

THE WEATHER
Generally fair Monday and Tuesday. No change in temperature.

WATER LAINS
No water in the city pipes today. The water supply is being restored.

OLD GUARD MAKES STRENUOUS FIGHT TO CAPTURE MAINE

Democrats Will Be Satisfied If Majority Under 25,000 in Today's Election

REPUBLICANS FLOODED STATE WITH SPEAKERS

Only One-Fourth of Women Registered and Most of These Believed to Be Republican Sympathizers; Prohibition Congress in Washington This Week of World Scope

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Washington, Sept. 12.—Political events that will occur this week, it is believed, will shed new light on the course of the campaign. The unusual lack of general interest in the election within seven weeks of voting day and the part that women will play as a factor in deciding the election are still sources of perplexity to both parties and more especially to the Republicans who fear they may be living in a fool's paradise as they lived in 1916.

The election in Maine tomorrow may or may not forecast the result of the election on November 2. There are two or three reasons why Maine goes the country goes may not go this year. Only about one-fourth of the women in that State are registered. The Republicans have the most complete organization in the State they have ever had. They have spent money without limit and have put up the hardest fight in the history of the State. They have managed to register the class of women they believe will vote with them.

On the other hand the Democrats have not even the shadow of an effective organization outside of the industrial city of Lewiston and one or two other places. They have spent no money in the State for the good reason that they have none to spend. In the towns where women would have voted with the Democrats they are not registered.

Many Republican Speakers

The Republicans have flooded the State with many of the best speakers they have, while the Democrats have sent into the State only three or four speakers of National reputation. The Democrats have not made the fight for the State that they are making elsewhere. They have tried only to keep the Republican majority under 25,000 by holding tight to the elements that are normally Democratic.

If the Republican majority under the circumstances does not exceed 25,000 Democrats will count the Maine election as a moral victory for the League of Nations for that has been the chief issue in an election where State officers and members of Congress are to be chosen.

Democrats are watching for signs of reaction on the part of all decent and honest Republicans to the clinching of the proof of the charges by Governor Cox of the Republicans' big corruption fund. Democrats are saying that if there is not a reversion of the country against such a corrupt state of affairs as has been shown to exist in one of the two big parties it will demonstrate that there is something wrong in the moral character of the people. The general attitude of the Republic press so far as these revelations is not calculated to inspire one with pride in the present state of his country's political conscience.

To Hold Prohibition Congress

The greatest event this month in Washington will be the meeting of the International Congress against alcoholism on September 21-23. This assembly will bring here noted scientists from all over the world who will become prohibitionists and the meeting is expected to influence the course of the battle that is now going on in this country to uphold prohibition as it is written in the constitution and statute law.

One of the most prominent members of this congress is Dr. C. W. Saleeby, British scientist and eugenicist. Dr. Saleeby has already arrived in America and he says as a result of his prohibition here, England will be a better place than it is now. The moment the United States quits shipping grain to England the British people will be compelled to go dry.

"Our people are told that prohibition has ruined the hotel business in the United States," said Dr. Saleeby.

"They are told that everybody has taken to cocaine, that one result of prohibition has been the rapid spread of the use of drugs by your people. We are told that the Italians and others who do the hard work in your mines and factories are leaving the country in great masses and nobody is left to do the heavy work. The facts seem to be quite the contrary.

"Some first class scoundrels are breeding bad blood between the two countries and include American prohibition in their attacks. One has seen the campaign grow to full force since the armistice. Lord Acland was spending \$15,000,000 annually on advertising.

"The truth about prohibition in the United States is not admitted in the press, with some honorable exceptions."

DEMOCRATS WILL HAVE OPPOSITION IN ALABAMA

Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 12.—A full ticket of presidential electors in opposition to the nominees of the Democratic party, has been certified to the secretary of state by both Republican and Socialist parties, which also have nominated candidates for the long and short term senatorial seats to which Senator Oscar Underwood and Congressman J. Thomas Reelin have been nominated by the Democrats of the state.

The two parties also have certified candidates for Congress in eight of the ten Congressional districts of the state.

