

POINCARÉ IS FRENCH CHOICE FOR PRESIDENT

Premier Selected Successor to Fallieres on Second Ballot at Versailles; Jules Pams Next in Race.

CROWDS ATTEND THE ELECTION

Social Functions Mingle With Political Work of Senators and Deputies; Palace Hall Crowded.

Versailles, France, Jan. 17.—Premier Poincaré was elected president of the French republic by the national assembly held here today.

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The details of the ballot were as follows: Raymond Poincaré, 429; Jules Pams, 327; Marie Edouard Vaillant, 63; Paul Deschanel, 18; Felix Ribot, 16; Leon Bourgeois, 4; Alexander Millerand, 3; Alfred Mascarand, 2; Theophile Delcasse, 2; Antonin Dubost, 1; Henri Rochefort, 1; Blanks, 5. The second ballot began immediately.

The result of the second ballot was: Raymond Poincaré, 483 (elected); Jules Pams, 296; Marie Edouard Vaillant, 65.

Versailles is thronged. Senators and deputies of France arrived throughout the forenoon today to take part in the election of a new president of the republic.

Most of the senators and deputies came out from Paris on special trains provided by the government and a few arrived in motor cars or carriages. With them came some 1,500 relatives and friends and persons notable in official society.

Premier Raymond Poincaré and the members of his cabinet arrived together some hours before voting began. Jules Pams, the minister of agriculture, was not among them. He had sent to the premier early in the morning a note containing his resignation from the cabinet and notification that he had accepted the candidacy for the presidency of the republic.

Davis Succeeds Pams. Premier Poincaré immediately designated Ferdinand Davis, at present minister of commerce, to take over the portfolio of agriculture.

For several months preparation had been under way for the sitting of the national assembly. Although there is a permanent force of men at the palace whose business it is to keep the building in readiness for such elections, much had been left to be completed at the last moment.

It was thought on this occasion, owing to the multiplicity of candidates that had been mentioned that several ballots would be necessary. According to the constitution, if three ballots are cast without a result the candidate then holding the highest total of votes is chosen as president.

Out of the nine presidential elections which have been held since the foundation of the third republic in 1870 seven have been decided on the first ballot. Only at the elections of Sadi-Carnot in 1887 and of Felix Faure in 1895, were two ballots necessary.

Each ballot occupies almost three hours, as the deputies and senators are called upon separately in alphabetical order to place their ballot papers in the urns.

Palace Decorated. The interior of the palace which dates from the time of Louis XIV, was brilliantly decorated. The floor of the congress hall itself was arranged with 800 chairs covered with dark leather. No special seats were assigned to the members of the two chambers who took their places in accordance with their political groupings.

BRIEF MATTERS IN THE DAY'S NEWS

HALIFAX, N. S.—The steamer Uranium, which grounded on the rocks near here on Sunday, was floated today. Her passengers were taken off shortly after she struck.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Prepared to face an ordeal of five banquets in two days President Taft starts out today on a jaunt to Philadelphia, New York and New Haven, Conn., that will keep him from the white house until Tuesday.

NEW YORK—Mayor William J. Gaynor speaking before the Holland society of New York last night indicated that he would not be a candidate for mayor at the next election.

LONDON—Captain Edward Miller, manager of the House Royal Polo club will sail for New York tomorrow to complete arrangements for the polo matches for the International cup.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The cruiser Denver ordered to Acapulco Mexico to protect Americans endangered by the rebel Padilla and his band, will steam from San Diego, Calif. today. The ship will get to Acapulco in about four days.

LONDON—Mrs. Alice Mason, former wife of the late Senator Charles Sumner of Massachusetts, died last night of jaundice at her London home. Her daughter Isabelle is the wife of Edward Balfour of London and Scotland. The body is to be taken to Scotland for burial.

AMBASSADORS SEND NOTE TO TURKEY

Germany Consents to Action of Powers With Ottoman; Ruthless Slaughter in Albania by Servians.

Constantinople, Jan. 17.—The collective note drafted by the ambassadors of the European powers in London was presented to the Turkish government today.

