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HALL HOLDS BACK DECISION ON RECOUNT

Believes Secretary of State's Count May Swing Votes to Him; Latest Figures Show Olcott Leads With 483 Plurality.

Olcott... Hall's plurality... With Ben W. Olcott's lead in the election returns settled down to a plurality of 483 over Charles Hall on the face of practically complete official figures from all counties in the state, public interest now is centering about the many rumors that Hall intends to demand a recount of the Multnomah and possibly of other county returns.

The entire vote of the state has been reported with the exception of two remote precincts in Curry county in one of which only 10 votes were cast and in the other none.

Senator Hall left last night for his home at Marshfield, but before leaving he reiterated his contention that the official count by the secretary of state would swing the advantage over to him and give him the nomination.

It is stated that the figures which have been tabulated by his headquarters do not tally with the newspaper count, that he is still depending upon the official count and will await that before making any further announcement of his future intention. He says he will wait for the secretary of state's count and should that be unfavorable to him will then take up further procedure with his executive committee.

Rumors are flying thick and fast, however, that the Hall camp has heard of alleged irregularities in the vote counting, particularly in Multnomah county, and that should investigation lead them to credit these stories a demand for a recount will be made.

WOMEN FLY... One story is that Olcott's name was written in, on the Democratic ballot in some precincts and by the judges tallied with the Republican totals in the count of the Republican vote. Another is that in one or more of the South, Portland precincts Olcott was given credit for Hall votes in the Republican count.

FIVE MEN LOSE LIVES IN SEWER... Milwaukee, Wis., May 24.—(U. P.)—Five men lost their lives here today when overcome in a gas pocket of a sewer tunnel while trying to rescue two workmen unconscious from the gas. The two workmen were finally carried to safety, but are in a critical condition.

Bees Will Play Two Postponed Games in Portland This Week... Manager Duffy Lewis of the Salt Lake Bees consented to the playing of two postponed games in Portland against the Beavers this week and as a result Portland fans will be given plenty of baseball. The first game, which was planned, the first for Thursday afternoon, starting at 1:30 o'clock, another Saturday afternoon starting at the same hour, and the usual two contests Sunday afternoon. When the Beavers visited in Salt Lake four games had to be postponed on account of a hard rain, snow and rain, and it would be necessary to stage 11 matches on the next trip to the Utah metropolis. This was considered too much of a hardship, particularly for so late in the season, and the two doubleheaders for the Vaughn street grounds were the result.

Games Today... PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE... Salt Lake vs. Portland, 2:45 p. m. Vernon at Oakland, 3 p. m. San Francisco at Los Angeles, 2:45 p. m. Sacramento at Seattle, 2:45 p. m.

NATIONAL... At Pittsburgh... Philadelphia... Cincinnati... Boston... Cleveland... Philadelphia... New York... Boston... St. Louis...

AMERICAN... At Boston... Cleveland... Philadelphia... New York... Boston... St. Louis...

Only game today.

Row Breaks On School Fire Loss

Was the fire damage to Holladay school \$54,000? Was it \$32,000? Insurance adjusters meeting at the coast today are confronting a difficult problem. In the archives of the school district was likewise the latter estimate setting forth the ideas of Captain George Edmondstone, superintendent of properties.

The estimate was, however, believed by the school board to be "grossly" inaccurate. Captain Edmondstone is said to have confessed after he made it, that he did not know the building was covered by insurance. At any rate, the board caused another estimate to be made, which raised the total by \$22,000, with no indication that every cent would be collected.

That the board's best reputation of its properties superintendent would be followed in a short time by an even sharper issue, to be raised concerning the construction of the new Buckman school, was also indicated this morning. The general contractors took the work at \$210,000, the excess of cost above the contract figure is \$10,074.84. More excavation than was anticipated was made. It amounted to \$2464.58. The item appeared in the routing and was disclosed the board and contractors. With the O. K. of the property superintendent it was paid. A little later the same item, unsupported by bill, claim or voucher, appeared as an extra. With the O. K. of the property superintendent, it was paid again. Then inspection from another angle of school administration disclosed the fact that the board was paying twice for the same work. Correction followed.

