

PUZZLE AT DENVER

Who Can Forecast Outcome in Colorado?

WOLCOTT'S SIDE OF THE CASE

Re Declares That 15 Democrats Were Elected by Fraud and Should Be Unseated—Teller May Win—Appeal From Hanna and Payne.

The political deadlock in the Colorado Legislature has drawn the attention of the whole country, and none can forecast the outcome.

The Republicans have a majority of three in the House, but are equally divided in the Senate. Wolcott has published a statement accusing his opponent of making a deal with the Democrats to give the latter control of the elections committee in exchange for all the House offices.

He says his friends desire action on the expulsion of the illegally elected Democrats, but there is danger that no such action will be taken.

He offers to abide the result of a Republican caucus.

It is possible that Teller may be elected by the anti-Wolcott combination.

Senator Hanna and Postmaster-General Payne have telegraphed urging the Republicans to get together.

DENVER, Jan. 11.—The confusion existing in Colorado as a result of the fight over the election of a successor to United States Senator Henry M. Teller is puzzling even to the most acute political minds. Just what the outcome will be not even the most skilled political forecaster will venture to say with certainty.

That ex-Senator Edward O. Wolcott has 17 staunch supporters, as well as 17 equally persistent opponents, in the lower house of the Legislature, which is the real battleground of the contest, has been proved by events as they transpired up to the present time. Should those who are fighting Mr. Wolcott in his own party remain firm in their opposition to him, there is little doubt but that he will be defeated.

Mr. Wolcott and his friends insist that action looking to the unseating of certain Democratic members of the House, because of alleged frauds in the ballot and returns, be taken before balloting is begun on the Senate floor.

His charges his Republican opponents with deliberate delay in this matter, because of a deal with the Democrats which involved this question. In a statement issued tonight Mr. Wolcott says:

Wolcott States His Case.

On the face of the returns the Legislature now stands 45 Republicans, of whom 24, or a majority of three, are members of the lower House and 21 Democrats. Gross frauds, concerning which the evidence is indisputable, should lead to the expulsion of 15 fraudulently elected Democrats in the House.

Before the Legislature assembled, 17 of the Republicans, House members, asked for a caucus to name a Speaker. The other 17 Republican members, under the leadership of P. B. Stewart, Mr. Goudy and others refused a caucus and entered into a combination with the Democrats by terms of which they were to name four members of the committee on elections and the chairman, a Republican, was to be satisfactory to them and the organization of the House, including the Speaker, the committee and the patronage given to the 17 Republicans. Some of these 17 Republicans have, it is said, stated that they will refuse to caucus on the election of a Speaker.

Every friend of mine, including the 17 members who asked for a caucus, is anxious to have a speedy vote on unseating these fraudulently elected Democrats; but there is grave danger that, because of this deal, there will be no action on expelling them until after January 20, when voting on the Senate floor commences.

If the Legislature adjourns before the Republican joint ballot before a Senator is elected, all that I or my friends ask is that he shall be elected in a fair and free conference or caucus by the Republican members.

May Re-elect Teller.

The anti-Wolcott Republicans have maintained all along that no deal between the Democrats and the anti-Wolcott forces has been made, and that they will never vote for a Democrat for United States Senator.

Among the several candidates of the anti-Wolcott people, Frank C. Goudy probably has the largest following. Some knowing ones say that the split in the Republican party will result in Mr. Teller's return to the Senate, and should the contested seats in the House be given to the Democrats, there is but little doubt that Teller will be chosen, as he was indeed by the Democratic State Convention and by nearly all the county conventions.

However, ex-Governor Alva Adams, of Pueblo, looks up as a possibility.

That the contest in Colorado has aroused National interest is evidenced by the following telegram received by William Stapleton, editor of the Denver Republican, a leading Republican paper:

Washington, D. C., Jan. 10, 1903. Mr. William Stapleton, Denver, Republican, Denver.

We, in common with all the friends of the Republican party here, deplore the conditions now existing in the Legislature in your state. Anything that will destroy the prospects of electing a Republican Senator is deprecated to the utmost degree. If a remedy can be found, we most earnestly support it.

Controlling the situation to make the effort, considering above all else the interests of the party.

