

# WASHINGTON

## Calling

A Weekly Sizeup by the Washington Staff of the Scripps-Howard Newspapers

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Nippon, and it's up to Jap fleet to prevent the break-through at any cost—if it can.

One of the greatest sea battles in all history is in the making.

### Robot Bomb Threat Still Exists

BUT DON'T expect any letdown in Europe. The true significance of the robot bomb is too well understood in Washington and London to warrant taking it easy.

Had the buzzbomb been ready three months earlier, it might have doomed the European invasion.

The V-2 is no mere Nazi lugaboo. It exists. Its destructive power is terrific.

Our only comfort is that the Nazis haven't yet got it under control. Its operation is erratic.

But time can cure that. If Hitler can prolong the war—even until next spring or summer—he may be able to perfect the new engine of destruction, and he counts on it to give him a negotiated peace. Nobody in the know is laughing off this possibility.

### Dewey's Camp in High Spirits

GOVERNOR DEWEY'S camp is in top spirits over two campaign developments of last 48 hours. First, what Dewey advisers call the strongly defensive tone of F. D. R.'s Thursday night speech, and second, obvious confusion on Democratic side as to whether F. D. R. is to make any more public campaign appearances.

Some G. O. P. campaigners thought the President's speech started out well but sagged sharply after the first few minutes, that it lacked the fire of the teamsters' speech of two weeks ago.

Whether its tone was due to bad reaction to the "Fala speech" or to something else, they counted it an omen favorable to Republican side.

Dewey is sure to take advantage of every opening left by Democrats from here on, to return blow for blow. Some advisers have urged him to swing hard in Charleston speech tonight.

Meanwhile, if Roosevelt makes more speeches, one of them will be devoted to answering Dewey's charge of unpreparedness for war. Presidential side are digging out Republican voting records on air force expansion, selective service, lend-lease.

### Industry and Politics

PARTY CAMPAIGNERS sizing up presidential prospects have discovered that war industry has changed many things. Plants established in hitherto rural areas brought in large numbers of unionized workers and these now threaten to overturn established political performances and swing some farm sections for F. D. R.

At the same time, Democrats complain that worker migration and turnover, as in shipyards, have lost the vote for thousands of Roosevelt supporters.

Population losses in depressed hard-coal areas for instance, may effect Democratic totals.

FOR THE first time, politicians pay respectful attention this year to the women's auxiliaries, hitherto kept powerless. Reason: A League of Women Voters estimates that women will cast 60 per cent of the vote in states like Pennsylvania.

### Byrnes and FDR Piff?

FRIENDS OF War Mobilizer James F. Byrnes say he has not seen F. D. R. since the Democratic convention, despite the fact that his office is in the White House, his job often labeled "assistant president." Harry Hopkins has been the go-between in handling Byrnes-Roosevelt matters.

Reason is Byrnes' feeling about the treatment accorded his vice presidential candidacy. He was given to understand he was the President's choice, then slapped down hard.

When Byrnes quits next month as OWM director to enter private law practice, Ben Cohen, his general counsel, will leave to. Intimates say they'll be law partners.

### TIBET TO THE U. S.; IRON LUNG EPIC ENDS

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made a runway so the plane could take off.

But the sick man was six feet four, weighed 200 pounds, and the plane was so tiny there was room only for the patient and the pilot.

The pilot, Maj. Fred G. Welsh, West Englewood, N. J., threw all the equipment out of the plane, including parachutes, and shakily took off.

Over the 'Hump'

Over the dangerous Himalayan "hump" where U. S. planes daily fly supplies into and out of China, Maj. Welsh piloted his little aircraft with his right hand while with the left he pumped a canvas bellows that kept Wesselhoft breathing.

Then for two and a half months Wesselhoft lay in a British "Jung" in Calcutta while 1st Lt. David D. Conrad of Memphis and Sgt. Frederick Beecher of New Brunswick, N. J., improvised an artificial respirator out of old airplane and jeep parts to enable their countryman to be flown back to America.

