

## BIG DEMOCRATIC GAINS PREDICTED

House Control Expected to Change Though West Stands Solid.

### 40 DISTRICTS IN DOUBT

New York Herald Forecast Shows Republicans Must Carry All Doubtful Districts to Maintain Present Leadership.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Oct. 30.—Congressional election forecast compiled by the Washington correspondent of the New York Herald indicates very strongly that the next House of Representatives will be safely Democratic.

Nothing short of a miracle, it is said, can bring about a Republican victory a week from next Tuesday. The Herald's figures show that the Democrats are reasonably certain of 157 districts, leaving 40 districts in doubt. Republicans must therefore carry every doubtful district in order to control the next House. If the Herald's figures are correct.

In a tabulated statement the Herald predicts the re-election of solid Republican delegations from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California, North and South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, and Colorado. Heretofore two California districts were regarded as doubtful and at least one in Colorado. The latter state is now represented by three Democrats. Nevada is the only far Western state listed as doubtful.

#### Losses Heavy in East.

Heavy Republican losses are indicated in New York and Pennsylvania. At present the Republicans have 25 districts in New York. They are conceded only 13, with four other districts in doubt. In Pennsylvania where 27 districts are now Republican only 18 are conceded the Republicans and five are doubtful.

Thirteen districts in Ohio are now Republican. The Herald shows only nine likely to be Republican with three in doubt, while in Missouri, which now has six Republican Representatives, only one seems sure of re-election and two districts are doubtful. Three Republican districts in Illinois are in doubt and in Iowa Democrats are conceded a gain of three and possibly four seats in a delegation of eleven members.

#### Beveridge May Lose Seat.

There is a possibility that Republicans may gain one Congressional district in Indiana where they now control but two out of 13, but according to the Herald there is no doubt that the next Indiana Legislature will be heavily Democratic thus bringing about defeat of Senator Beveridge, incumbent.

In Kansas Democrats are accredited with gaining two districts and are given one sure district in Wisconsin with two others in doubt. Other changes are indicated but the principal Republican losses indicated by a preliminary canvass are as given above.

Commenting on the political situation the Herald says: "In perhaps 10 Congressional districts which are close, the result will be decided by 'regular' voting against 'insurgent' nominees and for Democrats and by 'insurgents' voting against 'regular' nominees and for Democrats."

### \$150,000 HOTEL BURNED

New Elms at Excelsior Springs Is Total Loss—Visitors Saved.

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, Mo., Oct. 30.—The New Elms Hotel, built about a year ago at a cost of \$150,000, was destroyed by fire here early today. The fire originated from an ash heap in the basement. All the 125 visitors escaped uninjured. It is thought the total loss will be about \$200,000.

This city has only a volunteer fire department. It was unable to cope with the flames and the fire never was checked. The hotel was owned by J. J. Ringold and J. H. White, both of Kansas City. They announced today that they would rebuild the hotel at once. The Old Elms burned May 8, 1909. No visitors were injured.

### STORMS ARE DUE IN WEST

Disturbance Looked for in Pacific States on Tuesday.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—A reaction from the cold and unsettled conditions of last week is predicted by the Weather Bureau for the eastern half of the country for the next three days. In the Eastern and Southern states a moderate temperature will prevail until the latter part of the week.

In the Pacific states a disturbance is looked for Tuesday, which will reach the Middle West Wednesday or Thursday and the Atlantic states by Friday, bringing with it unsettled weather and rain.

### DENVER STRIKE STILL ON

Allied Printing Trades Pledge Support to Pressmen.

DENVER, Oct. 31.—The Allied Trades Council of Denver, today adopted resolutions of support to the Denver Pressmen's union, members of which are on strike against three local newspapers. The resolutions specify, "All support, moral or otherwise."

They are signed by representatives from the Typographical Union, Photo Engraving and Stereotypers' Union, and will be referred for further action to the locals of these unions. A crisis in the strike is generally expected to follow today's action.

