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STATE SEEMS TO BE DRY BY A LARGE MAJORITY

Charlotte for Prohibition By 700 at Nine O'clock in the Forenoon.

WINSTON-SALEM IS DRY

Forsyth County Claimed By Temperance People By High as 500 Votes.

NEW BERNIN SAME CLASS

All City Wards There Are Counted Three to One Against Whiskey Men.

WILSON COUNTY DRY 521

Goldsboro Report Probability That Cold Water Element Will Win 4 to 1.

WETS CLAIM ONLY TWO

Tarboro and Hightville in Their Column But no Figures Are Given.

Reports from the various cities and counties in the state are not numerous or complete up to 3 o'clock, but there are indications that the state is going dry by fully 20,000. The majority at sundown may be considerably more than that.

The strongest prohibition city to report early this forenoon was Charlotte, which at 9 o'clock wired a 700 lead for the dries.

Goldsboro will be dry about 4 to 1. In Wilson county a quick estimate at 12:45 put the dries 521 ahead in that territory.

Rocky Mount will be dry 5 to 1. Tarboro and Hightville were the only towns to report wet up to noon. No figures were given.

Charlotte at Least 700 Dry. (Special to The Times) Charlotte, May 26.—At 9 o'clock 700 votes had been cast in the city and five to one favor prohibition.

Forsyth 200 to 500 Dry. (Special to The Times) Winston-Salem, May 26.—At 11 o'clock it is generally believed that Forsyth will give prohibition a majority of from 200 to 500.

Cabarrus Dry by 300. (Special to The Times) Concord, May 26.—Cabarrus is dry by 300 at a conservative estimate. In this city a big vote is being polled, with prohibition leading in all wards.

Prohibition in Youngsville. (Special to The Times) Youngsville, May 25.—Prohibition believed to be carrying by big majority.

Sanford Most All Dry. (Special to The Times) Sanford, May 26.—Prohibition is (Continued on Page Five.)

WHITMORE HAPPY, THOUGH ON TRIAL FOR LIFE TODAY Man Accused of Killing Wife in Swamp Says That He'll Prove Alibi.

HOPE OF PROSECUTION IS TO SHOW HE SLEW LENA BECAUSE OF LOVE FOR GEORGE DICKINSON.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, May 26.—On the testimony of George Dickinson, the woman with whom Theodore S. Whitmore is said to have been infatuated and to whom he is declared to have given some of his wife's jewels a few days after Mrs. Whitmore was murdered Christmas night and her body thrown into Lamplack swamp, near Harrison, N. J., the prosecution expects today to show that Whitmore slew his wife. When the trial was resumed, Whitmore walked into the courtroom with almost a jaunty air. He seems confident of establishing an alibi, and believes by the end of the week, or even sooner, he will be a free man. The fact that it required only 45 minutes to secure a jury, when in New York city it usually takes weeks, impressed (Continued on Page Seven.)

Judge Gray's Friends Sure Labor Element Wants Him

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, May 26.—Friends of Gov. Johnson and Judge Gray are elated over the result of the primaries in Florida and the prospects in Maryland.

The Johnson enthusiasts believe Bryan is headed off in the Denver convention. They declare that out of a total of 870 delegates already elected Bryan has 410 and that 260 instructed and uninstructed are opposed to him.

Of those yet to be selected they contend 126 will be uninstructed. In all this they profess to find that the Nebraskan can command only 616 votes. It takes 672 to nominate. The Gray boomers insist that organized labor is beginning to awaken to the desirability of their man. They quote the indorsement of Charles H.

ATHLETIC DOCTOR WILL WRESTLE FRANK GOTCH

Seattle, Wash., May 26.—"Am I training? Why, no, I'm always in training." As Benjamin F. Roller delivered these remarks he doubled up his arm until the biceps almost burst his coat sleeve. Dr. Roller bears the distinction of being the only amateur wrestler ever challenged by a professional champion. Frank A. Gotch, who defeated Hackenschmidt, thus acquiring the championship, has challenged Dr. Roller to a wrestling bout and it will be held June 20. Gotch met Roller in this city a year ago and failed to throw him after an hour's work. The defeat has always ranked in the breast of the big champion.

