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REPUBLICANS REGAIN HOUSE; THE SENATE STILL IN DOUBT

At 9:45 O'clock Last Night the Republicans Had at Least 11 Majority in the House—Political Overturning of House Forecasts an Upheaval in National Legislative Affairs. Three Mentioned For Speakership.

Washington, Nov. 6.—Congressional election returns still were incomplete at 9:45 o'clock tonight but it was apparent that the Republicans had taken control of the house of representatives by a majority of at least 11—probably more.

The senate was very close with the outcome depending on final returns in Michigan, where Henry Ford was running a close contest with Truman H. Newberry, and in Idaho, and in New Mexico.

On the returns available, 25 Republicans had been elected to seats in the house now held by Democrats and seven Democrats had been elected to seats now held by Republicans.

In the senate, one Democrat had been elected to a seat now held by a Republican and six Republicans had been elected to seats now held by Democrats.

On the returns at hand the house figures were Republican, 229; Democrats, 196; Socialists, 1; doubtful, 9. A majority is 218.

In the senate, the returns showed Republicans, 47; Democrats, 46. An Unheaval in National Legislation May Follow.

Washington, Nov. 6.—The political overturning which takes from the Democrats control of the house of representatives forebushadows an upheaval in national legislative affairs, changes in powerful committee chairmanships, and a situation confronting President Wilson which in a measure, paralleled that confronting President Taft in the midst of his administration. The situation also is analogous to that faced by President Cleveland at the beginning of his first term.

Administration by a Republican house is thrown wide open almost on the eve of the next presidential election.

The Republicans, of course, do not come into their position of advantage until the meeting of the new Congress which will be the first Monday in December, 1919, unless President Wilson should call it in extraordinary session sooner. The present Democratic Congress expires by limitation March 3, 1919. Leaders of both parties rather believe the President will avoid an extra session if it is possible.

TWO SENATORSHIPS STILL IN DOUBT.

Republicans Certain of 48 and Democrats 46; House Republican Beyond Question.

Washington, Nov. 7.—With the Michigan and Idaho senatorial contests still in doubt, late returns from Tuesday's elections tonight give the Republicans a total of 48 senators—just half the membership and lacking one vote necessary to insure control—and 46 to the Democrats.

In Michigan, the Republican candidate, Truman H. Newberry was reported to have increased his lead to about 6,800 votes over Henry Ford, with 125 precincts records missing. In Idaho the Democrats candidate, Senator Nugent, was credited with an increased lead of about 600 votes over former Governor Gooding, the Republican candidate.

Closeness of both Michigan and Idaho contests, upon which Democratic at Republican control of the

NEGRO LYNCHED BY A MOB NEAR ROLESVILLE.

Body of George Taylor Found Riddled with Bullets Hanging From Limb of Tree.

Raleigh, Nov. 6.—The body of George Taylor, a negro, was found riddled with bullets this morning hanging from a limb of a tree near Rolesville, 20 miles north of Raleigh, having been lynched sometime during last night for the alleged criminal assault upon the wife of a prominent Wake county farmer. Taylor was carried before the woman late yesterday and, it is said, she identified him as the man who had attacked her 10 days ago.

It is understood here that after the negro had been identified he was brought to Raleigh, when the automobile in which he was riding was overtaken by a mob who demanded the prisoner. After getting possession of Taylor the mob carried him to a nearby wood and hanged him, filling his body with several hundred bullets. No clue as to the identity of the members of the lynching party has been discovered, according to the authorities.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NAMED

Judge Smith, Chairman for Harnett county, has named the following executive committee to assist him in the United War Work Drive, which starts Monday:

Ellis Goldstein, E. F. Young, J. W. Jordan, Mrs. I. F. Hicks, Mrs. E. L. Hassell, Duke, Mrs. J. G. Layton, Buie's Creek, K. L. Howard, Dunn, J. R. Baggett, Lillington.

Judge Smith has his plans well under way and has an organization back of him that will get splendid results in the county.

The following letter from Geo. W. Watts, State Chairman, will be of interest at this time. It follows:

November 2nd, 1918
Mr. Clarence J. Smith,
Harnett County, N. C.

GERMAN ENVOYS ASK TO MEET GEN. FOCH

From West of American Sector To East of St. Quentin the French Again Have Driven Forward, Liberating Many Additional Towns, Villages and Hamlets. Haig Giving the Enemy No Time For Pause.