Germany Consents. London, Jan. 17.—Germany's consent to the presentation to the Ottoman government of the note drafted by the ambassadors of the European powers in London, the absence of which has delayed the action of the powers, has now been given. Instructions have reached the German ambassador at Constantinople to participate with his diplomatic colleagues in handing the note to Turkey.

Asks Investigation. Vienna, Jan. 17.—Twenty-five thousand Albanians have "been more or less wantonly" killed in the Turkish province of Kosovo by the Serbian regulars and irregulars since the invasion by them of European Turkey, according to the Reichspost today.

The newspaper demands the dispatch of a European commission to investigate the reports of horrible atrocities.

PIONEER DEAD IN DES MOINES

Des Moines, Jan. 17.—T. W. Henry, pioneer business man of Des Moines, and prominent in the city's history, died at his home here today after a lingering illness extending over several weeks. Deceased was 62 years of age. Mrs. Henry who survives him, is ill at the home as a result of her husband's sickness and death.

Versailles, France, Jan. 17.—Premier Raymond Poincaré was insulted by ex-Premier George Clemenceau at the opening today of the national congress for the election of a president. M. Poincaré at once appointed Aristide Briand, the minister of justice, and L. L. Klotz, minister of finance, to act as his seconds and to arrange a duel.

The incident between Poincaré and Clemenceau arose out of a letter sent by the former premier to M. Poincaré, the contents of which were considered offensive by M. Poincaré. The premier promptly sent his two seconds to ask for an explanation and

unless this should prove satisfactory under the customs of France, the incident will result in a duel.

During the proceedings of the national assembly George Clemenceau made a satisfactory explanation to M. Briand and M. Klotz, who had been sent to him by Premier Poincaré relative to the letter he received last evening from the ex-premier. The incident is therefore considered closed.

Deputy Monzi and Paul Boncour, former minister of labor, also quarreled in the corridors of the palace of Versailles as a result of which M. Monzi sent a second to M. Boncour.

UNABLE TO GET LARGE BONDS FOR DYNAMITER

Labor Leaders Have Difficulty in Getting Sufficient Sureties on Bail of the Men in Prison.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 17.—St. Louis labor leaders who recently announced that they had arranged bail for P. J. Morrin, one of the alleged dynamite conspirators learned today that the securities they had obtained were not sufficient. An effort also has been made here to secure bail for J. P. Barry, another of the alleged conspirators.

"We can find any number of men who can qualify for \$5,000 or \$10,000," said Chas. J. Lambert, chairman of a committee appointed by the building trades council to arrange the bonds. "The government requires that every man who signs the bond must be able to pay the entire bond in case it is forfeited and unless we can find two men worth not less than \$30,000 to sign Morrin's bond and two men worth not less than \$40,000 each to sign Barry's bond, there is little prospect that they will be released from the federal prison pending the appeal of their cases."

Tveitmoen Bond Ready. San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 17.—Clerical work will be completed today on the bonds of Olaf A. Tveitmoen, secretary of the California Building Trades council, one of the dynamite conspirators imprisoned at Leavenworth, Kan.

The United States commissioner's office here which approved the bonds yesterday, thought they would probably be forwarded to Leavenworth for Tveitmoen's signature thence to Indianapolis, for Judge Anderson's approval late today.

Tveitmoen's bail, pending a review of the case, was set at \$60,000 for which bonds in twice that sum were required. His wife furnished \$70,000, the largest bond offered.

ALLENS ARE GIVEN ANOTHER RESPIRE

Richmond, Va., Jan. 17.—Floyd and Claude Allen, the two Hillville gunmen, sentenced to die today for their part in the Carroll court house murders last March, were again reprieved by Governor Mann, who agreed to hear arguments February 1 in favor of commutation. The reprieve ends March 1.

LEGISLATURE IN ANOTHER DEADLOCK

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 17.—Thirty-eight ballots have been taken by the Illinois house of representatives in an attempt to break the speakership deadlock. The members have taken a week-end vacation.