JOHNSON GOING TO TUSCALOOSA

Speaks There Tonight Before Alabama State University Class of 1908

BIG CROWD HEARS HIM SAYS RIGHTS OF STATES SHOULD BE PRESERVED AND OPPOSES CENTRALIZATION

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Birmingham, Ala., May 26.—Gov. John A. Johnson, of Minnesota, left Birmingham at 8 o'clock this morning for Tuscaloosa, Ala., where he tonight delivers an address to the graduates of the University of Alabama. While in Tuscaloosa, Gov. Johnson was the guest of Addison G. Smith, who managed his campaign prior to the primary election, May 18. At the Country club Gov. Johnson was the guest of honor at a banquet attended by many of leading citizens of Birmingham and Alabama. In discussing the attitude regarding the democratic nomination for the presidency from his standpoint, Gov. Johnson said he would be convenient to the Denver convention in case it wanted him. He spoke against the centralization of power, and said that the rights of the states should be preserved. A tremendous crowd heard Gov. Johnson at Tuscaloosa. Special trains (Continued on Page Three.)

Ruth, of Philadelphia, national organizer of the Bricklayers' Union.

They also believe they have a fighting chance for Gray delegates in the conventions in New Hampshire and West Virginia this week. The Gray bureau, in a statement, says: "The United Mine Workers of America look upon Judge Gray as their best friend outside of the organization. Recognition of this sentiment was shown in the Pennsylvania convention last week, when the coal mining counties voted solidly for the Delawarian."

"That which is true of the miners of Pennsylvania is ready to be emphasized also in the mining districts of West Virginia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Alabama, Kentucky, Ohio, Kansas, Oklahoma, Wyoming, Washington and Colorado."

Street Car Strikers Riot Again in City of Chester

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Chester, Pa., May 26.—Riot followed riot in the street car strike situation here last night. Mob violence was in force in all sections of the city and a dozen strikebreakers, who were in charge of the cars of the Chester Traction company, fared badly at the hands of strike sympathizers. At 10:30 a mob of 3,000 men charged a car at Seventh street and Edgemont avenue. They had followed the car four squares and were throwing stones and hooting the police, who had several prisoners aboard for creating a

RALEIGH VOTING DRY BY SMALL MAJORITY

On account of the "tag-box" system, it is almost impossible to give anything like an accurate estimate of the vote in both Raleigh and Wake county. Every return is based on observation of men at the polls and the reports may be colored a little, according as the informant thinks on the question. From information at hand, it would seem that the county is about even, with the chances somewhat in favor of the anti-dry. The following represents returns received from 12 until 2 o'clock: Wake Forest.—At noon vote stood dry about 95 to wet 33, and by night there will be no material change, with about 115 against 50. Stony Hill going wet almost unanimously, vote standing at noon thirty or more to nothing. Eagle Rock.—Nothing definite, but prohibition said to be in lead. Cary.—At noon 145 votes had been cast, with the wets in the lead. Before 145 votes are cast it is thought dries will even up. Garner.—With 75 for and 45 against at noon it looks as if the vote will be evenly divided. Little interest and voting. Aurora is also dividing on question with small voting. Mettlers.—Swift Creek township is going wet by small majority. Middle Creek on other hand will go dry by small vote. Apex.—Nothing definite, but voting is about even. Raleigh Probably Dry. Both the anti and prohibitionists are claiming Raleigh this afternoon, and it is impossible to say how the

