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## MISSOURI AND MARYLAND MAY GIVE TAFT THEIR VOTES YET

Republican Candidate May Have 325 Electoral Votes Yet.

ATTORNEY GENERAL HADLEY IS ELECTED

Socialists, Prohibitionists and Independence Party Vote Small.

### TAFT LEADS IN MISSOURI.

(By Associated Press.)  
ST. LOUIS, Nov. 5.—Returns in hand with one missing county known to be for Taft indicate Taft's plurality as 839. This may be changed when the complete vote is in but it looks good for Taft carrying the state.

### NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—Maryland and Missouri continue to hold the stage in the final estimate of the votes in Tuesday election and upon them largely will depend the vindication of Chairman Hitchcock's prediction that Taft would have 325 electoral votes. Taft already is assured of 301 and Bryan 156, Missouri with her 18 votes hangs in the balance with a decided inclination to fall into the Taft column, according to the latest reports, while Maryland also bends Taftward with her eight votes but the returns from Maryland are so close that it will take an official count to determine.

In Missouri, Hadley, the Republican candidate for governor, has a plurality in excess of 15,000.

Colorado seems to have settled into the Bryan column, while Indiana has gone for Taft, West Virginia seems to have gone to Taft by 20,000.

The Republican majority in the national house of representatives has been cut, but that party will still have a control. Speaker Cannon will probably be reelected.

The results so far as the other parties are concerned were a disappointment to the managers. The Socialists expected "Million for Debs" will fall far short of that and perhaps be not half that number. The Prohibitionists did not carry the vote with them that they had hoped and the Independence party's vote was small in comparison with the expectations of the managers.

### CLOSE IN MARYLAND.

Bryan Said to Have State By 210 Votes.

(By Associated Press.)  
BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 5.—According to unofficial returns secured by the Baltimore News from every county in the state and from Baltimore City up to 1 p. m. today, Maryland is again in the Bryan column by 210.

### CURRY FOR TAFT.

County Goes Republican By Two to One Majority.

GOLD BEACH, Ore., Nov. 5.—All of the Curry county returns are not in yet, and it is impossible to give definite figures. Precincts reporting so far show that county will go two to one for Taft. The vote was rather light.

### BRYAN CONGRATULATES SUCCESSFUL RIVAL.

(By Associated Press.)  
LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 5.—W. J. Bryan sent the following telegram to W. H. Taft: "Hon. W. H. Taft, Cincinnati, Ohio. Please accept congratulations and best wishes for the success of your administration, William Jennings Bryan."

### BUY A COUPON book at the Sautary Market and save five per cent on your meat bills.

## COOS COUNTY VACANT LAND

Government Retains 64,126 Acres In This County Alone.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—According to land office classification, there is in the neighborhood of 1,000,000 acres of vacant, unreserved agricultural land in Oregon today, subject to entry under the homestead laws. This estimate does not include any of the lands in Malheur and Harney counties, where there is still much agricultural land remaining, though most of it is of such character that it must be cultivated by the dry farming process.

In like manner there is said to be between 1,500,000 and 2,000,000 acres of public timber land, outside of forest reserves, most of which is still subject to entry under the timber and stone act.

It is true that the cream of Oregon's farming lands have passed to private ownership, and the best of the state's timber lands have been acquired by lumber companies, or taken into reserves, where they are no longer subject to entry. Yet the fact remains that there is still a considerable area of desirable land, outside the irrigated districts, that is subject to settlement and entry, and there is room for many more families in the state.

A report shows that there are still 5,305,477 acres of unreserved public land subject to entry in Malheur county, and 4,600,000 acres in Harney. These vast areas are classified as "grazing, timber and farming" lands but the respective areas of each grade are not given.

There is comparatively little public land remaining in the Willamette valley counties, and little more in Southern Oregon, outside of forest reservations. In the entire Portland land district there is but 146,431 acres remaining subject to settlement and 383,243 acres in the Roseburg district. Most of the remaining land in the Portland district is listed as "broken timber and grazing" land and the same classification holds good with regard to the Roseburg district, save that there are still some mineral and fruit lands in the latter district.

### Much Land for Stockmen.

Out in Lake county there remain 2,301,808 acres of unreserved public land, three-tenths of it timber land; one-tenth mountainous; three tenths agricultural and three tenths grazing. Crook county has about half as much land remaining, mostly rough country suitable only for grazing, however, save for small isolated tracts which are adapted to agriculture.

In the entire state there is 16,957,913 acres of unreserved land, and 12,188,457 of this is surveyed.

