

THE PRESIDENT CALLING SOUTH

Over Tropical Sea. He Departs from Scenes of Recent Unpleasantness, to Inspect Work on the Canal.

WANTS FIRST HAND FACTS OF CONDITIONS DOWN THERE

Before Departing from Washington He Urged Sober Looking Cabinet to Take Optimistic View of the Future.

CHARLESTON, Nov. 10.—President Taft sailed this morning for Panama, to get in personal touch with conditions along the big canal.

The president expects to be on the isthmus four days and is due back in Charleston November 22.

The president's special squadron is under command of Rear Admiral Stanton with the Tennessee as flagship.

Urged His Cabinet to Cheer Up. Washington, Nov. 10.—It was announced that President Taft had no statement to make regarding results of the election.

HE MURDERS TWO MEN TO SEAL THEIR LIPS

Boston Man Charged With Assault on Girl Kills Her Stepfather and a Police Sergeant.

Boston, Nov. 10.—Walter E. Fall, aged 24, a state house employe at liberty on bail waiting trial charged with assaulting a 14 years old girl, Esther H. Fogge, shot and killed Frank A. Rees, the child's stepfather, and Police Sergeant Frederick Schiehuber, the principal witness against him, as they were waiting to lay the case before the district attorney.

MECHANICIAN KILLED ON SAVANNAH COURSE

Albert Fuchs Meets Instant Death—Two Others Injured, One Badly.

Savannah, Nov. 10.—The first fatality on the grand prize race course occurred when a Sharp Arrow overturned, instantly killing Albert Fuchs, the mechanic, and badly injuring William H. Sharp, designer of the car.

PRIZE AEROPLANE FLIGHT FROM HAVANA TO KEY WEST

The Five Thousand Dollars, Offered May Be Increased to \$20,000, Cuban Congress Giving Half of This.

New Haven, Nov. 10.—John Phillip Sousa, bandmaster and composer, is in a hospital here, suffering from malaria. He was reported this morning as slightly improving.

A HOUSE FIGHT IS LOOMING UP

The Row Over the Power of the Speaker Will Come up as a Gray Horse of Quite Another Color.

CANNON AND HIS FRIENDS LIKELY TO CHANGE BASE

Maintenance of Seniority Rule Would Give All Great Committee Chairmanships to Southern Men.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—Another contest over the question of taking from the speaker the power to name standing committee members spent nothing and M. Cannon after the house of representatives assembled next month.

It is not known what the attitude of the democrats will be in the coming session, when an effort is made further to shear the speakership of its great authority.

The chairmanship of the committee on banking and currency would go to Pujio of Louisiana; census, to Hay of Virginia; foreign affairs to Flood of Virginia; immigration to Burnett of Alabama; Indian affairs to Stephens of Texas; interstate and foreign commerce to Adamest of Georgia; judiciary to Clayton of Alabama; merchant marine and fisheries to Clark of Florida; naval affairs to Padgett of Tennessee; patents to Legere of South Carolina; pensions to Richardson of Alabama; postoffices to Moon of Tennessee; printing to Finley of South Carolina; public buildings to Sheppard of Texas; public lands to Robinson of Arkansas; rivers and harbors to Sparkman of Florida; territories to Floyd of Missouri; ways and means to Underwood of Alabama.

Appropriations, under the seniority rule, would go to Fitzgerald of New York, but it is said that because of his unpopularity with Champ Clark, prospective speaker, this place probably would be given to Burleson of Texas. Military affairs goes to Sulzer of New York.

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 10.—Advices from Laredo state the rioters in Mexico City have attempted the life of United States Ambassador Wilson. The report came from sources considered reliable.

The attempt on the Ambassador's life was made early this afternoon. The attack was the culmination of an anti-American demonstration which began last night in which two Mexican students and a Mexican onlooker were killed by the police in an attempt to preserve order. Bitter feeling was aroused as a result of these fatalities.

ATTEMPT TO MURDER AMBASSADOR WILSON

Rioting Incident to an Anti-American Demonstration in Capital City of Mexico.

ALABAMA AND FLORIDA CENSUS FIGURES GIVEN

That of Alabama Has Increased 309,396 and Florida 222,592 in the Ten Years Period.

Washington, Nov. 10.—The population of the state of Alabama is 2,128,923 as enumerated in the thirteenth census. This is an increase of 309,396 or 16.9 per cent over 1,819,527 in 1900.

The population of the state of Florida is 751,159, an increase of 222,592 or 42.1 per cent over 528,567 in 1900.

Haltax, N. C., Nov. 10.—Robert McLeslie, aged 24, died today as the result of injuries received in a recent football game.

