

Communist Forces in Attempt To Invade South Viet Nam

American Voters Cast Ballots For 537 Presidential Electors

Election Could Be Thrown To Representatives

Washington - (UPI) - The upwards of 65 million persons marking ballots today will in fact be voting for 537 presidential electors and not directly for the candidates for the White House.

Although this distinction was meaningless until a few years ago, it could result this year - in case of a close election - in withholding sufficient votes from the apparent winner to throw the election into the U. S. House of Representatives.

Dissenting Southern Democrats have been exploring possibilities for throwing presidential elections into the House since 1948. In that year, Strom Thurmond, now senator from South Carolina, ran as the presidential candidate of the States' Rights Democratic party and won 39 electoral votes but failed to prevent President Truman from winning an electoral vote majority.

Each state casts an electoral vote equal to the total number of its senators and House members in Congress. Thus each state has at least three electoral votes and New York has the biggest bloc, 45.

In some states, only the names of the presidential candidates appear on the ballot. In others such as Georgia and Alabama, the names of only the party states of electors are on the ballot.

Southerners Could Bolt
Georgia's slate of 12 Democratic electors is not legally bound to support Sen. John F. Kennedy, the Democratic presidential nominee, although most of them have pledged themselves to him.

Of Alabama's 11 Democratic electors, six have never committed themselves to Kennedy. In Mississippi, with eight electoral votes, there is no independent slate of unpledged electors running against those committed to Kennedy and Nixon.

Alabama and Mississippi gave their electoral votes to Thurmond in 1948 but neither of these states nor Georgia voted Republican even in the GOP breakthroughs in the South in 1928, 1952 and 1956.

The presidential candidate polling a plurality in each state gets the entire electoral vote of that state. The winner in today's election needs 269 electoral votes, a majority of the total.

Meet in December
The electoral count should be very close, however, a handful of electoral votes could be withheld with the effect of denying a majority to either candidate.

The electors will meet in their state capitals on Dec. 19 and Congress officially will count the electoral votes at a joint session on Jan. 5.

There is no legal compulsion for pledged electors to cast their ballots as they are committed. In 1948, a Truman elector in Tennessee voted for Thurmond and in 1956 an Alabama elector listed for Adlai E. Stevenson cast his vote for an Alabama judge.

If a presidential election is thrown into the House - as was done in 1800 and 1824 - each state has one vote regard-



CASTS FIRST BALLOT - Neil Tillotson, 61, right, casts the first ballot of the 1960 presidential election at the stroke of midnight on a small table set up before a blazing open fireplace in his hotel at Dixville Notch, N.H., Marjorie Foley, second from right, and four days ago. (UPI Telephoto)

World Turns Attention To U.S. Presidential Election

London - (UPI) - The eyes of the world turned today on the greatest political show on earth - the choosing of a United States president and leader of the Western world in a free, democratic election.

For scope, spectacle and importance to both free and captive nations the U. S. presidential election created more excitement among some countries than their own national elections.

Few Express Choice
Aside from the Communist nations, few government officials would express their choice between the two in advance although European newspapers freely commented and most expected Kennedy to win.

Leaders of the Communist bloc, which as a general policy has denounced both Kennedy and Nixon, were gathered in Moscow for a Red summit conference and un-

doubtedly arranged to be fed running returns.

Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev expressed interest in it Monday night. He asked U. S. Ambassador Llewellyn Thompson whom he would vote for, Thompson diplomatically dodged the question and said it would be a "tough decision."

Affected Countries
The greatest excitement was in countries most directly affected by U. S. foreign policies.

-West Germany, which can feel each pulse of the cold war through Berlin.

-Japan, whose military alliance with the United States set off violent riots that forced cancellation of President Eisenhower's visit.

-Nationalist China, who depends on U. S. support for its membership in the United Nations and is touchy about the dispute over defense of its offshore islands of Quemoy

and Matsu.

-Venezuela and other Latin American nations concerned with the rise of Communist influence in Cuba and its threat to the continent.

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Pro-Western Troops Repulse Opposition

Saigon, South Viet Nam - (UPI) - Communist troops have made their first attempt to invade South Viet Nam since 1954 and set up a base for further operations but were beaten back by loyal pro-Western forces, the government announced in a communique tonight. Fighting still continues, a spokesman said.