KWEILIN SEA OF FLAMES

KWEILIN, Kwangsi Province, China, Oct. 7 (U. P.).—This ancient, imperial city, known as the Paris of China, has been turned into a sea of flame in the past 24 hours as Japanese forces draw near.

### City-Wide BRANCHES

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## YANKS SMASH TOWARD RHINE

Major Break-Through Is Scored North of Aachen.

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some 10 to 12 miles to the north scored the break-through.

### Gain at Ft. Driant

Doughboys of the American 3d army under Lt. Gen. George S. Patton extended their hold on the southwest corner of embattled Ft. Driant in the suburbs of Metz to within 100 yards of the main fortifications, where they could hear the Germans shouting to one another.

The Americans also had a toehold on the northwest corner of the fortress.

South of Metz, the 3d army yielded some ground to an enemy counter-attack near Sivry, nine miles north of Nancy, but advanced more than half-way through the Parrot forest east of Lunerville against stubborn resistance and captured Ancionnet, six miles southwest of Baccarat.

Supreme headquarters reported the Germans had sent substantial reinforcements of good troops, including "fight-to-the-death" fanatics, into the heavily-wooded area northeast of the Epinal-Montbelair gap into Germany north of the Swiss border.

Far to the north, the Canadian 1st army linked up its several bridgeheads across the Leopold canal in northwest Belgium for a solid front nearly three and a half miles long and a mile deep.

The Canadians were meeting stiff opposition from German forces clinging to their positions on the south bank of the Schelde estuary, seeking to deprive the allies of the use of the big port of Antwerp as long as possible.

### Opposition Lighter

Further east, the opposition was lighter and the Canadians advanced to Santvilt, three and a half miles north of Lille and just south of the Dutch border and also gained three miles north of Putte, well inside the border.

British and Polish columns on the Canadian flank advanced two miles along parallel roads to within a few thousand yards of Tilburg, hinge of the German salient.

The daily headquarters communiqué reported "heavy local fighting" northwest of Nijmegen at the tip of the British bridgehead in Holland across the Rhine river, but an official spokesman declined comment on a German report that the British had made a new crossing of the lower Rhine.

Hint Armies Entered

London morning newspapers carried an unconfirmed Stockholm report that British tanks, striking out from the new bridgehead, had broken into Arnheim.

Fighting continued on the perimeter of besieged Dunkerque, last German-held port on the French channel coast, but there was no confirmation that the British and Canadians yet had launched their final assault against the stronghold.

On the 3d army front, American Thunderbolt fighter-bombers were credited with effectively sealing a huge German railway gun, mounted on a German report that the British had made a new crossing of the lower Rhine.

Reconversion Bill

CONGRESS LEADERS see scant hope for liberalizing unemployment—compensation features of reconversion bill in the post-election session.

Roosevelt, in signing bill, lamented omissions of travel pay and minimum standards of jobless benefits, but action is likely to go over to the new congress.

### EXODUS FROM war production centers is under way and mounting weekly through the Midwest.

Hundreds of war workers and their families have quietly gone back to the farm and smaller towns. WMC reports show plant requirements spotty, with need still great in some areas.

### 250,000 at Bier Of Smith in N. Y.

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who seeks the presidency from the same gubernatorial office Smith sought it in 1928, was there. So was Mrs. Dewey.

With a member of the Smith family, they knelt and prayed.

THE FORMER governor, Herbert H. Lehman, now head of the United Nations relief and rehabilitation administration, paused before the open casket, then sat for a moment, head bowed, in a nearby pew.

A delegation of 250 union leaders passed.

A grey-haired woman in a tattered coat sobbed as she turned away from the casket.

The soft music of the organ filled the church and a policeman said quietly, "Keep moving, please."

FIFTEEN HUNDRED young girls who had sung at intervals started to cross the cathedral and pass the bier, but Mgr. Joseph P. Flannelly waved them to the end of the long line.

"That is the way he would do it—in the democratic manner," said Flannelly.

THE LIGHT from candles flickered across the white face of the dead warrior.

