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DEMOCRATS LOSE CONTROL OF CONGRESS GERMANS OFF TO FRONT TO SEEK PEACE

BOTH SIDES CLAIM LEAD FOR SENATE

Republicans Reverse Democratic Control of House of Representatives—Senate Close and May Be Tied—Democrats Elect Governor in New York—Lewis Beaten in Illinois and Weeks in Massachusetts, Shaffroth in Colorado—Ford in Close Race.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—The republicans have reversed the democratic control of the house of representatives on the face of incomplete returns up to 3 p. m. today.

At that hour both the republicans and the democrats were claiming a majority of the senate. Returns indicated that the membership of this body would be close and possibly a tie, in which event Vice President Marshall would have the deciding vote.

With returns from 17 congressional districts missing, the republicans apparently had succeeded in filling 225 of the total number, 435, of the seats in the house. The democrats seemed assured of 191 seats, the socialists one and the independents one.

The democrats had seated 45 senators on the face of the returns up to that time and the republicans a similar number. Reports from contests which are still incomplete, show returns so far favoring three democrats and three republicans.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—Early today, more than 24 hours after yesterday's balloting began, it was not apparent whether the democrats or republicans would control the next congress.

Party managers on both sides predicted they would have a substantial working majority, but the returns showed between 50 and 75 congressional districts still unreported and the line-up so close that the scales might easily be turned in favor of either party.

The governorship of New York, too, was surrounded with the same uncertainty. The contest between Governor Whitman and his democratic opponent, Alfred E. Smith was so close that it appeared the soldier vote would settle it.

Some well known figures in public life will be retired or at least have close shaves by yesterday's voting. Prominent among them are Speaker Clark of the house of representatives, who today was running very close to his opponent, but he probably has been elected. Senator Weeks, the junior republican senator from Massachusetts, defeated by former Governor Walsh, democrat; senator Lewis of Illinois, the democratic who, defeated by Representative Modell McCormick of Chicago; Senator Saulsbury of Delaware, president pro-tem of the senate, defeated by former Senator Ball, republican, and Representative Sherry, democrat of Kentucky, chairman of the appropriations committee.

With the results incomplete, Henry Ford was running far behind Truman H. Newberry, former assistant secretary of the navy, his republican opponent for the senate in Michigan.

Folk Meets Defeat
Joseph W. Folk, former governor of Missouri, running for senator to succeed the late Senator Stone, was

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GRAND JURY PROBE OF PRISON SCANDAL

SALEM, Ore., Oct. 6.—District Attorney Gehlar announced today that County Clerk U. G. Beyer has been instructed to call a Marion county grand jury into special session Friday of this week, to conduct its part of the state penitentiary investigation. What person or persons will be investigated, has not been made known.

YANKS SMASH NEW LINE OF HUN DEFENSE

Town of Le Tanne in Bend of Meuse Captured—Was Part of New Defenses—German Resistance West of Meuse Stiffens—Berlin Admits American Success.

WITH THE AMERICAN FORCES ON THE SEDAN FRONT, Nov. 6.—(3 p. m.) By the Associated Press.—American troops this afternoon were fighting within sight of Sedan, famous for the great battle fought in the Franco-German war in 1870.

From the hills in the region of Chemery and Maisonnelle, where the Americans, according to last accounts, were advancing despite stubborn resistance, the buildings of Sedan are in plain view, being about six miles away.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE SEDAN FRONT, Nov. 6.—(3 p. m.) By the Associated Press.—American troops continued the advance today between the Meuse and the Bar, moving forward at one place more than three miles.

The Americans reached Chemery, seven and a half miles southwest of Sedan.

East of Chemery the American lines now run through Maisonnelle, Flaba and the Bois du Fond de Lion.

On the west bank of the Meuse the Germans have been driven entirely from the Bois de Hossiepe, two miles north of Beaumont.

