stand on almost any issue, I can say to him and prove out of his own words that these are the basic beliefs which he betrayed after winning elections by standing on them."

Hitchcock was scheduled to address a banquet of Key Clubs from the three western states and British Columbia last night. The clubs are Kiwanis-sponsored high school service organizations. They are in convention here.

Ask Crack Down On Law Violators

Moscow — (U.P.) — Communist party officials in Josef Stalin's home state of Georgia Saturday appealed to the party and to the militia to crack down on students violating the "elementary rules of conduct" in public places.

The appeal is believed to refer to the recent pro-Stalin student demonstrations in Tiflis, capital of Georgia where Stalin was greatly revered.

According to "Zarya Vostoka" official party newspaper in Tiflis, Deputy Interior Minister O. D. Museridze spoke of the need for "maintaining strict public order in the city."

Speakers at the conference demanded stern measures in dealing with "hooligans and other anti-social elements."

The speaker described the dangers of the "cult of the individual" which "diminishes the role of the party and masses, diminishes the role of collective leadership in the party, and leads to serious shortcomings in work."

It was admitted that "this cult was widespread in Georgia."

Neuberger Charges McKay With Mixing Politics, Indian Affairs in Campaign

Portland — (U.P.) — Interior Secretary Douglas McKay struck back at Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) Friday for his attack on William L. Phillips of Salem, manager of McKay's campaign for Republican nomination for U.S. Senator from Oregon.

Neuberger, in a Senate speech Thursday, charged McKay with mixing politics and Indian bureau affairs, because McKay earlier had appointed Phillips to a job of supervising Klamath Indian property affairs. Phillips recently resigned the post but Neuberger said he had not heard of that.

McKay, in Portland making campaign plans Friday, said

"The attack by Dick Neuberger upon Bill Phillips, one of Oregon's most loved and respected citizens, is typical of what may be expected this year."

McKay hopes to meet and beat Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore) in the general election next November.

The Interior secretary said: "Wayne Morse described President Eisenhower as 'completely lacking in all political morality.' Now he has assigned his role of character assassin to Neuberger, the recognized new master of this technique, who becomes Morse's hatchet man with complete disregard of political decency."

Noting that Phillips' resignation



RESIDENTS OUSTED — British troops supervise evacuation of district of Nicosia, Cyprus, after District Commissioner Sir John Harding issued an order for families to vacate the area in which a British policeman was killed by terrorists.

Cypriot extremists planted a time bomb in Harding's bedroom, but it was found and removed before it exploded. Harding has ordered a curfew today in an attempt to prevent Greek Independence Day violence.

British Governor Orders Day-Long Curfew in Cyprus

Nicosia, Cyprus — (U.P.) — British Governor-General Sir John Harding ordered nearly every one in the main towns and cities of this island to stay indoors today. The order was intended to forestall Greek independence day violence.

The order was issued as another outbreak of violence was reported on Cyprus last night. A bomb was thrown in the main police station of Atkima, slightly injuring one policeman.

In line with the curfew, all long distance telephone calls within the limits of the island were banned "in the interests of public security."

Only essential workers will be excused from the curfew that will affect an estimated 200,000 Cypriot and non-Cypriot residents when it went into effect at 4 a.m.

In Athens, Greek authorities ordered strict security measures to prevent pro-Cypriot riots. The Police and Army were put on standby alert. Extra guards were placed around the British embassy and barbed wire was strung across the streets leading to the embassy building.

Many Greek Orthodox priests and worshippers announced they would defy the curfew and hold services in church commemorating the March 25 Greek independence holiday.

The government also issued notices offering a \$14,000 reward for information leading to

the arrest of Neophytos Sophocleus, a young Cypriot who vanished from his job at Harding's home after a time bomb was discovered in the governor-general's bed earlier this week.

Sources said Nicosia's airport would be closed from midnight last night until 6 a.m. Monday. Authorities turned out num-

bers of British troops to patrol the streets of Nicosia. But despite their presence, devout Cypriots said they intended to go to church today, curfew or not.

In Limassol, violence continued. A youth walked into the grocery of Christos Vias and fired three times. The bullets missed and the youth fled.

