

WILSON IS STILL SAFE! AT PRESS TIME

M'CORMICK CLAIMS PRESIDENT HAS WON REELECTION WITH GOOD MARGIN ELECT'R'L VOTES TO SPARE; 'ALL OVER,' HE ASSERTS

Both Sides Hint at Fraud—Democrats Regain Good Lead in California—Minnesota's Militia Still to Be Heard From, State's Choice May Be Puzzle Until Monday—Perkins Calls Hughes "The Man" With One Measly Vote to Spare—Divided Congress Probable, With G. O. P. Bossing Lower House—New Hampshire Claimed by Both Sides; Certain to Be Contested—Big Pacific State May Give Divided Electoral Vote.

(By the United Press)

St. Paul, Nov. 9.—Hughes is leading in Minnesota by 811, with 288 precincts still missing.

San Francisco, Nov. 9.—Wilson is leading California by latest United Press tabulations by 5,055, with only 175 precincts missing.

Concord, Nov. 9.—New Hampshire is still uncertain.

Wheeling, Nov. 9.—The Democratic State Chairman concedes West Virginia to Hughes by 2,500.

San Francisco, Nov. 9.—With just 220 precincts missing, Wilson is leading in California by 2,363.

Victory Won, Says McCormick.

New York, Nov. 9.—At 11:10 Democratic Chairman McCormick made a statement that "it is all over. We won the election. We will come up clean with 288 electoral votes. Wilson carries New Hampshire by 93."

Hughes Leads in Minnesota.

St. Paul, Nov. 9.—Hughes' lead in Minnesota now is 510, with 474 precincts missing.

Minnesota Result Doubtful for Days Yet.

St. Paul, Nov. 9.—With 2,100 militiamen's votes arriving on Sunday from the border, the world will not know the result of the election until next week, in the event Hughes comes through with California. Six election commissions are now en route from the border with ballots.

Parties Question Each Other's Honor.

New York, Nov. 9.—"We do not trust the Democrats any farther than they are reported as trusting us," retorted George W. Perkins today when asked to comment on hints of fraud by Democratic Finance Chairman Henry Morgenthau. Perkins claims 267 electoral votes for Hughes not including California.

Wilson Leads California by 3,533.

San Francisco, Nov. 9.—With 366 precincts to hear from, Wilson leads California by 3,533.

California Vote May Be Split.

San Francisco, Nov. 9.—California is under peculiar election laws, and may cast a divided electoral vote. The law provides that the highest thirteen electoral candidates, regardless of party, sit in the electoral college. The highest possibly will vote split, inasmuch as Hughes' southern majorities are expected to be overwhelming. There was a split in the last election, Roosevelt getting eleven and Wilson two.

Republican House; Democratic Senate.

New York, Nov. 9.—United Press reports indicate a divided Congress, probably a Democratic Senate and a Republican House.

Hughes Wins in Big California County.

San Bernadino, Nov. 9.—Complete returns in 170 out of 177 San Bernadino county precincts give Wilson 9,171 and Hughes 11,578.

Hughes Ahead in New Mexico.

Albuquerque, N. M. Nov. 9.—With slightly more than

INVESTIGATION INTO FREIGHT CAR SHORTAGE

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 8.—Representatives of industrial plants, public service corporations and commercial organizations were the first witnesses to be heard in connection with the formal investigation begun here today by the Interstate Commerce Commission into the methods of exchange, interchange and return of freight cars by the railroads of the country. Commissioner McChord is presiding.

CIGARS, TOO, WILL GO

CEILINGWARD, SAID
St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 9.—Six cent cigar dealers' association today prevent near future, the St. Paul retail cigar dealers association today predicted.

NAVAL OFFICERS DEAD FROM BOMB EXPLOSION

Washington, Nov. 8.—Naval Lieutenant's Luther Welsh and C. K. Bronson were killed at Indian Head, Md., late today by the premature explosion of an aeroplane bomb while testing bombs designed for use against war vessels.

Witnesses saw their aeroplane break in two and fall into the Potomac river, but no trace of it had been found late today.

Lieutenant Bronson was born in Illinois and appointed to the naval aeronautic station at Pensacola, Fla., and recently was ordered to Indian Head to conduct the aeroplane part of the ordnance tests. Lieutenant Welsh was born in and appointed from Missouri.

BOARD OF SELECTION OF NAVY APPOINTED

Washington, Nov. 8.—Nine ranking officers of the navy, headed by Admiral Mayo, commander of the Atlantic fleet, were appointed by Secretary Daniels today as the board of selection authorized by the last naval bill directing that officers in the grades of commodore, captain and rear admiral of the line of the navy hereafter be promoted by selection and not by seniority.

