

SUFFRAGE GETS HARD BLOW IN THREE STATES

Equal Suffrage Amendments Defeated by Large Majorities in New York, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania.

REPUBLICANS MADE IMPORTANT GAINS

Have One More Congressman, Governor of Massachusetts—Prohibition Amendment Defeated in Ohio.

Elections in ten states yesterday emphatically defeated the woman's suffrage amendments in New York, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania and gave the republicans an additional representative in congress and a new governor in Massachusetts. The democrats apparently elected a governor in Maryland and the entire state ticket, besides a majority in the state legislature.

In Kentucky both republicans and democrats are claiming victory in the gubernatorial contest but incomplete returns from 111 of the 120 counties gives Former Congressman Augustus O. Stanley, democrat, a lead of 9,029 votes over Edwin P. Morrow, his republican opponent.

Mississippi was the only other state to elect a governor and as usual chose a democrat. The only opposition to the democratic ticket, headed by Theodore Bilbo, was furnished by socialist candidates, nominated by petition.

In New York.

In New York, former Congressman William S. Bennett, republican, will succeed in the twenty-third district the late democratic congressman, Jacob Goulden. Republicans will succeed in the thirty-first and thirty-sixth congressional districts in New York and in the twenty-fourth district of Pennsylvania.

In New Jersey the republicans will retain control of the lower house of the legislature, although they lost one member of the assembly. The republicans also elected a majority of the mayors chosen in various cities of the state.

In Massachusetts.

Samuel McCall, republican, who will succeed David I. Walsh, democrat, as governor of Massachusetts, won by a plurality of 6,663 votes. The republicans retain control of the Massachusetts legislature.

The republicans were returned to power in Philadelphia, where their candidate, Thomas B. Smith, was elected mayor by a majority of 75,000.

In Ohio.

State-wide prohibition was rejected in Ohio by a majority of 30,000 to 40,000 votes. Last year the prohibition amendment was defeated by a majority of 184,152 votes.

Republicans elected mayors in Cleveland and Cincinnati. Charles Milroy, progressive candidate, was chosen mayor of Toledo. The city of Toledo voted against the 25-year street car franchise and will take over all the lines controlled by the Toledo Railway and Light company.

Washington, Nov. 3.—No comment was made at the white house on the elections of yesterday nor on the defeat of the suffrage amendments, and it was announced that there would be none.

Philadelphia, Nov. 3.—The attempt to give women the right to vote met with staggering defeat in Pennsylvania. How badly the little band of women who bravely campaigned the state and appealed for equal rights at the polls were beaten will not be known until the returns are counted.

Sec'y Lansing Asks Why British Seized Steamer

Washington, Nov. 3.—Secretary Lansing has asked instructions to Ambassador Page at London to ascertain from the British government the grounds for the seizure of the American steamer Hocking, which was taken into Halifax yesterday by a prize crew. Dispatches to the state department from Consul General Young at Halifax reported that the British prize court and that no official reason has been made known for the seizure. It was added that apparently the good faith in transferring the registry of the vessel from Danish to American and change of ownership was questioned.

known until the slow work of counting the votes is completed. Claims of the anti-pla place the majority against suffrage as high as a quarter of a million.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 3.—The defeat of woman suffrage by a vote of approximately two to one was indicated by returns from the greater part of the state in the election yesterday. With less than 100 precincts to be heard from, the majority against the proposed constitutional amendment was 108,044.

The Anti-Suffragists showed overwhelming strength in the cities generally and in the metropolitan district of Boston.

Mrs. Katherine T. Balch, president of the Massachusetts Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage, expressed satisfaction over the outcome. She said that the majority against the amendment was just what she had expected, and pointed to her prediction estimate of a majority of 100,000.

"Wets" Win in Ohio.

Columbus, O., Nov. 3.—For the second time in two years, Ohio voters yesterday rejected a state-wide prohibition amendment to the constitution. Estimates based on partial returns received up to midnight show that the proposal was defeated by a majority which may reach 40,000. Last year's majority against prohibition was 84,000.

There was considerable uncertainty as to the fate of the constitutional stability amendment which would prevent for six years a vote on a constitutional proposal which has been twice defeated. Late returns, however, indicated that the proposal was rejected.

