

STEEN STILL LEADS CASEY BY 133 VOTES

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Issues

With all but seven precincts heard from, John Steen this morning still retains his lead over Patrick M. Casey for the state treasurership. Steen's majority is 133, and the race is so close that it is probable only the official count will determine it.

Two of the missing precincts are in Dunn county, where the election boards locked up the ballots without counting them, and where the results will not be known until the canvassing board meets, unless special court action should be resorted to to compel the election board to do its duty.

The race is by far the most interesting of all the contests in Tuesday's general election. For the last two days it has overshadowed the contest between Wilson and Hughes for the control of the state.

Fate of Amendments. The fate of the two constitutional amendments voted on Tuesday, one providing for a new normal school at Dickinson and the other for a second state hospital for the insane, remains a question. Scattering returns from twelve counties show 12,855 votes for and 9,732 against the Dickinson normal. Eleven counties show 7,583 for and 8,322 against the establishment of a second hospital for the insane. Both of these propositions, an amendment to the constitution, must receive a majority of all the votes cast at the general election, which would necessitate a total of probably 60,000 favorable ballots.

Referendums May Carry. Incomplete returns indicate a probability of the bootlegging act carrying. Twelve counties cast 9,858 votes for and 9,191 against.

The repeal of the mill tax for terminal elevators is winning in the count to date, by a vote of 10,873 to 10,114. There seems to have been some confusion in the minds of the people as to the proper method of voting on this issue.

These referendum issues require only a majority of the votes cast on the particular question.

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The American embassy at Berlin was instructed last week to ask the German foreign office for its version of the sinking of the Marina. The embassy has not been heard from, but confidential sources received here today said that the Berlin foreign office had been informed that the incident would be thoroughly investigated as soon as reports from the submarines, now cruising, had been received.

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BIG CROWDS IN MASSACHUSETTS GREET WILSON

Time to Drop Partisan Feeling, Claims President in Address at Williamstown

FIRST PUBLIC SPEECH SINCE THE ELECTION

Executive Stands as Godfather at Christening of Daughter's Second Child

Williamstown, Mass., Nov. 10.—"Now that the campaign is over, we may all address ourselves to the welfare of the nation without thought of partisan feeling," declared President Wilson in his first public speech since the election, delivered before a delegation of Williamstown residents and Williams college students, who greeted him here today.

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HOUSE IS SPLIT FIFTY-FIFTY IN LATEST RETURNS

Each Party Holds 215 Representatives; New Mexico May Decide Plurality

PRESENT MEMBER FROM THAT STATE REPUBLICAN

Balance of Power in Next House Will Be Held by Four Men

New York, Nov. 10.—With returns missing tonight from only one congressional district in the United States the Republicans and Democrats each had 215 representatives. The vote in New Mexico, which is still in doubt, probably will determine which party is to have a plurality of one above the other. The present member from New Mexico is a Republican.

FRAZIER THANKS VOTERS OF STATE

In a statement in The Nonpartisan Leader, this week's edition, Mr. Frazier says:

"I assure the people of North Dakota that I feel deeply the honor they have conferred on me by electing me governor of the state, and I am grateful to all those who voted for me. I realize that the heavy vote cast for me was not a personal tribute, but a recognition of the justice of the cause of the farmers, who have determined to make use of the government of the state to serve them and their fellow citizens better than they have ever served in the past."

MISS RANKIN WINS MONTANA FIGHT

Suffrage Leaders From All Sections of Country Send Their Congratulations

Missoula, Mont., Nov. 10.—Messages of congratulation from suffrage leaders in many parts of the country poured into Missoula today for Miss Jennette Rankin, Republican, the first woman to be elected to congress. Miss Rankin's campaign managers contend she has won by at least 2,000 majority.

"I felt that the women would stand by me," Miss Rankin said. "It is wonderful to me to think of having the opportunity of being the first woman to sit in congress with 424 men."

Miss Rankin is small and slight. She is a graduate of the University of Montana.

CASSELLTON BANK CASE UNDERWAY AT FARGO

Fargo, N. D., Nov. 10.—The government's opening statement, in which it was declared it would be the prosecution's purpose to show that the defendants had engaged in a series of false entries in reports of the First National Bank of Casselton, when they were officers of that institution, featured the first day's progress of the trial of W. F. and R. C. Kittel, Casselton bankers, accused of making false entries in the bank's reports.

HACK CARRYING CHILDREN STRUCK BY ENGINE; MANY ARE SERIOUSLY INJURED

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 10.—A Santa Fe railway engine struck a hack carrying 25 school children to their homes late today. A school girl had her left arm cut off and seven others were more or less seriously injured. No one was killed.