The natural wonder as to how many more times the board had been asked to pay twice was followed by the discovery that 77 items such as lanterns, tools, cartage, gasoline, coal and rope had been charged against the board. Dispute as to whether these items should not be charged against the contractor followed. Checking of Edmondstone's figures resulted in settlements in various instances. The school board is to ascertain (Concluded on Page Six, Column Four)

U. S. Shipping Board Hearings Will Be Conducted in July... Shipping board committee hearings as to advisability of enforcing section 23 of the merchant marine act of 1920 will be held in Portland immediately following July 11. A telegram received this morning by Joseph N. Teal from former Senator George E. Chamberlain, shipping board commissioner and member of the committee that is conducting the hearings, states that the tentative date for the hearing in Seattle has been set for July 19 and 21. The hearings in Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles will follow in order, ending July 26. More definite dates are to be announced later, the Chamberlain wire concludes.

Flags of 2 Nations Are Intertwined to Mark 'Empire Day'... On many flagpoles in Portland today the Stars and Stripes share Willamette valley breezes with the colors of Great Britain, for today is Empire day, observed in British domains as a national holiday in honor of the birthday of the late Queen Victoria.

The journals tower pole was graced with the British union jack, the Canadian and the New Zealand emblems flying below the American flag. The union jack and the Canadian flag were the most numerous of British emblems seen in the city in respect of the British holiday.

Man Shot as Robber Just After Winning Sympathy of Court... Chicago, May 24.—(U. P.)—Brown won the heart of Judge Laidlaw when he was arraigned on a misdemeanor charge today. He walked from the courtroom a few hours later he was shot and buried. Brown left the police station and went to a restaurant where he attempted to eat. He was shot and killed. He was lying in an alley. He may die.

Lodge Official Killed In Elevator Accident... Moro, May 24.—Clarence F. Hill secretary of Moro I. O. O. F. lodge and an ex-serviceman, was killed this morning at the Farmers' Elevator & Supply company elevator when caught in machinery. He was alone at the time. His body was mangled. Retrive live Eugene.

McAdoo in 1924' Is Made Slogan of Kansas Democrats... Hutchinson, Kan., May 24.—(U. N. S.)—"McAdoo in 1924" was the presidential slogan of Democrats gathered here today for the statewide meeting of candidates and party leaders. William G. McAdoo, who will be the speaker at a McAdoo meeting tonight, was expected to arrive early this afternoon. Many McAdoo boosters were predicting that the campaign for the former secretary of the treasury would date from the meeting.

French to Throw Windows Open for Air During Night... Paris, May 24.—A time-honored custom died at the heart of Frenchmen and noted by many an American doughboy who fought in France during the war has been denounced by the authorities. It is the habit which must disappear because it is prejudicial to the health of the nation. The custom referred to is that of sleeping with the windows closed at night and the authorities to object to the practice are the officials of the ministry of hygiene and social foresight. "Bad air is conducive to tuberculosis," said Raoul Strauss, chief assistant to the minister of hygiene, "and that is a curse we are determined to fight as all costs. During extensive travels in the United States and especially in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and St. Louis, I have seen what excellent effects oxygen can have on the physique of the population."

How About Daylight Saving? Do You Wish It in Portland?... What do Portland people think about the daylight-saving principle which has been adopted in the East? Will they be willing to get up an hour earlier in the morning, go to work 60 minutes in advance of the present program, quit an hour earlier and have an hour more of sleep at their disposal? Portland has tried the daylight-saving idea. Some people liked it and found opportunity for more relaxation, work and play; others looked upon it as senseless and a needless disruption of time-honored schedules.

Mayor Baker has been asked by the Clearing House association and Chamber of Commerce to consider the system in council. The mayor replied, that it is up to the people. If they want it they can have it. The Journal wants to find out. It asks its readers to express their views in letters signed with names and addresses of the senders and mailed to the Daylight Saving editor, The Journal.