H. C. PAYNE.

DUBOIS ATTACKS ROOSEVELT.

Ex-Senator Says Republicans Carried Utah by Deal With Mormons.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 11.—Senator Fred Dubois, of Idaho, is out in a long invective criticizing the President for objecting to Reed Smoot as a Senator from Utah.

He charges that the Republican leaders, naming Senator Hanna, made an alliance with the Mormons, by which they carried Idaho and Utah, and they are now going back on their bargain.

Dubois knows something about dealing with Mormons. He wanted to disfranchise them in the Idaho enabling act, because it would affect his political future. Then he afterward worked with them, but they subsequently left him and voted the Republican ticket. Dubois has made quite a clever statement calculated to appeal to the Mormon element to return to the Democratic fold.

SMOOT'S ELECTION SURE.

Utah Legislature to Organize and Elect Senator This Week.

SALT LAKE, Jan. 11.—Everything is in readiness for the opening of the fifth General Assembly, which convenes in this city at noon tomorrow.

Tomorrow's session will be formal, both houses devoting the time to their respective organizations, a process which will consume considerable time. Governor Wells' message will be read Tuesday.

Nothing definite has been given out by Republican leaders as to the time for holding the Senatorial caucus, which will choose a successor to Senator Rawlins. James H. Anderson, chairman of the Republican State Committee, said he thought it would be held next Wednesday. It is generally conceded that Apostle Reed Smoot will have no difficulty in securing the nomination.

Democrats Renominate Rawlins.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 11.—United States Senator Rawlins was nominated for re-election by the Democratic caucus late last night. The action, however, was a mere formality, as the Republicans have overwhelming majorities in both branches of the Legislature.

KANSAS WILL HAVE A FIGHT.

Stanley and Long, Rival Candidates, Combine to Organize House.

TOPEKA, Kas., Jan. 11.—Willis J. Bailey will be inaugurated Governor of Kansas at noon tomorrow, and the change will be attended by simple ceremonies.

W. E. Stanley, the retiring Governor, and Congressman Long, both candidates for the United States Senate, have combined their forces to organize the Lower House of the Legislature.

The House caucus will meet tomorrow afternoon, and it is believed that the Long-Stanley combine will name the men who will serve as officers in the House.

The principal Senatorial candidates are Congressman Curtis, Governor Stanley and Congressman Long. The time of the Republican caucus has not been set. The situation is uncertain and it is impossible to predict who will be the successful candidate.

SULTAN'S ARMY BEATEN.

Will Abandon Fez and Establish New Capital.

PARIS, Jan. 12.—A dispatch to the Journal from Tangier says a Moorish courier who left Fez January 7 brings news of a battle between the Sultan's troops and the rebels, in which the former were defeated.

The Sultan has made known his intention, according to the correspondent, of abandoning Fez and taking refuge at Rabat, where he will establish his capital.

A letter received from Fez says the foreign Consuls there have left the city, but the Sultan's army is still in the city.

The Ministers of the foreign powers here, concludes the correspondent, have held a meeting to adopt measures with a view to common action, but it is not known what decision was reached.

SULTAN GOES OUT TO FIGHT.

But His Army is in Bad Condition to Fight.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—A dispatch to the Morning Leader from Tangier, dated yesterday, says the Sultan has left Fez with his army and is attacking the rebels at the Heia River. The Sultan's uncle, Mulai-Araf, has arrived at Tangier and is seeking to raise money for the Sultan.

The imperial troops are badly armed and unreliable, continues the correspondent, while the rebel soldiers are well organized and better armed.

SULTAN IS SUSPICIOUS.

Doubts Mulai's Loyalty—Keeps Bodyguard Around Him.

TANGIER, Morocco, Jan. 11.—The departure of the five mission missionaries, four of whom are English and one American, from Fez January 8, for Tangier, has long been meditated, and was not an outcome of 15 fraudulently elected Democrats in the House.

Many sensational reports are current here of affairs in Fez, but there is little reliable news to be had. It is considered a satisfactory feature, however, that the Sultan is to the south of Fez are remaining quiet.

Seven Jews have been murdered in the Hama region.

