

U. S. OFFICIAL FORECAST
Rain and Windy Today;
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Tonight and Tomorrow

Truman May Not Run If Korean War Ends

Satisfactory Truce Is Chief Factor In President's Plans

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP)—Democratic Chairman Frank E. McKinney suggested today that President Truman may not run for reelection if a "satisfactory" truce is reached in Korea.

McKinney told a news conference the Korean situation is a "paramount" factor in Truman's consideration.

And he said his own opinion, based on conversations with the President, is that "this decision will be predicated on the success or failure of resolving the Korean situation satisfactorily."

McKinney added that personally, if he had undertaken a job of such importance as Korea, and it was accomplished, he would feel that his job was done.

Talked With Truman
McKinney has just completed two days of talks with Truman. When he came here, there were reports that some influential party leaders were insisting he should seek definite word from the President as to his intentions.

The suggestion that Truman's decision hinged on the outcome in Korea developed in a sparring exchange with reporters.

He was asked whether "a Korean settlement would lessen the chances of Mr. Truman seeking reelection."

McKinney replied: "In my opinion, it may, and that is my opinion."

McKinney said that if Truman does not run, the President will not attempt to dictate the Democratic nominee but will favor an "open convention."

McKinney also said the President will not make any announcement of his intentions to the Jefferson-Jackson dinner of the Democratic Party in Washington March 29, but will "in ample time before the July convention" to clear the way for other candidates.

Hopes For Word By May 15
McKinney said his own target date for public word from the President is May 15 when the Democratic Executive Committee meets in Chicago to pick a keynoter and other officers for the convention.

As to prospects for a Korean truce, McKinney told reporters: "The wish may be father to the thought, but it is hoped that the Korean situation can be resolved by convention time or at least by election time."

Dispatches from Munsan, Korea, today said Communist newsmen with the Red truce delegation were talking of a truce agreement in three or four weeks. They often reflect the views of Red delegates.

There are some indications here that Truman has now taken personal charge of future political strategy for himself and the Democratic Party.

Withdraws In Calif.
Interpreted as one such sign was the fact that McKinney, acting on Truman's orders, directed party officials in California to withdraw the President's name from that State's primary election to be held June 3.

Although suggesting Truman may not run, McKinney said he personally wants the President to seek reelection and so do 75 to 80 per cent of the Democratic leaders of 39 States with whom he has talked.

If he is not a candidate, I'm absolutely neutral," McKinney declared.

He said that while the President agreed he would make his decision "in ample time before the convention" Truman did not fix any date.

Left Motor Running, Autoist Is Fined \$10

PRINCETON — For the first time here, a motorist has been fined for leaving a car with its motor running unattended.

Victor Larson of Herrontown Road was fined \$10 for the violation yesterday by Magistrate Paul R. Chesbro in Municipal Court.

The regulation, part of the State motor vehicle statute, carries a mandatory fine of not less than \$10 and not more than \$25.

Minnesota Vote For Ike Grows

Write-In Balloting Termed Amazing - General Hears of Results In Paris and Visitors Say He 'Becomes More Jovial by Hour'

MINNEAPOLIS — AP — With nearly two-thirds of the precincts reporting, write-in candidate General Dwight Eisenhower had won an amazing 39 percent of the Republican total in Minnesota's Presidential primary election Tuesday.

"Favorite son" Harold E. Stassen, whose name was printed on the ballot, got about 42 percent.

The drive for the write-in vote, most always difficult to capture, had been started by Minnesotans

nesses Democrat, had a heavy margin over President Truman. However, observers felt that much of the Truman vote had gone to Senator Humphrey, Minnesota Democrat, whose name was the only one printed on the Democratic ballot.

Humphrey had announced he would turn over his delegation to Truman should the President decide to run again. No Minnesota campaign had been conducted for Truman, while a small, but vocal group had talked up Kefauver.

With 2,733 of Minnesota's 3,789 precincts reporting, Eisenhower had 98,616 votes, compared with 110,735 for Stassen. Edward C. Slettedahl, a political unknown whose name was also printed on the GOP ballot, got 19,075 votes.

