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## LA FOLLETTE VOTE BAFFLES GUESSERS

Continues to Be Big Puzzle as Campaigns Come to Close Generally.

FIGHT TO BRING VOTERS OUT SURE OF SUCCESS

Record-Breaking Balloting Considently Expected-Results May Be Slow.

BY G. GOULD LINCOLN.

Staff Correspondent of The Star. CHICAGO, November 3.—The prize puzzle of the year—what vote La Follette—will be answered at the polls tomorrow. The solution of this puzzle will reveal also the real strength of President Coolidge. The campaign is completed. The

bustle and buzz about the headquarbustle and buzz about the headquarters of the three parties here has ceased. Stores in Chicago display signs reading: "Pay your election bets with this or that hat." Campaign managers admit that all that can be done has been done and the result now lies with the people. The only remaining effort will be to get the people to the polls, and local committees and workers will work their

heads off tomorrow at that job. In the closing days of the campaigr no political bombshell has been ex-ploded. The La Follette "slush fund" investigation has proved a "dud," notwithstanding the statements issued by the counsel for the La Fol-lette investigators. The people have shown a strange lack of interest, though the newspapers have printed many columns about the investigation.

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On the whole the campaign has been apathetic in many States, cam paigners returning from their fields of activity complain. The days when he occur accommunity seem to have passed. The radio, the movie, the automobile give more of a thrill. During the last week, however, the interest in the election has developed considerably, though not to the fighting pitch. People are interested particularly in what La Follette will do and in what the size of the Coolidge electoral vote will be.

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The largest vote ever cast in a presidential election is confidently expected, however. And by the same token the final result of the election in many of the States may not be known until Wednesday or later. Here in Illinois, for example, the ballott mark is almost the size of a bed sheet, with a great number of names on it. With a present governor, for Republicans are deserting Len Small, the present governor, for en Small, the present governor, for the Democratic nominee, Judge Nor-ton L. Jones, there will be thou-ands of split ballots, which means sands of spit banots, which means adelay in counting. In States like Colorado, Kansas and Indiana, where local Ku Klux Klan fights are being waged, there will be thousands of split ballots cast also.

Northwest May Be Slow.

But it is in some of the States which the La Follette leaders claim in the northwest that the returns may be particularly delayed. In Minnesota, for instance, the polls do not close until 9 p.m. central time, which close until 9 p.m. central time, which means 10 o'clock eastern time. In North Dakota and South Dakota the first returns come from the clites, but the big bulk of the votes must come from the country districts, and it is in those that the Progressives are especially strong.

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Queer twists and turns in the states with add to the difficulty of Greer, showed that while a large marcaching an early decision. In lowary jority of receiving sets of all classes reaching an early decision. In lowa Senator Brookhart is running as a Republican on the ballot, while his friend La Follette is in the Progressive column. A vote for the Republican ticket, cast straight, means Coolidge and Brookhart. To vote for Brookhart and La Follette the ballot must be split. It is the La Follette weakness in that State. In Iowa, too, thousands of stand-pat Republicans will vote for Steck, the Democratic nominee for Senator, because of their distaste for Brookhart. On the other hand, there is a feud between Democratic factions over Steck, and he

Kansas, to Split Ballot.

In Kansas, where William Allen White is after the scalp of the Ku Klux Klan, the ballots will be split many times. Jonathan Davis is the candidate on the Democratic ticket to succeed himself, and the Democrats have more hope of electing him than they have of carrying the State for John W. Davis. The corn-fed Davis

of the Democrats and La Follette peo-ple that their coalition will be suc-cessful there. In return for support for La Follette in that State, the Democrats expect La Follette voters to get behind a couple of their candi-dates for the House and to put them across. The State probably will elect a Republican governor, however, this Democrat said Democrat said.

Butler to Remain in West. Chairman William M. Butler of the Republican national committee, not-withstanding his entire confidence in the outcome of the election, has de-cided to remain at headquarters here intil the election is over before going East. Chairman John M. Nelson of the La Follette national committee is radiating confidence in the large popular vote that his candidate will receive, though he is making no predictions about the size of his electoral dictions about the size of his electoral vote, and confidence in the victory of Progressive candidates for Congress.

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## MRS. HARDING ILL, **CONDITION SERIOUS**

Critical Recurrance of Kidney Ailment Follows Death of Dr. Sawyer.

Warren G. Harding, widow of the late President Harding, was reported to-day to be in a critical condition at the home here of Dr. Carl W.

Sawyer. She is summer to trouble.

