

HEAVY VOTE REPORTED OVER U.S.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
The hour of writing this is 10:30 a.m. The day is Election Day. The big question is WHO WILL WIN. The answer at this hour is that NOBODY knows.

Following an iron-clad tradition, the reporters have just asked the national chairmen of the Republican and the Democratic parties who will get the nod from the voters.

GOP Chairman Hall says the Republicans will retain control of congress by chalking up a net gain of three senate and 15 or more house seats.

Democratic Chairman Mitchell asserts that the Democrats will win control of the congress—picking up four senate seats and at least 25 seats in the house.

What they say will be heard and read while people are STILL VOTING. So we can put NO FAITH in what either one says.

Both are talking for effect.

We newspaper people have a fetish that the first fragmentary returns, if widely enough scattered, will disclose:

1. That it will be a landslide, one way or the other.

2. That it will be a tight race with maybe a photo finish.

So let's take a slant at the early birds.

The village of Hart's Location, in the rock-ribbed GOP state of Vermont, has counted all ten of its votes. Six of them were cast for Democrats, four for Republicans. In 1952, there were nine votes, of which the Republicans got five and the Democrats four.

Mount Washington, Massachusetts, gives GOP Senator Saltonstall 20 votes to three for his Democratic opponent. In 1952, Mount Washington gave Lodge, Republican, 28 votes and Kennedy, Democrat, six votes.

Cracking that down to decimals, the GOP edge in 1952 was only 4.7 to one whereas in 1954 the Republicans have increased their lead to 6.7 to one.

On the strength of that, a politician could (and would, if he thought any votes were to be gained by it) claim a Republican landslide in today's election.

One more:

In Kansas, the first incomplete and unofficial returns are from Wellington. They give a slight lead to the Democrats in all major races but one. In that exception, GOP Congressman Clifford is ahead of his Democratic challenger.

Wellington is supposed to be normally Republican, but for years it has been represented in the state senate by a Democrat.

Hold everything!

The telephone has just reported that in agricultural Kansas GOP candidates for governor and U.S. senator have taken a lead in incomplete and unofficial returns from 46 widely scattered precincts. GOP Senator Schoepel has 1534 votes to 1062 for his Democratic opponent.

What does it all mean? NOTHING AT ALL!

(But, based on the fetish, I have a sneaking and worthless belief that the election will be fairly close instead of a runaway for the Democrats. Superstitions are weird things.)

Former President Harry S. Truman, coming from his polling place in Independence Mo., is asked how the election will turn out.

He replies: "It will be the right answer again."

Truman is what we call a political oracle. His answer reminds us of the answer given by the Delphic oracle in ancient days to King Croesus when he asked it if he would win a war he was cooking up. The Oracle answered:

"When Croesus passes over the river Halys, he will overthrow the strength of an empire."

He did, all right, but the empire he overthrew by going to war was HIS OWN.

Modern political oracles are just as reliable as the ancient oracles—which means that they are pure moonshine. When the votes are all counted, we'll know what happened AND NOT BEFORE.

Red Bombers Hit Chinese Nationalists

TAIPEH, Formosa (AP)—Chinese Reds Tuesday delivered the latest blow in the new vest pocket war flaring up around the Nationalist-held Tachen Islands—an afternoon air attack in which four bombs were dropped.

It was noteworthy not because of its size but because it was the second straight day Communist planes have attacked Nationalist territory.

The Red bombers hit Yikiangshan (One River Mountain) Island and a pre-dawn Nationalist air raid on Tachen (Head Gate) Island. The islands are about five miles apart and lie close to the Chekiang coast, northwest of the Tachens and some 300 miles north of Formosa.

The Nationalist planes were smashing at Red artillery batteries that Monday rained more than 3,000 shells on Yikiangshan in an eight-hour barrage.

Press reports said Nationalist warships also hit Tachen Tuesday. Official sources refused to confirm the action, but a defense ministry official said it was "very probable because any of our ships in the area would naturally take part."

The Nationalist defense ministry said the Monday raiders dropped 10 heavy bombs and more than 100 anti-personnel missiles, killing some civilians and destroying "many" civilian homes.

Communist planes triggered the latest firing in the vest pocket war when they bombed the Tachens Monday.

Peiping radio said the Red aircraft fired many military targets up in flames and set fire to a warship anchored off the islands. Peiping also said all its planes returned safely despite "thick rings of antiaircraft fire."

Longtime KF Resident Dies

Albert Milton Worden, a Klamath resident for the past 48 years, died Monday evening following two and a half months illness. Mr. Worden would have been 88 years of age on November 14.

Mr. Worden was born in Mansfield, Ohio, in 1866. He was married to Mary Katherine Hanley in Topeka, Kansas, in 1893. Mr. Worden died in 1957.

