

Whitman May Demand Vote Be Recounted

Contest Likely if Returns From Army and Navy Favor Smith

Governor Confers With Counsel Here

Republicans Claim Valid Ballots Were Counted Out as Void

While Alfred E. Smith and his managers are claiming that his election as Governor is an assured fact, and that nothing can upset it, Governor Whitman and the managers of his campaign still cling to the hope that when the ballots are officially counted and the soldier vote is tabulated it will show he has been re-elected. They are preparing, it is said, to contest the election if the final vote is in Smith's favor.

With only six of the 7,229 election districts of the state making the vote is:

Smith	689,212
Whitman	978,148
Smith's plurality	11,064

This is a reduction of more than 1,000 over Smith's plurality in Wednesday's returns.

Several incidents yesterday indicated that Governor Whitman may demand a recount of the soldier vote, which will not be canvassed until December 19, shows that Smith is victor.

Dispute Over "Void" Ballots

Most significant of these was the order issued by Republican State Headquarters to all official canvassers up-state to watch for ballots in which no cross marks were made beside Governor Whitman's name—one in the Republican box and the other in the square beside the Prohibition emblem. This order was issued following reports from Wayne, Yates and other counties that ballots so marked had been counted out as void.

The Republicans claim that these ballots were not void, and should have been credited to Governor Whitman.

The second significant incident was the summoning of Police Commissioner Enright to Governor Whitman's apartment just before the Governor left for Albany yesterday afternoon.

The Governor warned the Police Commissioner to see that the most diligent care in protecting the ballot boxes in greater New York, where Smith polled, according to the final returns, a plurality of 265,681.

Governor and Council Confer

This record-breaking plurality was nearly 100,000 in excess of what Tammany expected to get in the city, and some Republican leaders yesterday expressed the belief that something was wrong either in the tabulating or elsewhere.

The third incident supporting the belief that the Governor will demand a recount was the meeting of his counsel, William Chivers, with him all day yesterday and accompanied him to Albany.

Democrats are sitting tight and claiming the election. That they fear Tuesday's results may be submitted to the courts and are preparing for eventualities was shown by the hurried gathering of Tammany leaders at midnight of Election Day at a conference at the Hotel Biltmore.

Chief among the Tammany election law experts who were present were E. Wagner, James J. Foley, James J. Walker and ex-Senator John G. Coffey. Says the last man is regarded as the foremost election law expert in Democratic circles and is the author of a treatise on the complicated ballot box statutes.

Contest Seems Certain

No one would talk publicly about a possible court contest, but in private conversation several of the Governor's friends were not averse to saying that one was certain.

Following a conference at Republican State Headquarters yesterday afternoon, which was attended by Governor Whitman, William A. Orr, his secretary; William Chivers, his personal counsel; and George A. Glynn, the Republican state chairman, the latter said:

"I do not concede that Alfred E. Smith has been elected. We will have to wait until the official canvass is made and the soldier vote counted."

Boards of canvassers will meet in the various counties Tuesday. Reports from upstate Republican headquarters yesterday gave rise to the belief that Edward Schoeneck may be re-elected Lieutenant Governor.

Claim Remainder of Ticket

The remainder of the state ticket, Republicans declare, has been elected. The Democratic State Committee, however, announced that it was not yet ready to concede this.

J. A. Kellogg, Democratic state chairman, said that the official canvass of the vote in upstate districts will be watched carefully on Tuesday. He has hopes that the final figures will help the Democratic ticket.

Attorney General State Treasurer Secretary of State and State Engineer and Surveyor, who, on the present incomplete returns, appear to be defeated.

All the Democratic leaders claim that the soldier vote will swing Smith's plurality to 20,000.

"It is now only a question of the size of the plurality," was Smith's comment before leaving Democratic state headquarters at Syracuse last night to return to this city.

