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Hoosiers in Washington—

## WILLKIE PRINCIPLE UPSETS POLITICIANS

Some Suggest He Put Patriotism on Ice for Duration of Campaign, But Neutral Observers Say He Has Done Creditable Job So Far.

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—Much of the fuss being kicked up around here over Wendell L. Willkie's conduct in the presidential campaign to date comes from G. O. P. politicians who cannot understand how a candidate can put principles above politics in an election year.

Some even suggest that he should put his Hoosier patriotism on ice, at least until after Nov. 5.

They would have had him come out against conscription, even if it was only to start a row, and failing this, would have him keep mum and ignore this most vital part of the defense program.

When he inforced the result of the trading of 50 over-age destroyers to Great Britain for badly needed Western Hemisphere defense bases, although disapproving the methods as "undemocratic," they shouted to the headlines that he should have declared boldly:

"This is an act of war!"

Said "Shush" Again

Even when he said he didn't care for support from the public, when it was pointed out on radio that these "professionals" would have had him "shush" and let civil liberties go by default.

They would have him conduct himself like the Indiana Congressman who spent much time cussing the Townsend Plan, voted for it, and then wrote his local banker that "our ideas are not far apart on this measure."

Jim Willkie was saying: "There is a time in any man's life when he mustn't let his principles interfere with his politics" would become the Willkie campaign slogan if the politicians had their way.

And the visit of Republican bigwigs this week at Rushville may determine whether or not some of them have been able to sell the candidate at least part of this bill of goods.

**Neutrals Favor Performance**

A disinterested majority, however, feel that Mr. Willkie has thus far turned in a very creditable performance. These neutrals, who are not yet sure that he has not let himself be used as a spearhead to tear the country asunder over the very vital issue of national defense.

That this might easily be done by a conscienceless rabble-rouser, who would want to win office if the cost was a civil war, is shown by the short tempers of the Congressmen themselves, the Conscription Bill debate.

Two men engaged in a fist fight on the floor during a night session this week. If that can happen among men schooled in the rough and tumble of debate anything might happen if these flames of hatred were fanned among the ordinary campaign crowds.

As one observer here put it: "Thank God, Willkie isn't willing to sell his American patriotism for a mess of campaign potage."

**Halleck to Go West**

Rep. Charles A. Halleck (R., Ind.), whose failure to support the Conscription Bill after its endorsement by Mr. Willkie caused considerable comment here, remains a close political adviser to the G. O. P. presidential candidate, nevertheless.

He will board the Willkie special at Chicago Sept. 14 for the campaign tour to Coffeyville, Kas., and points aboard.

**Minton Satisfied**

Senator Sherman Minton is being very brave about the split ballot ruling in Indiana.

"It puts me on the same ticket with President Roosevelt and I always have been willing to go up or down with him," the Senator said.

"If he wins, I will win, and if he loses, I will lose. But remember this, F. D. R. always has run ahead of the ticket in Indiana and I predict that he will do that this year despite the native son stuff."

Some visiting Democrats have been saying, however, that there is a good chance of Willkie carrying the state and the Democratic state ticket also being elected.

**Off to Slow Start**

The Burke Committee investigating the third term got away to a rather slow start this week. Senator Frederick VanNess, anti-Roosevelt Democrat, is a member.

On the second day of the hearings, Senator VanNess reported only one witness showed up and he couldn't recall his name "but he was a pretty bright fellow."

Yesterday, former Democratic Rep. Samuel B. Pettengill of South Bend testified "for himself and in his capacity as Chairman of the National Committee to Uphold Constitutional Government."

He stated a Frank Gannett organization sponsored by the Rochester, N. Y., publisher, who had the best parades of any G. O. P. presidential candidate at Philadelphia.

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## Backyard Conference With Editors



Another one of the now famous Rushville backyard campaign conferences of Wendell L. Willkie. Mr. Willkie (standing in the center) outlined his policies to farm publication editors.

## WILLKIE BARES FARM PROGRAM

Promises to Cut Power Rates in Conference With Editors.

RUSHVILLE, Ind., Sept. 7 (U. P.)—Wendell L. Willkie offered farmers a nine-point program today headed by a pledge to increase the purchasing power of the nation's workers by putting the unemployed back to work.

He promised to seek solutions to the agricultural, industrial and national defense problems by democratic means and said that if "we cannot defeat the dictators through the processes of democracy, then we will prove that the democratic way is the better way."

The Republican Presidential candidate called for further extension of Federal financing of rural electrification and promised to reduce the rates charged to farmers.

**Promises Cheaper Power**

He told farm editors and radio commentators from the East and Middle West yesterday that the company he formerly headed, Commonwealth & Southern Corp., charged farmers less for electricity than Federally financed co-operatives.

Tenants on his five Indiana farms paid 7 cents per kilowatt for the first 30 kilowatt hours of power furnished by REA lines and Michigan farmers serviced by C. & S. paid approximately 4½ cents per kilowatt for the first 30 kilowatt hours, he said.

"That's not baloney," he said. "There are the figures. The farmers are entitled to electricity at lower rates."

**Program for Agriculture**

He is his agricultural program. 1. Wise administration of Federal laws to stimulate business, decrease unemployment and increase purchasing power.

