

## THE COALITION PARTY SAFELY IN MAJORITY

### UNIONISTS INSTEAD OF MAKING EXPECTED GAINS ARE SHOWING LOSS IN ENGLISH PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS.

London, Dec. 7.—The coalition party takes six out of the ten seats in the next parliament in the unopposed returns this morning, giving it a majority of eight members elected to date. The latest election returns this afternoon gave the coalition 167, and the unionists 151. William O'Brien, the independent nationalist leader, was elected to parliament in the Cork, Ireland, election, defeating William Redmond, brother of John E. Redmond, the nationalist leader. Healey defeated Roche.

At the close of yesterday's polling the complexion of the house of commons stood as follows:  
Government Coalition—Liberals, 106; laborites, 20; nationalists, 26. Total—152.

Opposition—Unionists, 147.  
A situation has been developed almost phenomenal in the closeness of the race. The result of the three days' voting gives the coalition one more member than they had in the last parliament.

Turning of Tide a Surprise.  
The unionists regained St. Helen's from the laborites. This borough, with the exception of last election, has been unionist since 1906. The liberals gained Southwark (West), Burnley and Coventry, and the laborites gained Woolwich and Whitehaven, all from the unionists, while yesterday returns from Sunderland showed that the liberal candidates Greenwood and the laborite Goldstone had replaced the two unionists there.

The turning of the tide toward liberalism is a surprise and a great disappointment for the unionists, who counted upon capturing half a dozen seats from the enemy. The greatest surprise was in Coventry, because that is the seat of motor manufacturing, and the protectionists had put great stress on their plea that tariff reform would prevent the growing competition from American machines.

Workingman "Goes Back."  
Will Crooks, a well known working man, who was turned out in the last election, recaptured his old seat by a majority of 236.

Among the unopposed returns was John Dillon, nationalist member for the east division of Mayo. John Sharp Higham of the Soverby division of York was the sole liberal returned unopposed.

Almost everywhere fewer ballots were cast than in the last election and more liberals than unionists stayed away from the polls. Excluding the districts which changed their complexion, the unionists made relative gains in eighteen, the liberals in twelve. The socialist candidates in London did poorly, none commanding 500 votes.

An impressive lesson of the campaign is how strongly British voters are wedded to their parties and how slow they are to break away, though the parties change their platforms radically.

The betting on the stock exchange before election was that the coalition majority would drop to 65. It now figures the government will have 106 majority.

### ALDERMAN WAS TOO HASTY.

Algonia Official Ordered Wires Cut Down and Got the Wrong Wires.

Mason City, Dec. 7.—(Special).—E. G. Beyer, alderman at Algonia, may be in serious trouble. He is chairman of the street and alley committee and because the Western Union did not move wires and poles quickly enough, he assumed the authority, and yesterday afternoon cut them down. In doing so he got onto the Northwestern railway line and crippled their service. Officials are investigating.

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## New Express Co. Head



WILLIAM SPROULE.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—William Sproule, formerly freight traffic manager of the Wells Fargo Express company, to succeed the late Col. Dudley Evans, who died in March of this year. During the same meeting of directors at which Sproule was elected president he was also elected a director of the company to succeed A. K. Vandeventer, F. B. Underwood, president of the Erie system, who held the position of managing director of the Wells Fargo pending a decision relative to the new president, resigned that position, but will remain with the board.

## ESTIMATES OF APPROPRIATIONS

### SECRETARY OF TREASURY MACVEAGH SUBMITS FIGURES TO CONGRESS.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—The estimates of appropriations required for every branch of the federal government during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1912, aggregating \$748,414,861, were submitted to congress by Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh. This grand total stands against estimates of \$745,067,197 and an appropriation of \$805,294,513 for the current fiscal year, which appropriation included over \$10,000,000 for the census, over \$10,000,000 for the postal deficiency and other deficiencies.

For the defense of the Isthmian canal the estimates asked \$7,000,000 to be immediately available and ask authority for \$19,546,843 in all for this fortification project, with a view to completion within three years. This work will include sites, emplacements, guns, carriages, searchlights, camps and posts, and is based on the joint board of army and navy officers' report.

