

LABOR IS DENIED VICTORY IN MAINE

Politicians Analyze Situation Showing Prohibition Issue Responsible for Upheavals.

LITTLEFIELD NOT ONLY REPUBLICAN TO SUFFER

Liquor Fight Reduced Pluralities—Gompers Hailed as Victor—Other Political News.

By W. W. Jernane. Washington, Sept. 12.—American Federation of Labor officials and labor generally are trying to figure out a great moral victory won in Maine, and a rousing recital of the virtues of Samuel Gompers, president of the federation, on his return to the city next Monday night.

Politicians in both parties here are inclined to regard the outcome in the Littlefield district as being at least a draw, while many maintain that labor failed to make good its vaunted claims.

The contest would have been highly instructive had not the temperance question, state-wide in its significance and results, operated to befog the labor issue.

All Candidates Lost. Governor Cobb polled 52 per cent of the votes of the entire state. Mr. Littlefield polled 51 per cent of the votes of his district, and two other congressmen against whom labor had no grievances, as it had none against the governor, fared almost as badly as those two named.

Hence it is that Washington politicians are wondering just where the moral victory spoken of by Mr. Gompers' manager comes in.

The liquor issue was the big issue of the campaign, overshadowing everything else, even in parts of the second district. Practically all been prepared to enforce prohibition by the perpetuation of a state constabulary which deprives municipalities of their rights of self-government.

To this proposition Mr. Littlefield and his associates have been a militant and uncompromising leader of prohibition sentiments in his state, and he stood a particular sponsor for favoring the anti-liquor law.

Against him, therefore, was directed the full force of the anti-prohibition sentiment, as it was also directed against the governor. The revolt against prohibition legislative policies was state-wide and effective and the demagogue almost carried the legislature, of which nobody had dreamed.

Littlefield a Paradox. Mr. Littlefield, so far as reports available show, ran up to Governor Cobb in the second district, and the assumption is inevitable that the labor campaign cut much more than would have run considerably behind the governor there, the governor not being a target for labor attack.

When the skeletons of Washington where the labor managers claim a "moral" victory.

Littlefield is a paradox in American politics. With no real claim on the republican party and no party for he has never been one—commanded, from the moment he incurred the special hostility of organized labor, the whole power and resources of the national republican organization, its best speakers, its most authoritative agents, were hurried to the rescue.

Only one leading republican declined to have anything to do with the Maine campaign—Vice President Fairbanks, who spent the entire campaign period in Indiana and state west of it, making harmless addresses to colleges and old settlers' meetings.

Labor leaders say they will do much better when they get into the district represented by James S. Sherman of New York. Maine is the most organized state in the union, from the labor point of view, while New York is one of the most perfectly organized.

Gompers Is Confident. Mr. Sherman's home town is Utica, and his district is filled with large and thriving manufacturing cities and towns. In these labor has a strong hold, and Mr. Gompers believes that Sherman's defeat is not only possible, but probable. More attention will be paid this Sherman district than any of the others where the fight is made. Gompers will lead the fight against Sherman in person, while in the other districts of the country where the labor issue is so made, the fighting will be led by local leaders.

It was the hope of organized labor that it would receive much prestige out of the fight against Littlefield, prestige which could be turned to good use against Sherman and other representatives. In this hope, however, it has been in the main disappointed so far as the returns now indicate.

OHIO CONVENTION STORMY Foes of Dick Rise in Protest, but He Is Retained.

Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 12.—The work of the committee on resolutions of the republican state convention was still incomplete when at 1:15 a. m. today an adjournment was taken by the whole committee until 8 a. m. A subcommittee of five had been left to frame the platform along the lines agreed on by the members of the committee, and the morning session was for the purpose of receiving and acting on their report.

Agreement had been practically reached on all points at issue and there seemed then no doubt that only a brief session would be necessary today. The matter of indorsements of the words "no less" were for a long time the main stumbling block.

Heartly and cordial indorsement was accorded President Roosevelt and the friends of Senator Dick, who had insisted that the plank should read "and no less cordially do we indorse the senators." However, the two words were finally dropped and strong general indorsement was given both president and senators.