He was dressed in a black suit. Across his hands lay a garnet rosary given him by the late Pope Pius XI, and pinned to his jacket was the white cross of the Knights of Malta.

Looking down on the casket was a statue of the Virgin, it hands lifted in blessing.

## Ralph S. Norwood Elected President of Rotary Club

RALPH S. NORWOOD, president of L. Strauss & Co., Inc., has been elected president of the Rotary club of Indianapolis. Mr. Norwood succeeds Howard N. Sweetman.

Mr. Norwood has been active in Rotary for a number of years and was advanced from the office of first vice president. He will serve until October, 1945.

MR. NORWOOD during the last year directed the activities of the "open road" committee, which in drafting an outline of the basic concepts of free enterprise attracted national attention.

He has been active in Indianapolis civic and business affairs and is a director and former president of the Indianapolis Merchants association.

FERNON S. CANNON, president of Railroadmen's Federal Savings and Loan association, was named first vice president. Mr. Cannon was advanced from the office of second vice president.

William H. Schmeltz, vice president of Ace Motors, Inc., was named to Mr. Cannon's former post.

Gwynn F. Patterson, vice president of the Indiana National bank, was re-elected Rotary treasurer.

OTHER officers elected were Charles C. Tingle, secretary, and Eugene VanSickle, sergeant-at-arms. Mr. Tingle, district manager of the American Sales Book Co., succeeds Jack N. Gulling, now in the navy.

Mr. VanSickle, president of the VanSickle Radio Supply Co., succeeds Mr. Tingle as sergeant-at-arms.

ELECTION was conducted by the board of directors, eight of whom are holdovers from Mr. Sweetman's administration and eight of whom are new directors recently elected.

### Boogie Buckett Opening Tonight

OPENING festivities tonight will touch off the season's activities at Indianapolis' newest teen-canteen, The Boogie Buckett, 1303 Bellefontaine st.

Decorations of the canteen have been completed, with honorary member Virginia Boze, 1450 College ave., one of the workers who decorated the walls. Miss Liddy Haynes supervised the wall murals.

American Legion Memorial Post No. 3 will present a flag at formal open house from 5 to 11 p. m. tonight. Adult sponsors, Mrs. O. K. Shirley, Miss Harriett Mendenhall, Mrs. Victor Allen and Mrs. P. O. Giant, will preside.

Youth officials who will be in charge are Melvin Zinn, president; Stanley Shirley, first vice president; Maurice Smock, treasurer; Alyce Buchanan, secretary, and Alice McNally, Paul Hamm and Patty Shirley, vice presidents.

### 3100 HEAVIES SMASH AT REICH TARGETS

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air for the allies since the invasion of the continent.

Simultaneously the 8th air force announced that pictures showed the heaviest destruction in yesterday's raids by the U. S. heavy bombers for at least two months, with big fires started in the Spandau and Tegel suburbs of Berlin.

### Follows Night Raids

Other large fires were left burning in the Hamburg and Stettin areas.

Today's onslaught followed a four-day raid by the R. A. F. last night on Bremen, Berlin, Dortmund and Saarbrücken.

Nearly 1000 four-engine Lancasters and Halifaxes followed up in the night today, which followed by only a few hours the largest American daylight raid on Germany since June, with Berlin among the prime targets.

Berlin took its third pummeling in 24 hours and 19th since the start of the war yesterday. The German capital rocked under the impact of scores of block-busters from more than 1250 Flying Fortresses and Liberators.

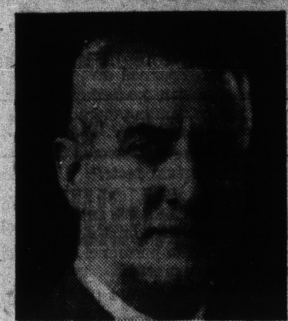
As many as 100 German fighters at a time attacked the big bombers over Berlin, but the heaviest loss down three and their fighter escort accounted for 17 others. American fighters also reported the destruction of 39 aircraft on the ground.

Nineteen American bombers and 10 fighters were lost.

