

TAFT MEN DISCUSS BATTLE IN COURTS

Caucus of California Leaders Planned.

COLONEL HAS LEGISLATORS

Victory Carries With It Regular Designation.

WILSON DEMOCRATS WIN

Phelan Faction, Representing Nominée of Party, Notably Victorious in Contests in Assembly Districts.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4.—A practically complete count of the returns of yesterday's state primary election indicated that the Roosevelt Progressives had nominated more than 80 of the 100 Republican party candidates for the Legislature, as opposed to the Taft Republicans, and that they had been victorious in five and possibly seven of the 11 Congressional districts in the contests for nominations of Representatives.

The Phelan (Wilson) wing of the Democratic party won easily from the Bell (Clark) faction throughout the state.

As the Roosevelt Progressive victory insures the nomination of Presidential electors pledged to Roosevelt, Taft leaders have already begun a discussion of plans for placing their candidates on the November ballot. By the ruling of Attorney-General Webb, their only recourse is to launch special elections, each of which must bear the names of 11,000 voters who did not participate in yesterday's primaries and even then they will not be allowed the party designation.

Legal Fight Threatened.

It was suggested at the Taft headquarters today that the Taft supporters who were victorious yesterday in the legislative contest meet with the Taft holdovers in a separate convention, after the regular convention September 24, nominate 13 electors, secure the recognition of the Republican National Committee and fight the matter out in the courts. A caucus of leaders of the Taft faction will be called in a few days to decide upon the action to be taken.

Lucy Goodie White, a newspaper reporter, nominated by the Socialists, qualified in San Francisco in the non-partisan contest for nomination for the Superior Court bench.

Kahn Named for Congress.

Complete returns for San Francisco today show that Roosevelt and Johnson swept the city. In the two Congressional Districts (Fourth and Fifth) Taft supporters returned one nominee—Julius Kahn, incumbent from the Fourth District; in three State Senate districts Taft got one; in 13 Assembly districts he got one; on the county committee Taft will have a representation of three out of 13 members.

Among the individual contests particular interest attached to that of Edward Wolfe (Taft) against Lester Burnett (Roosevelt) in the Nineteenth Senate District, and that of Senator Thomas R. Finn, a Johnson stalwart, against J. P. Bobo (Taft) in the Twenty-third Senate District. In the reapportionment of the state Wolfe had lost his district. He moved into Burnett's district—Burnett had inherited his seat—fought it out and today the final figures show that he won, although last night it seemed he had lost by a narrow margin. Senator Finn won 5 to 1, over Bobo.

Democratic Vote Lighter.

On the Democratic ticket, which carried a much lighter vote, the Phelan (Wilson) candidates defeated every Dewitt (Bell) candidate they opposed except in the Thirty-second Assembly District, in which Arthur L. Shannon got 312 votes, against 237 for Charles W. Mason (Phelan). Four Dewitt Democrats were nominated without opposition.

Slight candidates for Judges of the Superior Court go on the ballot, of whom the four leaders will be elected at the next election. All the incumbents running found places. Edward P. Shortall, a police justice, polled a surprisingly large vote.

The vote yesterday was light, particularly in the northern half of the state. In San Francisco, out of a total registration of 117,000, only 55,000 ballots were cast. Women especially were inactive.

WELCOME TO BE CORDIAL

Railway Passenger Agents to Meet Here Monday, September 16.

Further plans for the entertainment of the railway passenger officials, who will come to Portland Monday, September 16, were made at a meeting of the local committee yesterday afternoon. Among other features that will be provided for their entertainment will be a banquet at the Portland Hotel at 6 o'clock in the evening. The Portland will be headquarters for the railroad men while they remain in the city.

The run to Seaside and Gearhart, which will be made Monday morning, will be provided with the compliments of the Portland Transportation Club. Those attending yesterday's meeting were: W. E. Condon, A. F. Charlton, John M. Scott, M. J. Geary, J. E. Wergin and E. W. Mosher.

BOYS DROWNING IN WRECKAGE SAVED

OLD VANCOUVER VIADUCT FALLS INTO SLOUGH.

Lad of 15 Dives Under Mass of Timbers and Hauls Out Younger "Pals," One Unconscious.