Other Republican write-in totals were 21,534 for Senator Taft, Ohio Republican, 4,685 for Governor Earl Warren of California and 1,383 for General Douglas MacArthur.

Humphrey—the only Democratic ballot candidate—polled 88,486 votes. Kefauver had 17,489 write-ins and Truman 3,121 write-ins.

St. Paul, Duluth and three smaller cities used voting machines in the primary.

Stassen "Pleased"
MILWAUKEE — AP — Harold Stassen, former Governor of Minnesota, said today he was "very pleased" with the results of the Minnesota primary election and not surprised by the size of the write-in vote for General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Stassen begins the heavy campaigning today for the Wisconsin primary, April 1.

EAU CLAIRE, Wis. — AP — Senator Robert A. Taft declined a full comment today on the results of the Minnesota primary election, but said:

"I requested not to have a write-in vote for me in Minnesota. Beyond that, the Ohio Senator, now campaigning in Wisconsin, said he did not care to comment.

Hoffman Cheered
NEW YORK — AP — Paul G. Hoffman, arriving here from a visit with General Dwight D. Eisenhower, said today the heavy write-in vote for the General in the Minnesota primary showed that "America wants Ike."

The former ECA administrator said he intends to seek a three-month leave of absence from the Ford Foundation, which he heads, to devote full time to the Eisenhower campaign.

Foundation trustees will consider the leave application at a meeting April 10, he said.

Hoffman said he found during a weekend with Eisenhower in Paris that the General "is now thinking as a candidate."

PARIS (UP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower happily studied reports from the Minnesota primary election today and his visitors said he got "more jovial" by the hour.

"Keep shoving those bulletins to me as fast as they come in," a general on Eisenhower's Supreme Headquarters staff ordered.

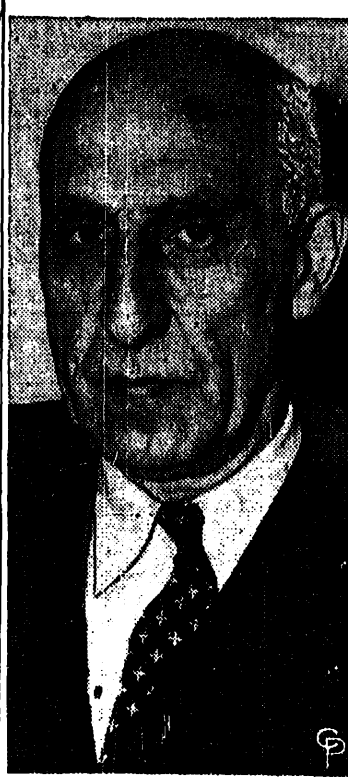
Batteries: Gallup Catching, Dewey Pitching?



George H. Gallup Jr. and Thomas E. Dewey Jr.

One of the batteries Princeton's varsity baseball team may be depending upon this Spring when the Tigers bid to retain their Eastern Intercollegiate championship is the one pictured here. On the left is George H. Gallup Jr., son of the famous poll taker who is currently bidding for a backstop position. Beside him is Thomas E. Dewey Jr., son of the New York Governor and former Republican presidential candidate.

Urges Economic Test



Premier Mossadegh

TEHRAN, Iran — UP — Premier Mohammed Mossadegh challenged the Iran Senate today to give his government a confidence test over his measures for solving the nation's economic crisis.

He told a Senate delegation that terms laid down by the world bank for resumption of the idle oil industry "precluded any settlement or agreement."

Forest Fire At Crossing State Park

3 Companies Put Out Blaze North of Sullivan Grove

Volunteer firemen from three companies battled a stubborn forest fire in Washington Crossing State Park for two hours yesterday afternoon.

The West Trenton, Titusville and Pennington companies battled flames that whipped 12 to 14 feet high. The flames damaged some trees and large quantities of slash cut from pine trees on a four-acre tract in the 385-acre preserve.

James Abbott, second assistant chief for the Titusville company, was in charge of the firemen.

The men used Indian back-pack tanks and ran off hoses from tanks on four of the fire engines to jet water on the fire.

The area burned was in a partly cleared section north of Sullivan Grove. State foresters are working on the section to expand the State Forestry nursery there.

