

Sniping for 1950 Votes On in England; Parties Differ Mainly in Spirit

Neither Group Too Specific in Platform; Neither One Telling People How Desperate Plight Is

There is no fixed general election day in Great Britain. Any time up to next July there will be a general election, to pick a new House of Commons. The majority of that House in turn will select a government.

The present government has been in power since July 26, 1945. It got about 13 million votes out of a total of 25 million; therefore it polled a slight minority. Conservatives got nearly 10 million votes and Liberals two million and a quarter. Communists polled less than 100,000.

But the Socialists won a big majority of Commons—393 out of 640 seats—so they have had free rein since then.

E. T. Leach who has spent a month in Britain for the Scripps-Howard Newspapers, discusses the coming political campaign in today's story, the 11th of a series.

By E. T. LEACH, Scripps-Howard Writer

LONDON, Aug. 25—Both at home and abroad they have squandered the reserves and resources which had been gathered in the past, and have darkened and narrowed the future of every man, woman and child in this famous island.

In those words Winston Churchill lashed out at the Socialists to open an election campaign which may be the bitterest and perhaps the most fateful in England's long history. Harkening back to his phrase when he hurled defiance at the Nazis, he said while Britain stood alone, he shouted:

"Never before in the history of human government has such great havoc been wrought by such small men."

"Socialism is proving itself to be a dangerous fallacy," he said. "Nationalization is a failure."

PRIME MINISTER Clement Attlee quickly struck back with a charge that the Conservative platform, issued the day Mr. Churchill spoke, is "one of the most dishonest documents I have ever read."

Herbert Morrison, leader of Commons and top politician in the Labor Party, called it "a not very honest Tory program."

"It plumps for more public expenditure and lower taxes, which taken together constitute an impossible proposition," he said.

Health Minister Aneurin Bevan, the wildest man in the Attlee Ministry and leader of the Labor Party's extreme left wing, had recently called the Conservatives "vermin."

So opened the 1950 campaign, which will tell whether England takes over her great steel, cement, sugar and insurance businesses, and swings still further left. If the election is delayed to next summer, it will be a long time to keep up that pace.

A Familiar Ring

ON A HOT Sunday morning after all this happened, I took papers over to Hyde Park, to read about it in greater comfort.

To an American, it had a familiar ring—especially the platform. It will retain the security plans of the present government, with additions. It will pay bigger pensions, more to the armed forces, and equal wages to women in public service. But it will cut costs by greater efficiency and a reduced payroll.

It was something hauntingly familiar. There, amidst perhaps a hundred thousand men and women sprawled on the chairs and lawn of London's vast park, seemed to be a ghost from back home.

British party platforms, like Americans, are aimed at catching votes. They aren't too specific on details. So maybe it was unreasonable to expect too much of the Conservatives. It was certainly no less honest than the Labor Party platform. This hailed its four-year record as one of such vast accomplishment that it made you wonder why Sir Stafford Cripps and other government leaders kept talking about some grave crisis.

THE PLAIN facts are that neither party is fully telling the British people how desperate is their plight. Sir Stafford Cripps has done so in guarded and scholarly economic jargon. Mr.

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'Stalling' Charged On County Bridges

Poor Plans Endanger U. S. Aid, Innis Says

Charges of "stalling" by county commissioners in the county's \$1.4 million bridge building program were made today by Council President John E. (Jack) Innis.

Because of "poorly designed plans," Mr. Innis said, two of the five bridges do not meet specifications, and the county is in danger of not securing federal aid on the projects.

"As early as last March or April," Mr. Innis said, "I told the commissioners and members of the council that designs submitted for construction of a new county bridge at Southport were bad and would never get approval of government engineers."

He said his prediction came true a short time later, when George Goodwin, supervisor of federal aid for the State Highway Commission, "told me the plans were no good and would have to be redesigned."

Urged New Plans

At subsequent meetings, Mr. Innis declared, he kept urging the commissioners to have plans for the Southport and Keystone bridges redesigned so they would pass federal inspection.

"The commissioners," Mr. Innis added, "told me at every turn that they would study the matter. More than five months have gone by and they still have the same old plans."

At a hearing on the commissioner's 1950 budget held yesterday in the Courthouse, Mr. Innis said he had an offer from a firm of reputable engineers who would redesign the bridge plans for 50 per cent of their original amount. If the firm's offer was accepted, Mr. Innis declared, the county taxpayers would "save a considerable amount on the projects."

Mr. Innis said he was "particularly irked" yesterday when informed by one of the commissioners it was "the first time I've heard about federal aid on the projects."

