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## DESPERATE ASSAULT ON BESIEGERS

### Japanese Advance on Port Arthur Forts, After Three Days' Bombardment of Russians' Positions.

### Slavs Make Heroic Defense, but Are Unable to Drive Out Plucky Japs.

## WEDGE IN RUSSIAN CENTER

### Hand-to-Hand Conflicts Emerge When Czar's Men Seek to Retake Captured Heights, but to No Avail.

Chicago, Nov. 7.—A special to the Chicago Daily News from Dainy, dated November 6, via Kobe, says:

"After three days' continuous bombardment of Port Arthur which caused great destruction to the Shojusan and the Nirysuan forts in the west center of the Russian line of defense and also to the Kekwan fort, the right wing of the Japanese army assaulted Shojusan yesterday afternoon.

"Having carried the approaches to that height the enemy entrenched themselves. In the evening the left wing delivered an assault on Kekwan, fighting its way to the lower parapet. During the night the Russians charged down upon the Japanese and desperate hand-to-hand conflicts ensued. The Japanese beat back the enemy and destroyed two covered positions in front of the moat.

"Later in the night the advanced position of the Japanese was taken and retaken twice. The besiegers succeeded in holding the approaches and constructing trenches connecting with the army's front at parallel. At dawn numbers of dead were visible on the slopes. The fort to the north and the old batteries on the left of the line of defense were captured by severe fighting.

"These operations have successfully driven a wedge into the Russian center. Severe explosions and extensive fires have occurred in the fortress within the last few days. The total casualties in the late Japanese attacks are 1000, and over 500 were killed up to October 29."

## No News From Mukden.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 7.—News from the front indicates that Kuropatkin is devoting his attention chiefly to keeping the Japanese busy along the line of their fortifications below the Shakkie river. The Russians apparently are enjoying some superiority in the matter of artillery, as many heavier field trains and mortar batteries are now arriving and being brought into service.

## LITTLE RAIN BEYOND CASCADES.

### Roads of State in Good Condition—Fair Today.

Portland, Nov. 7.—According to the reports of the United States weather bureau, the past few days have witnessed good rains west of the Cascade mountains both in Oregon and Washington, but not enough rain has fallen to make the roads so muddy as to impede travel in the least.

Eastern Oregon, eastern Washington and Idaho have had practically no rain this fall and the roads are in good conditions, farmers are well up with their plowing and seeding, and, generally speaking, are at leisure. The forecast for the three states for tomorrow are: Western Oregon and western Washington, generally fair. Eastern Oregon and eastern Washington and Idaho, fair.

## HEBREWS ARE DELIGHTED.

### Work of the President and Secretary May Warmly Praised.

Washington, Nov. 7.—Well known Hebrews of this city last evening expressed much delight over the information that passports of American Hebrews are likely to be recognized in Russia in the near future, and they

and that President Roosevelt and Secretary Hay were entitled to the praise and thanks of all good Americans for gaining recognition of the rights of American travelers in Russia.

## STUDENTS MUST EXPLAIN.

### 1000 Young Men at Berkeley Have Offended the War Department.

Berkeley, Nov. 7.—The riot among the students of the university of California last week over a military order requiring students to march into the classrooms had a sensational sequel today when President Wheeler sent letters to a large number of students declaring they had been dropped from the military roll. Notice was given to the dismissed students that they were given until Thursday to make written reports explaining their actions. President Wheeler stated today that he is acting under direction of the war department.

As yet the names of the students to whom notices have been sent have not been given out. The orders that caused the students to rebel last week were a part of the regulations laid down by the war department for governing lecture courses in schools where military science is taught. The disturbance was participated in by nearly 1000 students.

## STRAIGHT-OUTS DETERMINED.

### Mean Fight to Maintain Their Party Organization.

The straight-out democrats held a meeting last evening for the purpose of discussing what action should be taken to maintain the party organization in the coming city election. The meeting was held at the office of Dr. H. L. Henderson and was attended by members of the county democratic committee and others. It was decided to hold a meeting of the committee on Friday night, at which time the proposal for the nomination of a straight ticket will be settled. It is about certain that a straight-out will be nominated for the council in the Second ward and also in the Third ward. No candidate will be named for city attorney, but if the republicans select a satisfactory man the straight-outs will support him. The determination to oppose the citizen organization is pronounced.

## BANDITS HAVE ESCAPED.

### Posses Have Been Unable to Run Arrest Coder Murderers.

Denver, Nov. 7.—A special to the Republican from Casper, Wyo., says that Sheriff Webb and party have returned to Casper from the northwest, where they went in pursuit of the Cody bandits.