2 Women Golfers Are Killed As Plane Crashes On Links

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP)—Two women golfers were killed today by a Navy plane which crash-landed on Timuquana golf course.

The two women were identified as Mrs. Brady Johnson, prominent Jacksonville golfer and wife of an official of the Dinsmore Dairies, and Mrs. William Dempsey, wife of a Jacksonville contractor.

The plane was a Corsair fighter. Its forced landing did not injure the pilot, who was not immediately identified.

The Timuquana Club is next to the Naval Air Station about 10 miles south of Jacksonville.

A. C. Weller, who lives on Timuquana Road and was playing on the course, was an eye witness to the accident.

Weller said the engine was dead and he hadn't heard the plane coming down. He said a caddy, standing about 10 yards from the two women was unhurt.

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WSB Studies Data to Halt Steel Strike

Wage Body In Marathon Session On Union's Pay Demand

WASHINGTON (UP)—The 18-member Wage Stabilization Board goes into a marathon session today to frame recommendations for settling the big steel labor dispute.

The WSB, having already rejected an offer from its industry members to give the CIO United Steelworkers a 13.7-cent hourly raise in pay and other benefits, raced against time.

A walkout of 650,000 workers in the nation's basic steel industry is threatened for midnight Sunday. Many officials believed it would be headed off.

CIO President Phillip Murray, head of the steelworkers union, was waiting to see the WSB's proposed solution before advising his 170-member policy committee at a meeting here tomorrow whether to postpone the walkout.

A steel strike would be "a first class national disaster," Defense Production Administrator Manly Fleischmann said yesterday. In a statement to the New York Sales Executive Club, he said it would seriously impair the atomic energy and munitions programs.

The WSB has asked for a strike delay at least until April 8 to give the industry and union time to bargain on the basis of the board's findings.

A few firms, including U. S. Steel Corp. and Jones Laughlin, said they might have to start closing down some complex operations tonight to prepare for a Sunday night strike. Generally, the industry apparently was a gambling against an imminent walkout, delaying shutdowns until the last moment.

Even if the WSB's recommendations are sweet enough to persuade Murray to delay the strike, they may be too bitter for the industry to accept, thus forcing a strike later on.

Auto Overtakes, Two Women Hurt

BURLINGTON — Two Burlington women were hurt today when their car upset in a ditch on the Jacksonville-Jobstown Road. They were enroute to jobs at Fort Dix, State Police reported, when the auto skidded in the rain west of Route 30.

Mrs. Willie Palmer, 50, of 321 Green Street was pronounced in grave condition at Burlington County Hospital due to spine injuries and possible internal hurts.

Mrs. Marie Hardin, 41, of 122 1/2 West Federal Street suffered a fractured right leg and bruises. She was treated and released with a cast on her leg.

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Boys! Soap Box Derby's On Again For Trenton!

Rule Books Are Available Today; Race Open To All Youngsters of City and Surrounding Area, 11 to 15

Here's some big news for boys of Trenton and vicinity: Trenton will have its own official Soap Box Derby again this year. And the local champion will win a free trip to Akron, Ohio, to compete against other champions from all over the country in the big All-American Soap Box Derby.

Preliminary plans for the big event were made last night at a special meeting of the Derby Committee of Trenton Chapter, American Business Clubs. The ABC chapter is co-sponsor of the event along with local Chevrolet dealers and the Times Newspapers. It is the Derby's anniversary year, celebrating 15 years of a constructive activity for American boys.

Official rule books for the 1952 Derby are out today. The books contain all the information boys will need to build their four-wheeled racers.

Rule books are now available at Bonderchuk Chevrolet Inc., 1285 South Broad Street, and at Gilbert & Mott Chevrolet Co., 428-438 Princeton Avenue. They will be available at other area dealers to be announced later.

The Derby is open to all boys from 11 to 15 years of age.

Young speed merchants who expect to compete in the big race are advised to follow the stories in this newspaper, and abide by the official rules as they build their own gravity-powered racers.

It will be strictly a boys' race, and to the winners will go lots of handsome prizes. The national champion at Akron will be awarded a four-year, \$5,000 college scholarship.