BUENOS AIRES LINES UP VS. GOVERNMENT LIKE OUR CAPITAL'S

By Charles P. Stewart

(United Press Staff Correspondent)
Buenos Aires, Argentina, Oct. 20. (By Mail)—A proposition is before the Argentine congress to change the Buenos Aires form of government. Hitherto the city has had commission government like Washington. The people are tired, however, of having their affairs regulated for them by outsiders. They point out that this management has resulted in piling up one of the largest municipal debts, considering the community's size, in the world. It is also remarked that the attempt to economize, by the unauthorized withholding of percentage of the city employes wages, is resulting in a tiresome series of strikes by the scavengers, grave diggers and other classes of city workers.

The situation is also more irritating from a numerical standpoint than the one in Washington, where a national population of about 100,000,000 dictates arbitrarily to a city of about 350,000, while in Argentina, a total population of approximately 7,000,000 makes local regulations for a capital with a population exceeding 1,500,000. The new plan, if adopted, will abolish the existing commission in favor of a municipal council, to be elected by the citizens.

SHOPGIRLS CONDUCT A SHOP-EARLY CAMPAIGN

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 8.—Uniformed shop girls lined down town streets today and handed each passerby a printed appeal to shop early. It was a shop-girls campaign to close loop department stores at 6:30 p. m. Saturdays. The campaign will be continued during November.

SOME VICTIMS OF CHILD PLAGUE BEAR NO SIGNS

New York, Nov. 8.—The infantile paralysis epidemic which swept New York city during the Summer marked many, but not all of its victims, for life. The home cases show a higher percentage of serious after effects than those of the hospital.

CANV'ING RETURNS FROM BALLOTING IN LENOIR PRECINCTS

The returns from Tuesday's elections in Lenoir county are being canvassed. Indications are that it will be late Thursday before the election officers are through with the work. A majority of 1,230 for Sheriff A. W. Taylor over Sutton is claimed. Register of Deeds Pridden's majority over George Sutton is believed to be 1,166. The Democratic commission-ership candidates polled an average majority of about 1,000. Assembly Nominee Henry Brothers beat his opponent by more than a thousand.

BULLETINS

(By the United Press)

AMERICANS SAFE.

El Paso, Nov. 9.—The ten Americans at Parral whose safety has been feared for are reported safe.

ROUMANIANS RETAKE HARSOVA.

Bucharest, Nov. 9.—The Roumanians have recaptured Harsova, it is officially stated.

BRITISH LINER IS TORPEDOED; ONE U. S. CITIZEN ABOARD

London, Nov. 8.—The Peninsular and Oriental liner Arabia received no warning from the submarine which sank her in the Mediterranean on Monday, according to a statement issued this morning by the Admiralty. All the 427 passengers, including 169 women and children and all the crew with the exception of two engineers who were killed by the explosion were saved by vessels which went to the rescue.

American Aboard.
Cambridge, Mass., Nov. 8.—Paul R. Danner, of this city, an American citizen, was a passenger on board the British steamer Arabia, reported sunk November 6 in the Mediterranean by a submarine without warning. His parents had had no word from him today.

HEARST PAPERS AND NEWS SERVICE BANNED

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 8.—The Hearst papers have been placed under the ban in Canada. These publications have been prohibited from circulation from Saturday next. The heavy penalties of the war measures act will apply to any one having them in possession after that date.

LARGER SALES ON THE WEED MARKET THURSDAY

It is estimated that 122,000 pounds of tobacco was sold on the Kinston market Thursday. Prices were practically unchanged, averaging better than 22 cents.

HOSPITAL CLAIMED CARRIED; ADVOCATES SAY IT'S NECESSITY

Majority In County for Institution Reported 255 Exclusive of Pink Hill Precinct—Question Constitutionality

The county hospital voted on at the elections Tuesday was not lost, according to claims by friends of the proposition Thursday morning. The prevailing opinion Wednesday evening was that it had failed to carry a vote of 850 for the hospital and 601 against it, not including Pink Hill precinct, the return from which could not change the issue, is reported now.

There is belief in some circles that the election will not hold, owing to the fact that "a majority of the registered vote must authorize the expenditure of moneys above 'necessary' expenses" under the constitution. Friends of the hospital say the election is valid, however, because the hospital is a "necessity."

MEISTERSINGERS AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

The Meistersingers Quartet will give their program in the First Baptist church here Thursday night at 8 o'clock under the auspices of the Mothers' Club, who are conducting a lyceum course for a playground benefit. All four singers are soloists; three are pianists. A set of organ chimes is carried. They render folk songs, old plantation "classics" and an occasional selection from grand opera. The quartet has a number of clever "stunts" which give life and variety to the program. An Indiana paper had to say of them: "They were a rollicking, informal crowd of young men, and the individual acting was humorous and very entertaining. The organ chimes were wonderfully well played. The four are unquestionably the most talented group here for years."

COTTON

About 150 bales of cotton were sold here Thursday, prices ranging from 18 to 18.80. New York futures quotations were:

GAME POSTPONED.

A football game that was to have been played by the local and Washington High School football eleven here Saturday has been called off. The Washington team could not come.