Two youngsters were heroically rescued yesterday by a brother of one, when the three fell 30 feet with some old bridging timbers into the Columbia Slough at the old Vancouver viaduct. The boys were buried beneath the timbers. Harry Fricker, aged 15, the eldest, swam loose from the wreckage and missing his companions suspected their fate and dived under the wreckage two different times, bringing the injured lads to the surface. The rescued lads were Teddy Fricker, aged 12, and John Grant, aged 12. The former with his brother, lives at 757 Vancouver avenue, and was unconscious when rescued.

When he had effected the rescue, the elder Fricker placed the two boys on the floating section of the wreckage and attracted the attention of a nearby man. A boat later brought the boys to shore. F. G. Delano and W. P. Brock, who was driving by in an automobile were halted and drove the lads to their homes.

The Vancouver viaduct has long been in disuse. The boys were playing on the rotten bridging when the accident occurred.

NOTED SCIENTIST DIES

Work and Writings of Dr. W. J. McGee Known Throughout World.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—Dr. W. J. McGee, noted anthropologist, geologist, hydrologist and author, died here today from a cancerous growth. Dr. McGee was taken seriously ill several weeks ago. He was born in Dubuque County, Iowa, 59 years ago.

Dr. McGee made many contributions to science and his work was known throughout the world. In 1883 he became geologist in the United States Geological Survey and spent seven years studying the geology of the Colorado mountains in Southwestern United States.

One of his most important works was the exploration of Tiburon Island, Gulf of California, where he made a study of a savage tribe of people never before recorded. He was then ethnologist of the Bureau of American Ethnology.

Dr. McGee never had a given name other than "W. J." and always signed and inscribed that he be addressed by those initials without periods after them.

MAYOR'S \$400 GIVEN BACK

Deputy Collier Himself to Return Money Used Against Him.

Circuit Judge Morrow yesterday instructed Attorney John F. Logan to draw an order returning to Mayor Rusklight the \$400 with which police officers sought to bribe Deputy District Attorney Collier.

The judge said that Mr. Logan should present the order to District Attorney Cameron for O. K., but Mr. Logan said that he had never been able, or anyone else for that matter, to get a direct answer or action out of Cameron and that he would do business with Collier. The judge laughed and consented.

Mr. Collier stated that there will be no trouble about the return of the cash.

ESCAPING CONVICT SHOT

Prisoner Serving Life Term Target of Many Rifles as He Runs.

JOLIET, Ill., Sept. 4.—Frank Turkaliski, a life term convict, sentenced in Chicago for murder, made a futile attempt to escape today. He was made a target for many shots from prison guards on the penitentiary walls a quarter of a mile away and was captured bleeding and exhausted after a half-mile chase.

Turkaliski's dash for liberty was made at the entrance to the stone quarry to which a hundred other convicts were being taken. As the prisoners fled into the enclosure, Turkaliski broke away and ran down the street. He was in full view of the guards on the walls, who opened fire while the officers in charge of the quarry gang pursued him.

MEXICO HEEDS PROTEST

American Tried in Violation of Rules of Justice Wins New Trial.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—Following strong representations from the State Department, a new trial has been granted W. C. Nichols, the American citizen recently sentenced in Mexico to eight years imprisonment for killing the desperado Cavallos, whom he had been empowered to arrest.

Alex. Nichols' conviction the American Consul at Tampico reported to the State Department that the trial had been conducted in violation of all the rules of Mexican justice and that Mexican had actually publicly confessed the killing of Cavallos and even appeared at the trial of Nichols and testified.

'OLD STORY,' CULPRIT SAYS

Insurance Cashier Charged With Embezzling \$10,000 Confesses.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4.—Fred W. Van Meter, of Alameda, cashier and bookkeeper of the Mutual Life Insurance Company in this city for 14 years, was arrested today and charged with the embezzlement of \$10,000 by Floyd E. De Groat, general agent of the corporation.

"This is the end that comes to all fellows like me. It is the old story of wine, women and song," said Van Meter to the police.

Van Meter is 32 years old, married and has two children.

CLAPP IN POSITION TO HELP COLONEL

Chairman Can Arrange Order of Witnesses

OBVIOUS ADVANTAGE GIVEN

Campaign Inquiry Promises to Bring Disclosures.

