

WALLACE VICTORY STUNS DEMOS

In The Day's News

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DALE MATTOON, the latest candidate, was six years civil deputy and 11 years criminal deputy under Sheriff Lloyd Low before he resigned last year to become co-owner and operator of the Red Ball Stage line. He is 48 years old and came here some 20 years ago from Drain, Ore. He is a member of the Elks lodge, Footprinters, Sheriff's posse.

Another development today was the announcement of Bustin, democrat, that he intends to be a candidate for nomination to the house of representatives. Bustin is the second democrat to eye the legislature, the first being Henry Semon, incumbent. Two republicans, Ed Ostendorf and Carl Steinsieffer, have announced.

Since Klamath county has two seats in the legislature, there is still no contest in the primary election. Bustin is a printer for The Herald and News, an ex-serviceman and member of several fraternal organizations. He was an unsuccessful candidate for the legislature four years ago and for city councilman two years ago.

Also on the legislative scene is a report that pressure is being put on E. A. Geary, prominent rancher, to enter the race for representative on the republican ticket. Geary has never been in politics but is a member of the state board of agriculture and is prominent in farm and civic affairs.

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Eamon De Valera Defeated By Five Votes In Bid For Reelection As Eire Head

DUBLIN, Eire, Feb. 18 (AP)—Eamon de Valera was defeated by five votes today for reelection as prime minister of Eire.

His 16-year rule of the republic broken, the tall (parliament) elected silver-haired John A. Costello of the fine Gael (united Irish) party as the new prime minister.

De Valera, 65-year-old hero of Ireland's long fight for independence from Britain, had refused to head a coalition government, despite pleadings by his supporters among the independents.

The New York-born Irish leader mustered only four votes outside those of his own Fianna Fail (soldiers of destiny) party.

Costello, 56, a Dublin lawyer, was nominated for prime minister and was supported by five opposition parties.

The vote for Costello was 75 to 68.

Six Votes Short

Fianna Fail is six votes short of the necessary 74-seat (parliament) majority, having lost its margin in the February 4 general elections. De Valera had expected to recoup by getting a half dozen national labor party and independent votes.

But the usual, New York-born prime minister's hopes were dashed last night when five national labor party deputies suddenly switched to the anti-De Valera coalition.

Principal opposition seemed to grow from resentment at De Valera's long term in office. De Valera opposed a coalition government in his campaign speeches. He said then he would resign if his party did not get a majority.

Political observers were dubious as to how long the conservative fine Gael party would work in harness with the socialist-inclined laborites and republicans. Both of these favor drastic monetary reforms.

The Irish Press, government newspaper, called the anti-De Valera coalition "one of the most grotesque positions ever reached in party politics."

Long Battle

New York-born and only half Irish—his father was a Spanish scoldier—De Valera battled through many of his 65 years for Irish independence from Britain.

He carried a rifle in the bloody Easter rebellion of 1916 and was the last of the rebels to give up. Stepping from his barricade, he told the British:

"I am De Valera. Shoot me, but spare my men."

De Valera was condemned to death, but a question whether he was an American citizen saved him from the firing squad. A year later a general amnesty brought his release from a sentence of life imprisonment. He was jailed many times in the Irish cause.

His intense nationalism was typified by his decision to change his Christian name. Edward, to its Gaelic equivalent, Eamon. He insisted that Gaelic, the ancient language of Ireland, supplant English in the Emerald Isle.

"The Dev," as the Irish know him, kept his country out of World War II and protested when U. S. soldiers landed in neighboring Ulster (Northern Ireland), which was at war with the axis.

Mrs. Mansfeld Paroled



Mrs. Annie Irene Mansfeld, 47, walks out of Tehachapi (Calif.) women's prison on parole after serving 23 months and 10 days for the slaying of Vada Martin, San Francisco nurse whom she suspected of intimacies with her husband, the late Dr. John Mansfeld. At rear is her attorney, Andrew Eymann. Her husband killed himself after the slaying.

Anderson Hunts For Answer To Grain Market Problem

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Anderson is hunting an answer to this grain market puzzle:

When should he start buying wheat again for shipment abroad? His department got out of the market quickly week before last when prices started tumbling. Anderson instructed government buyers to spurn all offers until prices "stabilized."

They haven't done that yet. And

NY Election In The Press

NEW YORK, Feb. 18 (AP)—The victory of Leo Isaacson, American labor party candidate who was backed by Henry A. Wallace...

Isaacson wins by landslide," said the Daily Worker in a large front page headline.

Other New York newspapers said these things about yesterday's election in their news stories:

New York Times—"An upset with definite national political connotations."

PM—"Not only a tremendous boost for the Wallace movement but constituting a grave threat to Democratic hopes of carrying pivotal New York state in next fall's Presidential election."

Daily News—"Isaacson 'pushed over the applecart with a breath-taking majority.'"

Daily Mirror—"An overwhelming victory."

Rent Free House Offered By City

The city is looking for a man, with wife, to occupy a house, rent free. In this day of housing shortages, it looks like a bargain.

The line of applicants forms in front of the desk of Police Chief Orville Hamilton at the city hall.

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Lot Spud Bulletin

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LOS ANGELES, Feb. 18 (AP)—Potatoes: 31 broken, 39 unbroken cars on track; arrivals, Nevada 1, California 4, Oregon 1, Idaho 7, Utah 1, by truck 5; carlot sales, Idaho Russets, No. 1-A medium, mostly \$5.25; Oregon White Rose, unwashed, No. 1, \$5.50.

