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ELECTION RESULTS WILL NOT BE KNOWN BEFORE TOMORROW

Count Will Be Slow Owing to Large Number of Candidates on Ballots.

POLLS WILL CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK TONIGHT

Henry Black Oldest Voter in Marshfield--Officials in Local Precincts.

Judges and clerks at the polling places in precincts 17, 18, 19 and 20 have found enough work to keep them busy at their respective duties since the polls opened at 8 o'clock this morning.

Probably the oldest man to cast a vote in Marshfield today was Henry Black, aged 76, whose residence is at 851 South Fifth street. He cast his vote at 727 Broadway about 10:30 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Black is a staunch democrat and has been a resident of Coos County for 39 years. Mr. Black was accompanied to the polls by his wife and Mrs. E. P. Harrington, who also voted.

Mrs. D. L. Rood was the first to vote in precinct number 17, which is located at 637 Front street.

Judges of precinct number 17 are Judge D. L. Rood, chairman; Jens Hansen and Albert Hagemeister, assisted by clerks George E. Cook, Mrs. Louisa Sweetman and Catherine Clarke.

Judges of precinct 18 are S. B. Cathart, George Welstead and E. I. Chandler. Clerks, Hugh Barclay, Ellen Rudnas and Alice Tickell.

Those in charge of precinct number 19 are C. A. Johnson, George Bolt and I. N. Miller, assisted by clerks C. H. Marsh, Ann M. Cox and Elizabeth M. Moore.

Those in charge at 727 Broadway, South Marshfield, which is in precinct 18 are: Thomas Coker, E. A. Anderson, A. E. Naff, Judges, and Mrs. Eliza E. Kelley, Belva Flannagan and J. H. Rabakoff.

Up to noon today the heaviest voting was being done at the Central precinct located in the O'Connell building on Market avenue.

Lack of Ballots. According to a telephone message from Allegany, there were no progressive ballots sent to that precinct and the progressives there were late.

Vote on Bonds. The 430,000 road bond issue is not arousing much interest. Many claim it will be badly beaten in the county.

North Bend Light Vote. A light vote is being cast in North Bend today. Up to 2 o'clock only 130 votes had been cast in the four precincts there.

In precinct number 7, there were 24 republicans, 14 democrats, 2 progressives and seven women voted.

In No. 8, 24 republicans, 12 democrats, 5 progressives and six women voted.

In No. 9, 17 republicans, 14 democrats, 3 progressives and three women had voted.

In No. 10, 5 republicans, 5 democrats, one progressive and three women voted.

At the Slave Mill, 8 republicans, 4 democrats and four women voted.

A canvass of the polling places in precincts 17, 18, 19 and 20 at four o'clock this afternoon showed a total vote of 420. Of that number 236 are Republicans; 117 Democrats and 7 Progressives. The heaviest vote had been cast in precinct 18, with the polling place located in the O'Connell building. That precinct shows 115 Republicans, 54 Democrats and one Progressive.

Precedent 17 had recorded 21 Democrats, 53 Republicans and one Progressive. Precinct 19 had a total of 18 Democrats, 58 Republicans and one Progressive. Precinct 20 had a total of 79 Republicans, 24 Democrats and four Progressives.

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TEN KILLED IN AN EXPLOSION

Three Others Injured in Mexican Crude Rubber Plant at Detroit.

DETROIT, Mich., May 15.—Ten men were killed and three injured in an explosion which blew up the plant of the Mexican Crude Rubber company. There were about twenty-five employees in the plant. Eleven men are unaccounted for. Gasoline is believed to have caused the explosion. Most of the victims were skilled mechanics. The body of one was blown through the building. Three others were burned beyond recognition. Three were removed to the hospital and are now expected to survive. Dozens of windows in buildings near by were shattered.

FACTORY IS DESTROYED. The plant, a one-story concrete structure, was almost obliterated. Heavy concrete blocks were found two blocks from the scene. The factory of the Commerce Motor company, 190 feet away, was badly damaged.

NO PUBLIC RECEPTION

Members of Roosevelt Family Arrange for Quiet Return of Ex-President.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Owing to the state of Roosevelt's health, the members of his family requested that there be no public reception similar to the one which extended him on his return from Africa arranged on his return from Brazil.

BOTH HANGED FOR KILLING

Robbers Accused Each Other of Shooting Policeman—Both Executed.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., May 15.—Herman Behre of San Francisco and Frank Davis were hanged in the provincial prison. A year ago Policeman Archibald caught the two dividing the spoils of a burglary and was killed. Each criminal accused the other of firing the shot.

HARRY VALLEN TAKES STAND

Cross-Examined in Rosenthal Case and Admits He Told Some Untruths.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Harry Valen, the fellow conspirator with Rose and others in the plot which resulted in the murder of Rosenthal, for which Becker is being tried the second time, underwent the ordeal of cross examination today. He admitted that he lied on many occasions in respect to the murder, but he swore that the story events leading up to the crime were correct in the essential details.

CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE King and Queen of Norway Open Exhibition.

CHRISTIANA, May 15.—King Hakan and Queen Maud, of Norway, opened with imposing ceremony the exhibition commemorative of their tenetary Norwegian independence from Denmark.

Times Want Ads Get Results in The Times.

OREGON PRIMARY VOTE VERY LIGHT

Do Not Expect Over Seventy-Five Per Cent of Registered Vote to Be Cast Today—Light Vote Early.

PORTLAND, Or., May 15.—Candidates seeking office in the Democratic, Republican and Progressive parties are being selected today in Oregon's primary elections. The nominations being made are for one U. S. Senator, three Representatives and state and county tickets. The voters were slow going to the polls. This was due to the fact that the polling places are to remain open until 8 p. m., by which time it is expected that a large vote will be cast.

U. S. PREPARES FOR TROUBLE

Activity in Government Arsenal and Coast Artillery Is Under Way.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15.—The activity which yesterday began in Government arsenals and at the coast artillery posts, follows precautionary arrangements to forward the department in the Mexican situation. Secretary Garrison said today.

H. A. WHEELER NOT ON BOARD

Chicago Banker Declines a Membership in Federal Institution.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15.—Harry A. Wheeler of Chicago in a letter to the President, declined membership in the Federal Reserve Board. He says he is unable to sever his business connections.

President Wilson now has two places to fill on the board. Dr. Adolph C. Miller, of San Francisco, Paul M. Warburg, of New York, and W. P. G. Harding, of Birmingham, have all accepted. He must also designate the governor and vice governor.

STRENGTHEN JAP NAVY. Premier Okuma Promises to Support Program.

TOKIO, May 15.—An increase in the Japanese naval defense is promised in the declaration of policy issued by the new cabinet under Premier Okuma.

MOB CAUSES A NEAR RIOT

Strike Sympathizers Make a Demonstration Before Rattan Factory.

WAKEFIELD, Mass., May 15.—A mob of strike sympathizers, men and women, made a vicious demonstration in front of the rattan factory of Heywood Brothers, where a strike has been in progress for several weeks. Windows were broken and cars were stopped and searched for loyal workers and strikebreakers, many of whom were assaulted.

TWO AVIATORS KILLED TODAY

English Army Men Victims of Disaster While Trying to Land During Fog.

NORTH ALLERTOWN, Eng., May 15.—Two more British army aviators were killed trying to land in a fog. The victims are Lieut. Empson and Sergeant Dudmore.

Although the Prohibitionists and Socialists have taken advantage of the opportunity to register, their interest in the election is indirect, as they have already named their candidates at conventions. While there are a record number of candidates seeking nomination the general interest is not as great as in previous primaries. The estimated vote at most will be 75 per cent of the registration. Fair weather in most parts of the state gave an impetus to the city voter to go to the polls whereas it had the opposite effect on the rural voter who was busy with his crops. There is much doubt about the outcome of every contested office. The betting is negligible. The main interest is in the outcome of the Republican and Democratic contests for Governor.

ARBITRATION OF TOLL CASE

Senator McLean Says That It Is the Only Fair Way for United States to Act.

WASHINGTON, O. C., May 15.—Arbitration of the tolls question was advocated in the Senate by Senator McLean, Republican. "If we sit in judgment in our own case," he said, "the verdict of the world will be that 'Uncle Sam plays with loaded dice.'"

COUNTERFEIT GANG SOUGHT

One Suspect Wounded While Trying to Escape at Seattle—Canadian Money.

SEATTLE, May 15.—The discovery of a gang of international counterfeiters became known today when it was made public that United States operatives two days ago seized a counterfeiting plant in Seattle and are working on clues concerning the identity of the counterfeiters, who have been operating in western Washington and British Columbia and eastward through Canada as far as Ottawa. They made Canadian bank notes and five dollar Canadian bills. Frank C. Bright was wounded by a policeman while trying to escape after passing a counterfeit bill. He is held as a suspect.

REDUCE U. P. DIVIDEND. NEW YORK, May 15.—The executive committee of the Union Pacific Railway voted to reduce the quarterly dividend on common stock from 2 1/2 to 2 per cent.

THREE KILLED BY UNKNOWN

Mother, Son and Daughter Found Dead in Their Country Home.

IRONTON, Ohio, May 15.—Mrs. Dennis Massie, age 75, son Robert, and daughter Mary, past 45, were found murdered in their country home. The deed was committed yesterday.

TWO ARRESTED FOR FORGERY

Bank President and Cashier Held—Doors of Institution Are Closed.

