

What about the Chamber of Commerce?

# HICKORY DAILY RECORD

WEATHER  
Fair tonight and Thursday, cooler, frost in interior tonight. Somewhat warmer Thursday.

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HICKORY, N. C., WEDNESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 3, 1920

PRICE FIVE CENTS

## TO AUCTION ROAD TO HIGHEST BIDDER

By the Associated Press.  
Denver, Colo., Nov. 3.—Sale of the Denver and Rio Grande railroad to the highest bidder by order of the United States circuit court of appeals marks the close of a tumultuous chapter in the history of the road founded by General William J. Palmer in 1871.

Millions of dollars a year are paid annually in the prosecution of the road's history and other millions were used in numerous efforts of various financial interests to gain control of the railroad. From the time the Jay Gould interests caused the retirement of General Palmer from the road in 1883, it was the object of financial campaigns of rival interests until the receivership caused by default of the road in payment of Western Pacific railroad bonds in 1913, but payments having been guaranteed by the Denver and Rio Grande.

The bond issue was for \$50,000,000 and when the Equitable Trust company of New York brought suit had been reduced to a little more than \$20,000,000—the amount of the federal fund. On January 29, of that year, Edward L. Brown, president of the road, and Alexander R. Baldwin, superintendent of the Western Pacific, were named receivers by Judge Walter J. Sanborn of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals. A month later Brown was named sole receiver to comply with regulation of the United States railroad administration during the war. He was designated agent of the administration. Hearings were held before a United States master in chancery and on September 25, 1920, an order was signed by Judge Sanborn for the sale of the road, over the protest of a stockholders' committee who asked postponement for a month. The road was advertised for sale for 29 days and November 20 set as the date of sale.

The road was built originally as part of Palmer's dream of a line running from Denver to El Paso. Development of the mining enterprises in the western part of the state resulted in a change in the direction of the road's development and extension of branch lines westward into the mining communities became a part of the contest between the road and the Union Pacific for control of the Rocky Mountain territory, the latter road already having an advantage in the northern Rock Mountain region.

Among the prominent railroad men connected with the road in various capacities were George Gould, Benjamin F. Bush and H. U. Mudge.

## NEW YORK STATE VOTE IS VERY HEAVY

By the Associated Press.  
New York, Nov. 3.—Revised figures for 6,512 districts out of a total of 7,208 in the state gave for president:

Cox, 798,537; Harding, 1,722,154. Of the 7,268 districts in the state 6,384 gave for governor: Smith, 1,194,095; Miller, 1,178,229. Returns from 4,195 districts out of 7,208 gave for senator: Walker, 524,079; Wadsworth, 851,028.

COTTON

	Open	Close
December	21.20	21.12
January	20.80	20.75
March	20.65	20.63
May	20.40	20.33
July	20.80	19.82

By the Associated Press.  
New York, Nov. 3.—The cotton market was lower during today's early trading. The market opened earlier at a decline of 15 to 41 points and soon sold 50 to 65 points net lower.

## YOUR NEXT CONGRESSMAN



MAJ. A. L. BULWINKLE

## LOUISIANA GIVES HARDING BIG VOTE

By the Associated Press.  
New Orleans, Nov. 3.—Senator Harding won the unprecedented total of 17,000 votes in the city of New Orleans with 57 precincts missing.

## HARDING SPENDS BUSY DAY AT MARION

By the Associated Press.  
Marion, Nov. 3.—No longer a party nominee, but president-elect of the United States, Warren G. Harding turned his thoughts toward rest and recreation today before formulation of his administration machinery and policies.

He plans to take a week on the Texas coast and spend a week of scouting in the Panama canal zone. A few fag ends of the campaign remained to be cleared away from his desk first, however, before rounding out his affair here. He probably will not return to Marion before December.

One of his tasks today was to read and acknowledge hundreds of telegrams of congratulations that had been pouring in since the balloting began yesterday.

## WILSON UP EARLY, SITS IN SUNSHINE

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, Nov. 3.—President Wilson was up early this morning and after breakfast spent some time on the south side of the white house basking in the sun.

## THIS COUNTY GOES FOR REPUBLICANS

By the Associated Press.  
Columbiana, Ala., Nov. 3.—Republican candidates carried all offices in Shelby county except one member of the board of revenue. The majorities ranged from 500 to 800 votes.

## ST. PETERSBURG ALSO FOR HARDING

By the Associated Press.  
St. Petersburg, Fla., Nov. 3.—Harding carried all seven precincts of St. Petersburg by a majority of 287. This is the first time in history that St. Petersburg gave a Republican majority and perhaps the only town in Florida.

## HARDING CARRIES MARYLAND STATE

By the Associated Press.  
Baltimore, Nov. 3.—Returns from 712 precincts out of 8716 gave Cox 136,676; Harding, 177,804; Debs, 262. Senate, Smith, Democrat, 127,361; Weller, Republican, 141,533. First, third and fourth congressional districts in doubt.

