

Taft Lambasts Foreign Policy In Bid For Nomination

Calls Situation In Europe 'Impossible'

Domestic Front Also Under Fire

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COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 1.—Senator Robert A. Taft pitched his unofficial campaign for the Republican presidential nomination today on a complete denunciation of the Democratic administration, including its "befuddled foreign policy."

In a nationwide radio address last night, Taft attacked President Truman as a prisoner of C. I. O. and new deal elements. The address—delivered a few hours after Taft was endorsed by Ohio Republicans as their favorite son for the presidential nomination—was a review of the G. O. P.-dominated first session of the 80th congress. But it was filled with a scathing criticism of President Truman.

Taft called for the election of a Republican President in 1948 who would support a congress "which for the first time in years" had done things "because the people themselves have wanted them done, and not because some 'must' legislation has been transmitted from the White House."

Address, Ohio G. O. P.

Taft's address was made before some 1,300 Ohio Republicans whom he told he would not make a decision as to whether to seek the presidential nomination until after a western tour to see if the people supported his policies. He said he would make up his mind in October.

Taft said criticism of the 80th congress' work came from Communists, the C. I. O., New Dealers and "modern planners."

His bitterest castigation was reserved for the administration's foreign policy. Mr. Taft said the formulation and administration of foreign policy was a Presidential responsibility and that congress had tried, on its pledge of co-operation, not to interfere.

Says Ideals Sabotaged

"I am not happy about the country's foreign policy," Mr. Taft said. "Through the agreements made at Teheran and Yalta by President Roosevelt, and at Potsdam by President Truman, we practically abandoned all of the ideals for which the war was fought."

"In Germany our policy has been dominated by the harsh and impractical Morgenthau plan, even though the government pretended to repudiate it. Our German policy has wrecked the economy of Europe and now we are called upon for cash from our taxpayers to remedy the breakdown."

"The whole policy has created an impossible situation, which only a strong executive policy can hope even to alleviate."

"Congress went along this year with the Greek-Turkish loan and with the relief for Europe made necessary by the stupidity of our previous policy."

Aksa Loan Plan Change

He suggested that hereafter loans to foreign countries should be confined to actual goods and machinery that would help those countries to restore their own production.

Getting back to domestic issues, Senator Taft said the President has clearly demonstrated that he is completely opposed to the principles of the Republican congress, representing the people of the United States.

"The President," Mr. Taft said, "has shown not the slightest interest in one cent of economy."

Mr. Taft cited the Taft-Hartley labor law, the residential succession act, unification of the armed services and establishment of a national scientific foundation as the outstanding legislation passed by the Republican congress.

Approved by Voters

"As far as we can judge, the people approve of the things congress has done," he said.

He said the presidential veto was used "for the first time in the history of the United States to force upon the people the continuation of a high wartime tax system against the overwhelming opinion of Congress."

"The President's real reason for retaining the taxes is obviously to have more money to spend," Taft said.

Hawaii Sugar Tieup Averted by Pay Rise

HONOLULU, Aug. 1 (U. P.)—Hawaii's sugar industry ended a strike threat today by giving some 22,000 C. I. O. workers pay raises of 5 to 8 cents an hour.

The agreement signed with the C. I. O. International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union settled all issues raised when the union demanded reopening of its contract earlier this month.

"We enjoyed my trip very much," he said.

"I'm sure all he would say for the record."

In Indianapolis

BIRTHS

At St. Francis—Jack, Barbara Sleep, girl, and boy.

Girls

At St. Francis—Peter, Colleen Stewart.

At Coleman—Earl, Carroll Coffman; Zena Bernd; Stanley, Betty Rodd; Sam, Anne and John.

At Methodist—David, Marie Murray; D'Armand, Henrietta Dooley; Thomas, Virginia; William, Roy, Joan, Paton; Clifford, Margie Bryant.

Boys

At St. Francis—Ronald, Virginia Dalton; Paul, William, Washington; Theodore, Marjorie, Charles.

At City—James, Mary Howard, and John, Coleman.

