



DR. GEORGE ADLER, who has been Klamath County's coroner for years, is a candidate for re-election again this year, on the Democratic ticket.

GOP May Win Texas For First Time Since 1928

(Editor's Note: There are six big states which have, among them, more than one-third of all the electoral votes in the country. In a series of daily stories, The Associated Press is presenting the picture in these states, as seen by experienced AP political writers on the scene.)

By DAVE CHEAVENS
AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—Two and a half million Texas voters may hold the key to the White House door for either Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower or Gov. Adlai Stevenson. The state's 24 electoral votes—the biggest block in the nation—are in doubt for the first time since 1928 and the second time this century. A Democratic rebellion that splintered off segments of the once-solid Texas party in 1948 split it wide open this year. For the first time in history, a Democratic governor of Texas has

joined the Republicans in backing their presidential candidate, Gov. Allan Shivers, simmering displeasure with New Deal and Fair Deal policies boiled over. Stevenson said he could not agree with Texas claims to submerged offshore lands and their potential—and disputed—oil wealth. The revolt brought an open alliance between Shivers, his established state party machinery and a militant Republican organization making its first serious effort in a quarter of a century to win the Texas electoral vote. Nothing like it had ever happened in historically Democratic Texas. The outcome is so uncertain that both parties for the first time sent their presidential candidates circling the state. The vice presidential candidates of both parties are scheduled to nail down the campaigns here later this month. The Associated Press' second 1952 survey of political thinking in Texas confirmed the professional politicians' views that in mid-October the outcome here was uncertain. In August the survey by newspapermen showed they believed Eisenhower held a narrow margin, with many voters uncertain.

The uprising by Shivers and other state Democratic leaders such as Atty. Gen. Price Daniel, unopposed nominee for the U. S. Senate, was met by a combat team from the national party. It was headed by House Speaker Sam Rayburn and Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson. They enlisted an unexpected ally in former Vice President John N. Garner, who came out of political retirement to endorse Stevenson. The big question today, whose side the rank and file voters will join, especially the large number still apparently undecided, Texas' potential vote is 2 1/2 million and best estimates are the turn out will be another record-breaking 1 1/2 million to 1,800,000. The voters may stay hitched with Democratic tradition, backed by appeals of their distrust of Republicans generally, fear of depression, and prosperity arguments. Or they may line up with Shivers, who says the issue is "good government or bad, Trumanism, corruption, creeping socialism," and especially the question of who controls offshore submerged lands claimed by Texas since it was a republic. Texas has not given its electoral vote to a Republican since Herbert Hoover squeezed out a narrow victory over Al Smith in 1928. Conservative Texas Democrats began breaking away from the New Deal in 1940. The revolt—still within the party—grew in 1944 and 1948. It led to development of two leading factions: the conservatives headed by a succession of anti-New Deal governors; the liberals, with leaders like Rayburn and Johnson. Conservative Democratic governors have won every race over New Deal opponents in recent years, but they stayed reluctantly in the national party. Shivers headed a conservative Texas delegation to the Chicago convention in July. It was seated after a contest with a rival liberal slate when Shivers proposed to do all he could to see to it the Democratic presidential nominee's name would be printed on the ballot in the usual Democratic column. The State Convention in September fulfilled the pledge. Then it overwhelmingly urged Shivers and all state party leaders to back Eisenhower. They did so by turning

an organization known as the Texas Democrats for Eisenhower, whose leadership overlaps that of the Central State Democratic Committee. That's when the national party called on Rayburn to hurry back to Texas and rally the liberal or "loyalist" faction into a working organization to fight for Stevenson. Stevenson spoke six times here. He left saying it would be a "national tragedy" for freedom-loving Texans to desert the Democratic party and vote for the "carpetbaggers, the friends of reaction, the men of little vision, indecision and isolationism." Rayburn said response to Stevenson's speeches was a sure sign that he would carry Texas, that Republican claims to the contrary were propaganda. Eisenhower and his friends were equally confident. The Republican candidate fed the fires of Democratic revolt. Everywhere he went he was surrounded and acclaimed by erstwhile Democrats. He begged Texas Democrats to allow principle to prevail over a party label and established voting habits. "Texans are not in anybody's bag. No one can deliver a Texas vote but a Texan," he said. The Republicans are claiming they will get from 54 to 58 per cent of the vote Nov. 4. They are looking to the big cities such as Houston, Dallas, Ft. Worth and San Antonio for their chief

support. The Democrats are counting on considerable big city strength, plus general support in smaller cities and towns and in the country. Thus any election return departsures from this pattern may tell the story of who takes Texas.

