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REQUIRE TROOPS TO PREVENT RIOTS

NEGROES IN OKLAHOMA CHAGRINED AND ANGRY OVER "GRANDFATHER CLAUSE."

TROUBLE OVER THE STATE

With a Company of Militia Ready to Suppress Trouble, Voting Progresses Under Martial Colors in Oklahoma Troops May be Needed at Various Places—Democrats Able to Win Through the Clause.

Oklahoma City, Nov. 8—Governor Haskell issued an order today for Company M of the state militia to prepare for a hasty trip to Guthrie where negroes, disfranchised by the "grandfather clause" had begun to gather in unruly crowds about the voting booths. The weather is heavy and voting is heavy. Haskell said there had been no riots and he was taking no chances.

The trouble with the negroes is general over the state and was the result of the adoption of the grandfather clause which disfranchised those whose grandfathers were ineligible to vote or who can not read or write. The amendment named a negro vote which is large, and at Indians and half breeds. When the supreme court upheld the amendment a month ago it was declared that the move was political and for the benefit of the Democrats.

Republicans charged that the disfranchisement clinched the Democratic control of the state. Negroes have been holding meetings, protesting and declaring the act an outrage.

Negroes "Take" Booths.

Muskogee, Okla., Nov. 8—When the white election officers in Pussy Creek precinct attempted to prevent the negroes from voting today the negroes outnumbered the whites ten to one, took possession of the polls. In response to appeals, an automobile loaded with armed men rushed to the scene from Coweta. Trouble is expected. Negroes were disfranchised under the "grandfather clause."

WATER SHORTAGE AT KAMELA.

General News Items From the Summit Village on the Malinala.

Kamela, Ore., Nov. 8 (Special)—Water is very scarce at Kamela and as a result the O. R. & N. is hauling water in steel coal cars to supply their engines. As there are several helpers here considerable water is needed.

The judges of election here are J. A. Graybeal, Franklin Truax, and C. N. Norden. The clerks are Covell E. Tiptin, M. T. Burnett and W. S. Nelson.

O. Ritter of Freewater is hauling wood for Mr. Oro Hunt. It will take him about three weeks yet to finish the job. His wife is here now keeping house for Mr. Hunt and her husband.

T. W. Pence, who lived on a homestead here for about two years, has left with his team and family for parts unknown.

John Adams and family have moved to La Grande for the winter at least.

Annie Collin has arrived here from Freewater and will keep house for her father, R. R. Collin while he gets out the balance of his cord wood.

W. S. Nelson's brother-in-law from Adams, Ore., is visiting here. He is a druggist at Adams.

Ferdinand Hermann Married.

Ferdinand Hermann, a pioneer of this valley was married yesterday to Catherine Rear, at the home of John Schilling, South of La Grande. Mr. Hermann has been a resident of South La Grande for many years.

Murder in Portland.

Portland, Nov. 8—The police today have no clue of the man who shot and killed Wm. Harvey, aged 70, and a saloon porter and fatally wounded his employer, W. W. Chappell at Chappell's saloon last night. Robbery was the motive. A highwayman, masked, entered and held up five men and went to the till, robbing it and when Chappell rushed in from the rear room they grappled. He had the man down when he was shot. Harvey rushed in with a chair and struck the prostrate thief and was shot through the heart. The robber then ran out and disappeared in the railroad yard. The police have made no arrests.

Face Burned by Acid.

Los Angeles, Nov. 8—His face horribly burned from the Carbolic acid hurled by an unidentified man last night and suffering from a knife wound inflicted by the same man, W. P. Rees is in a critical condition in the hospital today. Rees says he was attacked on Long Beach avenue last night but owing to the darkness he could not see the man's features. He says he knows of no reason for the affair.

AUTOMOBILES BURN UP.

Fire Destroys Plant and Removes Big Sum in Shape of Autos.

San Francisco, Nov. 8—Twenty five thousand dollars worth of automobiles burned today when a fire destroyed the Pullman Automobile garage near Golden Gate park. The building was damaged \$25,000 also. The police are investigating to ascertain the cause of the fire.

MRS. CRIPPEN IS ALIVE AFFIRM ATTORNEYS

ADDED FAITH GIVEN TO RUMOR COMMENCED YESTERDAY.

Chicago Attorneys Claim They Can Produce Mrs. Crippen Tomorrow.

Chicago Nov. 8—"Positive information" that Mrs. Crippen is alive and near Chicago continues to mystify the police, although they believe the offer to produce her in flesh are hoaxes. Attorney Robert Cantwell and Jack Curley, the wrestling promoter, told the police today they had located the woman near this city and that she is suffering from mental defects.

