

California, New York Grab Nov. 4 Election Spotlight

Sacramento, Calif. — (UPI) — The story of the gubernatorial election in California is the tale of two men and one issue. The contenders are William Fife Knowland, "Mr. Republican" of the U. S. Senate, and Edmund G. (Pat) Brown, the state's attorney general and only Democrat holding a high-ranking office in California.

Both are seeking the office of governor, a post held by Republicans for the past 16 years. The one issue which finds the two candidates poles apart is the so-called right-to-work measure on the November ballot. It is a proposed constitutional amendment which would ban requiring a worker to belong to a labor union in order to hold his job.

Knowland is heartily in favor of right-to-work. Brown, backed by the American Federation of Labor, is against it and calls it "right-to-wreck" labor unions.

Much of Knowland's campaign in the nation's second largest state has been based on his eight-point program for union democracy and his advocacy of right-to-work.

'Stepping Stone'
Brown has accused Knowland of seeking the governorship as a "stepping stone to the White House" and says: "Right-to-work is a slick slogan for a sly Senator apparently willing, under the pressure of his own ambition, to try to divide our state and disrupt our economy at a time when there is general labor-management peace in California."

But the gubernatorial picture isn't as clearly defined as all that. Two other men are deeply involved — Republican Gov. Goodwin J. Knight and Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

Knight wanted to run for reelection but was talked out of it by the White House and accepted nomination to the U. S. Senate instead. But despite Nixon's attempts to restore order to his own state's GOP affairs, Knight is still bitter about Knowland.

He is firmly opposed to right to work and has refused to endorse the Senator for governor. Meanwhile, Nixon is caught in the middle. A sharp Republican defeat on Nov. 4 would injure his chances for the GOP presidential nomination in 1960. But a victory for Knowland could make him Nixon's competitor for the nomination.

Switched Parties
Brown, 53, is a native San Franciscan elected attorney general in 1950 and re-elected in 1954. He once was a regis-

Three Honored By Heart Group

San Francisco — (UPI) — A physician, a scientist and a comedian were honored by the American Heart Association Sunday night at the group's 10th anniversary dinner. They were Dr. E. Cowles Andrus, Baltimore, Md., William F. Hamilton, Augusta, Ga., and Jack Benny, Hollywood.

Andrus, associate professor of medicine at Johns Hopkins University Medical School, received the gold heart award as a counselor, clinician, investigator and teacher who "has made enduring contributions to the advancement of cardiovascular medicine."

Hamilton, professor of physiology at Medical College of Georgia, received the gold heart award for his development of new methods for the accurate measurement of cardiac output and blood pressure and blood volume.

Benny, who was guest of honor at the dinner, was presented with the "heart and torch" award "in recognition of his leadership from Heart Fund pioneer in 1948 to national chairman of Heart Sunday Volunteers in 1959."

RADIO MAN DIES

Brussels — (UPI) — Jack R. Crutcher of the National Broadcasting company International Division died Saturday of a cerebral hemorrhage.

Crutcher was a Republican but switched to the Democratic party in 1936.

Knowland, 50, is the Republican leader of the Senate, a post he inherited when Sen. Robert A. Taft died. He was first appointed to the Senate in 1945 by Gov. Earl Warren.

Knowland never has flatly denied he is interested in becoming the Republican candidate for President — although he has said he would serve out his full four-year term as governor if elected. That would all but eliminate him from the presidential race in 1960 — but it wouldn't rule him out in 1964.

Knowland will have to come from behind to win in November. In a "popularity contest" primary election in June, Brown polled almost 700,000 more votes than he did.

Sharing interest with the Brown-Knowland battle and the right-to-work issue is the contest for Knowland's senate seat between Knight and Democratic Congressman Clair Engle.

Albany — (UPI) — The struggle of millionaires Averell Harriman and Nelson A. Rockefeller for the governorship of New York — the nation's most foremost stepping-stone to the presidency — rates as a popularity contest that could be close.