Another commissioner, Mr. Innis declared, said he was willing to let federal aid on the Southport bridge go in favor of the other three projects.

"The new Southport bridge has been needed for more than 15 years," Mr. Innis said.

Last of GAR To Honor Heroes

Will Place Tablet on Veterans' Monument

The Grand Army of the Republic will be commemorated Sunday with the placing of a bronze tablet on the Soldier's and Sailor's Monument.

The tribute will be paid to Civil War veterans as six of the surviving 16 Boys in Blue attend their 83rd and last encampment.

The encampment opens Sunday for five days here, where the first encampment was held in 1866. The six Union veterans are planning to attend if health permits, while the 10 others still living are too feeble to travel.

The honor tablet will be presented to Gov. Schricker at 4 p. m. Sunday by Mrs. Lena G. Barrett, national president of the auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans. It will be affixed to the Monument.

Others to Continue

Most of the activity during the five-day encampment will be carried on by the Sons of Union Veterans, its auxiliary, and allied organizations. The groups plan to continue annual meetings although the GAR will disband next week.

Two memorial services for the Grand Army, whose legions once were 400,000 strong, will be held Sunday. At 2:30 p. m. a service will be conducted in the Indiana Roof Ballroom while the Sons and auxiliary will pay tribute at 9 p. m. in the Hotel Severin.

And Gov. Schricker has asked the Indianapolis residents suspend business for an hour and ring church bells in tribute to the GAR during a twilight parade at 8:30 p. m. Wednesday, the last day of the encampment.

Slays Wife During Nightmare, Kills Self

GRAND MARAIS, Minn., Aug. 25 (UP)—Wealthy Realtor Lloyd N. Osborne left a note saying he killed his wife with an ax during a "terrible nightmare" and then took the "easy way out" by committing suicide, County Attorney J. Henry Ellason said today.

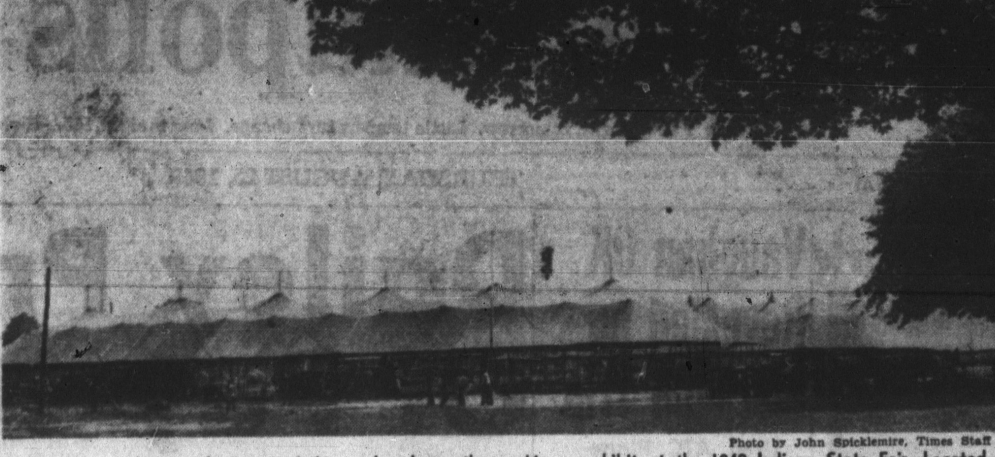
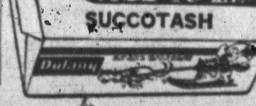
The bodies of Mr. Osborne, 59, and his wife, 48, were found yesterday in a cabin near here where they were vacationing. Their home was in Omaha.

Exchange Club to Hear Times Fishing Editor

Jim Smith, fishing editor of The Indianapolis Times, and Hap Hanes of Em-Roe Sporting Goods Co. will speak at a meeting of the Indianapolis Exchange Club tomorrow noon in the Claypool Hotel.

Mr. Smith will tell "fish stories" while Mr. Hanes will demonstrate angling procedures and use of the bait rod. The program was arranged by John Carson.

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A large tent city is being raised this week to house the machinery exhibit at the 1949 Indiana State Fair. Located immediately north of the Fairgrounds race track, the tents will provide space for 125 exhibitors, 25 more than last year. The exhibit may be reached through two tunnels under the track — one east of the Indiana University building and the other east of the grandstand.