Wage War on Dick. In the way of contests the settlement of the state chairmanship last night by the re-election of Senator Dick, while it is still likely to break loose, removed one of the main distractions from the contest for the nomination for state offices.

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RETAINS LEADERSHIP



SENATOR CHARLES DICK, Re-elected Leader of the Ohio Republicans Despite Strong Opposition, and Resigned Today by Overwhelming Vote When Attempt Was Made to Unseat Him.

HUMBERTS ARE OUT ON PAROLE

\$10,000,000 French Swindlers Released from Prison—Mme. Humbert Is Ill.

Journal Special Service. Paris, Sept. 12.—Mme. Therese Humbert and her husband, Frederic, who have been in prison for three years for swindling on a colossal scale, were liberated yesterday on ticket of leave conditioned on their not offending the law again.

The reasons are good conduct on the part of Frederic Humbert and the ill health of Therese Humbert, who is about to undergo an operation.

The Humberts—for under this caption were included also the madam's brothers, Emile and Romain Daurignac—were convicted Aug. 22, 1903, after they had secured, it is estimated, at least \$10,000,000 and had handled more than \$140,000,000 by means of their swindle.

Story of the Crime. Mme. Humbert played on the French characteristics of thrift and love of mystery.

By an adroit story concerning the gratitude of James Henry Crawford, who had willed her his fortune of \$20,000,000 because she had nursed him in a serious illness, she got into her hands millions of francs with no other security than a massive safe, plastered with vitriolous seals and locked and counter-locked.

In this safe was supposed to repose the will of Crawford. It was broken open during the trial and found to contain nothing but waste paper.

The looting Mme. Humbert secured she spent freely—and this increased the ease with which she negotiated fresh loans. But she never paid for anything more than she had to. Her house on the Avenue Mycun, who had been the home of hospitality. Here she kept her impressive safe. Within an hour's run of the capital by railway she had her chief country house, the Chateau de Vives Eaux, thru the grounds of which ran a stream on which floated a steam yacht. Not a mile distant she had a farm, in Clevevan she had a vineyard, and she had a table in provincial towns, a box at the opera costing \$6,000 a year and an estate in Tunis. All were unpaid for.

Entertained Presidents. The families of President Carnot and President Faure were her guests and General Boulanger and senators and deputies sat at her table.

The trial of the Humberts was the talk of the world. Many of her dupes believed in the madam until the last. When their conviction the judges sentenced Mme. Humbert and her husband to five years' solitary confinement and imposed a fine of \$20,000 on each.

PREACHER ELOPES WITH A DEACONESS

Pennsylvania Minister Deserts Wife and Five Children for Parishioner.

Journal Special Service. Pittsburg, Sept. 12.—Miss Lillian B. Beckum, deaconess of the Methodist Episcopal church at Pittsburg, who went away some weeks ago with Rev. C. T. Coombs, pastor of the Lemington avenue M. E. church, but who was brought back from New York yesterday, has been arrested at her table.

Nothing of the whereabouts of the minister is known, and his family, a wife and five little children at Meyersdale, Pa., are said by members of the church here to be in absolute want.

Nothing but the sensational elopement is discussed in church circles here, as both of the interested parties are well known. Miss Beckum, who has been one of the most prominent church workers, is said to have felt her position keenly and she submitted meekly to being hurried out of the home where she had so lately been in supreme control.

One of the deaconesses accompanied her to her father's home, where it is said her father is preparing papers for the arrest of Coombs.

PLEA OF NOT GUILTY FILED FOR OIL KING

Findlay, Ohio, Sept. 12.—A plea of not guilty has been entered in the probate court here by John D. Rockefeller on the charge of violating the anti-trust law thru the Standard Oil company. Mr. Rockefeller was not personally in court. He pleaded thru an attorney. Judge Banker adjourned until the first Monday in October in order to make this possible. This trial may not be started on that day, but it is expected that they will.

KITTREDGE WINS IN MINNEHAHA

Stalwarts' Significant Victory in County Which Went Insurgent Last Spring.

Law Partner of Senator Gamble Defeated in His Canvass for the House.

Special to The Journal. Sioux Falls, S. D., Sept. 12.—In Tuesday's caucuses, Minnehaha county, which last spring was carried by the insurgent republicans, was captured by the stalwarts by a good lead. In a total of 237 delegates elected to county and legislative conventions, the stalwarts have without doubt elected 144 and the insurgents ninety-three. Ten delegates are neutral and townships with an aggregate of one delegates have not yet been heard from.

