

Campbell Predicts Welsh Nomination

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI)—A leading backer of Sen. Matthew E. Welsh, Vincennes, predicted today that he will capture the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, but his party rivals derided that forecast.

Alex Campbell, Fort Wayne Allen County chairman, said that the primary selection of state convention delegates just a week ago will bring the Statehouse nomination to Welsh on the initial balloting.

But the contention of Welsh's foes is that such claims are vastly premature because the great mass of the convention delegates have not yet made up their minds. These opponents are State Auditor Albert Steinwedel, Seymour; Secretary of State John R. Walsh, Anderson, and Sen. Neilson Grills, Indianapolis.

Incidentally Campbell's friends predict that he will be elected Indiana national committeeman to succeed National Chairman Paul M. Butler, South Bend at Saturday's party reorganization meeting.

Campbell maintains that Sen. Welsh's greatest strength is in the huge delegations from Lake, Marion, and Allen counties, but adds that the primary result showed big gains in St. Joseph and LaPorte counties and in a number of the rural areas.

Steinwedel Disputes
In Allen County, Welsh will have 93 delegates to 10 for Steinwedel, according to Campbell, but Steinwedel predicts that his delegate total there will be at least 44.

Steinwedel likewise asserts that he licked the Welsh organization forces in contests in four of

Unseasonable Chill Holds Grip On State

United Press International

Cold, damp weather with a touch of snow kept Indiana today in an unseasonable chill which may stretch into Thursday.

An average of about one-quarter of an inch of precipitation was recorded the last 24 hours, mostly in drizzle and very light rain.

In the extreme north, a little snow was observed mixed with the rain, the Weather Bureau reported.

Monday was one of the coldest May days on record in most parts of Indiana. The mercury never climbed past the 40s from the Ohio River to Lake Michigan. Highs included 40 at Lafayette, 41 at Indianapolis, 43 at South Bend and Fort Wayne, 44 at Cincinnati, 48 at Louisville and 49 at Evansville.

Overnight lows ranged from 36 at most northern and central points to 43 at Evansville.

Furthermore, little improvement was seen in the temperature situation before Thursday, when the outlook indicated it will be a "little warmer."

Highs today will range from the mid 40s to near 50, lows tonight from the mid 30s to near 40, and highs Wednesday from the mid 40s to near 50.

The pattern of occasional light rain or drizzle was expected to continue through today and probably tonight. Although the rain may stop by Wednesday morning, there was no indication clear weather would result. Considerable cloudiness was expected Wednesday and Thursday.

Precipitation totals for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today included 55 of an inch at Shoals, 26 at Fort Wayne, 23 at Lafayette, 22 at Indianapolis, 20 at South Bend, 11 at Terre Haute and .04 at Evansville.

Although Kennedy planned to do some handshaking at factory gates in nearby Nitro this morning, both candidates virtually closed their campaigns with TV appearances Monday night.

To sweep the religious issue out of the campaign, Kennedy reiterated that no president even if he were a Catholic, could take orders from the Pope without violating the presidential oath of office.

Humphrey Optimistic

Humphrey viewed himself as the candidate with the best chance of winning the presidential election and said his record was more in line with the Democratic Party platform. He said Kennedy had cast "a series of Republican votes" as a member of the House and Senate.

While trying to erase the religious issue by affirming his allegiance to the constitutional requirement for separation of church and state, Kennedy also has identified himself as the victim of a "stop-Kennedy" coalition.

He did not identify the author of the letter he read Monday night except to say it was written by a prominent West Virginia Democrat who was a candidate for delegate at large to the Democratic National Convention. Seven of the ten are after the 12 available jobs.

Reads From Letter
Kennedy read from a letter signed by "a prominent political figure" that his choice for the presidential nomination was Senator Democratic Leader Lyndon Johnson of Texas and the second choice was Sen. Stuart Symington of Missouri. The letter asked support for Humphrey in the primary and said it was important that he win.

A source in the Kennedy campaign organization said the letter was signed by Sen. Robert C. Byrd (D-W.Va.), an announced supporter of Johnson.

Humphrey came to the end of the campaign in a more forgiving mood than he showed over the weekend when he accused the Kennedy camp of "cheap, low-down gutter politics."

"I never believed it would be anything but nip and tuck," he told reporters Monday night.

"Jack has conducted a high-velocity campaign and a good one in West Virginia."

Handley left here by train late Monday and was expected to return Wednesday in time to attend the opening of the teen-age Science Fair at Butler University Fieldhouse.

Governor Handley At Indiana Dinner
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Close Result Predicted In West Virginia

Kennedy Unopposed On Nebraska Ballot

OMAHA, Neb. (UPI)—Sen. John F. Kennedy (D-Mass.) put his prestige on the line in the Nebraska primary today and hoped a sparkling showing would prove his vote drawing power as a presidential candidate in the farm belt.

Kennedy was considered a good bet to surpass the 55,265 votes collected by Sen. Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.) in the 1956 primary. Like Kefauver, Kennedy is unopposed on the ballot.

Good weather and several wild nomination battles brought predictions of a 225,000-vote turnout, largest in years.

Voter interest on the Republican side was heated up by a six-way race for the nomination for governor.

A free-for-all Democratic gubernatorial battle featured a bitter struggle between front-runners Robert Conrad, 37, and Frank Morrison. Conrad is administrative aide to Gov. Ralph G. Brooks while Morrison is a long-time

Brooks, who won the gubernatorial in 1958 in this traditionally Republican state, is seeking the nomination to the U.S. Senate and the right to meet Sen. Carl T. Curtis (R-Neb.) in November.

Delegates to the national party conventions selected in today's election were not committed to any candidate.

Massachusetts senator "the only man with the courage to enter the open presidential primary here."

The forces of Sen. Stuart Symington (D-Mo.) aimed to dim any Kennedy performance with a campaign directed straight at the uncommitted delegates. Symington backers said they would consider any write-in votes as strictly a bonus, since they had not campaigned for them.

Other write-in votes were expected to be cast for Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.) and Adlai E. Stevenson.

Drive For Clothing For Needy Children

During the month of May a drive

is being held in Decatur to raise clothing for needy children, not only in this country, but in foreign countries. The drive is being sponsored by the "Save the Children Corp." of Norwalk, Conn.

Since 1942 the federation has been striving to provide clothing for children in the southern mountain area who usually go barefoot the year around. They also have

provided for Indian children in the western part of the United States and for needy children of other lands.

Mrs. Adrian Baker, chairman of child welfare of the American Legion Auxiliary, is chairman of the drive and anyone in Adams county wishing to donate clothing is requested to bring it to the American Legion home or contact Mrs. Baker.

The kinds of clothing needed are: blankets, booties, cloth coats, cotton dresses, diapers, dungarees, hats, knit caps, overalls, overshoes, pajamas, pants, sheets, skirts, stockings, sweaters, underwear, work shoes, and especially low-heeled shoes.

Find Driver Asleep, Charges Are Filed

PORTLAND, Ind. (UPI)—Harold Loy, 29, Portland, suddenly saw a car parked without lights in Ind. 26 two miles east of here early today.

Loy swerved, missed the car and skidded into a ditch. He was

hurt slightly and three companions were uninjured. Police

came to investigate.

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