Mrs. Harding has been ill for several weeks and has failed considerably since the recent death of Brig. Gen. Charles E. Sawyer, who was her personal physician and who was personal physician to Mr. Harding when he occupied the White House. It became known that yesterday It became known that yesterday lames C. Wood of Cleveland was lames

### **WCAP ABANDONS ELECTION PROGRAM**

Decides Not to Attempt Broadcasting of Returns Simultaneously With WRC Station.

WCAP will not attempt to broadcast the election returns tomorrow night, it was announced definitely today by S. M. Greer, vice president of taneous broadcasting by WRC and WCAP Saturday night on wedely sepcould hear either station without interference, there were a considerable number of sets, mostly of the crystal type, which could not tune from one station to the other with any success.

type, which could not tune from one is a station to the other with any success. The test apparently shows, said Mr. Greer, that because ordinarily only one broadcasting station is working at it is the La Follette weakness in that State. In Iowa, too, thousands of stand-pat Republicans will vote for Steak, the Democratic nominee for Senator, because of their distaste for Brookhart. On the other hand, there is a feud between Democratic factions over Steck, and he will not have the entire Democratic strength, and Brookhart seems sure to carry the State.

The fact that Luther Brewer, independent Republican nominee for the Senate from Iowa, still remains on the official ballot, though he has withdrawn by personal announcement, also will operate to aid Brookhart, also will operate to aid Brookhart, also will operate to aid Brookhart, said the company regretted this action because, from letters received by WCAP, it was apparent that there was a widespread desire on the part of radio listeners to have the election news broadcast from both stations.

WOMAN DEAD ON ROOF.

Body Injuries Indicate Fall or Jump From Hotel Window.

they have of carrying the State for John W. Davis. The corn-fed Davis is better liked than the milk-fed Davis in Kansas.

Great confidence that La Follette will carry Washington State was expressed to me today by a leading Democrat of that State, who has just come from the coast. It is the hope of the Democrats and La Follette people that their coalition will be successful there. In return for support floor, where her room was located.

> The United States Expects **Every American** , to Do His Duty-VOTE

APPEALS BY RADIO In Critical Condition TO BRING CAMPAIGN

> Coolidge and Davis to Urge Record Vote-Bryan and

TO CLOSE TONIGHT

HOT STATE FIGHTS TURN ON DISPUTE OVER KLAN

Wheeler on Stump.

Prospect of Good Weather Indicates Heavy Balloting-All Sides Profess Confidence.

By the Associated Press.

The campaign of 1924 is passing through its final hours in a swirl of activity destined to make political history. For the first time two presidential candidates, President Coolidge and John W. Davis, are preparing to address an election-eve message to the same audience-a radio audience that will extend the country over. that will extend the country over.

Two candidates for the vice presidency likewise are upsetting precedent by continuing through pre-election Monday their speaking campaigns. Gov. Bryan is completing a swing through his home state of Nebraska, and Senator Wheeler is winding up his coast-to-coast speechmaking tour in Baltimore.

La Follette at Home.

Senator La Follette, having laid his case finally before the people in a Saturday night address at Cleveland, has returned to his home in Madison, and Charles G. Dawes is awaiting in Evanston the verdict of tomorrow's balleting. balloting.

Managers for all three of the presidential tickets, after making the usual pre-election claim of victory, devoted much of today to perfecting machinery to get out the vote. A fair weather forecast for most of the country fitted in with these

and cloud the outcome with uncertainty.

The Republican claim to national victory is based on an assumption that Coolidge and Dawes will sweep both the East and the West and cut into the borderland of the solid South.

The Democrats declare Davis and Bryan will take the border States, as well as the South, and will nose out a victory by a combination of out a victory by a combination of doubtful States in the East and West. The major strength of La Follette nd Wheeler is conceded to be in the forthwest, with Wisconsin as its cor-

HEAVY VOTE ANTICIPATED,

litical leaders as the three-cornered campaign for President overshadowed

campaign for President overshadowed most State issues.

In spite of the interest in the presidential choice, great attention in some States was attracted to such issues as the Ku Klux Klan in Illinois, Kansas and some other States, and the candidacy of Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson, the Democratic nominee for Governor of Texas, who is seeking election over Dr. George C. Butte, Republican.

In Kansas the gubernatorial race is a three-cornered one, with William Allen White, Emporia editor, opposed to the Ku Klux Klan. Closing features of the campaign in that State included charges by Fred Robertson, Democratic State chairman, that two Democratic workers had been suspended from the Ku Klux Klan for campaigning against Arthur Capper and Ben S. Paulen, the Republican candidates for United States Senator and governor, respectively.

Klan Issue in Illinois.