Prohibition Wins.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 3.—Results from the election of the entire membership of both branches of the general assembly in Virginia show that there will be a heavy majority in the senate and house pledged to the enactment of prohibition legislation effective when the state goes dry on November 1, 1916.

Out of the 140 members of both branches, the republicans and independents will not number more than twenty. The dominant democratic faction will control the joint democratic caucus by an overwhelming majority.

Full Ticket.

Jackson, Miss., Nov. 3.—Democratic voters in Mississippi yesterday elected a full set of state, county and district officers on a ticket headed by Theodore G. Bilbo, for governor, and Lee M. Russell, for lieutenant governor. The total vote polled was not expected to reach 20,000.

The only opposition to the democratic candidates came from the socialist party, which had in the field by the score of 3 to 0. Kimberly, of state offices, headed by John T. Lester for governor and F. T. Maxwell for lieutenant governor.

Dr. Shaw's Statement.

New York, Nov. 3.—At the headquarters of the National American Woman Suffrage association, where Dr. Anna Howard Shaw and her lieutenants received the returns, optimism ebbed as the heavy vote against suffrage grew with late returns.

"If, when the final count comes," said Dr. Shaw, "we should not have won the state, we, at least, have won the greatest victory in the history of our movement. We have won the largest number of votes that have ever been for us in any state."

"Whatever the result in New York, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, do not let anybody think that we will stop, even for a moment. This is only one battle and we are in a war. We intend to keep on fighting until we win."

The anti-suffrage leaders were jubilant.

"Defeat of woman suffrage in New York, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania means the end of it," said Miss Alice Hill Chittenden, president of the New York State Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage.

SEVENTEEN ARE INJURED IN POWDER EXPLOSION

Wilmington, Del., Nov. 3.—Seventeen men were badly injured today by the heavy explosion of a large quantity of powder at the No. 1 plant of the DuPont Powder company at Carney's Point, N. J. It is said that the explosion was of a carload of white cannon powder.

GERMANS DENY PEACE RUMORS

Formal Denial of Report That Von Below Will Discuss Peace Terms in Madrid and Washington.

PRINCE IS ON WAY TO SWITZERLAND, HOWEVER

Newspaper Says German Diplomat Will Discuss Possibility of Peace Between Italy and Germany.

Madrid, Nov. 3.—Formal denial was made in a statement issued by the German embassy here today that Prince Von Buelow intended to discuss possible peace terms in Madrid and in Washington. A dispatch from Corunna says that the former imperial chancellor of Germany, who is now on his way to Switzerland, where he is reported to have been sent by his government to initiate peace negotiations, is expected to arrive aboard the Dutch steamer Tubantia.

To See Italian.

Zurich, Switzerland, (by way of Paris), Nov. 3.—The Neue Zurichische Nachrichten, which is in close touch with clerical circles, denies that Prince Von Buelow, the German diplomat has come to Switzerland with the object of opening peace negotiations, since under the present circumstances such proposals could come only from the quadruple entente.

The paper says, however, that it is not impossible that Prince Von Buelow will meet certain political personages at Lucerne, notably Giovanni Giolitti, former Italian premier, who is reported to be about to arrive there incognito.

The object of the interview between the two statesmen is said to be to study the possibility of peace between Italy and the central powers.

REDUCED RATES TO FARMERS' MEETING

Union Endeavors to Make It Pay Even Busiest Farmers to Attend.

Raleigh, Nov. 3.—Reduced railroad rates upon all systems in North Carolina having been offered the State Farmers' union for its convention in Durham November 16, 17 and 18, Prof. W. C. Crocky, educational secretary, is encouraged to hope for the greatest crowd of all conventions.

The round trip fare has been reduced almost to the single rate and the cut gives farmers in the remotest portion of North Carolina the lowest possible rate. The delegates will not be the sole beneficiaries of this concession and those who are not delegates may have the privilege of attending the convention, hearing the addresses and participating in the tours of the several institutions of note in Durham with the trip to Chapel Hill to go through the university.