PROBE TO BE THOROUGH

No Doubt Felt That Contributions to All Parties Will Be Sifted. Rumor of Postponement Is Heard in Washington.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Sept. 4.—Colonel Roosevelt will enjoy a certain advantage in the campaign contribution investigation this Fall, by reason of the fact that his close personal and political friend and fellow, Senator Clapp, of Minnesota, is chairman of the investigating committee, but that fact will not deter the committee from probing as deeply into the Roosevelt campaign fund as into the funds raised in other years and for other candidates.

The chief advantage that will come to the Colonel will be in the time when he himself is summoned before the committee, and in the order in which other witnesses are called.

The fact that the investigating committee is made up of Democrats, regular Republicans and Roosevelt Progressives is sufficient to guarantee that it will delve into the Roosevelt campaign funds as diligently as it will search out the source of the Taft, Parker and Bryan funds. If the committee is unable to get into the Roosevelt fund until after the campaign is over, subsequent exposures will be too late to have any effect on this year's election, and the Colonel will benefit to that extent, assuming the Penrose charges can be substantiated.

Order May Be Changed.

Naturally, it is presumed that the first work of the committee will be to sift the Penrose charges and the counter-Roosevelt charges, as they form the basis of the whole investigation, and Senator Clapp publicly announced that the Colonel would be one of the first witnesses called. But in the month that will intervene before the investigation opens, Senator Clapp may change his

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BETTING AGAINST T. R. UNCHANGED

ODDS STILL 4 TO 1 AGAINST COLONEL'S ELECTION.

Stockyards Plunger After Hearing From Vermont Lays 3 to 5 That Wilson Will Win.

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—(Special.)—When James O'Leary, the stockyard saloonkeeper, who makes a specialty of bets on Presidential elections, read the news today, particularly the news from Vermont, he immediately changed the figures of his betting book.

O'Leary could see nothing but a Democratic victory in November, after hearing about Vermont, and the odds against Governor Wilson dropped from 4 to 5 to 3 to 5. That is to say, O'Leary announced that he was willing to bet \$2 to \$5 that Wilson would win.

O'Leary has been quoting 6 to 5 against Taft. He announced today that he would give odds of 7 to 5 that Taft will not be elected. The odds against Roosevelt, 4 to 1, remain the same, as well as 3000 to 1 against the Prohibitionists and 2000 to 1 against the Socialists.

"That Vermont election looks to me like a Democratic victory," said O'Leary today. "The Republicans seem to be splitting and Roosevelt is going to poll a big section of the former Republican vote. That is why I have dropped the odds on Wilson and given the Taft men a little better figure. I did not change the figures on Roosevelt. As soon as I read the returns from Vermont I decided to change the betting."

FEDERAL REVENUE GROWS

Receipts Show Increase Over Same Two Months of 1911.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—Treasury figures for August announced today indicated that the Government revenues were jumping over the returns for the same period of last year. Customs receipts for August and July, the first two months of the present fiscal year, ran \$4,000,000 each above the figures for the same two months of 1911.

Aside from the Panama Canal and the public debt, the excess of ordinary disbursements over receipts was approximately \$16,000,000 less than for the corresponding two months last year.

The United States Mints during August coined \$50,000 gold, \$586,000 silver and \$228,000 in one-cent pieces.

CHARLES W. MORSE BUSY

Pardoned Financier Will Again Be Head of Securities Company.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—Predictions that Charles W. Morse would resume his business operations since his sentence in the Atlanta penitentiary has been commuted because of his poor health by President Taft were fulfilled today when Morse rented a suite of offices in 42 Exchange place.

Announcement was made that the offices would be opened tomorrow, and that Morse would again be active in affairs at the head of the Morse Securities Company.

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WILSON WELCOMES IMMIGRATION TIDE

Objection Is to Kind That Is Forced.

AMERICAN STANDARD SOUGHT

Candidate Would Exclude Passage-Money Colonists.

VIEWS GIVEN TO EDITORS

Unrestricted Hosts in Oversupplied Labor Market Mean Trouble in Congested Ports—Remedy Is in Distribution.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—Governor Wilson spoke for the first time tonight in New York City as the Democratic nominee for the Presidency. One of the addresses was delivered at the Woodrow Wilson Workingmen's League.

Before going to dinner he met two score editors of foreign language newspapers at the National Arts Club and talked immigration to them.