Big Roundup Fails to Crush Sinn Feiners... Belfast, May 24.—(U. P.)—The great roundup of Sinn Feiners, in which hundreds were taken to internment camps, failed to check the terrorist and secular struggle in Belfast today. Armed men rushed into the street this morning, halted a tramcar, drove out the passengers, sprayed the car with oil and gas, and lit it. The tram was completely destroyed. Gas bombs were hurled in different parts of the Ulster capital and there was considerable incendiarism during the night.

Ex-Sheriff Must Return \$6522.25... Seattle, May 24.—(U. P.)—The sum of \$6522.25 must be paid into the King county treasury by former Sheriff John Stringer, by virtue of a verdict returned by a superior court jury yesterday afternoon. This amount includes principal and interest on money that Stringer received from the government as personal remuneration for the care of federal prisoners in the county jail. In addition, the county was paid its customary per diem.

Committee to Act On Bonus Measure... Washington, May 24.—(U. P.)—Republican members of the senate finance committee today authorized Senator McCumber, chairman, to call a meeting of the full committee later this week for formal action on the soldiers' bonus bill.

WARD'S STORY OF SHOOTING PERTURBED BY IS DOUBTED BY KLAN'S JOE

Serious Discrepancies Found in His Tale of Blackmail Plot; He Must 'Come Clean' or Be Tried for Murder, Say Public.

White Plains, N. Y., May 24.—(U. P.)—Walter Ward, son of the millionaire baker, must "come clean" to save himself from trial on the charge of killing Clarence Clarendon, the Oregon ex-gambler whose body was found beside a country lane near here.

Officials of Westchester county, where Ward was a police commissioner, today have already begun to doubt the "obvious innocence" of the son. "Coroner Fitzgerald hastily retracted a statement to that effect, and declared evidence that is piling up demands further explanation from the baker's son.

It was disclosed today that Ward took a veritable overdose of iodine six weeks ago, about the time he claimed the blackmailing started, and this has brought home to officials in charge of the case the serious nature of the case.

It is now agreed that before Ward is cleared of the charge of manslaughter or worse he will have to lay bare his life and waistcoat in a most piercing black and white and his relations with certain men and women of the underworld. Either this, or Westchester county will have to intimate he shot defying the police department to its foundation.

Further hints concerning the alleged blackmail of Ward by the slain youth and two companions known only as "Charley Ross" and "Jack," continue to leak out, largely through Ward's lawyer, a famous woman of the capital, known as "Snip." "Snip" is mentioned as mixed up in the blackmail plot. Also, it was suggested today that Ward had intimated he shot defying his wife's name and that it was Mrs. Ward and not the baker's son who was being blackmailed.

DISCREPANCIES IN STORY... Coroner Fitzgerald admitted he had found the following discrepancies in Ward's story, which was that he had shot Peter after the latter had threatened him with a revolver, and that the slain youth and his two companions in which eight or nine shots were fired: 1—Peter's body was clothed in coat and trousers, and was not pierced by the bullet which went through his chest.

FLLEDGES TO DESTROY KLAN... "If I am elected, I guarantee that this arch enemy of free government and free institutions will vanish from this state like mist before the rising sun," declared Matthers.

BULL MOOSE OUT FOR 'COME-BACK'... The hosts of the klan are reported to be holding processions in the principal cities and towns of Oklahoma and everywhere the word has been passed to defeat Matthers.

MORGAN HONORED AT PARIS MEETING... Paris, May 24.—The international bankers' conference, attended by seven leading financiers representing seven nations, arrived here for the conference of the United States, opened its first session here today.