The union has endeavored to make the visit to the convention pay even the busiest farmer by bringing to that meeting the strongest advocates of the measures which the union seeks to write into law. The warehouse system upon which North Carolina farmers need perhaps the greatest enlightenment is to be discussed by two eminent South Carolinians, Congressman A. F. Lever and ex-Senator John L. McLaurin, predecessor of Senator Smith who shared the authorship of the Smith-Lever federal warehouse bill with Mr. Lever. Senator McLaurin is warehouse commissioner of South Carolina and will tell North Carolina how well it has worked in South Carolina.

The bureau of markets at Washington will send Charles J. Brand, its head, to North Carolina to talk marketing to the farmers. Upon this need Dr. Clarence Fos has recently written a notable work. Unscientific marketing having cost North Carolina farmers their millions, the union has brought the best exponent of intelligent bargaining to be found in the country. These three from the outside are acknowledged to be the greatest speaking attractions that the union has yet had.

And ex-Judge James S. Manning on the subject of land segregation between the races, John Sprunt Hill, student of rural credits, who has conducted an extensive study on both sides of the Atlantic; Dr. G. M. Cooper upon the very quintessence of democracy—township organization; and Roland F. Beasley on taxation evils that promote absentee landlordism, these all to say nothing of those fine side-trips, make the convention notable.

WHISKEY SEIZED AT EAGLE'S CLUB

Colored Porter, Jim Bacon, Arrested on Receiving Charges That He Was Selling

DEFENDANTS MADE BONDS OF \$500 EACH

Police Seized Seven Gallons of Liquor and About 14 Dozen Bottles of Beer—Cases Set for Tomorrow.

Acting on information furnished by S. J. Hammit, testifying in Police court this morning under ad testificandum proceedings, patrolmen and plain clothes men about 11 o'clock seized about seven gallons of whiskey and about 14 dozen bottles of beer at the Eagle's club and arrested X. B. Lange, W. W. Patton and the colored porter Jim Bacon. These defendants were released under bonds of \$500 each for their appearance in Police court tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Hammit was before the court on charges of drunkenness and following his usual custom Judge J. Frazier Glenn had an ad testificandum warrant taken out against Hammit and then placed him on the stand. Under questions put by the court he stated that he had bought service tickets at the Eagle's club and that he secured whiskey and beer from the porter, Bacon, on these tickets.

Officers were at once sent to the club rooms on Broadway and the liquors mentioned were seized and the men arrested. The liquors were found as follows, according to the police: in locker No. 11 two quarts; in locker No. 12 one quart; four dozen beer in one place, two dozen in another place and four dozen in another place. Four quart bottles each containing liquor were found on the counter and 120 bottles of beer in the ice box.

RESPIRE IS ACCORDED CONDEMNED NEGRO PRICE

Execution Stayed From November to December 5 By Governor Craig.

Raleigh, Nov. 3.—Governor Craig has given respite to Wylie Brice, Mecklenburg county negro charged with criminal assault and sentenced to die Friday, November 5.

Governor Craig gives Brice four weeks and names the date of death for December 5. He will look into the case to see if it further justifies clemency. The action postpones all of the executions set for November or earlier.

Major Charles M. Stedman, congressman from the Fifth North Carolina district, is attending the Supreme court and appearing in one of the cases for the first time in several years.

Major Stedman had not visited Raleigh so much as a day in many months. His old friends and relatives unaccustomed to seeing him were delighted with him and his evident fine health. While in the city Congressman Stedman visited his brother-in-law, C. B. Wright, who lives in Raleigh.

KING'S CONDITION STILL SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

London, Nov. 3.—Physicians in attendance on King George, who was injured last week while on the French front by the falling of his horse, gave out the following bulletin today:

"The king has not had so good a night. He is still in some pain. His general condition is improved and he is now able to take solid food."

BUSY DAY FOR EVANGELISTS

Rev. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman Delivered Forceful Sermon This Morning on "Evangelism For the Church."

REGULAR SERVICES FOR AFTERNOON AND NIGHT

"The Church at Work" Is Subject of Afternoon Discourse; Tonight's Sermon, "What Is Heaven."

