

World Report— Reds Finish Poor Third in French Ballot

De Gaulle Comes
In Second But
Gains More Seats

PARIS, Mar. 28 (UP)—The combined government middle-of-the-road parties beat both Gen. Charles de Gaulle's French People's Rally and the Communists by a big margin in yesterday's run-off French county council elections, nearly complete returns showed today.

But the De Gaulle RPF nevertheless emerged the strongest single party in France. It won nearly three times as many seats as it held in the old councils. The Communists finished a poor third, losing four-fifths of their seats in the old councils.

Back Anti-Red Policy
The vote was interpreted as an endorsement of the government's strong anti-Communist policy and adherence to the Atlantic

ally. With results in for 783 of the 785 seats the coalition government parties had won 580, the Gaullists 219 and the Communists only 20. Independent candidates of varying political shades won 164 other seats.

The elections were held to fill seats for which no candidate received a clear majority in elections the previous Sunday.

Great Britain

Diplomats from 10 countries sat down in London today to write a constitution for the council of Europe as a first step toward possible United States of Europe.

Italy

Foreign Minister Count Carlo Sforza was en route by plane to the United States today armed with full parliamentary authorization to bring Italy into the Atlantic Treaty.

The Italian Senate last night approved Italy's adherence to the treaty by a vote of 188 to 112. Then it rejected, 176 to 105, a Communist demand that Italy also sign friendship and non-aggression treaties with Russia and its satellites.

The Chamber of Deputies had approved Italian participation in the Atlantic Pact Mar. 14 by a vote of 342 to 170.

The Italian Communist Central Committee will meet today in Rome to discuss future strategy in opposing the Atlantic Treaty.

Portugal

PORTUGAL today awaited further word from Spain before deciding on participation in the Atlantic Pact. Spanish Ambassador Nicolas Franco left for Madrid yesterday to report on his consultations with Foreign Minister Jose Caeiro da Mata. He was expected back late today.

Austria

AUSTRIAN women Communists stoned an American civilian from Alabama yesterday when he attempted to drive past their parade protesting the Atlantic treaty.

China

THE Nationalist government's peace mission announced that it would fly to Peiping Thursday to begin talks with Communist leaders the next day on ending the civil war.

Petillo Disavows New Trial Plea

A motion for a new trial for Kelly Petillo was denied on the request of the one-time 500-Mile Race winner in Criminal Court today.

In a letter from Michigan City prison where he is serving a 12-to-10-year sentence for assault and battery, Petillo told Judge William D. Bain the motion was filed "without my knowledge."

Petillo also asked Judge Bain to appoint John Lewis as his counsel.

Relieves Lawyer

Judge Bain said he had relieved Lawrence Ammons of his duties and that he had taken appointment of Mr. Lewis "under advisement."

Petillo, winner of the 1935 Speedway race, was charged with assault and battery with intent to kill after an alleged knife attack on Naomi Scharner, his former secretary and companion, in the Roosevelt Hotel last summer.

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Conquering the Great Divide

World's Longest Irrigation Tunnel Corrects Error By Nature and Adds \$25 Million to Farm Yield

Reroutes Water From
Pacific to Atlantic

This is the first of two dispatches on the gigantic Colorado-Big Thompson project, the scope of which is traced on the diagrammatical map above. What makes it possible is the tunnel that pierces under the Continental Divide to make west-bound water flow east.

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ESTES PARK, Colo., Mar. 28—

The world's longest irrigation tunnel is correcting one of nature's errors by making water originally destined for the Pacific Ocean flow over onto the Atlantic side of the Continental Divide.

There the re-routed water is expected to add some \$25 million a year to the income of a thousand-square-mile agricultural area in northeastern Colorado.

This giant aqueduct is the Alva B. Adams Tunnel, bored 1307 miles through the Rocky Mountains at an elevation of 8000 feet above sea level. Holed through in mid-1944, it is scheduled to go to work about 1953, if Congress keeps the necessary millions coming along.

The Adams tunnel, named after the late Colorado U. S. Senator who obtained the necessary appropriations for the original surveys and plans, is the key item in the gigantic Colorado-Big Thompson project.

Water from the Colorado river is to be stored, during flood stages, in the Granby reservoir on the western slope.