city will really cast its vote. It is an almost safe conclusion, however, to say that the city will give a small majority for prohibition. Of course the majority may reach three hundred, but it cannot be told at this hour. From all the voting places comes the information that "it is about even" or that the majority is slightly for or against. A light vote seems to be out today. The anti-prohibitionists cast their votes earlier in the day while the dries are voting all along. How Wake county will go cannot be determined as accurately as the city. The Times was unable to get Merry Oaks, Forestville, Fuquay Springs, Neuse, Forestville, Cardenas and other places, the telephone line not working, but judging these places by those that have been heard from, the result will be close. The wets probably have the county, but the prohibition vote in the city may be sufficient to overcome the majority. The following polling places, among others, will serve to show the way Raleigh is voting: First ward, first division—Over 200 voted, with majority of 43 for prohibition. Second ward, second division—Prohibition 100 majority; wets 65 votes. Outside East, north division—About even, with wets in the lead. Third ward—44 wet, 27 dry. Second ward, first division—Dries slightly ahead. Fourth ward, first division—Prohibition leading two to one.

MOTHER OF GIRL SHOOT LUTHER Because Young Man Bothered 15-Year-Old Margaret With His Attentions

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Monroe, N. C., May 26.—Because William Luther, a popular young society man, persisted in his attentions to Miss Margaret Thomas, a schoolgirl of 15, against the protests of her mother, he was shot and seriously wounded by Mrs. Thomas. Luther's condition is not regarded as critical. Mrs. Thomas, after repeated protests, declared she would shoot Luther if he did not desist coming to see her daughter. He came Sunday night and an angry scene ensued, the shooting following. (Continued on Page Seven.)

STRAY DOGS ALL TO GO BEFORE TEDDY ARRIVES

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, May 26.—Before the arrival of President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay for the summer, every stray dog in Oyster Bay, Locust Valley, Mill Neck, Glen Cove, Sea Cliff and East Norwich is to be killed. The town board is offering \$2 each for all dogs killed. A dog catcher is to be appointed in each of the 14 election districts.

EVERYBODY IS SAFE ON CLYDE LINE'S SEMINOLE

New York, May 26.—Word was received from Point Pleasant, N. J., by the Clyde Line officials in New York city that the steamer Seminole, which went ashore at the end of Pirates bar, along the Jersey coast, yesterday afternoon, has been floated and is now on her way to this port undamaged and with her twenty-five passengers still on board. The Seminole was hauled off the sands early today by the Merritt-Chapman ocean-going tug Heller, which was dispatched southward yesterday as soon as the Clyde people heard the Seminole was ashore. The steamer at the latest reports was creeping slowly up the coast because of the fog and will probably arrive in New York some time this afternoon.

EVELYN WILL NOT SUE FOR DIVORCE

But Will Apply for Custody of Husband's Affairs Until He is Able to Handle Them Himself—Statement By O'Reilly Makes Her Position Clear.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, May 26.—That no reconciliation is contemplated between Harry Thaw and Evelyn, but that the annulment suit will be withdrawn and an action instituted at once to have Evelyn appointed guardian of Harry's estate, is the statement made by the young woman's attorney, Daniel O'Reilly, today.

"I will withdraw the suit for annulment when it is called before Referee Robert Day, at No. 111 Broadway," said Mr. O'Reilly. "There can be no opposition made by either the lawyers for Mrs. William Thaw or those acting for Harry. All that is necessary is for me to state that I withdraw the suit and no explanations are necessary, nor can they be called for."

"No further action will be then taken until Judge Morschauer enters his order committing Harry Thaw to some institution. Just what action will be taken then we have not exactly determined, but we will probably ask the courts to appoint Mrs. Evelyn Thaw guardian of Harry's estate. As his nearest of kin she is the proper person to have control of his property while he is unable to take care of it himself. The report that Mrs. Thaw desires a reconciliation with her husband is utterly without foundation. She had no such wish, and her only reason for wishing to remain Mrs. Thaw is solely so that she can obtain the assistance due her. Her sacrifice in appearing at the trials and telling the story of her betrayal by Stanford White she feels should obtain a proper recompense. She feels that she should be provided for, as there is no doubt but that her story saved her husband's life."

