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REID DEFENSE TURNS TABLES ON THE PROSECUTION

MISSOURI IN REPUBLICAN COLUMN

Unofficial Returns Almost Complete Give Taft the State by 935—Hadley, Republican, Is Undoubtedly Governor—Stone, Senator.

With Missouri in the Republican columns Taft will probably have 327 electoral votes. Maryland has gone for Taft by 146 votes and it may require an official count to determine the final result.

(United Press Leased Wire.) St. Louis, Nov. 5.—This afternoon the returns show that Taft has carried this state by 935, according to unofficial returns which are almost complete.

Attorney-General Hadley, Republican, undoubtedly has been elected governor over Edward Demerutis. The nomination of Senator William J. Stone for reelection over Governor Joseph W. Folk is assured and Stone's majority is now estimated at 16,000.

Five and possibly six Republican congressmen have been elected. Eighteen counties and a few scattering precincts had not reported today but it is believed these will increase the vote for Taft.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 5.—Returns at 11 o'clock today indicate that Taft will carry the state by a plurality of 146 votes. One county is yet to be heard from. The official count was begun today. The result will not be known positively until it is completed.

FRISCO'S VOTE ON SUPERIOR JUDGES

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, Nov. 5.—The complete vote in San Francisco on superior judges was as follows: For the long term, four to be elected: John E. Hunt, Republican and Independence party, 30,364; John J. Van Norstrand, Republican and Union Labor, 20,000.

STOCK MARKET GROWS WEAKER

Loses What It Gained at Yesterday's Session of the Exchanges.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Nov. 5.—A reduction in the price of steel rails was made today by the United States Steel corporation, according to reports by Wall street. The extent of the reduction is said to be quite heavy, but the exact size is at present unknown.

HERE IS TAFT'S CABINET

Oscar Straus Will Probably Be Only Exception in List as Herewith Prepared—Loeb Will Be Honored by President-Elect.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Cincinnati, Ohio, Nov. 5.—It is a good guess that, with the possible exception of Oscar S. Straus, for secretary of commerce and labor, President Taft will announce the following cabinet March 4: Secretary of State—Elihu Root, New York; Secretary of the Treasury—George Von Meyer, Massachusetts; Secretary of War—Luke E. Wright, Tennessee; Postmaster-General—Frank H. Hitchcock, Massachusetts.

TAFT CARRIES OREGON BY 25,000

Incomplete Returns Indicate That His Plurality Will Not Fall Far Below That Figure—Has Lead in Every County of State.

Taft's plurality in Oregon, according to present indications, will be slightly less than 25,000, though it may run a trifle above that figure. Returns are still incomplete in a number of counties, but with about 100,000 votes counted and reported, Taft has 69,160 and Bryan 44,181. These partial figures give Taft a lead of 25,000, which will probably be increased by about 800 or 900 votes when all precincts are heard from.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Salem, Or., Nov. 5.—According to an unofficial count, nearly 1,000 more votes were cast in Marion county for United States senator last June than for presidential electors this week. The total vote for United States senator was 7,001 while the total vote for presidential electors as far as is known, is not more than 6,800. The vote in six small precincts is yet unknown and cannot be determined until the official count is completed this evening.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Astoria, Or., Nov. 5.—Complete unofficial returns from all precincts in Clatsop county give Taft a plurality of 820. The vote received by each one of the candidates is as follows: Taft 1,484, Bryan 657, Chafin 49, Debs 284, Hilsen 5.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dalles, Or., Nov. 5.—Complete returns from Wasco county give Taft 1,324.

HOODLUMS GET SMELL OF JAIL

Festive Custom That Has Been a Bane in Vancouver Gets a Jolt.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 5.—Boys in this city who make it a practice to secure handouts whenever there is a wedding will probably be a little more careful in the future if they have any dislike to spending a few hours in the city jail.

