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# VOTE ENORMOUS AND BOTH SIDES CONFIDENT



GEORGE W. MORGAN, SUPERINTENDENT OF THE NEW YORK STATE BUREAU OF ELECTIONS, WHO IS THREATENING WHOLESALE ARRESTS FOR ELECTION FRAUD IN GREATER NEW YORK.

# LAUDS CLUB PAGE OF THE JOURNAL

Baker City, Or., Nov. 1.—To the Editor of The Journal—At the convention of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, held in Baker City, October 13, 13 and 14, a vote of thanks was extended to "The Oregon Daily Journal" for the use of a page devoted to the reports of the work of women's clubs. I wish to express sincere appreciation of all clubwomen for the generosity and wisdom which is shown in allowing your paper to demonstrate to the public that it is worth while to expend money to further the work of earnest women in their aim to higher standards of helpfulness and usefulness in this busy world. And I believe that not only do our women appreciate this, but the men and general public applaud your foresight and realize that, like all other good things that grow and gain strength when exposed to the light and sunshine of open, healthful surroundings, the Federation has derived much strength and benefit from the support it has received through your paper. And in behalf of the Federation I thank you for your part in this good work and trust that success and glory may be the reward to "The Daily Evening Journal." I am, very sincerely,  
MRS. FRANCES E. B. WHITE,  
Cor. Sec'y, O. F. W. C.

# FOUR LOSE LIVES IN A HOTEL FIRE

Houston, Tex., Nov. 3.—As a result of the burning of the Silver Queen hotel in the South Lake oil field today four persons were burned to death and two fatally injured. The dead: C. E. Lewis, Los Hamilton, and John Smith and wife. The origin of the fire is unknown.

# PORTLAND SYNDICATE BEGINS WORK IN MINE

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 3.—Roderick S. Macleay of Portland, representing a syndicate which has put \$100,000 in a copper and gold mine known as Hayes property, at Albert canal, on the west coast of Vancouver Island, is in the city. He has inspected the property and is well satisfied. Work has already commenced on the claim, which has been idle, owing to litigation, for a long time previous to new capital being introduced. The ore will probably be shipped to the Tacoma smelter.

# PANESSE LOSE IN ASSAULT ON FORT

Crymen Mowed Down by Heavy Russian Fire—Blockade Runners Continually Succeed.

(Journal Special Service.)  
London, Nov. 3.—(Bulletin.)—Intense artillery firing along the lines morning indicates that the big battle will commence at any hour. Each side is waiting for an attack.  
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London, Nov. 3.—Advices from Port Arthur state the Japanese yesterday were in the trenches about 100 yards from the fort. The Japanese were charged repeatedly, but were driven down by a heavy Russian fire. The Japanese abandoned the attack after sustaining heavy losses. The Russians are now constantly attacking and are being hurled to the line.  
The Japanese precautions Chinese are continuing smuggling provisions into Port Arthur. More than six steamers making vast fortunes running blockade. On an average the Japanese sink one out of every three blockade runners, but the process obtained from her two more than cover the loss of vessel.  
American firms with agents at Port Arthur are doing a big business with the Chinese. One firm withdrew from the market after losing four junk vessels. Others continue to accept orders, but have doubled their price since November 1, owing to the news Japanese attack.

# WHITE GIRL HELD IN A CHINESE DEN

Makes Captivity Known by Dropping Note at Policeman's Feet Through Crack in the Prison Wall.

(Journal Special Service.)  
Los Angeles, Nov. 3.—Pinned up and held a prisoner for more than a year behind bolted doors in a Chinese den, on North Los Angeles street, Miss Rose A. Hall, a pretty 18-year-old American girl, sought help today by dropping the following note from a crack in the wall:  
"If you would do a service to a suffering girl go at once to the police and tell them I am being held a prisoner here in a Chinese den. For a long time I have been trying to escape, but have always failed, so carefully have I been watched. In this lies my only hope of liberty."  
"ROSE A. HALL."  
The note was picked up by Policeman Butler. It had been hastily scribbled with a lead pencil upon a piece of yellow paper. The policeman communicated with headquarters and an investigation followed.  
The Chinese by whom the girl was held is Mook Chook, one of the wealthiest Chinese in Los Angeles, who has a store at 413 North Los Angeles street, in a room above which Miss Hall was confined.  
Chook exhibited an application for a marriage certificate. It was attested by Samuel Prager, a notary public, in the Bullard block, and signed by Miss Hall and the Chinese. The document cited that the two had been together since October 10, 1902. It is upon this document that the case hinges as far as action on the part of the police is possible.  
Chook readily admitted that the girl was in his house but refused to allow her to be seen. He claims she has no desire to leave him. This is not the first time that it has been heard that Chook was keeping a pretty American girl imprisoned in his den. A few months ago he was arrested and a hapless young woman was released from his strong hold.

## The Result Is in Doubt

If you ask a Democrat. It's a cinch for Roosevelt if you ask a Republican—but if you really want to know what the votes say and hear the voice of the ballot-box, drop around to The Journal office tonight.

There are fifteen states whose vote is more or less in doubt and if you are anxious to know certainly who is elected, you can read the returns on a screen set opposite the Fifth street front of The Journal office.

By special arrangement The Journal will have a corps of workers all over the United States busy tonight gathering the latest news from the polls and flashing it by telegraph into The Journal office. You can get the benefit of the best information to be had if you will be on hand to watch the bulletining of

### ELECTION RETURNS TONIGHT

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President John E. Kelly, of the City Liquor Dealers' Association, said at 3 o'clock this afternoon: "There is every indication that we have defeated prohibition by about five to one. I have visited 17 polling-places, and received from each a message of congratulation upon which I base my conclusion."  
"The apathy shown in all the precincts