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MARYLAND POLITICS

Frederick County Republicans Feeling Sanguine.

POE AMENDMENT ISSUE

UNUSUAL ACTIVITY AMONG VOTERS RECORDED ILLITERATE.

Vigorous Work Being Done by Leaders to Teach Them How to Mark Ballots.

Special From a Staff Correspondent.
FREDERICK, Md., October 16.—The republicans of Frederick county are feeling very sanguine over their ability to defeat the Poe amendment to the state constitution disfranchising the colored vote of the state. There are several reasons that contribute to this feeling of safety. In the first place the county is normally republican by a majority of from 500 to 600. Then the democrats themselves acknowledge they lack the activity that has characterized them when Col. Victor Baughman has been in personal control of the democratic forces. Col. Baughman is county very ill and is staying at Atlantic City. He is not believed here that he will be well enough to do any political work in this campaign.

There are other conditions that cause the republicans to declare that they will increase their normal majority in their vote on the Poe amendment. Several years ago Mr. S. Y. Doll, then serving as a supervisor of elections, made a list from the registration lists of voters who were recorded as illiterate. He found that of the 13,308 voters in the county, 1,621 were recorded as being unable to read, which placed them under the general head of illiterates. Of that number 849 were whites and 772 were colored. The lapse of time since that count was made has tended to decrease the number of illiterates among both whites and colored. This decrease has been brought about by the death of many of the older men and by the fact that the young men who have taken their places have been, almost without exception, able to read and write. It is said to be difficult to find a man, white or colored, in the county who has reached the age of twenty-five years who cannot both read and write.

Mr. Doll also found that the foreign-born population of Frederick county several years ago numbered 231, half of whom were in the county.

Aroused Over Amendment.

It is claimed that these illiterates and the foreign-born citizens who are being aroused over the provisions of the Poe amendment. So far as the white illiterates are concerned, it is said they are in many instances men of high standing and the owners of considerable property. While their inability to read and write brands them as illiterates, they are declared to be men of business ability, who are successful farmers, but were without opportunity to secure an education in their early years.

There are four brothers in the county who are numbered among the illiterates. They were the children of a German farmer who was himself without education, and who put his boys to work as soon as they were able to do so. The result was that not a single one of them was able to read or write. When the father died he left an estate of \$90,000 to be divided among the four children. The boys were all men of character, and by each one of them their patrimony. But they felt not only humiliated, but inconvenience, because of their lack of education. They were determined to see that their children should not suffer from a lack of education.

The result is that in each case every one of the children, who were kept at school while in the lower grades, but were given college educations, and they are today all prominent men of the county.

Resent the Amendment.

This case is said to be only typical of many others of the 800 white voters of Frederick county who are unable to read and write. These men are old, and have children who are, as a rule, well educated. The men of the younger generation, it is claimed by the republican leaders of the county, resent the provisions of the Poe amendment as a reflection aimed at their parents, and, it is said, they will fight it as vigorously as they can.

In dealing with this class of voters the democrats claim that there was no intention on the part of the framers of the Poe amendment to prevent white men from voting, and they say that the operation of the law in other states should be a sufficient guarantee of its real intent.

The republicans are doing vigorous work in teaching illiterate voters how to mark their ballots. Frederick is one of the eleven so-called "Wilson counties," that is, one of the eleven counties which are affected by the Wilson election law. That law provides that only the names of candidates shall be placed on the ballot, and that no number or designation that will identify the names of the candidates will be placed on the ballot in any order that may be determined upon by the supervisors.

The difficulty of marking these ballots on the part of men who cannot read is very great, but it is declared that by proper instruction, but that the instruction is not being given. In order to train the voters in the proper way to mark these ballots Mr. Reno Harp, the republican county chairman, has issued sample ballots, with the names of the candidates mixed up, without any guide as to their positions.

Schools of Instruction.

He has established schools of instruction in order to teach illiterate voters how to pick out the names of the republican candidates and the proper places in which to mark the ballots.

Mr. Harp today declared his belief that the coming election will be held as fairly as possible. He expressed confidence in the democrats who are to serve in various capacities and believes they will give everybody a square deal. He also believes that the difficulty in marking the "Wilson ballots" will be felt by the colored men of the county even more than by the men who cannot read or write.

"We have found in the past," he said today, "that the illiterate voter will take pains to learn how to prepare his ballot and will cast a ballot that cannot be thrown out. On the other hand, the colored man presumes that he knows how to vote and he often goes into the booth without any instruction at all. The result is we have found that more votes of educated people are thrown out than in the case of the illiterate. This is another thing I have found to be true. The colored man will learn to vote even though he has not a dollar nor a crust of bread. He will take pains to do it. He will be taken to a hospital, where it was found he had suffered two large scalp wounds and two wounds in the face. The wounds escaped."