The communique said the Communists suffered 34 casualties - which were not broken down into dead and wounded - and the government forces lost 20 dead and 10 wounded. "The Communists failed completely," the communique added.

Attack From Laos
Deputy Minister of National Defense Nguyen Dinh Thuan told reporters at a news conference at Saigon army headquarters, at which a number of prisoners and captured arms were displayed, that the first attack was made from Laos Oct. 21 by a force estimated at up to 500 men.

This was followed two days later by a series of probing attacks in the same general area by another 200 Communist troops.

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BAIL DENIED - A motion to free Mrs. Joseph L. Garrett on bail was denied Monday by Circuit Judge James W. Crawford. She is charged with first degree murder in connection with a fire on Oct. 7 which killed three of her four children and a baby sitter. She is shown talking with E. F. Bernard, her lawyer, as Deputy District Attorney Oscar Howlett stands at left. (UPI Telephoto)

Woman Denied Bail at Portland

Portland - (UPI) - A motion to set free on bail Mrs. Joseph D. Garrett, accused of first degree murder in connection with a fire Oct. 7 that claimed the lives of four persons, was denied Monday by Circuit Judge James W. Crawford.

Killed in the fire were three of Mrs. Garrett's four daughters, and a baby sitter. The victims were Gay Garrett, 5 months; Vickie, 15 months; Angela, 3, and Patricia Mae Gravatt, 21, a baby-sitter.

Attorneys E. F. Bernard and Walter Evans Jr. moved for bail on the grounds that

confinement would impair medical treatment already begun and that state's evidence was not sufficient to require confinement.

Dr. Herman A. Dickel, a psychiatrist, said psychiatric and neurological treatment for Mrs. Garrett began the morning after the fire. Mrs. Garrett and a fourth daughter were rescued from the burning home by neighbors.

Portland arson investigator C. E. Stickney said the fire was of incendiary origin and added the blaze had six "hot spots" in the living room.

Records, Failures Noted in Harvest

Corvallis - Oregon's crop harvest shows mixed trends this year with some crops setting new records and others turning out poor, reports Mrs. Elvera Horrell, extension agricultural economist at Oregon State college. Adding all farm products together, the state's farmers appear to be pocketing less money this year than last.

The state's grain harvest is turning out as good or better than expected a month ago, Mrs. Horrell found as she studied reports from the U. S. department of agriculture. When the harvest is completed, farmers look for more corn and oats, but less wheat and barley.

Corn promises to be a record-buster by a big margin with both acreage and yields up, Mrs. Horrell said. Some farmers used corn to replace part of last year's virus-infected oat and barley fields in Western Oregon, she explained.

Oat Yield High
Good yields per acre also promise to hold production of oats at a high level in spite of acreage cut, Mrs. Horrell found. With the exception of 1943 and 1956, average yields this year look to be the highest since 1870.

Barley output, meanwhile, has been pushed below last year by a combination of lower yields and acreages. Total production is still expected to turn out about the same as the average of the past 10 years.

Oregon's 1960 wheat crop also lags behind last year, and is below average. Lower yields per acre cut into winter wheat output which makes up the bulk of Oregon's crop, Mrs. Horrell explained. And while yields are holding up well on spring wheat, acreage is down compared to last year.

On the new record side again, Oregon's 1960 hay crop may be the largest since records were started more than 50 years ago, Mrs. Horrell found. September proved to be a good harvesting month, and final cuttings of irrigated alfalfa turned out better than expected.

Orchardists, meanwhile, were having trouble finding money growing on their trees. Fruit and nut crops have been hard hit by weather, and only apples promise to top last year's output.

Peas were hurt by poor pollinating weather and scattered frosts early in the season. Cherries were also badly nicked by weather, Mrs. Horrell said, and Oregon's prune crop was virtually wiped out. The fibertonnage is also down from last year, but near average. And the state's walnut crop is only about half that of last year and a third of average.

But Oregon's farmers are still racking up records on processing vegetables, Mrs. Horrell found. Both sweet corn and snap beans are expected to top all previous highs, and canning beets may top last year's near-average crop.

Looking at production of fresh vegetables Mrs. Horrell found onions falling far short of last year, and the amount of cabbage down some. However, first-of-the-month forecasts pointed to larger yields of broccoli, carrots, and cauliflower.