July 19 has been selected as the tentative date of the big race here. The site of the competition will be decided upon at a future meeting of the committee. Raymond T. Hill of Trenton Chapter, American Business Clubs, is general chairman of the Derby committee.

To enter, boys are to go to the nearest Chevrolet dealer with a parent or guardian, and fill out the application blank. They will be given a Derby driver's license and the official rule book free.

Then they will be set to start designing and building their cars. A Soap Box Derby car must be built (without adult help) by the boy who races it. Competitors may receive advice from their parents and others but no one but the prospective driver is allowed to construct any part of the car.

Boys are advised to study the official rule book carefully before starting to build. There are a few rule changes this year, most of them designed to make it easier to build a car. The cost limit is \$100.

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Mayor Puts 7-Point Program Before Board

Mayor Connolly laid a \$2,150,000 traffic relief program before his City Commission colleagues today, listing for first consideration construction of Assunpink Way to link the Freeway with Lafayette Boulevard.

The seven-point plan was drafted at conference the Mayor held with Joseph E. English, city planning board chairman, and Russell Vannest Black, board consultant. Most of the details are part of the city's master plan.

The first two of the Mayor's seven proposals, Assunpink Way and extension of Lafayette Boulevard west of Calhoun Street over the Water Power to Parkside Avenue, would be built with State funds. They are projects incorporated in the State highway system.

The remaining five, directed at congestion on South Clinton Avenue near the station and on Ferry Street, Hanover Street, Ingham Avenue and Southard Street, would be financed by the city. The \$2,150,000 cost, Mayor Connolly said, could be spread over five years at \$430,000 annually.

He said he had conferred with Governor Driscoll on Assunpink Way and the Lafayette Boulevard extension. He requested an early conference with State highway authorities to speed construction and financing.

5 City Projects
The five city projects, in order of urgency, are:

1. Acquire the East Hanover Street parking lot and build a ramp garage, financed and operated out of Parking Authority revenues. The city would buy the land.

2. Extend Hanover Street to join Merchant Street and develop the nearby Commerce Street parking lot.

3. Develop Fairview Avenue from South Clinton Avenue near the station to East State Street at Chestnut Avenue. This would provide a by-pass from Chestnut Avenue across South Clinton to the Freeway interchange and its eventual links to Lafayette Boulevard.

4. Extend Spring Street east along the Canal River to a link to the Stockton Street-Perry Street intersection. This would add an east-west relief artery, with nearby access to the Ferry Street Freeway interchange.

5. Finally, link the east end of Ingham Avenue and Southard Street near Brunswick Avenue; relocate Southard Street between Escher Street and Perry Street to join Lincoln Avenue at its intersection with North Clinton Avenue. This project would be part of a housing redevelopment project for this section. The project still is under study.

The conferences, Mayor Connolly told the commissioners, determined that a five-year bond program should be recommended to them for approval.

The project, he said, were listed in order of urgency in relation to "the over-all problem of traffic relief."

"The program," the Mayor declared, "will not completely meet the off-street parking requirements, but it will provide a start. It is the purpose to amplify the program by the inclusion of additional off-street parking facilities after further studies can be made by the Parking Authority and the Planning Board."

City Receives Eleventh Hour Appeal On Pay

The City Commission, scheduled to take final action on its \$14,700,000 budget today was confronted with a last-minute plea for bigger pay increases for city employees.

The tax rate, at \$8.48, will be the highest in history and there was doubt before the commission hearing that any further budget additions would be accepted.

Joseph S. Labowicz was spokesman for public employees in a last-ditch maneuver to get the higher raises that firemen, policemen and other employees had requested.

The budget provides generally for \$360 more for each worker. Some had asked as much as \$700 more.

Folding Stepladder Death Trap For Baby

ELIZABETH, N. J. — AP — A 26-month-old boy died today in a freak accident in which he was strangled in the sections of a combination kitchen chair and folding stepladder.

Police said the boy, Thomas Squillace, apparently was caught by the lower folding stepladder section while at play in his home. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Squillace. Police tried for an hour to revive him, but were unsuccessful.

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