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The process of injunction may be invoked to prevent further seizures, such as that made of several express wagons driven by unlicensed drivers, under Mayor Gaynor's order.

Resides 10,000 drivers of express and delivery wagons, about 3,000 taxicab chauffeurs are now on strike. The express business is virtually at a standstill. A general strike of teamsters in sympathy with the men now out is imminent.

The first move to tie up an established transportation line occurred this morning when 62 chauffeurs of the Fifth Avenue Coach company went on strike. Two hundred and fifty drivers of one of the big coal companies also went out. A general walkout of coal drivers is threatened.

Mayor Gaynor issued two characteristic letters last night which promised to bring the strike of the express company employees to a head tomorrow. Briefly, he forbids the operation of wagons by unlicensed drivers, thus eliminating the strike breakers upon which the companies have depended. Mayor Whitpenn of Jersey City already had taken this stand, and a test case is now in the Jersey City courts.

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Admiral Inouye Talks Truculent

Thinks America Is Resolved to Interfere in Far East—Insists on Measures of Preparation.

New York Herald Syndicate Cable. Yokohama, Nov. 7.—The Tokio press is angry at Jacob H. Schiff's speech, which it calls impertinent and inconsiderate in view of the time and place of its delivery. It may, according to the newspaper, cause complications.

Admiral Inouye in the Tokio papers refers to the Chinese loan and the neutralization proposal as standing examples of America's resolve to interfere in the far east, and styles the cruise of the Atlantic squadron a demonstration against Japan.

America, he goes on to say, evidently contemplates great activity in the Pacific after the opening of the Panama canal. Japanese naval expansion inevitably will be based on the American program. The Admiral insists on the necessity of protecting Formosa and the southwest coast of Japan, which are exposed to attack from the Philippines.

English, German and French Banks to Share.

(By Associated Press.) London, Nov. 10.—Agreement is signed under which English, German and French banks will participate in the loan of \$50,000,000, which the American syndicate will make to China.

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TELEPHONE "TROUBLE" WAS A NEGRO'S BODY

Lynched Person Tangled Up With the Wires Found by Telephone Squad in Georgia.

Macon, Ga., Nov. 10.—Telephone "trouble" men, looking for wire trouble near Montezuma, Ga., yesterday came upon the cause in unexpected and gruesome form when they found the body of a negro dangling from a pole, tangled up with the telephone wires.

This proved to be a negro lynched the morning before, the accused murderer of Marshal Bush of Montezuma.

NEVER REACHED TOP OF MOUNT M'KINLEY

A Series of Photographs Is Made Public by Prof. Parker, of the Columbia University.

New York, Nov. 10.—Prof. Herschel C. Parker, of Columbia University, who recently returned from an exploration of Mount McKinley, has made public a series of photographs taken near the Alaskan mountain, which he claims is indisputable evidence that Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Boston traveler, never reached the top of America's highest peak.

NO CHRISTMAS LEAVE OF FIRST CLASS CADETS

This is the Punishment of West Pointers for "Silencing" of Capt. Logan, Sept. 4.

West Point, N. Y., Nov. 10.—The entire first class of West Point cadets, numbering 85, has been deprived of Christmas leave of absence as punishment for participation in the "silencing" of Captain Rufus Logan of the eleventh infantry, instructor of military tactics, September 24.

"STATE-WIDE" AMENDMENT IS DEFEATED IN FLORIDA

Counties That Were Expected to Be for It Give Heavy Majorities the Other Way.

Jacksonville, Nov. 10.—With three-fourths of the vote of the state repudiated the majority against the proposed constitutional amendment prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in Florida is 3,024. This will probably be increased rather than diminished as many of the counties which were expected to give heavy majorities for the amendment are giving majorities against it.

WOMAN'S BIPLANE MAKES A FLIGHT

After Years of Effort Miss Todd of New York Sees Success of the Work of Her Hand and Brain

New York, Nov. 10.—After years of effort Miss E. Lillian Todd of this city realized her ambition when she had the pleasure of seeing a biplane, the work of her hands and brain, fly across the Garden City aviation field.

After having the machine built numberless times Miss Todd, about four months ago, announced that she had a biplane which she thought would fly. She then tried to get an Albany tomorrow and with Mayor Gaynor's action and a threat of state intervention, it is hoped that a settlement will be reached.