The stalwarts need only 129 delegates to control the county convention, so already have more than enough and will control the nominations for county officers and for the legislature.

Reports from other counties in the state are rather meager and not definite enough to tell whether the stalwarts or insurgents carried a majority of the counties.

GAMBLE'S PARTNER BEATEN Titus E. Price Nominated for the Legislature Over Holman.

Special to The Journal. Yankton, S. D., Sept. 12.—T. E. Price won out in Yankton county republican county primaries by a safe majority for the legislature in opposition to John Holman. There are 129 votes in the legislative convention, of which Price has 71 sure and Holman 38; 17 not having been heard from. Price claims 80 votes in the convention.

This fight was one of the most interesting in the entire state. Holman is the law partner of Senator Gamble, who, contrary to the advice of his many political associates throughout the state, succeeded in being elected to the legislature.

Holman's defeat is therefore a defeat for the senator and subjects him to some loss of prestige.

Holman as a member of the legislature was chief factor in the defeat of the primary bill. He had in other ways made himself obnoxious to certain insurgents who could not resist the opportunity to rebuke him even though he had the backing of their senator.

GLASS WINS THE FIGHT Straw Vote in Codington County Has Its Surprises.

Special to The Journal. Watertown, S. D., Sept. 12.—The surprise of yesterday's straw vote was the success of W. S. Glass, candidate for the lower house of the legislature, Glass carried both city and county, precincts by a large plurality. One precinct, Kampeka, gave him twenty-two out of twenty-three votes.

The county ticket, as indicated by the straw vote, will be: Senator, C. H. Englesby; representatives, W. S. Glass and Ben E. Lee; clerk of courts, William G. Geesley; sheriff, John A. Crawford; auditor, Elva J. Lammy; county judge, John Nicholson; treasurer, George Cloyes; superintendent, A. H. Barnard.

The state's attorney fight is very close, with E. H. Schull leading J. G. McFarland four votes and three precincts yet to hear from.

Four precincts on the west side held no straw vote and will send thirteen delegates to the convention for Tankersley and he may be a winner in the convention.

GUNBOATS RUSHED TO CUBA; PRESIDENT MAY INTERVENE

COMES INTO HIS OWN



SENATOR A. B. KITTREDGE, Who Has Turned Defeat Into Victory in Home County.

KILLED IN WRECK HIS ERROR CAUSED

Engineer Who Overlooked Orders Dies, with Six Others, in Crash.

Chatanooga, Tenn., Sept. 12.—Freight trains Nos. 8 and 13 on the Western Atlantic railroad, collided at Ringgold, Ga., at 2 a. m. today, seven trainmen being killed. The accident was due to the overlooking of orders by the engineer of No. 8, who met his death, as did the engineer of No. 13.

Both firemen, and one who was leaning the road, Conductor Whitehead of No. 13, and a brakeman, were killed. Both engines were demolished and five cars loaded with wheat splintered.

HOTEL COLLAPSES, KILLING 4 PERSONS

Mexican Building, Housing Forty-two Guests, in Ruins—American Injured.

El Paso, Tex., Sept. 12.—Hotel Gomez Farias, in Chihuahua, Mexico, collapsed last night while forty-two guests were housed in it and four persons were killed, and several others injured.

The dead are: Carlos Arnal, an opera singer; Jesus Castallo, a farmer; Edmondo Tallavas, a federal telegraph employee; and one unidentified man.

Among those injured is J. H. Moulton, an American.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, Sept. 12.—It is reported here that three earthquake shocks were felt Monday morning in Ambato, capital of the province of Tungurahua. A fourth shock was felt in the evening. The inhabitants of the town abandoned their houses and spent the night on the street.

THIRTEEN KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK

Fearful Accident on the Canadian Pacific Road Near Sudbury, Ont.

Special to The Journal. Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Sept. 12.—A wreck on the Canadian Pacific, twelve miles west of Sudbury, in which a dozen persons were killed, is reported. No details can be obtained at this end so far, and it is not known here how the accident happened.