SECTION MEN'S WAGES REDUCED

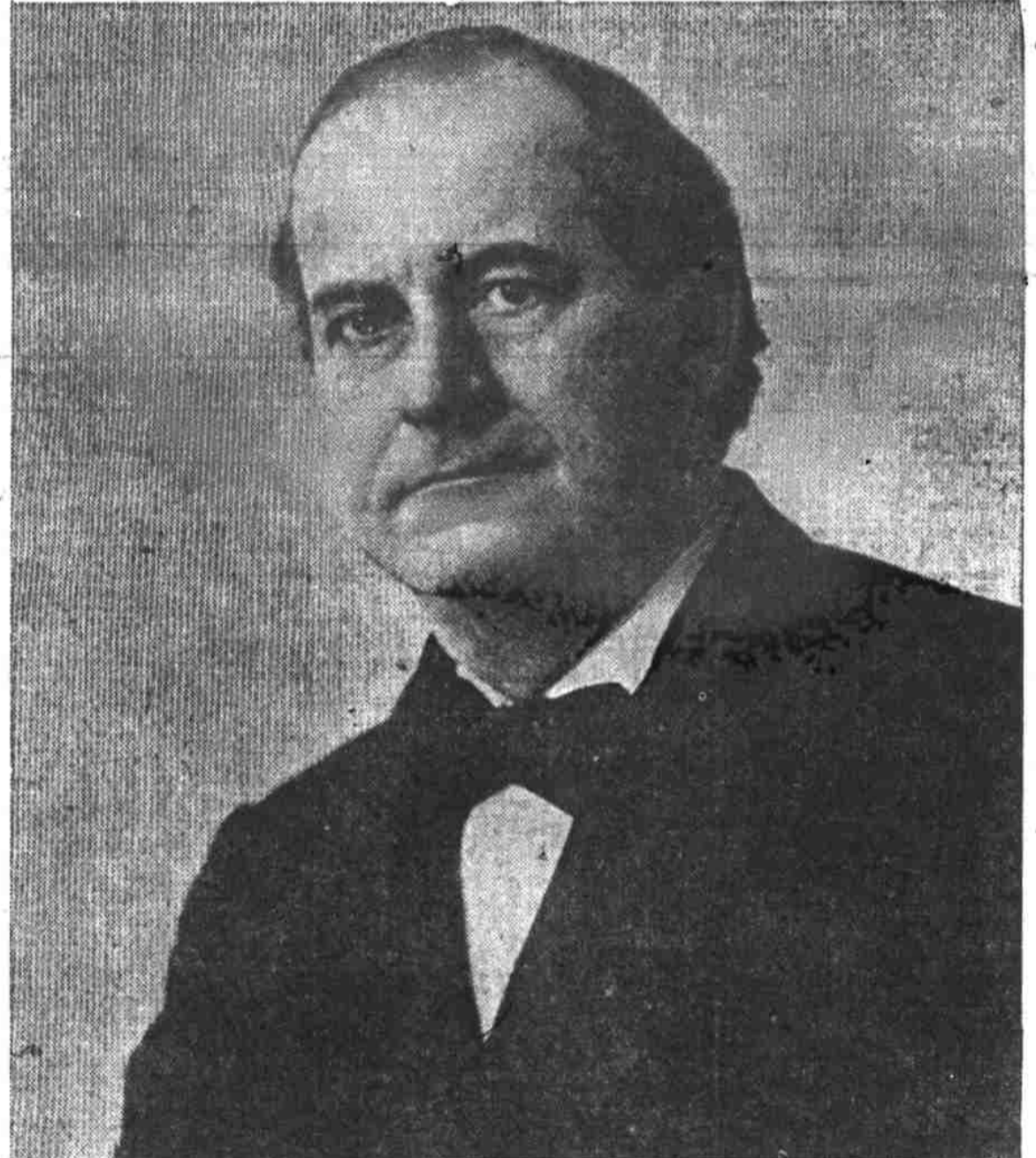
Lo Crosse, Wis., Nov. 5.—A reduction to \$1.25 per day in the wages of section hands and the discontinuance of all improvement work here was ordered today by the management of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad.

