



## VOTE THROUGHOUT STATE IS IN DOUBT

### Moser's County Lead May Be Offset.

### WITHCOMBE SHOWING STRONG

### Crawford's Support in Evidence on Early Returns.

### DEMOCRATS' RIFT FELT

### Manning's Lead in Multnomah Loses Advantage as Bennett's Poll in Other Sections Filters into Portland.

### CANDIDATES NOW LEADING OPONENTS FOR REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS IN STATE.

**Governor**—A. M. Crawford, C. A. Johns, Gus Moser, James Withycombe.  
**Justices of Supreme Court**—Henry L. Benson, Lawrence T. Harris, Thomas A. McBride, Charles L. McNary and Henry L. Bean.  
**Attorney-General**—George M. Brown.  
**State Engineer**—John H. Lewis.  
**Labor Commissioner**—O. P. Hoff.  
**Railroad Commissioner**—Frank J. Miller.  
**Congress, First District**—W. C. Hawley.  
**National Committeeman**—Ralph E. Williams.

### LEADING DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE

Governor—A. S. Bennett.  
Meager and scattering returns from the state at large at 11 o'clock left the nomination of both Republican and Democratic parties for Governor much in doubt.

While in Multnomah County Gus C. Moser will lead by a substantial plurality, up-state figures indicate that he may be third in the count, excluding Multnomah County. Apparently A. M. Crawford and Dr. James Withycombe were both greater favorites.

**Johns and Geer Figure.**  
Charles A. Johns and T. T. Geer also received a large vote. Whether one of these candidates will overcome Mr. Moser's lead in Multnomah County cannot be forecast on the returns received.

The same element of doubt exists as to the Democratic contest. In Multnomah County the few scattering precincts that had begun the count on the Democratic ticket indicated that John Manning would carry the county, with Dr. C. J. Smith and Judge Bennett close for second place. It is indicated that Dr. Smith will have about 500 plurality in Umatilla, his home county, a smaller vote than was anticipated by his supporters. In many other counties Judge Bennett is leading. It is therefore indicated that the vote of the three will be close.

### Brown Leads Grant.

For Attorney-General George M. Brown seems to have a substantial advantage over Frank Grant.

This is in the state outside of Multnomah, but in this county Mr. Grant is leading. In Douglas County, where Mr. Brown lives, the vote for him was almost unanimous. It is indicated that Mr. Brown is nominated.

For Supreme Judge the four leading candidates appear to be Henry L. Benson, L. T. Harris, T. A. McBride and Charles L. McNary, with R. S. Bean following closely.

### Cleaton Runs Well.

T. J. Cleaton ran well in Multnomah County, but the vote outside was largely against him.

In the First Congressional district the figures received presage the re-nomination of W. T. Hawley over B. E. Jones.

### Stannott Is Unopposed.

N. J. Stannott of Wasco County, Representative in Congress from the Second Oregon District, had no opposition on any ticket. He was unanimously nominated for re-election by the Republicans of his district. Neither the Democrats nor the Progressives had candidates of their own for this office. Mr. Stannott now is serving his first term in Congress.

None of the senatorial candidates had opposition. The Republicans unanimously nominated R. A. Booth, of Eugene; the Democrats named George E. Chamberlain, of Portland; the incumbents, and the Progressives nominated William Hartz, of Burns.

## MOST BETS MADE ON VOTING SMALL

### \$1000 TO \$800 WAGERED ON M'ARTHUR OVER LAFFERTY.

### Even Money Backs Crawford Against Field and Slocum and Weinberger Are Conceded Even Chances.

Although heavy betting on the outcome of the election was a missing element in Portland yesterday, a large number of small bets of various kinds were made at various cigar stores, pool halls and other places.

It was reported that considerable money was offered on C. J. Smith against the field in the Democratic race. Chief betting was on the Republican candidates.

One bet of \$1000 against \$300 was made that C. N. McArthur would win the Congressional nomination over Lafferty. It was reported in several betting places that money was up for Lafferty against the field, but takers were not found. Considerable even money was bet on the Lafferty-McArthur question.

Some of the other bets reported were as follows:  
One hundred dollars to \$30 that Crawford would win over Moser; \$75 to \$50 that Gauntlein would get the nomination against the field; even money on Crawford against the field; \$50 to \$100 that Moser would win against the field; even money that Frank Grant would win over George M. Brown; \$100 to \$30 on Slocum for Corcoran; even money on Weinberger as net the field for Constable.

