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Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic (UPI) — A whole generation of Dominicans born and reared under the long Trujillo dictatorship get their chance at democracy Dec. 20 when they vote in the first free presidential election held here since 1924.

But the shadow of the bloody past, and the 18 months of sporadic violence since Generalissimo Rafael Trujillo was assassinated in May, 1961, still hangs over the nation and could imperil the balloting or its outcome.

Seven candidates are entered in the presidential race and candidates from 28 different political parties are competing for congressional and municipal seats.

The presidential contest is considered by political experts to be narrowed down to two men—Viriato Fiallo, 66-year-old physician and candidate of the National Civic Union Party (UCN), and Juan Bosch, leader of the Dominican Revolutionary party (PRD). Both have spent most of their lives spearheading opposition to the Trujillo dictatorship.

Are Political Opposites
However, they are political opposites. Fiallo represents the conservative moderates; Bosch is considered to be left of center. Both are anti-communists.

Since last January this Caribbean nation has been governed by a seven-man council of state headed by President Rafael Bonelly. His caretaker government will hand over power next February to the winner of this historic election—if it is held as scheduled.

The Bonelly government is on guard against any attempted election disorders by pro-communists and leftist extremist groups whose only hope to gain controlling influence now is to disrupt the balloting or even prevent it from getting started.

Concerned Over Statements
In recent weeks Bonelly and his fellow council members have been concerned over statements by some military leaders who indicated they might act on their own initiative to quell any attempts at disturbances.

Fear of a military takeover still lingers in this land which was ruled by the Trujillo military, sometimes through civilian "front men," ever since 1930 when Trujillo set up what became one of the longest dictatorships in Latin American history.

The United States, which acted dramatically only a year ago to stop an attempted comeback by the remainder of the Trujillo clan, will be watching the elections anxiously.

Call Elections 'Fraud'

The Kennedy administration is understood to be still apprehensive—as are anti-communist Dominicans—about the continuing efforts of the Fidel Castro regime to muscle into power here.

Havana radio broadcasts



CHANCE AT DEMOCRACY—This newsmap shows Dominican Republic and its relation to neighboring countries. The people there get a chance at democracy Dec. 20 when they vote in the first free Presidential election since 1924. (UPI)

have urged Dominicans not to vote and called the elections a "fraud" to pave the way for a Trujillo-type dictatorship. They have urged the Dominican navy and armed forces to revolt.

The other five candidates in the presidential race—in order of probable vote-getting power—are: Juan Isidro Jimenez Grullo, of the Social Democrats alliance; Horacio Ornes of the Revolutionary

Vanguard; Virgilio Maynardy of the National Democratic party; Alfonso Moreno of the Social Christian party, and Raul Carbucua of the Nationalist party.

has resulted in at least one person killed and many others hurt and wounded, according to the police. If leftist troublemakers should succeed in setting off turmoil on election day the

Funds Possible for Damage to Cropland

Farmers whose land sustained flood damage to cropland, stream banks, irrigation and drainage systems, or other crop damage should contact the county agricultural stabilization and conservation service office in the Jackson county courthouse or the work unit conservationists either in the Rogue or Jackson soil conservation districts, according to Albert Straus, chairman of the Jackson county USDA disaster committee.

If enough such damage resulted from the early December storm, agricultural conservation program funds may be allocated, Straus said.

Proof of damage must be recorded before a request may be submitted, according to Straus. It is anticipated that farmers along smaller streams in the county suffered more damage than those along the main channel of the Rogue river.



IN PROMOTION—Fresh D'Anjou, Bose and Comice pears from the Medford area will be included in the January-February promotion by the Oregon-Washington-California Pear Bureau. "Great Zeas, What Juice!" will be the slogan used in the promotion. The program will promote fresh pears. Here is a shot of Zeas looking over a display of fresh winter pears.

Hatfield Condemns Public Credit Use

Salem (UPI)—Providing public credit for capital investments of private business was condemned Thursday by Gov. Mark Hatfield.

Hatfield told members of the advisory committee to the State Department of Planning and Development "I am glad the practice is not being engaged in Oregon and there have been no suggestions we should do it."

He cited as an example a firm which has an Oregon plant that is planning a new factory in Kentucky where a town of 750 would bond itself for \$75 million to build facilities for lease to the company. The company would pay no property taxes.

It was believed the governor referred to Harvey Aluminum company, although he did not identify the firm by name.

Hatfield declared he would fight such a "perversion of public credit" in Oregon, and said such financing "strikes at the very foundation of private enterprise."

Council could be forced to declare a state of siege or martial law and to cancel the elections. To counter such a development the government has taken a tough attitude toward all disorder. Authorities recently arrested Maximo Lopez Molina, Castro-trained extremist.

Aimed at Extremists
Another action taken by the council was to bar anyone considered a "menace" to law and order from entering the country. The move was aimed at extremists of both left and right. The most notable personally barred from returning was former president Joaquin Balaguer, who had hoped to return from exile and run for election. He previously came into power as a Trujillo protégé.

