

ELECTION L.T.P.G.M. Nov. 3rd '52.

The political wiseacres are calling the election - unpredictable. (The public opinion polls though they note a trend towards Adlai favor General Ike, <sup>n</sup>The straw vote run by the New York Daily News gives New York State to ~~the~~ the General. In Chicago, the Sun-Times puts Ike ahead in Illinois, Governor Stevenson's own state. But pollsters were so badly burned when Truman won the last time - they <sup>e</sup>re super-cautious this time.)

Moreover, they <sup>e</sup>re all taking note of the special elements of unpredictability this year. Even the weather man chimes in to make the result harder to forecast. Bright skies - for the nation tomorrow. Bad weather in only a few places. Showers in extreme southern Florida, rain in the mountains of northern New Mexico and Southern Colorado. Also along the coast of Washington and Oregon. Snow flurries in the mountains of western Montana. But, with these minor ~~is~~ exceptions, it will be the kind of weather to bring the voters to the polls. <sup>R</sup> Which makes it virtually certain that a ~~RECORD~~ record-breaking total will be

cast; -- and that provides a number one puzzle.

(The registration was a record-breaker,) and it is estimated that the vote ~~is~~ tomorrow will total more than fifty-five million. The previous record was in Nineteen Forty, Roosevelt-Willkie, when something less than fifty million votes were cast. Four years ago, the total was less than forty-nine million. ~~So~~ <sup>T</sup>his time, there will be an increase of more than five million over Nineteen Forty-Eight. (So what's the meaning of all that excess -- the millions of new voters!)

Most of the increase is in the key states, the ones with the biggest vote -- New York, Pennsylvania, California and down the line. They<sup>a</sup>re the crucial states - and the record-breaking registration makes them especially unpredictable.

Then, to complete the puzzle, (most of that excess registration consists of women. In New York State, for example, women voters, for the first time, outnumber the men. So how are the ladies going to cast

their ballots? At Eisenhower headquarters, they <sup>are</sup> hopeful. Saying the women - ~~men~~ like Ike.

There are surmises that the Irish Catholic vote will break to the General, on the Communist issue - and the Italian vote, <sup>too.</sup> Both - traditionally Democratic. But on the other hand, Stevenson seems to have the ~~men~~ bulk of the Negro vote ~~in~~ and the Jewish vote, <sup>- even if she did lead us in the victory over Hitler.</sup> Both sides have made a special play for minority groups.)

All in all, it adds up to a political riddle of major proportions. Both sides are making the usual victory claims. But the experts believe it will be the closest kind of race. Or, on the other hand, say those same experts, it may be a land-slide - either way. Which gives a final cue to the perplexity of the prognosticators.

CANDIDATE<sup>s</sup>

General Ike is in Boston, making a final bid for Massachusetts. The <sup>Bay</sup> state, hitherto, has been Democratic, but is now rated -- a toss-up.

(In New York, Governor Dewey) is conducting an eighteen hour television marathon - answering questions, stating arguments. The New York Governor (is urging his T V audience to send telegrams to friends saying: "I'm voting for Ike. Urge you to do the same. Please wire five friends." These called - "Ike-o-grams.")

Governor Stevenson is making a last minute appeal to his home state. In Chicago, tonight, he'll share a radio-television program with President Truman, speaking from Kansas City. Vice-Presidential candidate Sparkman will be with Adlai, and Vice President Barkley will come in from St. Louis.

## CONGRESS

The fury of the presidential contest has overshadowed the Congressional aspect of the election. The entire house of representatives is at stake - and the belief is that the Presidential chances of the Republicans are better than their Congressional prospects. In the Senate thirty-four seats are being contested, twenty now held by Republicans, fourteen by Democrats. Five of the Democratic seats are in the solid south. The odds would seem to be against the G O P in their battle to capture control of the Senate.

Twenty-nine governors will be elected tomorrow, together with hundreds of lesser officials of State and local communities. In Oklahoma and South Dakota, the voters will pass on amendments to lower the voting age. In California, a loyalty oath proposal. Not counting all sorts of smaller issues - in this mammoth battle at the polls.

## MCCARTHY

In Washington today, Miss Miriam De Haas resigned from the civil ~~is~~ service commission. Resignation accepted - with notice that she would have been fired anyway. She was ~~is~~ accused of slipping confidential information to Senator McCarthy of Wisconsin. Information McCarthy used as the basis for a Senate speech last year - in which he stated that even officials of the loyalty review board were disgruntled about the loyalty program of the State Department.

Yesterday, the woman employee inserted an advertisement in a Washington newspaper, which stated: "Observing the courageous fight of Senator Joseph McCarthy, I've seen to it that pertinent information was made available to him."

She said she couldn't remain silent about what she called - "the extent of the Communist conspiracy in our government."

So now she quits her job -- from which she would have been fired anyway, this Wednesday.