The family came to Klamath Falls in 1906. Mr. Worden had been associated with C. E. (Major) Worden in the old American Bank and Trust Co., had been with the Klamath Development Co., and later with the Big Basin Branch of Long-Bell Lumber Co. until his retirement in 1938.

He was a life-long hunter and fisherman and loved the outdoors. Mr. Worden was an early member of Klamath Lodge No. 1247 BPOE, was a member of the Klamath Sportsman's Association, and was affiliated with the Presbyterian Church.

He had been in good health until last July, and had been hospitalized since.

Mr. Worden is survived by one daughter, Mrs. A. D. (Margaret) Addison of Klamath Falls; a sister, Mrs. Lillian Worden Pears of Decoto, California; and a granddaughter, Mrs. Margaret Addison of Klamath Falls.

Funeral services will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday at O'Hair's Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Dale Hewitt of the First Presbyterian Church officiating.

Hospital Ends Free Births

VANCOUVER, Wash. (AP)—The hospital bill for twins born at St. Joseph's Hospital here has been canceled this year but the free service ends Dec. 8.

It hasn't exactly been a secret, but word of it just got into general circulation Tuesday.

It is offered as a special good deed for the marian year by the Sisters of Charity of Providence, the Catholic order operating the hospital.

So far 13 couples have been winners of the no-strings-attached free service.

Halloween Prank Brings Charge

SALEM (AP)—Four youths, who opened several fire hydrants in the Salem Heights Water District Saturday night as a Halloween prank, pleaded guilty to a disorderly conduct charge in district court Monday.

Their prank cost the district 125,000 gallons of water.

Sentence was deferred until Thursday. A fifth youth pleaded innocent.

Weather

FORECAST—Klamath Falls and vicinity: Fair through Wednesday; high Wednesday 62; low Tuesday night 28.

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High Court Action Asked By Attorney

By LYLE DOWNING

A petition for a writ of mandamus directing Circuit Judge David R. Vandenbergh of Klamath Falls to dismiss an indictment against Andrew Joseph Bushman, alleged sex offender, was filed with the Oregon Supreme Court late Monday by Defense Attorney George Proctor.

Although dismissal of the indictment is the basis for the action, Proctor is actually attempting to have the state change of judge law declared unconstitutional.

For seven months, Bushman, 57-year-old carpenter, has been the central figure in a bitter court fight involving three circuit judges and District Attorney Frank Alderson.

Bushman has been indicted three times for a sex offense but the case has never gotten beyond arraignment.

MOTION FILED
On October 4, after District Attorney Alderson filed a motion for a change of judge in the case, Proctor filed an opposing motion. The defense lawyer contended that the law under which Alderson has filed several change of judge motions is unconstitutional.

When the matter was subsequently brought before the supreme court, the high tribunal sent the case back to Judge Vandenbergh for disposal.

Before the matter was submitted to Salem judge, Judge Vandenbergh upheld a motion by Attorney Proctor to strike an affidavit of prejudice filed by Alderson. In the affidavit, Alderson contended that Judge Vandenbergh was prejudiced against the district attorney and a fair trial could not be obtained by the state in his court.

However, although he ruled out the affidavit of prejudice, Judge Vandenbergh allowed the motion for a change of judge.

MANDAMUS WRIT
After Proctor filed his application for a writ of mandamus Monday, the supreme court allowed Judge Vandenbergh five days to file an answer. Whether or not the judge makes an answer, the court will decide whether the judge shall be directed to try Bushman.

Proctor pointed out Tuesday on his return from Salem that if the change of judge law is declared unconstitutional, all cases in which Alderson has filed motions under this statute will be thrown out of court.

Since Bushman was first indicted, Circuit Judge Ralph M. Holman of Oregon City and Circuit Judge Charles Foster of Lakeview have been involved in the case.



TALKING OVER ELECTION DAY this morning at the 9 o'clock photographer came by were, left, Alvin Daniel, 914 1/2 Lincoln and J. O. Svegarden, 1133 California, salesmen at Montgomery Ward and Company.

Small KF Boy Polio Victim

Michael William Badorek, 3, son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Badorek Jr., 3840 Clinton, died early Monday morning, November 1, in a Eugene hospital, a victim of polio.

Michael's death leaves two diagnosed polio cases in the county to date. One, a woman, has left the hospital and is recuperating at home. A second, reported only this morning by Dr. Seth Kerron, county health officer, is a young man 24 years old. He is hospitalized at Hillside Hospital where attendants report he is making remarkable progress and has no paralysis.

Two other cases, both from California, have been returned to Yreka and to Bakerfield.

