



PUTTING THEIR HEADS TOGETHER: Klamath County United Fund president, Elton Smith, right, and campaign chairman, W. S. McBride, start preliminary plans for the 1955 fund drive, scheduled to start October 20 and run 10 days. The announcement of McBride as campaign chairman for this second local fund drive was made at an executive meeting Wednesday night.

Maine Vote Watched By Politicians

PORTLAND, Maine. (AP) — Hurricane-battered Maine ballots today in an election watched nationally for possible influences on the make-up of the next Congress. At stake, in Republican eyes, is continuation of 20 years' control of all top offices in Maine, and a chance to point the way to GOP victories in the 47 states voting in November. Democrats insist the issue isn't the election's effects elsewhere but "what's best for Maine." They've called for an end to "20 years of one-party government."

Generally fair weather was forecast, but hurricane Edna, which raked the states most populous areas Saturday, is expected to cut the total vote. In 1950, the last "off year," 240,127 ballots were cast. The polls must close by 7 p.m. EST, although vote-counting can start at 5 p.m., in communities with fewer than 300 people. A smaller vote may benefit Democrats whose most spirited campaign in 20 years has been concentrated against reelection of Republican Gov. Burton M. Cross. The Democratic candidate is National Committeeman Edmund S. Muskie.

Also asking reelection are Republican Sen. Margaret Chase Smith, whose 95,000 victory margin six years ago is a record, and three GOP congressmen. Opposing Mrs. Smith, who never has been defeated for public office, is Paul A. Fullam, who never sought one before. Fullam teaches history at Colby College.

Congressmen Robert Hale, Charles P. Nelson and Clifford G. McIntire are opposed, respectively, by James C. Oliver, Thomas E. Delabanty and Kenneth B. Colbath. Oliver, ex-GOP congressman from the First District, was defeated by Hale in 1942. Hale seeks a seventh consecutive term, Nelson a fourth and McIntire his second.

Vice President Nixon, while vacationing in Maine, called the election "the first state-wide test of the Eisenhower administration's program." He called for "an even greater (GOP) majority than ever before."

Ike Reported Advised On Defense Of Quemoy Island

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Eisenhower presumably has been advised by the military that they are confident Quemoy Island could be defended from any Red invasion attempt with U.S. sea and air power alone — if there is a political decision for such intervention. Military officials attending the unusual Sunday session of the National Security Council are reported to believe that any move by Red Chinese forces to land on Quemoy, hard by the Asiatic mainland, could be repelled without any help from American ground forces.

Secretary of State Dulles, just back from the Far East, told newsmen at Denver yesterday that the defense of Quemoy is related to the defense of Formosa and is being studied in that light.

Stopping at Denver to report to President Eisenhower and the National Security Council, Dulles said it is primarily up to the nation's military chiefs to decide and recommend whether effective protection of Formosa requires U.S. defense of Quemoy.

DECISION — If a decision should be made to defend Quemoy, Pentagon strategists would rely on the gunfire and planes of the big 7th Fleet and the fighters and fighter-bombers of the Air Force.

The objective would be to crush the transportation and air and ground support of a Red invasion fleet before it could reach the shores of the Nationalist-held islands, not to attempt to match the

Communist troop manpower in invasion beach battle. The United States learned in Korea of the vast and costly commitment of ground force needed to fight Red China's hordes of infantry.

However, some of the other disadvantages of the Korean campaign might attend any action for the defense of Quemoy if the decision were made to confine it solely to offensive fighting.

KOREAN WAR

Under the ground rules for the Korean War, no bombing of Red Air bases in China was permitted. Thus, the dangerously powerful Red air fleet of jet fighters had to be dealt with only in the air above the battle zone.

Application of the same rules in a campaign to defeat a Red invasion attempt would impose the same problem for American Navy and Air Force fliers. They would have to rely on the ability to drive Red planes out of the sky while at the same time bombing and strafing invasion craft.

Presumably the confidence the President's military advisers are reported to have about the situation rests in the fact that air bases satisfactory for the use of American jets are available on the big island of Formosa. The 90-mile stretch of Formosa straight represents, from the jet pilot's point of view, an entirely satisfactory zone for climbing to combat altitude during the comparatively short run to the area of Quemoy. No American plans are now based on Formosa, but they can be flown there in quick time from big U.S. air concentrations on Japan, Okinawa and the Philippines.

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Japanese Hear Red Proposal

TOKYO (AP) — Japanese government leaders were cool today to a statement by Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov that "the time is ripe" for resumption of normal relations between Japan and Russia. The treaty went into effect in April 1952.

