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'Back-Truman-or-Else,' McGrath Tells Dixie Congress Candidates

Chairman Issues Warning After S. Carolina Group Names State Pledged to Thurmond

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Southern congressional candidates were warned today that they cannot be Dixiecrats and Democrats at the same time.

Democratic National Chairman J. Howard McGrath said in Washington that nominally Democratic office seekers must either support President Truman's campaign for election or else stop regarding themselves as members of the Democratic Party.

So said candidates in the South will "automatically" be withdrawing from the party if they spurn the national Truman-Barkley ticket for the Dixiecrat slate of Gov. J. Strom Thurmond, South Carolina and Gov. Fielding Wright, Mississippi.

The Dixiecrats are a fourth party in this campaign, he said, and their supporters are "leaving the Democratic Party just as effectively as if they supported the Republicans or Henry Wallace's Progressive Party."

Targets of Warning

Mr. McGrath's "support-Truman-or-else" warning was directed primarily at those candidates and groups who have stated publicly that they intend to remain active in Democratic Party affairs even though they support the Dixiecrat ticket.

His statement came shortly after the South Carolina Democratic executive committee named a slate of electors pledged to Gov. Thurmond.

Mr. McGrath said "regular" Democrats in many Southern states are working to get Truman-Barkley electors on the November ballot, so that the voters will get a chance to cast their ballots for the national ticket.

Other political developments:

Dewey

GOP presidential nominee Thomas E. Dewey and Harold E. Stassen worked in Albany on the speech Mr. Stassen will give in Detroit next Tuesday in answer to President Truman's campaign-opening address there on Labor Day.

Participating in the talks were Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge (R. Mass.) and Elliott Bell, one of Gov. Dewey's top-ranking speech writers.

Wallace

Henry A. Wallace went through Mississippi today with a seven-car escort of Mississippi highway police assigned by Gov. Fielding L. Wright to insure the Progressive Party presidential candidate "courteous" treatment.

Mr. Wallace's associates, encouraged by the nearness of the large escort, belief that the "worst" of his previously-turbulent campaign through the South was past.

Gov. Wright, Dixiecrat vice presidential candidate, instructed the heavy guard to stay with Mr. Wallace until he leaves the state about noon.

Louisiana

Russell Long, son of the late Sen. Huey (Kingfish) Long, maintained a slight lead over Appellate Judge Robert F. Kennon in their hot primary race for the U. S. Senate. Late returns from Tuesday's balloting wiped out Mr. Kennon's early advantage.

Texas

Complete returns from last Saturday's primary showed that former Gov. Coke Stevenson obtained 362 votes more than Rep. Lyndon Johnson in their race for the U. S. Senate seat of retiring Sen. W. Lee O'Daniel. The results are not official yet.

Taylor

Sen. Gien Taylor, Henry Wallace's running mate, suffered a fate similar to Mr. Wallace's in by a playmate, Leroy Kinch North Carolina when he was low, 6.

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SEARCH PETITION—John W. Leslie of Westfield (left) and Jack New of Greenfield, employees at Democratic state headquarters, examine the Dixiecrat petition in the Governor's office this morning. They were looking for signatures in the petition on which the southern Democratic rebels obtained the 11,000 signatures in eight days.

GOP Opens Fire On Democrats

Creighton Lashes 'Deficit Planning'

Republicans at a central regional meeting yesterday opened fire on the Democrats with charges of deficit planning for Indians and mishandling of prison parolees under the last Democratic regime.

Hobart Creighton of Warsaw, GOP candidate for governor, told party leaders of the 5th, 6th 10th and 11th districts, that Democrat platform promises would plunge the state into a deficit of more than \$158 million.

Charges Parole Abuses

State Chairman Clark Springer charged former Gov. Henry Schricker, seeking a second term under his party's banner, with "shocking abuse" of his parole powers from 1941 to 1945. Mr. Springer said the former Democratic governor paroled more prisoners during his term than his two predecessors and incumbent Gov. Gates combined.

State candidates and party organization heads met at French Lick today for the third and last of the series of regional meetings. The French Lick session will take in the 7th, 8th and 9th districts.

Basis for Allegations

Mr. Creighton based his charge at yesterday's meeting on Democratic pledges to repeal the three-cent cigarette tax and the 15-cent state property tax levy. These, he said, combined with pledges to pay full minimum teachers' salaries out of the state treasury and a promise of a \$40 million plan to modernize state institutions would result in the huge deficit of \$158 million.

He pointed out that the GOP too, was pledged to a continued improvement program for state institutions but that his party's program would be carried out within a balanced budget.

Flying Stick Hits Girl, 5, in Eye

Giana Smith, 5, 2414½ Baltic Ave., suffered severe eye injuries today when she was struck in the left eye with a stick held in a person's hand.

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BOARD ARGUMENT—Even after the election board put the Dixiecrats on the ballot, Democratic member William Steckler (left) continued to protest. Here he's making his point with Republican Edwin Steers Sr., who joined Governor Gates to okay the southern party.

Police Warn Dope Addicts Of Cleanup in Hollywood

Set Watch on Other Screen Bigwigs; 'We Don't Care Who We Have to Arrest'

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 2 (UPI)—Police Psychiatrist J. Paul De River said today he knew "any number of film people suspected of using marijuana."

Robert Mitchum, 31-year-old movie hero, and three friends surrendered yesterday when two narcotics officers trapped them in a surprise raid on a marijuana "den" in the Hollywood hills.

Police Sgt. Alva Barr said officers plan to "clean the dope and narcotics users out of Hollywood. And we don't care whom we're going to have to arrest."

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