"If we can hit upon a standard which admits every voluntary immigrant," he said, "and exclude those who have not come of their own volition with their own purpose of making a home and a career for themselves, but have been induced by steamship companies or others to come in order to pay the passage money, then we will have what we will all agree upon as Americans. For I am not speaking to you in a foreign country.

American Viewpoint.

"I am speaking to you as Americans with myself and just as much American as myself and if we all take the American point of view, namely, that we want American life kept to its standards and that the only standards of American life shall be the standards of restriction, then we are all upon a common ground, not of those who declare themselves Americans.

"I am not saying that I am wise enough out of hand to frame the legislation that will meet this ideal. I am only saying that that is the ideal and that is what we ought to hold ourselves to.

"Now, strange as it may seem to some gentlemen who have criticized me, the only blunder I have made, the

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ARMY POLICE IS PLAN FOR ALASKA

SYSTEM LIKE THAT OF CANADA BEING CONSIDERED.

Major McManus, Home From Tour of Territory, Thinks Efficient Corps Would Preserve Order.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4.—(Special.) The problem of giving Alaska a thorough military police system may be solved in the near future, not by the stationing of a regiment or more of soldiers there, scattering the troops through the territories by companies, but by establishing a constabulary system modeled somewhat along the lines of the Northwest mounted police, which has accomplished wonderful results in Canada.

Officers at the Presidio say that such a system of mounted police is being considered and may go through. If so, it would be under the jurisdiction of the War Department, the mounted officers being recruited from the ranks of the Army.

Major George H. McManus, of the Inspector-General's department, who has just returned from an inspection tour of Alaska Army posts, today at the Presidio acknowledged that such a constabulary was being contemplated. "Personally," he said, "I believe that a system of this kind would work out well. Certainly if a corps as efficient as that of the Northwest mounted police could be developed, it would do much to preserve law and order in Alaska, possibly far more than a large number of soldiers."

HISTORIC IVY IS DOOMED

"Clean-Up" Spirit of "City Dads" Vents on Climbing Vines.

Question of the day at the City Hall—shall the Boston ivy that clings so gracefully to the staid old walls of the municipal building be chopped ruthlessly down in order that Chief Janitor Simmons may have his men scour the accumulated dirt of the ages therefrom?

Councilman Burgard, when the subject was discussed at a meeting of the ways and means committee yesterday afternoon, said he would like to see the ivy cut. He doesn't like clinging vines in any form, especially on public buildings, he said.

Councilman Wallace, Menefee and Maguire favored leaving the ivy there. Janitor Simmons personally wants to cut it down, but he is afraid he will arouse the ire of Colonel Milton Weidner, guardian-in-chief of the fire department's records, who for 10 these many years has cared for the ivy and watched over it with jealous eye.

Recently the City Hall was scoured outside and put in good condition, but the ivy where clingsh the ivy was left out of the operation and it cannot truthfully be said that it looks as clean as it might.

TAFT'S COUSIN DISMISSED

Civil Service Rules Responsible for Loss of Place.

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—Federal Civil Service rules, it was announced today, were responsible for the dismissal of Harry D. Taft, a cousin of President Taft, from a minor clerkship in the United States Customs office.

Harry D. Taft is 24 years old and in February, 1911, passed a Federal Civil Service examination. In January, 1912, he obtained a temporary appointment as entry clerk in the customs office. He held the position to the satisfaction of his superiors. At the expiration of the temporary appointment no permanent place could be found for him, as the Civil Service rules provide that no temporary position shall receive a permanent position after a lapse of more than a year after taking the examination.

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BASKET MAST IS RIDDLED

Firing Test Proves New Battleship Fighting Tops Are Vulnerable.

NORFOLK, Va., Sept. 4.—Firing tests by battleships of the Atlantic fleet upon a "basket mast" on the hull of the old San Marcos in Tarrar Sound are said to have demonstrated that the battle masts of ships in the United States Navy could not withstand the raking fire of actual warfare.

The fleet passed out to sea today in a brisk gale, leaving the hull of the San Marcos, formerly the Texas, a battered and sunken wreck.

A special board will report on the firing tests to the Navy Department. The basket mast has been claimed to be practically indestructible in a heavy fire and far superior to the solid one formerly used.