This morning at 10:30 o'clock Rev. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman delivered a strong sermon at Central Methodist church on "Evangelism for the Church." At the conclusion of the service Dr. Chapman addressed a conference of ministers of this city and many from towns in western North Carolina on evangelistic work, with particular reference to the conduct of the revival campaign in Asheville. The morning sermon in full appears below. There will be meetings this afternoon and evening at the regular hours at the tabernacle.

Large reservations were necessary for the delegations that visited the tabernacle last night. Among them was a party from Black Mountain. The evangelist delivered a logical and convincing discourse last night on the subject of a personal devil. When later he appealed to those who wished to give up sin to come forward more than 100 responded and there were many conversions. Albert Brown sang "The Pilot Song" and "Where Is My Wandering Boy Tonight?" with great effect. Charles M. Alexander led the chorus singing of the large choir of 450 voices and of the children in the sunbeam choir.

Elsewhere in this issue of The Gazette-News is one of the Alexander hymns, words and music, and a story written by Mr. Alexander.

This evening the members of the Rotary club, the Asheville fire department, the men of North Asheville and the business women of the city will attend the meeting in delegations.

This Afternoon

Dr. Chapman spoke as follows this morning:

"Evangelism is the hope of the church. It has always been so in the past, and will continue to be so until the church is completed and has been taken away from the world at the return of the Lord Jesus Christ, her Head. The church has made all her great spiritual advances along evangelistic lines. When the evangelistic spirit has waned, or when men have sought to substitute anything else in the place of this spirit the cause of Christ has suffered."

"In the early days of the church two noted examples of evangelistic zeal were given to us. St. Peter and St. Paul went everywhere preaching the Gospel. They counted no sacrifice too great, no service too hard, and no journey too long. If only they might have the privilege of preaching concerning Jesus and the Resurrection. No minister since their day has been in any sense worthy of his high calling if he has been lacking in the spirit which possessed these two."

"The wonderful thing to me about preaching is this—that which has made men great in the past is within the reach of all of us. Successful preaching is not of necessity the result of great intellectual equipment, or even mental training; these are not to be despised, but successful preaching is possible when men are right with God, when they are called of God to preach, and are filled with His Spirit."

Not a Method, But a Spirit

"Evangelism is not a method, but a spirit. If it were the former, it would be bondage for the most of us, for we as a rule quite as unable to use each other's methods as David found it impossible to fight with Saul's armor, but since evangelism is a spirit, it is possible for us all to put into practice those principles which result in evangelism of the very highest type. The greatest opportunity that the world has ever seen for preaching is now facing us. This is true for two reasons."

"The first reason may be somewhat strange, but nevertheless I think the opportunity is here, because of the general sag in spiritual matters in the Christian church during the past two or three years. Indeed, for the past (Continued on Page Five).

FUSION TICKET BEATEN IN NORFOLK COUNTY

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 3.—Fusion in Norfolk county, which for years has controlled municipal affairs, met defeat yesterday at the hands of the democrats, who elected their candidates for all state offices and four of the six supervisors. W. C. Corbett, democrat, was elected to the state senate over Harry L. Alexander, fusionist, by approximately 500 majority. The democrats elected both members to the house of delegates by safe majorities.

VILLA READY TO RENEW ATTACK

With Men Freshly Watered and Provisioned Is in Better Condition to Resume Siege of Agua Prieta.

CALLES SCOUTING PARTY IS CUT TO PIECES

Fresh Troops Reported to Be Approaching Agua Prieta to Reinforce the Attacking Army.

Douglas, Ariz., Nov. 3.—With his army freshly watered and provisioned General Villa was in better condition to renew the siege of Agua Prieta, held by General Calles, the Carranza commander.

General Calles' reconnoitering party of 40 or 50 men ran into a Villa machine gun squadron a mile southeast of the Agua Prieta defenses and was cut to pieces this morning, according to American observers. Only five men returned to the trenches.

Villa's forces suffered severely in their march across the desert of northern Mexico and the invaders were almost exhausted after their two days assault on the fortified border town.

Fresh troops are reported north of Gallardo pass, heading for Agua Prieta.

Villa made a brief attack early last night on Calles' outer works, but the firing soon ceased and it is expected that a stronger effort will be made sometime today by the attacking forces.