All along the heights of the Meuse in the region of Nassev and between Millev and Din the Americans made progress despite heavy machine gun and artillery resistance on the part of the Germans.

The Germans continue their rearguard action on the rugged hills and wooded districts east of the Meuse against which the Americans are advancing steadily.

Defense Line Broken
Another formidable enemy defense line, on which the Germans planned to make a stand, was smashed by the Americans late Tuesday when they captured the town of Le Tanne, in the bend of the Meuse south of Moulon.

From Le Tanne the line extends along the Meuse through Pouilly and Inor and eastward.

This line was part of the new defenses along the Meuse from Stenay northward to Sedan. An elaborate trench system recently had been completed, along with numerous wire entanglements, concrete dugouts and miles of concrete emplacement for heavy machine guns.

The village of Beaumont where there are more than 400 French civilians, is the particular target of the Germans. All last night they deluged Beaumont with poison gas.

German resistance against American pressure west of the Meuse stiffened considerably today. The Germans are using artillery, gas and machine guns.

FORD CATCHING UP WITH NEWBERRY

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 6.—Tuesday's election for United States senator in Michigan has narrowed to a nip and tuck race with Lieut. Commander Truman H. Newberry, republican, maintaining a narrow lead over Henry Ford, democrat.

A careful compilation made by the Associated Press based on returns from practically 75 percent of the precincts in the state give Newberry 173,192 and Ford 171,577.

ALLIES DEFEAT 140 DIVISIONS IN LATEST BATTLE

Nine Armies From Ghent to Meuse Must Flow Back to Germany Thru Belgium Over Difficult Country—If Allies Can Occupy Namur-Liege Region, Enemy Will Be Surrounded.

PARIS, Nov. 6.—As the result of the latest battle which is still in progress, the allies have soundly beaten 14 German divisions, hundreds of villages have been freed and thousands of prisoners have been captured. The enemy's position was bad but may now be said to be desperate.

The enemy has nine armies strung out on a semi-circular line from Ghent to Moulon, on the Meuse, a distance of 160 miles. All that immense fighting force must flow back to Germany thru Belgium, the gap between Liege and Moulon measuring only 70 miles.

The southern half and center of this gap is the most difficult country. It is wooded, hilly and poorly supplied with roads. If the Namur-Liege region is occupied by the allies before the Germans south of the Sambre are able to get away and cross the Meuse they will be virtually surrounded.

Ghent and LeQuesnoy are nearer Namur and Liege than Marle and Chateau Porcien. The British armies are less than 50 miles from Namur. The Germans of the Sambre are 70 and those on the Aisne are 75. The country north of the Sambre is ideal for maneuvering.

Retreat Continues

PARIS, Nov. 6.—The retreat of the Germans along the whole of the French front continues, the war office reported today. The French are in contact with the enemy rearguards.

North of Marle, the French have passed beyond Voharies, five miles southwest of the important railway junction of Vervins. Italian troops have occupied LeThuel, four miles southeast of Montcornet.

The French have crossed the Aisne on both sides of Bethel, capturing Barby, west of Bethel. North of the Argonne the French also have moved forward, reaching the outskirts of Lametz and LaCassine.

LONDON, Nov. 6.—The British last night continued to press after the Germans beyond the Mormal forest, where they have reached the main road from Avesnes to Bavay. Field Marshal Haig announced today.

