

## SIGNIFICANCE OF THE GERMAN ELECTIONS

GREAT INTEREST CENTERS IN THE BIG ELECTIONS TOMORROW—KAISER INTERESTED.

Special to the Herald.  
Berlin, Jan. 24.—Tomorrow's general election, precipitated by the action of the kaiser in summarily dismissing the reichstag after its refusal to pass the measure which involved a larger vote in the interests of his colonial policy, has aroused more popular interest than has any similar contest since the foundation of the empire in 1871. The nominal issues of colonial maladministration and German military prestige have been lost sight of by the people. In the opinion of the average elector the real issue at stake is whether the emperor is going to lead the nation or the nation is to rule itself.

The real duel is between the government and the center and the center and will only occur when the new reichstag meets. If, as anticipated, the center, which commands three out of the eleven million votes composing the imperial electorate, returns with undiminished numbers and becomes allied with the social democrats, it will be strong enough at any time to upset the government. If, on the other hand, it returns weakened, it is expected that a period of reaction against the autocracy will set in, which will only accentuate the feeling of pessimism in the empire, arising chiefly from discontent with the heavy pressure of taxation and the agrarian tariff policy. Consequently, whatever the result of the elections, grave dangers and a new and more serious crisis threatens the empire's domestic peace.

A prominent feature of the situation is the popular resentment that the ultramontanes, who acknowledge the vatican's supreme rule, are able to exercise a casting vote in questions of national importance, thereby forcing a dissolution. The moderates and progressists have combined to terminate the ultramontane power, but the ultramontanes are confident of unimpaired success in tomorrow's elections. The Roman Catholic population of Southern Germany assures a continuation approximately of the present numerical strength of the party.

Joseph H. Choate is 75.

Special to the Herald.  
New York, Jan. 24.—Joseph H. Choate, late American ambassador to Great Britain, was 75 years old today, and during the greater part of the day he was kept busy acknowledging the congratulations that poured in upon him in countless numbers. New York is justly proud of Mr. Choate, and claims him among her distinguished sons, though, as a matter of fact, the "foremost lawyer of the day" is a son of Massachusetts. It was in Salem, the "city of witches," that Mr. Choate first saw the light of day on January 24, 1832. He came of a most distinguished New England family. His cousin was Rufus Choate, the famous statesman and lawyer, and the professional rival of Daniel Webster. Joseph H. Choate graduated from Harvard and was admitted to the bar of Massachusetts. But the following year he removed to this city to engage in the practice of law. Mr. Choate's political career practically began in 1856, when he took the stump for Fremont. Since then he has been known as an ardent Republican, though he has never sought nor held any high public office with the exception of the post at the court of St. James.

Illinois Historians.

Special to the Herald.  
Springfield, Ill., Jan. 24.—The eighth annual meeting of the Illinois State Historical society opened at the State house this morning and will continue over tomorrow. The opening session was devoted to the business affairs of the society, including the annual report of the secretary, Mrs. Jessie Palmer Weber, and the election of officers for the ensuing year. A general conference of the representatives of local historical societies was held at which E. S. Willcox of Peoria and Prof. S. A. Forbes of the University of Illinois spoke.

The first general session was held this afternoon, the speakers including Mrs. Alfred Bayliss of Macomb, James H. Roberts of Chicago, and Prof. Evans B. Greene of the University of Illinois. At the session tonight Governor Deneen is to deliver an address of welcome, with a response by President Alfred Orendorff. The annual address will be delivered by Dr. B. F. Shambaugh of the University of Iowa.

Passing of Old Firm Name.

Special to the Herald.  
Bridgeport, Conn., Jan. 24.—The corporate existence of the Wheeler & Wilson Manufacturing company, one of the oldest and best known manufacturing concerns in America, was formally terminated today by a vote of the directors. In future the big sewing machine factory founded by the

late Nathaniel Wheeler, and which grew from insignificant proportions to become a plant employing more than two thousand operatives, will be legally designated as the Singer Manufacturing company plant. This action is the result of the absorption of the Wheeler & Wilson company a year ago by the Singer Manufacturing company of New Jersey. The last named company, in addition to the factory here, has extensive plants in Elizabeth, N. J., South Bend, Ind., Montreal, Glasgow, Hamburg and Moscow.