The damage done to the defense works by Villa's artillery so far has been insignificant, according to observers on the American side.

Dawn today revealed that the main Villa forces had gone to the southwest of the town, leaving only a rear guard with a few quick-firers and three inch guns to worry the garrison.

Douglas, Nov. 2.—After four desperate attacks on the town of Agua Prieta while its Carranza defenders kept blazing away practically all night with flashing guns and bursting shells General Francisco Villa drew off his forces shortly after daylight today. Half a dozen persons on the American side of the border were wounded by bullets fired by the Mexican combatants.

The losses of the Carranza garrison are reported by General Calles to be 45 killed and 75 wounded, although unofficial reports stated his casualties at 250.

The dead and wounded of the Villa forces in large numbers were scattered over the desert outside the barbed wire entanglements which surrounded the town.

The battle continued practically without intermission from yesterday afternoon at 1:45 o'clock until this morning at 6 o'clock. Villa launched his fiercest attack with the combined fire of machine guns, cannon and rifles. American army officers who were with the men in the trenches facing the border all night pronounced it the most violent fighting they had heard of.

Villa opened fire on Agua Prieta with every gun available in action in support of the final rush of his Yaqui Indians about 3 o'clock. General Calles replied with every weapon in the garrison. Douglas trembled under the vibration of the continued crash and concussion. Bullets from the Mexican side rained on the American town from the United States army trenches near the border to a point a mile or more from the line.

Custom House Peppered.

Scores of women and children cowered behind brick or adobe walls. The United States custom house which was fired upon by a Villa machine gun platoon yesterday, when Louis Taylor was shot in the back, was again peppered by Mexican bullets, the roof and porch being perforated in many places. The American trenches were plentifully sprinkled by bullets also.

Private Harry J. Jones of Company D, Eleventh infantry was hit in the stomach and probably fatally wounded while guarding a company wagon near the field hospital.

FRESH FRENCH TROOPS LANDED ON GREEK SOIL

Regarded As Material Proof of Asquith's Declaration Concerning Importance of Saving Serbian Nation.

MASS OF RUMORS COMES FROM BALKANS

One Report Says Monastir Is In Bulgarian Hands—German Troops Sent to Serbia From Russia.

London, Nov. 3.—The landing of French troops at Kavala on the Greek coast is reported from Sofia in a telegram to Berlin and seems like a sequel to yesterday's information that British and French transports had been sighted off this Greek port.

Whether the forces will be able to connect speedily enough with the other entente troops aligned against the Bulgarians from Krivolak to Strumitsa to relieve the pressure there and by a possible flank attack to threaten the rear of the Bulgarian army is problematical, but the appearance of fresh troops in the Balkans is regarded in London as a gratifying materialization of Premier Asquith's positive announcement in the house of commons yesterday that the independence of Serbia is one of the essential objects of the war and that Great Britain and France are in full agreement in regard to the means whereby this end shall be attained.

With the exception of the reported landing of the entente troops in Greece, the Balkan situation presents little besides a tangled mass of rumors, including one that Monastir is already in the hands of the Bulgarians and that the Serbians are almost surrounded by Austrian, German and Bulgarian troops and are hastily retreating to their last defensive positions in the Albanian mountains.

Berlin, Nov. 2.—The German advance on Riga from the west has made further progress, the army headquarters announced today. In the Dvinsk region fierce fighting is taking place. The Russians, undertaking a strong offensive movement, were repulsed with heavy losses.

These rumors, however, are discredited, since official communications from Berlin, Vienna and Sofia record no such results. The Austro-German forces in northern and western Serbia and the Bulgarians in the east continue their attacks, against which the defenders are gradually yielding, but the situation does not show any vital change.

The size of the German force operating against Serbia is fixed at 150,000 men, according to an authoritative statement reaching London. The number of prisoners captured by this force is surprisingly small. Austrians officially admit that they have been able to capture only 20 officers and 6,500 men. The paucity of the officers taken suggests that there must be many civilians among the 6,000 odd prisoners captured.

Petrograd furnishes the information that additional German troops have been sent from the Russian front to Serbia and military observers here believe that the opportunity will soon come to Russia to complete the development of her offensive which has been under way.