ELDORA, Iowa, May 15.—President Henry D. Himmel and Cashier John E. Himmel, of the Farmers Bank, at Radcliffe were arrested today charged with forgery. The bank closed its doors yesterday.

MEX. SITUATION GROWS WORSE; ZAPATISTAS NEAR MEXICO CITY

SHORT DELAY IN PEACE PLAN

Session at Niagara Falls Is Postponed Owing to Mexicans Being Late.

DELAY PEACE MEETING. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15.—The opening of negotiations of the South American mediators in the Mexican controversy at Niagara Falls has been postponed until May 20, the State Department announced. The sessions were originally scheduled to begin May 18.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15.—Following the announcement of a postponement, the South American mediators said they would delay their departure for Niagara Falls. Previous to the change of plans the mediators went to the White House to bid the President and diplomatic staff farewell. The excuse for the delay of the mediation was that the Mexican delegates did not want to be unduly hurried. The Mexicans will reach Washington tomorrow. Later the mediators postponed the meeting at the White House until tomorrow. The Spanish Ambassador denied the sensational rumors of the cause of the delay. He declared it was due solely to the late arrival of the Mexican delegates.

CLEARSHIP AT MAZATLAN

Admiral Doyle Issues Papers When Mexican Officials Refuse to Act.

ULTIMATUM TO HUERTA. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15.—Secretary Bryan informed the Huerta government that the action of the Mexican Federal authorities in withholding information concerning the whereabouts of Private Parks is a hostile act.

ABOARD U. S. S. CALIFORNIA. MAZATLAN, May 15. (Wireless)—Despite Huerta's revocation of the order closing the ports to American shipping, the Mazatlan officials refused to clear the Pacific Mail liner Newport for San Francisco. Admiral Doyle promptly issued the clearance papers.

SUPPLIES FOR HUERTA. The presence of the Federal gunboat Guerrero at Salina Cruz on the Pacific coast, the terminal of the Tehuantepec railroad, was the subject of much conjecture. It is believed the gunboat's presence is for the purpose of covering the landing of military equipment which rumor has it is on board the vessels hovering along the coast.

HUERTA ORDER IS DISOBEYED

Mexican Reaching San Francisco Says Maas Violated Viloated His Instructions.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15.—That Huerta issued specific orders to General Maas at Vera Cruz to offer no opposition to the landing of Americans and that those orders were disobeyed by Maas, is the declaration of E. De Morelos, a Mexican architect, who arrived here from Vera Cruz. Morelos said Maas told him he would fight despite Huerta's orders.

Southern Rebels Give Battle to Federals Within Fifteen Miles of Capital.

FOREIGNERS ALARMED IN HUERTA CAPITAL

Prepare to Defend Themselves—American Ships Guard Huerta War Vessels.

U. S. WARSHIPS ESCORT MEXICANS. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 15.—Admiral Badger has reported that the Federal gunboats Zaragosa and Bravo and the tug Tampico, which left Tampico yesterday conveyed by an American gunboat and two destroyers, expected to reach Puerto Mexico tomorrow. He reported that the gunboat Vera Cruz had been abandoned in the Panuco River.

VERA CRUZ, May 15.—Advises from Mexico City report the Federals at Tepic, eighteen miles south of the capital, were attacked yesterday by the Zapatistas. No details of the fighting have been received, but the incident is regarded as an important development by the authorities here. The reported departure of Federal gunboats from Tampico under convoy of the American warships is believed to be due to a desire of the Mexican commanders to communicate with Mexico City from Puerto Mexico, the only way now open to them.

Foreigners in Mexico City are preparing to defend themselves if need be when the critical moment approaches. General Velasco, who was wounded in defending Torreon, has been ordered to take command at San Luis Potosi.

RETURN HOME NEAR TAMPICO

British Families Leave Ships Following Rebel Victory Over the Federals.

LONDON, May 15.—Lord Cowdray's manager at Vera Cruz cables: "Reports from Tampico state that British families and other British refugees who sought shelter on the ships, have returned to their homes on shore."

CONFERENCE AT WASHINGTON. The purpose of an afternoon White house conference was not disclosed, but it is believed possible that some further reason for the postponement of the mediation conference might have prompted the meeting.

MOTORCYCLE QUICK TRIP

Irwin G. Baker Runs from San Diego to New York in 11 1/2 Days.

NEW YORK, May 15.—Irwin G. Baker arrived here, having traveled 2362 miles from San Diego on a motorcycle in eleven days, eleven hours and ten minutes. The best previous record is nearly twenty-one days.

GEN. SALAZAR HELD. SANTA FE, N. M., May 15.—General Salazar, one of the Huerta commanders who ran away from the battle of Ojinaga, and who was arrested on the American side charged with violating the neutrality laws, today was acquitted in the Federal court. He was immediately re-arrested and taken to Fort Wingate with the other refugees.

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