2. Continuation of Federal soil conservation payments.

3. Readjustment eventually of farm taxation to shift the base from fixed land values to correspond to fluctuating farm income, depending upon crops.

4. Reduction eventually of high tariff barriers to remove the farmer's disadvantage of being required to sell his goods in an unprotected world market and buy in a protected domestic economy.

**Bars Price Fixing**

5. Increased Federal funds for agricultural reparation and additional contract lower rates to insure lower rates to farmers.

6. No Government price fixing of farm products.

7. Continued Federal crop loans for acquisition of farms by tenants and share croppers.

8. Decentralization of farm program administration.

9. Federal encouragement of the search for new outlets and uses for farm products.

**KERSHNER GOES TO N. Y.**

Dean Frederick D. Kershner of the Butler College of Religion will attend the Conference on Science, Philosophy and Religion, in Their Relation to Life, Monday through Wednesday in New York. Sessions will be at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

**Mary Told Charley Where Mrs. Klunczak Kept Jewels**

NEW YORK, Sept. 7 (U. P.)—The judge asked Thompson why he hadn't joined the army instead of becoming a thief. The youth said he had a job as maid and received \$3 every week.

But her friends, Charles and Regina Thompson, 20 and 18, were not so fortunate. They had no jobs, no home, no food. They slept in doorways and were hungry. And they had been married just two weeks.

So, Mary told County Judge George W. Martin today, she let them into the home of her employer, Mrs. Helen Klunczak, and pointed to the place where Mrs. Klunczak kept her jewelry.

Police said the Thompsons took the jewelry, valued at \$275, and pawned it, but that it had been recovered.

"They were hungry," Mary explained. "I had no money to give them. So I took them into the apartment and showed Charley where the jewelry was. All Regna did was to pawn the jewelry."

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## CENSUS MISSED A MERE 1.4 PCT. OF POPULATION

Gallup Poll Shows Many Mistakenly Felt They Were Overlooked.

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

PRINCETON, N. J., Sept. 7.—Ever since the first U. S. census was conducted in 1790 statisticians have debated the question: "How accurate is the census?" In recent years statisticians have estimated that Uncle Sam's census-takers might have missed from 5 to 10 per cent of the total population.

But a new study conducted by the American Institute of Public Opinion in all parts of the United States indicates for the first time in history how good a job has been done.

At regular intervals since the early days of the census last April the Institute has asked a nationally selected cross-section of the American public: "Has a Government census-taker called at your home and obtained the information for the Government about you?"

### 1.4 Per Cent Missed

With the great job of census-taking virtually completed the Institute survey indicates that less than one person in 5—actually 1.4 per cent in the Institute's cross-section—was missed.

When this figure is applied to the estimated census totals for the United States, the indications are that Uncle Sam's enumerators missed only from 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 persons. While a variable of such size might be enough to boost several American cities into the 100,000 or 500,000 population groups, statisticians regard it as a remarkably small error in an enterprise as far-reaching and difficult as the U. S. census.

Nor were census omissions concentrated in any particular areas or localities, the Institute's study indicates.

### We've Been Away

Such oversights as were revealed were distributed through all sections of the country, and in urban as well as rural areas.

"We've been away" . . . "no body ever comes out this way" . . . "we just didn't see a census-man out our way" . . . these are the explanations given by typical persons who say they were missed by the census-takers.

Interestingly enough, a comparatively large number of Americans (about 4 per cent) said they believed Mr. Roosevelt must make shortly in whether to reappoint Mr. Madden or release him. Mr. Roosevelt is expected to make a decision while here.

Mr. Millis, it was reported authoritatively, has been offered the chairmanship, thus indicating that Mr. Madden is to be eliminated, perhaps by being kicked upstairs through a promotion to the Federal judiciary.

Many New Dealers who believe Mr. Madden's Labor Board administration has been liberal, want him reappointed. The C. I. O. supports him, but he and member Edwin S. Smith, who constitute a two-man majority, have been under heavy fire from the A. F. of L.

Mr. Roosevelt yesterday eliminated from the board Charles Hayes, its general counsel.

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**U. S. PROBES PLANE CRASH KILLING 25**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7 (U. P.)—The Civil Aeronautics Board resumes its inquiry today into the cause of the crash of a Pennsylvania Central Airlines plane that killed 25 persons near Lovettsville, Va., last Saturday.

The groundwork for the inquiry was laid yesterday, with the testimony of approximately 30 eye-witnesses. Farmers from the Blue Ridge foothills where the accident occurred were brought to Washington to tell what they saw and heard.

Some said they saw the plane in flames in midair before the crash. Others said that it exploded when it struck the ground but did not catch fire.

**MANUFACTURERS CLUB TO STAGE JAMBOREE**

DOORS of the Hillcrest Country Club will be thrown open for the second annual jamboree of the Indianapolis Manufacturers' Representative Club Thursday.

Starting at noon with a picnic lunch approximately 200 persons will spend the afternoon at golf, tennis, swimming and horseshoe pitching.

The club is the successor to the old Broker's Club.

V. E. Ellers is president. Other officers are S. S. Vice president, H. E. Shuster, treasurer and Fred E. Crostree, secretary.

The organization meets regularly on the first Monday of each month at the Hotel Warren.

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