ARMLESS MAN IS EXPERT AVIATOR



J. C. Thornton, of Fresno, California, can operate a flying machine, although he has no arms. He is shown here seated in his plane and about to start on a flight. Thornton operates the machine by means of hooks, with which he grips the driving "sticks." Thornton had the misfortune of losing both arms in a train wreck several years ago.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES FEATURE WEEK-END

Col. Don Scott Hears From Negro Cook, Who Reads News and Observer

By NATHAN PALMER.

Camp Glenn, Sept. 12.—Officers of the infantry and cavalry organization here whose stay in the present camp has been nearly half of the allotted fifteen day training period forgot routine, tactics, close order and discipline Saturday night and made themselves fit for another week's strenuous work by enjoying a dance at the Redworth Hotel on "The Beach."

With three negro musicians, a considerable contingent of the younger set of Morehead and Beaufort, and a floor excellent for this part of the country, the affair was one of the happiest in the social life of the camp to date. The dancing pavilion is directly on the water and after each set numerous waltzes afford access to a breeze that is known only to such a location as here where the direct force of all oceanic sweeps is felt.

Among those present were Colonel Scott and Seale, Lieutenants Simpson, Kline, Owens, Tandy and Smith, Misses Mary Lloyd Hardy, Alice and Nell Willis, Grafton Hessel and Kathleen Davis, Mrs. J. A. Barfoot, Mrs. Henderson and Captain Barfoot.

Compliments have been handed to Lieutenant Harold F. F. Fike, United States navy, commanding officer of the coast guard aviation station here, for the excellent and efficient work he had done shortly before the camp opened in making the place ready for occupancy as to waterworks, sewerage, electric lights and mess facilities on an appropriation of \$2,700 when the establishment called for \$18,000. Recommendations were made by Col. H. E. Eames that the work be done. Since Lieutenant Fike was on the ground and knew the conditions he was asked to make the estimate.

A letter was received Friday by Col. Don Scott from David Sampson, his negro cook in 1916, asking that he be allowed to come down, see the colonel once more "in the life" and get some "good old fish."

Sampson was well known to the officers of the camp in 1916 and before. He is also a great admirer of Irvin Cobb for whom he cooked when the latter made his hunting trips in the South. He never tires of relating stories of the Kentucky writers. Sampson who lives at Riverdale, writes that he saw the colonel's name in the News and Observer as he had not seen him since from him since 1916 when the regiment left for the border and he was left behind, he is taking the liberty of coming down any way.

Work in the range will commence early this morning with Durham Machine Gun company, the first up. Much, but not all of the accumulations of grass and debris that accumulated since 1916 has been removed and the company is in good shape as necessary for the short stay which the troops have been here. Some pistol firing will be done but the work mainly devoted to teaching the elementals from the small arms firing manual.

The latest play on an army institution was told at mess several days ago. In France army post offices were known as H. P. O. and so. One man declared that they should have been A. P. O. D. T. "Ain't putting out a damn thing," for its efficiency was far from that of the dispatch and acumen of the New York City postoffice as described by the New York postmaster in a recent number of a popular magazine.

BOLSHEVIK CLAIMING MILITARY SUCCESSSES

London, Sept. 12.—An official Russian report received in Berlin claims the occupation of newly fortified positions on the Bug river and the almost total destruction of the forces of General Wrangel, the anti-Bolshevik leader, says a wireless dispatch from Berlin.

The dispatch adds that the Poles have retreated near Brest-Litovsk before a new Russian offensive.

FORMER EMPEROR WILLIAM TO FENCE HIMSELF OFF

Deers, Holland, Sept. 12.—Former Emperor William has decided to fence himself off completely from his neighbors. At a few places about his house, where persons walking on the grounds could be seen from the road, the former emperor has ordered the erection of high fences. The work is now being carried out.

MAGSWINEY MUCH WORSE; SUFFERING VERY GREAT PAIN

Lord Mayor in State of Extreme Exhaustion But is Still Conscious

SEVEN OTHER STRIKERS IN CRITICAL CONDITION

Are Among Eleven Hunger Strikers in Cork Jail, One of Whom Claims American Citizenship; Father of Striker Consents To Allow Medical Treatment

London, Sept. 12.—A bulletin issued early this evening by the Gaelic League announced that Lord Mayor MacSwiney of Cork, who is on a hunger strike in Brixton jail, was much worse and in very great pain.