After Trujillo's death and following the flight from the country of the dictator's son, General Rafael (Ramfis) Trujillo, Jr., Balaguer sought to govern alone. A little over a year ago an

opposition strike was launched to force Balaguer to resign. Ironically, only a few days earlier, Balaguer had stood firm against attempts by two of the Generalissimo's brothers—Hector and Arismendi—to return from abroad and take up where the dead dictator had left off.

Scared Them Off
The United States, in a show of naval power off the Dominican coast, scared them and their followers off.

Then the anti-Trujillo political opposition—spearheaded by the UCN—demanded that Balaguer also get out. A general strike tied up the country. But he continued to hold out.

Finally, a seven-man Junta, headed by Balaguer, was established Jan. 1, but it was suddenly overthrown Jan. 16 by Major General Pedro Rodriguez Echavarria, then the armed forces secretary, who made a bid for power. Balaguer resigned. Forty-eight hours later Rod-

riguez was overthrown and arrested. The deposed council—with Balaguer missing and headed by Bonelly—came back to rule with the support of the military.

Governing Since
With some reshuffling, they have been governing ever since and preparing for the elections.

However, the council has been under constant fire as a "do nothing" government by many disgruntled Dominicans who have been irritated by growing inflation, rising prices and unemployment.

Council members point to their temporary caretaker role and say they cannot institute sweeping permanent measures which properly can be ordered only by an elected government.

There will be lonely figures watching the election from afar—Trujillo's brothers in Florida; Balaguer, last reported in New York, and Ramfis, presumably in Paris where he seems more "at home" than in

the country his father ruled so long.

Spelling Takes Organized Effort On Part of Child

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Correct spelling is important in many areas of our daily life. Our language has many confusing words for the child, such as "to, too, two." If your child seems mixed up, he has good reason.

Learning to spell takes an organized effort. Good study habits combined with desirable attitudes are essential. Individuals having difficulty with other subjects might be a clue to the problem.

If the trouble is limited to spelling, the cure is probably in the area of improved attitudes and study methods. If other difficulties are involved, your approach should be broader. The basis may be physical or emotional. Special attention should be paid to vision, hearing, and speech.

More Desirable
The development of attitudes such as interest, confidence, and the urge to spell correctly are more desirable than the effect of competition and school marks.

Spend some time helping him to understand the importance of correct spelling. This can be done by discussing some purposes of writing. It is for communication. When either he or someone else looks at the writing, they should be able to read it easily. Proper spelling is one key. Good penmanship is another which is closely related, and will be discussed in a future article.

Efforts should be concentrated on words which the child uses regularly. These can be determined by checking his notebook, homework and other written material. Pick those words which have been misspelled.

been identified, there are several steps to be taken in studying each. These are: look at the word; pronounce the word correctly; use the word in a sentence; look at the word saying the letters in order; close the eyes and spell the word; write the word two or three times checking its correctness each time. There are other possibilities and variations. In any case, the idea is to have an orderly approach using vision, writing, and thought.

Learning of Rules

Another important aspect is the learning of rules. Although our language has many irregularities, spelling rules are very helpful. There are many exceptions but the majority of words follow the rules.

Practice and continued usage of learned words are necessary. This can be accomplished through regular writing which will normally include these words. Games can also be valuable aids.

Rules and some games may be found in spelling or language books. Games can be purchased or made up by you and your child.

Aid in spelling can show immediate results. Make your child aware of his needs. Criticism should not be extensive. You only want to show that a problem exists. Follow this by helping him to correct the difficulty. He will be encouraged by his success.

Spelling is a subject which is comparatively simple to teach. You should not hesitate to assist your child. Work on attitudes and study methods in order to be successful.

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Pear Bureau Notes Winter Promotion

Portland — "Great Zeas, What Juice!" will be the slogan used in the January-February promotion for West Coast D'Anjou, Bose and Comice winter pears. Included in the promotion of the fresh fruit will be pears from the Medford area.

The campaign will emphasize the popularity of fresh pears since the time of the ancient Greeks with the theme "The Fruit of the Gods," according to Richard A. Patterson, manager of the Oregon-Washington-California Pear Bureau, Portland.

Radio spots on 78 radio stations and ads in 64 newspapers in 33 large consuming areas of the nation and southeastern Canada will carry the Pear Bureau message. The voice of Zeus will tell radio listeners of the qualities of pears, and the Greek gods Diana, Mercury and Zeus will be included in newspaper ads.

Aiding the promotion will be Pear Bureau representatives throughout the country. These representatives will assist retailers with display material, recipe folders, merchandising kits, advertising mats and lists of fresh pear suppliers.

The Pear Bureau noted that even in 850 B.C. pears were cultivated by the Greeks. Homer referred to pears as a "Gift of the Gods." By 350 B.C., Roman conquerors had carried pears to all parts of the Old World.

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