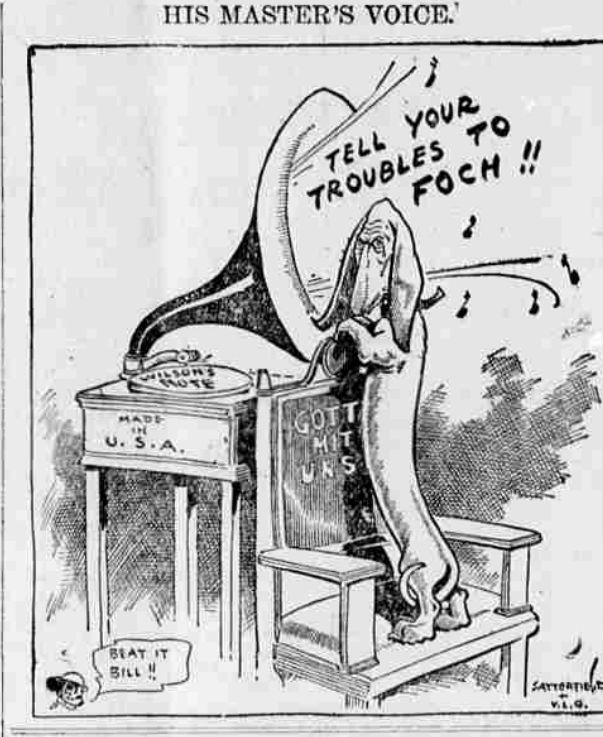
CONGEDE WALSH; WINS MONTANA

HELENA, Mont., Nov. 6.—The reelection of Thomas J. Walsh to the United States senate was conceded here today by Oscar M. Landstrom, republican, and Senator Walsh's leading opponent. Miss Jennette Rankin, congresswoman from Montana, who ran for the senate on the national party ticket, was third in the count.

HELENA, Mont., Nov. 6.—With slightly less than half the total number of precincts in Montana reporting up to noon today, United States senator Thomas J. Walsh, the democratic incumbent, had a lead in yesterday's election in the race for the United States senatorship of 4224 votes over Oscar M. Landstrom, the republican candidate. Miss Jennette Rankin, the national party candidate was more than 14,000 votes behind Senator Walsh.

REPUBLICANS ELECT TICKET, SOUTH DAKOTA

STOUX FALLS, S. D., Nov. 6.—Incomplete and widely scattering returns from yesterday's election indicate that the entire republican congressional and state ticket has been re-elected. Senator Sterling has a substantial lead over his democratic opponent.



PURDIN CARRIES CITY OF MEDFORD BY 204 MAJORITY

Only 1,550 voters cast their ballots at Medford Tuesday, less than 300 more than cast at Ashland, the lightest vote in a general election in many years. With the exception of Purdin, who carried every precinct in the city and had a majority of 294 in Medford, the trend of the voting did not vary from that in the county.

Both McNary and Withycombe carried the city by a small margin. Westerland was high man for representative. The following is the total vote of the nine Ashland precincts:

Senator (vacancy)—Bean, 143; Mulkey, 893.
Senator (full term)—McNary, 703; Slaughter, 19; West, 537.
Congress—Hawley, 1037; Talbert, 70.
Governor—Pierce, 514; Ramp, 22; Withycombe, 720.
State treasurer—Hoff, 725; Mason, 395.
Supreme court (full term)—Evans, 135; Johns, 887.
Attorney General—Brown, 1000; Cannon, 77.
School superintendent—Churchill, 1949; Lark, 86.
Labor statistics—Gram, 974; N-Kula, 74.
Public service commission—Johnson, 76; Williams, 997.
Sud. water division—Burcholzer, 66; Cramer, 956.
State senator—Sweeney, 366; Thomas, 852.
Representative—Sheldon, 872; Westerland, 979; Lowe, 575.
County judge—Gardner, 667; Purdin, 871.
Sheriff—Garrett, 658; Terrill, 730.
Normal school—Yes, 1146; no, 182.
Rozie Fish Bill—Yes, 987; no, 236.
Willamette Fish Bill—Yes, 634; no, 176.
Delinquent Tax—Yes, 577; no, 440.
Printing—Yes, 516; no, 362.

M'NARY WINNER AS IS WITHYCOMBE AT POLLS TUESDAY

PORTLAND, Nov. 6.—Re-election of Governor James Withycombe, republican, and election of Senator Charles L. McNary, republican, to the United States senatorship for the long term seemed certain today on the basis of scattering returns from all parts of Oregon. Representatives McArthur and Simont were well ahead and the republican state ticket as a whole probably was elected. Representative Hawley, republican, was returned a victor with but little opposition.

