

Elections in Many States To-day Are Eagerly Watched

Results Will Fairly Indicate Forthcoming Presidential Election - Weather Conditions Unfavorable in New England Section.

In New York Tammany Faces a Fusion of the Hearst Element And Republicans - In Kentucky Democrats Hope to Reverse Republican Success

Boston, Nov. 7.—A southeast rain storm which swept over Massachusetts during the night vanished about the hour that the early voters went to the polls today in that state.

Early voting in Boston was light. The democratic managers had no carriages and automobiles to get out the vote. The republicans, however, fearing apathy on the part of their supporters were well equipped with conveyances.

Heavy Vote in New York. New York, Nov. 7.—A million and a half of ballots that began to rain into the boxes and click through the voting machines today will determine the state's electoral college.

Assailable change of political sentiment is the only broad interest attached to the contest and the only state officers to be elected are members of the lower house of the legislature.

To maintain their supremacy in the legislature the democrats will have to re-elect members in 85 of the 150 districts.

New York city elects a new board of aldermen and supreme court justices in the first and second judicial districts. Thirty-four up-state cities choose new mayors and other municipal officers. County officers are elected generally throughout the state.

Rain in many parts of the state last night left the country roads badly mired and there was an prospect of more bad weather during the day.

The rain had stopped at 6 o'clock when the polls opened in New York but the weather remained threatening.

Since it is conceded that the New York city democratic leaders control the dominant political machinery of the state, the count tonight will indicate in a measure who will rule the New York delegation in the next democratic national convention.

In New York city Tammany Hall faces a fusion of the republicans and the element controlled by William K. Hearst together with several so-called independent organizations. General uncertainty over the result has been shown by the lack of betting.

Heavy Vote in Charleston. Charleston, S. C., Nov. 7.—With ideal weather conditions, a heavy vote is being polled today in the democratic municipal primary election, nomination in which is equivalent to election.

Trisram L. Hyde, John P. Grace and Edward W. Hughes are candidates for mayor, the race being between Hyde and Grace with the prospect for a close election. Most of the candidates for aldermen are opposed.

School commissioners are also being nominated. Organized labor is fighting one of the candidates for city council. The polls will close at 7 o'clock and it will be well into the night before the result can be forecasted.

In Chicago. Chicago, Nov. 7.—Extraordinary rains were taken today to prevent fraudulent voting at the judicial election in Chicago and Cook county. The polls were tightly guarded.

This amendment would establish a property qualification for all but white males, which only a comparatively small number of negroes could meet.

In Philadelphia. Philadelphia, Nov. 7.—Election day in Philadelphia opened clear and warm and the indications during the morning hours were that an unprecedented vote would be polled for the mayoralty candidates.

The contest for mayor lies between George M. Earle, Jr., who has the support of United States Senator Boies Penrose and the republican organization and Rudolph Blankenburg, a fighter in the ranks of reformers for many years, who heads a fusion ticket.

In Mississippi. Jackson, Miss., Nov. 7.—Set in the general election in progress in this state today centers in the questions, whether independent candidates for legislative vacancies succeed over regular capture of the democratic vote in the cases of a few state offices, particularly that of Lieutenant Governor.

Early indications were that of a total registration of almost 140,000 not more than 35,000 votes would be polled. The weather was cloudy and threatening, the kind to keep rural voters at home.

Democratic success none questions, but the assertion is made here, because of factional contests, that the socialist vote will be heavy.

The candidates for governor are Earl Brewer, democrat, and Sumner W. Rose, socialist. For lieutenant-governor, Theodore G. Bilbo, democrat, is opposed by James T. Lester, socialist.

Close Race in Kentucky. Louisville, Ky., Nov. 7.—The voters of Kentucky today are going to the polls better canvassed than for years. Ballotting follows week's of earnest campaigning on the part of both candidates for governor, Judge Edward C. O'Rea, member of the state court of appeals, for the republicans, and Jas. B. McCreary, former United States senator and once governor heretofore, for the democrats.