House Leaders Urge Finish to Farm Bill

Washington — (U.P.) — House Democratic leaders—fearful of being accused of stalling—cleared the decks Saturday for a "desperate effort" to finish work on a compromise farm bill before Congress starts a 10-day Easter vacation next Thursday night.

The Democratic high command tossed overboard plans to subject Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson to a final round of questioning by his critics on the House Agriculture committee Tuesday.

The decision to cancel the hearing, which would have interrupted work on the bill, was reached at a secret meeting late Friday between Speaker Sam Rayburn (Tex.) and Committee Chairman Harold D. Cooley (D-N.C.). It came after some Republicans began accusing the Democrats of delaying action.

Members of both parties generally agreed that there was little chance Congress could reach a showdown vote on the politically explosive farm price support issue until after the recess which ends April 9.

Cooley noted that cancellation of the Benson hearing means that Senate and House farm leaders, starting Monday at 2:30 p.m., will be able to work without interruption all next week to reconcile differences between the House and Senate farm bills.

Democrats are seeking a compromise that would include the administration-sponsored \$1 billion bank and a restoration of rigid high supports on 1956 basic crops. Anticipating that the compromise bill will call for supports higher than acceptable to the administration, Republicans plan to offer a substitute.

Those who registered on or before March 9, or who register before April 17 will, however, still be eligible to vote in the May 18 primary election.

The county clerk explained that, according to law, citizens must register 30 days before an election in order to be eligible to vote.

In Jackson county, names of voters who register after a special election registration deadline are withheld from the list of eligible voters for that particular election. Their names, however, are included in the list of eligible primary election voters if they register 30 days before the primary election takes place.

Considerable confusion concerning registration deadline for the May 18 primary election has resulted from an erroneous report originally released from Salem, the clerk said. That report listed April 18 as the deadline. The correct deadline for primary election voter registration is April 17, the county clerk emphasized.

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Shaw Charges Ellsworth In Prepared Speech

Congressman Harris Ellsworth was assailed as a "do-nothing" representative by a Democratic aspirant for congress here last night.

Dave Shaw, a Gold Beach attorney and candidate for the Democratic nomination for congress from Ellsworth's fourth congressional district, in a speech prepared for delivery at a meeting of the Jackson County Democratic club, said "All the problems that troubled this dis-

trict six years ago, when I was the Democratic nominee running against Ellsworth are still pressing."

He added, "Your congressman has done nothing about them."

The dinner meeting was at the Phoenix Grange hall.

Shaw declared that a survey on proposed flood control was started 16 years ago, about the time Ellsworth went to Congress as representative of this district.

"By the year 1950," Shaw said, "A long and exhaustive report had been issued from the Bureau of Reclamation, a hearing had been held and all parties had full opportunity to be heard."

He claimed that Ellsworth did nothing to push the project and recalled last December's flood conditions in which destruction to homes, crops, roads, public installations and other property ran into millions of dollars.

"What is your congressman's solution now?" Shaw asked. "Another survey! It took 16 years to get the first one through. Are we going to wait another 16 years and then have him come up with a third survey?" He said, "I think you will agree with me that the time has come for action—not double talk."

The speaker pointed out the annual flood danger and shortage of box cars that has been apparent for several years. "It's getting worse, not better," he declared. "Mills are forced to shut down and men are out of work, during the season when there should be no unemployment. What, in 16 years, has your congressman done to help us out on this?" he asked.

Shaw stated that recent timber hearings conducted throughout the northwest by a congressional subcommittee have demonstrated that \$25 million is not enough to develop access needs for the 150 national forests in this country. "They should be developed according to good timber practices," he said.

"It would be hard to find a single specific incident in which Ellsworth has shown real leadership in accomplishing anything for the best interests of the people of the district he represents," Shaw said. "He will stand by while timber is reaped by residents of Alabama from a highly questionable mining claim, but he won't do anything to help the small operator who lives in his own district get his fair share of government timber."

The speaker continued his attack against Ellsworth by claiming, "He doesn't represent you or me."

Shaw commented, "If you get behind him and shove, he'll provide leadership—one step forward and two steps back."

Kefauver Says GOP Doing 'Nothing' On Water Problem

Los Angeles — (U.P.) — Sen. Estes Kefauver Saturday flatly predicted there would be no Democratic "party bolt" in the south over the segregation issue.

