

Gallup Poll Finds Americans Divided On LBJ War-Handling

NEW YORK (AP) — Half of the Americans polled since the Viet Cong offensive in South Vietnam disapprove of the way President Johnson is handling the war while only about one-third approve, the Gallup Poll said Wednesday.

Public approval of Johnson's handling of the war slipped to 35 percent from 39 percent since January, the poll said.

In a September survey, 28 percent expressed approval of the president's Vietnam policy.

In the latest survey, 1,503 persons in 300 communities were asked, "Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Johnson is handling the situation in Vietnam?"

Half disapproved, 35 percent approved and 15 percent had no opinion. In January, 47 percent disapproved, 39 percent approved and 14 percent had no opinion.

The latest poll also found that six of 10 Americans now classify them as hawks or persons who favor a military step-up in South Vietnam.

Geologist Gives \$5,000 In Stocks

Michael T. Halbouty, Houston geologist and independent oil operator, has presented Texas A&M stock certificates valued at more than \$5,000, announced A&M President Earl Rudder.

Funds from sale of the stock are designated for A&M's Geosciences and Petroleum Engineering Foundation of which Halbouty, 1930 A&M graduate, is chairman.

The foundation was established at A&M in 1964 to provide supplemental funds for promotion of basic education, research and graduate study.

THE BATTALION

Wallace Announces VP Running Mate

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — Former Alabama Gov. George Wallace announced today that former Georgia Gov. Marvin Griffin will be listed as his vice-presidential running mate in order to satisfy procedural requirements in several states.

Wallace made the announcement at a news conference.

Asked when he would announce his permanent vice-presidential candidate, Wallace replied: "Well, in a way, we did that today and

it may well be that Mr. Griffin will be the candidate."

Griffin earlier issued a statement saying he has agreed to "lend my name to Gov. George Wallace as a vice-presidential candidate in order to help him in meeting some of the procedural requirements in several states."

Griffin said: "I think Gov. Wallace ought to have the right to name his vice-presidential candidate just like the other major candidates and the two existing parties do not have to name their

vice-presidential running mates until August. I am making it possible for Gov. Wallace to do the same thing."

Griffin's announcement added: "I told the governor that he could put up my name and then decide in his own good time what he wants to do."

Griffin said that several states have early deadlines for the naming of a vice-presidential candidate and he has offered his name to help Wallace meet procedural requirements. The former Georgia

governor said he would serve in any capacity desired by Wallace.

Convention Draws Aggie Professors

Dr. Charles L. Leinweber, head of the Range Science Department at Texas A&M, and other faculty members are attending the American Society of Range Management Convention in Albuquerque, N.M., through Feb. 16.

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