

Recount Of County's Votes Demanded

PEACE 'DOVE' FLUTTERS OVER BALKAN ZONES

FIGHTING, HOWEVER IS CONTINUED BY THE ALLIES

CRUSHING DEFEAT OF THE TURKS AT TCHATALJA, PLAN

Modification in Peace Terms Is Probable, With Sofia's Council First to Acquiesce in Turkey's Demands for Less Concessions—New Demands Will Be Drafted.

Sofia, Nov. 22.—It is officially announced peace negotiations with Turkey have been resumed but fighting continues at Tchatalja. It is expected allies will modify their terms.

New Peace Pact Likely.
Paris, Nov. 22.—Sofia reports say the Bulgarian cabinet is considering a modification of peace terms, and a new set of demands will be sent to Turkey. It is believed the sultan will reopen negotiation.

Crushing Blow Is Plan.
Athens, Nov. 22.—Thirty thousand Greek troops have been ordered to reinforce Bulgars before Constantinople. This indicates the Balkans will join in a final attack on Tchatalja and crush Turkey at one blow. It is believed Greeks and Serbians at Monastir and Salonika will be dispatched to Constantinople.

Student Volunteers Meet.
Princeton, N. J., Nov. 22.—The annual convention of the Student Volunteer Movement, representing a world-wide constituency of missionary students and workers, begins its sessions at Princeton university this evening and continues them over Sunday. Several hundred students and professors, representing scores of colleges and universities, have registered as delegates. Foreign missionaries from many parts of the world are on hand. Representatives from most of the mission boards in the United States and Canada are also here. Prominent among those who will address the conference are Rev. John H. Lowell, D. D., pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian church, New York; Harlan P. Beach, professor of Missions at Yale; Rev. C. A. R. Janvier, pastor of the Holland Presbyterian church, Philadelphia; William T. L. Oldham, bishop of the M. E. church; Robert E. Speer, secretary of the Presbyterian board of Foreign Missions; Isaac T. Headline, formerly a professor in the Pekin university and Edward Hume, D. D., for many years a missionary in China.

Cullom's Granddaughter a Bride.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 22.—A new grandson, or more correctly speaking, a "grand-son-in-law," was the rather unique present received today by the venerable Senator Shelby M. Cullom of Illinois on the occasion of his eighty-third birthday anniversary. The addition to Senator Cullom's family was brought about by the wedding of his granddaughter, Miss Eleanor Cullom Ridgely, daughter of William Barrett Ridgely, former comptroller of the currency, and Dr. Henry P. Parker of this city. The date of the wedding was selected by the bride because it was her grandfather's birthday. The ceremony was performed at noon at Senator Cullom's home on Highland Terrace. The bride had her little niece, Eleanor Ridgely Brown, as her only attendant, and Dr. Parker as her brother, John Donaldson Parker, as best man.

Indiana Y. M. C. A.

Hammond, Ind., Nov. 22.—Y. M. C. A. leaders and many religious workers from every part of Indiana rallied here today for the state convention of the organization. It is the forty-fourth annual convention of the Indiana branches of the Y. M. C. A. and is the point of attendance and enthusiasm it already bids fair to eclipse all previous gatherings of its kind. The program covers three days and includes for conferences of city, college and railway workers, business meetings, factory rallies and social church services. Bishop of Michigan City, Dr. Edward J. Meiner of Iowa college, President of the Monon railroad and Clarence A. Barbour, secretary of the International committee, are among the scheduled speakers.

HODGIN ALLEGES THE APPARENT ERRORS IN COUNT WILL TOTAL 300

Without direct allegation of fraud, but planning his action on alleged errors in counting the ballots, John S. Hodgkin, unsuccessful candidate against Ed E. Kiddle, for the office of joint senator from Union and Walla counties, has filed his formal contest demanding a recount of the ballots. Every precinct in the county is listed as being among those in which errors crept in, and he estimates that the errors will show a difference of some 300 votes in his favor. The contest notice is a voluminous one and will necessitate, it seems, a recount of every vote cast in the recent election. The same condition will be adhered to in Walla county, of course. Hodgkin was defeated by four votes in the two counties though he carried this county by 85 votes.