East Front Now Center Of Interest

Germans Drive Against Russian Lines and Gain Many New Positions

RUSSO-ROUMANIANS ADVANCE IN DOBRUDJA

French Capture Trenches on Somme Front After Several Fierce Thrusts

London, Nov. 10.—Driving against the center of the Russian line on the eastern front, German troops have gained possession of Russian positions on a front of about two and one-half miles. The attack, which resulted also in the capture of more than 3,000 prisoners, took place north of the Tinsk marshes, where only isolated fighting has occurred lately. The Russians, Berlin also says, lost 27 machine guns and 12 mine throwers.

The success of the Germans is admitted by the Petrograd war office. Russo-Roumanians Advance. In Dobrudja, the advance of the Russo-Roumanian forces southward continues and Petrograd reports a battle with Field Marshal Mackensen's troops in the region of Tchernavoda. Petrograd also announces the occupation of several towns between Hirsowa and Tchernavoda. Berlin says there have been no important changes in Dobrudja.

On the Transylvania-Roumania front Archduke Charles has assumed the offensive and pushed back the Roumanians. In the Prudal sector, stubborn fighting continues with both the Austro-Germans and the Roumanians claiming progress. French Gain on Somme. Several trench elements north of the Somme, near Les Eouffes, and Sailles have been captured by the French. Berlin states Franco-British attacks between Geuedecourt and Sully were repulsed.

There has been much aerial fighting on the western front. Deal of Aircraft Fighting. Berlin records the destruction of 17 Entente aeroplanes and Paris asserts ten German machines were brought down. London admits that seven British air crafts failed to return after fights in the air. In one of the fights, a squadron of 30 British aeroplanes and a German squadron of between 30 and 40 were engaged.

COMMISSION COMES TO NO AGREEMENT

Official Reports of Villa's Raids in Mexico Will be Awaited by Congress

Atlantic City, N. J., Nov. 14.—Confirmation of reports on the increased strength of various reactionary movements in Mexico served to offset today the apparent determination of the representatives on the Mexican-American joint commission. Until official reports reveal the truth of stories of Villa's successes in the north and of the progress made by other reactionaries in the south, there appeared a probability that an agreement would be entered into, perhaps next week.

That appeared very likely today and the chance that a formal adjournment without an agreement, other than that of a most general character, seemed more probable.

Reports received by the Americans from official sources and others received by the Mexicans from their government, dealing with the activities of Villa, were studied today. The net result of the comparison of the reports was to disclose that General Carranza is now conducting a defensive campaign against Villa, with a battle at Escalon imminent, instead of prosecuting a campaign against him.

From the south comes a report, accepted as reliable, that Felix Diaz's forces are in possession of Rincon, a station on the Tehuantepec railway.

The capture of Jimenez, Santa Rosalia, and Parral, in the state of Chihuahua, was confirmed. General Murgu is in command of the Carranza forces now opposing Villa's southward movement at Escalon. Under him is General Maycotte, who was forced southward from Jimenez.

CONDITION OF MILITIA ON BORDER ANNOUNCED

Washington, Nov. 10.—Reports on the conditions of troops on the border, announced for the week ending Nov. 4, shows the percentage of sick militia to be 2:23 with five deaths as compared against 1:99, and one death for the week previous. The percent sick of regulars was 3.09, with five deaths against 2:90 and two deaths.

NORTH DAKOTA VOTE MAY BE INVESTIGATED

Republican Chiefs Confer With Attorney General in Regard to Irregularities

ONE PRECINCT RECOUNT SHOWS GAIN FOR HUGHES

Believed Official Probe Might Change Result in State and Nation.

Republican chiefs of North Dakota were in conference yesterday with Attorney General Linde with regard to a possible official probe of North Dakota's vote in Tuesday's general election. The attorney general when interviewed yesterday refused to make a statement, but did acknowledge that the matter had been taken up with him and that an investigation of some kind was then under consideration. No basis for suspecting irregularities in connection with Tuesday's balloting was given.

Might Change Result. With New Mexico, West Virginia, New Hampshire and Minnesota swinging to Hughes, and leaving him only seven votes behind Wilson, the national electors now stand divided as follows: Wilson, 269; Hughes, 262. The possibility of a recount in North Dakota, therefore, assumes the most vital importance for, should North Dakota by any chance be given to Hughes, it would make him president, with one electoral vote to spare, while it would reduce Wilson's total to 264, two short of the sufficient number.

How Vote Stands. North Dakota, with fifteen precincts missing, gives Wilson 54,273 and Hughes 53,164, a lead of only 1,115 for the president. One recount already made, in the Max precinct in McLean county, has produced another vote for Hughes. Should there be a similar result in only half of North Dakota's 2,000 precincts, Wilson's lead would be seriously endangered.