### Storm Lake Man Disappears.

Storm Lake, Dec. 7.—(Special).—Henry Reaser, a popular farmer living near here, has disappeared. He was last seen on the night of November 19. He was in a bad financial condition.

## KEOKUK COUNTY IS WHOLLY DRY

### DRUGGISTS GIVE UP PERMITS AFTER GRAND JURY GETS BUSY.

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## MEMORIAL TO GERMAN HERO IS UNVEILED

### STATUE OF BARON VON STEUBEN WHO AIDED IN FOUNDING THIS REPUBLIC DEDICATED IN WASHINGTON TODAY.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—Miss Helen Taft, daughter of the president, today unveiled a statue to Baron von Steuben, the Prussian soldier who helped found this republic. The ceremonies consisted of a parade of German societies, speeches by President Taft, German Ambassador Von Bernstorff, Representative Barthold of Missouri and Dr. Hexamer, president of the National German-American alliance.

Representative Barthold of St. Louis was author of the legislation appropriating \$50,000 for the memorial to the renowned German revolutionary hero. A replica of the statue unveiled today, for which Mr. Barthold also secured an appropriation of \$5,000 will be presented to Emperor William.

Ten thousand persons marched in the military and civic parade that followed the unveiling ceremonies. The German singing societies took an active part in the program.

Major General Count von Steuben of the German army, a direct descendant of a brother of the revolutionary hero, was a guest of honor. The Von Steuben statue occupies a site at the northwest corner of Lafayette place, and is a companion piece to the statues of Lafayette, Rochambeau and Kosciuszko on the other corners. The Steuben statue is a remarkably life-like and artistic production and the base is exceedingly handsome.

Baron von Steuben distinguished himself in the service of Frederick the Great before he came to America to give his service to the revolutionists who were struggling for freedom. In 1778 he offered his services to Washington and to congress. He joined the army at Valley Forge during the dark days that Thomas Paine, in his stirring appeal to the troops, described as "the times that try men's souls." The fate of the revolution hung in the balance, but the flaming words of Paine prevailed, and he who was in dire danger of becoming Washington the traitor became Washington the hero.

With the army at Valley Forge at the lowest ebb of its fortunes, Steuben appointed inspector general and prepared a manual of tactics similar to that of the German army, and remodeled the organization of the troops and improved their discipline. He was thus the first drillmaster of the American army, and also among the best. He sat on the court marshal of Major Andre and as major general took part in the siege of Yorktown.

German-Americans have long treasured the name of Steuben. When the civil war broke out the Steuben regiment of German veterans, named in honor of the revolutionary hero, was one of the first to answer the call of President Lincoln. It lost more than 500 men on the different battle fields, but a corporal's guard was left to pay tribute today to the great general whose name they proudly bore throughout the long and bloody conflict.

Hundreds of veterans of the Franco-Prussian war, from all the large cities of the United States, were also in the line of the parade.

## NOISELESS SOUP SPOON INVENTED

### SIMPLE DEVICE WILL PREVENT WHISTLING AS DINER INHALES HIS CONSOMME.

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### FAVORS A BUREAU

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Des Moines, Dec. 7.—(Special).—E. P. Adler of Davenport, president of the Iowa Associated Dailies, is here today in conference with Lafa. Young Jr., secretary of the association, making plans for the meeting to be held in January, at which officers will be elected. At this meeting, which will probably last two days, not only editors of the daily papers will be present, but weekly papers as well, and strong resolutions will be adopted to ask the legislature to form a state publicity bureau. The Iowa League of Commercial clubs will be asked to meet at the same time to take similar action.

## RAIL AND RIVER MEN MUST JOIN HANDS IN WORK

### PRESIDENT TELLS DELEGATES TO RIVERS AND HARBORS CONGRESS THIS IS PROBLEM FOR WATERWAY BOOSTERS.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—With one of the largest gatherings of waterway enthusiasts that ever assembled to discuss waterway improvement, the annual convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress met here today. President Taft in a speech to the congress said the importance of river navigation had decreased of late years with the development of railroad facilities. The problem that now confronted his hearers, he declared, was the union and co-operation of the railroads and rivers. The terminal difficulties of river transportation must be overcome, the president said, before this problem could be solved. He believed American ingenuity would find a complete solution of all difficulties presented.