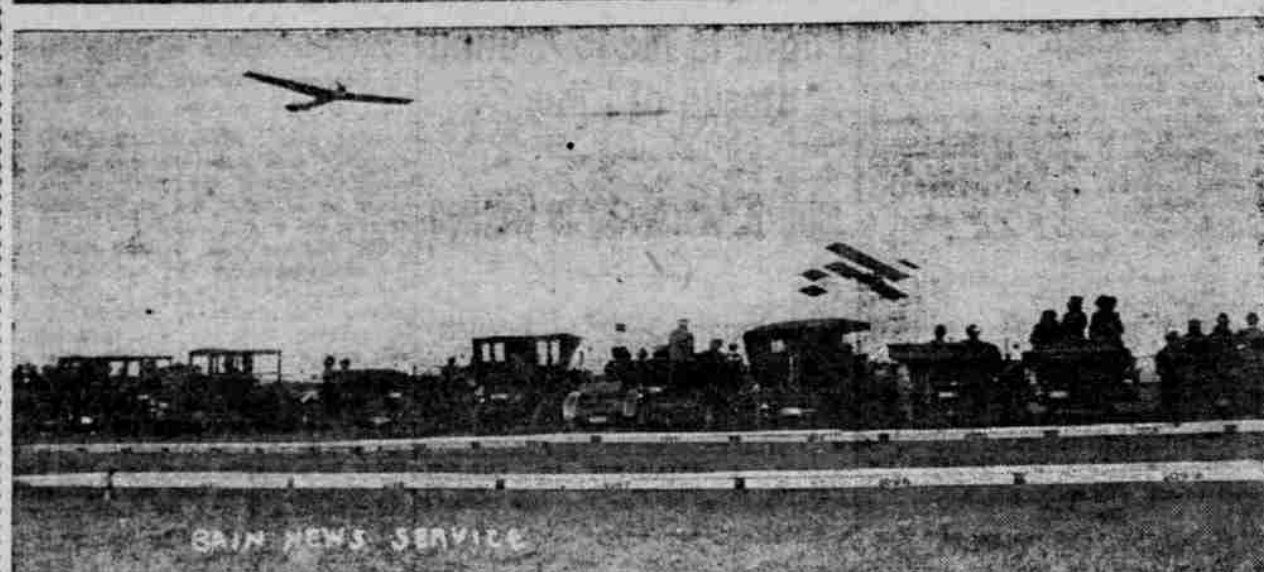
#### Roosevelt to Address Mothers.

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt will deliver an address on "American Ideals" before a joint meeting of the Iowa Congress of Mothers and the Iowa State Teachers' Association at Des Moines next Friday night, according to an announcement made today.

#### Business Men at Manila.

MANILA, Oct. 30.—The delegation of American business men representing the chambers of commerce on the Pacific Coast, arrived here from Canton today. They will for the United States on the Manchuria November 6.

### SCENES AT BELMONT PARK AVIATION MEET.



ABOVE, WRECK OF FRISBIE'S BIPLANE, AFTER ITS FALL—CENTER, LATHAM'S BLERIOT AND GRAHAME-WHITE'S BIPLANE IN FLIGHT—BOTTOM, NAVAL LIEUTENANT N. H. WRIGHT, NAVAL INSTRUCTOR WILLIAM MCINTEE, CAPTAIN CHAMBERS AND GENERAL HUGHAN, OF THE ARMY, VIEWING FLIGHTS.

## AMERICAN IS FIRST

Flight Is Made Around Statue of Liberty.

### MILE A MINUTE IS MADE

Cold Wind Blows in Face of Bird-Men Over First Half of Course—Moissant, Grahame-White and DeLesseps Are Contestants.

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speed, despite the biting cold. Grahame-White was still gaining on DeLesseps, but the Frenchman was first out across New York Bay and around the statue, about 1000 feet above the big black balloon that had shown him the course. The crowd along the Brooklyn waterfront, on Governor's Island and along the Battery shouted and waved hands and handkerchiefs.