The following table shows the area of unsurveyed and unappropriated public lands remaining in the Roseburg district:

|           | Acres.  |
|-----------|---------|
| Benton    | 1,299   |
| Coos      | 64,126  |
| Curry     | 35,630  |
| Douglas   | 69,423  |
| Jackson   | 48,183  |
| Josephine | 45,502  |
| Lane      | 111,554 |
| Lincoln   | 1,859   |
| Linn      | 5,667   |
| Total     | 333,243 |

### BALLINGER IS BOOMED.

Washington Men Want Him In Taft's Cabinet.

(By Associated Press.)  
TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 5.—A strong movement has been started in Tacoma and other northwestern cities today for the appointment as Secretary of the Interior in Taft's cabinet of Judge R. A. Ballinger of Seattle.

## LOCAL BOAT LINES WILL MERGE

River and Inlet Crafts Will Be Owned and Operated By One Corporation After December 1.

Captain C. E. Edwards of the steamers Alert and Alma, announced today that the proposed merger of the river and inlet crafts around Coos Bay has been effected and that the new corporation will assume charge December 1. As yet, it has not been definitely decided all the boats that will be taken over by the new company. Among those that will be in are Captain Rogers' Coos River boats, Captain Edwards' boats and the steamer Liberty of the Coquille River Transportation Company which will be brought here from the Coquille.

Captain C. E. Edwards of the Alert, announced today that the

merger had been effected. The schedule for the boats has not been completed. It is proposed to make North Bend and Marshfield the terminus of all boat lines and to arrange the schedules so that the boats will come and go at different hours of the day instead of running along together in competition with each other.

It is understood that stock will be issued in the new corporation to the value of the vessels and business held by the individuals who join. Messrs. Stratton and C. J. McLean of the Coquille River Transportation Company will come over and take an important part in the management of the new company. Captain Edwards will remain with it. Whether Captain Rogers will remain has not been determined. He insists that he wants to retire, that his long years of service entitle him to a rest, but the other members of the new corporation insist that he remain at least for a while.

## NEED REFORM SAYS BRYAN

Defeated Democratic Leader Issues Statement On Outcome of Election.

(By Associated Press.)  
LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 5.—W. J. Bryan issued a statement today in which he says he feels that "That the publicity which we asked for will yet commend itself to the American people, that the election of United States senators by the people will be secured, that the inequities of the trusts will arouse such opposition as a result of the elimination of private monopoly, that necessary labor legislation will be secured together with a reduction of the tariff, and that effective regulation of railroads and independence for the Philippines will be brought about."

### MEN STAY TOO LONG AT CHURCH TO SUIT WOMEN

Complain That Cigars and Moving Pictures Are Bad.

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 4.—Asserting that the men's church, in which husbands and fathers are allowed to smoke and sit in shirt sleeves, is too attractive, a score of women have complained to the Rev. Sydney Goodmar, pastor of the new idea congregation, that their male relatives would rather go to church than stay home. The protest took the form of a letter read before the male congregation by the pastor last night. He refused to give out the names of the women who made the protest. "Church is all right for men, but our husbands are staying out as late Sunday night to attend your service as they do on lodge nights," said the letter. "We insist that some of the attractions be cut out or else the services be cut down so they can get home in decent time."

"So pleasant have been the Sunday night meetings at the men's church that the attendants insisted on the services being strung out longer and longer, with its programs of music and singing, interspersed with moving pictures, soft drinks and cigars. As a result of the protest the meeting will be opened earlier next Sunday night and closed an hour earlier, which will allow all men to get home before 10 o'clock."

### BANKERS ON TRIAL

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—The jury is still out in the cases of Bankers Morse and Curtis.

Steamer BREAKWATER sails from Coos Bay for Portland SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, at 9 A. M.

## WILL BUILD BIG WHARF AND WAREHOUSE ON NORTH FRONT ST.

## ACCIDENT TO PLANT TOLD

C. W. Merchant Writes Accurate Details of Recent Accident to Steamship.

OAKLAND, Cal., Oct. 31, '08.

Editor Coes Bay Times:

The steamer M. F. Plant was towed safely into San Francisco bay on the 29 inst., at 2:30 p. m. I was over to look at damage done her while she was on dry dock at the United Engineering Works, I see that her rudder post and skag is bent hard over to port and her propeller and shaft bearing were not injured. The life-saving station inspector, Capt. Emery, and myself wrote a letter of appreciation to Captain Samuel H. Burtis in behalf of the passengers for his skilful management and coolness, while crossing Coos Bay bar on the 24th day of October, when the ship was disabled by heavy seas while crossing out.

