

CLOSE RACES THE FEATURE OF THE CITY PRIMARIES

Mr. Rankin Gets Long Lead Over Nearest Opponent.—No Nomination in Police Judge Race.

- THE TICKET
For Mayor—J. E. Rankin
Alderman at Large—R. L. Francis

me and I hope to be nominated in the second primary. This was Mr. Adams' first race for the police judgeship.

After one of the closest and most interesting primaries ever held in Asheville, featured by the largest vote ever cast in a primary in the city, it becomes necessary to hold a second primary for police justice which may be called within the next few days.

The greatest interest of the race centered around the vote for mayor and police justice, there being three candidates in the field for each place. Not until the last returns were reported at headquarters last night at eleven o'clock, could any near estimate be made of the results.

Except for the offices of mayor and police justice candidates were nominated. Whether or not it will be necessary to call another primary to decide the nominee for mayor could not be learned last night, but it is not probable that those in the race will demand it.

The polls opened yesterday at one o'clock and from that time until they closed at eight o'clock, it was a continuation of earnest work that started early in the fore part of the day.

Much interest. Politicians with long experience declared that it was one of the most interesting primaries ever held in Asheville. There were seventeen candidates in the race, and this naturally created much interest among their number of friends.

In the mayorality race Mr. Rankin had a lead of 231 votes over Mr. Glenn. Mr. R. L. Francis led the ticket with 901 votes in the race for alderman at large, having a majority of 498 votes over both opponents combined.

FREE LIST FOR FARMERS TO BE OFFERED TOGETHER WITH RECIPROcity BILL

Democrats in Caucus Plan to Place Many Things Upon the Free List

ALL IS HARMONY

WASHINGTON, April 11.—Reciprocity with Canada and a farmers' free list, it was decided at the democratic caucus held here tonight, will be the legislation taken up in the order named by the present house of representatives.

On the free list will be included those things which the farmer needs, namely agricultural implements, dressed meat products, flour, rough lumber, boots, shoes and saddles.

On many of these products the present tariff is practically prohibitive and there are few importations of them on that account.

Another caucus is to be held to debate the revision of the wool and cotton schedules to be taken up in the house following the passage of reciprocity and free list bills.

RAISES CAPITAL TO \$2,500,000

RALEIGH, N. C., April 11.—The Carolina Power & Light company of Raleigh today filed with the secretary of state an amendment to its charter, whereby the authorized capital stock of the company is increased from \$1,750,000 to \$2,500,000.

EUROPEAN GOVERNMENT RAISES QUESTION ABOUT FAVORED NATION CLAUSE

Government Will Not Give Other Countries Same as to Canada

SPECIAL TREATY

WASHINGTON, April 11.—A European government, the first to raise the point officially, has been advised by the state department that the tariff concessions offered Canada under the pending reciprocity agreement will not be extended to other nations under the "most favored nation" clause of their treaties with this country.

The department's reply pointed out that a reciprocity agreement was in the nature of a bargain, the United States lowering the tariff bars in return for similar concessions.

State department officials today suggested that there are numerous reciprocity treaties existing between neighboring foreign countries but the United States has never claimed favored nation treatment in connection with them.

NEEDNT PAY ALIMONY

NEW YORK, April 11.—Good news for the "alimony club" in Ludlow street jail is contained in a decision handed down today by Justice Guy in the Supreme court in the case of Helen W. Richards against John T. Richards, a lawyer.

STANDARD BUIS IN I.A. NATITOCHEs Ls., April 11.—The Standard Oil company it is reported has closed a deal for more than 20,000 acres upon which active operations for oil will begin shortly.



COMMITTEES ARE NAMED FOR HOUSE COMPLETING FORMAL ORGANIZATION

Republicans Again Censure Democrats for Alleged Unfair Proportion of Minority Allotments.—Many Surprises When Republican Members Are Announced.—Uncle Joe Cannon Declares That Mistakes Are But Natural.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—It required over two hours in the house of representatives today to elect the new committees of that legislative body. It was the first time in history that the committees had been elected and there was much detailed work connected with the proceeding.