As needed on the other side it is to be pumped a maximum of 185 feet into Shadow Mountain Lake, five miles east, which is an enlargement of Grand Lake, a famed tourist spot.

Enter Adams Tunnel
From Shadow Mountain Lake the water will enter the Adams tunnel, in which it will drop a total of 109 feet by gravity.

Flashing under the Continental Divide and the Rocky Mountain National Park at a speed of 350 cubic feet a second, it will pass through a series of conduits and power plants until it reaches three reservoirs in the foothills—Carter Lake and Flatiron and Horseshoe reservoirs.

From these the water will be released through supply canals into the Cache la Poudre, Little and Big Thompson rivers and St. Vrain.

They will carry it to existing canal systems and thence to farm lands within the Bureau of Reclamation's Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District, which extends northeast around 120 miles to Julesburg.

From the time the water leaves the eastern end of the Adams tunnel until it begins moistening farm lands on the level plains, it will fall a total of 2974 feet.

Serve 6 Counties
Six counties, with a 1940 population of 177,000, making up one of the biggest beet sugar-producing and livestock-raising areas in the West, will be served by this water. Grains, alfalfa, small fruits, potatoes, beans and peas also will be irrigated.

No new fields will be brought under cultivation. The project is planned to provide an average of about six inches of additional water a year to 615,000 acres, already irrigated but not now getting enough moisture for full production.

Farmers and processors of crops

will benefit.

Hog Prices Hold Steady

After Opening 25c Higher

Hog prices held barely steady with Friday's figures in mid-morning trade in the Indianapolis Stockyards today, after opening as much as 25 cents a hundred pounds higher.

Good and choice 180 to 220-pound barrows and gilts sold at \$20.75 to \$21.25 and \$21.50, the top price. Weighing from 225 to 250 pounds brought \$20.25 to \$20.75, a few reaching \$21 and \$21.25 in early trade. Prices from \$19.75 to \$20.50 and \$20.75 were paid for 250 to 290-pounders.

Sow Prices Steady

Lightweights from 100 to 160 pounds moved at \$17 to \$19. Sow prices remained steady at \$16 to \$17.50, odd choice lots reaching \$17.75 to \$18 or more. Big weights sold at \$15.50 and \$15.75.

Steers and heifers received lower bids as sellers asked higher prices. A few sales in early trade showed prices steady to 25 cents lower. Choice steers were scarce.

Several loads of high-good steers from 1050 to 1300 pounds remained unsold in early trade at \$25 and higher. A few loads and odd lots of 550 to 1150-pound steers and mixed yearlings brought \$24 to \$25.50. A load of medium and good yearlings sold at \$24 to \$25.

Beef Cow Prices Firm
Owners of a liberal share of medium and good mixed yearlings were promised \$22.50 to \$24. A load of high-good 900-pound heifers reached \$25. Other load lots of mostly good heifers sold at \$24 to \$24.10. Some just mediums fell to \$22.25.

Beef cow prices held steady at \$18.50 to \$20 for good grades. A few commons and mediums moved at \$16.50 to \$18.50. Canners and cutters received bids 25 to 50 cents lower at \$13.50 to \$16. Bull prices remained steady.

Medium and good heavy sausage bulls brought \$20 to \$21.50. Good heavy beefs sold at slightly higher prices, odd head moving at \$20. Vealer prices held steady at \$30 to \$32 for good and choice; \$19.50 to \$29.50 for commons and mediums, and \$13 to \$19 for culls. A few culls dropped to \$10.

Sheep prices remained steady. Small lots of common and good native lambs moved at \$23 to \$28. A few choice reached \$30. One-and-a-half loads of mostly good 95-pound westerns reached \$29. A large deck of mostly good



and livestock in the area are expected to earn \$21,150,000 a year more when this water is available to them.

Power generated by the system is expected to bring in \$151,700,000 during the 40-year period given the project to pay off its \$134 million construction cost. Recreational benefits are estimated at more than \$12.7 million for the period.

Vast Benefits Expected
This makes a total of around a billion dollars in money benefits that the project is expected to return, while it is being paid for out of proceeds from the sale of water and power.

Coloradans west of the Divide feared that they would not have enough Colorado river water left for their needs, when so much was diverted eastward.