The Sultan is reported to be suspicious of the movements of his brother, Mulai-Mohammed. His Majesty keeps the loyal horsemen from the south around his person instead of sending them against the rebels.

Heavy rains now threaten to interrupt communication with the interior of the country at an interesting moment.

EUROPEANS LEAVING FEZ.

They Will Be Followed by Foreign Consuls to Morocco.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—A dispatch to the Daily Express from Tangier, Morocco, says all the Europeans of Fez have now left that place and that the foreign Consuls there will follow immediately.

Mulai Again a Prisoner.

MADRID, Jan. 11.—A dispatch from Tangier, Morocco, says the Sultan has re-arrested his brother, Mulai-Mohammed.

PEITO DOUBTFUL CRAZY.

Spanish Assassins' Record—Alphonso Took the Attack Coolly.

MADRID, Jan. 11.—Fello, the man who fired a pistol yesterday at the carriage of the Duke of Soto-Mayor, the Grand Chamberlain, was supposed to be riding, was examined again today. His bearing during the questioning continues the previous reports that he is suffering from monomania. A careful official inquiry has shown that Fello is not connected with anarchists.

It was first reported that Fello had attempted to assassinate the Duke of Alphonso. His Majesty has received a host of royal and other congratulations upon his escape.

A dynamite bomb which was sent here by rail in a box from Barcelona has been found at the railroad station. All attempts to discover the consignee of the box have been fruitless. The box reached here the day before the funeral of Senator Sagarra, and it is supposed to have been intended for use during the passage of the funeral cortege.

When Fello fired at the carriage of the Duke of Soto-Mayor yesterday, the Queen-mother and the infant were very much alarmed. The King was very cool, however, and inquired if any one had been hurt. After being informed to the contrary, he chatted with the Civilian Governor, who walked alongside the royal carriage, giving him Majesty the details of the outrage. Upon arriving at the Palace the King immediately repaired to a balcony to watch the excited populace.

The Queen, in the meanwhile, was so upset that physicians had to be called to attend her.

The tool used by Fello was an old double-barreled weapon.

ZERO WEATHER, NO COAL

TERRIBLE COMBINATION.

FRONTS THE NATION. Trainloads of Coal, but the People Can't Get It—Grand Jury Will Learn Why in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 11.—The temperature in Chicago tonight dropped 24 degrees in less than two hours, and tonight is hovering around the zero mark. The cold wave was preceded by the first heavy snow storm of the season. Toward midnight a brisk northwest wind sprang up and in the outlying districts the snow is drifted several feet deep.

There was much suffering among the poor, but the worst cases of destitution had been provided for by charitable institutions, no deaths were reported during the day. The coal situation remains unchanged, and its causes and effects on the suffering of humanity were discussed by a large number of Chicago pastors during their sermons today.

The actual search for evidence of a combine of coal dealers for the purpose of forcing up the price of fuel in the Chicago market will be undertaken tomorrow morning by the special grand jury which began its task yesterday under direction of State's Attorney Dineen and Attorney-General Hamlin. Twenty-five coal men, some of them the heads of wholesale firms and others chiefs in the councils of corporations operating mines, have been summoned to appear before the grand jury to tell what they know of the "combine" which, it is alleged, exists.

The situation is so serious that it shall be examined, and under Mr. Dineen's direction a series of pointed questions has been arranged for the prospective witnesses.

Trainloads of coal cars sidetracked and labeled with placards instructing railroad freight crews to hold the consignments indefinitely have been discovered, it was said, by the parties who caused the investigation to be made. It is also asserted that beyond the city lines on one and probably two roads, countless tons of coal have been taken from the cars and heaped up on either side of the tracks for three-quarters of a mile. The grand jury wished to be informed why the coal has not been brought into the market and put on sale, thus relieving the famine.

Two thousand persons in Chicago are suffering from ailments directly due to cold and exposure resulting from the coal famine, according to the bulletin of the health department, issued today.

Serious results are already seen in a heavy increase in the death rate, and the health department brands the men responsible for the situation as guilty of constructive homicide. The death rate last week for children under 5 years old was 13.2 per cent greater than in the same week of last year, and for those over 60 years of age it was 26.7 per cent greater.

IN GRASP OF ICE-KING.