In Illinois the Klan issue was brought out by opponents of Gov. Len Small, Republican. The cam-paigns of Judge Norman L. Jones, paigns of Judge Norman L. Jones, Democratic gubernatorial nominee, and of Gov. Small have been vigor-ous, and although the governor and his supporters claimed confidence of his election, Judge Jones' forces de-clared a recent trend indicated he would be the choice. Another en-(Continued on Page 4, Column 5.)

### **COPELAND MUST DIE** FOR DUNIGAN MURDER

Court Refuses New Trial to Negro Who Shot Police Officer to Death.

Herbert L. Copeland, colored. who shot and killed Police Lieut. David T. Dunigan May 21, 1918, must pay the penalty of his crime on the gallows. The District Court of Appeals today refused a new trial asked by counsel for the prisoner. The opinion was hendered by Chief Justice

Martin.

Copeland escaped from the jail and was at large for four years until he was located at Akron, Ohio, and returned to Washington. He denied his identity for some time and would not admit it until called for arraignment in equit.

The court also upheld the conviction and death sentence of Ralph Thomas, colored, who cut the throat of his wife.



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## G. O. P. LANDSLIDE **BELIEVED CERTAIN**

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Leaders, Jubilant, Predict Election Will Be 'Massacre.'

Good Weather Forecast Favorable
to Record Turnout.
By the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, November 3.—Heavy voting in the election tomorrow was anticipated in the Middle West by political leaders as the three-cornered in the Could of the Could

the country that President Coolings was party to or even responsible for it, but that the conduct of Government would be as sate in his hands against Coolidge has proven a boost. Another explanation of the Republican victory which is looked for tomorrow is that the country is playing safe in martial affairs and is expressing a vote of confidence in the Republican party to conduct governmental affairs and the Nation's business rather than either the Democratic party or a hybrid combination of bi-partisan and semi-socialistic political and economic elements. Another phase of safety first.

But after all when all is said and indone, it cannot be denied that at the foundation of this expected verdict at the polis lies the spirit of satisfaction with and confidence in Coolidge the man and also with his running mate, the business-like Gen. Dawes with his rugged character. This will be largely a personal victory for these to men and further exemplication of the growing tendency in superpolities to put men above the parties. The Republican victory will be, of course, a stinging rebuke to the third party, with its platform of as many colors as Joseph's coat. It is promised by the third party leaders that their fight is to continue, but there is every indication that tomorrow's verdict will put a crimp in it. As Secretary Hughes pointed out in his speech, hereafter they will have to come out in the open and not undertake any Trojan horse-stalling under the Republican banner. And that will help some the continue, but there is every indication that tomorrow's verdict will put a crimp in it. As Secretary Hughes pointed out in his speech, hereafter they will have to come out in the open and not undertake any Trojan horse-stalling under the Republican banner. And that will help some the first party of the color of the questions which arose following this opinion was whether any one of these conditions would prevent the closing of an alley dwelling or whether all of them had to be resulted to the color of the growing the color

The United States Expects **Every American** to Have The Right to Vote,-Therefore, VOTE for National Representation for the District of Columbia.

### **Giant Eagle Flies** To Death Before Huge Crow Army

By the Associated Press.

NEVERS, France, November 3.—
The strange sight of a huge eagle being pursued by a flock of crows estimated at some 3,000 caused the townsfolk to crane their necks here. The eagle eventually sought refuge at the Chateau de Cussy,

Hospice.

By the Associated Press.

PARIS, November 3.—Increased automobiling has been chiefly responsible for the decision of the great St. Bernard Hospice to open a hotel. For nearly a thousand years food and shelter have been freely given to all travelers who have halted at the famous hospice, which is noted for the life-saving dogs attached to it. No payment was ever asked, but the church contains a box for voluntary offerings. For a long time these offerings have not been in any way in proportion to the number of visitors, ever growing, owing to increased motor touring in the Alps.

It now is proposed to meet the difficulty by turning part of the building into a hotel and place it in charge of a professional manager.

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# **ELECTION PARTY** PLANS COMPLETE

Star Will Furnish Up-to-Minute Returns From States

Hotels, cases and private clubs will inform their patrons or members of the returns, either by radio loud speakers, screened bulletins or verbal announcements. Theaters also will make election announcements from the stage or on the screen. Meanwhile, with everything "all set" for the big showdown tomorrow, Washington managed to carry on its customary routine of business without interference. Perhaps the least disturbed of any one in the city was President Coolidge himself.

**Election Returns** 

Tomorrow Night at

The Evening Star Building

Bulletins by Telegraph and Radio will be shown

by Stereopticon, and will be amplified

and interpreted by

Frederic William Wile

Over a Glorified Loud-speaker which will make

his voice clearly audible for

a great distance.

cartoons and musical numbers.

results are known.