Despite the usual confident pre-election claims, post-race politicians look for a very close race.

Santa Fe, N. M., Nov. 7.—With nearly a thousand candidates of all sorts to be elected today, the early vote in New Mexico's first full election was heavy.

While the usual claims of certain victory were made by partisans, impartial students of the situation declared that the outcome could not be forecasted because of the multiplicity of candidates on state, county and judicial tickets, the injection of the race issue and the numerous state and national issues involved.

While New Mexico is normally republican by 5,000 out of a 50,000 vote, the defection of the so-called progressive republicans and the stand of the prohibitionists against the regular republican candidates increases the uncertainty.

President Votes. Cincinnati, Ohio, Nov. 7.—President Taft today cast his ballot here. To do it he traveled several hundred miles and gave up a day's vacation at Hot Springs. The president voted at No. 2005 Madison road, two blocks from where he usually lives. He came to the polling place in an automobile from the home of his brother, C. P. Taft, accompanied by a detail of Cincinnati police.

The president had no trouble in securing his ballots. He had to wait for several minutes after receiving them for the camera battery to get ready, aim and fire. He was in the booth for seven minutes and supposedly marked all nine of the ballots offered to a voter in the city election.

After depositing his ballots under the eye of an election judge, Mr. Taft returned to his brother's home.

TWO STATESVILLE PASTORS CALLED TO OTHER FIELDS. Special to The News. Statesville, N. C., Nov. 7.—Two Statesville pastors have under consideration urgent calls to other fields of labor.

THE WEATHER. By Associated Press. Washington, Nov. 7.—Forecast: North and South Carolina—Fair and colder tonight and Wednesday; moderate west winds.

McNamara Trial Drags Along

By Associated Press. Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 7.—When Judge Anderson, of the United States district court, was advised today that the federal grand jury had been denied access to certain books of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, he ordered the United States marshal to go to a trust company where the books were deposited and take possession of them.

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 7.—Plenty of trouble was in sight at the opening of today's session of the McNamara murder trial. The state was seeking grounds for challenging a socialist spokesman and the defense was planning to oust from the box another spokesman against whom a previous effort had failed.

Each side was prepared to resist the intended move of the other and a little further ahead loomed up possible disaffection to one side or the other over the manner in which Judge Walter Bordwell rules that peremptory challenges shall be exercised.

But for a series of unexpected obstacles, the question of peremptory challenges would have been reached yesterday. One spokesman, Seaborn Manning, was necessarily excused because of ill health.

The defense announced that it had no information concerning the spokesman George W. McKee and after the state's challenge for implied bias against spokesman George W. Morton had been rejected by the court, Assistant District Attorney G. Ray Morton unexpectedly opened up another line of examination and finding that Morton was a socialist, hung on stubbornly until court adjourned, making it possible for detectives of the state to investigate the spokesman's records before court opened today.

When court closed Morton had left no visible opening for another challenge.

Providing these attending matters are cleared and the jury box is filled, the defense will ask that as each peremptory challenge is exercised, a new spokesman be called into the box and examined forthwith.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 7.—A federal grand jury investigation as to whether John J. McNamara, James B. McNamara and Ortle E. McNamara violated a statute governing interstate transportation of dynamite and other explosives was set to begin today, but the progress to be made was problematic because of the failure of the government to immediately obtain all of the evidence it sought.

Account books and letters of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers which county prosecutor, Frank P. Baker, had been ordered to take to the federal grand jury room are withheld pending action on an appeal by the Iron Workers' Association to the Indiana supreme court from an order of the criminal court of this county turning the evidence over to the federal grand jury.

Copies made by expert accountants of parts of these records are in the hands of the United States district attorney, however, and it was understood that the investigation would proceed with the material and with the examination of witnesses at the Iron Workers' Association here, in which John J. McNamara was arrested and quantities of explosives and exploding apparatus were seized.