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Little Girl Struck and Fatally Injured by Auto.

CHICAGO, October 16.—With her head resting on a bank of flowers intended for the funeral of another child, eight-year-old Isabelle Walker was carried last night by the automobile which had struck and fatally injured her to the office of a physician, where she died on the pillow of white roses. The girl was fatally injured while crossing Ashland boulevard. L. F. Stevens, driver of the machine, was arrested. Mr. Stevens, with his brother, Thomas E. Stevens, was hurrying to the home of a friend and his brother, where he was carrying a huge floral pillow for the funeral of the friend's little daughter.

NEARING END OF FEVER

FEDERAL AUTHORITIES COMMENT ON REDUCTION OF CASES.

NEW ORLEANS, October 16.—Unless the federal authorities are to be greatly disappointed, the week beginning today will mark practically the end of the yellow fever visitation. The remarkable showing of only eight new cases in the last twenty-four hours is regarded as confirming Dr. White's prediction that the fever will ultimately die out.

Wholesale reductions of the health service working forces continue. Inspectors to the number of 115 were dropped from the rolls yesterday at the end of their term, and more will be let go today. There will then be 400 men at work, against 1,276 a short time ago. The report of the city's general committee is expected to show a large surplus from the amount that was raised to fight the fever.

Dr. J. M. Rosenau, bacteriologist of the health department, who was sent here by Surgeon General Wyman to make investigations at the Emergency Hospital, has returned to Washington. He has returned with a number of glass slides containing photographs of blood, etc., but before he left would not be quoted as to any discoveries. "General improvement in state conditions continues."

SPLIT ON TARIFF QUESTION.

Unique Spectacle in the Massachusetts Republican Campaign.

BOSTON, Mass., October 16.—A queer situation has been developed in the Massachusetts gubernatorial situation between Curtis Guild, Jr., candidate for governor on the republican ticket, and Eben S. Draper, candidate for lieutenant governor on the same ticket. The difference of opinion between them on the subject of tariff revision has developed into a wide-open split, and the curious spectacle is presented of one candidate, Guild, stumping the state for his party and advocating both tariff revision and reciprocity, while the other, Draper, campaigning in deliberate opposition, favoring high protection tariff.

An effort has been made to get Mr. Guild to drop his tariff revision and reciprocity plank, but he declares that he has already stood for reciprocity and come out squarely for it now with tariff revision, that the public may know he stands where he always stood.

It was expected that Draper would not insist with such emphasis on his standard policy, and the campaign managers, who are in a quandary how to handle their candidates driving in opposite directions.

BANKING SCHEME FAILED.

Chicago Labor Leaders Overwhelmingly Rejected Proposition.

CHICAGO, October 16.—The Union Labor Bank in Chicago was sacrificed on the altar of organized labor yesterday. By an overwhelming vote the delegates laid on the table a report submitted by a banking committee in favor of establishing and supporting such an institution.

Before the proposition was smothered it was denounced by many speakers, financial schemes were linked with graft and bank money was declared to be entirely outside the sphere of organized labor. The banking scheme was brought to the attention of the delegates in a report from a committee recommending that the proposed bank be given the moral support of the Federation, and that a committee of three be appointed to see that the bank was properly managed.

The report announced that a corporation known as the Commonwealth Trust and Savings Bank already had been organized and that the stock of \$2,000,000 had been divided into shares of the par value of \$5 each. The chief aim in organizing the bank, it was declared, was to prevent the money from being used in the hands of the few, and to make it available to the masses.

RECORD OF A BAD PAIR.

Revelations in Conference With Australian Injured in California.

BERKELEY, Cal., October 16.—As the result of a long conference last night with William Ellis of Australia, who lies in the hospital with a fractured skull, inflicted, it is alleged, by a man known as Bush, it is claimed that the latter is further alleged, is Milton Franklin, accused of the murder of Bessie Bouton, near Colorado Springs, Col. Marshal Volmer learned that the unknown woman who is alleged to have played a part in the scheme to end Ellis' life in Berkeley once succeeded in keeping Brush hidden in Denver for two months.

On leaving Denver the pair went directly to Vancouver, where they took the steamer for Melbourne for Australia, where they lived until departing on the Sierra about eight weeks ago for San Francisco.