## WOMAN, HELD UP, ESCAPES

### Spokane Victim Screams, Runs, Wins Race With Two Armed Thugs.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 15.—(Special.)—Two armed highwaymen found an unwilling victim in Miss Alice White, of 204 Euclid avenue, about 10 o'clock last night. Although handicapped by a tight-fitting tub skirt, Miss White distanced the bandits in a foot race.

According to the report made at police headquarters the two thugs stepped from the shadows of shade trees as Miss White was walking to her home. When a shiny revolver flashed Miss White screamed and turned on her heels. The robbers pursued for about 100 feet but the intended victim was too fast for them.

## MAY 15 IS "BOOTH DAY"

### Candidate for Senate Home to Celebrate "Family Birthday."

EUGENE, Or., May 15.—(Special.)—Today means much to R. A. Booth, candidate for the Republican nomination for United States Senator, who returned home last night.

"This is my 53rd birthday," he explains. "It is my 33d wedding anniversary; it is the day on which I will be nominated for United States Senator; and just after, fall the birthdays of every member of my family, so we felt justified in passing a family ordinance a few years ago making May 15 the family birthday."

## STEAM SCHOONER BEACHED

### Tiverton Develops List and Cargo Is Sacrificed in Coos Bay.

MARSHFIELD, Or., May 15.—(Special.)—After leaving North Bend today at 4:30 the steam schooner Tiverton, heavily loaded with lumber, listed so that she was in danger of turning over in deep water. She was run on the mud flats in North Slough, where she now stands almost on her port side.

Later it was found necessary to release the deckload of lumber. Part of it has been saved, but the bay is filled with floating lumber.

## ACID EXPLOSION KILLS 10

### Four Others May Die as Result of Accident in Rubber Works.

DETROIT, May 15.—Ten men, most of them chemists, were killed by an explosion of acid and chemicals in the mixing-room of the Mexican Crude Rubber Company today.

### STRIKE BRINGS ICE FAMINE

#### Deliveries to Minneapolis Hospitals Under Guard.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 15.—Minneapolis experienced today the first of its ice famine, on account of a strike of more than 250 drivers, called yesterday.

## MURDER LAID TO WIDOW

### Grand Jury Charges Merchant's Wife Shot Him in Bed.

LOUISA, Va., May 15.—Mrs. Victor Hall, widow of a young merchant, shot to death in his home at Green Springs on April 15, was indicted today for murder by a special grand jury which had investigated the crime for five days.

The indictment charges Mrs. Hall shot her husband while he was in bed on the morning of April 15. She protests her innocence.

## HUERTA'S SILENCE CALLED HOSTILITY

### Sharp Demand Is Made on Dictator.

### PARKS IS BELIEVED EXECUTED

### Fate of Soldier Threatens to Complicate Mediation.

### VICE-CONSUL HEARD FROM

### Silliman Reported on Way by Rail to Mexico City—Rebels Will Not Be Prevented From Importing Arms at Tampico.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The United States demanded, today, of the Huerta government details of the fate of Private Parks, the American infantryman, who strayed into Mexican lines near Vera Cruz, declaring that unless information about him was given immediately the American Government would consider that "an unfriendly and hostile act" had been committed, in violation of the understanding for a cessation of hostilities pending mediation.

### Vigorous Representation Made.

No mention was made in the minister's report of whether he was shot as a spy after a court-martial or whether his body was burned, as has persistently been reported to General Funston.

The American Government cabled the Brazilian minister to inform the Huerta government of the strong feeling of the United States, directing him to make vigorous representations concerning the incident.

### Mob Riotous at Strike

#### Policemen Sent From Boston Seriously Hurt at Wakefield, Mass.

WAKEFIELD, Mass., May 15.—Mobs rioted tonight at the furniture factory of Heywood Bros. & Wakefield Company, where a strike has been in progress for three weeks.

One of the 50 Boston policemen, called today after the local force had been found inadequate, had to be removed to a hospital on account of his injuries. Seven foreigners, suffering from injuries, were locked up tonight charged with rioting, while crowds surrounded the jail and clamored for their release.

### Item Charged in Reckoning.

No mention was made in the American note of the course the United States intends to pursue in the execution, but an official close to the President said tonight it was one of the things which would be held up against the Huerta government when the final reckoning was made.

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### Public Market Is to Be Opened with Ceremonial Today.

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### No Fireworks Allowed

#### Vancouver to Be "Closed Town" for All Firecrackers for First Time.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 15.—(Special.)—That no fireworks of any kind, not even the smallest firecracker, may be fired on the Fourth of July within the city limits is the information that a number of business men learned today, when they made inquiry of the City Clerk before buying their annual stock of fireworks for the proposed celebration.