Young Michael Badorek became ill in Klamath Falls October 21. He was hospitalized here two days later, October 23.

Because of his extreme difficulty in breathing and the amount of paralysis, he was taken by ambulance to Eugene a week before his death. A doctor accompanied the youngster on the two hours and 20 minutes trip to Eugene, where the boy was placed in an iron lung.

A tracheotomy was performed in which a tube was inserted through Michael's windpipe to allow breathing and prevent accumulation of mucus.

Despite medical care, the boy died November 1. His body is at Ward's Klamath Funeral Home where arrangements are being made for funeral services Thursday at 2 p.m.

Survivors include his parents, two sisters, Sheila Rae and Jeri; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Womer, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Badorek Sr., all of Klamath Falls.

Seaman Held For Small Girl's Death

JOHNSTOWN, Pa. (AP)—Sgt. James A. Blair of the Pennsylvania State Police said Tuesday a one-time Merchant Marine seaman-engineer will be charged with murder in the Halloween "trick-or-treat" slaying of 6-year-old Karen Mauk.

He was identified as Harry Gossard, 39, Sgt. Blair said he lived in the "immediate vicinity" of the Mauk home in Coopersburg, a community of about 5,000 on the outskirts of Johnstown.

Asked about widespread reports that Gossard had admitted the slaying, Sgt. Blair replied: "No comment."

Blair said Gossard is being held under heavy guard on a charge of "suspicion in connection with the murder."

The nude body of little Karen was discovered early last Friday in a cemetery about two miles from her home. She had left home the previous evening on a "trick-or-treat" tour of the neighborhood.

Sgt. Blair said Gossard was arrested Sunday night in nearby East Taylor Twp. He said Gossard was enroute home by auto after visiting a sister in Philadelphia.

"We had him as a good prospect," Sgt. Blair said, "and were making all efforts to pick him up. We learned where he might be apprehended and stopped his car on a highway."

Sgt. Blair said that Gossard refused Monday to take a lie detector test.

The sergeant said Gossard formerly was employed as a seaman-engineer for the Atlantic Refining Co.'s maritime division but had not been working since the early part of the year.

Missing Plane Quest Goes On

NEW YORK (AP)—Scores of planes and ships Tuesday continued to scour the North Atlantic for a missing Navy plane carrying 42 persons, amid unconfirmed reports of flare and debris sightings.

There also were what one or two radio listeners believed to be SOS calls, but, as in the purported flare and debris sightings, Navy officials emphasized there was little to raise hopes.

Many other ships and planes listened on the radio distress frequency heard nothing resembling an SOS.

Authorities also explained that there always is floating debris to be found and said this meant nothing until it could be studied carefully. Eager searchers also sometimes think they see flares when none are there.

The lost Navy Super-Constellation left Patuxent, Md., Saturday night for North Africa with many servicemen, and some wives and children.

First stop was to be the Azores, where some of the passengers were to change planes.

A routine report made by the big plane 90 minutes after its takeoff was the last heard from it. At that time it was about 48 miles east of Baltimore.

Congress Control Main Voting Issue

WASHINGTON (AP)—An unexpectedly heavy early vote was rolled up in the election Tuesday. Americans, choosing between Republicans and Democrats to control the new Congress, showed none of the apathy that both sides had said they feared.

And in much of the East and parts of the Midwest the voters had to face bad weather—rain or snow—to get to the polls.

Just how the weather might affect the outcome was a question the politicians were pondering. Bad weather ordinarily tends to cut down rural voting more than it does city voting, and traditionally the GOP has been stronger in rural sections than in big cities.

First returns of any consequence came from normally Republican Kansas which has a system of counting through the day instead of waiting until the polls close as is done in most states. These returns sent GOP candidates for governor and senator off to a lead.

However, the first figures from 46 scattered Kansas precincts were too fragmentary to have any substantial meaning. No figures were available for comparison with what the same precincts did in previous elections.

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Man Stabbed During Brawl

What state police described as a drunken brawl in a residence at 3805 Summers Lane Monday night was climaxed by a stabbing affray in which a 48-year-old Durmuir, California, railroad worker was critically wounded.

The victim is Frank Byers who told hospital attendants he was vacationing in Klamath Falls.

Two persons alleged to have been involved in the affray are held in the county jail on charges of being drunk in a private place. They are Lois Ellen Gruell, 37-year-old housewife, and Erskin Homer Fisher, 55-year-old construction worker.

It was reported that Byers was stabbed in the chest with an ice pick.

District Attorney Frank Alderson, who went to the scene with state police, said persons involved in the case were too drunk to talk. He said he was continuing his investigation in an effort to determine the cause of the stabbing.