## SOCIALISTS CLAIM TWO MILLION VOTES

By the Associated Press.  
Chicago, Nov. 3.—Socialist party nationalist headquarters here this morning claimed more than two million votes in the country, more than three times its vote in 1916. The socialists also claimed the election of Victor Berger to congress from Wisconsin and the election of eight assemblymen and one state senator in New York city. Hope was held to the election to congress of Meyer London in New York.

## REPUBLICAN LANDSLIDE GROWS TO LARGER PROPORTIONS

Later Returns Show Harding's Victory Greatest in History of Republican Party—Congress Also Safely Republican—New York Gives Million Majority

By the Associated Press.  
New York, Nov. 5.—The Republican landslide continued to roll along in greater proportions today as additional election returns came in from the west.

Besides electing Harding, it was evident the Republicans would increase their vicious control in the senate from one to a working majority. Congressional returns from many states were slow, as were indeed the returns for president. But on the basis of partial returns, it would seem that Harding would have not less than 230 votes in the electoral college, while all that could be counted on the Cox column were the 127 in the solid south.

In many aspects the election was very unusual. It may develop what may turn out to be the greatest Republican victory in party history. Both the Democratic candidate and his party chief conceded the election early.

With the election went what President Wilson characterized as a "solon referendum" on the league of nations issue and if it may be said that the electorate regarded their vote as an expression on that question, they registered for a preference for Harding, who declared for "staying out" as against Cox who declared for "going in" with a landslide which exceeded the expectations of the most enthusiastic Republicans.

Everywhere the shift towards the Republicans was heavy. Many states which went to the Democrats when Wilson defeated Hughes in 1916 returned to the Republican column: Boston going Republican for the second time in its history; New York giving Harding an unheard of plurality and ratios of two to one in many states give indications of the proportions of the Republican side which apparently left the Democratic candidate nothing but the apparently solid south.

## ROBERTS AND COX LOSE IN TENNESSEE

By the Associated Press.  
Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 3.—Incomplete returns from 75 of the 89 counties in Tennessee compiled by the Commercial Appeal today give Harding a lead of 9,876 over Governor Cox and Alfred Taylor Republican candidate for governor, a lead of 17,000 over Governor Roberts.

## STRIKE IS ORDERED CLOSED IN ENGLAND

By the Associated Press.  
London, Nov. 3.—The executive officers of the miners' federation have decided to declare the coal strike ended and advise the ment to resume work. This action was resolved at a conference of executives today, although a ballot of the miners showed a majority of more than 8,000 against accepting the offer.

## DEMOCRATS CARRY KENTUCKY EASILY

By the Associated Press.  
Louisville, Nov. 3.—Kentucky gave Governor Cox a substantial majority, reelected United States Senator Beckham, Democrat, and on the face of returns shows seven Democrats and three Republican congressmen. In the seventh Swope, Republican, apparently was losing to his Democratic opponent, Judge Gilbert. Last unofficial figures from more than three-fourths of the precincts in the state gave Cor a lead of 37,000.

C. & O. PRESIDENT DEAD  
By the Associated Press.  
Richmond, Va., Nov. 3.—Geo. W. Stephens, president of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway dropped dead today at the White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. according to a report received here.



## Our Next Governor



## INDIANA IS SAFE FOR MR. HARDING

By the Associated Press.  
Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 3.—Indiana will give Senator Warren G. Harding a plurality of 50,000, it is estimated from returns received from half the state today. The reelection of United States Senator Watson, and the election of Warren McCray, Republican candidate for governor, by slightly smaller majorities seems assured. Nine of the 13 Republican candidates for congress are elected with four in doubt.

## CALIFORNIA LEAD GROWS FOR HARDING

By the Associated Press.  
San Francisco, Nov. 3.—Senator Harding's lead in California continued to increase as returns came in.

## COX HAS CARRIED OKLAHOMA STATE

By the Associated Press.  
Oklahoma, Nov. 3.—Unofficial and incomplete returns from 1115 precincts out of 2,685 in Oklahoma give for president:

Cox, 99,355; Harding, 95,936.

## NORTH CAROLINA SCORES HUGE VICTORY

By the Associated Press.  
Raleigh, N. C., Nov. 3.—Reports received at the Democratic state headquarters here this morning that the Democratic nominees had been elected in all ten congressional districts, according to State Chairman Thos. D. Warren. Mr. Warren said the Democrats had defeated Republican candidates in the seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth districts, conceded to be close, and that in the other districts the Republicans were defeated by majorities ranging from 5,000 to 10,000.

The Democratic state ticket headed by Cameron Morrison of Charlotte for Governor was elected by majorities of over 70,000, according to tabulations compiled by the Raleigh News and Observer early today. The legislature will be overwhelmingly Democratic. The majority given the Democratic ticket in North Carolina in yesterday's election.

Two constitutional amendments were carried by 100,000 votes according to the News and Observer compilation.