Although emissaries of Germany in search of an armistice are reported to have started for Ypres, there is as yet no official indication that they have reached the headquarters of Marshal Foch, the man in whose hands lies the absolute power of granting or denying to the last remaining combatants of the entente allies the cessation of hostilities it now so urgently requires.

Meanwhile the great battle which has as its purpose the driving of the Germans from French and Belgian soil continues from the Meuse river to Belgium. Everywhere the Germans are giving ground, and rapidly the vast sack is being cleared of enemy forces.

Sedan, famous as a fortress in the Franco-Prussian war, and the backbone of the German line of retreat from the southern position of the battle front, is partly in the hands of the American troops and with its fall will vanish all the dreams of the Germans of being able to fall behind the line of the river Meuse and hold a footing on French soil west of the Luxembourg border. Also by the capture of Sedan the vital lines of communication with the great German fortress of Metz are cut or dominated by the guns of the Americans and thus rendered unavailable for enemy use.

French Drive Forward.
From the west of St. Quentin the French again have driven forward liberating many additional towns, villages and hamlets. Some points have been penetrated by the American troops.

ing with only a few remnants by machine gun rear guards. From the region of Origny the French guns are now dominating the important railway junction of Hison, which the enemy must use in a retreat from the district east of St. Quentin toward his frontier. The French now have thrown cavalry into the action on his eastern end of their line where it connects up with Gen. Pershing's front and are driving the Germans toward the Meuse.

In the north Field Marshal Haig, north and south of the old Valenciennes salient, is giving the enemy no time for pause. The Canadian, Australian, English and Scottish troops of his command have again bitten deeply into enemy held territory.

Pressure in Belgium.
Still farther north, the armies of King Albert of Belgium are keeping up their pressure against the Germans. It is reported that it has been decided by the enemy to abandon Ghent.

Increasingly the days of the enemy's tenure of allied soil in the west are numbered. Although not by any means in rout, he is steadily falling back. In view of the gains that have been made by the French and Americans on the southern part of the battle line, there appear to be no defensive lines on which he will be able to stand, except for delaying action west of the famous fortified Rhine.

That Germany at home considers the battle lost is indicated by internal troubles. There have been demonstrations in Berlin; a mutiny in the fleet at Kiel has taken place; there has been rioting in Hamburg, where heavy fighting in the streets is reported; strikes have broken out at Cuxhaven and Wilhelmshaven, and the greater part of Schleswig is said to be in the hands of revolutionists.

GERMAN PLENIPOTENTIARIES ASK TO PASS THROUGH LINES.

Paris, November 7.—(11 p. m.)—German Grand Headquarters requested allied Grand Headquarters by wireless to permit the passage of the German delegation for armistice negotiations through the lines. The order was given to cease firing on this front at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon until further orders. The German wireless message asking for an appointment to meet Marshal Foch, says:

"The German government would congratulate itself in the interests of humanity if the arrival of the German delegation on the allied front might bring provisional suspension of hostilities."

The message announced that the German plenipotentiaries would arrive at the French outpost on the Chiny-Guise road on Thursday between 8:00 and 10:00 o'clock in the evening.

LIBERAL RESPONSE BY THE PEOPLE OF DUNN.

Near \$1,200 Contributed to the Fund to Care for Influenza Patients in Dunn and Vicinity.

The following is a list of those who have contributed to the Influenza Relief Fund. The response has been liberal, but a few hundred dollars are yet needed to complete the work of caring and providing for the sick. This report was handed in by Prof. J. B. Martin, who acted as Chairman of this committee. The report also shows the disbursements.

- Ferry Morgan 5.00
- Walter Jones 5.00
- S. G. Marks 5.00
- Marion Butler 5.00
- R. M. Warren 5.00
- Z. V. Sulps 5.00
- R. G. Taylor 5.00
- Cash .25
- M. C. Hodges 1.00
- Ransom Pearsall 1.00
- R. M. Pope .50
- Gaston Barnes 2.00
- Ledlie Hudson 1.00
- W. E. Baldwin 2.00
- L. K. Denning .50
- H. S. McKay .50
- Paul Jones .50
- John A. Jernigan .50
- R. G. Johnson 1.00
- G. H. Pope .50
- Noel Lee .50
- Namless 1.00
- Mr. Jernigan 2.50
- T. V. Smith 10.00
- P. T. Mansingill 5.00
- Namless .55
- Sam Jung & Bros. 15.00
- Wm. Dawson 1.00
- Mr. Best 5.00
- W. C. Kanoy 5.00
- C. J. Smith 5.00
- Rev. A. E. McQueen 5.00
- J. B. Martin 2.00
- Rev. E. I. Olive 5.00
- Will Strickland 2.50
- Mrs. L. E. Williams 1.00
- W. L. Wade 2.50
- E. S. Shaw 1.00
- M. L. Jackson 1.00
- C. L. Guy 2.00
- Stephens Howard Co. 25.00