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Illinois UMW Ordered Back

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP)—Hugh White, president of the Illinois Division of the United Mine Workers, said early today he had ordered striking union miners to return to work immediately. White said the order had been delivered in telegrams to heads of all Illinois UMW locals. The back to work order was given, White told a reporter, "because of a Wage Stabilization Board decision to reconsider its ruling limiting a miner's daily wage boost to \$1.50." In Washington, President Truman announced Economic Stabilizer Roger Putnam was considering a proposal to reconsider the limited portion of the miners' wage boost pending a possible reversal of the WSB ruling. The WSB has not announced it would reconsider its decision.

Civil Service Studies Ages

WASHINGTON (AP)—Chairman Robert Ramspeck said Monday the Civil Service Commission is doing its best, under new legislation, to relax maximum age limits for many government jobs. The commission made public a letter from Ramspeck to Rep. Sidney R. Yates (D-Ill.). The letter was described as a reply to Yates' statement that a new appropriations law rider to end "discrimination" against older persons in civil service jobs, was being ignored. Ramspeck said the present 62-year general ceiling gives older previous limits of 55 and 53. He said there are many types of federal jobs ranging from desk work to parachuting in fighting forest fires—and each agency has its own ideas about age restrictions. "To work out an overall program within the framework of permanent law for this great variety of jobs takes time," he wrote. Ramspeck said the commission is considering what administrative steps must be taken and whether further legislation is needed.

Tin Companies Owe Taxes

LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP)—The Bolivian government says the country's "Big Three" tin companies owe another \$87,662,487 in back taxes and customs duties. The amount is in addition to more than 485 million dollars claimed from the companies three days ago. The Patiño, Hochschild and Aramayo mines were seized earlier this month and are being operated under government supervision pending formal nationalization.

Pravda Likens Ike and Adlai

MOSCOW (AP)—Pravda gave Russian readers a half-page summary today of the U. S. presidential campaign, calling both Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and Gov. Adlai Stevenson "true servants of American monopolies." The Communist party organ said both the Republican and Democratic candidates are. "Leaders in the conservative policy of the imperialist war," it said. "Inspires of anti-Communist hysteria." "Preachers of reaction and aggression." Pravda's article—the most extensive commentary to date on the American election—condemned both candidates with what appeared to be complete impartiality. It said the two have restricted the campaign to second-class, unimportant issues and both are afraid to propose any real solution for the Korean War. Each, said Pravda, fears to propose an expansion or intensification of the war since it is so unpopular. On the other hand, said the paper, each fears to propose a peaceful solution in Korea since this would arouse dissatisfaction among industrial and financial magnates. Pravda said the presidential campaign has not succeeded in arousing the interest of the American electorate, which it added is showing great indifference and apathy.

Yugos Say Bulgars Fire

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP)—Belgrade radio says Bulgarian troops fired across the border at a Yugoslav pillbox yesterday and Bulgarian planes made three illegal flights over Yugoslav territory. The border violations were reported around Dimitrovgrad—a strategic area which could be a major invasion route for Yugoslavia's friendly, Soviet-dominated neighbors on the east. The broadcast, which quoted the Foreign Office, did not say whether Yugoslav forces had returned fire or taken other retaliatory measures.

Jet Crashes; None Injured

ROME (AP)—One of Britain's eight-mile-a-minute Comet jet airliners raced into the air off Rome's Ciampino Airport last night, wobbled momentarily and then smashed back to earth in a belly landing. None of the 3 passengers and six crew members aboard the world's fastest airliner was hurt, although the plane was badly damaged.

Malaya Reds Slow Attacks

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaya (AP)—Gen. Sir Robert Lockhart said today that Communist guerrilla attacks in Malaya have shown a "marked decline" in the last few months. But Lockhart, deputy director of anti-Communist operations in the British-protected peninsula, cautioned no end is in sight for the shooting war which has gripped this rich tin and rubber country for the last four years.

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