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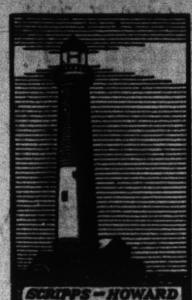
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DEWEY SPEAKS AT 8:45 TONIGHT

Communism Issue Slated;
Wallace Plans Tour;
Truman in Missouri.

By UNITED PRESS

Governor Thomas E. Dewey, G. O. P. presidential nominee, prepared to attack the "whole course" of the Roosevelt administration in his ninth campaign speech in Charlestown, W. Va., at 8:45 o'clock (Indianapolis time) tonight. Dewey intimated aboard his special train that he would discuss the President's disavowal of Communist support in his Charleston speech, which will be broadcast over a C. B. S. network.

G. O. P. vice presidential candidate John W. Bricker headed for St. Paul, Minn., after declaring in Milwaukee, Wis., Friday night that

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (U. P.)—President Roosevelt will address the foreign policy association at a New York dinner meeting on Oct. 21, the White House disclosed today.

government by secrecy would be ended by a Republican administration.

The Democratic vice presidential nominee, Senator Harry S. Truman (D. Mo.), was in Caruthersville, Mo., on Saturday and Sunday for the Legion fair while the outgoing vice president, Henry A. Wallace, announced that he would leave Washington next week on a speaking tour of the Midwest.

Admit F. D. R. 'Slip'

Other developments:

1 The White House admitted the President slipped when he said Republicans had copies of political speeches printed without cost to themselves at the government printing office. U. S. public printer A. E. Giesengack told the United Press (Continued on Page 2—Column 5)

WILLKIE REPORTED
VERY MUCH BETTER

NEW YORK, Oct. 7 (U. P.)—Wendell L. Willkie was reported "very much better" by his physician today after a "comfortable night" at Lenox Hill hospital where the 1940 presidential candidate has been critically ill.

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FAMILY AWAIT IRON LUNG HERO

Yank Who Contracted Polio
In Tibet Back in U. S.
After 57-Hour Flight.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (U. P.)—His epic fight for life nearly won Lt. Robert Wesselhoeft Jr., who made a 57-hour flight here from Calcutta in a makeshift iron lung after contracting infantile paralysis in a remote area of Tibet, looked forward today to a reunion with his family.

FIFTEEN THOUSAND an hour passed his bronze casket until close to 250,000 men and women, young and old, the great and the unnoticed, had paid their respects.

The crowds, which had moved in long queues since 1:10 p. m. (Indianapolis time) yesterday, stood outside during the pontifical mass requiem attended at 10 a. m. (Indianapolis time) by those the whom the family had sent cards.

For hours yesterday, last night, and early today young men in uniforms, old men on canes, women in all sorts of apparel passed slowly through the cathedral.

THOUSANDS stood in a chill drizzle in the long queue that wound around the cathedral while other thousands stood across Fifth ave., waiting to take their place in line.

Governor Thomas E. Dewey, (Continued on Page 2—Column 2)

RICH AND POOR—
250,000 Friends
Pay Tribute to
Happy Warrior

NEW YORK, Oct. 7 (U. P.)—They gave the rites of the dead to Alfred E. Smith today in the same manner that he had lived, simply, with the rich and the poor crowding to be near him.

Throughout the night as Smith's body lay in state, the sidewalks of New York, where he loved to walk, the people who loved him into St. Patrick's cathedral for a last look at the Happy Warrior.

Wesselhoeft's wife, his 4-year-old daughter and his six-months-old son he has never seen, live at Chat-ham, Mass.

The story of the tall, grimacing lieutenant's battle for the breath his paralytic chest was unable to pump into his lungs began on a mountain in Tibet last June where he was a member of a mapping expedition.

Stricken suddenly, Wesselhoeft was kept alive for 14 days by his two buddies and Chinese coolies—days during which his little party had to portage over almost impossible mountain terrain with the artificial respiration going on like clockwork every minute.