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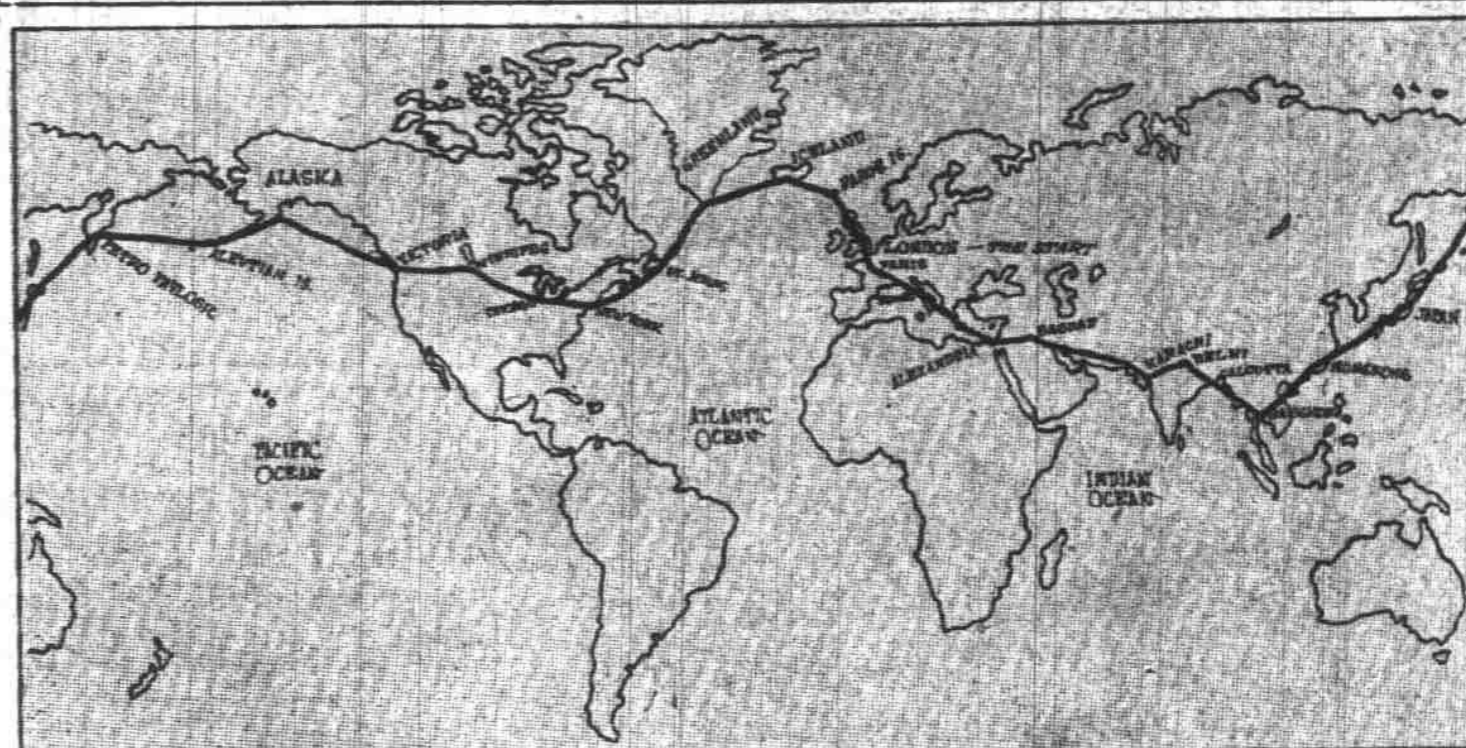
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De Valera's Wife Mother of Twins... London, May 24.—(U. P.)—Mrs. Estem De Valera today presented the former president of the Irish republic with twin boys, according to a dispatch to the Evening Star.

Aviator Starts to Fly Around the World

MAJOR WILFRED T. BLAKE, former British army flier, who, with two companions, left today to circumnavigate the earth. The map shows the proposed route of the intrepid airmen. Starting from London, they plan to pass over Paris, Rome, Athens, Crete, Alexandria, Bagdad, Basera, Karachi, Delhi, Calcutta, Rangoon, Bangkok, Saigon, Hongkong, Japan, Petropavlovsk, Aleutian islands, Alaska, Vancouver, Winnipeg, Chicago, New York, Newfoundland, Greenland, Iceland, Faroe islands, Scotland and back to London. The trip is expected to take three months. Sir Ross Smith, who first planned the trip, was recently killed in a practice flight.



FLIGHT AROUND WORLD IS BEGUN

London, May 24.—(U. N. S.)—The first attempt to fly around the world was begun today when Major A. T. Blake hopped off at Croydon aerodrome in a DH-9 machine. Major Blake hopes to complete his epochal flight in 90 days. If successful he expects to go down in history along with other great voyagers such as Columbus, Raleigh and Drake.

