

Gallup Political Poll

Truman Runs Ahead In Mid-Atlantic Area

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PRINCETON, N. J.—When Gen. Eisenhower opens his formal campaign in Philadelphia on Thursday, he will appear against a geographical backdrop of considerable political port in the Middle-Atlantic states.

The six states which comprise this section of the country are Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware and West Virginia. They constitute the best northern block of electoral votes in the nation.

Eisenhower's following in today's survey shows a net gain of about 5 percentage points over the proportion of votes which Dewey received in this section in 1948.

DEWEY TERRITORY
 Five of these states gave Dewey his biggest block of electoral votes in 1948. In that election, the section gave Dewey 48.4 per cent of the vote, Truman 46.6 per cent, and Wallace 4.7 per cent.

West Virginia was the only state in the Middle-Atlantic area which was not won by the Republican column in 1948.

A cross-section of voters in all six states of life living in this section were interviewed during mid-August by reporters for the Gallup Poll. They asked each voter this question:

"If the Presidential election were being held today, which party would you like to see win—the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?"

The views of all those questioned who indicated a preference or expressed a "leaning" are as follows:

Republican 52%
 Democratic 45%
 Undecided 3%

Analysis of the 6 per cent who were undecided shows that a majority of those in this group voted Democratic in the last Presidential election and therefore probably will return to the Democratic Party.

Of those persons who voted Democratic in 1948 are allocated to the Democratic Party and those who voted Republican to the Republican Party, leaving 2 per cent who did not vote in 1948, the figures are:

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By SAM SUMMERLIN
 SEOUL, Korea (U.S. Press)—An air strike of the Korean War, struck within sight and sound of Soviet Russia today, as the Soviet campaign of utter destruction for Red military installations.

The attack by 164 Navy bombers from the B-29 Superfortresses, and an iron works in extreme Northeast Korea, were the first of the series of attacks on the Red's they didn't even throw up flak.

The refinery was at Aoji, 12 miles north of the Siberian border and northeast air target of the war. The iron works was at Musan, across the Tumen River from the Manchuria.

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THE CONTENTS WERE NOT WHAT HE EXPECTED

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.—A Grand Rapids man recently received a circular through the mail advertising a book as "a national shocking, explicit."

Sample chapter headings were included: "Some Girls Know How," "Since Eve Ate Apples," and "Bachelor Ball." Also included was a picture of a scantily attired beauty.

The prospective customer yielded to the lure and ordered a copy. When it arrived, he complained to the Better Business Bureau and demanded his money back.

How would he have known he was going to get a book book?

The figures in today's survey represent sentiment for the entire Middle-Atlantic region and cannot, therefore, be applied to any one state.

Today's survey findings contrast sharply with results of an institute study in the East North Central section of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Illinois which were published Friday.

In the home territory of the Democratic standard-bearer, Governor Stevenson of Illinois, General Eisenhower were found running neck-and-neck today, as follows:

Republican 49%
 Democratic 49%
 Still undecided 2%

In fact, in this section of the country, Eisenhower showed no gain over the proportion of the vote in 1948 which Dewey received in the Republican column.

THE MIDDLE ATLANTIC
 The Middle Atlantic section of the country which was strongest in the pre-convention support for Eisenhower's nomination.

Institute surveys consistently showed Eisenhower leading Gen. Robert A. Taft for the G.O.P. nomination by a good margin among Republican rank and file voters.

The importance of this section in the coming election can be seen from the fact that together the six states represent a total of 113 electoral votes.

MUST WIN THESE
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Truman Says Republicans Have No Issue

ABOVE TRUMAN TRAIN EN ROUTE TO MILWAUKEE (AP)—President Truman kicked off the Democratic Presidential campaign today with a "whistle stop" speech in which he said the Republicans have no issue but to cause the Democrats of throwing mud.

Truman's train left Pittsburgh crowded that the Republicans "can't find anything on which to stand," and that their only issue is to throw mud.

Truman spoke from the rear platform of the special train carrying the storm from the sky today after a brief stop at Erie, Pa., and then on to Milwaukee for a major address tonight in behalf of Gov. Adlai Stevenson, Democratic Presidential nominee.

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But he told the crowd "there is no use coming out and cheering and shouting and making this a party day. You do your duty on election day. If you do that duty, we will have a representative government."

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HURRICANE LEAVES ITS MARK IN BEAUFORT

A fork in this hurricane-topped oak possibly saved this small frame house from heavy damage as hurricane winds blew through the seacoast.

town of Beaufort, S. C. Damage from the season's first hurricane was confined largely to fallen trees. (AP Wirephoto).

Carolina's Cleaning Up

New Storm May Be Brewing

CHARLESTON, S. C. (U.S. Press)—Remnants of the season's first hurricane, which struck the South Carolina coast today, are being cleaned up by the state's highway department.

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