New Chevrolet Plant Opens

VAN NUYS, Calif., Feb. 18 (AP)—The nation's newest automobile factory, a Chevrolet assembly plant north of the Van Nuys business district opened its doors to 1500 workers today.

When production hits its peak a car or truck will come off the assembly line every 1.2 minutes, officials say.

The plant covers a million square feet, comprises eight buildings.

A three-day "open house" for public inspection was arranged, beginning tomorrow.



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New Masses Worker Held

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 (AP)—The justice department today announced the arrest for deportation of Beatrice Johnson, described as promotion manager for the New Masses, New York weekly publication.

The department said Mrs. Johnson had long been active in the communist party in this country, and that she lacked citizenship.

She was taken into custody under the immigration laws providing for the exclusion of aliens who belong to groups advocating the violent overthrow of the United States government.

The arrest was made by immigration officers and FBI agents in New York City about 9 a. m.

Mrs. Johnson is one of a score of alleged alien communists who have been seized recently for deportation.

The department two days ago took into custody Ferdinand Christafer Smith, native of Jamaica, and national secretary of the National Maritime Union.

The department said that Mrs. Johnson is 45 years old, a native of Poland and has a daughter, Josephine, who was born in Chicago to July, 1943.

Search Off For Navy Men

ABOARD THE U. S. AIRCRAFT CARRIER MIDWAY, off Hyeres Roads, France, Feb. 18 (AP)—Search for eight men missing from the U. S. aircraft carrier Midway was abandoned today because of snow, rain and rough seas.

The men are believed to have lost their lives when their shore-to-ship launch was swamped 2500 yards off shore Monday night. No bodies have been recovered. Instructions were given to the French admiralty as to disposition of any found.

Prayers for the men—one officer, six seamen and one marine—were said over the ship's loudspeaker. A duty guard rendered honors.

The men were part of the big carrier's 3500-man complement. They were returning from a farewell party given at the small island of Hyeres when the accident occurred.

Fifty-three other men of the Midway were rescued from the water off the French Riviera.

SMART KIDS

FOREST GROVE, Ore., Feb. 18 (AP)—Some Pacific university professors talk too fast but students don't care—they have a wire recorder.

Started by six ex-GI students who pooled their money to buy the recorder, evening play-back classes are held with a charge of 50 cents admission.

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Leaders Plan For Party Unity

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 (AP)—Henry A. Wallace's successful raid on a democratic stronghold in New York made grim news for party leaders in the capital today.

Few of them were pretending to laugh off the third party candidate for president any more.

To some Wallace has begun to look like the difference between winning and losing New York's 47 electoral votes next November.

The White House had no comment. Press Secretary Charles Ross was asked if President Truman had "taken note" of the returns and he replied, no. He added, however, that the president read the morning paper as usual.

Major Speech

Ross said Mr. Truman's speech tomorrow night before the Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner at the Mayflower hotel will be a "major speech." Even those who discounted Wallace's showing as a vote-puller in yesterday's special congressional election in the Bronx agreed on one thing:

The situation calls for an all-out attempt to pull warring democratic factions together, plus a supreme effort to get out the party vote in the presidential election.

If the news from New York means that Wallace is going to get a big piece of the American labor party vote it is enough to give any democrat the chills.

In 1944 Franklin D. Roosevelt carried New York state over Gov. Thomas E. Dewey by only 300,000 votes—with nearly 500,000 ALP members voting for him. What if most of these go to Wallace in 1948?

Rep. Kirwan of Ohio, chairman of the democratic congressional campaign committee, admitted that the showing of Jackson was "surprising."

Another party leader here, who asked not to be quoted by name, said the democrats might as well accept that Wallace can hurt them in key states this fall.

(See story page 9.)

Slayer Gets 10-Year Term

James Eliza Wyatt, 31, was sentenced to a term of 10 years in the Oregon state prison late yesterday afternoon on his plea of guilty to manslaughter.

Wyatt had been indicted for second degree murder in the death by gunshot wound of Robert Theodore Melas, 45-year-old logger, during a railroad jungle wine party January 23. But he offered to plead guilty to manslaughter and District Attorney Clarence Humble agreed to the reduction.

The man probably will be delivered to the penitentiary in Salem this week.

Also up for sentence yesterday was Robert Edward Kline, 24, who pleaded guilty to a charge of failure to support his wife and three children. Kline was given two years probation and a job was found for him.

District Attorney Humble said that cases of this type are becoming more common and that non-suit is a felony. A prison sentence could go with conviction.

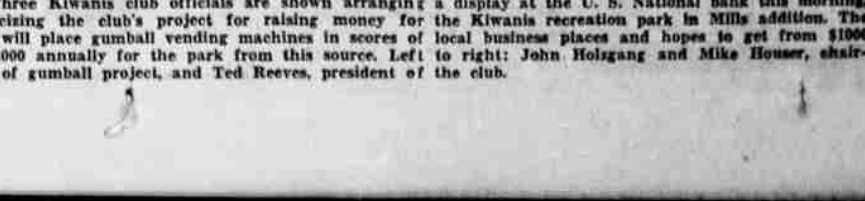
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He is 57 years old and a New York architect.

Kiwanis Club Sponsors Park Project



Three Kiwanis club officials are shown arranging a display at the U. S. National bank this morning, publicizing the club's project for raising money for the Kiwanis recreation park in Mills addition. The club will place gumball vending machines in scores of local business places and hopes to get from \$1000 to \$2000 annually for the park from this source. Left to right: John Holzgang and Mike Houser, chairman of gumball project, and Ted Reeves, president of the club.