Discussion Was Bitter. Discussion of the personnel of the committees called out much bitterness from the republicans who charged the democrats with gross unfairness in cutting down the minority membership on the most important of the committees.

That I made mistakes is undoubtedly true," said Mr. Cannon, "but I was responsible for the organization of the committees and I did it honestly. I have no apologies to make. I would like to see the speaker of the ways and means committee, or the minority leader, who could organize the committees without making mistakes. I have already heard rumblings on the democratic side.

This is, moreover," he said, "the first time a minority leader has been permitted to name his committees and has had them adopted by the majority without dotting an I or crossing a T."

Prepared by minority leader James R. Mann at the direction of the republican caucus, the minority committee selections contained many surprises for the house. The desire to accord impartial treatment to the insurgent republicans is shown in the number of choice committee places

given to them by Mr. Mann. Two of the leading insurgents, Representatives Madison of Kansas and Lenroot of Wisconsin are given places on the rules committee, where the republicans have but four places.

VIRGINIA RACE GAMBLERS INDICTED BY GRAND JURY

Not Believed That Anything Will be Done in Time to Break up Meeting

NORFOLK, Va., April 11.—The Norfolk county grand jury at Portsmouth late today returned eight or ten indictments for a further test of alleged violation, on the Jamestown Jockey club's race track, of the Virginia anti-betting statutes.

It was not announced what disposition would be made of the indictments but under the law these being for alleged misdemeanors, must be referred to the court to be remanded for original trial.

Whether they will be sent to Justice K. Q. Backus, who has dismissed two other Jamestown test cases, is not known. It may be, however, that the cases cannot be remanded until the close of the current term of court. This would obviate an ending of the present meeting until its scheduled closing on April 26.

PASSENGER TRAIN GOES INTO DITCH

MOBILE, Ala., April 11.—Mobile & Ohio passenger train No. 4, leaving Mobile this morning went into the ditch two miles south of Muldon, Miss., this afternoon. The engine and baggage car were derailed, the engine turning completely over and killing Engineer Jasper Adams and injuring the baggage master, the porter and five passengers.

SIMMONS IS MADE MEMBER OF STEERING COMMITTEE

North Carolina Senator Gets Responsible Position in Senate Affairs

WASHINGTON, April 11.—The democratic members of the steering committee of the senate were announced tonight. Mr. Martin of Virginia heads them as chairman, and the others named as members are Messrs. Culberson of Texas; Simmons, North Carolina; Clark, Arkansas; Bankhead, Alabama; Fletcher, Florida; Williams, Mississippi; Kern, Indiana and Hitchcock, Nebraska.

The last two represent the pronounced progressive element in the senate. Senator Martin, the chairman of the democratic caucus who framed the committee, had announced his intention of giving the new and progressive senators fair representation. The steering committee's first function will be to take up the personnel of committees.

The republican members for this task already have been chosen.

YALE DROPS GAME

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 11.—The Boston Nationals defeated Yale here today 2 to 1, both teams making their runs in the first inning.

AMENDMENT FEATURE WILL DELAY N.M. CONSTITUTION

Ratification Will be Delayed If Not Killed Until the Change is Made

WASHINGTON, April 11.—A fight on the amendment feature of the New Mexico constitution probably will delay its ratification by the senate. Senator Owen announced today that he would introduce a new resolution providing that before the president shall issue a proclamation admitting New Mexico and Arizona into the union the people of New Mexico shall vote upon a proposed amendment to the constitution.

He contends that as framed the constitution is impossible of popular amendment in any important particular, and he declared today he would not consent to its ratification unless the proposed provision making it possible for a majority of the people to change their constitution and prohibiting corrupt practices is adopted.

