

HARDING VICTORY SEEMS ASSURED

Control of Senate Still Matter of Doubt.

HARD FIGHTS BEING WAGED

Republican Margin Too Close for Any Degree of Comfort.

SITUATION IS ANALYZED

24 Vacancies to Be Filled, 19 Republicans, 15 Democrats, Only Nine Will Have Walkover.

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—As I have frequently said, the presidential situation has long run strongly in favor of the republicans. The presidential situation is frequently spoken of as "overwhelmingly republican," but this characterization is only partially accurate. As respects electoral votes and as respects the number of states carried, it does now look like a victory for Harding sufficiently marked to justify the word "overwhelmingly." But in terms of the popular vote that is hardly true.

With so large a state as Indiana likely to give Harding no greater margin than 60,000 and so large a state as Ohio not likely to give him a margin greater than 30,000 and with the republican majority in Illinois likely to be below rather than above normal—under these circumstances the republican advantage cannot accurately be said to be overwhelming.

Some Democrats Tired of Wilson.

The fact is that in state after state a not particularly large margin of voters who are normally democratic will this year vote for Harding because they are tired of Wilson and the democratic administration at Washington. These voters are not large in numbers but they do not need to be more than 25,000 in ten of the democratic to make a margin sufficiently large to swing state after state out of the democratic column into the republican column. One in ten of the democrats is the same thing as one in 20 who will change; I am merely saying that that alone is enough to assure republican victory.

"Overwhelming" Hardly the Word.

However, it is merely academic to discuss to what degree the term "overwhelming republican victory" is justified. As things stand now, Harding is in the lead to such an extent that it is hard to imagine his being dislodged during the last two weeks of a rather pathetic campaign.

So much for the presidency. The control of the senate, however, is quite another matter.

One of the most cutting, but at the same time one of the most clever, things said in this campaign came from Josephus Daniels, a democrat whose intellectual capacity is much underestimated. Mr. Daniels went to North Carolina a few days ago to make a campaign speech in his home state. In the course of it he said: "The republican majority in the senate is out on bail."

What he meant was that the republicans have a nominal majority of two votes in the senate and that one

GIRL SPURNS CHURCH; FATHER WON'T EAT

MINISTER FASTS 25 DAYS TO CONVERT DAUGHTER.

Crowds Attend Revival to Hear Preacher Who Can Hardly Speak Above Whisper.

LIBERTY BONDS DECLINE

Most Loan Issues Ease Few Points During Last Week.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 23.—Most liberty loan issues eased a few points in the last week, according to the weekly earnings table of liberty bonds given out today by the federal reserve bank.

BIG LIQUOR HAUL MADE

1575 Gallons of Wine, Whisky and Brandy Seized.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 23.—Five stills, 1000 gallons of wine, 75 gallons of whisky and 500 gallons of brandy were seized in a raid by prohibition officers at 131 Bay street today, it was announced. The wine was poured into the street by the officers.

FISHERMAN FOUND DEAD

Vancouver Men Find Body of Charles Lavander at Lake.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 23.—(Special)—H. M. Eager and J. A. Goddard, fishermen, went to Mulligan's point on the south side of Vancouver lake to fish. There they discovered the body of Charles Lavander where he apparently had dropped dead while fishing.

FIRE RAVAGES HAMLET

Hotel, Warehouse and Postoffice Go Up in Flames.

LA CROSSE, Wis., Oct. 23.—The hotel, warehouse and postoffice at Brownville, Minn., 12 miles south of this city on the Mississippi river, burned tonight.

12 EGGS \$1 IN SPOKANE

Retail Price Advances 10 Cents, Wholesale \$1 a Case.

SPOKANE, Wash., Oct. 23.—Eggs touched \$1 a dozen here today, when the price advanced 10 cents. The wholesale price advanced about \$1 a case.

JACKRABBIT GONE; DESERT BLOSSOMS

Once Sandy Plains Now Big Alfalfa Realm.

GIANT HAYSTACKS SIGHTED

Transformation of Umatilla Country Is Complete.

WATER WORKING WONDERS

Butter Creek Lands, Umatilla Meadows and Other Districts Testify to Possibilities.

BY BEN HUR LAMPMAN. HERMISTON, Or., Oct. 23.—(Special)—Once upon a time the Umatilla country was famed for the bounding jackrabbit, a scourge to the tender young grain and the infant orchard.

ALFALFA MARKETED ON HOOF

A pleasant land, indeed, when one has passed the upland stretches of unirrigated sandy soil and haits where the same country drinks eagerly of the waters of the Umatilla and grows vast crops of alfalfa for the sustenance of many thousands of sheep and cattle.

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SMALL TIMBER TRACT SOLD FOR \$1,250,000

6000 ACRES ON ECCLES LOG ROAD TRANSFERRED.

Price Paid \$5 Thousand Taken to Indicate Confidence on Part of Coast Lumbermen.

CAMPAIGN COSTS ALL PARTIES \$3,600,000

STATEMENTS OF EXPENSES TO OCTOBER 18 ARE FILED.

Republican Bill Is \$2,741,503 and That of Democrats Is Given as \$699,971 by Report.

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The Weather. YESTERDAY'S—Maximum temperature, 59 degrees; minimum, 40 degrees. TODAY'S—Forecast: mostly clear.

Domestic

Minister fasts 25 days to convert daughter. Section 1, page 1.

Pacific Northwest

Ernstwein's main reason for jackrabbits now big affairs realm. Page 1. Tacoma officer in New York calls for aid to help extradite Betty Brasher. Section 1, page 4.

Commercial and Marine

Flour prices are again reduced by Portland millers. Section 1, page 23. Wheat breaks at Chicago, owing to lack of measure. Section 2, page 22.

Portland and Vicinity

Eminent scientist warns people of Oregon against abandonment of vaccination. Section 1, page 2.

HUGHES SAYS COX IS WILSON PUPPET

Stand of President and Governor Identical.

NOMINEE FOR ARTICLE 10

Declarations of Change in Attitude Are False.

PLATFORM TEXT QUOTED

Democratic Convention Indorsed White House Opposition to Reservations, Says ex-Justice.

STANDS ARE IDENTICAL

The stands of Governor Cox and President Wilson are identical to commit the United States to the league with article 10 and only meaningless reservations, Mr. Hughes asserted.

MILITARY CHANGE MADE

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WATERWAY IS REQUESTED

Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Route Held at Be Necessity.

RAINY WEEK IS FORECAST

Normal Temperatures Will Prevail, Says Weather Man.

EARTHQUAKE HITS SPAIN

Province of Granada Reported Rocked by Temblor.

GREEK RULER BETTER AFTER 3-HOUR CRISIS

IMPROVEMENT FOLLOWS RELAPSE BUT GAIN IS SLIGHT.

PARIS LEGATION DENIES MONKEY WHICH BIT KING HAD BEEN INOCULATED WITH RABIES.

ATHENS, Oct. 23.—King Alexander of Greece, who is critically ill as the result of infection caused by the bite of a monkey, entered a very acute cerebral crisis today. His condition was described by his physicians as most critical.

DAHO IS BEATEN BY OREGON, 13-7

Luck and Nimbleness Give Gridiron Victory.

RUDD BROWN SHINING STAR

Fleet End Crosses Goal Line Twice for Touchdowns.

FIRST SCORE SURPRISING

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BY L. H. GREGORY.

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HIGH LIGHTS FROM THE NEWS OF A BUSY WEEK, BY CARTOONIST PERRY.