Companies Must Observe Law. The mayors' letters made public last night are addressed to the American Express company and Mayor Whitpenn of Jersey City respectively. To the company he said:

"Although this strike has been on for over two weeks, the express companies have not up to today caused their new drivers to present themselves, and be vouched for and licensed as required by law before they may act. I must now require that this condition cease. The right of city protecting, by police escorts, wagons driven by unlicensed drivers in violation of law is exciting just criticism. We have continued this protection only because we expected from day to day that on second thought you would not, especially at such a time, continue such an object lesson of disrespect and disregard of the law.

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OLD DISPENSARY BOARD RECEIVED COMMISSIONS

Representative of Liquor House Testifies He Paid Two Members of Commission.

Chester, S. C., Nov. 10.—In the Black-Rawlston-Solomons trial for conspiracy to defraud the state in connection with the defunct state dispensary John L. Early, former liquor salesman, today testified that his house charged the state dispensary more for whiskey than other concerns.

Attorney Nelson, representing the defense, inquired if the price had not been the same before the Rawlston-Black-Wylye board went into office. Attorney General Lyon objected to going into the affairs of previous boards of directors, but the testimony was admitted.

"Why don't you prosecute the old board?" asked Nelson. "I would if I could catch them," replied Lyon; "this thing has been a steal from its inception on down to its abolition by the legislature."

The feature of yesterday's session of the Circuit court which is hearing the so-called dispensary "graffiti" cases was the testimony of C. W. Dudley of Lexington, Ky., and of John T. Early that he had paid rebates or "commissions" to the members of the old state dispensary board.

Early, the first witness, formerly represented Fleischman & Co. He testified that he had paid rebates to Wylie and Black aggregating approximately \$4,000 or \$5,000. Part of it, he said, was an rebate, the remainder as a loan.

Dudley, the only other witness examined, swore that he had seen Solomon at meetings of the purchasing board. According to Dudley, the rate on case goods was \$1 a case.

This money the witness said was paid to Wylie on all case goods except those returned. The defense attacked Dudley's testimony on cross-examination, but did not shake it, apparently.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul B. Crowell desire to thank their many friends for their kindly assistance during their recent bereavement.

Aviator Critically Injured.

Moucron, Belgium, Nov. 10.—Aviator Peters, aeroplane, fell today while making a flight and was critically injured.

MISS E. L. TODD

as the engine which she tried were not satisfactory. Finally a modified Rineck motor was declared satisfactory.

A good sized crowd was on hand to witness the first attempt to fly the biplane. D. Mason was the aviator. He ran the machine across the ground and made a turn at the far end, returning to the starting place, where he was enthusiastically received by Miss Todd and the crowd also.

The upper planes of the biplane are shaped somewhat like a bird's wing when in flight, while the lower planes are level. The chassis is about five feet high.

Where All is Gloom. In the republican household all has been gloom since the returns began coming in on election night.

They thought that they had the situation well in hand up to the closing of the polls; in fact, late in the afternoon of election day they believed that it was only a question of majority for Mr. Grant. They could not see how it was possible for Mr. Gudger to defeat Mr. Grant. They would listen to no such argument. That they were fooled and badly so is evidenced by the returns that almost hourly give Mr. Gudger greater majorities in the several counties than his most staunch supporters and friends had hoped for.

They Concede It. The latest returns up to this afternoon indicate that Mr. Gudger has swept the district; that he has carried every county with the exception of three, and that he has been elected to the sixty-second congress by a majority of 1202. The official and semi-official vote from the counties in the district received at democratic headquarters here show that the majority for Mr. Gudger will not be less than 1200. At republican headquarters the statement was made that Mr. Grant had been crushing defeated; that he had few if any authentic returns but that they conceded Mr. Grant's defeat by a large majority. The democratic figures follow:

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GUDGER'S FIGURES STILL A-CLIMBING

Returns, Official and Semi-Official, Now Indicate That His Majority Is 1202.

REPUBLICANS BADLY FOOLED; THOUGHT THEY HAD IT SAFE

Late in Afternoon of Election Day They Believed It Was Only Question of Grant's Majority.

While the official returns from all the 13 counties in the Tenth congressional district had not been received here up to a late hour this afternoon returns official and semi-official had been received, however, sufficiently to indicate that Hon. J. M. Gudger, the successful democratic candidate, had carried the district by a large majority than his most sanguine friends had hoped for. It is evident that Mr. Gudger has made large gains in every county in the district; that he simply swept the western section of the state for the democrats and that he is elected to the next congress of the United States by a majority between 1000 and 1200. In fact, Chairman Owen Gudger, who managed Mr. Gudger's campaign so efficiently and with such shrewdness, pitting his ability against that of T. P. Kolan, a recognized master in political manipulation, places Mr. Gudger's majority at not less than 1200. Evidently Mr. Gudger's prediction will come true, since later returns tend to increase rather than to diminish Mr. Gudger's majority.