Blizzard Sweeps Lower Michigan and Stops Traffic.

DETROIT, Jan. 11.—Lower Michigan has been in the grasp of a snow storm today that in the western part of the state assumed the proportions of a blizzard. Lake Michigan is tonight lashed by a wind that made it impossible for any boats to leave port for Chicago.

At Benton Harbor the street-car service is stalled tonight and Sunday trains on the Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Chicago Railroad had to be abandoned. Three Rivers and Niles report a blizzard, the temperature very low and trains delayed by snow.

At Grand Rapids the storm is the worst of the season and the temperature has fallen 20 degrees since noon. At 8 o'clock a severe zero with the wind blowing a gale.

In Detroit snow began falling about 5 o'clock in the morning and there was no cessation until afternoon. The fall continues, interrupted only by a few moments of clearing, and tonight five inches of snow had fallen. Trains from the West are from one to two hours late tonight.

At 11 o'clock tonight the wind was blowing 20 miles an hour and the Detroit Weather Bureau officials were predicting zero weather or colder before morning. The Buffalo-Chicago Wabash express, a half-bound street-car, was delayed several hours this afternoon by the slow passage of the car ferry across the Detroit River, thick ice and sleet making the steamer's progress exceedingly difficult.

NEBRASKA TAKES A CHILL.

Blizzard Drifts Snow on Railroads and Delays Trains.

OMAHA, Jan. 11.—Today was one of the coldest of the winter. One degree below zero was registered this morning and tonight the thermometer is still lower, with a maximum for the day of 4 degrees above. The cold wave extends throughout Nebraska and parts of Iowa and South Dakota. Values of reports zero weather, Davenport 2 below, Huron 2 below and Bismarck 8 below, with clear weather at all points.

William D. Beckett, a prominent lawyer of the city, was found dead at five miles west of the city early today, frozen to death. He was seen in the city shortly after midnight by a friend, who supposed he had gone to his home. Beckett had been ill for several days and he is believed to have wandered into the country and to have fallen exhausted where he was found today by a drayman. The body was frozen stiff, and he is supposed to have been dead for some time.

KANSAS BURN ANYTHING.

Coal Famine Causes Destruction of Freight Trains and Fires.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 11.—The lowest temperature of the present cold spell was 4 above zero at 7 o'clock this morning. Zero weather was experienced last month, but a sharp wind made the most uncomfortable of the winter thus far. At 7 o'clock tonight the temperature was 11 above. Yesterday's snowfall was 1½ inches.

There is suffering among the poor, owing to the high price of coal, but there is no scarcity of coal, the yards being better stocked now than at this time last year, it is said. In many towns of Kansas and Western Missouri, however, fuel of any kind cannot be purchased, and everything combustible is being burned—fruit and shade trees, old buildings, sidewalks and fences.

CALL "GET-COAL" CONVENTION.

Mayor Mahoney Says Date Is Within Ten Days.

DETROIT, Jan. 11.—Mayor W. C. Mahoney arrived here today from Chicago, where he attended the meeting of the permanent committee of the Detroit "Get Coal" convention of several months ago.

Mayor Mahoney, who is chairman of the committee, will tomorrow issue the call for the convention at Washington decided on in Chicago yesterday. While he would not say tonight the exact date for which the convention will be called, he said it would be within the next 10 days.

GREATEST OUTPUT IN YEARS.

Reading Breaks Record, but Famine Continues in the East.

READING, Pa., Jan. 11.—The Philadelphia & Reading officials announce that for the week ending tonight more anthracite coal was taken down the bank line than at any previous week in late years. The total is 10,200 of all classes of coal, or an average of 100 cars for each working day of the week, equal to nearly 25,000 tons.

This was distributed in the company's territory as far as New York and along its branches in this state and elsewhere. The coal famine throughout this section

has reached such an acute stage that many industries in the smaller towns will soon have to close, and in the country districts the distress is so widespread that teams have started for the Schuylkill County coal fields, 30 and 40 miles distant, to supply pressing necessities.

In answer to the question why, if so much coal is mined and shipped, it does not relieve the famine, it is said there are many industrial establishments that do not use coke or bituminous coal, and that many scores of these must be supplied with anthracite to keep them in operation.

