

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

1948 Election Campaign Hits Stride As Democrats, GOP Vie for Labor; Soviets Aggravate Berlin Situation

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THE GOLDEN KEY . . . Trygve Lie, secretary-general of the United Nations, beams as he accepts from former French Premier Robert Schuman a golden key as a symbol of France's temporary surrender of sovereignty over the Palais de Chaillot, where the U. N. general assembly opened on September 21. What treasures of peace that key might unlock this year is a question that gives pause to the entire world.

CAMPAIGN:

Trumpets Sounded

Politicians cleared their throats as with the sound of trumpets, and the 1948 presidential election campaign swept into motion.

The first skirmish between Democrats and Republicans featured President Truman and Harold E. Stassen, who carried the word of their respective parties into the great industrial area around Detroit.

THAT INDICATED that, for the time being at least, the pivotal factor directing the policies of both GOP and Democratic campaigns would be the labor vote.

To win the election this November Mr. Truman probably will need the same proportionate amount of the labor vote that turned out in favor of Roosevelt in the 1932, 1936 and 1940 campaigns. Whether he will get it is very much open to question at this stage.

Truman

Launching his battle for re-election in the Detroit area over the Labor Day week-end, President Truman fired at will.

AT GRAND RAPIDS, Lansing, Detroit, Pontiac and Flint he exhorted all the "little people" of the U. S. to register and vote in the November 2 election.

If a heavy vote turns out, he insisted, not only will he be re-elected, but the Republican majority in congress will be replaced by a Democratic one.

"IF YOU STAY home next November and keep these reactionaries in power, you will deserve every blow you get and you can expect a barrage of body blows," said Mr. Truman. This was a repetition of an idea—that "you'll get what you deserve"—which he had expressed earlier in the year and which, at the time, was received with some animosity by the people to whom he addressed it.

"You can elect a reactionary administration and go into an era of fear, or you can elect a congress and an administration that stand ready to play fair with every element of American life and enter an era of new hope. We're in a hard, tough fight against shrewd, rich opponents. They don't count on your vote; they just don't want you to vote."

Judging from his Labor Day speeches, President Truman is planning to shape his campaign around these contentions:

1. **THAT THE MAIN** issue boils down to Republican special privileges as against Democratic concern for the little man.
2. **THAT THE "DO-NOTHING"** 80th congress, under GOP control, has done nothing to justify its reelection.
3. **THAT ANYTHING EXCEPT** an all-out vote by labor on election day "would be a betrayal by labor of its own interests."
4. **THAT IF THE MASS** of the nation's voters go to the polls on election day a Democratic victory is assured.

Stassen

Just a step and a half behind Mr. Truman came Harold E. Stassen, striving valiantly to scatter the coils of the bonfire the President had kindled in Detroit.

Apparently blessed by Thomas E. Dewey, GOP presidential candidate, Stassen's speech in the motor city was billed as the official kickoff of the Republican campaign.

Employment Record

The U. S. rounded the turn from summer to autumn with its civilian employment at the highest level in the history of the nation.

Approximately 61.5 million workers are employed, while the unemployed number only 2,227,000 as compared to more than 12 million during the gloomy depression years of the early 1930s. Personal prosperity now depends, however, on the impact of inflation.

CABINET:

Sil Vous Plait

They couldn't find a government in France. As a political situation that appeared slightly ludicrous from across the Atlantic, but Frenchmen were becoming sorely worried for fear that they had lost the ability or power to govern themselves.

AFTER PREMIER Andre Marie's cabinet fell, President Vincent Auriol appointed Robert Schuman as premier and gave him the usual instructions to form a cabinet.

Schuman duly gathered together an administrative body and then, 64 hours later, watched it fall apart when he was defeated on a technical proposal to postpone questioning of the new cabinet by the national assembly. In short, he failed to get the necessary vote of confidence.

Desperate by this time, President Auriol then named Henri Queuille, veteran Radical Socialist, to succeed Schuman.

WHAT QUEUILLE could do to provide some kind of order out of political confusion and economic travail no one knew. He is 64 years old, a little known political figure in France and was a wartime assistant of Gen. Charles DeGaulle.

The situation pointed up the alarmed belief, becoming more predominant in France, that no individual or group can command the working majority that will enable him to govern the nation successfully.

