

PRESENT OUTLOOK IS NECK AND NECK RACE WITH WILSON IN LEAD

Gilson Gardner Predicts President Will Carry California; Maine Is Discussed.

Although not willing to hazard a prediction on the outcome of the presidential election in November so early in the campaign, Gilson Gardner, Washington correspondent of the Newspaper Enterprise association and well-known writer on national politics, says that the present time outlook is for a neck-and-neck vote. Mr. Gardner arrived in the city yesterday from California on "a swing around the circle."

"Governor Johnson will be elected senator in California by an overwhelming vote," he said, "and it is my opinion that Wilson will carry the state, too."

"There are many things to be taken into consideration in estimating President Wilson's strength. In Maine, according to form, the Republicans have carried the state by 25,000. As it was their majority was 13,000—some 12,000 below form."

Labor Is Strongly Wilson.
"The question of tariff undoubtedly entered into the Maine election but the 12,000 votes that the Republicans did not get were Wilson votes."

"Beyond a doubt the united labor vote is behind President Wilson. It was for him before the passage of the 'eight hour' law. The passage of this act simply strengthened the president with labor."

"Not long ago a California labor man was asked why he would support Wilson. He replied, 'The Clayton act, the Keating bill and the appointment of Brandeis to the supreme court.'"

"This reply shows considerable thinking as all three have made for the advance of labor, especially the appointment of Brandeis, for, in the final analysis, it is the supreme court that passes ultimately on all our laws."

"Again there is the pacifist vote. None can estimate its strength. None can judge the power of the women of this country in influencing this vote. We have preparedness parades but no peace parades."

Peace Vote for Wilson.

"But there is a peace vote—none can say how large—especially in the middle west. This vote will be for Wilson because he has kept us out of war. Remember what Henry Ford did in the presidential primaries in Michigan and in Nebraska, and he was not an avowed candidate."

"Among the bulk of the people there is a big Wilson sentiment. I don't know how much theatre applause indicates but I know that in California in the motion picture theatres the flashing of President Wilson's likeness on the screen always brings great applause. And I think motion picture house audiences are representative of the bulk of the people."

Hill Says Real Issue Not Fixed

President of Great Northern Declares Wilson's "Steam Roller" Methods Failed to Fix Wage Dispute.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 26.—(P. N. S.)—Here for a special conference with Great Northern officials, Louis W. Hill, president of that railway, today characterized the eight-hour law as "not by any means a real settlement of the railroad strike."

"The real issue of the strike—wages—was not settled in President Wilson's steam rolling process," said Mr. Hill, "and that issue at stake is yet to come. His action may have been a political move, but it certainly expressed a serious lack of knowledge of actual railway conditions. Government railway mail clerks are sometimes required to work more than eight hours a day and yet President Wilson, in his speech, declared that society generally had accepted the eight-hour day."

Mr. Hill said no extensions of the Great Northern in either Oregon or Washington are contemplated.

Mistaken for Deer, Was Only Wounded

George Van Auker of Medford Shot in Jaw by E. E. Kirkendall Is First Accident of Season.

Klamath Falls, Or., Sept. 26.—George Van Auker a farmer living near Medford was shot for a deer by E. E. Kirkendall. The shot happened in the mountains west of here Wednesday, according to reports.

Kirkendall fired at what he believed to be a deer moving in the brush. The bullet entered Van Auker's jaw and went out back of the ear. The assistance of Dr. R. R. Hamilton, who was also hunting in that territory was secured, so that the wounded man received immediate attention. He will recover. This is the first accident reported this season.

Equitable Quits Business.

Olympia, Wash., Sept. 26.—(P. N. S.)—State Auditor C. W. Clausen continued to place in the mail today letters to stockholders and members of the Equitable Savings, Loan & Investment Association of Seattle, saying that that organization could "no longer continue business." The letter says an investigation of the books of the company, headed by H. O. Shroy, club man, showed the impossibility of continuing and cautioned the stockholders not to pay any more money into its treasury.

The books were removed to the county courthouse in Seattle where they are being gone over once again.

Company L Home.

Dallas, Or., Sept. 26.—Company L, 57 strong, arrived home at 8:50 last night and nearly the whole town was at the depot to meet the boys. A formal reception arranged by the Patriotic League will be given at the Armory Wednesday evening. J. R. Craven, president of the Commercial club, will preside. Judge H. H. Belt will deliver the address of welcome.