They climbed a 12,000-foot pass to where a little one-seater rescue plane had been flown, only to find that there was no runway.

Three days more of waiting and pumping of Wesselhoeft's chest were necessary while the coolies

Nazis Reported
Fleeing Greece

ROME, Oct. 7 (U. P.)—German troops were reported evacuating Greece and the Aegean islands by sea and air under merciless attack by allied planes and warships today as British invasion forces swarmed ashore on the islands and occupied virtually all of the Peloponnesus mainland peninsula in a swift drive on Athens.

(A. B. C. broadcast recorded by C. B. S. in New York quoted Greek sources in London as saying that street fighting has been raging in the center of Athens for several days. The Germans have blockaded all roads leading to the capital, the broadcast said.)

(A. C. B. S. report said the British had driven 16 miles beyond Rion to within 44 miles of Corinth.)

At least two Nazi-occupied Grecian islands, Samos and Lefkada, were disclosed officially to have been taken by British assault troops, and Kholos, Mytilene (Lesbos), Andros, and Skyros also were reported in allied hands.

Unconfirmed reports said allied troops had landed on Rhodes, the main German stronghold in the Dodecanese group, and that R. A. F. planes already were operating from fields on the island.

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NAZIS RUSHING DEFENSES FOR CORINTH STAND

Germans Cross Gulf and
Unreel Backwards Epi-
sodes in Greek History.

By GEORGE WELLER
Times Foreign Correspondent

ROME, Oct. 7.—Tightening by withdrawal the sack in which they are held between Belgrade and Athens, the German forces have executed a planned retreat from the Peloponnesus, and are now fortifying their positions north of the Gulf of Corinth, preparatory to making a stand similar to that made by their forces in the Po valley.

Prodded by the British landings, but without meeting any more serious impediment than patrol encounters, the Germans have crossed the blue gulf which separates northern Greece from the Peloponnesus at two points: the Gulf of Corinth and the narrows at Rion in western Greece.

No attempt to dislodge them from either of these natural defenses has yet been announced, though Greek-based British fighters are harrying them from the air despite unfavorable weather.

History in Reverse

At both trans-gulf points the German forces are unreeling backwards two episodes in Greek history. At Corinth more than three years ago the Australians held until they were overwhelmed by Nazi paratroopers, after which they managed with snipers to shoot and explode the mined key bridge. Now the Germans await a similar onslaught.

In western Greece the Germans have withdrawn into the country around Missolonghi, whence Lord Byron directed Greece's struggle for freedom. The airport at Agrinon here is in German-held territory.

The Germans have torn up the railroad tracks of the circum-Peloponnesus line, and mined the roads with their customary thoroughness.

It cannot yet be said that we have more than a foothold in Greece and a potential staging area for more substantial operations.

Germans Tricked

Particularly in western Greece, the Germans were tricked into a tame withdrawal before the British force, which was then their inferior but since has been considerably strengthened.

Though the Greeks are stripping their henhouses and gardens to help the invading forces, this campaign is presenting almost as many difficulties for the besiegers as the besieged.

The Greeks are comporting themselves with pitiable dignity in their shoeless, starved condition.

One question which touched the hearts of those first British forces to land was, "Will our allies treat us at least as well as they have our old enemies, the Italians?"

The universal demand is not for food, which is so evidently needed, but for quinine. Malaria has raged in Greece and has completely debilitated the population in the swampland areas, though it has not reached the death toll.

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Careful Plans Laid for
Franco's Overthrow,
French Claim.

By HELEN KIRKPATRICK
Times Foreign Service

PARIS, Oct. 7.—A revolution in Spain within the next four months is believed to be inevitable, according to a prominent Frenchman just arrived here from Madrid.

All indications point to a revolt against Caudillo Francisco Franco's regime some time around the beginning of next year.

Careful plans have been laid and tension is obvious throughout the country, according to this man, who knows Spain well.