They declared that Attorney Tobin, a brother of the barrister who defended Crippen in London, has four affidavits to prove that the woman is really the wife of Crippen for whose murder he is sentenced to hang. Tobin will arrive in Chicago tomorrow, when the truth or falsity of the assertion can be ascertained.

ENTERS THROUGH TRANSOM.

Small Amount, Approximately \$4.00 Taken Away Last Night.

Someone, probably boys inspired to do thievery, last night entered the City Bakery & Grocery, and removed about \$4.00 from the cash till, but apparently in their haste left some other small change in the drawers.

Entrance was effected through the transom in the rear door, a route by which experienced robbery seldom comes into a dwelling or place of business. Nothing else in the place was molested in any way and the supposition is that the thieves "grabbed" the change and escaped in fear of detection.

Blinded, He Kills Himself.

Ritzville, Wn., Nov. 8—Because Miss Josephine Pittman, a school teacher is alleged to have spurned the offer of marriage by Patrick Collins, a rancher, last night he shot and killed her and then tried to kill himself. Doctors say he will live.

BUMPER VOTE CAST IN EVERY PRECINCT MUDDLES THE ELECTION FORECAST

Rains and Snow Storms General in all Sections of the Country

Brisk voting in all precincts and majority dry, the town vote is large and may offset it.

Vote Light Around Medford.
Medford, Ore., Nov. 8—Despite a heavy rain voting in the city precincts is exceptionally heavy today. The country vote is light.

Republicans Scared in Boise.
Boise, Nov. 8—A steady downpour in southern Idaho is keeping the country voters from the polls. Early reports indicate a light vote. Republican leaders admit the chances for success is lightened by the rain.

Seattle, Nov. 8—Little activity at the polls. A light vote is anticipated on account of rain.

Omaha, Nov. 8—Early voting was heaviest. Party lines are obliterated and the liquor question is the dominant issue.

Chicago, Nov. 8—Fine weather in Illinois. The vote is unusually heavy.

Des Moines, Nov. 8—Good vote.

Indianapolis, Nov. 8—Fair weather, indication of heavy vote.

Minneapolis, Nov. 8—Weather threatening. Early vote heavy.

Topeka, Kans., Nov. 8—Only normal vote.

San Francisco, Nov. 8—Threatening weather, vote heavy.

Cincinnati, Nov. 8—Taft arrived this morning and voted at ten o'clock.

Butte, Mont., Nov. 8—Rain this morning turned to a snow storm and swept most of the state. The rural vote will be light.

Denver, Nov. 8—The weather is ideal and it is predicted ninety per cent of the registered voters will come in.

Boston, Nov. 8—The Democratic leaders are already claiming the election of Eugene Foss over Eben Draper, Republican, for governor.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 8—Rain in the western and southern parts of the state, lessened the vote considerably and both parties claim increased chances for their candidates. Betting is lively at seven to ten in Bowerman's favor, with only little West money in sight.

Tacoma, Nov. 8—A heavy rain and the vote is light.

Salem, Ore., Nov. 8—The heaviest vote in years it taken place today and there is much ballot slashing.

The dry's urged on by a lively vote claim the fight by good margins. The wets on the other hand, can see victory conceded offsetters to the farming are conceded offsetters to the farming elements.

Bowerman for governor is given a majority of 250 or 300 by the seers, while Lafferty will break with something like 400 to the good.

As to the county and district ticket, there is little to indicate that the Republicans will not take everything in sight, the majorities varying in direct proportion as to the strength of their individual opponents.

Will Outstrip Registrations.
There is every indication to believe that the La Grande precincts will outstrip their registration strength. In Number two, the largest precinct in the city, the total vote at 3 o'clock is hugging the limit closely, while Number 3 is doing likewise. Number one is the only precinct which may not go beyond the registrations. If this proves true, and it undoubtedly will, there will be over 1050 votes cast in La Grande. Reports from several country precincts indicate the same condition of affairs.

This is another phase which adds to the muddled forecasts, for while the farmers are concededly, voting a

DIFFERENCE POINTED OUT.

One New Yet Old and the Other Old Yet New as Well.

An Oklahoman, being interviewed as to his impressions of La Grande and vicinity, replied by saying: Oregon and Oklahoma, the old and the new, best compared by relating the story of the two boys whom a man heard discussing the subject of a new arrival at the parsonage in their village. The parishoners, realizing the many small expenditures which in the total look large, especially in a minister's family, presented the pastor with a collection of \$50. The two boys were discussing the question as to which gift, the baby or the money would be mentioned first in the pastor's prayer the following Sunday, and became so interested in the subject that they neglected to patronize the usual swimming pool to attend church that day.