## VOUCHERS WERE NOT FORGERIES

AUDITOR OF WATERS PIERCE OIL COMPANY DISPUTES BAILEY ON WITNESS STAND.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 23.—In proceedings taken in pursuance of the anti-trust laws of Texas before a justice of the peace in Austin, H. Naudain, auditor of the Waters Pierce Oil company, has been called upon to examine the vouchers and annotated telegrams figuring in the Bailey controversy, to the end that their authenticity has not been disputed. Not a single signature declared by Senator Bailey to be forged, as far as they have been exhibited to the witness, has been pronounced fraudulent.

In regard to the voucher for \$1500, which is claimed to be a forgery, Naudain admitted the notation showing the draft to have been delivered. The signature of A. M. Finley, vice president of the Waters Pierce Oil company, was declared genuine, and the witness said the memorandum "To Henry & Stribling" appeared to be good.

Naudain further admitted that he made a trip to San Antonio and bought for the trust the plant of the Texas Oil and Gasoline company, saying that he made the contract.

He declared that the reorganization of the Waters Pierce company resulted in no change in the business of the corporation.

The proceedings were remarkable in their character, and but few were appraised in advance of possible developments. The evidence adduced has a direct bearing upon the issues now at hand and may be taken as establishing a disputed point.

It is expected to appear before the investigating committee, now that he is in Texas, and examine over again the same signatures. In some respects his answers were qualified, but the charge of forgery has not been sustained.

## BRAKEMAN FATALLY HURT.

Fort Worth Man Crushed by Santa Fe at Cameron.

Temple, Texas, Jan. 23.—J. C. Davis, a freight brakeman, was caught between the drawheads last night at Cameron at a late hour and was badly crushed, being seriously, if not fatally injured.

He was brought to the hospital in this city and given attention. His home is in Fort Worth, where he has a mother.

## AN EXPENSIVE LUXURY.

Senator Bailey Has Consumed \$24,000 Worth of Time.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 23.—The legislature has been in session fourteen days, and has devoted twelve of the fourteen days to the Bailey imbroglio. At \$2000 per day, which is the cost of maintaining the legislature, the total reaches \$24,000, which amount the taxpayers must stand for. On top of this the committee to investigate are authorized to expend \$20,000. Most of the expense is due to dilatory tactics. It will be observed by this that Bailey is rather an expensive luxury.

## Oregon for Good Roads.

Special to the Herald.  
Salem, Ore., Jan. 24.—This city is full of visitors today, come to attend the convention under the auspices of the Good Roads association of Oregon. Many of the visitors are farmers, but the city and town people are well represented. Members of the legislature are taking an active interest in the convention, which will be in session two days. In addition to President Scott and other leading members of the association the scheduled speakers include Governor Chamberlain, Samuel Hill of Seattle, and Samuel C. Lancaster, a government good roads expert from Washington, D. C.

## Ontario Legislature Meets.

Special to the Herald.  
Toronto, Ont., Jan. 24.—The third session of the eleventh legislature of Ontario was opened today with the customary ceremonies. From present indications the session will be shorter than the ordinary. While the government has some important measures in contemplation they are not so numerous as usual. Among the bills that will attract attention is one relative to a revenue from mines.

## THE DRY FARMING CONGRESS IN SESSION

DELEGATES ARE PRESENT FROM ALL OF THE WESTERN STATES. PROMINENT SPEAKERS.

Special to the Herald.  
Denver, Colo., Jan. 24.—The Trans-Mississippi Dry Farming congress, the first large meeting ever held in the interest of the reclamation of the semi-arid regions of the West, convened in Denver today for a two-days' session. Delegates are present from every Western State, and the Mississippi valley has a substantial representation. The initial session today was devoted to the work of organization.

The congress promises to have results of a substantial and far-reaching character. The chief aims, as outlined in the opening address, will be to form a permanent educational, interstate organization somewhat on the lines of the national irrigation congress, and to afford a full and free discussion of the principles of scientific soil culture and of their development in the West.

The government at Washington has manifested its interest in the movement by sending to the congress almost the entire staff of "dry farming" experts in the employ of the department of agriculture. Prominent among those who are here to deliver addresses are E. C. Chilcott of the department of dry land agriculture; C. S. Scofield, in charge of Western agricultural extension; Dr. L. J. Briggs, physicist of the bureau of soils; T. H. Kearney of the plant breeding laboratory; W. T. Swingle of the division of plant life history; Mark A. Carleton, United States cerealist, and Elwood Mead, chief of the bureau of irrigation and drainage investigations.