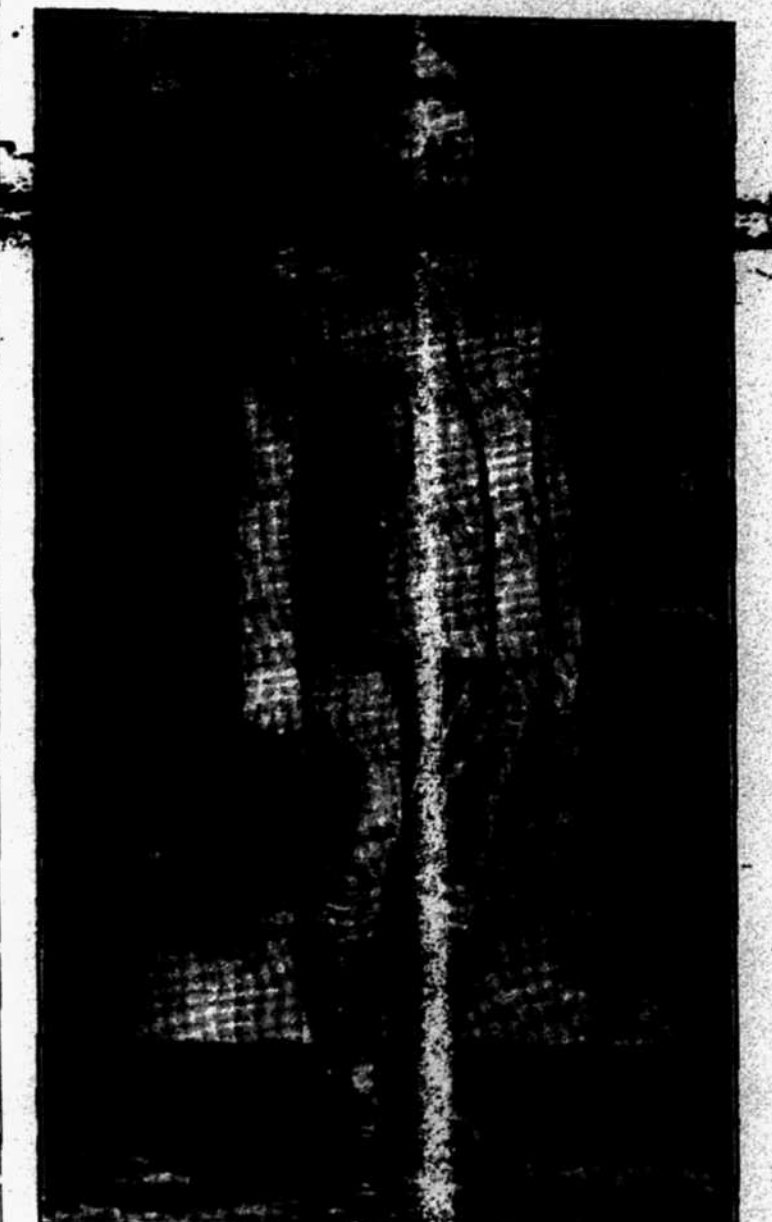
HARNETT COUNTY IS DEMOCRATIC BY AN OVERWHELMING MAJORITY

The Entire County Ticket Elected by a Majority Larger Than For Years and Avershore Township Came Back With More Than 25 Votes to Spare.