There is little formality to go through in this matter, and it appears that Hodgkin's demands upon Circuit Judge Knowles to order a recount to take place on December 2, will have to be adhered to. It appears that there need be no actual cause shown why such action should be taken, and although it is generally conceded that some specific precinct and some specific misconduct or error, shall be cited in the contest notice, it also appears on the face of it

that the contestant has done so by reason of naming every precinct in the county as those in which errors occurred. The mere matter of error is held by some to be insufficient and by others to be enough to demand the count. As there will be no preliminary argument on the matter, it will depend, probably, on the actual sitting of the court to determine if the contest notice has been sufficient or not. The contest carries much weight with it as the final tabulation of officers in the state and districts cannot now be determined until this contest is settled. Locally there is going to be a great deal of interest attached because the race was so close and heated that it required the official count in both counties to decide the matter finally and even then a margin of only four votes marked Kiddle's victory.

Attorneys J. D. Slater of La Grande and Sheehan & Cooley of Enterprise will represent Mr. Hodgkin and C. H. Flinn of La Grande will be counsel for Mr. Kiddle in the defense.

This is the first contest in this county in many years, in fact there seems to be no vivid remembrance of a contest at any time in the past several decades.

VIOLATIONS NOT APPLICABLE

Wrong Attesting of Blank A Is Not Violation in La Grande Yet.

La Grande, and no city in Union county, technically falls within the provisions of law that cover the startling disclosures in Portland where over a score of precincts will likely be thrown out of the count for the general election held in November, because voters were sworn in on "blank A" forms before notaries public. This provision of the election law applies only to towns and cities showing by the last federal census a population of 5,000 or more. Except for this provision it is likely that several precincts in Union county would be amenable to the provision and the entire list of ballots cast be thrown out if contested. As it is, there is no danger of upsetting present counts on that basis. Portland is much shocked to learn that some 30 precincts allowed voters to vote on the strength of blank A sworn to before notaries.

This question came up in La Grande during the recent election but in No. 2, where W. H. Stoner was chairman of the board, none were allowed to vote on such affidavits and only after they had made out a new affidavit before Mr. Stoner, as the law requires in towns of 5,000 and over, were the freeholders allowed to cast their ballots. Mr. Stoner refused several of this sort, and the Woodrow Wilson club members locked horns ineffectively with the chairman.

WAGE EARNERS' FRIEND COMING

MINORS AND WOMEN SUBJECT OF NEW BILL

Disciple of New Minimum Wage Measure Movement to Visit City.

Miss Caroline Gleason of Portland will be in La Grande about the 26th of this month for the purpose of inquiring into labor conditions as they affect women and minors. Miss Gleason is making a canvass of the state in the capacity of "Director of the Minimum Wage Survey" of the Consumers' league of Oregon, of which Mrs. H. R. Talbot is president. Mrs. M. R. Trumbull secretary. This canvass has as its object the arousing of interest in behalf of a certain measure which the league desires enacted into law by the legislature.

It provides for the appointment of commissioners by the governor whose terms of service shall be for different periods and whose salary shall be \$5 per day when in session with an added allowance for traveling expenses.

They shall have power to examine into wage conditions, inspect factories, call for statements and examine through its members or other representatives all books, payrolls and records.

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over affidavits sworn to before John S. Hodgkin. Several precincts in the county however, did allow such affidavits to stand, and it appears now to have been within the right because of the fact that the last census failed to give La Grande 5,000. There is no question but that 5,000 noses could be counted in La Grande now but the last federal census is the guiding basis, as pointed out in the following excerpt from the election laws:

"In carrying out the provisions of this chapter the judges of election or either of them hereby authorized to administer and certify oaths and to issue subpoenas to require the attendance of witnesses before them, provided, that in carrying out the provisions of this section in cities having a population of five thousand or more as shown by the last preceding federal census, the elector offering to vote and all the freeholders subscribing to the affidavits herein required, shall take such oath before, and the same shall be administered by, the judges of election or either of them in the precinct and at the time the elector offers to vote and such affidavits shall not be received if taken or made at any other time or place or before any other officer than one of said judges of election."