## BERGER IS BEATEN IN WISCONSIN

By the Associated Press.  
Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 3.—Victor L. Berger, unseated socialist congressman from the fifth district of Wisconsin, at noon today conceded his defeat by William H. Stafford, Republican.

## NEGRO IS HANGED IN FLORIDA TOWN

By the Associated Press.  
Orlando, Fla., Nov. 3.—Perry, the negro who early this morning shot and killed a white man at Occochee, ten miles west of this city, hangs at a tree this morning just outside the corporate limits of the city.

## LEADS IN MISSOURI CONTINUE TO GROW

By the Associated Press.  
St. Louis, Nov. 3.—Before noon returns increased Republican leads in Missouri. Senator Harding's majority reached 75,000; Senator Spencer showed a large lead and former Speaker Champ Clark fell behind his Republican opponent.

## COST GOVERNMENT PRETTY BIG SUM

By the Associated Press.  
Washington, Nov. 3.—Private operation of the railroads for the first six months after the end of federal control will cost the federal government a total of \$656,000,000, according to figures made public today by the interstate commerce commission.

## MARYLAND AGAIN GOES REPUBLICAN

By the Associated Press.  
Baltimore, Nov. 3.—With returns from about 90 per cent of Maryland, showing Harding's lead over Cox for president to be more than 40,000, interest in the election turned today to the senatorial and congressional situation in the state. Owenston E. Weller, Republican incumbent senator, had a majority of about 13,000 with but 100 precincts missing. The Baltimore Sun, Democratic, conceded Smith's defeat by 15,000 or more.

## ACCEPTS DEFEAT WITH SMILE --COX

By the Associated Press.  
Dayton, Nov. 3.—Governor Cox, the defeated Democratic presidential candidate, today wired his respects to Senator Harding pledging support to the executive in "whatever emergency might arise."

From early last night the governor had no illusions about the final result, but he refused to make any statement, his newspaper announcement, "Republican Landslide; Harding Wins," being purely impersonal.

The governor proved a good loser and the last hour at his office was spent in comforting disconsolate callers. He never lost his smile, nor did Mrs. Cox, who spent the evening with him.

To all friends who brought condolence he said with a smile: "I am proud of your interest."

Apparently he made good his campaign assertion that for him the result was impersonal.

## CHAMP CLARK IS LIKELY DEFEATED

By the Associated Press.  
St. Louis, Nov. 3.—T. W. Huekriete of Oregon, Mo., Republican, today, passed Champ Clark, Democrat, former speaker of the house of representatives in the race for congress from the ninth district.

Returns from 105 out of 268 gave Huekriete 12,912 against 11,407. Returns from many districts show former Speaker Clark running nearly 5,000 behind his Republican opponent.

## THE BOY SCOUTS

Washington, D.C., Nov. 3.—The presentation of a farm on Northwest branch in the Burnt mill neighborhood to the Boy Scouts of the district marks a step in the development of the scout movement—a movement which has made a remarkable advance within a few years. There the scouts will have an outdoor home in a picturesque bit of country and although they will hike and wander and practice their manly character-forming craft in all parts of the district and environs, they will have as headquarters a part of the country, embracing field, forest, rocky glen, and boys who are scouts are particularly fortunate.

Those men who were boys half a century ago were under the necessity of finding their own swimming holes, fishing places, hunting grounds and camp sites, and nobody outside their own parents was especially interested. Memory records it that these boys who managed in one way or another to have a pretty good time, but if they learned any woodcraft or nature history or natural philosophy it was in a haphazard way. Developments proved that many of them were good observers and apt students. These Boy Scouts are being given great opportunities to develop into better men than their fathers. They promise well and the hope of everybody is that they will keep their promise.

## "PHANTOM SEWING MACHINE" AGITATES THE PORTUGUESE

Lisbon, Portugal, Oct. 11.—Portugal, always a hotbed of superstition, now is agitated by what is described as "a phantom sewing machine." Columns of the daily newspapers are filled with letters reporting cases in which a mysterious sound resembling that produced by a sewing machine has been heard. Other communications are from scientists, philosophers and spiritualists attempting to explain its origin. The Lisbon newspapers say the strange sound was first heard about three months ago in a house in Oporto at midnight and the newspapers add that hundreds of people have heard the same sound since but at different places.

It is reported that one family abandoned their house at a fashionable bathing resort because they had heard the sound for six successive nights. At Sinfaes a young girl is seriously ill from fright and her parents declare they heard the sound for several hours each night apparently coming from the bed railings. The popular explanation is that the soul of a seamstress has been doomed to haunt the world to expiate a sin and all through the provinces, the peasants are praying for her repose.

## HARDING SWEEPS MAINE

Portland, Nov. 3.—Harding carried Maine in today's election by the largest plurality ever given a presidential candidate in this state. Of this first sixteen cities to complete their returns Cox carried only one, Biddeford.