

F. D. R. GOING INTO SOUTH TO COMBAT WILLKIE'S BID

G. O. P. Nominee and Key Democratic Allies Plan Campaign.

NEW YORK, Aug. 23 (U. P.).—Republican Presidential nominee Wendell L. Willkie and his three key Democratic allies made plans today for a vigorous campaign in the Democratic "Solid South" after receiving reports that Mr. Willkie has a chance of carrying Texas, Florida, Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee.

Mr. Willkie announced his readiness to travel extensively and campaign actively throughout the nation, beginning Sept. 15 at Coffeyville, Kas.—and outlined the itinerary of a 17-day trip of more than 4,000 miles that will take him through 18 states during the latter part of September.

A series of conferences between the Republican nominee and Republican and anti-third term Democratic leaders produced these developments:

1. Plans for seven major speeches and 25 or more rear platform appearances in Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan. The major speeches will be at Coffeyville, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Ore., Seattle, somewhere in Iowa and at Detroit.

James Claims Pennsylvania

2. Assertions by Mr. Willkie and his Democratic supporters—former Undersecretary of the Treasury John W. Hanes, former Budget Director Lewis W. Douglas and President Allen Ballantine of Rochester University—that Mr. Willkie has a good chance of carrying Texas, Florida, Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee, and that active campaigns will be carried on in all southern states.

3. A prediction by Republican Governor Arthur H. James of Pennsylvania that Mr. Willkie will carry the Keystone state by more than 300,000 votes in November.

4. Republican National Chairman Joseph W. Martin Jr. announced that the Providence, R. I., local of the AFL's building service employees' international union had voted 194 for Willkie and 7 for Roosevelt in a poll.

5. Rep. Marcellus Evans, anti-New Deal New York Democrat, announced support of Mr. Willkie and the Republican platform as he accepted the G. O. P. designation in the Fifth New York District and denounced the New Deal program as "wholly un-American and foreign to the policies of the founders of this great republic."

Willkie Discusses Prospects

Mr. Willkie, himself, talked about his prospects in the South. He already has spoken of his Coffeyville campaign opener as a "strike" at the Southwest, and it appears now that he may visit Virginia and North Carolina as well as making a rear platform appearance in Amarillo, Tex., on his first stumping tour.

A reporter told Mr. Willkie that Democratic National Chairman Ed Flynn had said Mr. Willkie had no chance of carrying Texas, and Mr. Willkie retorted that he was "very gratified that Ed Flynn is worried about Texas and realizes the November result is a disputatious question."

The Republican nominee said that President Roosevelt's itinerary for his park dedication trip and defense inspection tour in North Carolina and Tennessee "sounded like my campaign itinerary."

"I just know that all his speeches will be non-political," Mr. Willkie said. "Mine will be political and will be announced as such."

HATCH ACT HITS STATE MACHINE: 2 TO QUIT POSTS

Simmons, Etter to Resign as Democrat Chairmen; Others Must Avoid Politics.

By NOBLE REED

The Hatch Act is throwing the cogs of the State Democratic machine out of gear.

In addition to two members of the State Committee who will have to resign because of holding State House jobs, nearly a score of other State employees, who in previous years were key men in campaign work, will have to stay out of the picture.

Virgil M. Simmons, State Conservation Commissioner, and Roy Etter, Crawfordville, State Highway Department superintendent, are expected to resign soon as district chairmen and members of the State Democratic Committee.

Bans Political Activity

Mr. Simmons is Fourth District chairman and Mr. Etter is Sixth District chairman. Both are members of the State Committee.

The Hatch Act bans from active participation in politics all state employees whose salaries are paid directly or indirectly with Federal funds. Both the Highway and Conservation Departments receive Federal funds.

Several others, now employed in both departments, will have to cancel their plans to take the stump during the fall campaign or resign their State jobs, party leaders said.

State Democratic Chairman Fred F. Bays said his organization and the State Administration have adopted a rigid policy in enforcement of the Hatch Act.

"Taking No Chances"

"Mr. Etter and Mr. Simmons probably could retain both positions under the letter of the law with liberal interpretations but we aren't taking any chances," he said.

Meanwhile, Mr. Bays, Mrs. Edna Bingham, State Democratic vice chairman; Frank M. McHale, National Committee chairman; and Mrs. Samuel M. Ralston, National vice committee chairman, went to New York City to confer with National Chairman Edward J. Flynn.

Indiana's part in the national campaign will be discussed.