In a quick look at how the state's farmers are doing in come-wise, Mrs. Horrell found that Oregon farmers have taken in less money this year than last. Cash receipts from farm marketings in the first seven months lag the same months last year by about 4 per cent. Generally lower prices on livestock products, and a smaller total output of crops, appear to have contributed to the decline, Mrs. Horrell said.

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Supreme Court To Decide 'Belief in God' Requirement in Holding of Public Office

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Does such a requirement violate the constitutional safeguards of religious freedom? The Supreme Court has taken on these questions to be decided before the end of its current term next June.

The justices began the term's decision making Monday with three minor opinions and acted on a batch of other appeals, denying hearings in most of them.

The belief-in-God case was appealed by Roy R. Foreano of Wheaton, Md., a suburb of the nation's capital. Foreano, office manager of a Bethesda, Md., firm, had ap-

plied to be a notary public, but his commission was withheld when he refused to sign the required oath. He said he did not believe in God.

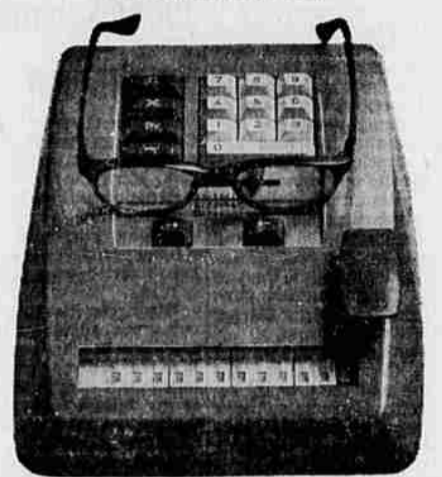
Egg-Laying Hen Turns Into Rooster

Lowell, Mass. - A farmer here says a New Hampshire hen that laid 198 Grade A eggs during a recent contest has turned into a rooster.

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Stocks Record Mild Advance on Monday

New York - (UPI) - Stocks recorded a mild advance Monday on the upside. Steels and metals were narrowly mixed.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES
New York - (UPI) - Dow Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 597.63, up 1.58; 20 railroads 128.03, off 0.19; 15 utilities 93.17, off 0.58, and 50 stocks 198.22, off 0.05. Sales Monday were about 3.54 million shares compared with 3.05 million shares Friday.

Monday's prices on selected stocks:
Alcoa 51 1/2
Alum Co. Am. 66 1/2
American Can 32 1/2
American Motors 19 1/2
A. T. & T. 93 1/2
Armstrong-Copper 63 1/2
Bentley Corp. 40 1/2
Brilliance Steel 35 1/2
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Gulf Oil 20 1/2
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Idaho Power 50 1/2
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Int. Paper 91 1/2
Johns-Manville 57 1/2
Kennecott Copper 78 1/2
Lockheed Aircraft 26 1/2
Montana Power 24 1/2
Montgomery Ward 28 1/2
National Biscuit 16 1/2
New York Central 68 1/2
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Union Pacific 27 1/2
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U. S. Rubber 44 1/2
U. S. Steel 75 1/2
Youngstown S & T 88 1/2

There is an absence of acute upper respiratory infections in winter in Antarctica, except for rare occasions, records show. Hedblom said these occurred invariably, in his experience, when a box of clothing from the mainland was opened, "particularly if it contained any furs."

Snow blindness, once a problem in the snow-covered continent, is now a thing of the past. Properly prescribed snow glasses have prevented this problem, Hedblom said that no incidence of snow blindness in his experience had ever resulted in permanent eye damage. Sight generally was restored in from 24 to 48 hours. The only effect, and that was temporary, he said, was "a greater photosensitivity to light."

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medical consultant to the Arctic Institute of North America, and heads the department of cold weather medicine at the Naval Medical school.

"Too much of this gets stuck together, gets sticky," Hedblom said, in explaining why such a high proportion of the men who go to the womanless Antarctica are seeking an escape from women. He believes there is a psychological advantage to be gained from occasional separation of the sexes, even among married couples.

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Railroader Travels Million Miles by Car
Logansport, Ind. - Willard Steele, who retired recently after 50 years with the Pennsylvania railroad, figures he traveled almost a million miles - but not by train.

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