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'Must Work At Democracy', Craig Tells Legion

KOREAN REDS REACH CAPITAL

LEGION CANDIDATES

Three candidates are in a hot contest for commander of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion. The election will be held tomorrow afternoon at the concluding session of the annual convention now being held here. The candidates are Hugh Alexander of Kannapolis (top); B. E. Bamrick of Hickory (center) and Durham Davis of Shelby (bottom photo). The winner will succeed B. C. Godwin of New Bern and Raleigh.

National Chief Is Speaker

Smith Also Talks To Convention

By EMERY WISTER
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Delegates of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion put aside their thoughts of fun and frolic this morning to hear speeches by National Commander George N. Craig and Democratic Senatorial Nominee Willis Smith.

Hundreds of blue-capped Legionnaires flocked into the Carolina Theater this morning for the first business sessions of the department's annual convention.

Commander Craig, introduced by N. C. Commander B. C. Godwin of New Bern, told the delegates that "It is time we are brutally frank with the American people."

"If democracy is to work," he said, "we must work at it."

Mr. Smith, who arrived at the theater some time later, said that he was "proud to be a charter member of the Raleigh Post No. 1" and that the Legion has "the principles of Americanism and the American way of life."

"The Legion," he continued, "promotes Americanism to its highest degree. And it should strive to maintain a truer Americanism so that our children and their children may be able to have what we enjoy."

SEEK SUBVERSIVES

Both Mr. Craig and Mr. Smith emphasized the necessity of a strong hand for dealing with subversive organizations.

"We must keep our eyes on organizations we suspect of being subversive," said Mr. Smith, who received the Democratic nomination for Senator in Saturday's runoff election. "Maybe not all of these groups are really subversive, but we should watch them closely to see.

"It is up to men like you to see that we are not taken in."

Mr. Craig called for immediate dismissal of all disloyal persons in employ of the Government. He pointed out that he did not know if the charges brought by Senator McCarthy were true or not but that they should be carefully and impartially investigated.

"Senator McCarthy made the charge, the Senate should investigate," he said. "Secretary of State Acheson should be the first to know of such charges. He should want to know, to discharge and punish the employees if the charges were found true, to obtain a vindication of his department if they were not.

"And if such charges are not true then the public should be reassured."

Mr. Smith told his audience that he was delighted to be in Charlotte because this city and county had always treated him kindly.

"I particularly remember their help in a recent contest," he said.

NO ROOM FOR BOTH

Commander Craig brought the Legionnaires to their feet when he told them:

"There is no room in the United

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Judith Coplon Denied New Trial

WASHINGTON —(AP)— Federal Judge Albert L. Reeves today refused to grant a new trial for Judith Coplon, a 3-year-old, former Government girl twice convicted of spying for Russia.

Judge Reeves, who last year sentenced Miss Coplon to 40 months to ten years, overruled the new trial motion after hearing arguments on the question here last week. His home court is in Kansas City.

Mart Tumbles On War News

NEW YORK — (AP) — Big blocks of stocks were dumped on the market today in the first response to hostilities in Korea.

Leading issues plunged $1 to around $5 a share.

Opening transactions were long delayed for many important shares — notably steel and automobile stocks — while buyers and sellers struggled over prices.

Initial transactions ranged up to 20,000 shares in the case of Radio Corp., which dropped $1.87 to $20 a share.

The heavy opening sales were the result of selling orders which piled up over the week-end. After this glut of business was disposed of, the market showed a tendency to level off.

Further selling was orderly and further losses minor.

Standard Oil (N.J.) opened $2.25 a share lower at $78. Bethlehem Steel crashed $2.25 to $33.75 on a trade of 7,000 shares.

U. S. Steel appeared on the tickers for the first time around 11 o'clock when 15,000 shares traded at $34, off $2. Another half hour or so later Chrysler opened at $77, down $5 a share, in a deal of 10,000 shares.

The first thing a young fellow learns after he marries is how his Pa got that way. . . . If you'd write a list of some people's faults, they'd think it was somebody else.

THE NATIONAL COMMANDER TAKES A BREAK

Press Staff Photo by Don Roberts Studio

National American Legion Commander George N. Craig (right) takes time out to telephone a friend in Charlotte while his aide, Paul E. Lackey, pours him a glass of water. Commander Craig was here today to address the annual convention of the North Carolina Department of the Legion.

Willis Smith Discusses Victory

Better Organization Did Trick

By TOM FESPERMAN
Charlotte News Staff Writer

Better campaign organizations in many counties were the main factors in swinging the majority of North Carolina voters to Mr. victorious Senatorial Candidate Willis Smith said here today.