#### Lead Soon Overcome.

Then Grahame-White sent the nose of his Blériot around above the head of Miss Liberty and started back along the same course he had traveled. DeLesseps still had a slight lead, but with the wind at his back, Grahame-White put on full speed and began cutting down his rival's advantage. Midway over Brooklyn the aviators were on even terms, each at an altitude of between 2000 and 3000 feet, but reaching the outskirts of the city, Grahame-White forged ahead and set sail in earnest for Belmont Park.

De Lesseps kept directly in the Englishman's wake and now and then could be seen working his control in an endeavor to get greater speed from his machine, which was fast falling behind. Both men continued to fly above the railroad track.

Passing back over Jamaica, Grahame-White had a lead of about two miles. Arriving at the aviation field, the Englishman started his descent from a height of about 2000 feet. He came down in a graceful sweep over the tops of the great trees with the nose of his machine pointed downward at an angle of 45 degrees. As Grahame-White had done, De Lesseps came down from a level of 3000 feet.

#### Moissant Is Off.

Moissant was tuning up his newly-bought Blériot preparatory to making a start. At first its motors did not sing true, but finally they became attuned and he was off over the grandstand. Fifty miles an hour was the speed the spectators reckoned he was making against the cold wind, which was blowing about 10 miles an hour. The crowd along the Brooklyn waterfront, on Governor's Island and along the Battery shouted and waved hands and handkerchiefs. Moissant's machine was as steady as a rock. Now and then it seemed to dip or swing from one side to the other. If Moissant was having trouble he did not show it, for he kept winging ahead, with never a let-up in speed. Reaching the East River, Moissant swept across to the New York shore and passed almost above the Battery.

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## CHINA ON VERGE OF BIG REBELLION

Great Empire in Orient Is Likened to Forest in Prolonged Drought.

### ONLY SPARK NOW NEEDED

Noted Writer, Living in Southwest China, Declares Boxerism Is as Rampant Today Underneath Surface as in 1900.

BY EDWIN J. DINGLE.

CHUNG KING, S. W. China, Oct. 30.—(Special.)—In spite of all the talk in foreign countries of universal progress in China, we who are living among the Chinese of the interior see plenty of reason for feelings of deep gloom in the present outlook. For boxerism is as rampant today underneath the surface of Chinese life as it was in 1900, the year of the great outbreak.

Undoubtedly there is a spirit abroad among the natives of the southwest that bodes no good for foreigners. It is because that optimism in regard to Chinese matters is the order of the day. People are most ready to hear of naval and military progress, advancement in arts and sciences, and they blandly accept the apocryphal messages of foreign officials, particularly when backed by missionaries who, though knowing the danger, join in hushing up the news of it because they yearn to tide over the crisis and to use the all-important present for Christian propaganda. But for nearly two years I have been traveling from east to west of the empire, residing at intervals in many inland towns and learning the views of the common people.

I say, therefore, calmly but emphatically, that foreigners in China are dwelling in a state of imminent danger. The balance is so delicately set between peace and massacre that a very little cause would turn it to the side of bloodshed. Therefore, I warn as many as my views may reach to be prepared for serious happenings in China at any time.

I have gone through one rebellion within the past two months that caused but little stir among Western capitals. The outbreak was suppressed on the surface. But the spirit is still there; it animates not merely southwest China, but almost every province of the interior.

The riots of Changsha are still the talk of the masses. The whole of the Yangtze Valley is more or less disturbed; from northeast to southwest come tales of simmering discontent and disapproval of the gentry and official classes. It is but a hairbreadth from that to hatred of all foreigners.

Even in Yunnan, a province bordered by the British in Burma and the French in Tonkin, removed but a few days from the throbbing centers of civilization, riots and disorders are as rare as anywhere in the Empire. On the borders of Indo-China, the famous revolutionary Sun Yat-Sen, with his keen foresight and iron will, plots for the triumph of the anti-Manchu movement and the subversion of the discredited Chinese throne.