HENRY WATTERSON'S TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 5.—Reviewing the presidential election, Colonel Henry Watterson in the Courier-Journal today said:

"The result of Tuesday's election shows conclusively that a great majority of the people of the controlling section of the union are well content with things as they are; that it is better to endure the conceded shortcomings of the party in power than embark upon an unknown sea of continuous agitation; that Bryan meant this, while Taft meant rest; in short, a dollar, thought tainted, in hand, is worth a bush full of patriotic abstractions.

"There is something yet better than being president of the United States and that is the real sense of duty done. Tilden will live in history when Hayes is forgotten or execrated. History will say of Bryan that in three great popular movements, clouded sometimes by errors of judgment and obstructed always by corruption—as we know by insurmountable corruption—he led sublimely; that he set before his countrymen the standards alike of God and truth; and that he went down beaten, with clean hands and high repute, carrying with him the homage of patriotic men."



William Jennings Bryan.

BILLY GATENS IS ALLFIRE LUCKY

(United Press Leased Wire.) Salem, Or., Nov. 5.—So far as is known, W. N. Gatens, secretary to Governor Chamberlain, is the only Democrat in Oregon who won a strictly partisan election wager. An overzealous supporter of the president-elect bet Gatens that Bryan would get no more electoral votes than did Parker four years ago, even though Oklahoma's five electoral votes, which were almost certain to be cast for Bryan, had been added to the list since Parker's campaign. The wager was a small one.

MR. BRYAN WIRES CONGRATULATIONS TO PRESIDENT-ELECT

(United Press Leased Wire.) Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 5.—Convinced by more complete returns from the doubtful states and close states that Taft has been elected, Bryan today sent the following telegram: "William H. Taft, Cincinnati, Ohio—Please accept my congratulations and best wishes for the success of your administration. (Signed) "W. J. BRYAN."

EUROPEAN TRADERS BEHIND THE BOYCOTT

(United Press Leased Wire.) Tokio, Nov. 5.—It is intimated here by Japanese diplomats that the sudden outbreak against Japanese and Japanese goods in Hongkong was carefully and cunningly premeditated by Chinese officials. Velled hints are made that the Chinese were instigated to the plot by European merchants.

SOCIALIST VOTE ABOUT 525,000

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Nov. 5.—Secretary Barnes of the national committee of the Socialist party today estimated that the total Socialist vote would not exceed 525,000. The vote of Illinois, according to Barnes, will barely reach 50,000. Oklahoma showed the largest gain, with a vote of 17,000, compared with 4,400 in 1904.

G. O. P. CLAIMS OKLAHOMA YET

(United Press Leased Wire.) Guthrie, Okla., Nov. 5.—The official count will be required to settle the congressional race in the Third district, which heretofore has been a Democratic stronghold. Morgan apparently has defeated his Democratic opponent by 2,000. The Republicans still claim the state for Taft.

VAULT LOOTED OF STAMPED ENVELOPES

Old Leather Carrier Satchels Stuffed Into Boxes Which Had Been Robbed—Shortages discovered After Straus Has Left Postoffice

That several leather carriers' satchels were found in the vaults in boxes supposed to have been filled with stamped envelopes was brought out this morning in the hearing before United States Commissioner Cannon of Charles A. Straus, the suspended cashier of the Portland postoffice who has been charged with embezzlement. They were discovered May 5 or 6. Straus left the office in April. The stamped envelopes supposed to have been in the boxes were worth \$212.

That some one else got the money is evidently to be the defense of Straus, who has been charged with a shortage in his accounts of \$4,000. The defense has also endeavored to show that there has been considerable personal feeling between the postmaster and Straus for some time and that incidentally politics had been injected into the game.

Miss Ella E. Bollman, who has been in the cashier's office three years as Straus' assistant and who is now in charge of the work, was on the stand this morning and stated that she has heard a conversation between Mr. Minto and Mr. Straus which was to the effect that she (Miss Bollman) was to be replaced by Dr. J. S. Storey, from Washington, who had worked in the department there.

