

# Politics

BY EARL RICHERT



WHEN GOVERNOR DEWEY went through here at the start of his western campaign tour, he was greeted at the railway station by State Senator Robert G. Miller of Bloomington who introduced himself as the man who managed Governor E. Copehart's successful campaign for the G. O. P. senatorial nomination.

"Well," said Mr. Dewey a little curly, "I hope he wins in November. That's the important thing."

This remark of Governor Dewey's highlights the main concern of the Republicans in the national phase of the Indiana campaign.

They think that the state is safe for Dewey, regardless of developments, and they feel confident that they will re-elect their nine congressmen. (It is noticeable that G. O. P. leaders have not claimed that they will unseat Rep. Louis Ludlow in Indiana or Rep. Ray Madden in Lake county, the only remaining Democratic congressmen in the state.)

But they are not sure, at least the Republicans at national headquarters aren't, that they can beat Governor Schricker, the popular Democratic senatorial nominee.

#### A Stock Answer

INDIANA REPUBLICANS all have one stock answer on the Schricker-Copehart question. They say the Dewey margin will be so big that the governor will be defeated.

They base this upon the theory, proved many times in actual practice, that Hoosier voters do not scratch to any appreciable extent.

In 1940, when Mr. Schricker was elected, the margin between Wendell Willkie and President Roosevelt was extremely close, Willkie carrying the state by only 25,000 votes, with a total of around 1,800,000 cast.

Two polls currently give Indiana to Dewey by 55 per cent. This, if it is true and as many people vote as in 1940, would give Mr. Dewey a victory by 177,000 votes.

But one of these polls, the Gallup, gave Indiana to Willkie by 55 per cent in 1940, whereas he carried it by only 51 per cent.

#### Schricker Headed FDR

MR. SCHRICKER in 1940, when he was much less known than now, ran 15,000 votes ahead of President Roosevelt—in other words 15,000 persons who voted for Willkie for President voted for Schricker for governor.

Democratic leaders are saying that the governor will run at least 75,000 votes ahead of Roosevelt this time and some of them even go so far as to say that no Dewey margin will defeat him.

One high ranking organization Republican says he figures that the governor will run 50,000 ahead of Mr. Roosevelt.

Anyway, the general consensus at this stage of the campaign is that the governor is a cinch to be elected if Dewey carries the state by a margin of 75,000 or less and there are many who will bet on a Schricker victory with Dewey carrying the state by 100,000.

#### Scratch Vote in 1928

THAT INDIANA voters have scratched in the past is shown by the 1928 election in which the Republican presidential candidate, Herbert Hoover, carried the state by 286,000 votes while the G. O. P. Gubernatorial Nominee Harry Leslie won by only 45,000 votes over his Democratic opponent, Frank G. Dailey.

#### An Important Race

THE SENATORIAL race in Indiana is extremely important nationally, from the Republican standpoint.

It is extremely doubtful in the

## IN INDIANAPOLIS

### EVENTS TODAY

Indianapolis Typewriter, meeting, Washington hotel, 10:30 a.m.; Alpha, seniority, convention, Lincoln hotel.

Indiana Motor Truck association, convention, Claypool hotel.

### EVENTS TOMORROW

Gideon society, meeting, Washington hotel, 7:30 p.m.; Alpha, seniority, convention, Lincoln hotel.

Indiana Motor Truck association, convention, Claypool hotel.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Joseph Patrick Capp, 44, W. Holmes; Lillian Bennett, 35, N. Lynn.

Harold E. Clapp, 229 N. Delaware; Bonnie Jean Davis, Morrison.

Irvin E. Dill, 200 N. Meridian; Vonda W. Barker, 1610 Rembrandt.

William Elliott, U. S. navy; Maxine Goodwin, 200 N. Meridian.

Harry Edward Figg, Jr.; Harrison; Emily Geraldine Lewis, 718 N. Sherman dr.

Donald E. McFee, 1404 Central; Doris Garrett, 1404 Central.

William A. Kivett, 125 W. Walnut; Barbara Williams, 125 W. Walnut.

Robert Leroy Sandquist, Brighton; Cole Kathryn Louise Kramer, Brighton.