For lack of issues, the lean, graying patrician governor, heir to a railroad empire, and Rockefeller, the square-jawed, wavy-haired boyish-looking member of an oil dynasty, have matched ability at chucking children under the chin, sympathizing with housewives over food prices and exchanging pleasantries with factory workers in every corner of the Empire State, including some that hadn't seen a candidate for high office in years.

Should Harriman, 66, win a second term decisively, most people believe he would try for a third time in 1960 to win the Democratic presidential nomination. If the 50-year-old Rockefeller should win, many feel he would occupy a place second only to Vice President Richard M. Nixon as a potential GOP nominee for President.

A few months ago hardly anybody thought that Harriman, an incumbent governor with a generally good record, would have much trouble improving on the 11,000-vote majority that won him office in 1954.

Becomes Race
But the emergence of Rockefeller as a fresh new political personality, an inept performance by the Democrats at their nominating convention that allowed the GOP to raise the charge of bossism, and easing of the recession combined to turn the election into a horse race.

Republicans were particularly quick to capitalize on the Democratic convention. There, Carmine G. De Sapio, leader of "Tammany Hall," put over the nomination of New York County District Attorney Frank S. Hogan for U.S. Senator despite Harriman's opposition.

Nevertheless, such diverse items as cheese blintzes, hula hoops, beanies and ancient automobiles have grabbed the headlines from the campaign speeches.

The gregarious and energetic Rockefeller, making his first try at elective office after holding administrative jobs in three national administrations, has eaten blintzes in the Brown East Side New York delicatessen, has driven a harness horse at a rural county fair, posed for pictures manipulating a hula hoop and has led a motorcade at the tiller of a 1901 Oldsmobile which he had to get out and push occasionally.

Never Let Up
Harriman, tall, athletic and looking 10 years younger than his age, started handshaking four years ago and has never let up. Less of a mixer than Rockefeller, whom he regards as an old family friend, Harriman has nevertheless shaken more hands, made his car more available to more people and has appeared at more ceremonies in more sections of the state than any recent governor.

Leaning heavily on the "give 'em hell" tactics of former President Truman, Harriman has called Rockefeller a "me too" candidate who would be a "prisoner" of the GOP Old Guard and a "tool" of special interests. He has taken credit for achieving, "despite" a traditionally Republican legislature, the most extensive highway program in the state's history, the highest state aid to schools ever, new mental hospitals, new programs for the aging and new protection for consumers.

Although Rockefeller went through a "tough-talk" phase during his campaign, he specialized in the "soft sell." He accused Harriman of raising taxes, mismanaging finances, "fumbling away" the state's economic leadership, allowing organized crime to operate without state interference and with having dis-

Flier Completes World Journey

New York — (UPI) — Airline Capt. Charles F. Banfe Jr., completed a round-the-world flight in a single-engine airplane Sunday almost 42 days behind the trail-blazing record time set in 1933 by the late Wiley Post.

Banfe stumbled dog-tired and red-eyed out of his orange and black "Wings for Peace" at Idlewild Airport at 9:28 a.m. Sunday. He said he was a "physical wreck."

"Boy, am I glad to be back," he said. "There were a thousand times when I thought I would never see this airport again."

Banfe, a Pan American World Airways pilot on leave, took off from Idlewild Sept. 6 in his 180-horsepower Mooney Mark 20A low-wing monoplane. He hoped to go around the world in eight days.

But it took him a few minutes less than 50 days to fly a 22,000-mile course that was plagued by a crash-landing on Corsica and 11 forced landings caused by engine trouble.

Banfe lives with his wife and three children at Palo Alto, Calif.

played either lack of courage or ignorance in permitting an "invasion" of state government by Tammany.

To win the election Harriman needs to pile up a majority of several hundred thousand in New York City to overcome the traditional GOP edge upstate, outside the city.

There is speculation that the association of the Rockefeller name with good works among minority groups in the city may cost the Democrats votes there, but there is also an acknowledgement that Harriman's upstate strength is much more than four years ago.

