

STATE AND CITY ELECTIONS HELD

New York Result Will Determine Control of Delegation to Democratic National Convention.

MARYLAND MAY STOP NEGROES FROM VOTING

Amendment to Disfranchise Them an Issue—Kentucky Contest Expected to Be Close.

New York, Nov. 7.—A million and a half votes are pouring into the voting machines today, and it will be demonstrated by tonight whether the Empire state remains true to the democratic preferences expressed a year ago or has gone over to Taft's party.

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

Full Ticket in Maryland. Baltimore, Nov. 7.—A full state ticket, one half the senate and all members of the legislature's lower house are being voted for in Maryland today.

Vote Legal in Boston. Boston, Nov. 7.—Early voting here was light. The republicans fearing apathy among their supporters are well equipped with conveyances.

Cincinnati Majority Battle. Cincinnati, Nov. 7.—A heavy vote is being cast in the municipal election here. Registration was the heaviest ever known here and fine weather prevails.

Heavy Vote in Philadelphia. Philadelphia, Nov. 7.—Election day opened clear and warm with indications for an unprecedented vote for the mayoralty candidates—George H. Earle, jr. republican, and Rudolph Blankenship, fusionist.

Kentucky Fight to Be Close. Louisville, Nov. 7.—Balloting today came after a week of hard campaigning by both the gubernatorial candidates, Judge Edward C. O. Rear, republican, and James B. McCreary, democrat.

The New Jersey Contest. Trenton, N. J., Nov. 7.—The state is voting for members of the lower house of the assembly for 1912 and for eight new senators. The senators elected today will participate in electing a United States senator in 1913 to succeed Senator Briggs.

1900 Candidates in New Mexico. Santa Fe, Nov. 7.—With nearly a thousand candidates of all sorts to be elected, the early vote in the state's first full election today was heavy, with the outcome doubtful because of the multiplicity of candidates on state, county and judicial tickets, the injection of the race issue and numerous state and national issues involved.

General Election in Virginia. Richmond, Nov. 7.—Clear, warm weather prevailed for Virginia's general election. Forty state senators, 150 members of the house of delegates and numerous county and city officers are to be elected.

Shreveport, La., Nov. 7.—Engineer T. A. Jones was killed and Thomas W. Wood injured when Kansas City Southern passenger train collided with a freight train here today.

SAY PREJUDICE SWAYED BEATTIE CASE JURORS

Exception Taken to Part of the Argument of Leading Attorney for Prosecution.

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The petition contained 17 bills of exceptions. Of these the most important are relating to the refusal of Judge Walter A. Watson to strike from the records that part of the closing argument of Lawyer Louis O. Wendenburg, in which the speaker, addressing the jury, said that should the jury find Beattie not guilty of the murder of his wife they should then visit the graves of Peter Phillips, Thomas Clavertus and Samuel McCue, disinter the bodies of the three murderers and apologize to them.

Another related to that part of the testimony of Mrs. Owen, mother of the murdered Louise Owen Beattie, in which Mrs. Owen was permitted to testify to a conversation held between herself and her daughter about the life Henry Beattie was leading. Four other bills of exceptions relate to the qualifications of jurors, and the rest to technical points.

Lawyer Hill Carter yesterday was closeted with Judge Keith, president of the Supreme Court of Appeals, at the Supreme Court offices.

Dr. Washington, when asked if he had any comment to make on the outcome of his case, replied: "No, not a word."

Both Ulrich and Dr. Washington told their stories on the stand.

Ulrich's Version. "I first saw Dr. Washington peering through the keyhole of my door," Ulrich said on the stand. "He saw me and left and walked towards Eighth avenue. I saw him walking up and down the street and in a few minutes he came back, walked by Mr. Revette's apartment window and stopped to look beneath the shade."

"I opened the vestibule door and burst in upon him and shouted, 'what are you doing there?' He struck me in the face and then we fought. He asked me to let it drop. Dr. Washington said: 'I know I have done wrong, let me go.' While we were fighting he struck his head against a fire hydrant."

"Did you have any stick or other weapon with which you hit Dr. Washington?" "No sir, I used no stick."

Mrs. Laura Alvarez on the stand said: "When I went out on the night of March 19 to take out my dog, I found Dr. Washington crouching down in front of Mr. Revette's apartment, peering through the key-hole. I came upon him so suddenly that he had no time to straighten up, and I almost fell over him. He got up flustered, and hurried out."

Later she said she saw Dr. Washington near Broadway.

"He followed me down to the house," went on Mrs. Alvarez. "I was frightened and I ran past him."

DISCORD MARS U.O.C. CONTEST

Opposition to Candidacy of President-General of Daughters.

HUNDREDS GATHERED FOR RICHMOND MEET

Vigorous Fight Is on for the Post to Be Vacated by Mrs. Virginia F. McSherry.

