

FORECAST
FAIR TONIGHT
AND WEDNESDAY

MEDFORD MAIL TRIBUNE

WEATHER
Max. Yes. 47; Min. Today
33; Prec. 12; total storm .69.

Forty-sixth Year.
Daily—Eleventh Year.

MEDFORD, OREGON, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1916

NO. 196

KANSAS LIKELY TO BE IN LINE FOR PRESIDENT

Wilson Leading Ticket by Big Margin—Ft. Scott and Wichita Returning Majorities—Topeka for Hughes—Copper, Republican Governor, Is Probably Re-elected.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 7.—Returns received here this afternoon of the incomplete count from 95 of the 2484 precincts of Kansas show Wilson to have received 6056 and Hughes 6673. The vote was being counted in many precincts as it was cast. The vote for governor showed Capper, republican, the present incumbent, to have 5580 votes with Lansdon, his democratic opponent, having 2248.

The vote was precincts in Shawnee, Reno, Sedgwick, Wyandotte, Atchison, Labette, Cloud, Douglas, Bourbon and Allen counties which in 1912 gave Wilson 24,057; Roosevelt, 29,855 and Taft 20,311.

This ratio of gain, if maintained, will give Kansas to Wilson.

Ft. Scott for Wilson.
FORT SCOTT, Kan., Nov. 7.—The incomplete returns from all of the nine precincts of this city this afternoon give Wilson 1043 and Hughes 602.

The vote for governor was Capper, republican, 2775; Hodges, democrat, 3045, and Allen, progressive, 1016.

Topeka for Hughes
TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 7.—Partial returns from 27 precincts in the city of Topeka gave the following result at 2:30 o'clock: Hughes 3055 and Wilson 1943.

For governor, Capper, republican, 3242 and Lansdon, democrat, 1345. For first district congressman, Anthony, republican, 2200, Corwin, democrat, 1191, and Harding, independent, 442.

Shawnee county, of which Topeka is a part, was carried by Wilson four years ago and by Governor Capper, republican, two years ago. The 1912 vote was Wilson 5024, Taft 3792, and Roosevelt, 4057. The vote on governor two years ago was Capper 12,215, Hodges, democrat, 2751, and Allen, progressive, 1348.

Wichita for Wilson
WICHITA, Kan., Nov. 7.—Incomplete returns from 26 precincts in this city give Hughes 898, Wilson 1080, Capper, republican, for governor, 925, and Lansdon, democrat, 723. Wilson, republican for congressman, eighth district, 674, and Ayres, democrat, for re-election, 898.

Sedgwick county, including the city went progressive in both 1912 and 1914. The vote in 1912 was 654 for Roosevelt, 5752 for Wilson and 2592 for Taft. The 1914 vote for governor was, Capper, republican, 3773, Hodges, democrat, 5514, and Allen, progressive, 6411.

Wyandotte County.
KANSAS CITY, Nov. 7.—The returns from ten of the 198 precincts of Wyandotte county, Kansas, including Kansas City, Kansas, as given out by (Continued on Page Four.)

PIGGOTT PURCHASES COAST STEEL PLANTS

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 7.—William R. Piggott of Seattle is reported here today to have purchased the holdings of the D. P. Doak interests in the Pacific Coast Steel company at the rate of \$300 per share, the total figure involved being estimated at \$1,840,000. The Pacific Coast Steel company has plants at South San Francisco, Portland and Seattle, and with the Piggott foundry and shops in Seattle would hold an important place in Pacific coast industrial circles. Extensive munition contracts from the Russian government held by Piggott are said to have inspired the purchase.

IOWA MILITIAMEN STATIONED ON BORDER VOTE FOR PRESIDENT

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Nov. 7.—The first battalion of Iowa field artillery, voting here today, cast votes as follows:
Hughes, 88; Wilson, 114.
For governor of Iowa: Harding, republican, 138; Meredith, democrat, 91.
For congress: Hill, republican, 90; Cronin, democrat, 125.