Charges Against Bishop to Be Probed

By Associated Press. Topeka, Kan., Nov. 7.—Three bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church will arrive in Topeka this afternoon to investigate the charges brought against Bishop Moore by Mrs. Carrie E. Cope, of this city. The men assigned the task are Bishops Berry, Nealson and Smith. Bishop Moore will also be here.

Mrs. Cope charges that she has been slandered by Bishop Moore, who stated in a letter that \$10,000 which Mrs. Cope holds in trust for the missionary work would never be recovered.

Mrs. Cope has already filed a damage suit for \$50,000 against Mrs. George C. Robinson, a wealthy woman of Detroit, whom she charges with having circulated the statement in the Moore letter.

THREE NEGROES HELD FOR MUTINY ON HIGH SEA.

Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 7.—Assisted by an armed squad from the revenue cutter Seminole, United States Deputy Marshal Knox and Constable Savage this afternoon arrested William Douglas, John Rigan and Charles Ellis, 3 negro seamen on board the American schooner Victor C. Records, on a warrant charging them with mutiny on the high seas.



CHINESE SOLDIERS IN WAR DRESS. The soldiers of the Chinese Empire dressed in up-to-date uniform. They are called the "Tommys" of China's new army.

COLONEL H. C. DOCKERY PASSES AT ROCKINGHAM

Rockingham, Nov. 7.—Col. H. C. Dockery, editor of the Rockingham Daily Post, and one of the largest farmers and most prominent men in the state died at midnight last night at his home here. Colonel Dockery was 61 years old. Immediate cause of his death was heart disease, though he had been in an enfeebled condition for months.

Colonel Dockery was probably as widely known as any man in the state of North Carolina.

Frankfort Plans To Receive Taft

By Associated Press. Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 7.—Frankfort already is getting in gala dress for the visit tomorrow afternoon of President Taft and the many other notable who will come to unveil the bronze statue of Abraham Lincoln, already on its pedestal and waiting in the rotunda of Kentucky's one year old state capitol. A. A. Weinman, the sculptor, yesterday superintended the placing of the statue and will attend the services tomorrow.

A large section of the balcony, part of which will be occupied by the president and his party has been set aside for the use of former slaves. A score of these belonged, in the old days, to the family of the donor of the statue, James B. Speed, of Louisville.

Governor Augustus E. Wilson last night announced the names of the committees which will welcome Mr. Taft to the city.

Robert T. Lincoln, son of the war president, will not be able to attend the unveiling ceremony on the dedication Thursday of the Lincoln memorial hall on the old Lincoln farm near Hodgenville.

Vermilya Woman Removed to Jail

By Associated Press. Chicago, Nov. 7.—Mrs. Louise Vermilya, charged with poisoning Police Officer Arthur Bissonette and suspected of having caused the death of at least a dozen others, is today in the county jail hospital where she will remain until her next hearing, Nov. 28. That some other person may be connected with her was indicated by a statement of Assistant State's Attorney Burnham, who said that in all probability Mrs. Vermilya and others would be indicted by the November grand jury which will meet next Monday.

GEORGIA LINES UP FOR COTTON HOLDING PLAN

By Associated Press. Columbia, S. C., Nov. 7.—Georgia through committee has inaugurated a plan for holding cotton," says a telegram to Commissioner Watson today from T. G. Hudson, commissioner of agriculture for Georgia.

Other states which have promised co-operation with South Carolina union farmers in the plan to secure from cotton growers' pledges to hold cotton until next September for 13 cents and to plant next season not more than 60 per cent of arable lands, are Texas, Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and North Carolina.

Presbyterians Of Georgia Meet

By Associated Press. Decatur, Ga., Nov. 7.—Two hundred delegates are in attendance upon the sessions of the convention of the state synod, composed of six Georgia presbyteries, which opened at the first Presbyterian church here today.

The morning and afternoon sessions today were executive and business of importance to the church in the state was transacted.