The bulletin issued at noon said Mr. MacSwiney had passed a slightly better night, during which he had a little sleep. He was described as still being in a state of extreme exhaustion, but conscious. At 2 o'clock this afternoon it was announced that the patient had taken a turn for the worse.

SEVEN OTHER STRIKERS IN SERIOUS CONDITION.

Cork, Sept. 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—Seven of the eleven hunger strikers in Cork jail appeared today to be in a critical condition. They are Sean Hennessy, the 19-year-old youth; Joseph Murphy, whose status as an American is being investigated; Thomas Donovan, Michael Burke, Upton, Power and Kenny.

Hennessy still was unconscious today and the others were so weak that they were hardly able to articulate. Murphy has a troublesome cough, for which he refuses treatment either by the doctors or nuns.

Physicians Near Breakdown.

The correspondent of The Associated Press again was permitted this morning to enter the jail and talk with the government's physicians. He found the physicians themselves were suffering from the effects of the severe strain they are under. Also, he learned that four nuns, who in pairs are on duty day and night, and the prison chaplain are on the point of a breakdown due to their unceasing vigil at the bedside of the hunger-striker. Dr. Pearson, if it was learned, had had no sleep for forty-eight hours.

Father Alms Decision.

The physicians today confirmed that John Hennessy, father of young Hennessy, had altered his decision to permit the nuns to endeavor to keep his son alive. His change of mind came shortly after he had granted permission to allow the nuns to use the means suggested by the physicians. It appears young Hennessy regained consciousness for a short interval directly after the father had reluctantly consented to the plea of Harold Barry, former high sheriff of Cork, and that the father was fearful of being put in the attitude of disavowing his boy's last conscious injunction. Mr. Hennessy had placed the greatest hope in the efforts Mr. Barry was making to obtain his son's release, and last evening when a reprieve was not forthcoming he became hysterical. The prison doctors are treating him.

TWO SISTERS KILLED BY MAN IN UNIFORM

Mike Marakovich, Apparently Graced, Captured by Pose; Badly Wounded

New Brunswick, N. J., Sept. 12.—Two sisters, the Misses Edie and Sudie Selter, were shot to death in an automobile near here early today by a crazed man in a United States army uniform.

Soon afterward a military posse captured Mike Marakovich, 24 year old, after he had been shot and badly wounded by one of its members. Marakovich, who wore an army uniform, was recently employed in the Raritan arsenal. He is in a serious condition in a hospital here. A single bullet killed both sisters, the police say.

The sisters were being driven home in an automobile by Frank Whitlock, who said they were accosted by a man who carried a rifle and seemed under the influence of liquor. Whitlock said he tried to persuade the man to go away, but that he refused, fired a shot at the car and ran.

Whitlock rushed the sisters to a hospital, where they died. Hospital physicians said the bullet passed through both the girls' bodies, striking Edie, who was in the front seat, and severing her spinal cord, and then piercing the breast of her sister, who was in the rear of the car.

"CURED OF BOLSHEVISM" SENTIMENT OF GERMANS

Swicemunde, Prussia, Sept. 12.—(By The Associated Press.)—Cured of Bolshevism was the unanimous sentiment of seventy German workmen constituting part of a company which migrated to Soviet Russia two months ago and who have arrived here aboard the steamer Regina. The men, returned from Kolomna near Moscow, where they were assigned to factory jobs. They were expected to subject themselves to a rigorous communistic mode of living, including a diet of bread, which they declared looked like pest, and contained chaff and unsmilled grain.

Other Germans in the original party were obliged to remain behind as they were too ill to travel.

LEGISLATIVE DIVISIONS IN PERU

Lima, Sept. 12.—The chamber of deputies yesterday approved a law which would legalize divorces in Peru. The measure now goes to the Senate. The authorities are bitterly opposing the bill.