While in Australia Brush, Ellis said, entered into all manner of confidence games, and, according to Ellis, they "washed" the bets at the Kensington race track. This was their chief reason for leaving Australia. In the United States they were known as Clayton Hill, which, he told Ellis, was his true name. It is believed by the police that Brush and the woman who accompanied him to San Francisco were in the act of capturing will be a matter of but a short time. Ellis said last night that Brush turned up in St. Louis, where he was arrested. He is a French Canadian whom he first met in Montreal.

THE TAGGART DIVORCE.

Major May Find It Difficult to Secure Child.

CHICAGO, October 16.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Tucson, Ariz., says: Although the decree of Judge Eason places the Taggart children under the guardianship of their father, Major Taggart may find it difficult to get Culver into his possession without actually going to Mrs. Taggart's home and tearing the boy away from his mother.

Mrs. Taggart is preparing Culver to accompany his father, but to force him to leave her is an act she is not equal to. Culver seems determined to resist the major's authority.

Major Taggart's attorney, E. S. Wertz, has been retained, and he has chosen to cooperate with Major Taggart in managing the children, she eventually will have them almost entirely with her.

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RELATIONS WITH CUBA

Probable Discussion by the Coming Congress.

NEW BRITISH TREATY

WATCHING THE PROGRESS OF NEGOTIATIONS.

Apparent Efforts to Force This Country to the Annexation of the Island.

It is considered altogether probable that at the coming session of Congress there will be considerable discussion in the Senate of the international affairs of the republic with Cuba. Not that anything is to be done by the American Congress, barring possibly an expression of the "sense of Congress," for moral effect, as to Cuba's diplomatic and economic relations with the outside world.

Speaking by the card, it may be said that there will be no hesitancy in debating Cuban affairs that touch upon the interests of the United States. In point of fact, Congress will insist upon the legal right, because of our stake in the game that is being played in the island republic. The moral right, it is claimed, might be conceded, inasmuch as the American Congress is the father of the Cuban republic, and the Platt amendment is the godfather.

Sentiment in the Senate.

A United States senator who has followed with deep interest the successive stages of Cuba's emergence from tyranny into independence, through the agency of the United States, said to a Star man:

"The United States can only watch with deep concern the progress of the pending negotiations between Cuba and Great Britain, but he declares that he is not in the spirit, if not in the letter, the Platt amendment, through which instrumentally Cuba alone was enabled to gain the full measure of her independence. If I understand aright the provisions of that treaty, I feel that members of the Senate who were concerned in shaping the legislation which benefited Cuba will feel disappointed over the fact that Cuba sees fit to negotiate a foreign treaty which she must know is objectionable to her people."

Interstate Fight.

The court named Tuesday, October 2, 1906, as the date for the argument of the irrigation suit of Kansas against Colorado. The Kansas authorities are to have three months from date to file their brief, those of Colorado three months more, and those of the United States still three months more.

Little Desire for Annexation.

"I have not the remotest idea that the people of a large in this country desire the annexation of Cuba. I do not believe that 10 per cent of the voters of Congress could be obtained for a resolution of annexation or that more than 10 per cent of the membership of the Senate, if that much, could be secured for ratification of a treaty of the United States. So it is utterly fruitless for the Cuban or other agents to harass the United States with the idea of bringing about intervention and subsequent annexation."

UNION IS DISSOLVED

BOTH HOUSES OF RIKSDAG PASSED BILL FOR REPEAL.

Norway Declared Now a Separate State

—Very Little Discussion—New Flag Law Adopted.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, October 16.—The union between Norway and Sweden, existing since 1814, has been dissolved, both houses of the riksdag having passed the government bill repealing the act of union and recognizing Norway "as a state separate from the union with Sweden."

The lower house adopted the bill without debate, but two or three members of the senate expressed the opinion that the dissolution was an irreparable misfortune, and that the time would come when Norway would perceive the benefits of the union.

Both houses subsequently passed the new flag law. The flag will be a yellow cross on a blue ground, the same as existed prior to 1814, the union mark, now showing in the upper left corner, being eliminated.

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SET FOR JANUARY 2

Important Cases Advanced by Supreme Court.

MRS. ROGERS' SENTENCE

HEARING HAS BEEN FIXED FOR NOVEMBER 6.

Argument in the Suit of Kansas Against Colorado Not to Be Made Until Next October.

The Chicago Traction cases, involving the franchises of the Chicago street car companies, were today advanced on the docket of the Supreme Court of the United States, and the hearing set for January 2 next.

The court also advanced on the docket the cases against McCallister & Hale, the American Tobacco Company's officers, who refused to answer the questions of a federal grand jury sitting in New York, naming January 2 next as the date for their hearing.