Howard Predicts British Aid Cut

Asserts West Must Have a United Stand

PARIS, Aug. 25 (UP)—Roy W. Howard, of the Scripps-Howard Newspapers, expressed the belief yesterday that Britain cannot count on getting as much Marshall Plan and other financial aid from the United States as in the past.

But he added: "In the last analysis, it will not be the newspapers of the United States, but Congress and public opinion that will decide what aid Britain will obtain in the future."

Mr. Howard spoke at the weekly luncheon of the Anglo-American Press Association.

"Let us not allow surface conditions and partisan differences to blind us to the necessity for Britain and the United States, and for that matter France and all Western Europe, to stand together," he said.

"Americans are not slapping themselves on the back and believing they are big-hearted when they talk of financial aid to the British. They simply realize that it is a matter of intelligent self-interest on our part for us all to stand together."

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8 Great Rivers

There are eight great rivers in the United States: Hudson, Delaware, Potomac, Mississippi, Ohio, Missouri, Columbia and Colorado.

Cigarettes Worth \$570 Stolen From Grocery

Cartons of cigarettes valued at \$570 were stolen last night from Calderon's Grocery, 1146 S. West St., police said today.

Owned by Morris Calderon, 21, of 1019 S. Illinois St., cigarette machine operator, the cartons had been stored in the grocery overnight. Police said burglars entered the store through a window.

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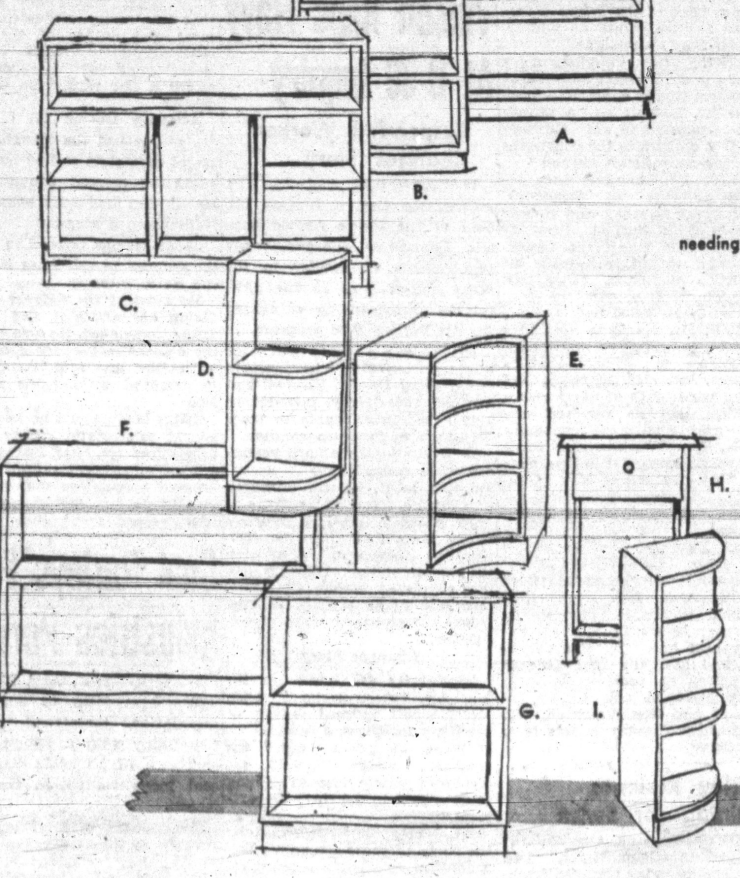
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Council to Study Welfare Budget

County Agencies Ask Nearly \$5.5 Million

Marion County's 1950 Welfare Department budget request of \$5,482,450 will be scrutinized this afternoon at an open hearing in Room 103 at the Courthouse by members of the County Council.

Of the total amount requested, \$2,332,866 must be raised through county tax levies. The difference is paid by federal welfare agencies.

Should the department's budget be approved in its present form, Marion County's taxpayers will be asked to pay a levy of 29.5 cents for each \$100 tax valuation. The current rate for welfare is 22 cents.

One item in the department's all-time high budget request that is expected to draw close examination of economy-minded councilmen, concerns appropriations for the Children's Guardian Home.

Ask \$23,400 Boost

In their annual request for operational funds for the home, welfare officials have asked for \$129,855, as compared with last year's appropriation of \$107,390.

According to a recent comparative survey, the cost of care per child in the Marion County home is much higher than in similar homes in other counties in the state.

During 1948, the survey shows, it cost Marion County \$1432 to care for each child cared for in the home. Lake County was next with \$1186 per child. Allen County was low with a cost of \$772 per child.

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