

MAINE ELECTION IS CENTER OF INTEREST

May Have Important Bearing On Outcome of National Election

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 6.—Political interest for the moment is largely occupied in speculation on the outcome of the election in this state on September 13. A campaign that began in earnest on August 23 will be fought without let-up through the final week. The usual predictions of success are being issued by both republicans and democrats.

Maine is unique in its constitutional provisions for state elections which are held in September instead of November and in presidential years the local contests are viewed as of special importance. On these years the fighting is no less for the seat in Congress and control of the state legislature than for the psychological effect of the outcome on the rest of the country.

To what extent if any the national drift may be forecast by a victory or an increased majority here has long been a matter of dispute with politicians but certain it is that national leaders have taken the tradition seriously and have brought as many of their political big guns into the campaign in this state as possible. Four years, Charles Evans Hughes wound up his campaign for the republicans. This year both of the parties have had a big representation of state campaigners and have drawn heavily on the national committee for speakers of national prominence. On September 13, legislature and county officers will be chosen. Maine does not elect a senator this year.

For the governorship, Frederic H. Parkhurst, of Bangor, who defeated Governor Carl E. Milliken and Judge John P. Deering in the republican primaries, is opposed by Bertrand G. McIntire, of Norway, whom Milliken defeated two years ago by 5,545 votes. A typographical error in the Maine Register of 1919-1920 makes the vote of McIntire appear as 4,000 less than it was.

Three republican members of Congress are candidates for re-election. They are Representative White in the second district, opposed by Wallace N. Price, Republican; Peters in the third district, opposed by Arthur C. Towle; and Representative Hersey in the fourth district, opposed by Leon G. C. Brown. Price, Towle and Brown are democrats. In the first district where Representative Louis B. Goodall has announced his intention to retire at the close of his present term, the republicans have nominated County Attorney Carroll L. Beedy, of Portland, and the democrats, Frank H. Maskell, also of this city.

Both parties and gubernatorial candidates have made The League of Nations a fighting issue. Local questions have received less attention. Prohibition, which for more than 60 years has figured largely in Maine campaigns and particularly in the contest for county officers, has been virtually ignored. The republican platform convention in Portland, at the close of the state convention, adopted resolutions designed to protect the safety, sovereignty and independence of the United States. The democratic platform declared for prompt ratification "without reservations destructive to the spirit and effective operation of the treaty." Both Mr. Parkhurst and Mr. McIntire endorsed their national and state resolutions on the stump.

The completion of the new legislature is a matter of some concern as it may be called upon to restrict the state and, under the new of its four representatives in Congress.

If there is any virtue in comparison, the results of the previous state elections may be of interest. A series of republican victories beginning in 1882 was broken in 1910 when Frederic W. Plaisted, democrat, defeated Bert M. Fernald, republican, by 8,66 votes. Two years later Governor Plaisted was defeated by William T. Haines, republican, by a little over 3,000. Haines in turn failed of re-election in 1914, the democratic candidate for governor, Oakley C. Curtis leading him a little better than 3,000 votes. Governor Milliken, republican, won over Curtis in 1916, leading the democratic candidate by 13,830. In that year Hughes carried the state, his vote being 5,478 greater than that for President Wilson. The total vote for president was Hughes 69,508; Wilson 64,033; Benson, (socialist) 2,177; Henley (prohibitionist) 598. Two years ago when Milliken defeated the present democratic candidate for governor, Mr. McIntire, by a majority of 5,545, the total vote of the state was 121,669. This was nearly 30,000 less than the total in 1916.

HAVE GOVERNMENT PLAN IN BIG NEW YORK STORE

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—The republican form of government for employees, introduced in certain industrial plants throughout the country, has been adopted by a large New York department store.

Employees of this store, numbering 1,700 have a voice in virtually all matters affecting their relations with the management, through elective bodies modeled after the bicameral system of representation prevailing in the government of the United States.

Sure, Here's Evidence. NAPLESVILLE, La., Sept. 6.—One example of the effect of the increased price of sugar was shown here recently when the Himalaya company's plantation holdings were sold for \$250,000. The plantation was bought 11 years ago for \$20,000.

SPARKS CIRCUS MENAGERIE A VERITABLE KINDERGARTEN

There is one little girl in the world who scorns the costliest of dolls and all other playthings dear to the heart of the average child—even the largest of teddy bears holds no special charm for this little Miss, and at that she is just as human as any child on earth.

There's a reason. She is a child of the circus—a child worshipped by every member of the big Sparks circus family. Pauline Vanderbilt is the name of this dainty little lady and the reason that the average plaything means nothing in her young life is because at the present time the Sparks Menagerie presents somewhat of a kindergarten appearance—in fact babies are here, there and everywhere, so you see Pauline has her pick of real live babies to play with—despite the fact that some are rather ungainly in appearance.

