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WELLMAN, REPUBLICAN WRITER, ACKNOWLEDGES LEADERS ARE MUCH ALARMED OVER ROCKEFELLER'S FRIENDSHIP FOR TAFT

Chicago, Nov. 2.—Walter Wellman wired to the Record-Herald today from New York: "Election week dawned with the Republican leaders outwardly confident but inwardly nervous. The Democratic managers are hopeful, as usual. All signs point to Taft's triumph, but there are many unanswered questions, among which is, 'Has John D. Rockefeller Burchardized Taft?'"

"There is no good reason for believing that Rockefeller has stampeded the American people. The American voter is not hysterical. He has passed that stage. Nineteen men out of 20 had made up their minds how they would vote before Rockefeller declared himself for Taft. And yet great anxiety does exist over the effect of Rockefeller's announcement. It accentuates the tendency of the hour."

The War of the 'Tendencies.'
"This tendency, most clearly, is toward a protest against undue power of wealth in legislation and politics. Roosevelt, Bryan, LaFollette, Aldrich and Cannon have helped it along, each in his way. The panic made it worse. Dear living and short employment contribute. The reversal of the Standard Oil fine egged it on. Hearst's expose of the Standard Oil's efforts to control statesmen, legislation, politics, the press, even lecturers and writers, aggravates the difficulty. Labor makes war on Taft, aided by all these conditions. And upon top of it all comes Rockefeller. It is no wonder that many Republicans fear that may be the last straw."

Why Did John D. Do It?
"New York is close; Ohio is close; Indiana is close. In these three states the presidency is to be decided. If any or all of them are saved to Taft, it is the influence of the commercial and employing classes aroused in the last two weeks after months of apathy, that will do it."

"What the Republicans fear it that Rockefeller may turn just enough votes to change the result. Why did Rockefeller come out for Taft? Is there a scheme behind it? Is it a trick as President Roosevelt has called it? I will give the opinions of the best informed and best men here on this score:

"It was not a trick. There is no bargain—no secret story behind it. Rockefeller has always been a Republican. He likes Taft and does not like Bryan. He wants Taft elected, just as millions of other Republicans do. When the heads of large corporations set in motion a movement to rouse the business interests and to raise money for the Republican managers, Rockefeller was aware of their efforts. He knew there was alarm and knew that vigorous effort was required to keep Bryan out of the White House. He was willing to give money; but that was declined."

Say John D. Simply Blundered.
"Rockefeller does not dream of the tremendous unpopularity he 'enjoys' in this country. Men never see themselves as others see them. He believed the muckraking period had passed—that he was condoned, respected. He believed his influence was great among business men, and as an effort was being made to arouse the business interests, why should he not do what he could? So, in innocence of his Croesus-like isolation from the heart and temper of the American people, he spoke out. Hitchcock would have been willing to give him a million dollars to keep his mouth shut."

Say G. O. P. Has No Oil Coin.
"Has the Standard Oil a secret bargain with the Republican managers? None in the world. Most of the Standard Oil people, like Rockefeller, are Republicans. They all abhor Roosevelt and were not at first favorable to Taft. But, like many other men of affairs who hate Roosevelt, they prefer Roosevelt's candidate to the uncertain Bryan."

"Six weeks ago, when the Republican war chest was nearly empty and Chairman Hitchcock had, time and again, to change his plan of campaign and hold things back for lack of funds, liberal subscriptions were offered by individuals connected with the Standard Oil. Rockefeller included. There was a council of war. The money was tempting, very tempting, but in the end it was decided that the committee could not afford to accept the Standard's offerings. The checks were returned."

SEARCHLIGHT TO GIVE NEWS

Huge Reflector on Top of The Journal Building Will Flash Signals Telling How Taft and Bryan Stand as the Count Progresses.

The Journal has made arrangements to give the people of Portland the most complete and reliable information tomorrow night concerning the results of the election. It will not be necessary for them to wait until the paper comes out to know how things are going. All one needs to do is to look out of the window toward The Journal building at any time during the evening in order to learn which candidate is in the lead.