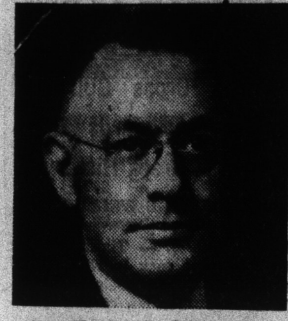
### 31 FACE SENTENCES ON POLYGAMY CHARGE

SALT LAKE CITY, Oct. 7 (U. P.).—Thirty-one fundamentalists convicted on charges of conspiracy to practice polygamy today promised to "appeal the case to almighty God, if necessary."

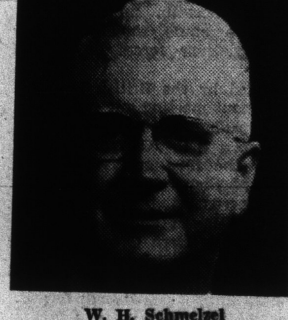
The defendants, who face a maximum sentence of one year in jail or a \$1000 fine, were convicted by an eight-man jury late yesterday, the 54th anniversary of the Mormon church's anti-polygamy manifesto. They will be sentenced next Friday, the 13th.



Ralph S. Norwood



Fernon S. Cannon



W. H. Schmeltz

## DEWEY SPEAKS AT 8:45 TONIGHT

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

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the job would be paid for by the legislators at fixed rates.

2 Chairman Joseph C. O'Mahoney of the Democratic senatorial campaign committee accused Dewey of trying to win the election by side-tracking the problem of post-war peace and adopting the domestic policies of the Democrats.

3 Senator Arthur Capper (R., Kas.), leaving the capital to campaign at home for Dewey and Bricker, said the New Deal "isn't putting up much of a fight in the Midwest."

4 Senator Claude E. Pepper (D., Fla.), addressing the opening of the state C. I. O. in New Jersey, predicted a "landslide" victory for Roosevelt.

Swinging into West Virginia on a bid for the border state's eight electoral votes, Dewey said:

"Mr. Roosevelt asked the American people not to look now because somebody is following him," the G. O. P. nominee said, apparently referring to the President's disavowal of Communism support.

"Since he would like softly to deny the means by which he seeks election to 16 straight years in the White House, I shall be compelled to discuss it quite openly at Charleston on the radio."

The governor's associates said his speech tonight would be stronger than the attack he made on Mr. Roosevelt at Oklahoma City, and he will "pull no punches."

Dewey's criticism of the Roosevelt administration's policies has been one of the major issues of his campaign. He charged that post-war planning will require "competence never yet shown by the present administration."

In discussing the President's declaration that he did not want the support of Communists, Dewey is expected to concentrate his attack on the activities of Earl Browder. Recently Dewey said Browder, a Communist leader, had been pardoned so that he could participate in Mr. Roosevelt's fourth term campaign.

### STRIKE THREATENS IN PITTSBURGH HOTELS

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (U. P.).—The war labor board today appealed to local union officers to prevent a strike of employees called in eight Pittsburgh hotels including the major downtown establishments.

The WLB requested officers of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders (A. F. of L.) to take all steps necessary "to prevent the members of your union from interrupting service in the hotels and restaurants in this critical war production area."

WLB said it would take no action on the case if a work stoppage occurs or so long as it continued. The unions contend that wage brackets are too low.

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## FRANKED MAIL STARTS DISPUTE

Congressmen Debate Which Party Sends Out Most Material.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7 (U. P.).—Republican congressmen, criticized by President Roosevelt for mailing at government expense \$116,000 copies of a political speech, today disputed the question of which party has sent out the greater part of over 24,000,000 pieces of free mail.

Reps. John Tager (R., N. Y.) and Melvin Mass (R., Minn.) who both ordered franked speeches linking the administration with communism, flatly declared that Democrats had sent out three times as much party literature as Republicans house members.

Chairman Clinton Anderson (D., N. M.) of the house campaign expenditures committee who first announced the \$116,000 G. O. P. printing order, contended, however, that more than three-fourths of the mail now being handled by the house folding room carries a Republican frank.