Richmond, Nov. 7.—Hundreds of delegates to the national convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, which opens here tonight, are pouring into Richmond and a vigorous fight is on between candidates for president-general of the organization.

The president-general, Mrs. Virginia Faulkner McSherry, will retire, and four candidates are now in the race to succeed her.

Discord is injected into the race because Mrs. Schuyler is from New York, a state outside the old Confederacy. Some contend that to elect a woman who makes her residence in a section active in the war against the Confederacy would create an anomalous condition and one at variance with the spirit of the organization.

Mrs. Schuyler is a native of Florida and, it is said, is a woman of much executive and administrative ability.

The Daughters of the Confederacy today unveiled in the Arkansas room of the Confederate museum a stained glass window commemorating the heroism of David Owen Dodd, the Little Rock youth hanged as a spy by his federal captors.

SANDLIN, WIFE SLAYER, IS TO DIE DECEMBER 8

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

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TURKS RETAKE DERNA, INFLECTING HEAVY LOSS

Five Hundred of the Italian Garrison Are Killed and the Remainder Captured.

Paris, Nov. 7.—The Turkish embassy here has been notified by an Ottoman agency that the minister of war at Constantinople has received a dispatch announcing that the Turks have defeated the Italians at Derna, retaking the city and capturing 18 guns. The Italians had 500 men killed, while the remainder were taken prisoners. The Turks had 80 killed and 80 wounded.

Turkish Gunboat Is Sunk. Constantinople, Nov. 7.—An Italian cruiser bombarded the town of Akaba, Arabia, Sunday, sinking the Turkish gunboat Italdj, lying in the port. The gunboat's second officer was killed, but others aboard escaped. Subsequently the cruiser shelled a hilly portion of the town. The extent of the damage is unknown.

Aeroplane Do Scout Duty. Washington, Nov. 7.—With aeroplane the Italian troops at Tripoli have located the headquarters of the Turkish army and ascertained that the Turkish forces are considerably diminished according to official dispatches received by the Italian ambassador here.

The Italian minister of war states that the Turkish artillery corps was repulsed November 5.

REMARKABLE PROGRESS MADE ON THE ISTHMIUS

Congressional Committee Members Say Panama Canal Will Be Completed by 1913.

New York, Nov. 7.—The congressional committee that went to the Isthmus of Panama last month returned today satisfied that President Taft's prediction would be fulfilled that the canal will be open for business by 1913.

The party included Senators Brandegee, Bristow, Cummings, Higgins and Senator Brandegee said the progress of the work has been remarkable and declared it looks like the canal will be finished and opened for business in 1913.

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SOLDIERS SLAY NOTED GENERAL

UNITED STATES COURT TRIES CRIMINAL CASES

Civil Docket Will Be Taken Up Within Few Days—Grand Jury Chosen.

The United States District and Circuit courts convened this morning with Judge James E. Boyd presiding for the trial of criminal and civil cases. The criminal cases come first on the docket and upon the conclusion of these, which will probably take only a few days, the civil docket will be taken up. There will be a meeting of the bar in the morning at 10 o'clock to arrange the civil docket.

The first business of the court today was to empanel a grand jury and the following men were chosen with L. H. McClure of Haywood as chairman: R. E. Raby, Eli A. Sudderth, John Boggs, D. C. Goss, Leander Laughter, S. G. Byrd, J. R. Crisp, J. W. L. McNabb, S. C. Worley, S. W. Davidson, Sid T. Ray and J. M. Coleman. W. S. West was appointed officer of the court.

Judge Boyd then charged the jury in a short but exhaustive charge. He went out of the beaten path as ordinarily considered and referred at length to the forethought of the fathers of our country in providing a constitution that would forever protect the rights of the citizen. He cited as examples of some of the laws which tend to this protection and to conserve the resources of the citizenship, the interstate law in regard to foods, safety appliance law for railroads, protecting laborers, the 18-hour law regarding the hauling of live stock and others.

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NEW WITNESSES CHARGE WOMAN USED POISON

Chicago, Nov. 7.—Two new witnesses came forward yesterday afternoon to accuse Mrs. Louise Vermilya, the widow arrested on charges of poisoning Policeman Arthur Bissonnette, of having knowledge of the manner in which some of the eight other persons who have died beneath her roof of similar ailments, came to their death.

Their identity was disclosed by Coroner Peter Hoffman after the widow had been moved to the county jail, where she apparently is recovering from the effort on Saturday to poison herself.

Acting on the story of one of the witnesses, the coroner left to exhume the body of Frank Brinkamp, son of Mrs. Vermilya's first husband, and one of the first of those to succumb to the attack of stomach disorder. The grave is in Waldenheim cemetery, near Chicago.