'SOME POLITICIANS' PUT IN 5TH COLUMN

SALISBURY, Mass., Aug. 23 (U. P.).—Charges that "some of the nation's politicians and one or two labor leaders" are members of the fifth column in the United States were aired before the Massachusetts state convention of the American Legion here today.

J. H. Van Deventer, president and editor of the Iron Age magazine, charged that these unnamed politicians and labor chiefs are trying to create the impression that industry is falling down on the job of rearmament under the national defense program.

He told the convention that these "imitators of the Hitler technique of hatred" are attempting to undermine public confidence in industry and to array class against class in this country.

An understanding by the general public of the facts underlying defense efforts, he said, will prevent conflict between different groups of Americans and will prevent these "fifth columnists" from changing the country's name to the "Dis-United States of America."

President Opens Campaign With Talk at New TVA Link.

By THOMAS L. STOKES

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—President Roosevelt will open his campaign for re-election on Labor Day in a speech dedicating Chickamauga Dam near Chattanooga, Tenn., new link in the TVA power system.

Though the President might not confess that this address has any "political" implications, it is generally expected here that he will use that occasion to emphasize the New Deal's public power policy and outline the public utility issue as it will be developed against Wendell L. Willkie.

For it was over TVA that Mr. Willkie, then president of Commonwealth & Southern, first clashed with the New Deal. The long-drawn controversy, which finally resulted in sale of the company's properties in Tennessee to the TVA, catapulted the now Republican candidate to national notice.

Two Big Domestic Issues

He won much acclaim for the way he stood up and traded punches with the New Dealers, wading right in against the advice of some of the other heads in the utility business who preferred peace to such rough-and-ready tactics.

During the course of the controversy over the TVA rate structure, which Mr. Willkie claimed was discriminatory and was ruining private utilities, the President and his rival for the White House had quite a session with each other in Mr. Roosevelt's office.

In his brief southern venture, the President also will make a speech in the Smoky Mountain National Park and he is expected to have something to say about labor and New Deal labor policies.

These are two domestic issues—public power and labor protective statutes—which Democrats expect to stress.

Political Missionary Aspect

It would be surprising to New Deal advisers if President Roosevelt mentioned his opponent by name or attacked him directly, though the inference of his remarks will be clear enough. His strategy, it is expected, will be rather to state the case positively for New Deal measures, and leave the rest to his audience.

In his acceptance address, the Republican candidate advocated "Federal regulation of interstate utilities," and, as for labor, he supported collective bargaining and the maintenance of minimum standards for wages and maximum standards for hours.

Mr. Roosevelt's journey into the South has a political missionary aspect. Republicans are planning to make quite a bid for Southern votes and while in New York on his present visit Mr. Willkie is devoting much attention to formulation of campaign plans there with the two heads of the Democrats-for-Willkie organization, Lewis W. Douglas and John W. Hanes, both former New Deal officials.

Long F. D. R. Tour Expected

They profess to have real hopes in Tennessee, a border state which has shifted back and forth in Presidential elections in the past. The Republican candidate expects to speak in Tennessee during the course of the campaign.

President Roosevelt was scheduled to dedicate the Chickamauga Dam last spring, but the canceled the engagement on account of developments in the European war. However, Senator McKellar (D., Tenn.) found him in a very receptive mood to make the trip now when he called at the White House yesterday.

The Southern trip indicates the nature of the campaigning which will be undertaken by President Roosevelt this year.

He is expected to find numerous such occasions for speech-making in dedications—for which invitations pile up constantly at the White House—and in inspection trips to all types of Federal projects—public power, national defense, and the like.

Everybody here expects that, about Oct. 1, the list will be found so heavy that Mr. Roosevelt will find it expedient to go on an extended "non-political" tour that will take him to practically every section of the country.

2 BOYS KILLED WHEN TRAILER HITS CART

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Aug. 23 (U. P.).—Robert Smith, 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Smith, and Junior Ranzulla, 7-year-old stepson of Joseph Castagna, were killed yesterday on Road 24 near here when a small wooden cart in which they were riding was struck by a truck trailer driven by Tom Harris, 26, of St. Louis, Mo.

Gene Bradley, 9, riding with the two boys, escaped with minor injuries. His brother, Raymond, 11, who was pushing the cart was unhurt.

Mr. Harris, driving from St. Louis to Buffalo, N. Y., was exonerated by police.

LA PORTE, Ind., Aug. 23 (U. P.).—County officials today opened an investigation into the death of Charles Dubowski, 59, of South Chicago, Ill., from injuries suffered when he fell from a moving car on highway 6 near here Wednesday night.

VINCENNES, Ind., Aug. 23 (U. P.).—Fred G. Volle, 65, of Vincennes, died yesterday from injuries suffered near Bruceville Monday when his car crashed into a parked coal truck.