Vancouver has always been an "open" town for firecrackers and has attracted hundreds of children here from Portland and other places where they are not permitted.

An ordinance was passed prohibiting any kind of fireworks last July.

## LANE SCHOOLS TO PARADE

### Spelling Contest Calls Out 7000 Children of County.

EUGENE, Or., May 15.—(Special.)—Between 6000 and 7000 Lane County school children and their parents will participate in the educational rally day exercises in Eugene tomorrow, according to the county school authorities.

A parade with 4000 school children in line from virtually every one of the 130 schools in the county is a feature of the day.

The event about which the rally day is centered is the contest for the spelling supremacy of the county tomorrow.

A school fair, with exhibits in scholastic and industrial work, form part of the features. Others are track meets, athletic contests and competitive "stunts" between the schools. More than \$1000 in prizes has been offered by the merchants of Eugene.

## MOTORCYCLE GOES FAST

### Run From San Diego to New York Made in 11 Days 11 Hours.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Irwin G. Baker arrived here today, having traveled 3362 miles from San Diego, Cal., on a motorcycle in 11 days, 11 hours and 10 minutes.

Baker's route carried him through Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York states.

His longest day's run was Greensburg, Pa., to New York City, a distance of 418 miles. The best previous record was 29 days, 9 hours and one minute, made by Volney Davis in 1912.

## FLEET GREET'S NEW LINER

### Vaterland on Maiden Voyage Has Titanic's Designer on Board.

SOUTHAMPTON, England, May 15.—The new Hamburg-American liner Vaterland was greeted by a fleet of excursion steamers when she entered Southampton waters at 10:30 this morning, coming from Bremen on her maiden voyage across the Atlantic.

The Vaterland left for Cherbourg in ideal weather.

### HEARSE IN VOTING PLACE

#### Canoe to Navigate Salt River Also at Salem Third Precinct Polls.

SALEM, Or., May 15.—(Special.)—The voting place in the Third Precinct in Salem was a carpenter shop. In one corner was a hearse, the bed of which is undergoing repairs. In another corner was a canoe.

The hearse will play an important part in the obsequies of numerous candidates, said the clerk of election.

"There should be a scramble for the canoe for the navigation of Salt River," said an otherwise inoffensive voter.

## VESUVIUS SPOUTS FLAMES

### Famous Volcano Becomes Active as Etna Still Belches.

NAPLES, May 15.—Mount Vesuvius again is active. Tonight a high column of vapor and tongues of flame are coming out of the crater.

### CATANIA, May 15.—Earthquake shocks continue with alarming frequency. Mount Etna is extremely active. Some of the houses weakened by previous shocks have fallen. There have been no fatalities as the populace of the city is camped in the open.

## BODY FOUND BY SEARCHERS

### Lifeless Form of Walter Buck Picked Up at End of Ferry Trestle.

The body of Walter Buck, of 253 East Sixth street, North, was found by City Grappler Brady at the south end of the Vancouver ferry trestle yesterday afternoon.

Buck's clothes were found on the trestle Thursday, and since then Grappler Brady has been trying to locate the body. Deputy Sheriff Kulper assisted in the search.

## GUNMAN'S WIDOW BELIES CONFESSION

### "Dago Frank's" Final Word Discounted.

### BLAME IS PUT ON BECKER

### Mrs. Rosenberg Says She Told Untruth to Save Husband.

### VALLON REMAINS FIRM

### Ex-Lieutenant of New York Police on Trial Second Time for Murder of Rosenthal, Will Have Opportunity to Testify.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Mrs. Lillian Rosenberg, the young widow of "Lefty Louis," one of the four gunmen electrocuted for the part they played in the murder of Herman Rosenthal, was a witness today for the state at the trial of Charles Becker, charged with being the "brains" of the plot her husband helped to carry out.

In swearing she heard Jack Rose urge her husband and his three companions to kill Rosenthal because Becker wanted them to and that she saw the quartet dividing the money they received in payment for the crime, the widow of the gunman contradicted testimony she gave at his trial and furnished what District Attorney Whitman declared to be "proof beyond all doubt that the witnesses for the state have told the truth."

### Falseness Told to Save Husband.

On cross-examination Mrs. Rosenberg was asked why she had not testified at the trial of the gunman as she did today. With tears in her eyes the girl answered:

"I lied then because I wanted to save the man I loved from the electric chair."

Mrs. Rosenberg's statement discounts the confession alleged to have been made by "Dago Frank" Croffelt, just before the gunman was electrocuted. In the confession he was quoted as saying he never heard the name of Becker mentioned in connection with the murder plot.