STIMSON REVIEWS TROOPS

Secretary in Favor of Brigade Post, in Line With Policy.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4.—Secretary of War Stimson reviewed the troops today at the Presidio and Fort Winfield Scott. He will go to the Yosemite Valley from San Francisco.

Secretary Stimson said he had recommended to Congress an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the improvement of the Presidio to provide accommodations for a larger garrison. He said he favored the installation of a brigade here as a part of a general policy of the department to concentrate the army in eight or nine large divisions.

W. H. LEAVITT WEDS AGAIN

Music Teacher Becomes Bride of Bryan's ex-Son-in-Law.

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Sept. 4.—W. H. Leavitt, the divorced husband of Ruth Bryan, daughter of William J. Bryan, was reported to have been secretly married yesterday to Miss Gertrude H. Leeper, daughter of Rev. Edward Leeper, of Fort Recovery, O.

The bride is a graduate of Oberlin College and has been musical instructor in a college at Houston, Tex.

QUAKER CITY CHIEF OF POLICE RESIGNS

Action Follows Scandal Surrounding Raids.

BIG SHAKEUP IS PROMISED

Swoop by Vice Squad Leads to Secret Investigation.

EXPOSURES ARE PROMISED

Raid by Detective on Tenderloin and Arrest of 100 Women and Men With Subsequent Ride Through City in View Displeases.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Rumors of a big shakeup in the police department as a sequel to the recent scandals surrounding wholesale raids in the tenderloin began to take shape today when John B. Taylor, Superintendent of Police, and Detective Harry D. M. Jacobs, head of the "vice squad," handed in their resignations to George D. Porter, Director of Public Safety.

A number of patrolmen, regarded as being close to Superintendent Taylor, who have been doing clerical duty at headquarters, also were ordered back to their districts tonight and the transfer of still others to street duty or their dismissal is expected.

Sweeping Changes Expected.

These, according to Director Porter, are but the first of many and sweeping changes that are to be made in the department. More than three score officials and patrolmen are under charges which are being investigated secretly and their heads are likely to fall.

The trouble began over Jacobs and in defending him in his work as the head of the vice squad from attacks and accusations by Superintendent Taylor, Director Porter became incensed with the Superintendent. Director Porter was especially displeased some weeks ago when Jacobs and his vice squad, in daylight, swooped down on the tenderloin and, in one of the most sensational raids ever conducted in this city, arrested about 100 men and women and hauled them through the streets in open patrol wagons to the City Hall, while women and girls on their way to their places of employment watched the spectacle. Most of those arrested were later released for lack of evidence.

Mayor Disapproves Action.

Both Mayor Blankenbush and Director Porter disapproved of this action and from that day on it was an open secret that the days of the vice squad were numbered.

One of the most remarkable features of that remarkable raid was the fact that only certain houses were raided, while others operating next door in many instances were unharmed. No explanation satisfactory to the public was ever made concerning this, and it was intimated freely that there was something behind it all.

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Taylor Often Under Fire.

Superintendent Taylor has been connected with the Police Department for more than 20 years and has been at its head for about nine. Generally considered one of the most efficient police chiefs in the country, he has been the target for attack in several municipal administrations, but in each case he successfully resisted all efforts to depose him. The Civil Service Commission at one time decided that the post of superintendent of police is protected by the Civil Service laws and that unless charges demanding dismissal were brought and sustained against him he could not be ousted from office.

In the meantime the entire police force has been affected by the dissensions and squabbles of their superiors. Many of the lieutenants are loyal to Taylor.

GIRL, 10, SWIMS HUDSON

Little Miss Wins Season's Medal Offered by Commodore Goodwin.

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Ten-year-old Mary Miller today swam across the Hudson in an hour and ten minutes. She started at the Manhattan bath, at 149th street, and finished half a mile north of Fort Lee.

Her swim wins for her the medal offered by Commodore Goodwin to the first girl under 15 to swim the river this summer.

Rader Takes Government Job.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Sept. 4.—(Special.)—Floyd W. Rader, who has been the agriculturist in charge of that branch of work at the State Training School for several years, has resigned to accept a more lucrative place in the Government service and the O. W. R. & N. Co., in Eastern Oregon at an experimental farm. O. T. McWhorter, of North Yakima, succeeds Mr. Rader at the school.