Not a trace of the outlaws was discovered, and it is the opinion of the officers that they have effectually escaped. Nothing was seen of either the Fenton or Stough or Johnson county posses. After the election Webb may again take the trail.

## Arthur W. Moore Dead.

San Francisco, Nov. 7.—Arthur W. Moore, a member of a wholesale leather firm of this city and for many years a broker of a local stock and brokerage exchange is dead. He was a native of Boston and 55 years old.

## Publisher of Guide Dead.

San Francisco, Nov. 7.—William F. Empey, well known in Pacific coast shipping circles and for 22 years publisher of the Guide, died suddenly of heart disease. He was a native of Australia 52 years of age.

## Belevedere Brings Bone.

San Francisco, Nov. 7.—The whaling steamer Belevedere, Captain Tillon, has arrived here 23 days out from Fox Island. Her catch is reported to have been 5280 pounds of bone.

## Cost of Firing Cannon.

Some idea of the cost of modern warfare can be arrived at by taking a Japanese warship like the Kasuga or Nyushin and calculating the number of shots it would discharge. The first named ship carries four cannon which cost \$30,000 each. One of these guns can fire two shots per minute, and every shot costs \$400; thus in five minutes these four cannon can discharge forty bombs at a cost of \$16,000. The smaller cannon cost each \$18,000, and every shot they fire means an expenditure of \$70. They are rapid, and it is estimated that in five minutes the twelve cannon could discharge shot to the value of nearly \$35,000.—Leslie's Weekly.

## REPORTS FROM DOUBTFUL STATES SEEM TO ASSURE ELECTION OF ROOSEVELT

### As Usual, However, Both Sides Express Utmost Confidence, Although Betting Is Against Parker.

### Democrats Declare They Have Won Connecticut, Refuse to Give Figures to Support Their Claims in Indiana, Are Modest About New Jersey, Feel Sure of Maryland and Insist West Virginia Is for Parker.

Roosevelt will probably be successful at today's election. The result in New York State is in doubt, although bettors are wagering 2 to 1 that Roosevelt will carry the state. The democrats hope to win with an enormous majority below the Bronx. Herrick, democrat, will doubtless defeat Higgins for governor.

The chances seem about equal in Connecticut, but New Jersey and Delaware are probably for Roosevelt. Maryland will likely go democratic, but West Virginia is in doubt. This state will, if estimates are realized, be the closest of all. Montana and Nevada are also close, with the chances favoring Parker in the last-named state. Colorado is admittedly doubtful.

The democratic claims in Indiana are not so rosy as they have been, and Roosevelt will probably win there by a small majority. The absurdity of election claims becomes apparent when it is considered that the democrats claim California by 50,000 and the republicans claim Missouri.

If Parker carries New York today, he will probably have 206 votes in the electoral college, to 270 for Roosevelt. In order to win Parker must carry New York, Indiana, Maryland, Connecticut, West Virginia, Colorado, Montana, Nevada and Delaware. It is difficult now to figure out any other reasonable combination, as New Jersey is doubtless lost to him. In view of the estimates, Roosevelt's election seems assured.

## ODDS FAVOR ROOSEVELT.

### Bettors Are Offering 5 to 1 on the Republican Candidate.

Washington, Nov. 7.—At both republican and democratic headquarters tonight the utmost confidence is expressed. This confidence is substantially expressed in the betting on the result, which has been heavier in Washington than ever before.

The odds on the general result are 5 to 1 in favor of Roosevelt, but many wagers have been made on shorter odds. The interest of bettors centers on New York, and large sums have been wagered on the result in that state. Odds of 2 to 1 have been offered by republicans that Roosevelt will carry his home state and they have been accepted eagerly by democrats.

President Roosevelt left Washington this morning for Oyster Bay, to cast his vote at tomorrow's election. After voting the president will return to Washington. He is scheduled to reach here tomorrow evening.

## WALSH SURE OF CONNECTICUT.

### Says Parker Will Carry It by Great Majority.

New Haven, Nov. 7.—Chairman Walsh, of the state democratic committee, said tonight: "We have won Connecticut by a great campaign, and both Parker and Robertson will carry the state by a great majority."

At republican headquarters, Chairman Knealey said: "I am more confident tonight than at any time during the campaign that Roosevelt will carry the state by not less than 15,000 majority. I would not be surprised to see 20,000 posted as the figures."