Take for instance the baby camel born to Soudan recently in London, Ont., or Belet the baby kangaroo who, by the way bears the distinction of being the first ever born in the United States. Next came a litter of kittens or rather cubs to Mary, a real Asiatic lioness, and not to be outdone by the other members of the animal colony of the Sparks Menagerie, Java, a monkey belonging to the tribe of that name, gave birth to four frolicsome youngsters during the recent visit of the circus to Chicago. As it has always been a custom with the Sparks Circus to name its babies after the cities in which they are born, Louis Reed, Menagerie superintendent, was at his wit's end in selecting suitable names for this happy family, until someone suggested the name of the suburban town adjacent to Chicago and the youngsters were immediately christened with the following illustrious names—Chicago, Evanston, Gary and Waukegan.

Is it any wonder that the Sparks Menagerie is one of more than ordinary interest these days or that with such a variety of pets to play with, Pauline is the envy of all the children in the cities visited by the circus. The High Point date is set for Thursday, September 9.

The curfew evidently shot in Belfast last night—51 arrests were made under the law.

CANDIDATES MAKE KNOWN THEIR PLANS

Men Running for Office of President of Mexico State Their Policy

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 6.—Declarations in favor of a liberal foreign policy, with guarantees of life and property to nationals of other countries and encouragement of foreign investment are contained in manifestos by the two opposing candidates for the Mexican presidency in the elections to be held today. The candidates are Divisional General Alvaro Obregon, former minister of war in the Carranza cabinet and one of the leaders of the recent revolution, and Alfredo Robles Dominguez, formerly provincial governor of the federal district and at one time Carranza envoy at Washington. The international planks of the two platforms follow, translated textually:

General Obregon's (Liberal Constitutional) platform:

"Inviolability of our sovereignty as an autonomous state.

"Absolute respect for the sovereignty and institutions of all countries of the world.

"Facilities for foreign capital wishing to invest in our country for the development and improvement of its natural riches, seeking ways to reconcile in the most practical and fair way the advantages obtained by capital, labor and the public treasure.

"Complete acknowledgment of all legitimate rights obtained by foreigners in our country.

"Guarantees that all foreigners residing in Mexico enjoy, in the broadest sense of the word, all the privileges and protection granted by our laws.

"Frank tendency to reinforce and establish our foreign relations on the aforesaid basis."

Robles Dominguez (Republican Nationalist) platform:

"Re-establishment of our relations

with foreign countries, giving real guarantees to their nationals and to their investments. Because of our geographical location, we should pay special attention to our relations with the peoples of the continent.

"Encouragement of wholesome immigration and of the investment of capital for the development of communications, agriculture and industry, since the foreign element is an important factor in the progress of young nations."

Both candidates favor progressive internal policies, and point out the necessity of honest administration. They differ radically, however, as to the Constitution of 1917, at present in force. General Obregon, as a Liberal Constitutionalist, recognizes the present organic law, while Senor Robles Dominguez is pledged, by a pronouncement recently issued by his party, the National Republican, to call a convention in case he is elected, and set in motion the machinery for the adoption of a new constitution.

The Liberal Constitutionalist party was responsible for the Plan of Agua Prieta, which repudiated the leadership of President Carranza, National Republican party, while non-sectarian in its principles, is largely composed of Roman Catholics.

One License Enough.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 6.—Brigadier-General Charles F. Beebe commander of Vancouver barracks when questioned about a marriage license issued in Portland, Oregon to Charles F. Beebe and Charot Gates, replied over the phone, "I rapid-fire fashion.

"I have four grandchildren, and my wife is still living, so you can see that I have no occasion to take out a marriage license—no trouble at all—sorry I cannot be of more service." And the general's phone went "Click." Suffice to say it was another Charles F. Beebe.

MARTIN COUNTY IS HEARTILY ENDORSED

Sixty-five High Pointers Approve of County of Which They Had Heard Little.

A majority of 65 High Pointers, more or less used to stretching to five or six points beyond capacity, were in a painful condition late Saturday as a result of the attendance of their owners upon a real, genuine, blow-in-the-bottle, dyed-in-the-wool, 100 per cent. Martin county barbecue given from 11 to 3 o'clock that day at Hayworth springs. Three refugees from the grand old county of Martin, H. I. Coffield, A. Sherrod and J. M. S. Salisbury, were the hosts at the stultifactorial occasion.

Shouts as were shouts had been executed for the affair, and said shouts had been prepared according to every period and comma of the Martin county barbecue recipe. Hence the painful lummies, for a lot of fellers' eyes were not good enough judges to gauge capacities. Sixty-five more fellers than ever

before are now willing to vote for any candidate who says he is from Martin county. Further, 53 persons will testify to the fact that Mr. Sherrod, Mr. Coffield and Mr. Salisbury spoke the truth all these years when they asserted Martin county had the world skunk when it came to preparing barbecue.

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