At tonight's meeting a new moderator and other officers will be elected. Synod meetings will continue through Friday of this week.

On Wednesday evening Dr. Henry M. Sweets, of Nashville, secretary of ministerial relief and education, will ministerial relief and education, will speak. It is expected that Dr. S. M. Chester, of Nashville, secretary of the board of foreign missions also will be present at that session.

Bad Fire In Steamer

Liverpool, Nov. 7.—A dangerous fire broke out today on the Norfolk and North American Steamship Co.'s steamer, North Point, which arrived here Nov. 1, with a cargo of cotton from Savannah.

Chinese Capital In Care Of Faithful Loyal Troops

Suspected Train Wiecker in Jail

By Associated Press. Columbia, S. C., Nov. 7.—Although a negro, Lawrence Robertson, trailed to his home by bloodhounds, has been lodged in the Lexington county jail as a suspect, the search continues for the parties who wrecked the Seaboard Air Line's southbound Florida Limited, No. 43 at Swansea, early Monday morning, by unlocking the switch and setting it for the siding while leaving the signal light set to indicate a clear main line. The seabornd has offered a reward of \$1,000 for the arrest of the guilty parties, with evidence to convict. The South Carolina railroad commission is still investigating the wreck. Two members, Chairman Caughman and Commissioner Hampton, have made a personal inspection of the scene.

Daughters Of Confederacy Meet

By Associated Press. Richmond, Va., Nov. 7.—Hundreds of delegates to the national convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, which opens tonight, poured into the old capital today.

The race for the presidency-general assumed intense activity. Mrs. Virginia Faulkner McSherry is to retire and so far four candidates have openly entered the race, Mrs. Alexander B. White, of Paris, Tenn.; Mrs. James Britton Gantt, of Jefferson City, Mo.; Mrs. J. O. Halliburton, of Little Rock, Ark., and Mrs. Livingston Rowe Schuyler, of New York.

An element of discord has been injected into the race because of the fact that Mrs. Schuyler resides in New York, a state outside the old Confederacy. Her friends insist that such a view is as narrow as it is uncharitable and point to the fact that New York has today 575,000 people who hail from the south—twice as large a southern population as any southern city. New York chapter they state, is among the largest and most influential in the organization. Mrs. Schuyler is a native of Florida.

NEW MEXICAN PRESIDENT HEARTILY CONGRATULATED

By Associated Press. Nanking, China, Nov. 7.—11 p. m.—The viceroy at Nanking committed suicide tonight.

The situation is serious. The viceroy's instructions from Peking had ordered him not to resist the revolutionists by force, but to peacefully surrender. The tartar general commanding the Manchur troops refused to obey these orders. A condition of panic prevails.

PANAMA PARTY AGREE WITH PRESIDENT.

By Associated Press. New York, Nov. 7.—All but two members of the congressional committee last month returned here today. They are all satisfied that President Taft's prediction would be fulfilled and the canal would be opened for business by 1913.

The party included Senators Brandegee, of Connecticut, chairman of the inter-oceanic canal committee; Brewster, of Kansas; Quinn, of Iowa; Page, of Vermont and Overman, of North Carolina, and Representative Higgins, of Connecticut.

Senators Wetmore, of Rhode Island, and Thornton, of Louisiana, were on the isthmus with the party but Senators Wetmore remained there because of an attack of bronchitis and Senator Thornton returned to New Orleans by another steamer.

Senator Brandegee said: "The progress of the work since my visit two years ago is remarkable and it looks as though the canal would be opened for business in 1913. It will be finished within the estimated cost of \$375,000,000."

Head of Mormon Church is Dead

By Associated Press. Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 7.—John Smith, for thirty years the presiding patriarch of the Mormon church, a nephew of its founder and first president, Joseph Smith, is dead here after a three days' illness of pneumonia. He was 79 years old.