LARGEST VOTE IN HISTORY OF STATE POLLED IN ILLINOIS

CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—The first Chicago returns came from the seventh precinct of the fourteenth ward. It gave Wilson 108 men and 45 women and Hughes 72 men and 42 women, a total of 253 for Wilson and 114 for Hughes. Four years ago, women not voting, this precinct gave Wilson 77, Taft 54 and Roosevelt 138.

CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—By far the largest vote in the history of Illinois elections is expected to be cast today by reason of the fact that women for the first time voted for president and vice-president. Promise of fair weather throughout the state was also counted on by party managers to aid in bringing about this result.

Approximately 2,000,000 votes have registered in the state, and party leaders estimated that close to 1,800,000 votes would be recorded, of which number between 600,000 and 700,000 would be cast by women. The women, however, enjoy only partial suffrage, being permitted to vote for president and vice-president, but not for state officers, except trustees of the state university.

Chicago, with its more than 800,000 voters—men and women—started the voting in the state, the polls here opening at 6 a. m. and closing at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Down-state the polls opened at 7 a. m. and will remain open until 5 p. m.

To guard against fraudulent voting in Chicago and other populous centers of the state, civic organizations were prepared to aid the party and election managers by sending watchers and detectives into suspected wards and precincts.

CANDIDATE DIES ON ELECTION DAY

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Nov. 7.—Hon. Silas R. Barton, a member of the sixty-third congress representing the fifth Nebraska district, and the republican candidate for election to the same office at this time, in competition with Congressman Ashton C. Shallenberger, died suddenly at 11:30 this morning of acute pneumonia.

Mr. Barton closed his campaign in his home city last night with an open air meeting.

M'CORMICK CONFIDENT OF WILSON VICTORY

HARRISBURG, Pa., Nov. 7.—Vance C. McCormick, chairman of the democratic national committee, was the ninety-fourth man to vote in his precinct here today. He went to the polls with his brother, and after voting said he "is just as confident as ever of a democratic victory."

FAIR WEATHER BRINGS HEAVY VOTE ON BORDER

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Nov. 7.—Fair weather prevailed throughout New Mexico today, and reports from various sections indicated a heavy early vote.

TWO GERMAN DREADNAUGHTS HIT BY TORPEDO

British Submarine Captain Claims to Have Torpedoed Two Dreadnaught Battleships of the Kaiser Class in the North Sea—Displacement of Vessels Is 24,700 Tons.

LONDON, Nov. 7.—A claim that two dreadnaughts were hit by the British submarine which yesterday was reported launching a torpedo at and striking a German dreadnaught in the North sea, is contained in a further report received from the commanding officer of the submarine, it was officially announced today. The two dreadnaughts claimed to have been struck were battleships of the Kaiser class.

The official statement reads: "With reference to yesterday's communique, a further report has now been received from the commanding officer of the submarine. He now claims to have hit two dreadnaught battleships of the Kaiser class."

The naval registers show five dreadnaught battleships of the Kaiser class, all completed between October, 1912, and August, 1913. Besides the name ship of the class, they are the Friedrich Der Grosse, Kaiserin, Prinz Regent, and Luitpold and Koenig Albert. The displacement of each is 24,700 tons, length 564 feet, beam 95 feet and draft 27 feet. Their armament consists of ten 12-inch guns, fourteen 6-inch guns, twelve 21-pounders. They are equipped with five torpedo tubes, submerged. The Kaiser's best speed record is given as 23.6 knots.

Reports from British sources that the Kaiser was sunk in the Jutland sea fight last May were semi-officially denied in Berlin. It was stated that the Kaiser was only twice lightly hit by gunfire, one man being killed.

HEAVIEST VOTING IN OHIO'S HISTORY

COLEMAN, O., Nov. 7.—Weather conditions throughout Ohio were favorable today and early voting bore out the prediction of political leaders that the vote probably will be the largest in the history of the state. In addition to the national ticket a complete state ticket will be voted upon. While the presidential race attracts the most attention, the contests between Allee Pomerene, democrat, for re-election as United States senator and Myron T. Horrick and between Governor Frank B. Willis for re-election and former Governor James M. Cox are being closely watched.

