

# COX AND HARDING CAPTURE ST. LOUIS

Each Candidate Receives Ovation From People.

## MISSOURI IS UNCERTAIN

Ohio Governor Lacks Dignity and Poise, While Senator Impresses Voters as Being Statesman.

BY WALTER L. TOOZE JR.  
CHICAGO, Oct. 17.—(Special correspondence.)—Senator Harding was at St. Louis Saturday night and spoke from the rostrum occupied by Governor Cox the Monday night previous. The writer heard both addresses, observed the demonstration given each candidate and was able to form a few impressions by reason of the same.

The Cox meeting was very demonstrative, as was the Harding meeting, but there seemed to be more poise at the Cox meeting than when the republican nominee was there. This might have been due to the fact that the democratic organization had its cheering better organized, or it may be due to the fact that there were more rabid partisans present at the Harding meeting than were at the Cox meeting than were at the Harding meeting. The demonstration given the name of President Wilson at the Cox gathering was one of the greatest I have ever heard, which might indicate that the gathering of Missourians was largely composed of dyed-in-the-wool democrats. However, this does not mean that the crowd at the Harding meeting was not demonstrative, for it was, and hugely so at that. It was my impression that the enthusiasm at the Saturday night rally was more spontaneous and real than that given the Ohio governor.

**Republican Crowd Larger.**  
The republican gathering was larger, if possible, than the democratic gathering, but at both meetings there were more people in the Coliseum than made for comfort. But to be perfectly frank, it appeared to the writer that, insofar as enthusiasm was concerned it was about a fifty-fifty break between the two. This was not true at East St. Louis, for the Cox meeting there was decidedly more enthusiastic.

There was a noticeable difference in the city's reception to the two candidates. As Cox came into St. Louis there was no particular notice taken of him until he arrived at the Coliseum; but Harding's entry into the city, as well as his appearance at the appointed place of speaking, was in the nature of a triumphal entry. He was greeted in the manner that American crowds usually greet a president. The difference could be felt. There was a dignity about the whole thing which could not fail but impress. This is a difference which has marked the campaign of both candidates everywhere they have been.

**Harding Treated as Statesman.**  
There can be no honest difference of opinion as to the earnest regard in which the republican nominee is held by the people of America, as judged by their respect and admiration shown wherever he has appeared. He is treated as a great statesman, a man of great consequence, wherever he goes. There is not the "rah-rah" atmosphere which usually greets a president, but a sober-mindedness and his earnest discussion of the vital problems of the day, free from all petty mind-slinging and carping criticism, make a decided and lasting impression upon his hearers. He does not appeal to the passions and prejudices of the masses, nor does he engage in levity.

On the other hand, Cox is a sensationist; he has and uses every trick of the political "barn-stormer"; his attitude before a large crowd is familiarly familiar; he lacks dignity and poise. His attitude would be fitting for a candidate for sheriff, but it tends to lower the dignity which should attach to the great office of president of the United States. If we could judge what he might do as president by his conduct upon the stump, we could not help but conclude that his administration would be a disgrace to the class legislation, with appeals to the passions and prejudices of the people. His words, as well as his actions, do not instill in the careful thinker confidence in his ability; he seems to lack depth.

**Cox Ignores Great Issues.**  
At St. Louis the Ohio governor devoted most of his time to attacks upon Will Hays, Senator Hays, Senator Lodge and others. He discussed the league of nations, but he did not say anything new, with reference to it. He wholly failed to take up any of the great reconstruction problems in which America is and must be vitally interested, except to say that he believed a farmer should sit upon several of the big government commissions, a matter about which most people agree, whether they are democrats or republicans. On the other hand, Senator Harding discussed domestic questions to a large extent, and his speech was wholly free from petty mud-slinging. Harding made the best impression.

As I witnessed the meeting of Governor Cox it is hard to believe that Missouri was hopelessly democratic, but having had the opportunity of seeing the other side of the question, am on the fence. St. Louis is admittedly republican by a large majority, and it has always been the fight of the democrats to come to St. Louis with a sufficient majority outside to wipe out the republican advantage there. It is usually figured that the democrats must come into St. Louis with at least 60,000 majority to be certain of winning. It would not be at all surprising this year if "the mysterious stranger" were counted among the electoral votes in the republican column.

**Senatorial Situation Complex.**  
There is a real fight on in Missouri over the United States senatorship, with Senator Spencer, republican, having the fight of his life to retain his seat. But the republicans of Missouri seem to be loyally behind Spencer, and no doubt he will secure considerable democratic support owing to the fight of Senator Reed, democrat, against the Wilson regime, particularly on the league of nations issue.

However, there is nothing certain about Spencer's election, and the republicans run the danger of losing a vote in the senate owing to the Missouri situation, which makes it all the more important for northern republican states to vote the ticket straight.

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The part that Portland is to play in developing the thousands of unproductive acres is not clearly apparent, so far as definite plans are concerned, but both visitors and hosts agree that a closer acquaintance and understanding of mutual problems will serve not only eastern Oregon but the entire state.

**Trip Decided Successful.**  
During the afternoon the excursionists were taken on a tour of the county from Stanfield to Umatilla, on the Columbia river, and back to Hermiston, where they were entertained at a banquet and boxing smoker given in their honor. At 11:30 tonight the special will depart for Portland. Its six-day tour of the eastern counties completed and the opinions of its members decidedly revised.

"This has been the most successful visit of the sort ever sponsored by the Portland Chamber of Commerce," said Nathan Strauss, chairman of the committee, "and its various lessons have been well learned. We now know at first hand that the eastern Oregon country is not only productive and progressive but that its possibilities are scarcely begun to be realized, and Portland can do no less than to pledge to these fellow citizens and

co-workers the aid and encouragement their efforts so richly deserve."

Much of the success of the trade excursion has been due to the tireless energy of E. N. Weinbaum, secretary of the trip, who planned its details and supervised arrangements at the many halts.

**SNOW MELTS; BODY FOUND**  
Position Indicates W. H. Starr Fell From Cliff.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 23.—The body of William H. Starr, who was lost in the Cascades October 3, was found late today at the foot of a 50-foot cliff in the Lake Serene district near In-Idex, according to telephone advices here.

The position of the body indicated that Starr had fallen from the cliff. It had been covered with snow when searching parties were at the scene, but the snow had melted away when a party of Elks, who left here yesterday to resume the search, arrived there. Earl Ramage, deputy sheriff at the head of a detachment of the searching party, found the body, which will be returned to Seattle.

The annual mulligan venison stew of the Medford lodge of Elks, held this week, was enjoyed by 150 members of the lodge from all parts of Jackson county. About 200 pounds of venison and 50 pounds of chicken were the chief ingredients of the stew, which was served with hot biscuits and other toothsome trimmings.

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**Woman's Leg Broken by Ram.**  
LEWISTON, Idaho, Oct. 23.—(Special.)—Mrs. W. S. Brown of the Anas-tone section was brought here last Tuesday suffering from injuries received when she was attacked by a vicious ram while turning a band of sheep out to pasture. Mrs. Brown suffered two broken legs and bruises in the encounter. The attack came unexpectedly when Mrs. Brown opened the gate to let the sheep out from the barn corral. Immediately the ram sprang at her, knocking her down and inflicting the injuries. Mrs. Brown dragged herself to the house, remaining there alone until her husband discovered her some time later.

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