Technical Irregularities. There have been technical irregularities, which may not, however, prove of serious consequence. In Dunn county, for instance, no one knows the vote in two precincts. After the balloting was finished, the election board is said to have locked up the ballots without counting them, and to have returned the boxes to the county auditor, with no official abstract of the vote. It is claimed that court action could be resorted to to compel the election board to make and announce its count, instead of waiting until the official canvassing board meets some days hence.

Abnormally Large Vote. There is no question whatever that Tuesday's vote was abnormal, even for a state which is growing so rapidly as is North Dakota. For Wilson and Hughes, with fifteen precincts missing, the total vote stands 107,437. This is more than 7,000 greater than the vote for governor in the same precincts, in spite of the fact that Lynn J. Frazier is the best vote-getter who ever has sought the gubernatorial chair, and that he had 50,000 Non-Partisan league votes back of him. Non-Partisan league was not interested in the national election; it made no effort to get out a vote for either Hughes or Wilson; neither of these candidates had any decided personal following or unusual degree of popularity in the state. Yet they polled together 7,269 more votes than did Frazier and McArthur.

Senatorial Vote Low. As between the presidential and the senatorial contests, the discrepancy in the total vote is even more notable. The fight between McCumber and Burke was one of the real issues of the campaign. McCumber had the united strength of his party back of him. Burke was an idol of the Democrats and the only man in the history of North Dakota twice elected to the governorship. Yet, with all their pulling power, he polled together but 96,334 votes, or 11,109 less than were given Wilson and Hughes. McCumber, at that, ran 2,690 votes ahead of the leader of his national ticket, but John Burke, the native son, ran 14,000 votes behind Wilson.

Big Gain Over Primaries. Last June North Dakota staged the hottest primary election in its history. There were real contests for nominations on both the Republican and Democratic tickets, and the total vote cast by members of all parties for candidates for the United States senate was \$3,368, or 24,075 less than cast by members of two parties for president last Tuesday. The Republican vote last June was, of course, abnormal. In selecting a candidate for the United States senate, 68,885 ballots were cast. There was nothing abnormal in the Democratic vote for Burke and Hellstrom, which totaled only 13,436. In the senatorial contest, 13,121 supposed Republicans who voted for McCumber or Hanna or one of the other Republican candidates in June, did not vote for the Republican nominee last Tuesday. The returns would indicate that Burke garnered these 13,121 votes from the Republicans and the support

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The latest returns on president in Minnesota, made it: 3,098 precincts, Wilson 177,534; Hughes 175,087; Hughes' plurality 503. Only 33 precincts are missing.

The total popular vote received in each of the states by President Wilson and Charles E. Hughes, but based on incomplete reports and estimates indicated that the president received 403,312 more votes than Mr. Hughes. The vote by states:

CLAIMS PANAMA CANAL EARTH MOVEMENTS WILL BE OVERCOME IN TIME

Washington, Nov. 10.—The predictions that earth movements in the Panama canal will be overcome "finally and for all time" is reaffirmed by Mayor General Goethals, governor general of the Canal Zone, in his annual report made public today by the war department. This will be accomplished, he said, "notwithstanding the calamitous howlers, and in spite of the disastrous prediction of the 'know-it-alls'."

Referring to the slides, the general says he is moved to go into the subject again only because of the many false reports that have been published. "Such reports are false and there is no foundation for them," he declared, "yet they seem to have gained credit because a pending treaty between the United States and Nicaragua contemplates securing from the latter all rights for building a canal on its territory."

EVERETT HELD ON CHARGE OF MURDER

Everett, Wash., Nov. 10.—Information was filed today in the Superior court charging forty-one men, alleged to have taken part in Sunday's Industrial Workers of the World raid, with murder, in the first degree. All the accused are now prisoners in Seattle.

Seven men were killed at the wharf here when a steamer load of men attempted to land for the announced purpose of holding a street meeting.

FAILS TO FIND HUSBAND, WHO VANISHED HERE

Mrs. L. G. Boggess returned yesterday to Tuttle, after a fruitless quest for her husband, who came to Bismarck on October 31, spent two days at a local hotel, and the third day vanished, without checking out. His absence was discovered after his room had been vacant a day or two. Mrs. Boggess was accompanied in her search yesterday by G. W. Galbraith of Tuttle. There has been advanced the theory that Boggess left Bismarck for a western trip, but his wife feared foul play.

BELIEVED BRITISH STEAMER IS SUNK

London, Nov. 10.—The British steamer Bogota is believed to have been sunk, according to an announcement by Loyds tonight. The Bogota was a vessel of 4,603 tons. She is owned by the Pacific Steam Navigation Company of Liverpool.