Miss Bollman said this morning that she had overheard the conversation about putting Storey in her place. Charles J. Schabel, Straus' attorney, clashed with the postmaster while on the stand, and it was necessary several times for the commissioner to interfere. It was intimated by the attorney that Minto had written to Washington, endeavoring to have Storey placed. This (Continued on Page Thirteen.)

TESTIMONY IS STRONG FOR DEFENSE

State Despairs of Convicting Small Boy Charged With Killing G. F. De Mars—Witnesses Say Lad Was Cursed and Threatened.



Chase Jackson Reid.

The case of little Jackson Reid, charged with the murder of George F. De Mars at Government Island, just outside of this city and within the lines of the Lewis and Clark fair grounds, is one of the most remarkable that has been tried in Portland for years. The boy was supposed to have shot the man down in a fit of bad temper and without provocation. Today the defense presents an entirely new side of the shooting, the details of which are of more than usual interest.

There is every probability that Chase Jackson Reid will not be convicted of the murder of George F. De Mars. It is the general opinion of those who have listened to the testimony that the state has failed entirely in its attempt to prove its case and the chances are that the jury will acquit the 12-year-old homicide, perhaps without leaving the box.

Even the attorneys for the state admit this. During the cross examination of LaFayette Fenech, witness for the defense, Deputy District Attorney Thad Vreeland, in reply to Mr. Fenech's statement that he believed the boy had an honorable career before him, if not stopped by the trial, said: "I don't think the boy is in much danger."

A large number of witnesses were put on by the defense this morning, in addition to those examined yesterday afternoon. The defense is that the boy killed De Mars in self-defense, fearing that the man was about to do him and the other children some bodily injury, possibly to kill them.

The most important witness along this line was Vivian Harn, who witnessed the killing and who testified that De Mars was running at the boy with an up-raised ear, cursing and swearing and threatening to "fix him." Harn said, when first called to the stand yesterday afternoon, that with his little sister he was fishing on the island on the day of the tragedy. He heard a man swearing and using vile language, and started to warn him to stop because there was a little girl within hearing, but he saw that the man was rowing rapidly toward the land. Thereupon he told his little sister to remain where she was and he would see what he could do.

SAWS NECK WITH OLD KNIFE BLADE

James Doran, 60 Years Old, Attempts Suicide at The Dalles.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) The Dalles, Or., Nov. 5.—Cutting a deep gash in his throat, severing the muscles over the windpipe, James Doran, 60 years of age, attempted suicide in this city Wednesday morning about 5 o'clock, while intoxicated. He used a dull pocketknife, which was found, closed, and covered with blood, in his pocket.

Doran was picked up by Chief of Police Harper about 9 o'clock Wednesday morning, wandering along the alley back of the Hotel Gerlinger, weak from loss of blood. He was covered with gore and cobwebs, indicating that he must have been in some out-of-the-way place when he attempted suicide. Doran was taken to the police station by the chief, and Mr. Love was called. Doran was taken to The Dalles sanatorium, where Dr. Lowe dressed his wounds, taking several stitches. He must have been in some out-of-the-way place when he attempted suicide. Doran is a bachelor, living alone 10 miles from this city, on a ranch. He has fits of mental aberration and drinks heavily. He has no recollection of having tried to kill himself, which he did by "sawing" with the dull knife, an act which must have taken several strokes to do, as the wound was very jagged.

GROW OR GO

"The question of educating the people up to a point where they will call for, and demand, Oregon-made goods is one that should be given a great deal of publicity in order to bring it home to the consumer," said M. G. Thorsen, of the firm of Fisher-Thorsen company. "From our own experience, we find when people learn that our goods are just as reliable as the well-advertised eastern lines, they patronize us in preference. But the point of calling for 'Oregon-made goods' is absolutely necessary if we are to keep pace with our rapidly progressing sister states to the north and south of us. It is either a question of 'grow or go,' so let the people of Oregon assist in the growing process and patronize their home manufacturers."