## REFUSE TO GIVE FIGURES.

### But Democrats Believe Parker Will Surely Carry Indiana.

Indianapolis, Nov. 7.—Universal quiet prevails throughout the state of Indiana on the eve of election. Republican leaders refuse to change their prediction that Roosevelt will carry

the state by a plurality variously estimated at 20,000 to 25,000. Democratic leaders confidently assert the belief that Parker will be successful, but refuse to give the figures.

## DEMOCRATS ARE MODEST.

### Claim Only Small Plurality for Parker in New Jersey.

Trenton, Nov. 7.—The New Jersey campaign, which closed today, was the most aggressive since 1892. Republicans are confident of carrying the state for Roosevelt by 35,000 to 40,000, the democrats claiming that Parker will have a small plurality.

## PROBABLY FOR ROOSEVELT.

### Democrats Have Little Chance of Carrying Delaware for Parker.

Wilmington, Nov. 7.—Both democrats and republicans claim they will carry the state for their respective national and state tickets, but the indications tonight point to republican success.

## STICKS TO HIS ESTIMATE.

### Chairman Vandiver Says Parker Will Get Maryland's Vote.

Baltimore, Nov. 7.—Chairman Vandiver, of the state democratic committee today repeated his claim that Maryland would go democratic by 15,000 majority. At republican headquarters confidence is expressed that a majority will be returned for Roosevelt.

## BOTH CLAIM WEST VIRGINIA.

### Republicans and Democrats Figure on 25,000 Plurality There.

Parkersburg, Nov. 7.—The campaign closed tonight with both sides confident as to West Virginia. The republicans claim a plurality of 25,000 for Roosevelt, but the democrats are just as confident that the state will go for Parker.

## NOT LACKING IN CONFIDENCE.

### Republicans and Democrats Are sanguine of Success in Montana.

Butte, Nov. 7.—At the close of the campaign in Montana tonight democrats and republicans both profess the greatest confidence. The campaign in Montana has been characterized by the greatest enthusiasm and interest shown in many years, the registration being the heaviest in the history of the state.

Governor Toole, after a tour of the state, declared that the men who voted for Bryan four years ago are now in line for Parker and that the state will go democratic by 7500.

At republican headquarters a feeling of jubilation prevails over the outlook for Roosevelt.

## Nevada in Doubt.

Reno, Nov. 7.—The campaign which closed tonight has been conducted with much vigor by both the leading parties, and so far as the presidential electors are concerned the result is in doubt.

## CLAIM STATE FOR TURNER.

### Democrats Expect to Defeat Mead by 25,000 Votes.

Seattle, Nov. 7.—Chairman Palmer, of the state republican committee, claims Washington will give Roosevelt 30,000 to 35,000 plurality, and that Mead, the republican nominee for governor, will be elected by 7000. The republican candidates for congress, Palmer states, will be elected by pluralities ranging from 20,000 to 25,000.

Chairman Goodwin, of the state democratic committee, concedes that the state will give Roosevelt a good, round

majority. He claims the election of Turner for governor by 25,000.

## HOPE SPRINGS ETERNAL.

### Democrats Claim California Will Give Parker 50,000 Plurality.

San Francisco, Nov. 7.—On the eve of the contest the state republican committee claims a majority of almost 60,000 for Roosevelt. The state democratic committee makes the claim that California will go for Parker by 50,000 plurality.

## DEMOCRATS CONCEDE IDAHO.

### Republicans Estimate Plurality for Roosevelt at 15,000.

Boise, Nov. 7.—Large meetings by both parties here tonight marked the close of the campaign. The weather promises to be fair tomorrow and a full vote will be polled, except possibly for the state ticket in some of the Mormon counties.

The republican managers claim a plurality of 15,000 for Roosevelt. The democrats, while conceding the claim of a Roosevelt victory, put the plurality at a much smaller figure.

## REPUBLICANS CLAIM MISSOURI.

### Insist That Roosevelt's Majority Will Be Not Less Than 20,000.

St. Louis, Nov. 7.—The state republican committee estimates that Roosevelt's majority in Missouri will be not less than 20,000.

At democratic headquarters a statement was issued estimating the majority for the national ticket at about 48,000.

## OREGON READY TO VOTE.

### Good Weather Promised for Election Day by Forecasters.

Portland, Nov. 7.—Everything is in readiness for the opening of the polls in Oregon, and tomorrow between the hours of 8 a. m. and 7 p. m., the voters will make known their choice for the presidency. Weather conditions are promising, local weather officials prophesying fair weather in this state as well as in Washington and Idaho. The democrats insist that the republican plurality will not exceed 24,900, but at the headquarters of the republican party for this state tonight it is claimed that Roosevelt will carry Oregon with a plurality of 30,000.