To protect them, Green Mountain Dam was built on the Blue river, a western slope tributary emptying into the Colorado about 32 miles below the project reservoir. This is designed to store flood waters enough to make up for what is being taken higher up. And power from this phase alone is supposed to be enough to supply the needs of the entire project.

The Adams tunnel itself cost about \$12 million. Its completion brought to success more than half a century of rugged thinking and working toward bringing water eastward, over the mighty Rockies that stretch high and unbroken in a north-south wall across Colorado.

Sixty years ago, the state's legislature voted \$25,000 to survey for such a project. But it was not until 1904 that the present development was outlined, basically, in a Reclamation Bureau report. In 1935 Congress authorized the Bureau to submit plans and cost estimates. Construction was begun in November, 1938.

Thus far about \$71 million has been appropriated by Congress. The proposed 1949 appropriation would bring funds up to 67 per cent of the total required to complete the job by 1953.

The overall job now is about half done, and part of the project already is in operation.

Tomorrow: Holing through the Rockies.



From under the Rocky Mountains, 8000 feet above sea level, you are looking out toward Estes Park through the eastern portal of the Alva B. Adams tunnel. Through this aqueduct, water now flows from the west under the Continental Divide.

Princess Fawzia Marries Rich Egyptian in Absentia

King Farouk Stands Proxy for Sister
In Moslem Ceremony in Abidin Palace

CAIRO, Mar. 28 (UP)—Princess Fawzia, sister of Egypt's King Farouk, was married today to a wealthy Egyptian, but court circles said she did not take part in the wedding ceremony.

A cabinet announcement said the Princess was joined in marriage to Maj. Ismail Sherine Bey "under God's bounty and in consecration of His holy guidance, as well as through the kindness of the great King Farouk."

The cabinet wished the couple all happiness, but gave no details of the ceremony.

However, authoritative court sources said the usual procedure for Moslem marriages was followed, with a proxy appearing for the bride.

King Farouk stood proxy for Princess Fawzia at the ceremony in Abidin Palace, the sources said, then gave a luncheon for his slender, almond-eyed sister and her 31-year-old husband. Maj. Sherin is press officer for the Egyptian cabinet.

Only members of the royal family, close friends and palace officials were present.

The newlyweds are expected to live at Maadi Garden, a Cairo suburb. Princess Fawzia, one of the world's most beautiful women, was divorced from the Shah of Iran last November after she failed to bear him an heir to the throne.

Local Truck Grain Prices

No. 2 red wheat, \$2.00.
No. 2 white corn, \$1.21.
No. 2 yellow corn, \$1.19.
No. 2 oats, 70c.
New No. 2 yellow sorghums, \$1.90.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals for Installation of Stoker Piping Equipment at Elementary School No. 32, 361 N. King Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana, will be received by the Board of School Commissioners of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, at the office of the said Board, No. 150 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, at or before 12 o'clock P. M. (C.S.T.), Tuesday, April 12, 1949, and will then be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received later than the above time will be returned unopened. Any work shall be completed in accordance with this notice, instructions to bidders, contract, and plans and specifications as prepared by Bevinson, Taggart & Fowler, Inc., Engineers, 730 K. of P. Building, Indianapolis, Indiana. The Contract Documents, including drawings and specifications, are on file at the office of the Board of School Commissioners, 150 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, at the office of Bevinson, Taggart & Fowler, Inc., Engineers, 730 K. of P. Building, Indianapolis, Indiana, and the State Board of Accounts. Copies may be obtained from the Engineers.

Each proposal must be enclosed in a sealed envelope properly marked with the name of the bidder, and the name of the branch or branches of work to which the bid relates, and the name and place of business of the bidder.

Proposals shall be properly and completely executed on proposal blank in accordance with Indiana Form No. 96, Indiana State Water of Accounts, and Non-Collusion Affidavit required under the statutes of Indiana. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a deposit of \$1000.00, or a cashier's check, made payable to the Board of School Commissioners of the City of Indianapolis, in the amount of not less than five (5%) per cent of the total bid price, or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and a surety company in an amount equal to 5 per cent of the bid.

The Contractor to whom an award is made will be required to furnish an acceptable surety bond in the amount of 100% (100%) per cent of the Contract Price.

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Expenses \$ 25,948,722,904 \$ 24,448,418,690

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