

THE WEATHER.

Fair; gentle winds mostly easterly.

SEVENTIETH YEAR

DECISION OF COUNTRYMEN IS AWAITED

Harding Makes No Prediction but His Quiet Demeanor Evidences Satisfaction and Confidence

SENATOR AND WIFE TO GO TO POLLS EARLY

Mrs. Harding Will Cast Initial Vote for Husband For President

MARION, Ohio, Nov. 1.—Puttering the stress and worries of his campaign behind him, Senator Harding awaited calmly tonight the decision of his fellow countrymen on his candidacy for the nation's highest office.

Harding is calm. He made no prediction of the outcome, but his quiet demeanor and smiling face carried every outward sign of satisfaction and confidence.

"I can only say," he replied to a request for his opinion, "that we have made the best fight we knew how to make, and await the result with complacency."

Surrounded by his family and personal friends, he spent election eve at home. It was an evening very different from most of those he has experienced since his nomination. In many ways it was very like the evenings of bygone years before he became the leader of a great political party.

Throughout the day he let down from the strain of the campaign, declined to concern himself with the routine of his headquarters and spent most of his time chatting with friends and neighbors. In the afternoon he talked in jovial vein for an hour with the newspaper correspondents and he dined quietly at home.

Senator Will Play Golf.

Tomorrow he expects to vote early in the forenoon and then motor to a golf course 40 miles away to tramp over the links while the story of the ballots is telling itself throughout the nation. He will be back at home in time to hear the earliest returns.

Virtually the only attention given to politics was in telephone conference with Will H. Hays, Republican national chairman, and Harry M. Dougherty, his pre-convention manager. Mr. Hays, in New York and Mr. Dougherty in Columbus gave him detailed reports of the outlook which he described as decidedly encouraging.

From Indiana, New Jersey and Illinois, battle-axes of more than ordinary interest in the candidate said his information was especially gratifying. He added that he also had received some heartening reports of senatorial races.

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WILLAMETTE CHAPTER, AMERICAN RED CROSS

Article No. 2.

WHAT HAS BEEN DONE.

Three thousand eight hundred and eight families in Marion and Polk counties were given direct and substantial aid by the Willamette chapter of the Red Cross between the dates of October 1, 1919, and October 1, 1920. The name of every family aided is on record in the office of the chapter, together with a statement showing the nature of the relief and the need for it. All money disbursed to accomplish the above task was spent after the officers of the chapter had investigated the cases and passed upon the same.

Under existing laws the committee cannot give financial aid to any person having title to property. Although there are many who may own property who apply for aid, yet their situation is such that they must be given assistance immediately. The committee cannot act. The Red Cross is the only organization that can act. Even though a person owns property, yet the Red Cross will gladly co-operate in any way possible to give assistance where it is needed. The Red Cross does not hold extended board meetings and its numerous committees pass up on cases before acting. It is organized to act in emergencies! It gives aid the moment it is needed. The quick action of the Red Cross was especially shown by the Klamath County chapter during the recent disaster in Klamath Falls, Oregon. By noon of the day of the conflagration every victim had been cared for and a 20-bed Red Cross hotel was in full action. The fire began at 3:30 in the morning of the same day. The chapter was prepared for the disaster. Bedding, etc., was on hand. Willamette Chapter is organized for such disasters. It is ready to act on a moment's notice. Equipment for such occasions must be purchased. Willamette

CUBAN ELECTION IS STILL HELD IN DOUBT

ARCHAIC SYSTEM BRINGS MUDDLED RETURNS

General Gomez Stated That No Prediction Could Be Made Before Tonight

HAVANA, Nov. 1.—Returns from approximately 100 of the 3002 precincts in Cuba, tabulated up to midnight, nine hours after the polls closed in the national elections, showed that Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez, liberal, and Dr. Alfredo Zayas, coalition candidate, were running a close race for the presidency.