It is a paradox that the parties in the moderate center of the political scale in France can speak for less than 25 per cent of the people. General DeGaulle, on the right, commands 45 per cent of the vote, and Communist groups hold another 30 per cent.

Although the past few weeks have not been conducive to a coherent examination of the political situation in France, the principal trend seems to be toward a return of General DeGaulle and his right-wing beliefs to power.

ANYTHING NEW

Bloomin' Sage

That sagebrush is mighty pretty when it blooms purple, and the songwriters can't be blamed for making something out of it.

But out West they hate that sage. It swatches nearly 96 million western acres in a tough, resistant blanket, and ranchers and federal range managers alike consider it an almost complete nuisance.

THEY WANT TO REPLACE the whole 96 million acres with nutritious grasses for cattle and sheep. Some of the sage would have to be retained to prevent erosion, but most of it could go.

They were talking about the problem of eliminating sagebrush at the annual meeting at Fort Collins, Colo., of the American Society of Agronomists and the Soil Science Society.

Despite efforts to control or eradicate it, the sage continues to spread and probably covers a greater area now than before the pioneer settlers went West.

MOST HOPEFUL development is the new brush-land plow, 10 of which are being built for further trial. Also, congress will be asked next year to provide more money for range reseeding and improvement.

About five million acres of western range already have been reseeded. These pastures almost invariably carry more nutritious and abundant food for cattle than the original prairie, according to U. S. forest service officials. Animals make better gains on it.

IN THE LONG RUN that could mean more and cheaper meat.

Lip Service



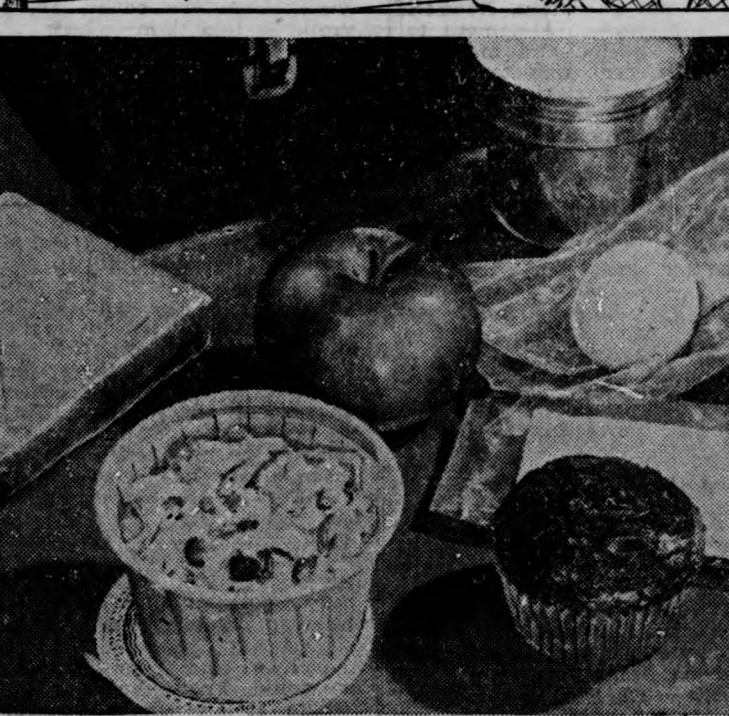
First frothy by-product of the fermentation of the 1948 presidential campaign is the "Dewey duster," a false, Deweyesque mustache to tickle the fancy of stiff-upper-lip Republicans. Soon to appear on store counters across the nation, the gadget consists of a bit of black chenille clipped to the upper lip in true-blue GOP style.

POLIO:

Mice Cured

Columbus university has announced the development of a new sulfa-type drug, called Darviful, that cures one kind of infantile paralysis in mice and is also a successful preventive to the disease in mice.

Despite extensive tests during the past summer, it is still not known whether the new drug will prove effective against polio in human beings.



Nourishing Boxed Lunches Are Hard to Resist
(See recipes below)

Lunch Box Magic

WHILE THE YOUNGSTERS struggle with readin', writin' and 'rithmetic, mother frequently has her problems with the lunch boxes which she must fix for the family that totes its own.

The lunch box preparation is a steady grind now that school has started, and it's a wonder that more women don't go into the doldrums about it more often. You have to supply nourishment plus food appeal to keep the family happy with their meals out of a box, so here are ideas aplenty.