Other Speakers Heard.  
At the opening of the congress President Ransdell advocated regular annual appropriations for carrying on the work of the waterway improvements. He paid a high compliment to the board of U. S. engineers which pass upon such projects, and expressed gratification over the work accomplished as a result of the encouragement from congress. He declared the rivers and harbors act passed by the last session of congress was the greatest advance yet made in carrying out the policies of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress.

The ports of Mexico were discussed by Ambassador De La Barra of Mexico to the United States, who pointed out that other countries would profit from the example set by America in the improvement of its rivers and harbors.

### TEACHER WHO FOUGHT IS BRIDE

Miss Annie Kelley, Who Refused to Pay Judgment for Whipping Pupil, is Married.

Champaign, Ill., Dec. 7.—Miss Annie Kelley of Tolono, who fought for years in the court to evade a judgment for whipping a pupil and gained a national reputation for pluck, and Clarence Dilavou, also of Tolono, have been married. Admiration for the fighting qualities of the young woman started the romance. Mrs. Dilavou is done with school teaching forever, but she will live in Tolono. The wedding took place in Chicago.

## TRAVELS FAR FOR FUNERAL

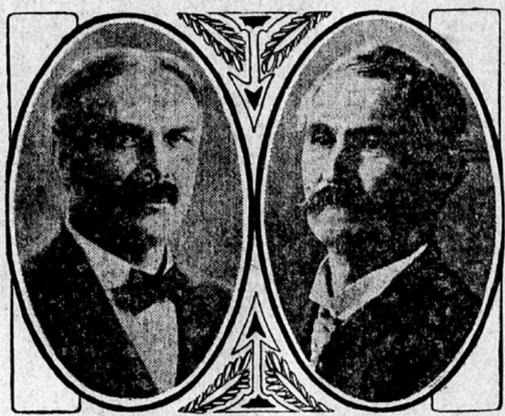
### DEATH OF HIS MOTHER BRINGS SAINT KIRKPATRICK FROM THE SOUTH.

A ride of several hundred miles from the southland to Ottumwa was accomplished today when Sant Kirkpatrick, the veteran federal officer arrived on the Wabash shortly before noon. The occasion of Mr. Kirkpatrick's visit was not a pleasant one inasmuch as he came hurriedly in response to a message received late Saturday night, telling of the death of his mother, Mrs. Hannah Kirkpatrick in Highland township. Mrs. Kirkpatrick was 92 years of age at the time of her death and was a pioneer. The interment will take place tomorrow in McCormick cemetery, Highland township.

When the message of his mother's death was phoned him, Mr. Kirkpatrick was forty miles inland from his headquarters in Greensboro N. C. and having no quicker means than his horse and buggy to reach a place where he could communicate with his relatives he had to drive all day Sunday through a blinding snow storm and being nearly blind himself from wounds received in his capacity of revenue officer he accomplished the task with difficulty. He has been traveling almost continuously since Saturday night, and all of the way until Moberly, Mo., was reached he traveled through snow storms in the south. In Kentucky he stated that there is fifteen inches of snow and the storms impeded his progress.

The career of Sant Kirkpatrick as an officer of the government in the revenue service, covers more than a quarter of a century and he has been injured by moonshiners three times by being shot. He carries over two hundred pieces of lead in his system, so he declares, and his eyesight is very poor as the result of a fight with moonshiners who nearly blinded him in a shooting fray. Mr. Kirkpatrick will remain here for about ten days before returning to the south. He states that the moonshiners have given up trying to kill him by shooting.

## After Ballinger's Seat



CONGRESSMAN ENGLEBRIGHT. JUDGE JOHN E. RAKER.