Even Cuban politicians were unable to explain why the count was so slow. The scattering reports gave no indication of the outcome, and while his followers were conducting a noisy celebration here, General Gomez declared he was unable to make a prediction.

Members of the electoral board said, however, that the liberals probably had carried Havana province, one of the largest, and that the Zayas forces seemed to have won Oriente. There are six provinces, and a successful candidate needs two large ones and a small one.

As returns were telegraphed here they were delivered to the electoral board and message after message was read in droning tones by a clerk with nobody near by to take it down. The message was then sent to a supervisor of the province from which it came to be copied, a tedious job. Reporters struggled hopelessly to catch the figures.

The system was archaic, and leaders went home in despair. Newspapers announced that the people probably would not know before tomorrow night who had been elected, unless there was an unexpected spurt in expediting returns.

General Gomez, in a statement to the Associated Press at midnight, said:

"I am unable to make any prediction because of absence of advices from the interior. The only thing I can affirm is that wherever there has been no violence a liberal victory has been registered."

Chief Justice McBride Endorses Justice Brown

Judge George M. Brown of the supreme court has received from Chief Justice T. A. McBride at St. Helens the endorsement of the latter of Brown's candidacy for the supreme court bench in the election of today. It will be necessary for the voters to write in Judge Brown's name on the ballot at the designated place for the reason that the vacancy on the bench did not occur until the ballot had been made up by the secretary of state. Chief Justice McBride went to his home at St. Helens for the purpose of casting his ballot today.

FIGHT OVER ELECTION.

HAVANA, Nov. 1.—Eight persons were killed in the two counties in the provinces during the elections today, according to reports received here.

The followers of Gomez started a demonstration in Havana after the electoral board had temporarily closed its offices, without any official returns having been received.

Men who have been injured and are unable to work have been found throughout the two counties. They are cared for, their families assisted and given advice until the wage earner is capable of returning to his employment. Operations have been performed at expense of the chapter. Hospital bills covering spaces of several months have been met by Willamette chapter.

During the influenza epidemic last winter, over \$1000 was expended in sending nurses to stricken homes and districts by the local chapter. Outlying towns near Salem were sent every nurse obtainable. Medical supplies were hurried to homes. This work was carried on quietly and without ostentation. But few residents in the counties of Marion and Polk were ever aware of the work which was done by the Red Cross for influenza victims. Where entire families were prostrated the Red Cross acted as father, mother, physician and grocer for the group.

This local disaster and epidemic work is one of the greatest and least known branches of the organization. The Red Cross must be prepared for famine, pestilence, flood and fire. It cost \$6,139.68 to meet the bills entailed in aiding the 3508 families.

LEAGUE IS CAMPAIGN'S BIG ISSUE

Cox Declares World Covenant is Premier Consideration to be Determined by American People

GOVERNOR LAUNCHES LAST HARDING ATTACK

Faith is Held in Good Judgment and Patriotism of Americans

TOLEDO, Ohio, Nov. 1.—Governor Cox, in his last speech of the campaign tonight, summarized his arguments for the league of nations, which, he said, was the premier issue to be decided tomorrow at the polls. He predicted victory for himself, not as the representative of a party, but as the leader of a cause.

Makes Final Attack.

The governor also renewed his attack on Senator Harding on the league issue, declaring that the Republican candidate was "wiggling and wobbling," and that the senator's election meant "controversy and confusion."

The governor and his party arrived here by special train early this evening from Dayton, and left on the return journey immediately after his speech. Tomorrow he will rest at Dayton, going to the polls with Mrs. Cox to vote.

On his way here from Dayton, the governor and party stopped at Deshler, where several hundred had gathered, awaiting in a drizzling rain. The governor responded with a rear platform speech, a forerunner of his argument tonight.

Faith Held in People.

"I have always had faith in the good judgment and patriotism of the American people," the governor said, "and an analysis of the past tells us that in all of our history whenever a moral issue has been presented it has been met with the approval of the American electorate. If there ever was a campaign based entirely upon a great moral issue, this is the campaign, because the thing to be decided is whether the civilization of the world shall be itself together in a concerted purpose to prevent the tragedies of war."