Reports from the election will be interspersed with

An extra edition of The Star will be issued as soon as

## on "Third Degree" Method in Getting Confession. Third degree methods have no place

Third degree methods have no place in our civilization, declared Justice Robb of the District Court of Appéals today, when he granted a new trial to Edgar Randolph Perrygo, 22 years old, who was convicted of murder in the first degree in connection with the killing of Mrs. Emily Faithful at her home on Congress Heights in Pebruary, 1920.

Perrygo was 17 years old at the time of the tragedy and has been in jall nearly five years, most of that time in the death cell, as his execution has been postponed from time to time. The youth probably will be taken from the death cell this afternoon and given another cell.

The only assignment of error on which the appellate court acted in reversing the conviction and ordering a new trial was the introduction of a confession by Perrygo, said to have been obtained by the police through the use of so-called "third-degree" methods.

In an effort to bring out a record vote in tomorrow's election, the city authorities have arranged to

have all church bells tolled at 8 o'clock, the hour set for the opening of the polls.

The ringing of the bells, the announcement said, would "remind the public that it has a duty to perform."

PERRYGO WINS NEW

TRIAL FOR MURDER

Justice Robb Bases Decision

Protection Is Demanded.

"While it is to be expected," said the court, "that police officers will manifest zeal in the detection of crime, the citizen is entitled to the

### SLAYER GUIDES POLICE.

disturbed of any one in the city was President Coolidge himself.

Coolidge Remains Calm.

From all outward appearances the eve of the 1924 national election means nothing to him. There was nothing about his facial expression, his tone or his general conduct that indicated he had anything on his

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MARSHFIELD, Mass., November 3.

—The body of John Roderick, fatally shot, was found by police last night bere. They were guided to the spot by Christian Martin, who told police that he had become conscience stricken three hours after he had slain Roderick in a quarrel over a game of cards.

Martin was placed under arrest, charged with murder.

### RENT LAW INVALID, **Toll Church Bells** Early Tomorrow To Bring Out Vote EMERGENCY PAST, By the Associated Press. BURLINGTON, Vt., November 3.-

**RULES IN FINK CASE** Supreme Court Opinion in May Leaves No Constitu-

COURT OF APPEALS

TWO CENTS.

DUTY PLAIN FOLLOWING THAT FINDING, HE SAYS

tional Basis for Act, Jus-

tice Robb Holds.

Statute Still May Be Made Permanent If Conditions Which it Was Originally Intended to Meet Can Be Proved to Exist in Capital Today, Verdict.

There is no housing emergency in Washington and after the United States Supreme Court had decided the passing of the emergency in the Chastelton opinion last April there was "no constitutional basis for the legislation by which Congress, May 17 last, purported to continue the Ball rent law in force for another vear.

This is the purport of the opinion of the District Court of Appeals rendered today by Justice Charles H. Robb, in which the decision of Judge Mattingly of the Municipal Court, in the case of Peck vs. Fink was reversed, and the cause remanded for further proceedings.

Leaders, Jubilant, Predict
Election will be "Meassace."

Democrats Uncertain.

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"The life of the original rent law of October 22, 1919, was limited to two years. In Block vs. Hirsh, 256 U. S. 135, the constitutionality of that act was upheld because as states in Pennsylvania Coal Company vs. Mahon, 260 U. S. 393, it dealt with the congestion of the City of Washington resulting from the war, although the act 'went to the verge of the law. The opinion in the coal company case was announced in December, 1922. The act of August 24, 1921, purported to continue the rent law in force, with some amendments, until May 22, 1922. On the latter date there was a further declaration by Congress of the continued existence of the emergency giving rise to the original act which, with further amendments, was extended until May, 1924. The decision of the Supreme Court in the Chastleton case was announced April 1914 Control of War 1924. Chastleton case was announced April 21, 1924. On the 17th of May, 1924, Congress purported to continue the rent law in force until May 22, 1925. rent law in force until May 22, 1925. It thus appears that this emergency legislation, originally limited to expire in 1921, has been prolonged by successive extensions until the middle of 1925, a period of more than five and one-half years."

Reverses High Court Opinion.

Justice Robb then reviews the opin-ion of the United States Supreme Court in the Chastleton case, and

adds:

"The court then declared that it was not necessary to inquire how far it might go in deciding the question of the passing of the emergency for itself, on the principles enunciated in itself, on the principles enunciated in certain cited cases, adding. 'These cases show that the court may ascertain as it sees fit any fact that is merely a ground for laying down a rule of law, and if the question were merely whether the statute 's in force today upon the facts that we judicially know we should be compelled to say that the law has ceased to operate.' Inasmuch as the case before operate.' Inasmuch as the case before court involves conditions in Washington at different dates in the

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