News of the closing of the Franco-Spanish border is interpreted here as an attempt to nip the revolution in the bud.

If such a revolt should occur, the consequences for France would be enormous.

Anti-Franco feeling here is strong, particularly among former members of the underground, who cannot forget the treatment the French received from the Spanish regime when they attempted to flee from France to England.

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In a New Book

By ANTON SCHERRER

MY SUSPICION that everything in and around Indianapolis is connected with James Whitcomb Riley has finally been confirmed. Two cigars ("La Flora de Riley" and "Hoosier Poet") have been named for him, and also a park, a hotel, a hospital, a carna- nation, a train, a ship, a summer resort, a Rotarians' banqueting hall and several brands of food most of which call for Riley's name.

The material necessary to convince me came by way of a brand new 352-page book: "A Biography of James Whitcomb Riley," by Anthony J. Russo and Dorothy R. Russo. It is dedicated to Josiah K. Lilly Jr., "whose interest made possible the preparation of this book."

In a sense, it is also a memorial to Anthony J. Russo who died in 1940, a year or so after the work was begun. His wife continued the patient, painstaking research to give us an exquisitely designed and beautiful book.

The book, a product of the Lakeside Press, carries the imprimatur of the Indiana Historical society, the members of which

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MAJOR BREAK-THROUGH SCORED NORTH OF AACHEN; YANKS ADVANCE ON RHINE

95th Anniversary of Riley's Birth Finds Spirit Fresh

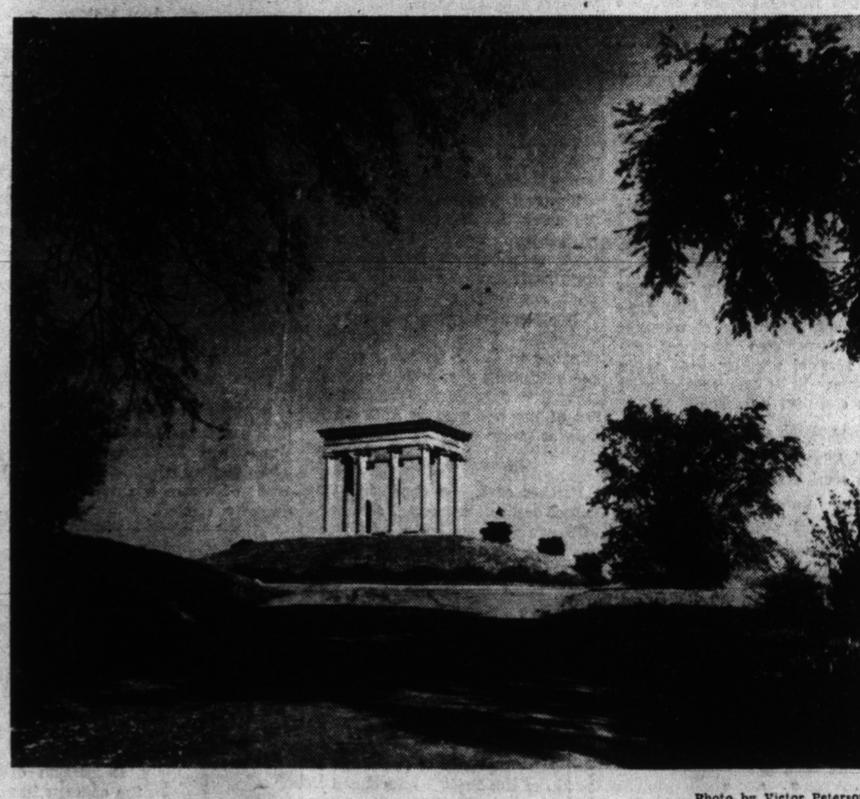


Photo by Victor Peterson

Here on the highest point at Crown Hill is the majestic memorial to the beloved Indiana poet, James Whitcomb Riley. Today on the 95th anniversary of his birth his spirit is fresh in the hearts of all Hoosiers.

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