At St. Francis—James, Margaret, Glenn, Rosemary Harrison; Cornelius, Margaret Gallagher; James, Garner, Ba-

At Methodist—Ronald, Virginia Dalton; Katherine Sauer; John, Mary, Robert, Patricia McDonald; Everett, Ethel, Gail, Noah, Vern McKibben; Fred, George.

At Home—Lewis, Nancy, Ida, 1522 Nelson; Lee Rice, 1026 Roach; Augustus,

Mary Mae, 50, 1718 S. Ritter; Arthur,



AIDA BUGGY RIDE—Before the first act of last night's dress rehearsal of "Aida" at Butler Bowl, Miss Patricia Evans, 3914 N. New Jersey st., tries out the triumphal chariot drawn by two "Ethiopian captives," (left to right) Lee R. Hansel, 1909 N. Talbot st., and James D. Scott, 604 S. Edgehill st. Last night's strenuous rehearsal under Fabien Sevitzky's direction got Verdi's opera in shape for the sell-out performance at 8:30 p.m. today.

Cigaret Tax Nets \$2,008,938 in July

First Month's Returns Above Normal

Indiana's new cigarette tax brought in \$2,008,938.92 during its first month of operation, the state's alcoholic beverage commission reported today.

First-month collections on the 3-cent-a-pack tax were not normal, however, the ABC said. Officials said some wholesalers had stamped their entire stocks when the law went into effect July 1. Receipts in subsequent months probably will be lower, ABC said.

However, the state still expects to collect \$9 million annually from the tax, ABC officials declared.

152 Pay Fee

Registration certificates from wholesalers who qualified to place stamps on cigarette packages brought the state \$106,000. Thirty-five out-of-state dealers and 117 in Indiana each paid \$500.

Receipts for stamps, or from stamp meter machine readings, amounted to \$1,902,938.23 during July.

The ABC also reported that state troopers have found several violations of the cigarette tax law. "In some cases the cigarettes have been confiscated and the violators fined in civil courts," ABC said. Most of the violators, ABC said, were vending machine operators.

Courtesy Violated

"When the law became effective, the commission permitted vending machine operators a few days of grace in which to clear their machines," ABC said.

"Some operators, taking advantage of this courtesy, refilled their machines with unstamped cigarettes."

Dewey Confident He Has Made Gains

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 1 (U. P.)—Governor Thomas E. Dewey returned to his desk in the state capitol from a 7,000-mile undeclared campaign tour of the west today, confident that he had gained a "substantial lead" in the race for the Presidential nomination.

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Governor Dewey's political strategists believe that Senator Robert Taft of Ohio will be the governor's chief rival and that the race for the nomination will settle down to a two-man affair.

They believe that numerous favorite son candidates will drop out after the first two or three ballots.

As Dewey arrived in the state capitol, he still was publicly silent as to his political plans, but intimate friends are certain that he is in a receptive mood.

"We enjoyed my trip very much," he said.

"I'm sure all he would say for the record."



"AIDA" BALLET—Members of the ballet imported from Chicago for "Aida," highlight of the centennial summer program, are (seated) Sarah Jane Keller and (standing, left to right) Jean Kinsella, Mara Davedova, the director, Pat Robinson and Miriam Demar.

Slayer of Girl Dies; Offered Eyes as Gift

BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 1 (U. P.)—Ross J. Abbott, a murderer, dies on the gallows today, his offer to make redeeming contribution to society unanswered.

Abbott offered to donate his eyes to a blind person. Prison officials said there were no requests.

Abbott killed his childhood sweet-

heart after she announced her engagement to another man.

County Power Company Sold for \$191,000

Probe Boy's Rail Death

WABASH, Ind., Aug. 1 (U. P.)—Authorities today investigated the circumstances of the death of James Boyer, 11, who was killed instantly last night when he fell from his bicycle onto the Big Four railroad tracks and was struck by a northbound passenger train.

Times State Service

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Aug. 1—James Parlon, New Richmond, one of the directors of the Montgomery County Light and Power Co., has announced the sale of his firm's lines and other equipment to the Tipmont REMC for \$191,000.