Both sides continue today to claim the election of state and national tickets by pluralities ranging up to 100,000.

DEAD MAN VOTES SIOUX CITY, IOWA

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Nov. 7.—Clarence Peterson, a dead man, voted in Sioux City today. Peterson, who was a traveling man, secured an absentee voter's ballot at the county recorder's office yesterday, filled it out and left it with the recorder. Last evening a runaway horse flung into Peterson's automobile, fatally injuring him, and he died early this morning. The law provides Peterson's ballot shall be counted.

VOTING IS BRISK IN MASSACHUSETTS

BOSTON, Nov. 7.—The early voting in this city was brisk. The weather was fair and party leaders were unanimous in the prediction that a very large percentage of the total registration of 117,000 would be represented. The polls opened at 6 a. m. and will close at 4 p. m.

COLORADO GOES FOR WILSON BY 30,000 ACCORDING TO COUNT

CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—Senator Walsh gave out a telegram from Denver, Colo., this afternoon which he said indicated, on returns counted hourly to noon by double registration boards, that Wilson would carry Colorado by 30,000 votes.

The telegram follows: "At 12 o'clock, with ballots being counted every hour, our reports indicate Wilson majority easily over 30,000. (Signed) JOHN T. BARNETT, Democratic National Committee man."

AUSTRIAN U-BOAT ITALIAN DESTROYER SUNK IN DUEL

ROME, Nov. 7.—An Austrian submarine and an Italian destroyer were sunk in a duel on the night of October 16, according to an official statement issued by the admiralty today. The submarine had attacked a transport which escaped.

The text of the statement follows: "An Austrian submarine attacked on the night of October 16-17 to torpedo one of our transports conveying troops but was discovered and attacked by a convoying destroyer. The submarine and the destroyer sank while the transport reached its destination safely. The majority of the crew of the destroyer were saved and two officers and eleven men of the crew of the submarine were made prisoner."

"On the night of November 1 our destroyers after crossing boldly and successfully a mine zone and surmounting by their daring solid obstacles defending the Fasana-Pola canal managed to enter the customary anchorage of part of the Austrian fleet. Two torpedoes were fired against one large ship and were observed to catch in the vessel's torpedo net."

"For two hours our destroyers reconnoitred within a few hundred yards of the forts and strong citadel of Pola and only withdrew when they had accomplished difficult and most delicate missions. Numerous powerful searchlights beat the sky and sea and batteries opened random and futile fire."

"On the night of November 3 several of our destroyers sank a large Austrian steamer anchored at Duazzo under the shelter of defenses and a mine zone. Enemy destroyers came out and were attacked by our ships which forced their retreat. Our destroyers then returned safely to their base. On November 5 the enemy destroyers appeared at dawn before Santa Poldofore and began to bombard that part of the coast although no military works were there. One of our armored trains rushed up, engaged and dove off the enemy. Two destroyers were hit, one was seen with a heavy list being assisted by others. The enemy fire was ineffective, one railroad man being slightly wounded and small damage done to private property."

CANDIDATES VOTE AT INDIANAPOLIS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 7.—J. Frank Hanly, the prohibition party nominee, voted early today. He said he expected his party to poll more than 500,000 votes, or more than twice as many as four years ago.

Charles W. Fairbanks, the republican vice-presidential candidate, cast the 321st ballot in his precinct. His only statement was that he never had seen a campaign in which so much interest had been displayed.

Vice-President Marshall cast his ballot just before noon.

VOTE STARTS WITH RUSH BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 7.—Voting started in with a rush with the opening of the polls at 6 a. m. in this city. The weather is fair and cool.

ALLIES CAPTURE 72,981 MEN IN SOMME DRIVE

Franco-British Troops Made Prisoners of 40,796 Men, 809 Officers, 77 Field Guns, 104 Mortars and 535 Machine Guns—Progress Reported on Various Battle Fronts.

PARIS, Nov. 7.—Last night was barren of important happenings along the French front, the war office announced today, there having been only intermittent cannonading on portions of the Somme front and on the right bank of the Meuse in the Verdun sector.