"I hope we will have good news tomorrow night. When I say good news, I do not speak of a Democratic victory. I speak for a victory for humanity, which will be a victory for humanity worldwide, having a significance that touches every man, woman and child in the civilized powers of the earth."

Messages Predict Victory.

The governor had no special address prepared for the meeting here, but in it he reviewed and summarized the various arguments he had made in his trans-continental tour. His visit here on election eve was in conformity with a political superstition of party followers here, who say that the governor's only defeat in an election was encountered when he failed to end his speech-making here.

Many messages were received today by the candidate. It was said they predicted victory. The weather forecast for the country was said by members of the governor's party to be cheerful news, predicting inclement weather in several sections where it was regarded that this would affect the Republican vote more seriously than that of the Democrats, particularly in the mountain sections of some border states.

Before their convention, the governor declared, the Republican leaders made efforts "to get the pro-German vote" by introducing the Knox resolution in the senate.

Hits at Party.

"They filled with the personal pro-German vote from the beginning to the end of the campaign," said Governor Cox.

Turning his attention briefly to Senator Harding, Governor Cox declared "the Republican candidate was picked to fit the party platform," and the crowd applauded.

Then taking up the league of nations, Governor Cox declared that its adoption by this country was the "outstanding issue" to be decided at the election. This country, he continued, is morally bound to adopt the league because of what he described as the country's promise to American soldiers who died in the world war.

"The spiritual eyes of \$1,000 American boys who fell in the war," he declared, "will look upon you tomorrow at the polls to see whether we are a nation of honor or a nation of repudiators."

Conspiracy Charge Repeated.

The governor repeated again his "conspiracy charge," accusing Senators Lodge and other Republican senators as "conspirators in

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SAILING TROPHY IS TAKEN BY ESPERANTO

INTERNATIONAL SERIES WON BY U. S. FISHERMEN

Keen Judgment and Matchless Sailing Ability of Captain Welch Responsible

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 1.—The Gloucester schooner Esperanto came from behind in a heart gripping race today and won from the Lunenburg schooner Leiwana by seven minutes and fifteen seconds, official time, thereby clinching cup and \$4000 in prize money. The win gave two straight victories to the United States in the international series between the Nova Scotia fishermen and their Massachusetts rivals and thereby determined the event for the year.

Keen judgment and matchless sailing ability of Captain "Marty" Welch of the Gloucester boat was said on all hands tonight to be responsible for the winning of today's victory when brought the Esperanto from behind after twenty two miles of the forty-mile course had been sailed and on last leg which was a dead beat windward continually increased his lead. The superior ability of the Esperanto to work to windward was admitted to be a factor in the result.

Captain Welch, however, said tonight that it was the wind that did it.

The official time as the boats crossed the finish line was: Esperanto, 4:54:30; Leiwana, 4:41:45.

Credit Relief Sought by Wilson for Farmers

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1. Extension of immediate credit relief to farmers by executive action pending the reconvening of congress was asked of President Wilson today by George P. Hampton of the Farmers' National council.

In company with William H. Johnston, president of the international association of machinists, Mr. Hampton called upon Secretary Tumulty, who is understood to have promised to present the request to the president at once. It was contained in a letter which said the proposals presented were endorsed by Mr. Johnston, B. M. Jewell, American Federation of Labor; Warren S. Stone, grand chief Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Sidney Hillman, president Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

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JAPANESE QUESTION IS TREATED AMIABLY

DAVIS REVEALS DISCUSSION WITH AMBASSADOR

Principal Object Safeguarding of Legitimate Japanese Interests

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The American government made public today its first statement regarding the discussions with the Japanese ambassador concerning the proposed anti-alien land law to be voted upon tomorrow in California. It said that it was believed the Japanese ambassador realized that no outcome of the California movement would be acceptable to the country at large that did not accord with "existing and applicable provisions of law," and with "the national instincts of justice."