You Will Soon Need

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SPORTSMEN!—Duck and Pheasant Season

opens October first. We are ready with all standard makes of guns and ammunition. Expert gun cleaning and repairing. —Sporting Goods Shop, Basement Balcony.

Charge Purchases

tomorrow and balance of this month go on the October accounts and are made

Payable November First

Meier & Frank Co. THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND

SILVER 1/2 PRICE

and less than half. Discontinued patterns in "World Brand" medium knives and forks; dessert knives, forks, spoons; teaspoons, table-spoons, berry spoons, orange spoons, baby spoons; sugar tongs, butter knives, pie servers, ladies, etc. Hurry! They're going fast. —Silverware Shop, Main Floor

SUITS TAILORED TO YOUR ORDER

—Imported and domestic models now on display, together with samples of materials, trimmings, etc., for individual selection. —Apparel Shop, Fourth Floor

We Are Prepared for a Busy Wednesday---Read and You Will Realize Why!

Eyeglasses Special \$3.50

—The same expert careful attention at this special price as if the regular charge were made. Your eyes examined by our registered optometrists and glasses prescribed (only when needed) to your individual requirements. Lenses in gold-filled mountings. —Optical Shop, Balcony, 6th St.

250 Pairs Scrim Curtains to Be Closed Out Tomorrow

—Plain, hemstitched scrim curtains of excellent weave and make. Four different grades in the lot of 250—every pair at a worth-while saving:

Table with 3 columns: Value, Reduced to, Value for. 85c Values Reduced to 59c, 2.00-2.75 Values for \$1.19, 1.30-1.75 Values for 95c, 3.00-4.00 Values for \$1.98

What Fashion Favors in Women's Neckwear Here!

—Neckwear is distinctive this Fall—the shapes are entirely new and many fabrics never used before have appeared. For instance:

- Broadcloth and Satin Collars—Hand-embroidered or plain, pinked, picot or lace edged, 98c to \$3.50. —Broadcloth Vests—Latest addition to the tailored costume—just in, \$2.50 to \$4.50. —Hand-Embroidered Georgettes—Large and small collars, Val. lace or fluted edges. 48c to \$7.50. —Fine Net Neckwear—That lightens the dark frock or suit. Hand embroidered, fluted or frilled edges, some jet trimmed. White and exquisite color effects. \$2.50 to \$7.50. —Neckwear Shop, Main Floor.

\$15-\$16.50 Bags \$11.85

—Men's and women's fine black traveling bags in all leathers and sizes. High grade bags that will give a lifetime of service and always look good. Tomorrow only \$11.85.

\$10.00 Cowhide Suitcases \$7.25

—New, just received in a special purchase. Good, heavy leather cases with strongly reinforced edges and 1 1/4-inch straps all around. —Luggage Shop, Sixth Floor

Solid Tomatoes, Can 9c

—Best quality, solid packed, No. 2 1/2 cans. Dozen \$1.05.

- Swift's Empire Brand Bacon, Eastern cured, whole or half strips, lb. 25c. Empson's Cut String Beans, No. 2 cans, 12 1/2c grade, dozen \$1.15, can 10c. Okra, McIlhenny's, No. 2 cans, dozen \$1.65, can 14c. Eastern Wax Beans, Ferndell brand, dozen \$1.75, can 15c. Empson's Peas, 25c grade, dozen \$2.35, can 20c; 20c grade, dozen \$2, can 17c; 15c grade, dozen \$1.45, can 12 1/2c. Grated Pineapple, Diamond W brand, No. 2 cans, doz. \$1.45, can 12 1/2c. Pickled Walnuts, or Onions, Cross & Blackwell's, dozen \$2.75, bottle 25c. Tree Tea, English Breakfast, Ceylon or Oriental, 1-lb. packages 38c. Royal Banquet Butter, churned fresh daily, roll 72c. Victor Coffee, our 30c freshly roasted grade, lb. 25c. —Ninth Floor, Fifth Street

Special Prices on Room-Size Rugs

—Full assortments, all desirable patterns and colors.