The situation has necessitated the postponement of the inauguration of Governor-elect Dunne.

RETIRED CLERK GIVEN GOLD WATCH

Chief of Clerical Forces in the House is Given Testimonial of Regard on Quitting.

Des Moines, Jan. 17.—C. R. Benedict, retiring chief clerk of the Iowa house of representatives left today for California where he will spend the rest of the winter with his wife. He hopes to return to Des Moines in time to attend the final weeks session of the present legislature.

Just before the house went into joint session Thursday members whose legislative service extended over the time he was chief clerk presented him with a gold watch. Presentation speeches were made by Whitney of Woodbury and Koontz of Johnson, the latter having been in the house all in one session while Benedict was chief clerk.

RECEPTION WAS BRILLIANT EVENT

Des Moines, Jan. 17.—Inauguration of Iowa's twenty-first governor ended last night in one of the most brilliant governor's receptions ever held in the state house. Ample decorations, gold lace on the uniform of Adjutant General Guy A. Logan and members of the staff, and dress of many of the most prominent women of the state combined to make the affair brilliant.

In addition to present state officials, ex-Governor B. F. Carroll and Warren Garret were in the receiving line.

PASSED HOME RULE BILL IN THE COMMONS

British Parliament After Many Years' Effort by the Irish People, Passes the Measure.

London, Jan. 17.—Amid scenes of fervid joy by the Irish nationalists, which were shared by the other members of the government coalition, the home rule bill passed its third reading and the final stage in the house of commons last night by a majority of 110 and was sent immediately to the house of lords.

It was the climax of a debate which lasted for fifty-two days. Every possible vote had been whipped in and the house was crowded. The lords will undoubtedly reject the bill. Under the parliament act it will come back to the house of commons, and if passed on two successive occasions by that body will become a law with the royal assent without the concurrence of the house of lords. This process may occupy between one and two years.

A. Bonar Law Sees Rebellion. A. Bonar Law leader of the opposition and Augustine Birrell, chief secretary for Ireland, were the principals in the final scene.

The unionist leader, while admitting that he had nothing new to say, reiterated his deliberate conviction that no rebellion would be better justified than one by Ulster against the new Irish parliament.

He declared he knew Ulster would rebel, and it was bound to succeed because the Ulstermen were ready to give their lives for the cause. If a hundred men were shot in the streets of Belfast a thousand more would be ready to take their places, and the responsibility of the shooting would be on the government.

Criticism Law's Tactics. Chief Secretary Birrell criticized A. Bonar Law for attempting to belittle and almost denying the existence of the nationalist movements, which for years has been the soul of Ireland. He did not deny that the Ulstermen disliked the proposed idea of an Irish parliament.

He even admitted that if the unionists fears of oppression were verified that the Ulstermen would be justified in offering resistance, but, he asked, how could the present mode of government continue indefinitely.

Nobody except Englishmen, he declared would tolerate the present ridiculous state of things. The chief secretary appealed to the opposition to help the government in solving this tremendous problem.

Redmond Sees Ultimate Victory. In a characteristic speech during the course of the debate, John Redmond, the Irish leader, dwelt feelingly on the years of defeat and discouragement through which Irishmen had passed in their efforts to secure home rule, and now their day of victory had arrived.

"We oppose the exclusion of Ulster from the home rule bill on several grounds," said the Irish champion, "but the supreme objection is that nothing would compensate the nationalists for the mutilation of their country."

Mr. Redmond declared that the nationalists refused to regard Ulster men as anything but brothers, and he invited them to join with the nationalists in the emancipation and the government of their common country.