Grass Valley, Cal., Dec. 7.—The only democratic congressman to win out in California was Judge John E. Raker, who defeated Congressman W. F. Englebright in the First California district. The fight was a close one and was not decided until the complete returns were in, in which Judge Raker a lead of 124 votes. The incomplete returns of the first day after election in-

dicated Englebright had been re-elected, but after returns showed a victory for the democratic judge. Congressman Englebright since his defeat is out for appointment of secretary of the interior to succeed Ballinger. In his letter to fellow congressmen and others, asking their support, Englebright says that he understands the present secretary of the interior is about to resign.

## CATHOLIGS NOT TO SEE SALOME

### ARCHBISHOP MESSMER ISSUES NOTICE TO MILWAUKEE PARISHIONERS.

Milwaukee, Dec. 7.—In a letter to all the priests of this city, Archbishop S. G. Messmer has ordered that the prelates request Catholics to stay away from the performance of "Salome" billed here for Friday night. The local chief of his church denounces the opera as "absolutely repulsive," while he admits he has not seen it nor read the lines of the work. It is calculated that the effect of the order will be great, for there are hundreds of Catholic music lovers in the city who had planned to see Mary Garden in the much-talked-of opera, but they will not go to the performance in the face of the archbishop's denunciation.

### GLORIFICATION OF DIVORCE.

The subject with its surroundings is absolutely repulsive to Christian feeling. Even if the dance of Salome be not in itself openly immodest and lewd, a thing I do not know, yet the whole tendency of the opera, if reports are true, is glorification of divorce and debauchery.

"The character of the story, and especially the death of St. John the Baptist, is too sacred a theme to be brought on the stage as it is done in 'Salome'."  
"Hence, you will please request the members of your parish to stay away from this production and thus to express their emphatic protest against the public production of this opera in our city."

### SUNDAY HAD CROWD.

Oskaloosa People Turn Out in Great Numbers to Hear the Baseball Evangelist.

Oskaloosa, Dec. 7.—(Special).—It was not a revival crowd, but instead people from all walks of life that listened to Rev. Billy Sunday, the baseball evangelist, on the occasion of his visit here to speak against the saloons. The meeting was held in the Central M. E. church, which was packed to the doors. The evangelist is his characteristic way assailed the saloons and urged the people of Oskaloosa to drive them out.

### KILLED BY HIGH ROCK.

Man Working in Quarry Near Oskaloosa Crushed to Death by 1,200 Pound Stone.

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## BATH TUB COMBINE IS DEALT BLOW

### INDICTMENTS AGAINST SIXTEEN FIRMS AND THIRTY-TWO INDIVIDUALS.

Detroit, Dec. 7.—The anti-trust campaign of Attorney General Wickersham shifted to Detroit this week with the result that indictments have been returned by a federal grand jury against sixteen firms and thirty-two individuals alleged to have conspired to control 85 per cent of the annual output of enamel ironware, bath tubs, sinks, lavatories, etc., in the United States. The original proceedings grew out of a civil suit to dissolve the alleged combination, begun by the government in the federal court at Baltimore. Hearings were held in Chicago, Pittsburg and New York. The evidence adduced in the hearings of the civil suit was presented to the grand jury by assistants to the attorney general.

It is charged that as a result of a ten days' meeting at Mt. Clemens, Mich., last April a fund of \$7,000 was sufficient to set in motion a plan that resulted in giving to the defendants control of sixteen manufacturers and nearly 400 jobbers, representing an output of approximately ten million dollars a year.

Both the civil suit and the criminal proceedings were instituted under the Sherman anti-trust law. The defendant firms in the criminal proceedings are located in Pennsylvania, Ohio, Tennessee, New York, Indiana, Illinois and West Virginia. The government took the grounds that the defendants attempted to disguise their combination by the subterfuge of purchasing the patents on certain tools and licensing certain firms to use these tools.

### OFFICIALS FAVOR STRIKE

Milwaukee Executive Orders Police Not to Bother Garment Workers—Alderman Addresses Them

Milwaukee, Dec. 7.—The socialist administration of the city of Milwaukee is in full sympathy with the striking garment workers, according to Alderman E. T. Melms, president of the city council, who addressed them in a mass meeting.

Official Milwaukee again showed its hand when Mayor Seidel sent a letter to Chief of Police Janssen, cautioning the police not to interfere with "dis-employed citizens" who were not disturbing the peace.