A Word from Mr. Bryan

Lincoln Neb
Oct. 20-1908

Fellow Citizens:
The campaign is drawing to a close; the issues have been set forth in the platforms; the arguments of the candidates have been presented; and the verdict is about to be rendered. Every state in the Union shows Democratic gains, and there is no doubt of a Democratic victory if all who favor our policies vote and have their votes counted. I write to urge you to see to it that every Democratic vote in your precinct is polled early and counted. We desire a popular majority as well as your vote is needed to offset a Republican vote some where else, even if not needed in your locality. Work! Vote! And then you can rejoice the more heartily in the victory.
W. J. Bryan

Autograph Letter of Address to Voters by Mr. Bryan.

DEATH BLOW TO INDEPENDENTS

Leaders in Idaho Desert the Party to Follow Other Standards.

Boise, Idaho, Nov. 2.—The Independence party was given a death blow in Idaho today by a statement issued by C. C. Fuller, state chairman, and E. V. Johnson, candidate for governor. Fuller announced that he would support the Democratic ticket, state and national, and Johnson stated that he would support the Republican nominee. Fuller was the organizer of the party in this state, but he says that the issues raised by the Independence league have been taken up by the Democrats.

Logger Fatally Crushed.

Astoria, Or., Nov. 2.—Lester Holms, employed as a wharf boy at camp No. 2 of the Pacific Logging company, on Grays river, was fatally injured this morning by being smashed between two logging cars. He died while being brought to Astoria. He was born here.

DUTCH SHIPS COST TO ELOPE TWO MILLIONS

Pittsburg Girl Believed to Have Incurred This Expensive Forfeiture.

San Francisco, Nov. 2.—Believing that Edward P. Shore, son of the Wisconsin and Michigan millionaire lumber magnate, and Miss Berly Hedrick, a 19-year-old Pittsburg girl of prominent family, are living quietly in this city, following an elopement, the police are seeking them. The chief of police today received a request from the Pittsburg authorities to detain them, although no charge has been brought against them in Pittsburg.

Kern in Ohio.

Toledo, Ohio, Nov. 2.—John W. Kern, Democratic candidate for the vice-presidency, is closing the campaign in Ohio today. He is scheduled for his last speech at a mass meeting here tonight. After tonight Kern will go direct to Indianapolis, where he will vote tomorrow and await the election returns at his home.

Hattie M. Butler.

Hillsboro, Or., Nov. 2.—Miss Hattie M. Butler died at the family residence here yesterday of tuberculosis. She was a daughter of the late Isaac Butler, one of the pioneer settlers of this country. A mother and several brothers and sisters survive.

More Warships to Be Sent to Join Those Now in Caribbean Waters—Castro Has an Army of 20,000 to Repel Any Invasion.

The Hague, Nov. 2.—War was virtually declared on Venezuela today when the Dutch government ordered a blockade of all Venezuelan ports. Orders were sent to the commanders of the Dutch battleships at Willemstad directing that a blockade should be enforced, beginning today. The government is preparing to send more warships.

The blockade of the Venezuelan ports was ordered by Holland after several months of delay in treating with President Castro. It is believed here that Holland is prepared to fight and will send troops to Venezuela to enforce her demands if necessary.

Yesterday was the last day as the limit of time for Venezuela to revoke the decree of President Castro, issued May 14, prohibiting the trans-shipment of goods for Venezuelan ports at Curacao, virtually placing a ban on Dutch goods. Castro refused to reverse his decree.

Advises received here state that Castro has mobilized 20,000 troops, which are ready to resist the blockade. The troops are under the command of General Nicholas Rolando, a former revolutionary leader.

It is stated here that the cruiser Utrecht will be sent to Venezuela from here and that the Dutch cruisers in the Caribbean sea and the East Indies will be rushed to enforce the blockade.

TAFT PLEADS FOR LIFE OF HIS PARTY ADMITS BRYAN HAS GOOD CHANCE

Calls It the Party of Good Times and Says Bryan Is Dangerous Man—Final Appeal to Be Made in His Home State.

Walter Wellman Predicts Taft Will Have Majority of Electoral Votes but Warns Republicans That There May Be Surprises.

Dunkirk, N. Y., Nov. 2.—Stopping here en route to Cleveland from Buffalo, Judge Taft was greeted by over 5,000 persons today. Most of the people in the crowd were laborers and their greeting of the Republican candidate was enthusiastic.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—While admitting the possibility of Bryan's election, Walter Wellman's final estimate of the probable result gives Taft 260 electoral votes, Bryan 172, with 51 votes doubtful.