Nothing was said about either event in the preliminary prayer, nor in the sermon and the boys began to think all bets would have to be decided off, but were finally rewarded during the closing prayer when the pastor used the words, "And thank Thee, O Lord, for Thy timely succor (sucker)." Spell the word either way and you yet have a guess coming as to which the minister mentioned first in his prayer. And spell it either way and you have a good comparison of the two states—both are to be congratulated on providing the citizens thereof with "the timely succor." Oklahoma, new but old in rapid advancement; Oregon, old but new in recent development.

FIVE ENTOMBED MEN THOUGHT TO BE SAFE

RESCUE PARTIES AT BLACK DIAMOND MINE ENCOURAGED.

Chances That Five of Fifteen May be Found Alive in Mine.

Black Diamond, Wn., Nov. 8—Spurred on by the hope that five of the 15 men imprisoned in the Lawson coal mine may be alive, two searching parties are working on either end of the underground death trap with feverish haste.

It is believed the five men were on their way to the surface at the time of the explosion and were not killed. It is possible their fate will be known in 48 hours.

Officials say the mine can be reopened if the cost does not exceed \$100,000.

PROGRESSIVES LOSE AT BAKER.

Spirited Fight Ends Yesterday at First Commission Election.

Baker City, November 8 (Special)—Chas. Palmer, a groceryman was yesterday elected mayor-commissioner in a spirited contest in which W. H. Shoemaker, a progressive, was the chief contender for the mayor-commissioner job against Palmer. Fifteen candidates were in the race.

This is the first election under the Des Moines system of government to be held in Baker City and the entire state is watching the outcome closely. The other commissioners elected were C. L. Finley, former street superintendent and George Henry, former water commissioner.

Beatty Bank Robbed.

Beatty, Nov. 8—Five bandits today robbed the vault of the state bank of Beatty and escaped after a running fight with citizens. Many shots were fired. A posse is pursuing. It is unknown how much money was taken.

Storm Ends Construction.

Edmonton, Alberta, Nov. 8—A blizzard which started yesterday practically ends the railroad construction work in Canada until spring. A hundred miles of new road has been built this year.

FINAL HOUR HAS BEEN IN HARD FIGHTS

MANY STATES HAVE EXCITING ELECTIONS BUT TWO OR THREE STATES HAVE STRUGGLES WHICH ARE ALL-IMPORTANT—OUTCOME OF NEW YORK ELECTION MEANS FUTURE POWER OR DOWNFALL OF COL. ROOSEVELT.

ROOSEVELT POWER ISSUE

Many States Have Exciting Elections But Two or Three States Have Struggles Which are All-Important—Outcome of New York Election Means Future Power or Downfall of Col. Roosevelt.

New York, Sept. 8—Today's elections and what will be elected, in the various states of the Union, include some of the hardest fights in the present decade. The New York gubernatorial contest involving the downfall or future life of Roosevelt's influence, and the matter of preventing Democratic victories that will spell control of the next congress, supercede all other fights in the elections.

Alabama.

Montgomery, Ala., Nov. 8—With the republican party split into two warring factions, Alabama democrats will, as usual, have a walk-over today. Emmet O'Neal, Democratic candidate for governor, is opposed by J. O. Thompson, regular or Taft Republican, and Charles Scott, insurgent or Roosevelt Republican. The Democrats will probably carry all nine congressional districts, although there is a possibility of Republican success in the seventh district, where Congressman John L. Burnett is opposed by former Congressman M. W. Howard, regular Republican, the author of "If Christ Came to Congress."

Arkansas.

Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 8—Little interest is manifested in today's congressional election in Arkansas, the gubernatorial election having already been held. All seven congressional districts of the state are safely Democratic.

California.

San Francisco, Nov. 8—Hiram W. Johnson, who heads the victorious Republican insurgency of the Golden State, is practically certain of election today, although Theodore A. Bell, the Democratic gubernatorial nominee, has made a good fight and his adherents continue hopeful. California insurgency is confined to the overthrow of the so-called "Southern Pacific machine," which, it is alleged, has long controlled the party, and does not much affect the congressional fight. California's eight representatives are now Republican, but the Democrats have made a strong battle against Englebright, of the First, and Kahn, of the Fourth districts.

Colorado.

Denver, Colo., Nov. 8—One of the closest political battles in years is being waged in Colorado today. Gov. John F. Shafroth, Democrat, is opposed for re-election by John B. Stephen, and both are claiming certain victory this afternoon. Colorado's representation in the lower house of Congress is now Democratic, but a complete overturn is considered possible, although hardly probable.

Connecticut.

Hartford Conn., Nov. 8—Early returns from today's election leave the issue in doubt, but with a chance that the Nutmeg state may follow Maine into the Democratic column. A heavy slump in the Republican vote was evident early today. Charles A. Goodwin is the Republican candidate for governor and Judge Simeon B. Baldwin, a jurist of prominence, the Democratic leader. Four of the five congressional districts are certainly Republican, but the second, composed of



—Donahy in Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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