"You have with you the mayor, the city council and the entire city administration, if any Milwaukee judge should decide against you because you have been picketing, we will see to it that his life on the bench will be a short one," said Alderman Melms. "I want it understood that no man on the police force has the right to interfere with a citizen who is not violating the law," said Mayor Seidel.

### ARKANSAS IS GROWING FAST.

Census Figures Show Increase in the Rate of Gain—South Carolina Has 175,084 More.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—Population statistics of the thirteenth census issued yesterday by the census bureau include figures for the following states:  
Arkansas, 1,574,449, an increase of 262,885, or 20 per cent, over 1,311,564 in 1900. The increase from 1890 to 1900 was 183,385, or 19.3 per cent.  
South Carolina, 1,515,409, an increase of 175,084, or 13.1 per cent over 1,340,325 in 1900. The increase from 1890 to 1900 was 189,167 or 16.4 per cent.

## BALLINGER IS EXONERATED BY THE COMMITTEE

### MAJORITY OF INVESTIGATING BODY UPHOLDS SECRETARY UPON EVERY POINT AND SCORES CRITICS AS BIASÉD.

### MAJORITY REPORT ALSO IS SUBMITTED

### ALL REPUBLICANS EXPECT MADISON OF KANSAS VOTED FOR MAJORITY REPORT; FIGHT GOES TO CONGRESS.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—Vindicating Secretary Ballinger upon all the charges brought against him, and condemning his accusers as having been inspired by a deep feeling of animosity built upon a supposed difference in the policy respecting conservation, the majority of the congressional committee which investigated the Ballinger-Pinchot case today submitted its report to congress. The majority of the committee declares the evidence wholly failed to make out a case, and that Ballinger is "a competent and honorable gentleman, honestly and faithfully performing the duties of his office with an eye singly to the public interest."

Scores Ballinger Critics.  
The committee says Ballinger's accusers evidently had the conservation of natural resources deeply at heart and evidently were disposed to take the most unfavorable view of the character and motives of whomever they supposed opposed to their views. This, the committee thinks, caused his accusers to regard with suspicion the most natural and innocent acts of Ballinger in the ordinary course of department administration.

### Recommend New Laws.

The committee finds the interests of the people as owners of the Alaskan coal fields are not threatened or endangered under present conditions. An expression of opinion in the Cunningham claims was withheld because they are still pending. The committee believes the commissioner general of the land office will divide these claims fairly and impartially. A recommendation is made that a law be enacted for the transfer of these and similar claims to an appropriate court for hearing and decision. The report also favors a leasing system for Alaskan coal fields, and that steps be taken to prevent these lands being monopolized for speculative purposes.

### Glavis and Garfield Hit.

"Glavis had ample time and abundant assistance to make the field examination he had demanded," says the report, "and that he was grossly remiss in his duty in not having the examination made. The committee declares Garfield's blanket withdrawals of public lands were made after he had ascertained he would not be re-appointed, and that the Ballinger withdrawals and restorations were made after careful examination and in good faith."

A number of other points were considered by the committee and in every instance where Ballinger acted his course is approved. The report was signed by Senators Nelson, Flint, Sutherland and Root and Representatives McCall, Olmsted and Denby, all republicans. The report of the minority of the committee, made last September, condemned Ballinger and recommended his removal from office.

### Report Submitted to Congress.

The majority report of the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation committee was submitted to both houses of congress this afternoon. At the same time the independent reports of the democratic members of the committee and of Representative Madison of Kansas also were submitted. The conclusions of the republicans were submitted to the democrats at a meeting of the full committee this morning. All the republican members except Madison signed the report. Senator Nelson, the chairman, put the majority report to vote. The democratic members and Madison voted against it.

### Cummins Resolution Delayed.

Invoking the rules of the senate, Senator Hale today forced a delay of at least twenty-four hours in the introduction of the Cummins resolution regulating the consideration of tariff legislation.

The first effort made in the present session of the house to have the change made in the tariff law was by the introduction today by Sulzer of New York of a bill to repeal the duty on meats and cattle.