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West German Chancellor Faces New Socialist Block

KIEL, Germany (AP) — A political riposte to the West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and his pro-American foreign policy today as his Socialist foe merged as the strongest party in a key state election.

Although the coalition headed by Adenauer's Christian Democratic Union appeared sure of holding control of the government in the Schleswig-Holstein state of Schleswig-Holstein, the Socialists' 12,000 vote lead in yesterday's balloting was seen as a clearcut exposure of the old leader's suddenly dwindling popularity.

The rural state—called the "poor house of the Bonn Republic"—rebuffed the 78-year-old Chancellor's plea for a vote of confidence in electing his new Lantag (State Parliament).

Campaigning for overtures to Russia to unify East and West Germany, the Socialists outscored the Christian Democrats in the same state that accorded the CDU a 2-1 margin over its arch rival last year when Adenauer was re-elected Chancellor.

In today's final count, the CDU trailed the Socialists 384,670 to 296,708.

The CDU's vote was cut almost in half from its 1953 peak of 637,570 in Schleswig-Holstein. The Socialists picked up 38,269 votes over last year's total of 357,798.

Adenauer fought to save his international prestige with a speech in this state Friday in which he described NATO membership and unconditional German sovereignty as his new goals.

But as he talked with British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden in Bonn yesterday on finding some way of rearming West Germany despite the French scuttling of the European Defense Community, the

Reds Sentence U.S. Prisoner

TOKYO (AP) — Hugh Francis Redmond, a former New York business man, has been sentenced in Shanghai to life imprisonment as a spy by the Chinese Reds, Peiping Radio announced yesterday.

The broadcast, heard here, said Redmond and five other men and two women sentenced with him entered the U.S. espionage service before the defeat of the Chinese Nationalists by the Reds four years ago.

Two of the seven others, all of whom have Chinese names, were sentenced to death.

Redmond, arrested April 26, 1951, at Shanghai, is believed to have helped several Chinese businessmen get out of Shanghai.

At Yonkers, N.Y., his mother, Mrs. Ruth Redmond, said he went to China for the Hennigsen Bros. import-export firm of New York. She was "terribly shocked by the news."

Adlai's Son To Be Married

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Adlai Stevenson Sr. stepped into the middle of a gray swirl of social festivities today, celebrating the coming event that will make him a father-in-law.

The former Illinois governor and 1952 Democratic nominee for president flew to Louisville yesterday to join in a celebration of the announcement of the engagement of Nancy Lewis Anderson to his eldest son, Adlai Jr.

The pretty Miss Anderson had a kiss waiting when her future father-in-law stepped from the plane.

Adlai Jr. and Miss Anderson met here in June, 1953, when he was a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps stationed at Fort Knox.

Robbers Of Deaf Mute Captured

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A deaf mute was robbed as he dazed on a midcity subway station platform yesterday.

The deaf mute, Frank Molinaro, 37, was awakened by two men going through his pockets. He chased the men, who jumped to the tracks and fled through the tunnel.

Molinaro scribbled on a piece of paper: "I've been robbed. Call for police," and handed it to a cashier.

By the time police arrived, Molinaro had fainted down on a pad details of the robbery and a description of the two men.

Police picked up two men, identified as John P. Johnson, 34, and Leonard Lecato 22, both of Philadelphia.

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Dunsmuir Girl Wins Trip

WEED — Beverly Miller, Dunsmuir, won the title of queen at the Weed Italian Carnival, held last week, and left Medford via United Airlines for Hollywood Thursday, September 9, as her winning prize, awarded by the Weed Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the Carnival.

While in Hollywood, accompanied by her mother, she will tour CBS Television City and MGM studios, in addition many tours have been planned for her.

Spire Decker, Klamath Falls, won the 18 hole golf tournament with a low net of 72.

The Long-Bell sawmill team won the tug of war contest and the Gazelle girls won over the Weed Red Devils girl team.

Tom Mazzini, 18, Weed, was top man in the horse show winning 14 points in the 30 scheduled events. The horse show was under the auspices of the Gazelle Horsemen.

Youth Held For Father's Death

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A 14-year-old boy Scout is held at Juvenile Hall today on suspicion of murdering his stepfather.

Police said Larry Imier, a Scout patrol leader, fired five shots from a .22 rifle at Irven Woodrow Loucks, 40, a truckdriver, after a quarrel between Loucks and Larry's mother. The mother said Loucks pulled her out of a truck by her hair. He had been drinking, she said.

"I didn't mean to kill him," officers quoted the boy. "I only wanted to scare him."

Mrs. Loucks, mother of 12 — including three by Loucks — said the argument was over who was going to pick up nine children at a birthday party.

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