Senator McNary's lead over ex-Governor West in Multnomah county, (Portland) early today, was 515; ratios from elsewhere in the state indicated that McNary's majority might reach 29,000. Governor Withycombe's majority over Walter M. Farrow, democrat, was estimated at 19,000. Early figures showed the governor leading by 220 in Multnomah county.

Former Governor Oswald West sent a telegram of congratulation today to Senator McNary.

Incomplete returns from 20 counties in the state give McNary a lead of 1,300 for the senatorship, and Governor Withycombe a lead of 1,600 over Farrow, democrat, for governor.

ASHLAND VOTES ALMOST AS UNIT FOR GARDNER

Ashland voted almost solidly for Gardner, insuring his election. The vote stood: Gardner 1027, Purdin 231. Sheldon was high man in the race for representative. The following is the total vote of the nine Ashland precincts:

U. S. Senator—McNary, 784; Slaughter, 33; West, 725.
Governor—Pierce, 691; Withycombe, 811.
State senator—Sweeney, 618; Thomas, 890.
Representative—Sheldon, 872; Westerland, 979; Lowe, 575.
County judge—Gardner, 667; Purdin, 871.
Sheriff—Garrett, 658; Terrill, 730.
Normal school—Yes, 1146; no, 182.
Rozie Fish Bill—Yes, 987; no, 236.
Willamette Fish Bill—Yes, 634; no, 176.
Delinquent Tax—Yes, 577; no, 440.
Printing—Yes, 516; no, 362.

STEPHENS EASILY WINS GOVERNORSHIP OF CALIFORNIA

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 6.—Governor William D. Stephens' victory in yesterday's race for governor grew steadily greater today. His lead was about 36,000 votes over Theodore Bell early today with about a fifth of the expected vote in the state reported from. In 1920 complete and 262 incomplete precincts of 6,191 in California, the vote: Stephens 84,985; Bell 48,816.

The bone dry amendment which last night returns gave a slight lead for adoption was running behind by a 0 to 4 vote today with about a sixth of the vote in.

The results in 587 complete and 401 incomplete precincts of 6,191 in California, gave: Yes, 28,528; no, 35,499.

The liquor regulatory measure seemed defeated upon the face of returns from 50 counties. Those gave: Yes, 28,213; no, 38,995.
The health insurance amendment appeared to be smothered under.

ENTIRE TICKET JACKSON COUNTY GOES REPUBLICAN

McNary Apparently Noses Out West and Withycombe Pierce—Close Race Between Terrill and Garrett With Former Leading—Gardner Elected Judge and Thomas Senator.

With but thirteen precincts missing, Jackson county apparently has elected the entire republican ticket. The only close contest is that between Terrill and Garrett for sheriff, and the missing precincts, all reported for Garrett, may overcome Terrill's lead of 114.

McNary has apparently nosed out West by a 100 votes and Withycombe runs ahead of Pierce nearly 200 votes, the complete returns will cut down these figures. Thomas has defeated Sweeney for senator by 900; Sheldon and Westerland distanced Lowe for representative. Gardner has been elected county judge by 800 majority—secured at Ashland.

All the initiative and referendum measures received a heavy affirmative vote. The following is the total vote, exclusive of Antioch, Barron, Climax, Dead Indian, Footh Creek, Griffin Creek, Meadows, Mound, Pinhurst, Rock Point, Union, Watkins and Wimer precincts:

Totals in County
U. S. senator, short term, Bean, 512; Mulkey, 2351.
U. S. senator, long term—McNary, 2323; Slaughter, 112; West, 2197.
Governor—Pierce, 2131; Ramp, 117; Withycombe, 2325.
State senator—Sweeney, 1721; Thomas, 2381.
Representative—Sheldon, 2591; Westerland, 2440; Lowe, 1752.
County Judge—Gardner, 2793; Purdin, 1856.
Sheriff—Garrett, 2116; Terrill, 2230.
Normal school—Yes, 3338; no, 504.
Rogue fish bill—Yes, 2445; no, 688.
Willamette fish bill—Yes, 1724; no, 558.
Delinquent tax—Yes, 1886; no, 1943.
Printing—Yes, 1501; no, 780.