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There Will be no Turkey Trotting, Bunny Hug or Grizzly Bear at Ball

Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—Should there be an inaugural ball, despite President-elect Wilson's wishes to the contrary, there may be no turkey trotting, bunny hugging nor grizzly bearing, if it is held in the pension building. Representative Roddenberry today offered an amendment to the resolution authorizing the use of the pension office which is worded as follows: "That the grant of the use of the pension building for the inaugural ball is expressly upon the condition and with the limitation that for the prevention of acts of public indecency the following so-called dances are absolutely barred and prohibited: "Grizzly bear, the bunny hug, tenderloin movements, the turkey trot contortions and all like vulgarisms of the hoochee-koochee dance and all similar forms of gymnastic convulsive movement suggestive of the degenerate revelries of the degenerated dance." An informal conference with members of the committee today over President-elect Wilson's letter stating that the committee considered the feasibility of omitting the inaugural ball. He said the committee would do all possible to carry out the wishes of Mr. Wilson. The president-elect's letter had been kept through the press and formal action was taken by the committee confers with Mr. Wilson.

DEMOCRATS TO LINE UP WITH WILSON FORCE

Speculation Indulged in With Regard to Position of Iowa Congressmen in the 63rd Congress.

[BY E. H. HANSON.] Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—The Iowa delegation in the sixty-third congress will have a wonderful opportunity to do things and to be in right with the administration.

There is now no question, in view of Governor Wilson's address to the New Jersey electors on Monday, but what the incoming president will dominate every feature of official life in Washington and those who are with him will prosper and those who are against him will suffer.

In the natural course of events, administration forces within the democratic party in the capital and those who are with the administration appear right now to have the best chance of success.

Although he was strong for Champ Clark for the presidency before the Baltimore convention and during the convention, the friends of Mr. Pepper, who will be the senior member of the Iowa delegation, are hoping that he will avail himself of the earliest opportunity to line up with the administration, supporting even against his old friend and leader, Mr. Clark, if necessary, though few fear that Clark will ever do anything to injure Wilson.

As Mr. Connolly and Mr. Pepper are great friends and will likely pursue the same course, the action of Mr. Kirkpatrick of the sixth district, who has thus far held himself aloof from the other representatives will be closely watched.

It is generally presumed that Kirkpatrick will be a Wilson man from the start and should the two others be a little slow in lining themselves up with the Wilson forces, he might soon become the dominant figure of the delegation.

Progressives in Control. Wilson's statement on Monday: "I pick out progressives and only progressives" has caused every politician in the capital to sit up and take notice. Already his friends have control of the senate and they are in a commanding position in the house.

It is taken to mean that all the way down the line, with every appointment, he will choose a progressive, regardless of party, in making his appointments and he will have a secretary at the white house with an acquaintance of such a scope that he will be able to determine those who are right in the faith and those who are not.

It is in view of this pronouncement that it behooves every democrat to immediately align himself with the Wilson forces, for Wilson is a man who works only in team work, though he is usually the driver of the team.

RECESS WILL GIVE TIME TO PREPARE BILLS

Four Days Without Sessions Taken by Legislators to Get Acquainted With Each Other.

[BY ORA WILLIAMS.] Des Moines, Jan. 17.—In the four-day recess the 35th general assembly is now taking members will have opportunity to get their bills prepared to consult with constituents, to get acquainted with each other and to find their bearings in the game of law making open on Tuesday business will begin in earnest.

Committee assignments by President Harding caused no surprise in any quarter. There was the recognition of those who have shown themselves to be safe leaders. It was clearly seen a month ago that sturdy Joe Allen would take the first committee chairmanship and about this there has at no time been any question. Equally it was evident that Francis and Mattes would also be at the head of the big committees. These men have forged right to the front in legislative matters. The recognition of Larrabee, McColl, Savage, Ames, Balkema, Chase, Spaulding, Darrah, Arney and others caused no surprise. Everyone agrees that the senate committee assignments are good ones.

Clark Given an Ovation. There was no doubt whatever of the sincerity of the applause for the new governor as he delivered his masterly address at the inaugural. He was given a fine ovation. It was a proper compliment to him that his neighbors of Dallas county came in large numbers to attend the ceremonies. It showed how well he is appreciated at home. The inauguration ceremonies were simple and appropriate, and very pleasing.

Speaker Cunningham will keep his committee assignments in the incubator until next Tuesday. It is a big task to make up committees and he will take his time.