Corliss John Memee, U. S. army; Virginia Agnes Dunn, 929 S. Missouri.

Walter Eugene Morris, 129 N. Hamilton; Esther Jean Tamm, 29 S. Meridian.

George McFee, 2085 N. Capitol; Lillie Hamilton, 2085 N. Capitol.

John E. Miller, U. S. army; Geraldine Hadley, 1516 Kappes.

Fred Thomas Stratton, 2220 N. Talbot; Dorothy Bures, 1620 N. Pennsylvania.

John Compton Walker, U. S. armed services; Joanne Louise Munford, 889 N. Delaware.

### BIRTHS

Twins

Roman, Anna Belle Broadus, at City, girl.

Giles

Donald, Bernice McCarney, at City.

Fred, Anna Hauns, at St. Vincent's.

Robert, Betty Curtis, at St. Vincent's.

George, Donald, at St. Vincent's.

Lawrence, Margarette Carr, at Methodist.

Homer, Max Cummings, at Methodist.

Hamilton, Lillian Jacobs, at Methodist.

James, Katherine Kavansup, at Methodist.

Walter, Elizabeth Bright, at Methodist.

George, Mildred, at Methodist.

Paul, Florence Dotz, at 1114 E. 9th.

Veronica, Margaret Pritchard, at 521 N. Alabama.

Robert, Pauline Scott, at 2226 Stuart.

Shelton, Eunice Dickinson, at 2415 Parker.

Ben, Luella Reed, at 573 Jones.

Willie, John, at 1097 W. 27th.

Fred, Martha Gibson, at 411 W. 10th.

Howard, Clarice Cochran, 719 N. Davidson.

Anderson, Moseley Brown, at 704 Blake.

Boys

John, Mary Flanagan, at St. Francis.

Boy, Norma Reid, at St. Francis.

Rand, Willie Sheed, at City.

Ashburn, Julia Edwards, at St. Vincent's.

## 2 BOYS HURT WHEN BICYCLE IS STRUCK

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ALLIED HEADQUARTERS

Southwest Pacific, Oct. 6 (U. P.)— Allied warplanes, striking for the second time in five days at Japan's richest oil prize in the Pacific, stoked new fires in the great Balikpapan refinery on eastern Borneo st. last night.

They were James Shirey, 9, of 2735 Gale st., and Joseph Keller, 8, of 2815 Gale st. Both were taken to City hospital, where their condition was described as not serious.

Simultaneously, Adm. Chester W.

Nimitz Pacific fleet headquarters at Pearl Harbor announced that the toll of Japanese dead in the southern Palau had reached 11,043, almost 11 times the number of American lives lost in the invasion of that strategic island chain.

The devastating fire raid on Balikpapan was launched by a strong force of Liberators from the Southwest Pacific 13th air force at a cost of seven bombers, the heaviest loss of four-engine planes ever reported in a single action in that theater.

Battling through intense anti-aircraft fire and a screen of 40 bombers, the raiders dropped 40 tons of high explosive and fire bombs across the Pandansari and Edelau refineries, touching off fires and explosions that sent black oil smoke billowing 8000 feet into the air.

Both refineries were badly battered Saturday when the 13th air force hit the Balikpapan area with a record 74 tons of bombs.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur, labeling the gutted fields as "the most

lucrative strategic target in the Pacific," declared that their destruction would rob Japan of one-sixth of her fuel sources. Millions of barrels of oil were believed packed into the Balikpapan area awaiting shipment to the fighting zones.

### G. L.'S VOTE IN SYDNEY

SYDNEY, Australia, Oct. 6 (U. P.)—American service men began casting absentee ballots today in the U. S. presidential election. The voting was carried out in special booths in barracks.

They were accompanied by several army officials.

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## GEN. MARSHALL FLIES DIRECTLY TO FRANCE

PARIS Oct. 6 (U. P.)—Gen. George C. Marshall, U. S. army chief of staff, and Director James Byrnes of the office of war mobilization arrived in France today on the first regularly scheduled army air transport passenger plane to fly directly to France from the United States.

They were accompanied by several army officials.