If you have several lunches to prepare, have jars of filling ready. All lunch box equipment can be kept handy on a tray so that you don't have to scurry around for waxed paper or a knife while you try making sandwiches in the midst of breakfast preparation and serving.

Leave butter or spread out the night before so that you can smooth it on immediately. Fruits can be washed, puddings made in advance, and relishes such as carrot and cucumber sticks and pickles can be wrapped in waxed paper ready to tuck in the box in the morning.

BE KIND to the budget and make the whole thing as simple as possible by making several jars of filling beforehand so they can be slicked on the sandwiches easily. Here are several ideas tailored to your needs.

Special Sandwich Filling
2 hard-cooked eggs
1 can pimiento
1 small onion
4 stalks celery
Salt and pepper to taste
2 packages cream cheese
Chop eggs and pimiento fine. Put onion and celery through food chopper, then mix all ingredients with cream cheese and season to taste. Let stand 15 to 20 minutes or longer before using. Thin to spreading consistency with mayonnaise.

Beef-Tomato Filling
1 pint hot tomato pulp, strained
2 tablespoons quick tapioca
½ pound grated cheese
¼ pound dried beef, ground fine
¼ teaspoon pepper
¼ teaspoon mustard
Add tapioca to hot tomato and cook over low flame for 15 minutes. Add cheese gradually and cook slowly until melted. Remove from heat, add beef and seasonings. Cool and store.

Corned Beef Spread
4 ounces cooked corned beef
½ cup minced sweet pickle
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
1 teaspoon prepared mustard
2 teaspoons minced onion
2 ounces sharp American cheese
Salt and pepper
Cut cheese into tiny pieces and blend with mayonnaise. Add shredded corned beef and remaining ingredients. These sandwiches can be made up with sliced tomato and lettuce, if desired.

Cheese-Bacon Spread
3 ounces cream cheese
3 ounces Old English cheese
¼ cup chopped, cooked bacon
¼ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
¼ teaspoon horseradish
2 tablespoons milk

Lynn Says:
Snacks Prove Popular As Weather Cools
Toasted sandwiches are always popular and take but little time to make with a regular toaster, grill or skillet.

Hot toast can be spread with any number of fillings kept on tap, and served with pickles, relishes, potato chips, carrot sticks, cole slaw, or munched with fresh fruit.

If you want a more nourishing sandwich, dip it into a french toast mixture and fry in the skillet.

LYNN CHAMBERS' MENU
Baked Lamb Loaf
Browned Peach Halves with Mint Jelly
Baked Potatoes
Spinach with Cheese Sauce
Oatmeal Bread or Muffins
Baked Apples Beverage

Blend ingredients together thoroughly and store until ready to use.

Liver Spread
½ pound calves' liver
1½ teaspoons salt
2 cups boiling water
8 slices cooked bacon
¼ cup soured cream or salad dressing
2 tablespoons prepared mustard
2 tablespoons minced onion
Dash of pepper
Simmer liver in salt and water until tender. Cool and put through fine blade on food chopper. Run bacon through chopper. Mix all ingredients, place in jars and chill until used.

HERE ARE OTHER well-liked fillings:
Fried dried beef browned with onion in the skillet, then mixed with cream cheese.
Peanut butter mixed with orange marmalade.
Sliced cooked beef roast with chili butter, made by mixing softened butter with chili sauce to taste.
Chopped ham mixed with mayonnaise and shredded pineapple, drained.
Grated American cheese mixed with grated raw carrots, grated raw onion and mayonnaise.

USE THESE TRICKS for the lunch box when appetites fail, when there's an exam or some special event.
Meat Pastries (Makes 4)
1 cup pastry mix
1 cup ground leftover meat
¼ cup tomato soup
Roll out pastry one-eighth inch thick. Cut into four squares. Place a mound of cooked meat on each square. Top with one tablespoon of tomato sauce. Fold pastry squares and pinch edges together. Bake in a hot (400 degree) oven about 20 minutes or until browned. These can be baked if you are making a hot bread in the morning. They are good even when cold and take the place of sandwiches.