Seamless Tapestry Brussels

Table with 2 columns: Size, Price. 8-3x10-6 Size \$13.85, 9-0x12-0 Size \$14.95

Seamless Velvet Rugs

Table with 2 columns: Size, Price. 8-3x10-6 Size \$17.85, 9-0x12-0 Size \$19.85

Axminster, Heavy Quality

Table with 2 columns: Size, Price. 8-3x10-6 Size \$17.85, 9-0x12-0 Size \$19.85

\$3.25 Electric Boudoir Lamps at \$2.39

—Exactly 100 boudoir or desk lamps in mahogany finish with shades in pretty colors of pink, red, blue, etc. Lamp stands 12 inches high. Complete with shade, 6 feet electric cord, socket and Mazda bulb. Exactly as illustrated. —Basement, Fifth Street

THIS GALA EVENT FOR MEN New Soft FELT HATS for Fall

\$1.50 1200 On Sale Tomorrow —Exactly 100 dozen—a lucky purchase for which we and you are to be congratulated. NEW; every one, the output of a manufacturer who made a big price concession hoping to secure thereby part of our steady business. We quote no comparative price, but we will match these hats against any \$2 headgear we've ever seen.

—The latest Fall styles for advanced or conservative dressers. Choice of blue, brown, gray, black and tan. Buy as many as you like, while any of 1200 hats remain, at the astonishingly low price of \$1.50. —Men's Furnishings Shop, Main Floor—MAIL ORDERS FILLED.

Semi-Annual Sale of Beds and Bedding

now enters on its third day. The first two days saw our bedding sections thronged with thrifty shoppers who realize that it may be a long time before they can again enjoy such savings as this sale affords. Radical underpricings on blankets and comforters; sheets, pillow cases, bedspreads, etc., and

All Our Metal Beds, Bed Springs and Mattresses Reduced

Excepting only De Luxe Springs. Easy terms of payment if desired.

Bed in white enamel finish, like illustration. At \$2.98. Brass bed, exactly as illustrated. Priced at \$12.89. Quartered oak Napoleon bed, well made. Special \$16.75.

Yum Yum springs (shown at left); good, substantial; all sizes— \$1.89. Continuous wind coil springs, patent interlocking top, steel frame. Special at \$4.85.

All Our Ostermoor Mattresses Reduced

—See our great Sixth-Street window displays and visit our Eighth Floor Furniture Shop.

Here's Important Shoe News From

NO GOODS CHARGED—NO DELIVERIES—NO C.O.D.'S. Meier & Frank Co. Down Town Store. 4 STAIRWAYS—2 ESCALATORS—14 ELEVATORS.

Women's \$4 and \$5 Shoes \$2.65

—Factory cleanup of "Spartan" and "Auburn Maid." Gunmetal, vici kid and patents. Welt and hand-turned soles. Good assortment styles and widths. Sizes 2 1/2 to 9.

Women's Oxfords 39c and Pumps for... 39c —Big assortment of styles. Sizes 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2 and 4. No fittings. Greatest sale of the season—pumps and oxfords at 39c.

Women's \$4.50 Shoes, \$3.45

—Tan English walking shoes, straight-laced style with rubber soles. Ideal hiking shoes. Our regular \$4.50 quality.

Men's \$4-\$4.50 Shoes, \$3.35

—Tan calf, velour calf and vici kids. Goodyear welt sewed soles. Sizes 5 1/2 to 11. 255 pairs in the lot, to go at \$3.35.

Boys' \$3-\$3.50 Dull Calf, Black Elk Shoes, \$2.35

—Regular and semi-English lasts. 1 to 6.

Women's \$3 Shoes \$1.95

—Patent leather, vici kid and dull calf shoes. Button or lace styles. All sizes. Good practical shoes for everyday wear—\$3 grades for \$1.95.

Children's \$1.50 Shoes, Pair... \$1.19

—Vici kid with patent tips, dull calf, patent colt with cloth tops. Button or lace. Sizes 5 1/2 to 8. \$2, sizes 8 1/2 to 11, \$1.39; \$2.25 sizes 11 1/2 to 2, \$1.69.

Boys' High Top Shoes, \$1.95

—8-inch storm calf shoes with 1 buckle at top and heavy chrome soles. Sizes 9 to 13 1/2, \$1.95. Sizes 1 to 6, for \$2.35.