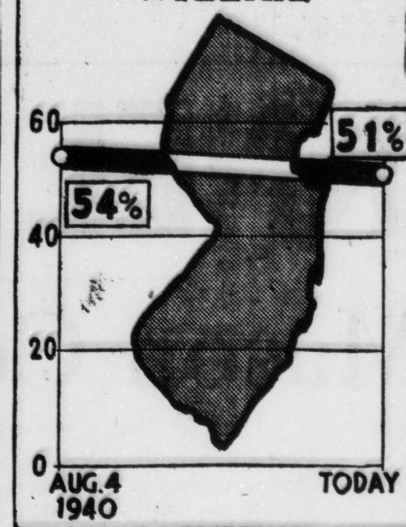
WASHINGTON, Ind., Aug. 23 (U. P.).—Claude Potts, 15, died last night in Daviess County Hospital from a gunshot wound received while squirrel hunting.

M'NARY NOTIFIER NAMED

Ivan C. Morgan of Austin, former State Republican chairman, will be Indiana's representative on the committee to notify Senator Charles L. McNary of Oregon, of his Vice Presidential nomination at Salem, Ore., Tuesday. The committee personnel was announced in Washington today by Republican National Chairman Joseph W. Martin Jr.

Willkie Slips Slightly in N. J. But Still Holds Lead in State

NEW JERSEY FAVORS WILLKIE



QUESTION

If election were held today, would you vote for Roosevelt or Willkie? NEW JERSEY WILLKIE... 51% F. D. R. ... 49%

By DR. GEORGE GALLUP
Director, American Institute of Public Opinion

PRINCETON, N. J., Aug. 23.—A state-wide survey of political sentiment throughout New Jersey finds the state leaning to Wendell Willkie by a small margin, but shows a slight drop in Willkie's popularity since early August.

New Jersey's 16 electoral votes make it a rich prize in any election. Although the state voted for Roosevelt in 1932 and went for him by the landslide figure of 60 per cent of the major party vote in 1936, the poll finds the following situation today:

NEW JERSEY VOTERS			
	Willkie	Roosevelt	
Aug. 4	54%	46%	
Today	51	49	

Virtually all of the interviewing in today's study in New Jersey was completed before Willkie delivered his acceptance address Saturday; hence the figures do not measure the effect of that speech.

As in the case in nearly every state, President Roosevelt's chief popular strength in New Jersey is in the cities.

However, as the following table shows, there has been a sharp deduction from Roosevelt since the 1936 election.

NEW JERSEY			
Major Party Vote for Roosevelt			
	1936 Election	Today	Points Loss
Places Over 100,000 in			
New Jersey	74%	62%	-12
Places Under 100,000 in			
New Jersey including rural	55	45	-10

2 PAPERS IN 3 BACK WILLKIE, SURVEY SHOWS

G. O. P. Candidate Has More Support Than Landon Or Hoover.

NEW YORK, Aug. 23 (U. P.).—Editor & Publisher, newspaper trade magazine, reported today that a survey showed 66.3 per cent of the nation's daily newspapers have given their editorial support to the Republican Presidential candidacy of Wendell Willkie, and that 20.1 per cent support President Roosevelt.

The magazine said its poll covered 54.5 per cent of the entire daily press.

The proportion of returns is best from the states in which the "newspaper preference for Mr. Willkie is marked and from those where newspaper opinion divides fairly evenly," the magazine reported.

Response was weakest from states which traditionally favor the Democratic candidate, the magazine said, adding that "these latter states also contribute the major part of the papers which state that they have not yet announced their selection, or that they intend to remain non-partisan."

The editors were asked whether they had supported Mr. Roosevelt in 1932 and 1936. The results in the number of newspapers for the three years showed that Mr. Roosevelt had the support of 399 newspapers in 1932 and 356 in 1936, as compared with 208 so far this year. The Republican candidates in 1932 and 1936 had the support of 573 and 623 newspapers, respectively, and to date Mr. Willkie is supported by 683 papers.

DIGNITY IS IGNORED

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 23 (U. P.).—Stephen Zunitz of Los Angeles solicited the assistance of Governor Cuthbert Olson in collecting fees to obtain signatures on political petitions. The petitions seek the recall of Governor Olson.

TEMPLETON TO WED HOLLYWOOD, Aug. 23 (U. P.).—Alec Templeton, blind English concert pianist, disclosed today that he will be married to Juliette Valant, singer, Sunday at the home of a friend. They will make a wedding trip to Chicago.

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