When police arrived at the house at 3805 Summers Lane, they said they found Byers lying on the floor. Several intoxicated persons were milling about the place and were unable to give a coherent account of what happened.

State police immediately arrested Fisher and Mrs. Gruell.

Police Sgt. Eric Tichener said he had not received a complete report on the case and would not make a statement until he obtained full details from investigating officers.

Large Cattle Sale Reported

One of the largest sales of cattle in this area was announced this week.

Five hundred head of very high grade Hereford cows and 22 registered Hereford bulls were sold by Yamsay Land & Cattle Company to John P. Reese & Sons of Corning, California.

Details of the sale transaction were handled by Albert L. Sumaki, well known cattle buyer and cattle broker of San Francisco. No consideration was announced.

According to Sumaki, this Hereford herd is one of the most outstanding in the state among commercial stock cows.

The cattle are on pasture at the Bar Y headquarters on Klamath Marsh and it is expected that they will be moved south this week. Principals of the Yamsay Land & Cattle Company are Buck Williams and Ted Hyde, both of Klamath Falls.

Oregon Drivers Lose Licenses

SALEM (AP)—Fifty-three Oregon drivers have had their licenses suspended in the past three months as a part of Secretary of State Earl T. Newbury's campaign against reckless driving.

That is the same number as were suspended in all of last year. Newbury said his staff notified 784 drivers last month that their records had been placed in a special file for people who are involved in more than one accident. Any of these drivers who have more accidents will be called in for interviews with specialists in driver improvement.

Actually there was no certainty that even the heat of the closing drives by the two parties had much to do with it. All along there had been some observers who clung to the view the voters had already made up their minds and were indifferent only to the politicians' pleas.

EASTERN VOTE
Whatever the reason, there were indications of a heavier than anticipated vote in Eastern population centers a soon after the polls opened. And the trend appeared to be running that way westward across the country.

In New York City's Manhattan and Bronx districts, 30 per cent of the registered voters had cast ballots by 11 a.m. although it was raining and cold. The percentage was the same as had voted at that hour in ideal weather in last year's mayoralty election.

In Brooklyn, voting started at a slower pace but soon picked up speed.

"Extremely heavy" was the report on early voting in the Maryland and Virginia suburbs of Washington. The capital itself is voteless.

Some election judges were predicting a voting record there. From one biggest precinct in Prince Georges County, Md., just outside the District of Columbia, came a report of "terrifically heavy" balloting.

In the Baltimore metropolitan district, election officials described the vote as "unexpectedly heavy."

PREDICTIONS
In Chicago, the first hour's voting brought predictions of a very heavy turnout.

Similarly, Ohio cities had an early rush to the polls. New Jersey officials called the voting there normal but increasing in intensity.

The forenoon brought a few scattering returns from small precincts which had polled their entire registered vote. First in with a count was Hart's location, N.H., always an early runner.

The little mountain community gave Democratic candidates in major races 6 votes to 4 for Republicans. Two years ago, the village voted Republican, 5-4. Since then two voters have moved away and three newcomers have settled in Hart's location.

Among the early voters was former President Truman. Putting in his ballot at Independence, Mo., Truman said, "It will be the right answer again."

DEMOCRATIC SWEEP
Another well-known Democrat, former Postmaster General James A. Farley got in an early vote in New York and predicted a "Democratic sweep."

President Eisenhower, also a New York voter, cast an absentee ballot long ago.

In addition to choosing the new Congress, voters are picking governors in 33 states and hundreds of local and state officials.

The campaign itself closed out Monday night with major appeals from both sides.

President Eisenhower from Washington told the voters "there is no such thing as sitting out" the election. He said in a nationwide radio-television broadcast that any absentee from the polls doubles the value of the ballot cast by a citizen of opposing views.

The President stuck rather closely to a nonpartisan approach. He called for voters to make up their minds "what program is more in line with your own thinking... where you will get the greatest pleasure, the greatest businesslike methods and economy in government."

APPEAL
Stevenson, the 1952 Democratic presidential candidate, also appealed to citizens to exercise their right to vote, saying that is the way to make a democracy work.

In addition, he hit out at what he called Republican efforts to "have you believe that the quest for peace is peculiar to but one of our political parties."

Stevenson aimed his fire especially at the campaign remark by Eisenhower that under the Republicans the country "won't go to war to get work." And Vice President Nixon's assertion only Monday night that Democratic policies never brought prosperity to America except when we had a war.

Nixon, who participated from Denver in the same broadcast with the President, flew back to Washington Tuesday saying the Republicans' only "fear" was that there would be a small vote.

SHOOTING HOURS

Oregon			
November 3			
OPEN	6:11	CLOSE	4:58
California			
November 3			
OPEN	6:12	CLOSE	4:46