ALL TRAFFIC SUSPENDED.

Street Cars Stopped and Lights Extinguished By Storm.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 11.—Dispatches from different points in the Ohio Valley indicate almost zero weather and, serious snow storms. In Cincinnati the thermometer is near zero tonight. At Peru, Ind., the snow is one foot deep, factories are closed and there was no electric light or street-car traffic tonight. At Owensboro, Ky., the street storm was the worst known and street traffic was suspended. The supply of coal is ample at all points along the Ohio River, but almost all point in the interior are suffering, as no cars can be had to haul the coal up along the river.

Snow and Wind in St. Paul.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 11.—Although the thermometer registered but 2 below zero, today was one of the most disagreeable of the winter. A high northwest wind served to greatly intensify the cold and blew fine bursts of snow on the faces of pedestrians. The snowfall, however, was not sufficient to interfere with traffic. While fuel is both scarce and high, conditions have not yet reached the point of being insupportable and consequently there is little suffering.

Suffering in Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 11.—The temperature tonight is 2 degrees below zero. There is much suffering from lack of fuel. Mayor Mookwaite announced tonight that the committee of the Council would meet tomorrow to take up the proposition to have coal bought with small quantities at wholesale rates. The poor will be given coal free.

Ice Covers Louisville Streets.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 11.—A heavy fall of sleet, which began early this morning, coated the pavements and streets of Louisville with a layer of ice varying in thickness from one-half to one inch. The temperature did not go below 10 degrees.

Zero Weather in Ohio.

TOLEDO, Jan. 11.—Zero weather and a fierce wind following an all-day storm seriously impeded the suburban traffic tonight. All trains are from one to six hours late.

SPOILS OF BATTLE.

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but none points out the changes that must take place by which he expects to secure a majority of the Republicans in caucus. Eddy is decidedly in the lead in point of numbers, and bases his hope largely upon this and the further fact that he has no Senatorial entanglements which will prevent his drawing further strength. Davey believes that, after the last ballot in the caucus, the friends of Harris will see that the election lies between himself and Eddy, and that they will change to him. A strong supporter of Harris said tonight that the fight lies between Eddy and Harris, and that after the first ballot the Davey men will be divided between the other two candidates. This seems the most probable course of events, and the question is where the greatest portion of the votes will go.

Eastern Oregon Notes.

Much depends on the result of the meeting to be held this morning by the seven Republican members from the Twenty-first, Twenty-third and Twenty-eighth Districts, in Eastern Oregon. These members held a meeting last night, but owing to the absence of Representative Ginn no action was taken. An effort is being made to hold the Eastern Oregon contingent together and cast all the votes for one candidate. If this plan should be carried out, as is now probable, the vote from Wasco and Coates counties will have a very material influence upon the contest. It is understood that a majority of the Eastern Oregon delegation leans toward Eddy.

Representative Davey worked hard all day yesterday to get his own delegation into line for his support, but at an early hour this morning he has made but little progress. This is Davey's element of weakness. The strength of Harris lies in the backing of the Fulton men, while Eddy's prestige comes mainly from the support of the Multnomah delegation.

The Legislature will probably adjourn on the day of the funeral of the late Representative Tongue. There was some talk yesterday of adjourning today, but the other course will probably be the one followed.

BATTLE RAGES AROUND MARION.

Smith Has Won the Two Senators—Brownell Cries Bad Faith.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(Staff correspondence.)—The fight for the presidency centered all day around the Marion delegation. The two Senators from this county, Croisan and Hobson, who have hitherto stood aloof from either Smith or Brownell, are understood to have pledged their support to Smith. Mulkey of Polk is said also to have cast his fortunes with the Multnomah candidate.

The Brownell people have claimed the allegiance of these three men all along. Several leaders of the Brownell forces have been heard to complain of broken faith on the part of several Senators. Brownell, however, still says that he hopes to be elected.

Both factions worked hard all day on the Marion delegation. Senator Farmer proclaimed himself for Smith several days ago, so that the votes of Croisan and Hobson were the ones in doubt. The Smith people think they have won, but they declare that they intend to be generous toward their opponents.

DOES NOT WANT TONGUE'S SHOES.