POLITICS-WEDEMEYER

There's a head-on collision between General Wedemeyer and Democratic Senator Green of Rhode Island - on the subject of Korea. (Last night, General Wedemeyer)- in one of the most effective speeches of the campaign, (stated on the radio that he warned against the withdrawal of American troops from South Korea - the withdrawal that was followed by the Red attack. The General said he gave the warning in that famous Wedemeyer Report, which was kept so secret.) Withheld, says the General, from the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Who, later, gave the opinion that Korea was not vital to American military defense.

Senator Green, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, takes direct issue with Wedemeyer. Insists General Wedemeyer said just the opposite.

## SOUTH KOREANS

( In Korea, the United States general in charge of training South Korean troops - is still waiting for orders to start the formation of new R O K divisions. Brigadier General Cornelius Ryan says he has a reserve of South Korean officers, ready to put new divisions into shape - when the orders come. )

Last week, the Defense Department in Washington released a statement that General Mark Clark, the Supreme Commander in Tokyo, had recommended an increase of the R O K army in the front line, and his recommendation had been approved. So, there would be an expansion of the South Korean Army, in the near future.

Today, General Ryan was asked about this, and replied - still waiting for orders.

General Ryan wouldn't say how long it would take to create New South Korean Divisions, well trained, well equipped and dependable. He refused to make an estimate that would apply to Governor Dewey's



statement over the weekend. Dewey declaring -  
that General Eisenhower, if elected, would have  
South Koreans manning seventy-five percent of the  
war front within six months.

## KOREA

(The news from the war front pictures a tremendous bombardment, a cannonade of enemy positions for eight hours. But all that shell fire failed to rout out the defending Reds.)

When the barrage lifted, South Korean troops advanced up the slopes of hills, but were driven back. Communists emerged from deep trenches and bunkers, and met the R O K soldiers with mortar fire - described as ~~xxx~~ deadly accurate. The South Koreans attacked three times, but were repelled.

This was at the sector of Triangle Hill, where a series of Allied positions had been captured by the Reds. Nevertheless, ~~at~~ Eighth Army Commander General Van Fleet stated today that the U N troops have "complete control" of the central front situation.

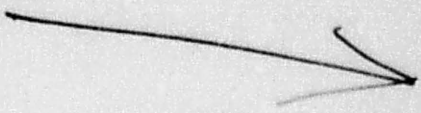
KOREA-U N

At the U N today, South Korea argued - don't sign an armistice at the present battle line. South Korean foreign Minister Y.T. Pyun, warned the political committee of the General Assembly that, even if there is a truce dividing Korea - his government will seek to gain ~~more~~ control of the northern part of the country. He said: "Victory alone is the only sane goal."

## PRISON

At the Ohio State prison, National Guardsmen marched in today - with fixed bayonets. This, after one mutineer had been killed, <sup>and</sup> three wounded - by shotgun fire.

The revolting convicts are described as being in a frenzy - some sort of mob psychology. They can't get out of cell blocks, but are running around inside - scampering along catwalks. All this - following the weekend prison riot, during which fire destroyed six buildings.

Today Governor Lausche of Ohio ordered the National Guard to take control, and State soldiers marched in - with fixed bayonets. 

ADD PRISON

The latest -- an announcement that the rioting prisoners have displayed two white flags. The warden says it appears that -- "some of the men want to give up."

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## ROBBERY

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Well, shortly after midnight, a party of police

and F B I men went to the small town of Azle, Texas, twelve miles north of Fort Worth, made their way into the dark woods, and started digging. They unearthed a thermos <sup>Jug,</sup> ~~box~~ crammed with one hundred and twenty-eight thousand dollars, loot stolen from the Cuban gun-runners.

Having retrieved this buried treasure, the ~~men~~ police and F B I men waited - hiding in the black woods.

At about three A.M. an automobile drove along a nearby ~~xxx~~ road, and stopped. A man got out- and, with a flashlight, went straight to the place where the treasure had been buried. He had a hoe, and started to dig. They covered him with shotguns, and arrested him - Floyd Allen Hill -- an ex-convict, released from Alcatraz last summer.

But how did the police and F B I know where the loot was buried? How did they get the information to trap the ex-convict? ~~xx~~ They <sup>re</sup> not saying, not

revealing the secret. That's a missing page in the  
detective story - the case of the Cuban gun-runners.

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ADLAI

An uproar at the University of Iowa, because of a song at the football game on Saturday.

At the Iowa State Oklahoma game, the students band of Iowa state put on a special performance -- in honor of the election. Marching across the football field, the musicians began by playing "I like Ike". After with, one member of the band sang a ditty to the tune of Dardanella. These were the words:

Vote for Adlai he  
Vote for Adlai he who  
He'll take care of you  
Vote for Adlai he  
Vote for Adlai he who  
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The "he who" may have sounded like the "hee-haw" of the Democratic donkey. But the Democrats didn't like it, and today out that way they were protesting loudly. They didn't like that he-who, Nelson.