

PIERCE'S LEAD NEAR 30,000

Race For House Control Is Nip and Tuck

M'ARTHUR BEATEN BY ELTON WATKINS, BUT MAJORITY IS SMALL

GOP VETERANS LOSE SEATS IN BALLOT FLOOD

Nation Watches With Intense Interest as Republican Majority in House is Cut to Danger Mark.

VOLSTEAD BEATEN BY PREACHER CANDIDATE

Mondell Loses Race for Senate—Drift from Administration Startling

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—Republican control of the house of representatives of the 68th congress was determined finally by announcement of the election of R. Scott Leavitt, second Montana district, at 2:44 a. m. today, giving the Republicans the necessary 218 for a majority. At this hour the Democrats had 205, the Socialists one, Farmer-Labor one, and Independent one, with nine districts still unreported.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 8.—(By The Associated Press)—The country today watched with intense interest the nip and tuck race for control of the house of representatives, the closest since the war days of 1916. It saw most of the Republican leaders stand up against the onslaught, it saw scores of men brought in by the Republican wave two years ago, go out with the Democratic undertow.

Volstead is Beaten Volstead, author of the prohibition enforcement law, was the only Republican committee chairman to go down, but he fell before an independent minister-candidate, self-proclaimed drier than himself. This fact often was overlooked by those who professed to see in the defeat of Volstead a punishment for the dry law.

While they had been expected to take a big hand in the election, the women of the country were unable to elect one of their number in the better skelter race for seats. There will be no women in the next congress. Alice Robertson of Oklahoma will go out then, along with Winifred Mason Huck, of Illinois, elected yesterday to fill the term of her father, the late William E. Mason, expiring next March.

Mondell Goes Out Mondell, for the last four years the Republican leader in the house, aspiring for the seat from Wyoming, went down in a vain race for the senate and a new speaker will arise to take his place. Speaker Gillett and Mann and Madden—all the big committee chairmen in fact, save Volstead, held their seats. Most of them were never in danger.

Every Republican leader of the house has often declared during the last two years that the majority—around 170 at the start—was too big, but none expected to see it cut so low and none seemed to fear that it would be cut below 40. But starting in the east, the Democratic wave began picking up seats, gathered 23 in New York and then raced down the Atlantic coast, cutting across into Virginia, then turned to the southwest and doubling back into Pennsylvania, swept over the mid-west and toward the far west, in the hope of finding enough upturns to keep ahead of the Republican column coming along behind.

Republicans Forge Ahead It was nearly noon today be-

LOCAL WEATHER Maximum temperature, 46. Minimum temperature, 35. River, 1 foot below normal level. Stationary. Rainfall, 16 inch. Atmosphere, cloudy. Wind, north.

COMPLETE COUNT FROM ALL PRECINCTS ON MEASURES AND GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATES

Table with columns: Precinct Name, Governor, Single Tax, Expo Tax, Income Tax, School B. O. P. Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No. Lists various precincts like Aumsville, Aurora, Brettenbush, etc.

Marion County Totals and Leads On All Candidates and Measures

Complete returns from all of Marion county's 74 precincts show the following totals and majorities on the state candidates and measures: For governor—Olcott, 6515; Pierce, 8507. Pierce's majority, 1992.

For state treasurer—Hoff, 9389; Tou Valle 4387. Hoff's majority, 4802. For school superintendent—Churchill, 10,232; George, 2731. Churchill's majority, 6501.

For labor commissioner—Gram, 8839; Hansen, 2796. Gram's majority, 7045. For public service commission—Campbell, 8403; Erickson, 1904; Kerrigan, 2655. Campbell's lead over Kerrigan, 5838; over Erickson, 6499.

Linn county tax bill—Yes, 5301; no, 4582. Majority for, 719. Linn-Benton county tax—Yes, 5043; no, 4389. Majority for, 654. Single tax—Yes, 1692; no, 5834. Majority against, 8162. Exposition tax—Yes, 3887; no, 7644. Majority against, 3768. Income tax—Yes, 3417; no, 7847. Majority against, 4430. Compulsory public school bill—Yes, 6407; no, 7694. Majority against, 1187.

BIRTCHETT TO BE APPOINTED BY NEW MAYOR

Giesy Announces that Choice of People is His Choice for Chief of Police Department.