Later reports say that the third sections of trains Nos. 1 and 2 collided, killing thirteen persons.

The wreck occurred at Azilda, a small station near Sudbury, both trains running in three sections, which had orders to pass at about 7 o'clock this morning. The third section of No. 1, eastbound, was making the siding when a section of No. 2, westbound, came down the track without stopping and crashed into the other section nearly head-on.

The rolling stock is reported to be badly wrecked. The railroad people are reticent and it cannot be learned here who were killed.

The engineer of the express says his airbrake had been tampered with and the air allowed to escape, so he could not stop.

WINNIPEG TRAIN DITCHED No One Seriously Hurt in Derailment at Barnesville.

Special to The Journal. Barnesville, Minn., Sept. 12.—Great Northern passenger No. 5, the Winnipeg train running north, was wrecked one mile south of Barnesville at 5 o'clock this morning. The engine and mailer remained on the track, but four coaches were derailed.

No person was seriously injured, although many of the passengers were scratched and bruised and suffered from the shock. Five hundred feet of the track was torn up and traffic was delayed for ten hours. A defective switch caused the accident.

The train was running at a high rate of speed, and it is regarded as nothing short of miraculous that several persons were not killed outright.

FEAR RICH WIDOW SLAIN FOR MONEY

Friends Ask Police to Search for Mrs. Sarah A. Boatman of Chicago.

Chicago, Sept. 12.—The police were today requested by the relatives of Mrs. Sarah A. Boatman, a wealthy widow residing at 5911 Princeton avenue, to make a search for her.

Last Wednesday night Mrs. Boatman attended a meeting of a fraternal society in which she was interested and since that time has not been seen by her friends nor has anything been heard from her. She was in the habit of carrying large sums of money with her and it is believed by her family that she has either been murdered or is being detained somewhere in the hope of extorting money from her.

More Cruisers Ready. Norfolk, Va., Sept. 12.—The protected cruisers Tacoma and Cleveland are hustling stores aboard at the Portsmouth navy yard and it is understood that they are to follow the cruiser Des Moines southward. The destination cannot be learned. The protected cruiser Denver yesterday went down the coast from the League Island navy yard under sealed orders, too, it is reported.

Rush orders were sent yesterday to the naval magazine here for 5,000 shells for the cruiser Tacoma. These will be sent alongside at once.

Orders have also been issued for the transfer of all enlisted men and petty officers from the Tacoma and the Cleveland, whose enlistments expire before May 1, 1907. This order would seem to indicate that the ships are going to remain away from the United States for several months.

All Eyes on Cuba. Washington, Sept. 12.—The critical situation in Cuba is absorbing the attention of the administration to the exclusion of all other foreign topics, as indicated by the activity of the officials in the state, navy and war departments. The president at Oyster Bay is kept in close touch with every development in the revolutionary movement in Cuba, and is in constant communication by wire with the officials here.

The prime object of the administration at present is to get at the facts, which is no easy task, in view of the mass of indefinite statements emanating from various quarters.

Desperate Fighting Now. Havana, Sept. 12.—The government's position at present is to get at the facts, he prosecuted to a finish everywhere the sole topic of conversation today. That fighting of a far more desperate character will result as soon as the news shall have spread through the provinces is not doubted in any quarter.

The fear of an attack by the insurgents on Havana is spreading, and there are rumors more or less authentic from all directions of new uprisings in various quarters.

Death Awaits Rebels. It is not generally believed that there is a sufficient insurgent force near Havana at present to attempt to enter the capital, and many doubt whether the insurgents will have sufficient nerve in any event to attempt to traverse the long distance from the suburbs to the palace with the certainty of death to many of the attacking force on the way.

During the last six months there have passed eastward from New York city 113,573 passengers.

MINNEAPOLIS GETS SEED BUSINESS

Largest Dealer in West Falls Out with Board of Trade Managers.

MUCH OF THE BUSINESS COMES TO THIS CITY

Minneapolis Will Practically Become Ruling Market and Distributing Flaxseed Point.

As a result of a disagreement between the Chicago Board of Trade and the Albert Dickinson company, a business of great volume is expected to be diverted in part to Minneapolis. Albert Dickinson, president of the company, has posted his Chicago Board of Trade membership for sale, and it is understood that the break, coming after a long period of dissatisfaction on the part of the firm, will be a difficult one to bridge.