### Duty to Investigate

"One of the reasons why I looked into this matter," Anderson said in reference to the "Wake Up America" speech by Rep. Fred Busbey (R., Ill.), which was printed for nationwide distribution by 13 Republican congressmen, "was that I had heard of the huge political orders passing through the folding room. It was the duty of the committee to investigate them."

"I have been advised," he added, "that of the nearly 25,000,000 pieces of literature that have been mailed free this year about two-thirds have been sent by Republicans. Within the past month, however, the number has jumped to well above three-fourths."

Anderson was supported by an executive of the folding room, which inserts, wraps and mails all large-quantity orders. He declared that up to Sept. 28 around 24,000,000 pieces had been handled. He said 65 per cent had been ordered by Republicans up to September and about 85 per cent since then.

### Agree Upon Error

Both Democrats and Republicans, however, agreed with the White House admission that President Roosevelt's tongue slipped when he asserted that the speeches had been printed free. Typewriting, paper and labor, as required by regulation, were paid for at congressional rates which brought the total cost of the 3,116,000 twice-letter-size cards, weighing 18 tons, to \$4,332.06.

The White House said yesterday that the word "free" in connection with the printing of the speeches had not been in the President's prepared text and that he must have said it inadvertently when he read the speech over the radio.

Republicans who ordered the speech were sharply critical of the President's error. Mass declared, "If the President is ignorant of that regulation it is a sad commentary that a man can be chief executive for 12 years and know so little of the functions of congress."

Rep. Daniel Reed (R., N. Y.) asserted that "even if they had been printed at government expense it would have been well worth the cost to acquaint the American public again with the Communistic relationship between the administration and Moscow."

### VICTIM OF SLUGGING TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

A slugging victim was taken to City hospital and three police matchings were reported to police last night.

John Baldwin, 821 College ave., was badly beaten by two thugs last night near his home and taken to City hospital where he is said to be in a fair condition. A neighbor, Robert Miers, gave police a description of a suspect.

Two girls, Allene Hannes and Geraldine Moorfield, both of 120 W. 12th st., had their purses snatched by two men in the 900 block of N. Illinois st. about 11:50 p. m. yesterday. They told police a total of \$41 was taken.

Junetta Mortman, 2101 Carrollton ave., had her purse snatched about 6 p. m. yesterday near her home. She told police there was \$9 in it. Florence Scallan was accosted by a man early today as she was entering her apartment house, 140 W. 9th st., who took a package of cigars from her. She told police that she had hidden \$5 in the package.

### \$250 IN LOOT TAKEN FROM PARKED AUTO

A car belonging to Gene Ryan, 111 E. 16th st., department of conservation employee, was broken into last night and about \$250 worth of property taken. He reported that two 38-caliber Smith & Wesson revolvers and 10 boxes of shells were taken.

The car was in a lot in back of the building and two other cars also were broken into.

## DeMolay Leaders To Be Installed

OFFICERS WILL be installed by the Indianapolis chapter, Order of DeMolay, at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow in the chapter house, 1017 Broadway.

They are: George Keenan, master counselor; Richard D. DeMolay, Jr., junior counselor; Robert Wilson, senior counselor; Robert Childs, senior steward; Charles Kersey, junior steward; Ralph Swift, orator; Robert Phillips, treasurer; Robert Parnes, chaplain; William Fausner, marshal; Jack Goody, standard bearer; Thomas MacConnell, almoner, and John Sears, Harold Fryar, Eugene Hussey, Earl Michael, James Voorhis, Robert Barnett and William Higgins, perceivers.

The installing officers will be Otto Klingstein, Hugo Klingstein, Earl Hoover, Herbert Albersson and Edward Saxton.

## CIVILIANS GIVEN POLICE DETAILS

Regular Officers to Get Relief as Guards at Schools.

Last resort alleviation of the severe police manpower shortage was sought yesterday in safety board appointment of 68 civilians to school guard details. Most of them will relieve regular officers on Monday.