Harnett county went Democratic in the election last Tuesday by a majority of nearly 500. All the county ticket was elected by safe majorities in spite of the fact that the Republicans had a number of strong men on their ticket and had conducted an aggressive campaign. Congressman Godwin received his usual majority in Harnett, while Sheriff Turlington led the ticket. The election passed off quietly all over the county, but a great deal of interest was manifested by workers on each side. Avershore township, which has gone Republican for the past 12 years, gave the Democratic ticket a majority Tuesday of about 25. Below we give the number of votes cast for each candidate on the county ticket. This is an official report furnished by Otis P. Shell, chairman of the canvassing board. It follows:

- For County Surveyor: William Green 1845, Z. T. Kivett 1368
- For County Coroner: Dr. W. P. Holt 1848, Neill Green 117
- For Sheriff: W. H. Turlington 1868, A. F. Harper 1361
- For County Auditor: Allen M. Shaw 1819, H. M. Sparr 1372
- For County Recorder: D. H. McLean 1845, E. C. West 1808
- For Commissioner: J. D. Barnes 1847, J. C. Byrd 1844, Robert T. Johnson 1844, Duncan P. Ray 1844, William J. McStewart 1844
- For the House: G. K. Grantham 1850, A. F. Surlos 1361
- For Clerk of Superior Court: A. A. McDonald 1840, Walter Byrd 1372
- For Register of Deeds: John McLeod 1344, Stuart Turlington 1347, Charles A. Bethune 1344, W. H. Faucett 1849, Locke L. Andrews 1344, Perry Morgan 1370, J. P. Adams 1844

CAPTAIN WILLIAM D. HOLLAND.



Capt. Holland returned to Dunn yesterday on a 30-days sick furlough, which he will spend with his family and other relatives. He has been sick since August 5th, and was in a hospital in England for several days before sailing for New York. He arrived in New York October 9th, where he stayed for two weeks and was then transferred to Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga. where he was confined in a hospital until he left to come to Dunn.

Capt. Holland has been in service for several years. He was a charter member of the old Dunn company, which was known as Co. M. of the 2nd N. C. Infantry. He enlisted March 28th, 1911 as a private. He was made corporal the following April, was promoted to sergeant June 15th, 1912, and to 1st sergeant Sept. 10th of the same year. He was commissioned 2nd lieutenant in February 1913 and was made 1st lieutenant about five months later.

When trouble arose between the United States and Mexico the Dunn company was called into service. On June 28th, 1916, he left with his company for Camp Glenn, to mobilize for duty. From October 1st, 1916 to March 21st, he was in service on the Mexican border. After trouble was over here he returned to Goldsboro with his company and was commissioned captain on July 27th and assigned to Co. L. When commissioned he was the youngest captain in the 2nd Regiment.

Immediately after we went to war with Germany Capt. Holland and his company were sent to Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C. where they trained for duties overseas. They sailed from Boston for France on May 12th, 1918, and landed safely 15 days later. He led his company into action over there, having engaged the Germans in battle in the Ypres section and at Kemmel Hill. He was doing his bit until his health failed and he was sent to a hospital to recuperate.

Capt. Holland is 31 years of age and the only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Holland, of Dunn. When he was called to service he was at the head of a successful business in Dunn, but did not hesitate to make the sacrifice for his country. He closed out his business and answered the call of his country. Many friends in Dunn are glad to have him with them again and hope that his health may soon be restored.

Native and control of the majority, the possibilities are obvious. They will be increased if the final returns for the senate assure the Republicans control there.

First, comes the question of the speakership, a place which many statesmen and politicians have declared is second only to the presidency in importance. Representative Mann, of Illinois, the Republican leader, would, on the basis of his position, be the logical candidate of the majority, but that is complicated by several factors, one of which has been Mr. Mann's continued ill health. There also are some factional differences to be considered. Representative Gillette, of Massachusetts, actually Mr. Mann's senior in point of service, has been acting Republican leader and is to be reckoned with in the calculations for the speakership. There also has been some talk of Representative Longworth, of Ohio, Colonel Roosevelt's son-in-law, as a candidate upon whom the Republicans could unite.

Retire Kitchin as Floor Leader.
Next in importance is the leadership of the Democrats when they become the minority party after March 3, next. As chairman of the ways and means committee, Representative Kitchin, of North Carolina, now is the Democratic floor leader. He is expected to be supplanted in both places by Representative Joseph W. Fordney, of Michigan, one of the old Republican wheel-horses, upon whom will fall a very important part in carrying out with the treasury department the government's financial program for the remaining of the war. This will present a situation where a Republican house, and probably senate, will be dealing with a Democratic secretary of the treasury on immense financial questions in which they fundamentally may be in disagreement. At least two more great liberty loans are to be provided for and no one can estimate the need for further war taxation after the end of the fiscal year which the pending war revenue bill is framed to cover.