COOPERATION PROMISED BY WINNING OFFICER

Bonds May be Issued Immediately for Purchase of Fire Equipment

Mayor-elect John Giesy has tendered to Walter Birtchett, the high man in the race for chief of police, the offer of appointment as chief under the new administration. The enthusiastic endorsement that the people have given to Officer Birtchett makes this offer seem logical as well as graceful. This amendment could not go into effect until the expiration of the term of office to which Chief Verden L. Moffitt was elected. Had the appointive measure not carried, Birtchett would have been police chief through his election.

Officer Comments

"I shall be glad to accept the appointment," said Officer Birtchett, Wednesday. "There seems to be no room for two forms of executive heads over the same function of government for the city any more than for the state or the nation. With the hearty cooperation of the whole city authority in enforcing the laws, there will be a unity and a team-work effect that ought to work well. It will be up to the appointed chief to make good on the selection by the mayor and the council, and together they ought to get results that never could come through a divided authority."

Mayor-elect John B. Giesy last night corroborated the report that he intended to appoint Officer Birtchett, saying that he decided to do this as soon as it was ascertained that he had been elected and that the appointive measure had passed. He said that he wishes the people to understand that their choice is good with him, and that the only thing he will ask is an effective cooperation between the mayor and council on one hand, and the chief of police on the other. It is understood that the council will unanimously agree with the choice, so it's Chief Birtchett, for certain.

Responsible for Results

Mr. Giesy indicated that he would hold the new appointive chief responsible for results, but allow a wide liberty in the selection of a working force, subject always to the approval of mayor and council, and the production of results.

Two years ago the people of Salem said by considerable majorities that they didn't see the good of the consolidation of executive power by making the marshals appointive, or of getting new fire equipment. This year they repented, and carried both measures by decisive votes. The fire-equipment measure, that requires a two-thirds majority because it carries with it an issue of property bonds, came through with 394 votes more than necessary to put it across. The figures are 3352 votes for the bonding bill, and 1478 against it.

Council Unanimous

In an interview Wednesday Mayor George Halvorsen said that while there is no time fixed for the action of the council in acting on this matter he expected it to act at once. It is understood that the council was unanimous in favoring the measure. The council could prepare to issue the bonds on very short notice, and the equipment, if it is available for early delivery, might be on hand and putting on fires within the next very few days.

OLCOTT NOT PEEVED AT VOTE DECREE

Governor Jokes Over Phone—Son Asks Who Whipped; Daddy Tells Him

Governor Olcott was in merry mood yesterday notwithstanding his decisive defeat in the election Tuesday by Walter M. Pierce. Calling up C. E. Ingalls at Republican headquarters in Portland, the governor's end of the conversation was about as follows, laughing heartily at the apparent disgruntled response that came from the other end of the wire: "Hello. Is this Mr. C. E. Ingalls, late of Corvallis?" "Oh, very late, you say. About how late?" "About 3:30 this morning."

"This is Ben Olcott, erstwhile governor of Oregon, speaking." "We're feeling fine here. No regrets and everybody happy." "About the time Governor Olcott arose yesterday morning at his home he was accosted by one of his young sons. "Who whipped, Daddy?" asked the son. "Mr. Pierce whipped, son," responded the governor. "He's the man that is going to cut down taxes, isn't he?" inquired son. "He's the man," answered the governor.

GIESY LEAD 539 BALLOTS

Returns on Candidates and Measures Complete for All Precincts

In the city election Tuesday John B. Giesy beat H. H. Vandervort for mayor by a majority of 539 votes. Martin Poulsen won over Frazier for city recorder by 293 votes. Birtchett won over Moffitt for chief of police by a majority of 1682.

The measure to make the office of chief of police appointive by the mayor and council instead of elective by the people carried with a majority of 224 and the fire equipment bonding bill carried with 1874 to the good.

Here is the vote in the 18 Salem precincts complete:

Precinct No. 1: Giesy 224; Vandervort 207; Frazier 203; Poulsen 199; Birtchett 296; Moffitt 138; amendment making marshal appointive, yes 190, no 207; for fire apparatus 222, against 164.

Precinct No. 2: Giesy 232; Vandervort 181; Frazier 163; Poulsen 208; Birtchett 246; Moffitt 160; amendment making marshal appointive, yes 209, no 165; for fire apparatus 250, against 109.