MAINE TO FURNISH TEST OF STRENGTH IN POLITICAL RING

Biennial Election in That State Today to Attract Unusual Interest

REPUBLICANS CLAIMING A MAJORITY OF 30,000

Enfranchising of Women, However, Injects Element of Uncertainty Into Battle of Bal-lots, Which is Considered Important in Connection With November Election

Portland, Me., Sept. 12.—The biennial State election in Maine, to which much importance is attached in the nation in presidential election years because of the tradition that "As Maine goes, so goes the country," will be held tomorrow. A governor and state auditor, four members of Congress, a state legislature and county officers will be chosen. There will be no election to the United States Senate this year.

The Republicans, who have conducted an aggressive and well-organized campaign, predict that they will carry the State by at least 30,000. The Democrats have quoted no figures, but claim victory "by a small majority."

Element of Uncertainty

An element of uncertainty has been added in the entirely new factor of the women's vote. It is estimated approximately 90,000 women have registered and that about one will vote for every two men tomorrow. The Republicans claim that they will have a majority of the women's vote, but Franklin D. Roosevelt, Democratic candidate for vice-president, after a speaking tour of the state, said he was convinced the women were for the League of Nations and for that reason would support the Democratic candidates.

Democratic Poverty

The Democratic State organization has not waged so aggressive a campaign as the Republicans and in explanation has pleaded lack of funds, but like the Republicans, it has had the speaking services of some of the ablest members of the national organization. Among them have been Mr. Roosevelt, Secretary of the Navy Daniels, former Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, and Homer S. Cummings, of Connecticut, former national committee chairman.

The Republican speakers have included Governor Collidge of Massachusetts, candidate for Vice-President, Senator Fredingshausen of New Jersey.

Many Congressmen and political leaders from other States also have stumped the State for both parties.

National Issues

The campaign has been waged upon national issues, with chief emphasis on the League of Nations. The Republican position on the league has been in support of the Senate's refusal to ratify the treaty "without reservations designed to protect the safety, sovereignty and independence of the United States."

The Democrats have declared for prompt ratification without reservations "destructive of the spirit and effective operation of the treaty."

Heavy Vote Expected.

The importance of the issues and the prominence of the speakers have attracted large and serious audiences and all indications point to a heavy vote.

IMPORTANT CONTESTS IN VERMONT PRIMARY

Four Republican Candidates For Governor and Three For Congress

Montpelier, Vt., Sept. 12.—Contests among the four candidates for the Republican nomination for governor, and three for the nomination of the same party for Congress in the Vermont primary on Tuesday next. The four men seeking the nomination are Frank W. Aiken, of Ludlow; Fred H. Babbitt, of Rockingham; Curtis B. Emery, of Newport, and James Hartness, of Springfield.

Congressman Porter H. Dale is a candidate for renomination in the Second district. Senator William P. Dillingham is unopposed for renomination. There are no contests for leading places on the Democratic ticket. Fred C. Martin, of Bennington, will be the nominee for governor.

ELOPES WITH WIFE AND CHILDREN, IT IS CHARGED

Wilmington, Sept. 12.—Charles Wesley Harvell and Mrs. Agnes Gainsay, of Leland, Brunswick county, have been arrested in Baltimore on warrants sworn out in this city, charging them with unbecoming conduct and Harvell with abduction of the wife of Will Gainsay, a prosperous planter of Brunswick county. The couple are alleged to have left their homes at Leland last Wednesday and to have carried with them the two children of Will Gainsay. The two defendants are being held in jail awaiting the arrival of a Brunswick county officer and the children are being cared for by authorities in Baltimore.