The statement was prepared by Acting Secretary Davis of the state department who declared that it was "in reply to inquiries" and the fact that it was issued on the eve of the California election was without political significance. It was understood that the principal object was to assure the Japanese people that their legitimate interests would be safeguarded.

Mr. Davis described the discussions with the Japanese ambassador as being "of the most friendly and candid nature," and also said that the relation of certain treaty provisions to the proposed California measure would "doubtless prove an element in the state's decision."

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BIG SALES NEGOTIATED BY GROWERS

Co-operative Association Brings More Than Half Million Dollars in July, August and September

DISTRIBUTION TO SIXTEEN CANNERIES

Shipment of 600 Carloads of Berries, Plums, Pears and Apples Reported

Sales amounting to more than half a million dollars were made by the Oregon Growers' Co-operative association during the months of July, August and September, according to the October 7 report of the association.

To be exact, the returns up to October 1, amounted to \$564,676.21, and this does not include prunes, but few fall pears and scarcely any apple shipments.

Distribution was made to 16 different canneries by members of the Oregon growers in the Willamette, Umpqua and Rogue River valleys.

Already the association has shipped more than 600 cars of fresh fruit, consisting of berries, plums and early pears and apples. As the apple season was just opening at the time of the October 7 report, it is now estimated that 600 additional cars of apples will be sold through the association.

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Superior Election Service Arranged By The Statesman

As usual, The Statesman will tonight, and until all issues of today's election are decided, give a superior service in furnishing the returns to the people of Salem and surrounding territory.

Tonight, the returns as received will be both flashed on a screen on Commercial street at the front of The Statesman office and also announced by megaphone. The returns will cover the national, state and local tickets. Besides its Associated Press wire The Statesman has arranged a thorough system of messengers to cover the Marion county precincts, and from Polk county.

Should either the presidential or the senatorial contest be in doubt tomorrow The Statesman will continue a bulletin system of those outside the Marion county precincts, and from Polk county.

The polls open at 8 o'clock this morning and will close at 8 o'clock tonight. A list of the Salem polling places and the hours of representatives about which there has been uncertainty are printed on another page.

Alaskan Forest Examiner Here in Interest of Pulp

PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—B. F. Heintzleman, forest examiner on the Alaska National forest was in Portland today to draft tentative contracts for pulp timber in the Alaskan national forests. He has just completed an eight months inspection of the pulp timber resources in that territory and is now working with the local forest service on plans by which to place those resources on the market for the relief of the paper pulp shortage in the United States.

PLEADS NOT GUILTY.

PORTLAND, Nov. 1.—The Starr Fruit Products company, through its attorney, today pleaded not guilty to the charge of selling sugar without a license. The trial was set by Federal Judge Wolverton for January 17 to immediately follow the trial already set against this company for conspiracy to engage in sugar profiteering in violation of the Lever act.

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EACH PARTY HOLDS CLAIM TO VICTORY

Harding Will Await Returns at His Home While Cox Will Listen to Wire Reports at His Office

WEATHER MAY PROVE DECISIVE ELEMENT

American People Must Draw Curtain of National Election Drama

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—The seven presidential candidates of 1920 tonight laid their bets on the verdict of the electorate.

The state messengers tonight at national headquarters where campaign strategists rested, their summing up completed.

People to Draw Curtain.

The candidates retired to seclusion to receive the decision of the American people. With the people rested the task of bringing down the curtain on the national drama of electing a leader for the next four years.

With the voters rested also the duty of deciding which party shall control the senate and which party the house of representatives. With the electorate of many states rested the duty of choosing governors and legislatures.

Party leaders, who week after week had been directing the destinies of the candidates and focusing their attention on the issue of the campaign, pulled down their desks, put on their hats and went home. Before they left their headquarters they had scanned the last minute reports from state chairmen, but prospect as closely they had studied the reports of the government weather bureau.

Elements May Decide.

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