PENSION PLAN NOT POPULAR

CARNEGIE'S IDEA IS NOT IN FAVOR

"Beneath Dignity to Accept Pension After Being President."

Washington, Nov. 22.—Government officials and other notables are disapproving Andrew Carnegie's plan to pension future presidents. It is believed the acceptance would be beneath the dignity of ex-presidents. President Taft is inaccessible on account of preparation of his message and his views are unobtainable. Bryan's plan to seat the retired executives in house and senate is favored. President Taft later expressed opposition to the plan.

Colone! Is Taciturn.

Oyster Bay, Nov. 22.—Colonel Theodore Roosevelt refused to comment on the plans of the Carnegie pension for future ex-presidents, today.

Costly War of Labor Unions.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 22.—James A. Anderson and Charles Cameron, principals in the war of arson and murder alleged to have been waged by the two rival local unions of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, were given a preliminary hearing in court today. Many sensational disclosures are expected when the two defendants are tried. According to the police, Anderson and Cameron have admitted that they were delegated by their unions to destroy the rival unions by burning buildings in which the rivals were employed. One business agent was killed in the "war," and buildings aggregating \$100,000 in value were burned, it is asserted.

Northwestern Shippers Complain.

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 22.—Special examiner Sattle of the Interstate commerce commission came to Minneapolis today to begin a series of important hearings on complaints affecting the Northwestern shippers. Included among the matters to come up are the proposed advances in rates in transportation for fuel, wood, sawdust and shavings from Wisconsin and Michigan to Illinois points, and proposed advances in rates on linseed oil from Minneapolis and St. Paul to Chicago, Kansas City and other points.

College Writers to Hear Watterson.

Hanover, Ind., Nov. 22.—The annual conference of the Indiana Intercollegiate Press association began at Hanover college today with members in attendance from the leading colleges of the state. The meeting will continue over tomorrow and will conclude with a banquet at which Henry Watterson of Louisville is to be the principal speaker.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE CHIEF SENATE 'PLUM'

SIMMONS IS RANKING MAN FOR THE POSITION

CHAIRMANSHIP CHIEF BONE OF CONTENTION

Democrats Will Split Over North Carolina Senator, However, as He Is a Standpat Man—Progressives to Have Favors in Getting on the Much-Mooted Finance Committee.

Washington, November 22.—(Special)—Senators returning to Washington before convention of Congress predict that one of the most bitter, factional fights between Democrats March 4 will be for control of the Senate Finance committee the tariff making body of the upper branch of congress. Upon the selection of the chairman and Democratic personnel of this important committee, it was pointed out, rests not only the fate of any real tariff regulation or reduction by the Wilson administration, but also probably upon the make-up of many other important senate committees.

Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, is the "ranking" Democrat on the finance committee, whose chairman is now Senator Bols Penrose of Pennsylvania. By right of seniority which is jealously adhered to by the senate, Senator Simmons is entitled to the chairmanship when the Republicans step down March 4 because of the Democratic majority in the senate. But Senator Simmons is regarded as a "reactionary stand-pat" Democrat. He is a protectionist on many schedules. He has often voted with the Republicans on tariff matters, to prevent radical tariff reduction legislation. He is also not in close communion with the leaders of the Wilson movement.

Senator Gore, the blind senator from Oklahoma, "original" Wilson man and strongly progressive, is picked as a possible opponent to Simmons for the finance chairmanship. Gore is a close friend of the President-elect.