None of the appointees will possess police powers nor carry weapons and the board's action marks the first time in municipal history that non-deputized civilians have been officially assigned to jobs ordinarily requiring police supervision.

For identification purposes, school guards will wear white belts similar to those supplied OGD volunteers. On the average they will work four hours daily at 8 a. m., 12 noon, 1 p. m. and 3 p. m. with shifts varying in accordance with school hours. The pay is \$60 a month.

### Women in Majority

Women comprise about 60 per cent of the number appointed, Chief Becker said. He asserted that police investigators had certified all civilians named to school guard details. Most of the men chosen are elderly or occupied only on part-time outside jobs.

Squad patrolmen relieved by the civilians will be diverted to more urgent assignments on hours previously devoted to school crossings, the chief said. Many of them are expected to be assigned to automobile traffic work, a field that has been seriously undermined, he added.

## STUDENTS NAMED TO SOUTHPORT ANNUAL

Appointments to the editorial staff of Southport high school's senior yearbook, "The 1945 Anchor," were announced yesterday with Beth Copey named editor-in-chief of the annual publication.

Miss Harriett Kersey, faculty sponsor of the yearbook, said the following students have been named to the staff:

Jo Anne Armstrong, Georgia Fitcher, Janice McCormick and Robert Carter, literary editor; Betty Baker, Ray Deusch and Carol Prather, art work; Kenneth Kehlbeck, sport; J. Wayne Jones and Jack Nunley, business manager; Elsie Regal, Lois Peters, Kenneth Jevell, Maxine Hiestand, Jean Reamer, Jeanne Reamer and Martha Foster, layout staff; Charles McLaughlin, Robert Sommerer and James Hoot advertisement; Beverly Harbin, Margaret Hausman, Doris Brown, Amelia Condon and Anne Harty, typists; and Eric Smith and Lewis Doll, circulation.

The initial meeting of the Student Organization of Southport high school was held this week, with the following officers elected: Kenneth Kehlbeck, president; Don Fleener, vice president, and Shirley Smith, secretary-treasurer.

Representatives from home rooms named to the student body were:

Alan Green, Barbara Williams, Eugene Turner, William Horvath, Robert Bidlack, Paul Chastain, William Fausner, Kenneth Kehlbeck, Robert Jones, Verne Kesterson, Mary Baker, Robert Brunner, Jackie McGarvey, Thomas Stern, Connie Cook, Robert Davidson, Shirley Smith, Edith Bailey, Stella Reed, Dorothy Brown, Henry Tongue and Arthur Baker.

Presidents of the four classes of the school, Don Fleener, Thomas Wilson, David Yount and Mac Wilson, also will take part in the organization's activities.

## EX-CONGRESSWOMAN HURT

ALAMOSA, Col., Oct. 7 (U. P.).—Mrs. Ruth Hanns McCormick Simms, former Republican congresswoman from Illinois, was recovering today from injuries received when she fell from a horse, fracturing her shoulder bone and an upper arm bone.

## HYPNOTISM OR JUST HYSTERIA?

30 Pupils 'Affected' at Demonstration, and the P-T. A. Wonders.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 7 (U. P.).—The subject of hypnotism has caused a slight rift among members of the Parent-Teachers association of Springfield township since last Wednesday, when 30 pupils were affected during a demonstration of hypnotism before 550 pupils of Springfield Township high school.

The association promised to discuss the happenings in the school gymnasium where Dr. K. Ernst, Reading, Pa., hypnotic master, gave a practical demonstration of his powers and lectured the children on hypnotism.

Ernst was showing his hypnotic influence on three subjects, making odd movements with his hands when Principal Richard C. Ream noticed a group of pupils to the rear of the gymnasium had slumped in their seats. Some began giggling, others weeping and some just gazed at a spot on the ceiling while Ernst had directed the attention of his subjects.

### Demonstration Called Off

The demonstration was called off and the school nurse and doctor worked for two hours before bringing the 30 students, 29 of them girls, back to normal.

The school doctor, J. Murray Elzey, said the children suffered no serious effects. "I don't