### Vallon Undergoes Ordeal.

Harry Vallon, fellow conspirator with "Bald Jack" Rose and others in the plot which resulted in the murder of Rosenthal, underwent today the ordeal of cross-examination. He admitted he had lied on many occasions in respect to the murder, but swore his story of the events leading up to the crime was correct in its essential details.

Counsel for the defense fired question after question at the witness in



## MOSER IS LEADING IN EARLY RETURNS

### Big Party Vote Given to R. A. Booth.

### MANNING AHEAD IN HIS RACE

### C. N. McArthur Passes Lafferty for Representative.

### COUNTING VOTES IS SLOW

### If First Ballots Counted Indicate Anything Definitely, Ralph E. Williams Has Good Chance for Republican Committee.

### CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY OFFICES NOW STATE WITH-OUT OPPOSITION.

**County Commissioner.**  
Benjamin Brick, Democrat.  
**County Clerk.**  
John B. Coffey, Republican.  
**County Treasurer.**  
John M. Lewis, Republican.  
**County Auditor.**  
Sam B. Martin.  
**County Coroner.**  
Mrs. Nellie C. Hughes, Democrat.  
**Judge of District Court, Department No. 3.**  
Shirley D. Parker, Democrat.

Early returns from the vote in Multnomah County up to 12 o'clock last night, show that Gus C. Moser is leading in the race for the Republican nomination for Governor by more than 2 to 1 over his nearest opponent.

At that time, however, incomplete returns had been received from only one-half of the 326 precincts in the county. Only a small portion of the vote in these precincts had been counted.

Election officials were slow in getting started on the count. In many precincts the Progressive and Democratic ballots were counted before a beginning was made on the Republican ballots.

### C. N. McArthur Leading.

In these early returns, C. N. McArthur is leading A. W. Lafferty by a few votes for the Republican nomination for Representative from the Third District. George S. Shober is manning far behind either of them. Though Nelson R. Jacobson had withdrawn, a number of votes have been polled for him.

If the early returns indicate definitely the strength of any one candidate, that one is Ralph E. Williams for Republican National Committeeman, who is running far ahead of Charles W. Ackerson.

### Dr. Withycombe Near Front.

Dr. James Withycombe and Charles A. Johns are the candidates for the Republican nomination for Governor closest to Mr. Moser, with William A. Carter, Grant B. Dimick, A. M. Crawford, T. T. Geer and George C. Brown following in that order.

### Grant Leads in That Order.

For Supreme Judge, for which four nominations are to be made, the four leaders for the Republican nomination in this county are T. A. McBride, Charles L. McNary, T. J. Cleaton and L. T. Harris in that order.

### Grant Leads in That Order.

For Attorney-General, Frank S. Grant is leading George M. Brown, with William P. Lord and J. J. Johnson next in order. Mr. Grant's lead is small.

John H. Lewis at midnight had polled approximately three votes to one for L. R. Stockman for State Engineer. For State Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff has a lead of about 2 to 1 over John A. Madsen, his nearest opponent.

Frank J. Miller, candidate for re-election as Railroad Commissioner, is well in the lead over Hal D. Patton.

Robert H. Hooten, Republican candidate for United States Senator, who is not opposed for the nomination, is receiving a heavy party vote.

In the race for the Democratic nomination for Governor, John Manning at 12 o'clock was leading Judge A. S. Bennett and Dr. C. J. Smith by a ratio of more than 4 to 1. Bennett and Smith are running close together in the incomplete returns that are in.

W. H. Canon is leading H. M. Esterly for Democratic National Committeeman by a few votes.

E. L. Van Dresser, candidate for the Democratic nomination for County Commissioner, Philo Holbrook, Rufus C. Holman and John Driscoll are the three leaders. Holbrook is slightly ahead of Holman, who in turn has a lead of a few votes over Driscoll. T. J. Kreuder is the next in order.

### Hurlburt Has Lead.

Incomplete returns at 12 o'clock last night on county offices give T. M. Hurlburt a slight lead over Archie F. Leonard for Sheriff.

Of the nine Republican candidates for the two nominations for County Commissioner, Philo Holbrook, Rufus C. Holman and John Driscoll are the three leaders. Holbrook is slightly ahead of Holman, who in turn has a lead of a few votes over Driscoll. T. J. Kreuder is the next in order.

For County Surveyor, R. C. Bonser is ahead of E. A. Middlebrooks, but his lead is slight.

Dr. F. H. Dammasch is leading the four candidates for the Republican nomination for Coroner. Dr. Sam C. Slocum comes second, only a few votes behind. The other two candidates are distanced.

Andy Weinberger has more votes (Concluded on Page 4.)