WASHINGTON WANTS RAILROAD EXTENDED

RALEIGH, N. C., April 11.—There was considered today by Governor Kitchin, council of state, and a party of business men of Washington, N. C., interested in bringing Matamusset railroad to that city from Belhaven and Fairfield, the question of grading the Belhaven-Washington line with convict labor. Convicts having just completed the Fairfield-Belhaven grading, the state authorities are about to move the squad to other work and Washington interests are urging this additional work. However, state officers require that before the state grades this, terminals at Washington must be secured through options which are not secured yet. The matter is to be settled Saturday.

VOTE BY PRECINCTS

Table with columns for Mayor, Police Judge, Aldermen at Large, Aldermen 1st Ward, Aldermen 3d Ward, Aldermen 5th Ward, Tax Collector, City Treasurer and rows for candidates like Rankin, Adams, Glenn, etc.

OWNERS OF WAIST COMPANY ARE HELD FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Two Proprietors Held Responsible for Great New York City Fire

OTHER INDICTMENTS MAY FOLLOW THESE

Talent of New York Gives Mon-ster Benefit Performance for Relief Fund

NEW YORK, April 11.—Isaac Harris and Max Blanck, owners of the Triangle Waist company, were indicted this afternoon by the grand jury which is investigating the circumstances of the Washington place fire of March 25, in or as a result of which 142 employes of the company lost their lives.

Charged With Deaths. The indictments charge that the defendants are responsible for the deaths of Rosie Grasso and Margaret Schwartz, whose charred bodies were found on the ninth floor of the burned building. The Grasso girl was 14 years old; Margaret Schwartz was 22.

Benefit Performance Held. While the grand jury was engaged in perfecting the indictments, a special benefit matinee for the aid of sufferers from the fire was held at the Metropolitan Opera house under the auspices of the Association of

ROGERS CONFESSES TO KIDNAPPING OF HIS LITTLE NEPHEW

Implicates Brother in Story Told While He is Locked in County Jail

MONEY THAT WAS PAID RECOVERED

Kidnappers of Little Willie Rogers Are Caught Out in New Mexico

LAS VEGAS, N. M., April 11.—Implicated by the confession of Joe Wiggins, a former life convict, Will Rogers and John, uncle of little Waldo Rogers, was tonight under surveillance for complicity in the lad's abduction.

Confessed to Crime. Late tonight Will Rogers confessed his part in the abduction. He told where the money was hidden and officers have gone in search of the \$12,000. In his statement Will Rogers does not connect his brother John with the kidnapping.

Tells of Plot. According to the story told by Wiggins, he first became acquainted with John Rogers through the law firm by which the latter was employed and which was instrumental in getting Wiggins pardoned from the penitentiary. Wiggins says that while working in the coal mines at Madrid, N. M., he received a letter from John Rogers suggesting a scheme for making \$10,000 easy money.

HAS WICKERSHAM OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT WHICH WILL RULE HIM FROM CABINET

Congress May Investigate Entire Department Under Attorney General

RAINEY TRYS AGAIN

WASHINGTON, April 11.—Seeking particularly to inquire whether Attorney General Wickersham has any "outside employment" which would disqualify him for his cabinet position, Representative Rainey of Illinois, today introduced a resolution designed to open the way for a thorough investigation of the department of justice.

COTTON BROKERS TO FACE PRISON SENTENCES FOR FRAUDS THROUGH MAILS

Were Among Best Known Spot Cotton Dealers in South in Their Day

PLEADED GUILTY

ABERDEEN, Miss., April 11.—The government prosecution of members of the spot cotton firm of Steele and company ended today with the acceptance by J. H. Miller, L. C. Steele and C. H. G. Linde of instructed jury verdicts of guilty charges of conspiracy to defraud through misuse of the mails. J. H. McKnight, confidential employe of the concern who was also named in the indictments, was absolved of culpability and the charges dismissed.