Children's \$2 Shoes \$1.49

—Patents with kid tops and dull calf shoes. Button or Blucher style—a factory "cleanup." \$2, sizes 8 1/2 to 11, \$1.49; \$2.50, sizes 11 1/2 to 2, for \$1.79.

\$1 Boudoir Slippers 69c

—Suede, smooth kid and cretonne. Sizes 3 to 8.

Untrimmed Hats \$1.95

Sailors—Tricornes—Drooping Shapes—Turban

—An entirely new line of Fall hats, velvets and silks, some with colored facings. Black, navy, brown and green—the leading Fall shades. Smartly modeled hats, that with the addition of a flower, a feather or an ornament will make you a fashionable Fall hat. Very special at \$1.95.

UNTRIMMED HATS IN GREAT VARIETY \$2.50 TO \$12.50

—Both tailored and dress models. Velvets, hatters' plush and combinations of both. Black, purple, green, brown and new high shades. TRIMMINGS—FEATHERS—FLOWERS AND ORNAMENTS. —Millinery Shop, Fourth Floor

Smart Serge Dresses \$17.50 \$15.00 and \$12.50

—The absolute leaders this Fall for street and general utility wear. Expertly tailored navy blue, black or brown finest quality serge frocks, in dozens of smartest styles. Extremely new are the straight-line styles with trimmings of beads and softly colored wool embroidery.

Collars Especially New and Unusually Designed

—V-shaped, round or double collars of cloth and Georgette, large shawl and sailor collars are shown. Our prices extremely low, \$12.50, \$15 and \$17.50—our assortment is perfect and complete. —Apparel Shop, Fourth Floor

Notion Day Specials

- Snap Fasteners, all sizes, black or white, card 10c. Standard Corset Laces, 5 yards, white covered tips, each 10c. Warren's Wavy Wire Collar Supporters, white, assorted sizes, dozen 10c. 10c Queen Slip-Out Collar Supporters, 6 on card, assorted, 2 cards 5c. Celluloid Hair Pins, shell and amber, 10 pins to box, 10c. Franko Hooks and Eyes, black, white, assorted, card 3c. Dexter's Darning Wool, assorted colors, 30-yard cards, 3 for 10c. Baby Diaper Hose Supporters, pins to the diaper, attached to stocking, pair 10c. Fancy Round Garters, all colors, pair 50c and 25c. —Notion Shop, Main Fl.
- Children's Lisle Hose Supporters, rubber grip, black, white, pair 10c. Gen'l Pins, 300 count, 7c paper for 5c. Mother's Perfumed Ironing Wax, each 5c. Charter Oak Thread, black, white, all sizes, best 6-cord, 200-yard spools, 7 for 25c. Charter Oak Knitting Cotton, white, full-weight balls, all sizes, box 20 balls 85c, the ball 5c. Hamilton Ribbon Barrettes, shell and amber, large and small, 10c and 5c. Daisy Elastic Sanitary Belts, open front, 25c full size for 15c. Silk Embroidered Emblems, assorted colors, sets 25c, 35c—single 10c, 5c.

"Nemo" and "Smart Set" Corset Demonstration

by Mrs. A. L. Craig, a woman qualified by her connection with the Nemo Hygienic Fashion Institute of New York to give expert corset advice. She will be glad to meet the women of Portland and vicinity all this week. This service is absolutely without charge to our patrons or obligation of any kind.

—Nemo corsets possess inventions and patented features that are invaluable to health and service, made of elastic fabrics (also a Nemo invention) that will not wear out.

—The new Nemo 509, illustrated, combines the splendid back-resting device with the "invisible" self-reducing straps, and is a perfect model for the medium-stout figure. Both features are inside the corset—out of sight.

Last Week of Free Corset Instruction

Blankets and Comforters

- \$2.00 cotton blankets—gray, white, full bed size—at \$1.69. \$4.50 white wool blankets, extra large size, special at \$3.75. \$2.50 cotton blankets—gray, white, full bed size—at \$1.98. \$5.00 white wool blankets, extra large size, special at \$4.35. Silkoline-Covered Comforters, filled with white cotton, full bed size, special \$3.50, \$3, \$2.50, \$2, \$1.75. Wool-Filled Comforters, full bed size, special at \$9, \$7.50, \$6.50 and \$5. —Blanket Shop, Second Floor