Mrs. Rogers' Case.

The case of Mrs. Mary M. Rogers, under sentence of death of the Vermont court on the charge of murdering her husband, was advanced and set for November 6.

The motion to advance the hearing in the case of the state of Kentucky against James Howard, convicted of complicity in the murder of Governor Goebel, made in the Supreme Court last Tuesday, was today denied by the court. The case already has an advanced place on the docket, and will probably be heard in December in the regular order of business.

In the case of E. L. Wimbish against Henry Jamison, the court reversed the decision of the district court for the southern district of Georgia, the petition in the case in which United States Judge Spear interfered with the sentence of a prisoner, Jamison, by a recorder's court of Macon, Ga., to work on the streets. The reversal of the case has the effect of sustaining the local court.

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REPUBLICAN MAYORALTY NOMINEE INVITES A JOINT DEBATE.

District Attorney Jerome in the Fight of His Life—Plans for Big Meetings.

Special Dispatch to The Star.
NEW YORK, October 16.—The municipal campaign is now in full swing, the three leading candidates for mayor having opened headquarters tonight, because this is the final day of registration, but tomorrow evening scores of spellbinders will be turned loose by all parties.

W. M. Ivins, the republican candidate for mayor, opened headquarters today in the Hotel Gremlin. He is to attend a reception tonight in the republican club and make a speech. Mr. Ivins has written a platform for himself in the form of an open letter to Mayor McClellan and W. B. Hearst. He promises that if he is elected he will do his best to get the legislature to pass a law that would enable the city to get possession of all gas plants by condemnation proceedings. He wants Messrs. McClellan and Hearst to meet him in joint debate.

The Hearst Ticket.

Mr. Hearst has completed his county and Manhattan borough tickets and he and all of his candidates are to go on the stump and speak nearly every night from now until election day.

Tammany is to hold a big ratification meeting on Thursday night. Mayor McClellan will make the principal speech, and that will be his first public appearance in the campaign. The other candidates on the city and county tickets will make short speeches. On Friday night the mayor will make four speeches in Brooklyn.

District Attorney Jerome begins his real campaign for re-election this week after receiving the failure of Tammany, the republican machine and the Hearst men to endorse him without any visible surprise or disappointment. There will be a big mass meeting in Carnegie Hall on Wednesday night, when the district attorney will speak. This will be his first public appearance in the campaign, and by one on Friday night in Ziegler's Morrisania Hall, 170th street and 34th avenue.

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CRITICISM FORBIDDEN

ORDER OF JAPANESE MINISTER OF WAR TO THE ARMY.

TOKIO, October 16, 3 p. m.—M. Teratouchi, minister of war, has issued an order instructing the Japanese army in the field to abstain from criticizing the terms of peace, on the ground that the declaration of peace and of war is entirely the outcome of sovereignty power.

His order forbids the criticism of either subject, especially by those engaged in military service. He advises the soldiers to utilize the opportunities of peace after the disbandment of their regiments by engaging in their respective occupations, always holding themselves in readiness to join the colors at the emperor's command.

Komura at Tokio.

Baron Komura, the foreign minister who acted as chief peace plenipotentiary for Japan, arrived here today from Vancouver, B. C. October 3. His reception at the railroad station was not enthusiastic, those present being principally government dignitaries. The streets were strongly guarded by troops, police and gendarmes. The baron drove to the palace in an imperial carriage sent from the household stables.

The emperor immediately received Baron Komura, and during the audience, which lasted over an hour, it is believed the baron made a full verbal report to the emperor of the course of the peace negotiations, emphasized President Roosevelt's efforts in behalf of peace.

At the close of the audience the emperor addressed the baron in the following message, highly prized by Japanese statesmen. The message expressed satisfaction at the fact that peace was concluded and commended Komura's able services as shown during the negotiations.

COACHING IS BARRED.

Government Employes May Not Assist Candidates for Examination.

The President today, through the State Department, published an executive order of importance to every employe in the civil service of the United States. No explanation of the underlying reason for his issue is given. The order reads as follows: "The fact that an officer or employe of the government shall, directly or indirectly, instruct or be concerned in any manner in the instruction of any person or classes of persons with a view to their special preparation for the examinations of the United States civil service commission."

The order says that an officer or employe is found so engaged shall be considered sufficient cause for his removal from the service.

(Signed) "THEODORE ROOSEVELT."

RUSSIAN SHIPS RELEASED.

Those at San Francisco and Cavite to Be Surrendered.

Spencer Eddy, charge of the United States embassy at St