Chairman Owen Gudger went into the fight comparatively a young man in the game of politics. He learned rapidly, however, and to his untiring efforts and his knowledge of the district combined with the loyal support that he received from democratic candidates and organizations in Buncombe county and other counties in the district, is largely due the splendid victory that J. M. Gudger, Jr. won at the polls Tuesday. Naturally Mr. Grant's record in congress and the general unrest manifested among the people contributed to the democratic success, but it required organization and the proper handling of the situation to win the victory that was won Tuesday. Chairman Owen Gudger was the right man at the right place and he evidenced that he, too, could play the game of politics, and what is more to the point, play a winning game. He won and he deserves the plaudits of the democrats of the Tenth district.

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FOUR WOMEN LEGISLATORS ARE ELECTED IN COLORADO

Three of the Lady Lawmakers Chosen Tuesday Are of Democratic Faith, One Republican.

Denver, Nov. 10.—Four women will sit in the eighteenth general assembly of Colorado, as a result of Tuesday's elections. They are Alma Lafferty, Louise U. Jones and Louise M. Kerwin, democrats, and Agnes E. Riddle, republican.

THE WEATHER. For Asheville and vicinity: Threatening weather and cooler tonight and Friday.

For North Carolina: Unsettled weather and cooler tonight and Friday; cooler Friday and in west portion tonight.

WE ARE ALL UP IN AIR, AS YET

—J. G. CANNON

RESULTS LITTLE CHANGED BY THE LATER RETURNS

Democrats Retain a Good, Comfortable House Majority, and Senate Apparently Will Be Close.

DENVER, Nov. 10.—Figures so far compiled point to the election of practically the entire democratic state ticket and three democratic candidates for re-election to congress. The re-election of Governor John F. Shafroth (democrat) is conceded by the republicans. The democrats claim a majority of 18,000 for Shafroth. The next general assembly will be overwhelmingly democratic.

Danville, Ills., Nov. 10.—"The landslide speaks for itself. I have nothing to add to my statements concerning my attitude, made Tuesday night," commented "Uncle Joe" Cannon.

"Concerning the causes and effects I am not prepared to say anything. As yet we are all up in the air as to exact conditions throughout the country."

Will Lose Little Time in Taking the Pie. Chicago, Nov. 10.—Approximately 4000 positions in Cook county now held by republicans will be handed over to democrats as a result of Tuesday's elections. "We will lose no more time than is necessary in turning out the republicans," said Chairman McCarthy of the democratic county committee.

Another for the Republicans. Greenbay, Wis., Nov. 10.—Latest returns indicate that Kuertemann, (republican) is elected in the Ninth congressional district of Wisconsin, over Kenop (democrat).

Presidents Carry Tennessee House. Nashville, Nov. 10.—According to returns received by the Banner from 90 of 96 counties fusion democrats and republicans have 49 members of the lower house of the legislature against 41 for the regular democrats. The regular democrats appear to have the senate by a small majority.

Carroll's Lead Increased. Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 10.—Complete returns from 92 of 99 counties in Iowa give B. F. Carroll, (republican) for governor a lead over Claude R. Porter (democrat) of 16,424.

Twenty-Fourth Pennsylvania. Pittsburg, Nov. 10.—Unofficial returns from the 24th congressional district give Matthews (republican) a plurality of 1095 over Wilson (democrat).

Democratic Governors. A summary of the contests for governorships shows the following democratic governors elected with the approximate pluralities:

New York, Dix, 66,000. New Jersey, Wilson, 26,000. Colorado, Shafroth, 15,000. Connecticut, Baldwin, 2500. Massachusetts, Foss, 23,000. Ohio, Harmon, 60,000. Oklahoma, Cruce, ..... Wyoming, West, ..... Wyoming, Carey, ..... Alabama, O'Neal, 50,000. South Carolina, Blaine, 60,000. Texas, Colquit, ..... North Dakota, Burke, 3000.

Republican Governors. The republican governors elected with approximate pluralities:

Pennsylvania, Tenner, 20,000. New Hampshire, Bass, 7000. Rhode Island, Pothier, 900. Iowa, Carroll, 16,424. Kansas, Stubbs, 5000. Michigan, Osborn, 40,000. Minnesota, Eberhart, 50,000. Nebraska, Aldrich, 5000. South Dakota, Vessey, 12,000. Wisconsin, McGovern, ..... California, Johnson, 25,000. Nevada, Oddie, ..... Tennessee, Hooper (fusion), 12,000.

The governorships in two states are not yet reported as being beyond doubt, namely, Colorado and Idaho.

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