

Early Results Optimistic For Churchill's Return

LONDON, Friday, Oct. 26—(AP)—Preliminary tabulations today from the national elections pointed to the downfall of the Labor government and the return of Winston Churchill to the Prime Ministry before his 77th birthday.

Churchill's Conservatives, odds-on favorites in the betting, ousted Laborites from four seats in the first 120 districts to report. Another Labor seat fell to the Liberal party, third strongest in Britain.

Churchill Likely to Win

With 505 seats and some of the strongest Conservative districts still to be heard from, it seemed likely Churchill would replace Clement R. Attlee as Prime Minister.

The 120 districts first reporting gave Labor 66 seats in the House of Commons, the Conservatives 53 and the Liberals 1. Labor strength always is most evident in the early counting.

A total of 624 seats were at stake. Most of the first 100 districts reporting went as they did in 1950, even though many Labor candidates won by reduced majorities over last year's figures. And the first returns showed the Conservatives taking two seats that belonged to Labor in the last parliament, while the Liberal party took a third Labor seat.

Conservatives Gain

Churchill's followers were running slightly ahead in the total popular vote but district after district which they had been confident of winning stayed in the Labor column.

The first Conservative gain came in the textile center of Manchester, where a Laborite who had a winning margin of only 42 votes in 1950 was beaten by 272 votes.

Air, Navy Support Rendered Europe

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25—(AP)—America's part in building up European defenses brought these developments today: (1) word that the U.S. Mediterranean fleet probably is prepared to use atomic bombs if necessary, and (2) an announcement that a light bomber wing is being sent to France.

The Air Force said the 126th light bomber wing will be stationed at Bordeaux. This will be the first wing sent to France since World War II, but Air Force plans call for sending another wing—this one probably composed of jet fighters—to western Europe by the end of this year.

Secretary of the Navy Kimball said the U.S. Fleet in the Mediterranean has been built up to 60 or 70 warships, twice the size it was a year ago. These ships carry about 20,000 men.

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The West Virginia University band, under the direction of Lawrence Intravaia will perform a special feature introduced this season when they appear here tomorrow.

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The World At a Glance

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 25—(AP)—A top sales executive for a major steel producer told a Senate subcommittee today the government should lift its controls on all steel not destined for defense.

John E. Timberlake, general manager of sales for Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp., told a one-day hearing of a Senate small business subcommittee that only 10 percent of J. and L.'s output can be identified as being for direct military and atomic energy orders.

U.S. EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea, Friday, Oct. 26—(AP)—Allied fighter-bombers dealt a smashing blow to the Communist railroad supply system in northwest Korea Thursday, destroying nine Red locomotives and damaging 19 others in a concentrated attack.
For the fifth straight day, Russian-built MIGs made determined efforts to break up the Allied raids.

In the ground war, U.S. Patton tanks speared to the western outskirts of Kumsong.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25—(AP)—A Senate investigating committee today criticized home-front training conditions at some U.S. Marine bases as contributing to low morale among the leathernecks and wasting the taxpayers' money.

The committee's report singled out a variety of cases ranging from poor food and flimsily protected open-air showers to overstaffing in "chair corps" positions.

CAIRO, Egypt, Oct. 25—(AP)—A Soviet-Egyptian meeting in the midst of the British-Egyptian crisis over the Suez and the Sudan won the headlines in Cairo newspapers today.

The newspapers splashed front pages with pictures and stories of the 90-minute talk yesterday at the foreign office between Russian Minister Semen Pavlovitch Kozyrev and Egypt's Foreign Minister, Mohamed Salah El Din.

On Way Out?



Clement Attlee

Limit Reached On Taxes -- Taft

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 25—(AP)—Calling for a recheck of military expenditures, Senator Robert A. Taft (R-Ohio) said today "We've just about reached the limit of taxes."

"We have to be as selective with our military projects as anything else," Taft declared. "We can't run the entire world. There's an economic limitation on the United States."

More than 1,000 heard Taft say there may be "serious inflation," if military expenditures and taxes increase.

Allies Propose New Korean Buffer Zone

MUNSAN, Korea, Friday, Oct. 26—(AP)—A concrete Allied proposal for a Korean buffer zone, involving cession of about 200 square miles of territory by each side, put the next cease-fire move squarely up to the Communists today.

There was speculation that some sort of compromise would be effected after the Reds make a counter-proposal. Upon this might depend the speed with which the United Nations and Communist negotiators settle this thorny question or go into a possible new deadlock.

The sudden Allied proposal was introduced at a subcommittee meeting immediately after the truce negotiations were resumed, ending a 64-day suspension.

A United Nations command spokesman said the Allied suggestion entailed a line generally following the present battlefield, but with the Reds to give up about 200 square miles territory in the west and the Allies to pull out of a similar area in the east.

Buffer zones two and one-half miles wide would be created, most of it in North Korea, but dipping into South Korea at its western end.

Maj. Gen. Henry I. Hodes, head of the UN subcommittee, suggested that the Reds accept the proposal or face a less favorable one later. He noted that during the long suspension of the talks, the battle line had moved many miles north.

Polyandry is a system of marriage between one woman and a number of men.

MI Dean Guest In Mexico City

Dr. Edward Steidle, dean of the School of Mineral Industries, will deliver a paper, "Mineral Industries Education," to the first Inter-American Convention on Mineral Resources starting Sunday in Mexico City.

He will also present a second paper, "Some Mineral Aspects of World Peace," before the third Pan American Congress of Mining Engineering and Geology, being held in conjunction with the convention.

An official delegate of Pennsylvania at the first Pan American Congress of Mining Engineering and Geology in 1942 at Santiago, Chile, Dr. Steidle was also an official delegate of the Department of State at the second congress during 1946 in Rio de Janeiro.

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