Old house members paid a deservingly tribute to Rush Benedict yesterday by presenting him with a beautiful gold watch. Mr. Benedict was clerk several sessions. He voluntarily retired and intends to go to California to spend the rest of the winter. He has been here as a volunteer helping in the organization and getting things started and he ought to have had created for him the job of "general manager and floor leader" or that is what he is when in action. He is of infinite help to both old and new members, one of those willing persons ready to do a good turn to everyone.

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Pasteboard Box Containing Babe Used as Football

New York, Jan. 17.—A dozen boys playing football with a pasteboard box in a vacant lot in Brooklyn today, sat down to rest after half an hour's play. "That's a funny looking box," said one of them. "Let's see what's inside." They undid the strings. A four days' old baby boy, naked and to all appearances dead, rolled to the ground. A policeman took it to a hospital. Half an hour later it was crying lustily. It will probably live.

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BUSINESS MEN TOLD HOW TO BE GOOD BOOSTERS

Twelfth Annual Banquet of Ottumwa Commercial Association Last Night Attended by 250 Men.

DEERE & CO. MEN WERE ON PROGRAM

Public Utility Officers and Railroad Men Address Citizens on Cooperation; Hospital Ladies Served.

Ottumwa today knows better how to become greater. The talks that followed the serving of the twelfth annual banquet of the Ottumwa Commercial association in the new armory last night, pointed the way and the 250 members present are ready and willing to follow religiously the numerous suggestions voiced by the speakers on the program. Big business men, connected with some of the largest public service companies and manufacturers of the city made the suggestions, and if there was no other evidence of interest than the attention given each speaker, the banquet can be considered the most successful ever held by the local association. The event moved forward like the machinery of Ottumwa's best manufactory. Every one seemed to take a delight in participating and there were few who did not remain until the end of the program, which did not come until 11:45 p. m.

It was the privilege of the Commercial association boosters to have as speakers four of the officials of Deere & Co., two Rock Island road officers, the vice president of the organization controlling the Ottumwa Gas. Co., and a Wells-Fargo express man. Their words were those of encouragement to Ottumwa, suggestions how to accomplish greater results, and through every syllable uttered was the one thought that the speakers were part and parcel of Ottumwa, notwithstanding that they did not live here.

Good nature was the predominant feature of the evening. Jokes were passed with a regularity that rivalled the best after-dinner program imaginable, yet the serious feature of the evening, that of a better understanding between Ottumwa and her utilities, was not lost.

The banquet was served by the ladies of the Ottumwa Hospital association, and the service of the six courses on the menu was as near perfection as possible. The four tables were laden with flowers and candelabra, and the balcony of the armory was gaily decorated with yuletide greens and American flags. During the service of the menu the Schubert orchestra gave a delightful program. The ladies were extended a rising vote of thanks at the conclusion of the banquet for the splendid manner in which the diners were served.

J. A. S. WOODS HEIRS OBJECT TO CONTRACT

Des Moines, Jan. 17.—Heirs to the estate of John A. S. Woods filed a petition in the district court asking that an ante-nuptial contract existing between Woods and his wife, Emily Woods, be cancelled. By the terms of the contract, Mrs. Woods was to receive forty acres of land.

It is charged by the heirs that the contract is void for the reason that Mrs. Woods represented herself to be a single woman when she married Woods. According to the petition, Mrs. Woods was not an unmarried woman at the time, but the wife of John R. Woods, alias John C. Woods, alias John Woods.

The contract, which was filed in the recorder's office of Polk county, is dated December 22, 1897, the date of their marriage. Woods was a farmer living in Union township, Story county.

ORGANIZE CANTRIL STATE BANK

Cantril, Jan. 17.—A new bank has been organized which will be known as the Cantril State bank. The board of directors are J. L. Harbidge, C. L. Manning, G. L. Norris, R. L. Wellborn, Mateson Bager, Steven Davis, W. S. Creath, W. H. Delaney and Dell Arnold.

C. L. Norris was elected president, C. L. Manning, vice president, and Lee Harbidge, cashier.