He was born at Kirtland, Lake county, Ohio, in 1832 and when 16 years of age came west with the hand cart party, passing through Nauvoo, Ill., the scene of the attack which resulted in the death of his father and his uncle the preceding year.

Patriarch Smith was the sixth to be chosen to his office, the only hereditary one in the church.

Despite Rumors to the Contrary Hankow is Still in Hands of Government, And Well Guarded With Trusted Troops.

By Associated Press. Peking, Nov. 7.—6:42 p. m.—Garisoned and policed by loyal forces the capital remained tonight undisturbed by the rebels. The general feeling of nervousness, however, betrayed this afternoon when an accidental fire broke out in the quarters occupied by the board of ceremonies. For a time the Chinese believed the flames were a revolutionary signal for an uprising and they were thrown into a panic.

Dr. Wu Ting Fong Comes Out in Favor of a Republic—Brilliant Young Officer Assassinated Early Today—The Situation.

The national assembly by virtue of the powers bestowed upon it by the recent edict, today formally appointed Yuan Shi Kai premier. The question of his permanency in the office was discussed by it and it was decided that the assembly had no authority to guarantee this beyond the election. It was, however, resolved to assure Yuan of the national assembly's continued support.

Demands Upon Government. A mass meeting was held at Linan Fu, in Yun Nan province, when a series of demands upon the government was formulated. These included the establishment of a republic and complete autonomy for the provinces. The demands were forwarded to this city accompanied with the intimation that three days only would be allowed for the government to acquiesce in them.

Russian financiers under guise of a loan, have strangled with the viceroy of Manchuria to advance \$2,500,000, accepting as security Chinese shares in the Russo-Asiatic bank at Peking.

The officer commanding the sixth division, which was a part of General Wu Lu Cheng's command at Shikia Chuang, reports that forty Manchus stormed Wu's camp early today and thirty of the assailants were arrested. The officer adds: "The battalion to which they belong looks ready for fighting. We are preparing."

Consular reports state that several other officers were assassinated and according to foreign railroad agents the Manchur soldiers fought a regular engagement in which the fatalities were numerous.

No Fighting. Reports that this city has fallen into the hands of the revolutionists are without foundation. There has been no fighting whatsoever here and there is no evidence that the emperor or the regent has fled. Prince Ching continues to act as premier pending the arrival of Yuan Shi Kai.

Nor is there any indication that Peking is endangered. Foreigners in the various legations think that it will be the last of the important cities to go. The presence of many Manchur princes indicates their belief that Peking is the safest place in the empire.

Loyal Troops Concentrated. The imperial government has concentrated all the most loyal and faithful troops in the army and has craftily sent all the doubtful regiments to far distant points. The emperor's guard is an army division numbering ten thousand men, all Manchus. A number of the officers of the Chinese first division are likewise Manchus and the city police are for the most part members of the same race. As for the old style troops that camp outside the city walls, they are Chinese but are of a type which are honored by the Manchus title of "Banner Men" because their ancestors aided the Manchus conquerors against their own people. There is no question as to the loyalty of these troops.

The population of the city is without arms and therefore unable to effect any serious uprising. There are no disaffected troops within immediate striking distance of the capital. In case of emergency the Manchus seek refuge in the foreign settlement at Tien Tsin.

Shanghai, Nov. 7.—Dr. Wu Ting Fang, who has been chosen director of foreign affairs in the reform government established by the revolutionists in the province of Kiang Su, today gave a long statement to The Associated Press in which he announced his adherence to the government designed to establish a republican form of government in China.

Dr. Wu Ting Fang has twice been Chinese minister to the United States, where he became widely known. He was first sent to Washington in 1897, remaining there until 1902, when he was recalled. He returned to the same post in 1907 and was again recalled in 1909. For a time he appeared to have been relegated permanently to private life but in August, 1910, he was made councillor to the Chinese foreign office.

His advanced ideas have not always harmonized with the imperial policy and it has been no secret that recently

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