POLES EXTEND LINES NEAR BREST-LITOVSK

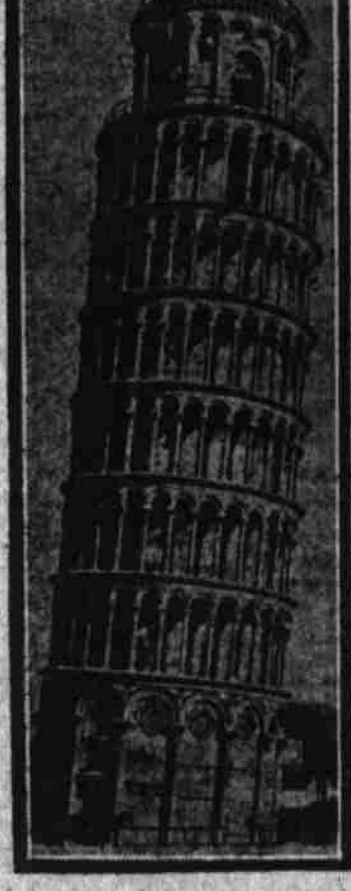
Warsaw, Sept. 12.—The Poles have extended their lines southeast of Brest-Litovsk along the Kovel railroad and have occupied Wolkortzy, Malorupys and Mielniak after some fighting. The Bolsheviks in attacking the Poles in this sector, used nine armored cars, which were captured, according to today's official communication. Eighty drunken Reds also were captured.

Southeast of Lemberg Polish cavalry, co-operating with the Ukrainians, advanced and occupied Bureszyna, Bukaszynow and Nastaszyn.

The communication does not mention the Lithuanian sector.

OVERMAN ADVISED ENOUGH MONEY TO MOVE CROPS NOW

FAMOUS LEANING TOWER IN DANGER



The leaning tower of Pisa, the famous landmark of Pisa, Italy, is reported to have been endangered by the recent earthquake shocks in that country, and is said to be liable to topple over. The tower is among the remarkable structures of the world and one of the big centers of interest to tourists of Italy.

GOV. COX TROUBLED WITH SORE THROAT

Refuses to Cancel Some of His Speaking Dates; At Portland Today

Portland, Ore., Sept. 12.—Governor Cox, whose throat has been giving him trouble during the past few days of his campaign tour of the West, was examined today by a specialist, who declared the Governor's throat was in bad condition and advised him to cancel some of his speaking engagements. This Governor Cox declared emphatically he would not do. The trouble was diagnosed as "speaker's laryngitis."

The physician, Dr. Charles T. Chamberlain, a son of Senator Chamberlain, was called in this morning after Governor Cox arrived from Seattle and prescribed massage treatment and obtained a massager, who agreed to accompany the Democratic nominee on his trip tomorrow and possibly continue further on the tour.

A crowd of about a hundred persons, including many women, was at the station when the governor's train arrived at 7:40 o'clock this morning. Dr. J. C. Smith, state Democratic chairman, after conferring with members of the candidate's party, said the governor desired more rest and would meet the reception committee at his hotel at 9 o'clock. Governor Cox had announced he desired a quiet Sunday and would attend church services. Several churches extended invitations, but not until the governor and Senator Chamberlain started for Westminster Presbyterian church was any intimation given as to where the visitor would worship. At the church the governor refused to be ushered down the aisle and sat near the door. He listened to a sermon by the Reverend Dr. Edward H. Pence.

The governor is to speak to the army at Salem Monday morning and will return to Portland in time to speak at the auditorium here Monday night at 8:30 p. m.

The governor is to leave Monday night for Salt Lake City; but owing to the condition of his voice it was expected he would not make any rear platform speeches for two or three days.

CARDINAL GIBBONS TO SPEAK AT ASHEVILLE

Asheville, Sept. 12.—Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, head of the Catholic church in America, has accepted an invitation to be present and speak at the consecration services at St. Lawrence church on October 13, it is announced here. The church expects to have its debt paid off by that time. The announcement says, and the cardinal, with other high dignitaries of the church, will attend the ceremonies.

Cardinal Gibbons is said to have held the first mass east of the Blue Ridge in North Carolina, 60 years ago, in Channa Cove, just outside the city limits of Asheville.

EUGENE DEBS CONDEMNS TREATMENT OF M'CSWINEY

Dublin, Sept. 12.—Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein, has received a telegram from Eugene V. Debs, the American Socialist leader, who is serving a ten-year term in Atlanta prison for violating the espionage act, condemning the treatment of Lord Mayor MacSwiney. Debs says in his message that "British labor should not halt at mere protest, but should compel the mayor's release."