HAS TWO COMPANIONS... Major Blake is accompanied on his flight by Captain Norman MacMillan and Lieutenant Colonel L. E. Brown. The DH-9 selected by Major Blake for the first leg of the globe flight is a three-seater, driven by a 230 horsepower Siddlely Puma engine.

CHANGE AT VANCOUVER... "At Vancouver we shall pick up another three-seater DH-9 and travel in it via Chicago, New York and Newfoundland.

SAFE ON FIRST... Paris, May 24.—(U. P.)—Major W. T. Blake, British aviator, who started from Croydon, England, at 11:30 a. m., on a flight around the world, arrived here at 6:12 p. m., making a safe landing at Le Bourget aerodrome. His next jump will be to Lyons and thence to Rome.

Film Star's Promise Wins Her Divorce... Los Angeles, May 24.—A promise to the judge from Gladys Walton, film star, known in private life as Mrs. Gladys Liddell, brought the actress a divorce in her suit alleging cruelty, non-support and neglect on the part of her husband, Frank R. Liddell Jr. "I'll give you a decree, you won't go over into Mexico and get married to somebody else before the year is out, will you?" asked Judge Summerfield. "No, your honor," answered the actress. Judge Summerfield then granted an interlocutory decree.

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I. C. C. ORDER CUTS RATES ON FREIGHT

New Schedule Becomes Effective July 1 and Will Mean Saving of \$200,000,000 to Shippers; Whole Country Is Affected.

Washington, May 24.—Convinced there was no immediate possibility of the voluntary slashing of railroad freight rates desired by President Harding, the Interstate Commerce commission today decided unilaterally that the rates should be reduced approximately 14 per cent and issued orders requiring such reductions effective on July 1.

The rate increases granted to the railroads in 1920 were ordered reduced as follows: Eastern group, 14 per cent to 28 per cent; Western group, 25 per cent to 21.5 per cent; Southern and Mountain Pacific group, 25 per cent to 12.5 per cent; Interterritorial group, 33, 1-3 to 20 per cent.

MEANS BIG SAVING... The reductions are: Eastern group, 14 per cent; western group, 12.5 per cent; southern and mountain Pacific group, 12.5 per cent; interterritorial traffic, 12, 1-3 per cent. The reductions will save the shippers of the country approximately \$200,000,000 a year, it was officially estimated. Other rate cuts ordered during the last 12 months will push the total above \$300,000,000.

The commission called on the carriers to notify it by May 31 whether the rate reductions prescribed would be carried out in effect without a formal order by the commission.

ESTIMATES RETURN... The commission estimated the railroads would be able to realize a net return on their property of 8.75 per cent under the new rates. A 12 per cent return is authorized under the transportation act of 1920.

The new reductions were effected by ordering decreases in the horizontal rates on freight traffic. Rates which have been reduced since that date are not affected by today's order, remaining at their present level.

The reduction ordered would not be placed on top of recent voluntary reductions of from 10 to 15 per cent ordered by the commission in 1921. The rate cuts do not apply to milk and cream "when the revenue from the transportation thereof is not included as a part of the steam railroad system."

DECISION IS SURPRISE... The decision came as a surprise to the railroad executives, whose committee, appointed as the result of the White House order, had been expected to meet the commission Thursday for the further discussion of rate reductions.

It is believed here President Harding expected the commission to find it would be impossible in the immediate future to obtain an agreement from the executives by which the rates on certain specific commodities would be reduced. It was determined to make the general reduction.

WILL LESSEN BURDEN... Further, the commission says: "The rate reductions are substantial as the condition of the carriers will permit, will not only lessen the transportation burden but also will stabilize the conditions under which commerce and industry are carried on, with consequent fuller assurance to the carriers of a fair return contemplated by the law."

DEERER CUT SOUGHT... "In my judgment, the reductions now decreed fall short of full attainment of the desired end. The record convinces me that the present level of rates on the basic articles is now operating as a serious burden upon commerce and industry, and that the prospective benefits of the country will be greatly enhanced. The pulse of industry and transportation is still below normal, although there is a low level of activity in the country as a whole which is being maintained by the government's policy of high prices for commodities.

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