Biggest in West. The Dickinson firm is one of the largest, if not the largest seed house in the world. Its headquarters are in Chicago. About five years ago the firm entered Minneapolis and has invested heavily here. The purchase by Dickinson interests of a large tract of land in the Midway district and the organization of the Twin City Trading company, were features of local real estate development.

Minneapolis Will Benefit. The firm recently has erected a large warehouse in the district and with smaller buildings has a plant representing a large investment. The business is managed from the Chamber of Commerce, which recently occupied the greater part of the ninth floor.

At the local offices there was an aversion to discussing the details. It was said to be an affair outside the province of the office. The Minneapolis business is steadily growing. Any change affecting the relationship of the firm with the Chicago Board of Trade, would, it was admitted, benefit Minneapolis by throwing a volume of business in here that now goes thru Chicago.

CHICAGO DISMAYED Fears Heavy Loss to Minneapolis—Commission Dispute the Cause.

Chicago, Sept. 12.—Dismay was caused in the Board of Trade yesterday by the announcement that President Albert Dickinson of the Albert Dickinson company has posted his membership for sale. The Dickinson company is the largest dealer in seeds in the west, and at times has practically controlled the flaxseed of the entire country. Mr. Dickinson has already diversified from Chicago to Minneapolis and Duluth much of the seed business which Chicago used to boast, and brokers openly declared their fear lest his quarrel with the Chicago Board of Trade would be the cause of a disaster in this city, and cause wide disaster to the local seed market.

The retirement of President Dickinson is said to be the immediate result of the board's action in refusing to re-establish the old system of commission rules. Mr. Dickinson yesterday partially corroborated this idea.

It is admitted, however, that all these messages have been forwarded to the president to President Roosevelt at Oyster Bay for several weeks has personally directed the policy of the United States concerning the Cuban outbreak.

The program for the Des Moines does not call for her to proceed to Cuba waters and it is said she probably will be used in preventing filibustering expeditions from the United States embarking for Cuba.

In view of the sudden activity of this government it is declared that there is no intention to take any part in the conflict beyond that demanded by the critical situation in which Americans have been placed on the island.

IN VISION SAW HER BROTHER KILLED

Nebraska Girl Described Fatal Accident, Tho Many Miles from Scene.

Special to The Journal. Omaha, Sept. 12.—Miss Annie Mayfield, a young woman living on a ranch southwest of here, saw, in a vision, a few days ago, her brother, Charles Mayfield, killed in an accident. It came to her today that the brother was killed near Las Vegas, N. M., hundreds of miles from where the sister was, at the exact time and in the exact manner Miss Mayfield saw him meet his death.

"I just saw Charles thrown from his horse suddenly and cragged for a long distance," said Miss Mayfield to her mother. "He is now lying at the foot of a hill, cut and bleeding and with his eyes closed, and I am sure he is dead. Oh, we must go to him right away, for there is no one there to help him."

Her mother, who did not believe her son had met with the accident described, and tried to persuade the young woman that she had been dreaming.

"But I was not asleep when I saw him thrown from his horse," said Miss Mayfield. "I was sitting here with my eyes wide open and in possession of all my faculties when I saw the accident."

To relieve her daughter's anxiety, Mrs. Mayfield wrote to her brother and notified him to notify her at once whether he had met with an accident. Today a letter came from a friend of Mayfield telling his mother of the accident that had befallen him and of his death.

PANIC IN VALPARAISO AS THE EARTH SHAKES

Journal Special Service. Valparaiso, Chile, Sept. 12.—Another earthquake shock at 8:15 p. m. last night caused a terrible panic among the people. Fearing another catastrophe they congregated during the whole night in the open places. The quakes continue at short intervals, but are less violent.

CAR WITH CABRELL. Chicago, Sept. 12.—A carroll containing a party of young people returning from a picnic, was struck by an electric car at Jefferson and Seventeenth street last night. George Woods, 21 years old, was crushed to death beneath the car and eight others were injured. The wagon was demolished and the car badly damaged.



The Policeman—Yes, he's on my beat all right, but he'll have to grow some before it would seem right to use the stick.