"Mrs. Thaw is strongly of the opinion that her husband should be confined in an asylum and that she should be taken care of. She has sacrificed a great deal for Harry, and now she should have her reward and not be left to the mercies or charity of her husband's relations." When told that Lawyer Graham would oppose any move to have Evelyn appointed guardian of Thaw's estate and would probably try to prove that she was an unfit person to have command of his property, O'Reilly said:

"We will cross that bridge when we come to it, but I don't think they will make any such move. We know that Mrs. William Thaw is opposed to Evelyn, and that she will do all she can to separate the young woman and her husband. We know they will make a hard fight and will move Heaven and earth to get the best of us, but we are convinced that the courts will be on our side."

"Evelyn will not visit Harry in Poughkeepsie, nor will she, in all probability, see him in whatever asylum he is confined. She does not want to see him, and I believe he does not care to see her."

Pittsburg Says She Can't Control Over \$2,400 a Year. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) Pittsburg, Pa., May 26.—Under the terms of William Thaw's will, it will be next to impossible, the lawyers say, for Evelyn Nesbit Thaw to obtain any control of her husband's property beyond the sum of \$2,400 paid him annually by the executors of the Thaw estate, as directed by the will. In that instrument the elder Thaw, after directing the disposition of his huge fortune, made Harry an equal beneficiary. But he added a codicil revoking the provisions relating to Harry and directing that his (Continued on Page Seven.)

Mae Wood Says She Will Die Before She'll Plead Guilty

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, May 26.—Charge of perjury against Mae C. Wood, growing out of her effort to prove that Senator Thomas C. Platt had married her, will be placed before the grand jury and the case will be set for an early trial if an indictment is returned. Prominence of Senator Platt and others brought into her suit for a divorce from him by the former newspaper woman and lawyer has attracted great interest to the case. This has been heightened by the fact that Platt, nearly 75 years old and showing feebleness in voice and limb, almost certainly will be called to testify against the woman.

Miss Wood has recovered entirely her spirits since her summary commitment to the Tombs by Justice O'Gorman, and has comforted herself by her own conclusions that the burden of proof now rests upon those who are prosecuting her, and that it will be more difficult to convict her than overthrow her action for divorce. Bail was offered by a surety company Saturday too late for acceptance. Rumors that Miss Wood is supported by friends with strong resources were refuted by the offer of bail. Although Senator Platt testified that it cost him \$10,000 to get possession of the letters he wrote to Miss Wood, he has since been quoted as saying:

"I am sorry for the woman, but she undoubtedly deserves punishment."

Both he and Miss Wood deny that (Continued on Page Seven.)

GROVER IS STILL IN BED ALL DAY Hasn't Been Up and Dressed for Fortnight, It is Said

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Lakewood, N. J., May 26.—There is renewed concern over the condition of former President Grover Cleveland. While it cannot be said that Mr. Cleveland has grown definitely worse, at the same time he has not made expected progress toward recovery. It is understood that he has not been out of bed at all the last two weeks, and it is learned from those immediately about the hotel that he is very wakeful at night, but frequently falls into a deep slumber in the daytime. Mrs. Cleveland has arranged for the removal of the children from Princeton to the Cleveland summer home at Tamworth, N. H.

DEAD WOMAN ON BANK OF CREEK WAS MISS MOONEY

Gloucester, N. J., May 26.—The body of the woman found on Gloucester flats, on the banks of Big Timber creek, was identified today as that of Marie Mooney, aged 35, of North Worthbury. The girl lived with her mother and had been missing from home since Friday night. It was at first thought she had met with foul play, but an examination of the body today failed to reveal any marks of violence. It is thought she fell from a trestle bridge into the creek and was drowned.