Brownell Will Stay in Fight for Presidency of Senate.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(From a Staff Correspondent.)—"Under no circumstances," said George C. Brownell tonight, "could I be a candidate for Congress at this time. Two years ago I declined to have the nomination, but my position is not now the same as it was then. I wish at present to be elected President of the Senate, and I think that my services in the Legislature and in the party entitle me to this recognition. If I should fail to succeed tomorrow, I shall not feel humiliated. Other men of great distinction than I have been defeated for this position."

Wants Duty on Lead Ore.

MONTREAL, Jan. 11.—A big delegation of British Columbia lead-miners arrived here tonight, headed by John L. Retallack, president of the Lead & Silver Miners' Association. It will lay a demand for a protective duty upon lead ores and proceed before the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, and then visit Ottawa for the purpose of attempting to interest the government in the matter.

Olds, Wortman & King

Third Week of Our 25th and Greatest Annual Clearance Sale

Values heretofore offered by us during our clearance sales have been so genuine and satisfactory that our clearance sale fame is established far and wide. This 25th sale, however, is our banner one. We never before had such profusion of choice goods to offer at prices so at variance to what you would have a right to expect, considering their quality, newness and style. The days slip quickly by—only two more weeks of such opportunities. Those who do not take early advantage of them are losers.

CHOICE PLATES—Values \$12.50 to \$38.00 per dozen, at reductions from \$8.33 to \$25.33 per dozen.

SILVER TABLEWARE—All in sets of 6; teaspoons, 75c; dessert spoons, \$1.35; table spoons, \$1.50; table forks, \$1.50; triple plate knives, \$1.38.

PATTERN TABLE CLOTHS—Richardson linen, \$2.42, \$2.64, \$3.49 and \$3.96.

BLEACHED IRISH DAMASK—2 yds. wide, 85c, \$1.05, \$1.25.

NAPKINS—Large dinner sizes, \$2.19, \$2.64, \$3.49 and \$4.40 per dozen.

GERMAN NAPKINS—Heavy silver bleach, \$1.05, \$1.25 and \$1.69 per dozen.

HEAVY TABLE DAMASK—42c and 54c a yard.

TOWELS—Heavy hemmed huck, fancy jacquard, plain hemstitched and scalloped hucks, fine damask towels with knotted fringe and fancy drawwork borders, also full line hemstitched towels—prices, 21c to \$2.00 each.

BLANKETS—White wool, \$3.96, \$4.80, \$6.60, \$7.50 and \$8.80. Silver gray, \$5.00 grade for \$3.95. Vicuna color, \$4.00 grade for \$2.98; \$4.50 grade for \$3.65. Oxford gray, \$3.50 grade for \$2.85; \$4 grade for \$3.25.

LADIES' UNION SUITS—Cotton, Merode make and finish, \$1.25 grade for \$1.05. Part wool, white or silver gray, \$1.50 values for \$1.09. Sea Island cotton yarn, 75c values for 55c.

COLORED DRESS GOODS—Very stylish materials, values to \$1.75 per yard, for \$1.09.

MISSSES' PANTS—Natural gray wool, 85c values for 50c.

ROYAL WORCESTER CORSETS—Sizes 18 to 22, values to \$2.50, for 28c.

LADIES' FINE CAMBRIC SKIRTS—\$1.50 values for \$1.13.

LADIES' FINE MUSLIN DRAWERS—50c values for 39c.

LADIES' DRESS AND STREET SHOES—Values to \$3.00 for \$1.68.

BOYS' AND YOUTHS' SCHOOL SHOES—Sizes 11 to 2, value \$2.00, now \$1.28. Sizes 2½ to 5½, value \$2.50, now \$1.38.

MEN'S SHOES—Famous \$3.50 "Monarch" shoe for \$2.98.

MEN'S UNDERWEAR—Natural gray wool, shirts and drawers, medium winter weight; sizes, shirts 34 to 46; drawers 30 to 46; value, \$1.00 per garment; special, 69c.

LADIES' STREET HATS—Trimmed, values to \$4.00, for \$1.49.

LADIES' FINE DRESS HATS—Values to \$15.00, for \$4.98.

HAT FRAMES—Our choicest kinds for 39c.