German aircraft dropped incendiary bombs on Nancy yesterday but did no damage, according to the official statement. There were no casualties.

Today's statement recapitulates the prisoners taken by Franco-British troops in the course of the fighting on the Somme from July 1, giving their number up to November 1 as 71,532 men and 1449 officers, while the number of guns captured is given as 173 field guns, 130 heavy guns, 215 trench mortars and 981 machine guns.

Of this total the French captured 40,796 men, 809 officers, 77 field guns, 191 heavy guns, 104 trench mortars and 535 machine guns.

RUMANIAN Progress

BUCHAREST, Nov. 7.—The Rumanian forces in Dobudja, which recently assumed the offensive against Field Marshal Von Mackensen's army are continuing their success, the war office announced today. Progress for the Rumanians along the entire Dobudja front is reported.

BERLIN, Nov. 7.—On the Transylvanian front in the region of Tughes the Russians yesterday forced back Austro-German troops, it is announced officially. The Teutonic forces gained ground west of Boda pass.

Near Rothenturm pass the Austrians and Germans advanced and took more than 100 prisoners. Near Vulcan pass further ground was gained.

LONDON, Nov. 7.—Gains by British troops in the neighborhood of Butte de Warlencourt on the Somme front during operations last night were announced today by the war office.

On Somme Front.

BERLIN, Nov. 7.—On the Somme front yesterday the British made an attack near Eaucourt L'Abbaye, but were immediately beaten back, the war office announced today.

PARIS, Nov. 7.—Great activity to the east of the Lake Prebsa region toward the western end of the Macedonian front, is reported by the war office. A Bulgarian counter attack in the region of the town of German was repulsed. Elsewhere in this sector there was moderate artillery activity.

BERLIN, Nov. 7.—The capture of a Russian bridgehead on the Stokhod is reported by the war office. On the northern part of the front and between Dvinsk and Lake Naroz, Russian artillery is displaying marked activity.

TORREON NOT TAKEN BY VILLA FORCES

EL PASO, Texas, Nov. 7.—American mining men having an agent in Torreon, Coahuila, received a message here today from that city dated yesterday. This is taken here as proof that Torreon has not been taken by the Villa bandits as was reported last night from unofficial sources.

OVERCAST SKIES FOR WYOMING ELECTION

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 7.—Overcast skies, with a threat of rain, early today tended to hasten the voting throughout Wyoming. Chief interest centered in the senatorial contest.

LANAO PRESUMABLY AMERICAN SHIP SAYS CONSUL AT CARDIFF

WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—Acting Secretary Osborne announced today from Consul Lathrop at Cardiff, Wales, report the sinking of the Lanoa and declare that "presumably" she was an American ship carrying a cargo of rice from Manila to Havre. He informed the department the affidavits of her captain and members of the crew would be forwarded later. The department had requested further information from the American embassy at London.

EARLY RETURNS IN MASSACHUSETTS SHOW WILSON GAIN

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 7.—Ten towns in Massachusetts give Hughes 1234, Wilson 742.

The same towns in 1912 gave Wilson 476, Taft 705, Roosevelt 694.

The towns included in this compilation were New Ashford, Acushnet, Norwell, Masspee, Marshfield, Carver, Maroon Mills, Norfolk and Medfield.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Nov. 7.—One-third of the city, tabulated at 2:45 p. m. gives Hughes 1920, Wilson 1737. The polls closed at 2 o'clock.

BOSTON, Nov. 7.—The first five towns in Massachusetts to report on the presidential vote gave: Wilson 280, Hughes 544.

In 1912 they gave Wilson 192, Taft 358, Roosevelt 272.

These towns were New Ashford, Acushnet, Norwell, Masspee and Marshfield.

ASHFORD, Mass., Nov. 7.—Complete vote cast here at 11 a. m. and polls closed. Hughes 16, Wilson 7. In 1912 Wilson received 4, Taft 7 and Roosevelt 6.