Arthur F. Bissonnette, father of the deceased policeman, was one of the new witnesses, and he disclosed himself as another who encountered the mysterious stomach complaint while in the Vermilya home. From that encounter he said he still suffered.

The other witness was Miss Elizabeth Nolan, former fiancee of Frank Brinkamp, who in an affidavit charged that her intended husband had made statements on his death bed, virtually charging his stepmother with having "done away with him."

Bissonnette said: "I went to visit my son the day before he was taken to the hospital. I had two meals at the Vermilya home. After eating ham and eggs on which I put pepper from a tin box, I had severe pains in my stomach. I got an emetic at a drug store and was relieved for a while, but the pains still are with me."

Miss Nolan's affidavit brought in the name of undertaker C. C. Boyson, who has been mentioned by a number of persons interrogated concerning the poisoning of Bissonnette and concerning Vermilya's roomer, Conductor Richard T. Smith. She averred that young Brinkamp, on his death bed said to his mother: "Well, I am about dead; you might as well let Boynton come and bury me."

She also declared young Brinkamp repeatedly said he was "going the way Dad did," and that he had expressed to her his suspicions that his father had not died of natural causes.

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YOUNG SUTTON KILLED BY MESSER, IT IS SAID

Fifteen Years Old Boy Shot Sunday Night—Cause of Trouble Unknown.

Waynesville, N. C., Nov. 7.—Sheriff W. O. Talmer yesterday afternoon received a telegram from Big Creek, saying that Harry Sutton, a fifteen year old boy, had been shot and killed. No further particulars were given at the time but it was learned this morning that the boy was an employe of the Champion Lumber company, and that the shooting occurred Sunday night about 10 o'clock.

A man named Messer is said to have fired the fatal shot. No information has been received, however, as to the cause of the trouble. The remains of young Sutton were brought through the country to the home of his parents in the lower part of the county yesterday. The latest reports are to the effect that Messer is still at large though the sheriff is hunting for him.

RICHESON RESIGNATION IS DECLINED BY CHURCH

Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 7.—While warning cried and pleaded that nothing should be done to appear in any way prejudicial to the interests of their pastor, the members of the Emmanuel Baptist church society last night voted not to accept at this time the resignation of Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, pastor of the church, now in jail on the charge of murdering Avis Linnell of Hyannis. By another vote they decided to lay the matter on the table until November 24.

The resignation was sent to the church officials by the pastor immediately after his indictment last week and a special meeting was called to act upon the same.

Thirty voted against, 15 for accepting the resignation.

Death Stalks Halloween Frolickers. Wallingford, Conn., Nov. 7.—The local high school and part of the grammar school are closed on account of an epidemic of diphtheria resulting from a Halloween party. Every child who succeeded in hitting an apple suspended by a string in a party game was later stricken with the disease.

Turkeys Cheap and Plentiful. Chicago, Nov. 7.—Turkey in abundant supply at "old time" prices is the Thanksgiving forecast here. The supply is greater than in a decade. The best qualities are quoted at 17 and 18 cents per pound.

A shortage is noted in the cranberry crop.

MORMON'S HEAD DEAD

Salt Lake City, Nov. 7.—John Smith, for 36 years presiding patriarch of the Mormon church, and a nephew of the church founder, is dead here from pneumonia, aged 79.

Washington, Nov. 7.—The report of findings at the investigation of the recent accident aboard the torpedo boat Tingey off the Carolina coast, resulting in the death of two men, reached the navy department today. It was not made public, but it is understood it was found the accident was unavoidable. No one was blamed.

Madero Takes Office. Mexico City, Nov. 7.—Francisco I. Madero took the oath of president of Mexico at the chamber of deputies and placed across his breast the tricolor insignia of the chief executive yesterday. The oath of office was administered to the eight members of his cabinet.

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PEKING STILL SAFE, STRONGLY DEFENDED

Emperor Is Guarded by 10,000 Seasoned Troops—Assembled Agrees to Support Yuan.

Kanking, Nov. 7.—The viceroy at Nanking committed suicide tonight and the situation is serious. The viceroy's instructions from Peking ordered him not to resist the revolutionists by force, but peacefully to surrender. The Tartar general commanding Manchu troops refused to obey the orders. Panic prevailed.

Peking, Nov. 7.—General Wu, the brilliant young military officer recently appointed governor of Shan-Si province, was assassinated while asleep in his tent at his encampment last night by 20 Manchu soldiers, who rushed past the guard and murdered him. Wu was credited with sympathy for the reform movement.

Reports that Peking has fallen into the revolutionists' hands are without foundation. Prince Ching continues as premier, pending Yuan Shi-Kai's arrival here. The imperial government has concentrated here all the army's most faithful and loyal troops. The emperor's personal guard is an army division numbering 10,000 Manchus.

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