Roark's Travels

Army of Starlings, Failure of Bluegrass Plagues Court House Groundskeeper

Amarillo So Sissified They Won't Let Me Shoot 'Em', He Says, in Review of Politics

BY ELDON ROARK, Scripps-Howard Staff Writer

AMARILLO, Tex., Aug. 1.—When political writers tour the country to find out about trends, they invariably consult the taxi drivers who whisk them from the railroad stations and airports to the hotels.

But I operate differently. Since my interest isn't particularly in politics, but in what ails the country generally, I talk to the experts sitting around the court house squares, chewing tobacco, whistling, or just sitting. And that's how I met lean, 67-year-old M. L. Doster and learned that this town is getting soft. It ain't what it used to be.

Why, they're so sissified they won't let him take a shotgun and solve his problems like a man. "Oh, no," they say. "You can't do that—no, right in front of the court house. Try poison."

BUT MR. DOSTER won't listen to that. That's not his way.

He wasn't loafing when I walked up and started a conversation. He is the grounds keeper, and was turning a big valve and making sprinklers squirt all over the lawn.

"You've got some pretty grass," I said.

"Yes, but it takes a lot of water," he said. "And it ain't as pretty as it ought to be. Look at all the bare spots under them trees. Trying to get Kentucky bluegrass to grow there, but it don't do any good."

"You're having more trouble growing grass than the farmers are having growing wheat," I said.

HIS FACE LIT UP. "Feller, you

were sparrows. There ain't many song birds out here, he said. Once in a while you see a mocking bird. But no redbirds and thrashers like they have back in Georgia where he came from years ago.

I asked him for a suggestion on what to write about Amarillo.

"Well, feller, I'll be dang'd if I know," he said. "This is a good town, and business is fine." And he kept eyeing those bald spots.

"Who is the best-known man in town?"

"Gene Howe, publisher of the Amarillo Globe, who writes a column titled 'The Tactless Texan.'

"Yes, he's heard of him," I replied. "I'd like—"

He gazed at a bald spot under a nearby elm as he talked, and apparently was worried.

"Why won't the grass grow there?" I asked.

"Aw, it's on account of them birds that flock in here by the thousands in the fall. They're—they're—"

"Starlings!"

"YEAH—STARLINGS. They ruin

everything with their droppings. Only way to get anything to grow is to scoop up all that dirt and haul in fresh."

The fraternity was founded at Vincennes University, Indiana.

Chapters are located at Indiana and Purdue universities.

7 B-29's Set New Record in Japan-U. S. Hop

Arrive in Washington After 34-Hour Trip

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1 (U. P.)—Seven gleaming army Superfortresses winged 7,000 miles from Tokyo, landed at nearby Andrews field today.

The end of their record-breaking flight climaxed the air forces' 40th anniversary celebration.

The sky giants swept over the Washington monument in the national capital 34 hours after taking off from Tokyo at 1:11 a. m. (Indianapolis time) Thursday. Actual flying time was 30 hours and five minutes.

Police, Jews Clash At Funeral Rites

JERUSALEM, Aug. 1 (U. P.)—A police armored car with guns blazing plunged into a Jewish funeral procession at Tel Aviv today, touching off wild melee.

During the six months she was held by immigration authorities she estimates she received at least \$50 proposals. Some came from as far as Canada and Mexico.

The all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv, where five Jews were killed in rioting last night, was afire with gunfire and skirmishing.

Police used machine guns and clubs to break up gangs of urchins from the slum section who ran wild in the business district.

One Jew was killed in the attack on the army post in Jerusalem.

Funeral for Dead

A number were wounded, some seriously, at Tel Aviv, when the car hurtled into the Jews massed for the funeral of their dead in the night rioting.

First aid stations reported 33 were wounded in the sporadic outbursts during the day.

The Tel Aviv bands upset one British military vehicle, set fire to another, and tried to break into Barclay's funeral.

The flight of seven months she was held by immigration authorities she estimates she received at least \$50 proposals. Some came from as far as Canada and Mexico.

The flight also represented a new achievement in radio transmitting and receiving. The strategic air command inaugurated its new global strategy in the use of radio.

For the first time in history the planes kept in continuous radio contact with Andrews field strategic air headquarters even when 7,000 miles distant.