## PEACE IN COLORADO.

### Contest Over Governorship Caused Most Intense Feeling.

Denver, Nov. 7.—Despite the tense feeling resulting from the sharp contest over the governorship, indications point to a peaceable election throughout the state, with the possible exception of Teller county, where republicans and democrats accuse each other of planning to provoke trouble.

Neither side has modified its claim to a sweeping victory, though democrats and republicans agree that Roosevelt and Fairbanks will get many more votes than other republican candidates.

## Illinois Will Give Big Plurality.

Chicago, Nov. 7.—Republicans claim they will carry the state by anywhere from 125,000 to 140,000, and the democrats claim they will reduce the republican plurality of four years ago. This is the substance of the claim—put forth by both sides on the night before election.

## 100,000 in Kansas.

Topeka, Nov. 7.—It is generally conceded that Roosevelt will carry Kansas, the democrats making no claim regarding the national ticket. The republican campaign managers claim Roosevelt will carry the state by 100,000 plurality.

## Democrats Concede Bay State.

Boston, Nov. 7.—The success of the Roosevelt electors in Massachusetts is conceded by the democrats.

## Wisconsin Surely Safe.

Milwaukee, Nov. 7.—It is generally conceded that Roosevelt will carry the state by a plurality of 50,000 to 75,000.

## Minnesota for Roosevelt.

St. Paul, Nov. 7.—There seems little doubt that the national republican ticket will be victorious in Minnesota.

## Russia Will Give In.

London, Nov. 7.—Colonial Secretary Lyttleton said tonight that there were excellent prospects of almost immediate agreement by Russia to all of England's demands in connection with the North sea affair.

## NEW YORK IS CLAIMED BY BOTH SIDES

### Democrats Expect Parker and Herrick Will Win Through Enormous Majority Below the Bronx.

### Republicans Say Democratic Standard Bearer Can Not Hope for So Much.

## ODDS GIVEN ON ROOSEVELT

### Two to One Offered That He Will Carry Empire State, While 5 to 1 Is Offered on General Result.

New York, Nov. 7.—Election eve finds both parties claiming the Empire state. Today the leaders made their last estimates, and then each side put forth its declarations, the democrats planning their faith to the statement made by Charles F. Murphy, Tammany hall's leader, that the vote for Parker in Greater New York would be the greatest ever cast for a democratic candidate. The republican view is expressed by Governor Odell, who said that Parker's plurality in the city would have to be better than 140,000 if he carried the state.

## The Rival Claims.

D. Cady Herrick, democratic nominee for governor, made a statement today in which he said:

"Making liberal discount upon the rosy view always presented to a candidate, I firmly believe the republican majority north of the Bronx will be less than it was two years ago."

Frank W. Higgins, republican candidate for governor, said today:

"I believe Roosevelt will carry the state by over 100,000, and that the entire state republican ticket will be elected."

## Polls Will Be Watched.

A feature of the election in this city promises to be the remarkably close watching of the polls. Plans to prevent illegal voting have been made on a scale that eclipses all former plans.

In addition to the party watchers and the city's 8000 policemen, Superintendent Morgan, of the state election bureau for the metropolitan district, will have more than 1000 deputies at work to prevent the casting of illegal ballots. A force of 100 secret service men will watch foreign-born men, who, it is suspected, will present many fraudulent naturalization papers.

With good weather promised tonight, the indications are that the vote tomorrow will be the heaviest ever cast in New York city, and perhaps throughout the state.

## How the Betting Goes.

Betting on the result of the election was livelier today than at any time during the campaign. It is estimated that nearly \$200,000 was wagered on the Broadway curb and at the various hotels, the leading odds are 5 to 1 on Roosevelt on the general result, 2 to 1 that Roosevelt will carry New York state, and 2 to 1 that Herrick will defeat Higgins. One man offered \$50,000 or any part of it at 5 to 1 on Roosevelt, without takers. The heaviest state bet was \$10,000 to \$5000 on Herrick. Another Herrick bet was \$10,000 to \$6000.

A Wall street house offered \$5000 even that Roosevelt will carry New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Indiana and Wisconsin. There were no takers.

## WAS WARM IN UTAH.

### No Doubts as to National, but Democrats Claim State Ticket.

Salt Lake, Nov. 7.—The bitterest and hardest fought campaign since Utah was admitted to statehood closed tonight with big rallies by both republican and American parties in Salt Lake. The democrats practically closed their campaign on Saturday. That Roosevelt will carry the state is conceded. The democratic state chairman claims the election of the state ticket and a majority in the state legislature, which will elect a United States senator.