FIRST RETURNS FROM NEW YORK STATE

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—Returns from seventeen districts in the state out of 3680 outside New York City for president give Hughes 3980, Wilson 3108.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Nov. 7.—One Schenectady district gives Wilson 137, Hughes 188.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Nov. 7.—The city of Poughkeepsie gives complete returns for president, Hughes 3655, Wilson 2916. In 1912 the city for governor gave Whitman 3302, Glynn 2006.

JOHNSTOWN, N. Y., Nov. 7.—City of Johnstown, complete, gives Hughes 995, Wilson 947.

For governor: Whitman 1026, Seabury 925.

RECORD VOTE LIKELY IN SOUTH DAKOTA

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Nov. 7.—With interest in today's election at fever heat, the weather clear and cool and the roads in excellent condition, South Dakota is expected to cast a record vote. Republicans claim the state for Hughes by from 10,000 to 15,000 plurality and the democrats claim it for Wilson by 6000 to 8000 in the latest predictions.

SNOW STORM GREETS VOTERS OF COLORADO

DENVER, Colo., Nov. 7.—Colorado voters who came out in large numbers early were greeted by a snow storm. "Dry" workers were said early to get votes against the "beer" amendment.

HEAVY VOTE IN JACKSON COUNTY IS BEING POLLED

Sunshine Brings Out Full Vote in Country and City Precincts—Indications That Full Registered Vote Will Be Cast—Much Interest, But Little Excitement.

With clear weather favoring a turnout of voters, returns at the various polls in the city indicate an exceptionally heavy vote today. At 2 o'clock the vote in many precincts was very close to the registration figures. Large numbers of voters are being sworn in.

The woman vote is exceptionally heavy.

Figures from Medford precincts at 2 o'clock were: Medford South Central, 92 votes, registration 170, sworn in 32. Medford South Riverside, 66 votes, registration 103, sworn in 6. East Medford, 127 votes, registration 196, sworn in 20. Medford North-east, 138 votes, registration 217, sworn in 23. Medford North Riverside, 105 votes, registration 166, sworn in 16. North Central, 122 votes, registration 167, sworn in 16. Medford South Main, 101 votes, registration 155, sworn in 10. Newtown, 180 votes, registration 236, sworn in 36. Oakdale, 144 votes, registration 190, sworn in 17. Southwest Medford, 115 votes, registration 175, sworn in 15. Park, 75 votes, registration 125, sworn in 7. North Main, 156 votes, registration 202, sworn in 35.

HEAVY SNOW STORM RAGING IN COLORADO

DENVER, Colo., Nov. 7.—A heavy snow storm raged today over western and northern Colorado. In the south-eastern section summertime weather was reported. Reports from the western slope indicated the heaviest storm of the season. Montrose reported six inches of snow fell last night, the storm continuing. Grand Junction reported a wind of sixty-two miles an hour.

In Denver a heavy snowstorm gives indications of all-day storm.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 7.

Voting in the rural districts was expected to be light today as the result of a heavy snowstorm which prevailed today over the greater part of Wyoming. The proposed prohibition amendment and the woman's vote held the center of interest.

VENZELOS FORCES CLASH WITH TROOPS

KATERINA, Greece, Nov. 6, via London, Nov. 7.—In an encounter between the forces of the Venizelos government which occupied Katerina and the loyal troops sent here, two soldiers were killed and five wounded. Except for this action there has been no fighting thus far between the Greek forces.

The Venizelos groups will be withdrawn in order to avoid further encounters. French stores having been detailed to take over the town. M. Venizelos has decided not to oppose their coming, desiring to avoid fighting among the Greeks.

PERFECT WEATHER PREVAILS IN OKLAHOMA

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Nov. 7.—Perfect election weather greeted Oklahoma voters. Outside the national tickets, interest centered around the "fair election" amendment to create a non-partisan election board.

QUIET ELECTION IN CONSERVATIVE VERMONT

MONTPELIER, Vt., Nov. 7.—The quiet campaign in Vermont was reflected in a comparatively light vote in the early hours today. The sky was clear with a wintry temperature.