Precinct No. 3: Giesy 213; Vandervort 153; Frazier 162; Poulsen 170; Birtchett 237; Moffitt 137; amendment making marshal appointive, yes 43, no 161; for fire apparatus 207, against 111.

Precinct No. 4: Giesy 149; Vandervort 138; Frazier 128; Poulsen 144; Birtchett 206; Moffitt 90; amendment making marshal appointive, yes 127, no 138; for fire apparatus 185, against 91.

Precinct No. 5: Giesy 166; Vandervort 111; Frazier 123; Poulsen 136; Birtchett 207; Moffitt 67; amendment making marshal appointive, yes 123, no 132; for fire apparatus 175, against 68.

Precinct No. 6: Giesy 81; Vandervort 93; Frazier 76; Poulsen 88; Birtchett 105; Moffitt 59; amendment making marshal appointive, yes 73, no 89; for fire apparatus 110, against 49.

Precinct No. 7: Giesy 85; Vandervort 161; Frazier 123; Poulsen 162; Birtchett 168; Moffitt 88; amendment making marshal appointive, yes 94, no 123; for fire apparatus 113, against 100.

Precinct No. 8: Giesy 114; Vandervort 117; Frazier 127; Poulsen 93; Birtchett 145; Moffitt 92; amendment making marshal appointive, yes 97, no 115; for fire apparatus 129, against 78.

Precinct No. 9: Giesy 234; Vandervort 158; Frazier 183; Poulsen 197; Birtchett 228; Moffitt 168; Amendment making marshal appointive, yes 179, no 182; for fire

POINDEXTER IS TRAILING 4027 DILL GAINING

Washington Senator Apparently Has No Chance to Win Re-election, Though Defeat Not Conceded.

PIERCE COUNTY TO BE COUNTED AGAIN

Democrat Looks to Eastern and King Counties to Increase His Lead

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 8.—The election of C. C. Dill, Democrat, to the United States senate, over Senator Miles Poindexter, Republican incumbent, was indicated early today when it was unofficially stated at the office of auditor of King county that a re-check of unofficial returns from the county would probably show a gain of about 1200 votes for Poindexter. This gain, it was admitted, would not overcome the lead obtained by Dill on the basis of late returns from all but a few scattering precincts of the state.

Dill to Lose in Re-Check

While Republican state Chairman Charles Hebbard would not concede Dill's election, he told the Associated Press it did not appear that Senator Poindexter "will be able to overcome Dill's lead, which is apparently about 3,000 votes." Democrats admitted that a re-check of returns in Pierce county would show a further loss for Dill, but maintained that this loss would not amount to more than 600 or 700 votes.

Latest Returns

Returns from 2,141 precincts of the state, tabulated shortly after midnight this morning, gave Dill a lead of 5126 votes. The count stood: Dill, 123,511; Poindexter, 118,385.

The missing precincts, in almost every instance, were small and in remote districts of the state.

Congressman Re-elected

The vote as it stood tonight, gave Dill 116,837 and Poindexter 112,810. James Duncan, Farmer-Labor nominee, had 27,379.

Returns from the first, second, third and fourth congressional districts showed the re-election of Representative in Congress John F. Miller, Lindley H. Hadley, Albert Johnson and John W. Summers respectively, all Republicans. In the fifth district Representative J. Stanley Webster, Republican incumbent, had increased his lead over Sam B. Hill, Democrat, to 2,341 votes.

Dill Not Conceded

"I am not prepared to concede at this time, the election of C. C. Dill to the United States senate over Senator Miles Poindexter," Republican state Chairman Charles Hebbard said tonight in a statement to the Associated Press.

"In view, however, of the fact that Mr. Dill has constantly maintained a lead of nearly 5,000 votes on the basis of late returns received during the afternoon and evening," Mr. Hebbard said, "it does not appear that Senator Poindexter will be able to overcome Dill's lead, which apparently is about 3,000 votes, of the result of the re-check in Pierce and King counties turns out as expected. This re-check, however, may very possibly result favorably to Senator Poindexter."