Another big factor, he said, was further discussion of the FEPC issue and the recent Supreme Court decisions wiping out segregation in colleges.

Tired but obviously happy, Mr Smith came to Charlotte briefly to speak at the state American Legion convention at the Carolina Theater.

He left a short time later saying he was "headed somewhere for a good vacation."

Arriving here almost at the same time defeated Sen. Frank P Graham passed in Charlotte. Mr. Smith said he hadn't yet had time to study closely and analyze Saturday's big runoff primary vote.

But he was convinced, he said, that the two weeks of the second campaign gave him and his associates the added time needed to better organize support in a number of counties.

CITES EXAMPLES

He pointed to Lenoir and Wayne Counties as two examples.

"The way the women turned out," he added, "was a big factor This helped in Iredell, Wake and Nash, among other counties."

He only briefly mentioned the FEPC issue, which politicians believed was a major factor in the campaign. He said he preferred to withhold any more comment on the status of racial relations in North Carolina.

Asked about the new international crisis in Korea, Mr. Smith said he had been so busy in his campaign and since Saturday that he hasn't had sufficient time to study the situation.

He was asked, "What are you going to do about Jonathan Daniels" the Democratic national committeeman and Raleigh editor who opposed him bitterly.

"I haven't thought about that," Mr. Smith said. He said he had received a message of congratulations from Daniels and also one from William Boyle, chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

He said, "No," when he was asked if Gov. W. Kerr Scott, who appointed Graham to the Senate, had sent him congratulations.

Richard E. Thigpen, manager for Smith here, explained that the Senator-nominate had to leave Charlotte immediately but that he would return soon for a victory meeting for his local supporters.

Briton Would Use Atom Bomb On Korean Reds

LONDON—(AP)—A Conservative member of Parliament urged Britain today to seek use of the atom bomb against Communist controlled Northern Korea.

This call came from Conservative Peter Geoffrey Roberts, a wartime major in the Coldstream Guards.

Prime Minister Attlee told the House of Commons before Roberts spoke that Britain is "deeply concerned" over the outbreak of fighting in Korea.

"In view of the very grave situation if the Korean Government refuses to consider this resolution will the Prime Minister advise his representatives in the United Nations to ask for the use of the atomic bomb. . ." Roberts asked.

Cries from the Labor Party benches interrupted him.

Roberts managed to make clear, however, that the bomb should be used "upon the capital of Northern Korea."

Daniels Has No Comment On Reported Ouster Move

RALEIGH —(AP)— Democratic National Committeeman Jonathan Daniels had no comment today on published reports that supporters of Senatorial Nominee Willis Smith might seek to oust him.

Smith, who defeated Senator Frank P. Graham for the Democratic nomination in Saturday's runoff primary, said, when asked to comment on the reports, that "I haven't given any thought about it one way or another."

He said that some of his supporters "may feel that way," but if it was "ever mentioned to me I'd wait in the convention way."

State Democratic Chairman Everett Jordan said he had "never heard anything whatever of any such move, and I don't think there's anything to it."

He said he thought the reports were "just political gossip."

Daniels, editor of the Raleigh News & Observer, supported Graham strongly in the campaign.

Unless Daniels decided to resign it appeared that the Smith forces — if they decide to do so — would have a difficult time in seeking his removal.

National committeemen are elected by the State's delegation to the Democratic national convention for a term that lasts until the next convention. When vacancies occur, they are filled by the Democratic national committee on the recommendation of the State convention.

Daniels was elected in this way to fill a vacancy left by the death of Joe Blythe of Charlotte, and his term runs until 1952 when the next national convention will be held.

Erickson Gets Two-Year Term

NEW YORK —(AP)—Frank Erickson, kingpin of a nationwide bookmaking business, today was sentenced to two years in prison and a $20,000 fine.

Erickson threw himself on the mercy of the court last Monday by pleading guilty to a 60 count gambling charge.

The chubby, 54-year-old gambling mongul, who had piled his multi-million - dollar betting trade for a quarter century without spending a day in jail, was sentenced in Special Sessions Court.

He could have received up to 60 years in prison.

A three-judge panel gave Erickson a one-year prison term on one count of conspiracy and a second year on the first of 30 counts of bookmaking. The terms are to run consecutively.

The moon-faced, balding gambling magnul, admitted operator of a $12,000,000-a-year, coast-to-coast bookmaking empire, also was given a suspended penitentiary term of three years.

Tax Bill Cleared For House Action

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The $1,050,000,000 excise tax cutting bill was cleared today for house consideration on an "all-or-nothing" basis.

