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LIGHT VOTE IN ELECTION

Only 379 Had Been Cast in Four Precincts up to Three O'Clock

LATE VOTING HEAVY

Up to 3 O'clock 121 Voters Were Sworn in the Different Voting Places

POLLS CLOSE AT EIGHT

Not a Great Deal of Interest Manifested in Outcome of Contests—City Hall Shows Strength

At three o'clock this afternoon 379 votes had been cast in the city election. Of this number 121 were sworn in at the four polls and the indications are that there will be a heavy vote late in the afternoon and early this evening.

At the city primaries in November a total of 292 votes were cast. However, at that time there was little interest taken in the coming election but today there was a changed spirit as to the standings of the candidates.

Immediately after the closing of the polls this evening the counting will be started and the results will be posted at The Times office as soon as the results come in.

In precinct No. 17, at three o'clock 51 votes had been cast, at No. 18, 148 votes; at No. 19, 75 votes and at No. 20, 165 votes.

The voting is quiet and there is little to indicate that an election is in progress.

Fred Gettins who was aiding in the management of Carl Evertsen's campaign said that the outcome would probably be close. He estimated that between 600 and 700 votes would be cast.

Friends of R. A. Cople were equally sanguine of his success. Some of them figured that with a light vote, he would have decidedly the best of it, relying on the primary figures.

The outcome as to councilmen is problematical.

The city hall bonding project, according to street talk, will show up much stronger than was first anticipated.

Many friends of the band expressed the fear that the band appropriation would be beaten.

OFFICERS ELECTED

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS CHOOSE HEADS FOR 1916 To Be Installed in January—Lodge Plans on Meeting Once a Week—Grand Lodge in 1917

The annual election of the Knights of Pythias was held last evening and plans made for the coming year. Installation will take place on the first Monday in January. The lodge is planning on meeting once a week instead of twice a month.

The new officers are: Chancellor—Commander—Gilbert Stekel. Vice-Chancellor—A. E. Busby. Prelate—W. W. Stekel. Keeper Records and Seals—J. B. Sneddon. Master of Finance—F. P. Norton. Master of Exchequer—George Winchester. Master at Arms—George Black. Inside Guard—Alex Hall. Outside Guard—Fred Moore. Master of the Work—O. S. Torrey.

WIRES SOON READY ENTERS LAND GRANT DECREE

ONLY 18 MILES YET OF WESTERN UNION LINE TO BE LAID

Started Today Laying 12 Conductor Cable Across Bay—Officials of Company Here

Eighteen miles separate the ends of the Western Union telegraph lines according to the officials of the company, and two full crews are working toward each other, to connect up the gap, as soon as possible. It is expected the line will be in operation by January 15.

A. G. McClane, district foreman of the company, and J. W. Beils, foreman of construction, are here from Seattle to aid in laying the 12-conductor cable across the bay. This work will probably start tomorrow.

Francis Frandsen, an electrician, also of Seattle, is here to later test out the line.

Wires have been erected from Coos Bay to within about four miles of the Unququa.

DISCUSSION COMING

CONSOLIDATION OF CLUBS UP AT FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Business Men Will Consider New Problem at Banquet Tonight—Big Attendance Expected

Consolidation of the Fellowship Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Millcoia Club is expected to develop considerable discussion at the Fellowship banquet this evening. It will be held at 6 p. m., in the Guild Hall of the Episcopal Church.

Consensus of opinion seems to be for consolidation, but on an equitable basis that would protect the members and stockholders of the Millcoia Club and allow its continuance on exactly the same lines as at present.

For a year and more the Chamber of Commerce members have felt that it is absolutely necessary for the organization to adopt a social side to its activities. Efforts have been made, but they have so far proved fruitless.

Business men who stand for consolidation contend that the grouping of the three bodies will result in a lessened expense to them and with the accomplishment of more real value to the city.

Tonight will afford the opportunity for a discussion, as there will be members of all organizations present at the banquet.

Considerable interest also is being taken in the topics that will come up this evening as scheduled on the program. Judging from the response given the ticket sellers, it is expected the attendance will be large to this last meeting of the Fellowship Club this year.

GERMAN IS VICTIM

KAISER'S AGENT STIR UP STRIKES DOUBLE-CROSSED

Labor Leaders Whom He Tried to Bribe Checked His Plans for Causing Strikes in Factories

JAPS FEAR CHINA

SEND BATTLESHIPS THERE TO GUARD MIKADO'S SUBJECTS

Additional Vessels Rushed to Scene of Recent Rioting—May Have Far-reaching Effect

TOKIO, Dec. 7.—It is understood that Japan, in view of the disturbed conditions in Shanghai, will adopt measures for the protection of the Japanese residents and interests there. Several Japanese warships are already on the spot and the cruiser Taugaru, which left Yokohama, is believed to be bound for Shanghai.

SAYS WIFE SLAIN

CHAS. D. ETCHISON CONFESSES REVOLTING CRIME

Mrs. Frederick T. Price Hurlled Over Cliff by Husband and Friend To Get \$60,000

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—Confessing, according to the county prosecutor of Hennepin County, Minnesota, that he aided Frederick T. Price of Minneapolis in hurling Price's wife to death over a cliff, Charles D. Etchison, a traveling salesman of Washington, D. C., is due in Minneapolis today for legal action.

Mrs. Price was killed a year ago, one day after she had been given \$60,000 by her father. Price, on finding his wife still alive after hurling her down the cliff struck her head with a stone, according to Etchison. Etchison was arrested in Washington Saturday.

DEMOCRATS MEET

COMMITTEE TO FIX TIME AND PLACE OF CONVENTION

W. H. Easterly, of Oregon, Contests Will R. King's Place—Pence Chosen Secretary

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7.—The Democratic National Committee met here today to fix the time and place of the next Democratic National convention, elect a secretary and dispose of contests for membership from Kentucky and Oregon and transact other business.

Thomas J. Pence, assistant to the chairman, was elected secretary pro tem. In Oregon, W. H. Easterly contested the seat of Will R. King.

St. Louis in Lead Pence told the committee that there was no truth in the reports of discord between McCombs and himself. "To my mind there is no cloud on the Democratic horizon," he said, "and it is the duty of this committee to see that no cloud shall gather."

Of the three cities in the field for the convention, St. Louis, Dallas and Chicago, the former claimed priority.

QUET IN MEXICO

GOV. FERGUSON OF TEXAS SAYS CONDITIONS ARE IMPROVING

Tells President Wilson That Recognition of General Carranza Assisted Greatly

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Berlin Reports French Trench in Champagne Captured—Russians Continue Minor Attacks

GENEVAS TURN TOWARD EGYPT

GENEVA, Dec. 7.—The Germans are preparing on a large scale for operations in Mesopotamia, according to a dispatch. It is not impossible that they will make the principal effort this winter from Bagdad toward the Persian gulf.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The Teutonic-Bulgarian armies, while engaged in invasions of Montenegro and Albania, apparently have started a drive against the Anglo-French force in Southern Serbia, with the intention of forcing them across the Greek border and perhaps even back to their base at Saloniki.

Berlin today officially reported the French forces in Southwestern Serbia near the Vardar river were compelled to retreat.

The capture of Ipek, Montenegro, was also announced.

In the West, the Germans have resumed activities, Berlin announcing the capture of 250 meters of an advanced French trench in the Champagne district, east of Aubery.

In the East there were no developments reported with the exception of minor Russian attacks on the Dvina River front.

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