Dill Sure of Election

"I do not see how they can beat me now," said Clarence C. Dill, Democratic nominee for United States senator, tonight as returns from yesterday's voting continued to give him a lead over Miles Poindexter, Republican incumbent. "I believe that I shall not only hold my present lead, but probably increase it as the final figures come in. I have carried every county in my old congressional district except Chelan and will lead Poindexter by more than 4,000, just about the same margin of victory I was given in the

Republican Majority in Oregon Legislature Reduced, But Remains Ample for Working Purposes—Democrats Gain Seven in Lower House and Two in Senate—Sinnott Safely in Lead.

PORTLAND, Or., Nov. 8.—With the count complete except for three precincts in Multnomah county and some 200 precincts upstate Walter M. Pierce's majority over Governor Olcott, whom he has defeated for re-election, had grown to night to nearly 30,000. The figures were: Olcott 93,154; Pierce 123,103.

The defeat of Representative C. N. McArthur by Elton Watkins, his Democratic opponent in the third Oregon congressional district, was only by a narrow margin. With complete returns in the unofficial vote was: McArthur 35,690; Watkins 36,773.

The normal Republican majority in the Oregon legislature will be somewhat reduced by the results of the legislative elections in various counties. Based on tonight's returns the Democrats will gain seven in the lower house and two in the senate. The Republicans will still have an ample working majority.

OLCOTT SENDS PIERCE WIRE

Congratulations Telegraphed Victor—General Statement is Issued

Acknowledging a decisive defeat and expressing his wishes for a successful administration by his victorious opponent, Governor Olcott yesterday telegraphed congratulations to Governor-elect Walter M. Pierce at La Grande.

The governor also issued a general statement relative to the election and the Pierce victory.

"Please accept my congratulations upon your very decisive victory," says the message to Pierce. "If there is any way I may assist you in your new duties, command me. Oregon means more than the personal fortunes of any man or set of men, and it is my hope that under your administration she may grow and prosper."

The general statement by the governor was as follows: "Our defeat is decisive and the people of Oregon have determined they desire another executive," said Governor Ben W. Olcott, in a statement issued today.

"To all who unhesitatingly have given their loyal and splendid support to me and the principles for which I stand I extend my most sincere and hearty thanks. Their friendship will be one of the most treasured memories I may take back with me to private life."

"I stood for certain principles in this campaign with the firm belief and knowledge that those principles are right. Eventually they will prevail.

"I have no regret in leaving the governor's chair. Not that I have been anything but proud to serve the people of a great state in the capacity of their chief executive, but because it is a chair of stress and trouble, and during the approaching years, with new and great problems facing the executive, it will be all the more so.

"I owe the people of Oregon a deep debt of gratitude for their confidence in me during many years in public office. I sincerely trust that I may have been of some service to my state and its people.

"I believe Oregon is the fairest state in the union. It is my wish and hope that what rancor and bitterness may exist will be wiped out overnight and that we may take our place where we belong as a peaceful, happy, prosperous people living under the slogan of 'All for one and one for all.'"

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 8.—(7:45 p. m. via Cairo, Egypt, by the Associated Press).—The Eastern Telegraph company's cable has been cut on the Kamel side of the Chanak zone in Asia Minor. The Turks refuse to permit the company to repair the line.

GOVERNOR PREUS IS IN DANGER

Another Republican Stalwart May be Upset in Minnesota Election

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 8.—(By the Associated Press)—Political upsets in Tuesday's election in Minnesota already marked by the known defeat of Senator Frank B. Kellogg and Congressman Andrew J. Volstead, tonight had extended their threat to the early plurality gained by Governor J. A. O. Preuss.

While the pluralities given Dr. Hendrik Shipstead, Farmer-Labor candidate, and Rev. O. J. Kvale, Independent, over their Republican opponents—Kellogg and Volstead respectively—continued to grow, Magnus Johnson, Farmer-Labor candidate, was cutting into the lead Governor Preuss set at the outset of the tabulation.

Another Republican candidate menaced was Representative Halvor Steenerson, in the ninth district where Knud Wetald, Farmer-Laborite, had a lead of more than 1,000 votes with one-third the district reported. In congressional districts aside from the seventh and ninth, Republican incumbents were maintaining an advantage.

Shipstead's plurality over Kellogg and rs. Anna Dickie Olsson, the Democratic candidate, had increased to 40,000 tonight with the state virtually two-thirds complete and in the seventh district Mr. Kvale's lead had mounted to 5,000 with the district three-fourths in.