In the Senate race a Republican who had to be persuaded to run is campaigning against Hogan, the Democrat that some party leaders did not want.

Centers on Methods
No one is predicting the outcome of the fight for the seat being vacated by Irving Lives, a Republican who chose not to run again because of health.

Battling to succeed him are Hogan, 56, and Republican Rep. Kenneth B. Keating, 58, of Rochester, two men with a common Irish ancestry but different religions. Keating is Protestant while Hogan is Roman Catholic.

The Keating-Hogan campaign has centered principally on the methods by which each was chosen to run. Hogan has called Keating "the reluctant candidate," while Keating charged that Hogan was hand-picked by Tammany.

Keating, ranking Republican on the House Judiciary Committee, was reluctant to give up the seniority that came with 12 years of service in Congress. He gave in when Nixon telephoned him at the convention telling him that the President wanted him to run and presumably promising him some high Federal post if he is defeated.

Right-To-Work Issue Sidelines All Other Issues in Ohio Vote

Columbus, Ohio — (UPI) — An increasingly bitter fight over the right to work issue has put everything else on the sidelines in a rough and tumble Ohio election campaign.

The politicians, economic groups, church spokesmen, and major newspapers are split in their stand on the issue with both sides having important support.

Both camps have well-financed campaigns whose publicity staffs turn out an endless barrage of charges and counter-charges.

The issue has put the spotlight on the governor's race where Republican Gov. C. William O'Neill has made support of the proposal the No. 1 issue in his campaign against Michael V. DiSalle.

Newspaper polls are in the field as never before to check voter sentiment. They feel that Republican Sen. John W. Bricker will defeat Stephen Young, former four-term congressman-at-large.

The polls show that O'Neill is in trouble this year in his rematch with DiSalle. O'Neill beat DiSalle two years ago by 427,000 votes, the biggest margin ever scored by a candidate for governor in Ohio. This time the race is rated a toss-up. The pollsters also rate the right to work question a toss-up.

Record Turnout
The spirited campaigns at all levels pushed voter registration, required in 23 of the state's 88 counties, to a record high. Secretary of State Ted W. Brown predicted 3,450,000 Ohioans would vote, a record for a non-presidential year.

At stake this year, in addition to right to work and the senatorial and gubernatorial contests are almost all state offices and 23 seats in the House of Representatives. Also more than half the state Legislature and endless hot local bond and tax issues.

Organized labor has tagged Ohio as the "real battleground" of 1958 because Ohio is the largest industrial state where the issue has gone to a vote. Union leaders, defeated in two major statewide campaigns within eight years, are putting more fight into their campaign against RTW than they did in their losing drive against Republican Sen. Robert A. Taft in 1950.

Both parties wanted to postpone a vote on the question until next year but the business groups leading the fight for its approval went ahead with their plans. The issue is being submitted as an amendment to the state constitution. If adopted, it would outlaw the union shop.

Democrats put a plank in their state platform denouncing the proposal. Republicans, under heavy pressure from congressional candidates in industrial states, declared the issue non-partisan and left it to each candidate to take any stand he desired.

Democratic Sen. Frank J. Lausche, who bucked Republican landslides to win five terms as governor of Ohio before his election to the Senate last year, is taking an active role in the campaign. He is not a candidate but is giving

DiSalle more support in the race for governor than he ever gave a fellow Democrat. At the same time, he has come out in favor of the right to work proposal.

Democratic Trend
Newspaper polls show a Democratic trend in the state with DiSalle the chief beneficiary. The Scripps-Howard newspapers, who are split in their editorial endorsements

in the race for governor, reported Bricker, O'Neill and RTW winning in county fair polls. The newspapers — the Cleveland Press, Columbus Citizen, and Cincinnati Post and Times-Star — said a check of 10 precincts, in Akron, Cleveland, Columbus, Dayton, and Cincinnati, showed 18 per cent of the voters who went for O'Neill two years ago are now for DiSalle.

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