When Taft appeared on the platform of the train Mrs. Taft accompanied him and there was a tremendous shout from the crowd. Someone rushed up to the train and thrust a large bunch of chrysanthemums into Mrs. Taft's hands. She smiled and bowed to the crowd while the cheering continued.

In reaching this conclusion he places in the Taft column a number of states which are admittedly "close," such as New York, New Jersey, West Virginia, South Dakota and Oregon.

The states classified by Wellman as doubtful are Nebraska, Colorado, Indiana and Ohio. He believes that Nebraska will give a majority for Taft, but says that the other three are likely to be found in the Bryan column.

The states which Wellman gives to Taft are as follows:

California 10
Connecticut 7
Delaware 3
Idaho 3
Illinois 27
Iowa 13
Kansas 6
Maine 6
Massachusetts 14
Michigan 16
Minnesota 17
Mississippi 7
Montana 3
Nebraska 12
Nevada 3
New Hampshire 4
New Jersey 12
New York 39
North Dakota 3
Oregon 4
Pennsylvania 34
Rhode Island 4
South Dakota 4
Utah 3
Vermont 4
Washington 12
West Virginia 13
Wisconsin 17
Wyoming 3

Total 260
Following are the states placed in the Bryan column:

Alabama 11
Arkansas 9
Florida 5
Georgia 12
Kentucky 12
Louisiana 9
Maryland 9
Mississippi 10
Missouri 10
Montana 3
Nevada 3
New Hampshire 4
North Carolina 7
South Carolina 9
Tennessee 12
Texas 12
Virginia 12

Total 172
The four states given as doubtful are as follows:

Colorado 5
Indiana 13
Nebraska 15
Ohio 23

Total 55
Wellman's forecast is published in the Chicago Record-Herald, a Republican paper, which is supporting Taft. In all his recent articles Wellman has warned Republicans of the possibility of surprise on election day and has intimated that Rockefeller's swing in favor of Taft may turn the scale in Bryan's favor.

RIOTERS LOOT SHOPS IN CHINA

Indignation Aroused by Sentiment Against the Jap Boycott.

Hongkong, Nov. 2.—Two hundred rioters are under arrest for the looting of more than two dozen shops, the owners of which advocated the abandonment of the anti-Japanese boycott. The police have been armed and strenuous measures are being taken to prevent a repetition of the disorders of yesterday.

HALLOWEEN PRANK IS FATAL

Mischievous Trick of Neighbor Boys Causes Death of Aged Katrina Dahlquist on Barnes Road Farm—Excitement Brings on Acute Heart Disease.

Katrina Dahlquist, aged 83, who resided on a farm on the Barnes road with her son, John Dahlquist, died Sunday morning from an acute attack of heart disease, thought to have been brought on through worry over the Halloween prank of neighbor boys who stole two of the Dahlquist farm wagons.

Mrs. Dahlquist had resided in Washington county, four miles from Portland, for over 40 years. She and her son had a small farm where they raised fruit and vegetables which are hauled into the city for marketing. Saturday night a gang of boys who live near made away with two of their farm wagons and on arising Sunday morning the aged woman found them missing from the barn. She hurried into the house and notified her son, who started on a search for them, and finding them not far from the house, returned to find his mother unconscious on the front porch, suffering from an attack of heart disease.

The mother had experienced many such attacks during the past few years, but it is thought that this one was not so serious. She had been very nervous and had been told that she would have done it had they not been so late. She was very nervous and had been told that she would have done it had they not been so late.

"I did hold it against the boys at first," said Mr. Dahlquist, this morning, "but I think now that they never would have done it had they not been so late. She was very nervous and had been told that she would have done it had they not been so late."

Mrs. Dahlquist, who has been a widow for 43 years and is survived by two sons, John D. and O. N. Dahlquist, and a daughter, Mrs. Anna Larson, who lives at Ostrander, Wash. The body is to be shipped to Ostrander for burial.

Oregon's Manufacturing Opportunity

"The only sound basis upon which any community can be built is by encouraging investment of foreign capital and home savings; by refraining from the passage of laws that look toward the confiscation of said investment; the education of the people in the use of home products, and the creation of a market for raw material," said B. S. Josselyn, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company. "If enterprises are choked by the fear of seizure, the whole community is bound to suffer. With Oregon the best place on earth in which to live, and presenting so many virgin opportunities for development, and with personal activity and initiative on the part of her citizens, nothing can prevent Portland from remaining the metropolis of the northwest and becoming a city of 350,000 people within the next five years."