On the borders of Kansu, the suppression of opium poppy growing has roused the people to wrath against officials and foreigners. That irritation operates also throughout Yunnan and Szechwan. Near Kweichow, the Chao-tong rebellion has left disquieting effects, though all the leaders have been decapitated, and some innocent men as well. "To make sure."

In fact the whole western region is a hive of discontent. Foreigners are not allowed to travel off the main roads. So ignorant are the various factions of the rebels—Mohammedans, aborigines of all kinds, ordinary Chinese and hybrids—that they consider officials and foreigners are hand in glove. So discrimination is outside their capacity. A riot against the ruling classes is also a riot against the foreigners, who are credited with originating China's ills. The rebels are ready at any moment to wreak their hysterical vengeance on the white man, regardless of his work or his condition.

Not many weeks ago, when on my travels, I heard a thrilling continuous bugle note, like the minor key of an organ blown unceasingly. As I turned aside

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Multifarious as are the new devices which are being applied to the navigation of the air, none is likely to be found to take the place of brains in the aviators. This is the opinion of James H. Colewell, the patent office expert, who has immediate charge of all flying machine inventions, and who has given personal attention to almost every application for a patent in that line. Summing up his views today, he said:

"Ten per cent of the success of every aerial flight is due to the machine, 15 per cent to the motor and 75 per cent to the man. The man of inclination, poor judgment, weak nerves or slow judgment is as much out of place in an airplane as a defective motor."

"Aircraft invention has received a stirring impetus within the last few years, and there is no more reliable index to this activity than that displayed by the records of the patent office. It began with the first exhibitions of the Wright Brothers on the North Carolina coast and has increased in geometric ratio since, with the consequence that to date about 2000 patents have been issued on these machines or on devices connected with them. The bureau is now handling an average of about 90 cases a month."

"The Patent Office regards as established the principle of the plane in this method of transit, and the inventive genius of the world is now concentrating its attention largely upon the motive power. Electricity as a motive power is being the subject of careful inquiry. The weight of the electric motor is a bar to its use in aerial craft, and it is feared that no progress can be made until a way is found of gathering this force from the atmosphere."

"Much attention also is being given by inventors to 'stabilizing,' by which is meant the keeping of an air car in the right position. In case of accident, the machines have a tendency to turn turtle. Already vast improvements have been made."

"Inventors also are seeking for improved methods of rising and alighting. The air men want a machine which can lift itself suddenly from the ground, like a bird, and which can light anywhere. To satisfy this demand, the inventors are turning their attention to the horizontal screw, such as is used in water in connection with submarine boats."

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This order will positively cease as soon as the 500 tons have been sold, and the price will then be advanced to \$7.50 per ton, which price will remain in force for the balance of the winter.

If you wish to take advantage of this excellent opportunity to save several dollars per ton on your coal, you will have to act at once as this 500 tons will be sold very rapidly.

The following is a copy of some of the letters:

J. J. Foley. O. K. Fitzsimmons.

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(Signed.) J. J. FOLEY. Portland, Or., Oct. 8, 1910.

Pacific Coal & Gas Co., Portland, Or. Gentlemen: In reply to yours of the 5th will say that after trying your coal that it is a pleasure to me to recommend the same. It burns well and does not clinker and leaves little ash. It is the best coal that I have used in Oregon and I can cheerfully recommend it. Sincerely yours, JAS. R. HAGADONE.

Portland, Or., 9-14-1910.

This is to certify that the undersigned has purchased two tons of coal from the Pacific Coal & Gas Co. of Portland and have tested it in our kitchen range, and find it to be just as recommended, first-class coal for a soft coal. J. S. GREENFIELD. 421 Patton Road. Office phone, Main 1944.

## Pacific Coal & Gas Company

Room 218, Commercial Club Building.

Phone, Marshall 2581. Portland, Oregon.

to make way for a mandarin's chair and capture rebels who want to kill you foreigners," answered the man softly. Then what all the bustle meant. "It's the hsiun gwau (district magistrate), going away into the crowd."

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