Speaker Clark was minority leader before the Democrats came into control. A question to be decided is whether Mr. Kitchin is to step down from that place in the new Congress to give way for Mr. Clark or whether the speaker will be obliged to take places in the usual run of committee assignments.

Investigate Executive Control?
There are in the house several committees which have power to investigate expenditures of the executive department. During control of the Democratic majority the Republicans have been powerless to compel investigation of things which they have attacked. In control of those committees, which in times of peace are virtually of no importance, the field for the investigation of the Democra-

however, is now beyond all question. With only one district missing—the second Montana—the returns tonight show: Republicans, 238; Democrats, 195; including one independent; Socialist, one; missing, one.

BENSON NEWS BRIEF.

S. C. Smith Died From Influenza Two Children Victims of Disease.

Benson, Nov. 2.—S. C. Smith, died this morning at the emergency hospital here of pneumonia following influenza of which he suffered for two weeks before pneumonia set in. He was 34 years of age and is survived by a wife and two children. He will be buried tomorrow afternoon in the city cemetery here. He had been in the employ of E. S. Turlington & Co., for several years and was known all over this section for his Christian character, his jovialness, his kindness and courtesy to all and probably the loss of no one in Benson will be felt quite as keenly as that of Crosby Smith. He was a member of the Baptist church and general secretary of the Sunday school of that church. He was a Mason and secretary of the local lodge.

The 11 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Farmer died yesterday afternoon and was buried this afternoon.

The 16 months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Johnson died this morning in the emergency hospital here with pneumonia following influenza.

The emergency hospital here has been running for nearly three weeks and so far 22 patients have been treated with only two deaths. Miss Coward of Asheville, is in charge of the hospital as trained nurse and she has nine local volunteer nurses who have been doing valiant work at the hospital. Supervisor G. W. Rollins has given the work of combating and abating the disease his whole time and all Benson joins in praising the work of the emergency hospital and those connected with it.

IMPORTANT TO THE PUBLIC.

The Board of Health has decided that meetings of all kind may be resumed on and after November 10th.

As for the schools, the Board suggests that the local authorities begin these when the influenza has passed from the community. If there should be a few convalescing cases in a community no children should be permitted to go from the affected homes until all patients have recovered. The local committees should decide at once on the date for the school to open in each district.

I am depending on your notifying your teachers when to come for I cannot know the conditions in each local community.

Yours truly,
B. P. GENTRY, Supt.

tion of securing the dollars called for in our quota. This is all right; we need the money and must get it. But at this time I cannot but think of the wonderful success our boys and their allies, over there, have had during the last four months; the spirit, dash and sacrifice required of them to bring the Hun to his knees. Our hearts should be filled with thanksgiving to Almighty God who has given us the victory. We should, therefore, enter this campaign convinced of a privilege to use our time, talents and money as a real thanksgiving offering in recognition of the service our boys are rendering, and to assure them we will stand behind them with all we have.

Thank God for our brave boys, and thank Him that up to the measure of our ability we are giving both service and money.

Sincerely yours,
GEO. W. WATTS.

CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY.

The 81st birthday of Mrs. Rachel Pearsall was celebrated last Saturday, November 2nd. A number of her children were present from various states and the occasion was a most enjoyable one. The birthday dinner was served at the home of her son, E. M. Pearsall. Mrs. Pearsall is enjoying excellent health for one of her age, and she is happiest on the day of the celebration of her birthday when all her children are present.

Those here were:
Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Pearsall and daughter, of Waycross, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Pearsall and son, of Rocky Mount; Mrs. H. G. Smallbones, of Wilmington.

ENSIGN EDWARD FOU IS KILLED IN AN ACCIDENT

Son of Representative E. W. Fou Met Death off the French Coast October 28.

Washington, Nov. 2.—Ensign Edward Fou, son of Representative Fou, of North Carolina, was killed in a seaplane accident off the French coast on October 28.

Vice Admiral Sims today cabled the navy department the seaplane was wrecked in a collision with a buoy while making a landing. Machinist Mates John Richard Banks and James P. Young were also in the machine, the former being injured while the latter escaped unhurt.

LILLING MAN DIES OF INJURIES

W. W. Cox, of Lillington, died yesterday in Rex Hospital of injuries he received about a week ago when struck by a Norfolk Southern train.

The details of the accident could not be learned here yesterday, but death resulted from a fractured skull and six broken ribs. The body was shipped to Lillington last night for interment.—Today's News and Observer.

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