Lunch Box Eggs
2 hard-cooked eggs
1½ inch slice liver sausage
1 ounce cream cheese
1 tablespoon milk
1 tablespoon prepared mustard
Remove shells from eggs and cut in half lengthwise. Remove yolks and mash. Mash liver sausage, blend with cream cheese and milk and egg yolks. Add mustard and blend thoroughly. Refill whites and press eggs together.

Here are other sweets for packed lunches: gingerbread topped with lemon powdered sugar frosting; individual upside down cake made in a custard cup and left in the cup, maple sugar candy, popcorn balls, cookies or puddings.

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Cream cheese mixed with pineapple or orange marmalade, spread on toast, is good when broiled until bubbly.
Canned or cooked tongue, sliced thin, can be spread with pickle relish and toasted.
Salmon and tuna fish salad mixtures make excellent toasted sandwiches. Season the fish salad with horseradish, mayonnaise and salt.
If you don't want young fry or Dad to raid the refrigerator, tack up menus on the pantry shelf, telling what they can use.



New Unit Improves Ventilation of Barn

Dairymen Find Device Particularly Effective

Many of a cow's troubles can be traced to heat and humidity. A cow, unlike a human being, can perspire only through the mouth. So when the temperature and humidity inside a barn get high, the animal becomes uncomfortable and stubborn, particularly at milking time.

According to the department of agriculture, an average cow gives off almost a pint of water every hour through breathing. In addition to the high humidity caused by this breathing, a cow has an extremely high body temperature.

During the winter months, when the cows are in the barn most of the time, this combination results in generation of an enormous amount of water vapor and heat. When the warm, moisture-laden air comes in contact with the cold walls, condensation occurs and frost is formed.

The net result to farmers is rotting beams, joist and siding; a loss of hay because of mold created by moisture and frost; milk contamination, disease, particularly among the young stock and reduction of milk production because of discomfort to cows.

A simple solution to all of these costly problems is an automatic cooling unit, which is proving popular with dairy farmers.

These automatic ventilation units, easily installed, reduce condensation.



Picture on Vernon Julius farm at Freeport, Ill., shows installation of automatic cooling unit in dairy barn.

tion to a negligible degree—less than 2 per cent. This alone, in turn, decreases barn deterioration, hay mold, milk contamination and disease. It also provides much more comfort for the cows and increases milk production. In addition, working conditions for the operator are much more pleasant. The cooling units are equipped with an automatic "airswitch" thermostat.

Higher Yields Outweigh Cattle Spraying Costs

An increase of \$3.75 per head more than covers the cost of spraying beef cattle with DDT, it was revealed in a test of the value of fly control conducted at the University of Illinois college of agriculture.

Protected cattle gained about 15 pounds more per head during the pasture season than a group that had not been sprayed. At 25 cents a pound, an increase of 15 pounds a head amounts to \$3.75 a head, a return that far outweighs the cost of spraying.

Beef cattle should be sprayed often enough to control flies, whether it requires two or three sprayings during the season or once a month.

Herds and Flocks

Use of 2, 4-D sprays for weed control in pastures is not dangerous to grazing animals.

A home-mixed spray of crude benzene hexachloride powder and water is more likely to taint eggs in poultry houses than a good commercial rosin paint containing the effective portion of the same chemical.

Poultry houses with light colored roofs are cooler in summer than those with roofs painted black.

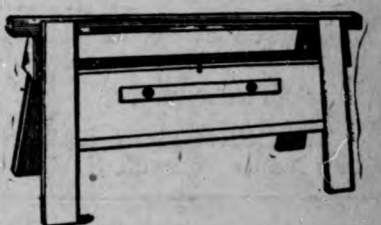
To get water to hogs in distant pasture where there is no water supply, pipes can be laid on top of the ground. To prevent freezing in winter, disconnect and drain the pipes.

Benzene Hexachloride Will Check Hog Mange

If hogs stand around and rub instead of eating, they may have a touch of mange. Benzene hexachloride has been found to be more effective than lime sulphur. Benzene hexachloride should be applied when temperatures are up around 75 degrees, using one pound of 50 per cent powder to four gallons of water. It is important to see that the animal is completely covered, including the inside of the ears.

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Zunis Swallow Swords

Sword swallowing, well-known Hindu practice, is a ritual also performed by the Zuni and other southwestern Indians. To them, swallowing a feather sword is a sacred religious expression.

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