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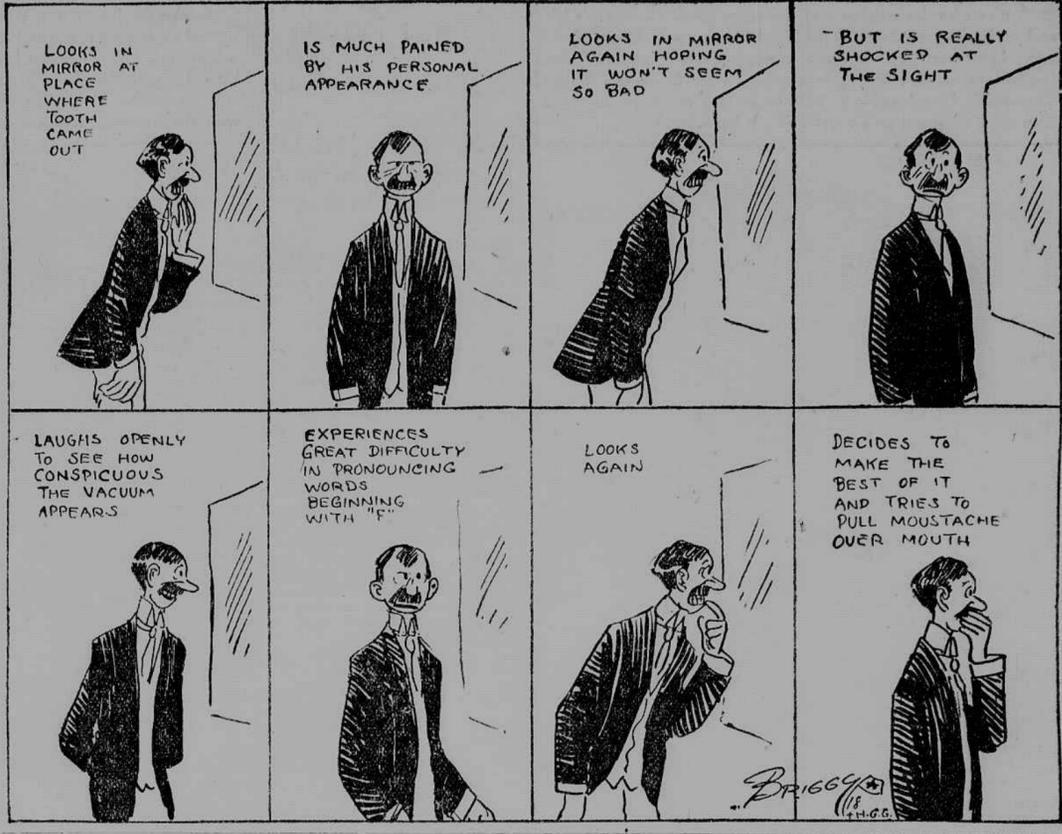
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U. S. Seizes 14 On \$1,000,000 Fraud Charge

Officers and Employees of Coastwise Lumber Company in Custody

Short Consignments, Government Alleges

Nine Instances Cited by Investigators Involving Camp Buildings

President George T. McQuade, Vice President Charles Curtis, Counsel John W. Van Gordon and eleven employees of the Coastwise Lumber Company, of 17 Battery Place, having yards in Brooklyn, Jersey City and Philadelphia, were taken into custody yesterday in a raid by operatives of the Military Intelligence Service and Marine Corps on charges of participation in an alleged conspiracy to defraud the United States. Assistant United States Attorney Beer, who directed the investigation of the concern, intimated yesterday that the sum involved amounted to nearly \$1,000,000.

The raid is still on, and arrests are pending in Washington and other cities. The round-up was started yesterday morning, after United States Commissioner McGoldrick had signed warrants on a complaint which embraced nine separate charges.

Last night McQuade and Curtis were held in \$15,000 bail each by Commissioner McGoldrick, and Van Gordon in \$10,000. The bail of the employees was fixed at sums ranging from \$2,500 to \$5,000. Beatrice O'Donnell, one of the employees of the firm, was paroled by the Commissioner.

The complaint alleges that the government has paid many thousands of dollars for lumber that was never delivered. The company, it is alleged, billed the government for more lumber than was supplied. Nine specific instances of alleged fraud were cited in the complaint for warrants. The principal charge is the delivery of short consignments and the substitution of inferior material.

The transactions occurred in the course of dealings with Camp Upton, the Coastal Air Naval Station at Neponset, L. I., the Army Transport Service at Hoboken and the Shipping Board.

Investigation was started three months ago when reports of an alleged wholesale swindle reached Attorney General Gregory. He immediately instructed United States Attorney Beer to ascertain the facts and operative of the military intelligence service were sent to investigate.

According to Federal authorities the amount involved at Camp Upton totaled \$50,000. It was further stated that long leaf yellow pine was substituted for the short leaf pine. The steamer Paul, one of the river craft run by the company, was sent on an order to Governor's Island with what purported to be 450,000 feet of tonnage. Prosecutor Beer charges that only 125,000 feet was carried on this charge. He said they knew the cargo made as to the tonnage of other craft of the concern.

The concern has contracts with the government involving between two and three million dollars. It was organized three years ago. At the office in Manhattan yesterday nothing could be learned of the concern from clerks in charge. They said they knew the company was being investigated for some time, but knew nothing of the charges.

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