The bar apparently being smooth when three tremendous seas seemed to spring up just ahead, seemingly through the first and second safely with the exception of second broaching her to the post a little and before the ship could come up again, the third sea lifted the ship stem high, leaving the heel resting on bottom and swinging hard over to port causing the steamer nearly to upset, and disabled the steering gear, turning completely around three times while getting safe beyond buoy. No passengers were injured or lost with the exception of Captain Burtis and wife who got tossed hard against the door of her stateroom injuring her knee painfully but not seriously. Every passenger expressed their good feelings toward the captain and officers in delivering us safely at our destination, will try hard to return on steamer Plant which, I think, will be ready for her run again soon.

### LAI'D UP THREE WEEKS.

Repairs to M. F. Plant will Take Longer Than Expected.

According to a letter received from San Francisco today, the repairs of the M. F. Plant will require more time than was originally expected. The letter stated that it would take three weeks from the time the Plant went into dry dock to repair the damages to the keel and rudder and to straighten some of the plates that were bent. The damage to the plates did not cause the vessel to leak but the underwriters insisted that it be repaired before she goes to sea again.

### MADE FAST TRIP.

Alliance Makes New Record On Trip Up the Coast.

A wire from Captain B. F. Olson to Agent H. W. Skinner of the Alliance, yesterday announced that the vessel had broken the record between the two bars, making the run in sixteen hours. They had favorable wind and weather, and an endeavor was made to pick up some of the time lost coming down when the vessel was forty-six hours making the run.

### ASKS FOR REPAIRS.

James Laird, the Veteran Stage Man, Visits County Judge.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Nov. 4.—James Laird, the veteran stage man, who resides at the little burg which bears his name on the Coos Bay wagon road, is in the city, and as upon previous visits took advantage of the opportunity to interview County Judge Wonaecott relative to several improvements which he says are needed on the road in his home locality. Mr. Laird is a staunch advocate of good roads, believing that they are the means of bringing many people to an undeveloped country.

New Owners of Oregon Coal and Navigation Company Plan Improved.

WATERFRONT NORTH OF COLD STORAGE

Wharf Will Be About 200x120 Feet and Building 75x120 Feet.

The S. Y. W. C. R. Co., the successor to the Oregon Coal and Navigation Company as owners of the Libby mine, the steamship M. F. Plant and much Coos Bay property, is arranging for the construction of a large wharf and warehouse on its waterfront just north of the Coos Bay Cold Storage plant. It has over 200 feet of water front there and a wharf will be put in on all of it. The wharf which will extend to deep water to make a landing place for the steamer M. F. Plant and other sea-going vessels will be about 200x120 feet in size. The warehouse will be about 75x120 feet.

M. N. Knuppenburg, the secretary and manager of the company, today advertised for bids for the construction of the wharf which will be started soon after the contract is awarded which will be about November 10.

The construction of the new wharf and warehouse on the north waterfront will probably have considerable effect on the tendency of the business district to move south and west in Marshfield.

The company is now using the F. S. Dow warehouse and docks, but their contract with Mr. Dow will shortly expire and as the company has its own waterfront which is now practically lying idle, it was decided to improve and utilize it.

P. Hennessey, who has been manager of the Libby mine for a number of years, is treasurer of the new company.

### SAYS MARRIAGE IS LOVE'S SUICIDE

Stanford Professor Startles Woman's Club.

CHICAGO, Nov. 4.—"Marriage is the suicide of love," said Professor Edward D. Monroe, Ph. D., of Leland Stanford Junior University, before the Woman's Literary Club, of Woodlawn, this city.

"The increasing number of divorces each year in America seems to substantiate this conclusion," said the professor, further. A restrained murmur of amazement was heard among the several hundred clubwomen present.

"In the first place, marriage is entered upon by thousands of foolish and frivolous girls and thoughtless young men, without the least consideration of the question of mutual adaptability or of congeniality. Wedlock is rushed into, and a few months after the honeymoon the parties concerned come back to their rational senses and realize that there are grave temperamental differences to reckon with."

"Before long there appears on the horizon of love's young dream the dreaded 'affinity,' and most of you realize what that implies. It signifies that the bonds of matrimony will, ere long, be ruthlessly shattered and wind up in the divorce courts."

### WILL CANVASS VOTE.

Official Result in Coos County Election Known Soon.

COQUILLE, Ore., Nov. 5.—The returns of the vote in Coos county at Tuesday's election will be canvassed tomorrow in County Clerk Watson's office. The county will, it is estimated, give Taft about 1,500.