WALSH DEFEATS WEEKS BY 18,908

BOSTON, Nov. 6.—The democrats captured a seat in the United States senate from Massachusetts yesterday when former Governor David I. Walsh was elected by a plurality of 18,908 over Senator John W. Weeks. The vote of the state complete was: Walsh, democrat, 206,719; Weeks, republican, 187,802; Thomas W. Lawson, independent, 22,000.

Lieut. Governor Calvin Coolidge, republican, was elected governor by a plurality of 17,147 over Richard H. Long, democrat.

HENDERSON WINNER IN SAGE BRUSH STATE

RENO, Nov. 6.—Incomplete returns show Senator Charles B. Henderson has defeated Congressman E. E. Roberts for senator by a substantial majority, and that Charles H. Evans, democrat, is elected representative in congress, defeating S. S. Downer, republican.

DELEGATION TO CONCLUDE ARMISTICE

Official Announcement Made at Berlin—Germans Continue Retreat on 160 Mile Front, Which Treats to Become Route—Allied Progress Continues on Entire Front—British Driving Wedge Between Mons and Maubauge—Ghent Near Fall.

BERLIN, Nov. 6.—An official statement issued here today says: "A German delegation to conclude armistice and take up peace negotiations has left for the western front."

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS, Nov. 6.—Forced to a realization of impending peril by the progress of the British southeast of Valenciennes and the French and Americans south of Sedan, Germany's shattered armies are in rapid retreat from the Belgian frontier to the Aisne river. So rapid is the retirement that it is very difficult to determine the exact location of the contending forces along this 85 mile front.

British forces have cleared the barrier of Mormal forest and threaten to drive a wedge between Mons and Maubeuge. To the south the French have launched an attack that has forced the enemy back from three to four miles while along the Meuse, the Americans, in close co-operation with the French just to the westward, have overcome a stubborn resistance by the enemy and moved still nearer the Sedan-Longuyon railroad.

Retreat Not Orderly
There is evidence that the Germans are not carrying out the orderly retreat that marked their retirement from the Marne and Somme salients. Batteries of field guns, with horses attached, have been captured, and a vast quantity of munitions which could be moved quickly under ordinary circumstances, has fallen into the hands of the allies.

To the north Ghent is closely invested by the French, Belgian and British troops. The fighting there is apparently between German rear guards and the allied forces, for civilians are said to be close behind the lines, and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium watched the beginning of the assault against the city.

Progress in Belgium
The line of the Scheldt is no longer any protection to the enemy in Belgium. It has been crossed everywhere from Ghent to Valenciennes and it is probable that allied troops have been flung across the canal north of Ghent. Between Ghent and Brussels there is no great natural obstacle except the Dendre river which will aid the Germans in conducting defensive operations and it seems probable that the enemy will not turn at bay until he reaches the Namur-Brussels-Antwerp line, which is said to have been prepared for a grim struggle.

American forces north of Verdun have crossed the Meuse at three places and have gained ground on the east side of the river. This advance is most important for it threatens the Sedan-Longuyon line at a new point and removes from the Germans the advantage of having a position on the flank of the American forces advancing northward on the western side of the stream. Sedan must be under artillery fire from the medium caliber American guns.

COMMONS REJECT SPEEDY HOME RULE

LONDON, Tuesday, Nov. 5.—The house of commons today rejected by a vote of 128 to 115 a motion made by John Dillon, chairman of the nationalist party, that the Irish question should be settled without delay on President Wilson's principle of self-determination.