Head of Federal Reserve Board Furnishes Illuminative Figures on Financial Situation of the Country

RAISING REDISCOUNT RATES TO SHUT OFF SPECULATORS, HE SAYS

Banks Are Prepared to Foster and Care for Legitimate Business, But Taking Steps to Prevent an Orgy of Reckless Extravagance During the Next Few Months to Come; Harding's Letter

By K. E. POWELL (Staff Correspondent)

Salisbury, Sept. 12.—Senator Lee Slater Overman today made public the text of the letter he received yesterday, and to which he referred in his speech at Concord, from Governor W. F. O. Harding, of the Federal Reserve Board, pointing out graphically the money situation in the country today and its relation to the movement of crops in the South and elsewhere.

Governor Harding goes into minute detail to show that instead of there having been, at any time during the past twelve months, any deflation of credit or currency there has been a steady and continuous expansion. "The Board's purpose is to promote good business, not to hamper it," Governor Harding says in answer to critics of the system, "and its policies are shaped with a view of making good business conditions next year and the next and so on indefinitely."

Re discount rates, about which the big howl has been, were advanced not only to shut down speculation in the country and thereby promote good business but also because of the advance in international exchange. Interest rates at the Bank of England, the Bank of France and all central banks of Europe Senator Overman informed, are higher than current market rates.

Movement is to Stabilize.

The announcement from the Federal Reserve Board, through Governor Harding's letter, that the Federal Reserve banks are now in position to render the banks all reasonable assistance necessary to enable them to move crops is taken to mean that member banks will be able to discount the paper of cotton farmers and tobacco growers throughout the country.

The assistance of the Federal Reserve banks in other sections of the country besides the South.

It will, when the usual banking processes have been gone through, amount to relief in the same way as when Secretary McAdoo permitted money to flow into the South two years ago for the movement of cotton. Not only has the Federal Reserve system fortified itself against any immediate storm, but it has prepared to weather the storms that may break in the years to come.

The Expansion May Continue.

It is the opinion of the governor of the Federal Reserve Board that the expansion of currency may continue for several months. Higher discount rates have not served to check it entirely. But, in explanation of the course of the reserve board, Governor Harding says:

"The Federal Reserve Banks are the guardians of the banking resources of the country; they must be managed prudently if the currency of the banks is to be maintained. The interests of the depositor as well as those of the borrower must be considered. If the members of the Federal Reserve Board are intelligent and conscientious, they must keep in mind their responsibilities to the country, they must think of the future as well as of the present."

Copy of Harding's Letter.

Below is quoted in full Governor Harding's letter to Senator Overman. Several days ago the junior Senator brought sharply to the attention of the Federal Reserve Board the complaints of prominent North Carolinians, the seriousness of which were aggravated by the slump in the price of tobacco in eastern Carolina, and the junior Senator immediately made a personal investigation. From his home in Salisbury and through his office in Washington, he kept in touch with the situation. The text follows:

"I have received your letter of the 9th instant enclosing letters from two of your constituents, which I read here, and also the editorial from the Charlotte Observer. It is evident that your two correspondents and the editorial writer are not at all familiar with the facts.

"Thinking men know that the condition which prevailed during the war and up to a few months ago were abnormal and could not be expected to continue. Commodity prices reached unheard of levels due to the war time demands and the urgent needs during the months of readjustment which immediately followed the war. A glance at our trade statistics, however, will show that the wide difference between our exports and imports is being narrowed month by month and the steady increase in volume of imports shows that the foreign countries which were most affected by the war are becoming better able, not only to provide for their own requirements, but that many of them are producing a surplus available for sale to the United States and other countries.

Reserve Board W. is Blamed.

"The Federal Reserve Board is being blamed for the effect of conditions which it anticipated months ago and over which it has no control. You may remember the overall movement early last spring. This was merely an expression of the revulsion of feeling on the part of the people against high prices. It was followed by reduced prices at retail stores in many parts of the country, by cancellations of orders for silks, woolsens, and cotton goods. The effect of this change of

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