The House Rules Committee approved procedures which would bar any change or amendment when it was open for debate on the floor of the House.

The rule governing debate will, however, give Republicans one chance to offer a substitute proposal. Republicans, who have called the measure a "token tax reduction," have not disclosed what substitute they have in mind.

Smith Won By Margin Of 19,507

Vote Was Second Largest In State

RALEIGH — (AP) — North Carolina voters have named Willis Smith, a champion of what he calls "Southern Democracy", to replace Truman supporter Frank P. Graham in the U. S. Senate.

In a bitter Democratic runoff primary, Smith, a former president of the American Bar Association, defeated Graham Saturday by about 20,000 votes.

The race issue, Communism, and the President's administration played the key roles in Smith's successful campaign of attack.

With reports in from nearly all the state's 1,990 precincts, unofficial returns gave Smith 277,862 votes to Graham's 258,355. The total vote, 536,000, exceeded that for any previous Democratic primary except the record 612,479 cast May 27 when Graham led Smith.

Since the state is overwhelmingly Democratic, the winner of the Democratic primary is assured of victory in the November general election.

Smith said Graham once favored FEPC and had failed to support Southern senators in defeating the Federal measure. He also said Graham once was free in his praise of organizations later termed subversive by the Attorney-General.

Graham, a former member of President Truman's Committee on Civil Rights, said flatly he was opposed to mandatory FEPC. He also denied he never was sympathetic and a member of any Communist-dominated group.

On May 27, Graham led a field of four candidates in the regular Democratic Senatorial Primary. Graham had 357,652 votes and Smith, 280,232. Trailing far behind were former U. S. Senator Robert Rice Reynolds and Olla Ray Boyd, a nursing-home owner who is a perennial candidate.

Smith had the right to call for a runoff primary because Graham failed to a majority by about 1,800 votes.

Smith's supporters compared their candidate with the State's senior Senator, swallow-tailed coat wearer Clyde R. Hoey, stating they both have essentially the same political viewpoints. Hoey wasn't opposed this year.

Smith attacked the Brannan farm plan, attempts to socialize medicine, deficit financing, and all forms of FEPC. He is a well-built six-footer who looks much younger than his 62 years. He is senior partner in the firm of Smith, Leach and Anderson, one of the state's most well-to-do law firms located here in the state capital.

His previous political experience includes sessions in the State Legislature during the late 20's and early 30's. He rose to become House speaker.

In a Congressional race, Woodrow W. Jones of Rutherfordton was nominated to Congress from the Eleventh Congressional District. He had engaged in a runoff with Charles R. Hamilton of Lenoir for the seat being vacated by the retirement of Rep. Alfred L. Bulwinkle of Gastonia. With Bulwinkle retiring, Jones' unofficial vote was 22,481 to Hamilton's 16,659.

REFRIGERATORS GET HOT

PATERSON, N. J. —(AP)— It was so hot in Paterson over the week-end that three refrigerators, labouring overtime, burst into flames.

The Fire Department put each one out with little trouble.

American Aid Being Sent To Embattled South Korea

By RUSSELL BRINES

TOKYO —(AP)— The United States rushed supplies today for supplying Communist-invaded South Korea with much-needed war materiels—including ten F-51 Mustang fighter planes.

General MacArthur's headquarters announced that transfer of the planes had been approved in Washington, but added that the date had not been fixed.

The announcement said the planes would be turned over to Korean pilots in Japan. South Korea has 40 trained pilots ready to fly the Mustangs-powered aircraft, reports from Seoul said.

Meanwhile, serious young American jet fighter pilots stand ready to meet if attacked, spread an aerial umbrella from Japan to South Korea.

Authoritative sources said continuous air cover would be maintained to protect evacuation of some 700 American women and children from Korea and assure safe passage of convoys carrying "munitions and war materiel" to the South Koreans.

General MacArthur's headquarters is making preparations for shipment of the munitions and materiel. Until the plane announcement, the U. S. had supplied South Korea only with small weapons — Garand rifles, machineguns and 105 millimeter howitzers.

Both the evacuation and Korean shipments will have "a naval escort and air coverage", a headquarters spokesman added.

At almost the moment of the announcement, American fighter planes flew over Seoul, the South Korean capital, on the way to cover the first evacuees. They are boarding two ships at Inchon, Korean

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Demand For Surrender Broadcast

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

The invading troops of the Soviet-supported North Korean republic drove a tank column to the outskirts of Seoul early Tuesday (Korean time) and their commander-in-chief demanded the surrender of the Southern republic.