Efforts to name senators as members of the finance committee who are real "progressives" as to tariff legislation will provoke a lively fuss, it is declared. If the seniority rule is abolished and Simmons denied the chairmanship, it is probable that the precedent may be followed in other senate committees and a straight square issue of progressivism versus conservatism raised between the Democratic majority.

Th various committee chairmen and members will be chosen when the next congress convenes at a Democratic caucus. Governor Wilson's friends are said to be concerned over the possibility that reactionary Democrats may secure control of the finance and other senate committees and be in a position to defeat the Wilson tariff reduction plan and other progressive legislation.

Hyde Trial Next Event To Furnish Gotham Gossip

New York, Nov. 22.—After a delay of many months, Charles Hiram Hyde former City Chamberlain, is to be called to the bar to answer for the part he is alleged to have played in the great scandal involving the heads of the Carnegie Trust company, the Joseph G. Robin banking enterprises and the New York political machine. Hyde is under an indictment charging that he accepted a bribe and forced Joseph G. Robin, formerly head of the Northern bank, to aid Joseph B. Reichmann, president of the Carnegie Trust company, and William J. Cummins, executive chairman of the same bank, by making them a loan of \$100,000 when Robin had stated that to do so meant ruin to his bank. The work of selecting a jury has commenced in the criminal branch of the supreme court and it is expected to have everything in readiness to begin the Hyde trial before

IMBLER SCHOOL STRUGGLE ONCE MORE IN COURT

SIXTEEN REMONSTRATORS OPPOSED BY SIXTY

DIVISION WOULD WRECK DISTRICT SAY THE SIXTY

Rich and Wealthy Land Holders About Imbler, Totalling Sixteen, Are Anxious to Have Their District Created into a New District—Imbler Town Anxious to Keep Intact.

Balkan allies are no more determined in their fight against Turkey than are 16 taxpayers in the Imbler school district in the fight that has been waged there in one form or another for the past several years but especially heated of late months. Another phase in the long and varied fight made its appearance in county court today before County Judge Henry when the so-called "minority" brought to a focus the matter of a division of the school district at Imbler. There are 16 names on the list of remonstrators to the proposed school site and as 88 votes is the largest total ever polled in Imbler, it is readily seen that the issues have aligned practically every taxpayer, either for or against the division of the county.

History of the Issues.
The origin of this particular phase of the fight dates back to the time when the town of Imbler and the surrounding section, the outlying district, however, representing the greater portion of taxable property wanted to build a new school. Through one step and another the matter came to a country taxpayers aligning against the towns people. Of late, and the issue before the board of division now, is that the school district be divided so as to throw Imbler itself into one district and the balance of the present district—country mostly—into a new district. There are now 117 school children in the present district and in the new district, should it be created, will have about 25 children and a taxable property list to support such a school over half, it is said, of what will be left to support the 75 or 80 children who will be thrown into the severed district.

Both sides were well represented at the hearing and Judge Henry's courtroom was crammed with taxpayers and attorneys.

It appears that the wealthy residents of Imbler's country district is largely represented in the 16 remonstrators and that the 80 who oppose are less fortunate in big land holding features.

This petition today has no direct bearing on the proposed school building at Imbler, but does indirectly affect it, as a curtailment of assessable property in the district would nullify any tangible plan to bond the district for a school house of any material cost or size. It is not likely that a decision will be rendered in the matter today.

Justice Goff the first of the week. The former city chamberlain was indicted chiefly on the testimony of Robin. According to Robin, Hyde told him that if he would come through with a loan to the then tottering Carnegie Trust company, he, Hyde, would see that the municipal deposits were increased in Robin's Northern bank. If Robin had refused according to his story, he was threatened with having the city money then in his bank withdrawn. The bank was in no condition to stand such withdrawals, and he had to accede to Hyde's demands, Robin avers.

Hyde's affiliation with Mayor Gaynor, whose administration of the city affairs is very unpopular in some quarters, has brought forth charges of a political plot that have added to the interest in which his trial has

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