At the same time, he attacked the Eisenhower administration cutting of the Air Force budget, declaring the United States needs an Air Force "second to none."

He also charged Republicans with "doing nothing" about the water problem in the west and apparently failing to recognize the area's potentiality.

The Tennessee Democrat, on a fast-paced tour to pick up votes in the June California presidential primary, told a press conference at Chino, Calif., east of here, where he attended an American Legion luncheon.

"The south knows its best friend is the Democratic party."

At another meeting in the 23rd congressional district here, he said the U.S. cannot afford to have a "second-best" Air Force.

The senator told farmers in the Chino valley that the west has made its greatest development under the Democratic administration and that it did not appear Republicans recognized the area's potentiality.

No Attempt Made He charged the GOP had made no attempt to get irrigation and hydroelectric projects started in the water-hungry west.

"They have done nothing about the water problem, while we are worrying about water, we still have water flowing into the sea from our rivers," he said.

Ashland Man Injured In Siskiyou Accident

Jose Chacon, 24, of route 1, box 413, Ashland, was seriously injured about 6:30 last night when his car went over an embankment on Highway 99 about two miles north of the Siskiyou summit, according to state police.

Police said that Chacon was passing a Greyhound bus on a curve when his car went onto the highway shoulder, traveled about 200 feet, and went over an embankment.

A passenger in the car, Menced Antonio Chapon, 20, also of route 1, box 413, was not injured.

Chacon was taken to Ashland General hospital by Litwiller ambulance and from there was transferred to Sacred Heart hospital in Medford. He has been employed as a railroad section worker, police said.

Fluoridation Is Favored by Society

Portland — (U.P.) — The Oregon State Medical society Saturday said Oregon's practicing physicians are 9-to-1 in favor of fluoridation of the state's water supplies.

Unofficial results of a statewide poll released yesterday by the Public Policy committee of the society showed that 1,081 physicians favor fluoridation, while 116 doctors are opposed.

Ten doctors marked their ballots "undecided."

Dr. Russel L. Guiss of Salem, chairman of the policy committee, said the survey results were even more impressive when considering the unusually high percentage of physicians who participated in the poll. Of 1,615 member physicians of the Medical society, 1,207 or 74.7 per cent, returned their ballots.

"The 9-to-1 margin indicates a decided majority," Dr. Guiss said.

The survey was taken to provide Medical society officials with an up-to-date report on the opinion of the general membership regarding the issue of fluoridation.

Cayucos, Calif. — (U.P.) — Two men were drowned and a third was rescued five miles north of here Saturday when their 10-foot skiff was swamped in heavy seas.

10 Killed, 30 Hurt In Plant Explosion

Bilbao, Spain — (U.P.) — An explosion ripped through a nitroglycerine processing wing of a dynamite factory Saturday, killing 10 workers and injuring at least 30 others.

Big chunks of the walls and roof flew through the air. A mushroom cloud similar in appearance to those which follow atomic explosions billowed above the shattered wing.

The force of the explosion smashed windows and damaged doors and chimneys five miles away.

Police reported the casualties. They had to rope off the blast area to keep frantic relatives from rushing into the rubble of the wing.

D'Autremont Case Hearing Slated by Federal Judge

Portland — (U.P.) — Federal District Judge Gus J. Solomon will hear arguments Monday for a dismissal of a federal indictment against Hugh D'Autremont which accuses him of assault against a railway clerk near Ashland in 1923.

Hugh is the youngest of the three D'Autremont brothers who murdered three trainmen in the notorious Siskiyou train robbery of 1923. The mail clerk was killed by a dynamite charge placed against the door of the mail car.

The three, Roy, Ray and Hugh were sentenced to life imprisonment from Jackson county in 1927 for the murder of one of

the trainmen. The other indictments have stood against them since that time.

Phillip J. Roth, Portland attorney for D'Autremont, said his client had been ready and willing to stand trial on the assault indictment since 1929 but that the government had not granted him the "speedy trial" to which he is entitled.

Roth contended in the motion for dismissal that the indictments have been used to prevent him from receiving consideration for parole under Oregon law.

United States Attorney Ed Luckey has submitted a memorandum in opposition to D'Autremont's motion for dismissal.