Gen. Chai Ung Jun, whose troops invaded Southern Korea on Sunday, broadcast the demand over the Pyongyang radio. The Communist forces were acting swiftly, apparently in an effort to force surrender before promised American military aid could be turned to the Southern republic's advantage.

South Korean President Syngman Rhee blamed the crisis on "too little and too late" American aid.

Prespects of total defeat for the American-supported Southern republic through bad morale rather than being beaten in the field were in evidence at Seoul.

The tank column that reached the outskirts of Seoul joined two full Southern divisions totalling 20,000 men that were engaged in a counterattack. The column met with little or no resistance on its last dozen miles.

On Monday night (Korean time) the armored column had been within nine miles of Seoul after tanks and artillery of the Northern Communist Government had crumbled resistance at Uijongbu, twelve miles from Seoul. After capturing the town the column moved down Uijongbu valley.

EMBASSY BURNS PAPERS

In Seoul the U. S. Embassy burned its archives and papers. An air raid alarm screached. The city buzzed after four Northern planes strafed the capital. President Syngman Rhee and his Cabinet were in emergency session. Two ships carrying 765 dependents of Americans in Korea sailed from Inchon for Fukuoka, Japan, with U. S. naval and air escort.

The headquarters of Gen. MacArthur in Tokyo estimated that 70,000 troops from Soviet-supported North Korea, spearheaded by 70 tanks, launched the invasion on Sunday—long a favorite day for surprise attacks.

The U. N. Security Council, meeting in extraordinary session without Russia, called on both sides to cease fire. It took the action at the strong urging of the United States, which also directed the speeding of military aid to the embattled South Koreans.

DEFENDERS REEL

The invaders' artillery fire dispersed the defenders of Uijongbu, only twelve miles north of Seoul. South Korean forces reeled in retreat under the assault, launched at dusk. Advices reaching Seoul said the retreating Southern troops were in dire straits. Still other separated Southern army was in trouble at Kangnung, fifteen miles south of the 38th parallel on the east coast.

The East Coast division was being attacked from both the North and South. It sent an urgent call for reinforcements. An American military official said he was uncertain whether they would be forthcoming.

The Southern forces started a counteroffensive earlier today after halting the Northern invaders yesterday. South Korea threw the Seventh and Second Divisions of 10,000 men each into the fight. But intense Northern artillery fire rocked the Second Division back on its heels and tanks ripped into them. The Seventh also ran into trouble. The Southern forces were reported recuperating about a mile from Uijongbu.

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Truman Pledges Peace Effort

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON —(AP)— President Truman today pledged this country's vigorous support for United Nations efforts to stop the "unprovoked aggression" against South Korea.

His pledge was given in a statement which left unanswered the question whether the American Government would want to send American armed forces to Korea if the U.N. asked for them.

Mr. Truman did emphasize the serious view the United States takes on the attack on the Korean republic by Soviet-backed forces.

"Willful disregard of the obligation to keep the peace cannot be tolerated by nations that support the United Nations charter," he said.

Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson turned aside a question about possible use of American troops.

The reporter: "But what is the answer?"

Johnson: "I didn't give an answer."

JOHNSON AT CAPITOL

Johnson was at the Capitol where he and Secretary of State Acheson met with the Senate Appropriations Committee for a discussion of the Administration's general foreign arms aid program. Their engagement was made before the Korean crisis developed.

It was reported that the Cabinet officers came in for some "rough questioning" from the Senators.

Some of the Lawmakers were particularly aroused because the United States apparently had no advance inkling that the Communist North Korean forces were about to attack.

SUMMON DIRECTOR

After the talk with Johnson and Acheson, the Senators sent a request for Admiral Roscoe Hillenkoetter, director of the U. S. Central Intelligence Agency, to come before the committee.

While the cabinet officers were before this group, Senate republicans held a party meeting.

Senator Millikin (Colo) said there was unanimous agreement that the attack should not be allowed to involve this country in war, but that the United States should provide military supplies and other aid for South Korea.

Several GOP Senators were critical of the intelligence service. Senator Wherry (R-Neb), for one, said it was clear the intelligence service was "caught napping."

Atherton To Replace Griffith As Speaker

Second degree burns received in an accident several days ago will keep Frank Griffith, Assistant Secretary of National Defense and past National Commander of the American Legion from attending the annual convention here.

Mr. Griffith was scheduled to speak at the convention banquet tonight at 8 o'clock. In his absence, Warren Atherton of California, also a past National Commander of the American Legion will make the address. Mr. Atherton is scheduled to arrive here at 4:30 P. M.

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