Other men of prominence whose names appear on the program are John Fields of Oklahoma City, Professors W. P. Snyder, E. A. Burnett and E. G. Montgomery of the University of Nebraska, Prof. B. C. Buffum of the University of Wyoming, Prof. W. L. Olin of the Colorado Agricultural College, Prof. J. J. Tinsley of the agricultural college of New Mexico, and Prof. W. M. Jardine of the University of Utah, who is now in charge of all the government's dry land work throughout the country. Representatives of many leading railroads of the West are also in attendance.

## Special to the Herald.

Philadelphia, Jan. 24.—Two of Philadelphia's wealthiest and most prominent families were united in the wedding today of George W. Elkins, Jr., and Miss Natalie C. Fox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Caleb F. Fox of Ogontz. The ceremony was performed in St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church of Cheltenham, in the presence of a very large and fashionable assemblage of society folk. The wedding was followed by a large reception at "Beth-elyn," the home of the bride's parents at Ogontz.

## Dominion Y. W. C. A.

Special to the Herald.  
Montreal, Que., Jan. 24.—As earnest and enthusiastic a body of Christian women as ever assembled anywhere is now gathered in this city to take part in the triennial meeting of the Dominion council of the Young Women's Christian Association. Representatives from the Pacific to the Atlantic are in attendance. The various city associations have sent delegates, also the many women's colleges throughout Canada. The meeting place is the American Presbyterian church, where three sessions will be held daily during the next three days. An attractive program combining business and entertainment has been arranged by the convention committee.

## Praise for Morgan and Pettus.

Special to the Herald.  
Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 24.—Edmund W. Pettus and John T. Morgan, the two oldest members of the United States senate, were re-elected today by the unanimous vote of the Alabama legislature, coupled with words of hearty praise of the lives and services of the two aged senators. Senator Morgan is now serving his thirtieth year in the senate. Senator Pettus' service in the senate has been comparatively brief, as he was first elected in 1897. On the other hand, he has the distinction of being the oldest member of that body in point of years. He was born in 1821, and will be eighty-six years old in July.

## Annual Ball of the Old Guard.

Special to the Herald.  
New York, Jan. 24.—The Old Guard, New York's famous organization of veterans, expects its annual ball tonight to eclipse all of its predecessors. This means much when it is borne in mind that the annual balls of the Old Guard are among the most brilliant events of the social season in the metropolis. The affair tonight will take place in Madison Square Garden, the interior of which has been lavishly

decorated for the occasion. The guests will include military and naval officers and distinguished veterans from Washington, Philadelphia, Boston and other cities, and they will be reviewed by Rear Admiral Joseph B. Coghlan.

## Meeting of Traction Men.

Special to the Herald.  
Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 24.—The Central Electric Railway Association, the membership of which embraces the traction magnates of Indiana and Ohio, held its annual meeting at the Claypool hotel in this city today. Among the subjects discussed were car lighting, the handling of claims and accidents, the cost of power for rental purposes, and the model car for long travel. The meeting concludes tonight with a banquet for which elaborate arrangements have been completed.

## Honor to Aged Pastor.

Special to the Herald.  
Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 24.—Dr. Alexander McKenzie, the eminent clergyman and author, today reached his fortieth anniversary as pastor of the Shopard Memorial church of this city. The anniversary was made an occasion for a celebration in which people of all classes and all faiths participated. At a public reception in honor of Dr. McKenzie tonight the speakers are to include President Eliot of Harvard University, General William A. Bancroft and others of note.

## Railway Engineers.

Special to the Herald.  
Montreal, Que., Jan. 24.—Chiefs of many of the engineering departments of many of the leading railroads of the United States and Canada gathered in this city today to attend a meeting of the board of directors of the American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association. The principal business of the meeting was the arrangement of a program for the annual meeting of the association, which will be held in Chicago in March.

## American Irish Historical Society.

Special to the Herald.  
Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 24.—The American-Irish Historical Society, of which Rear Admiral John McGowan, U. S. N. (retired) is president, held its annual meeting in this city today. Delegates were in attendance from Boston, New York, Providence, Chicago and a number of other cities. The society was organized ten years ago for the special study of the Irish element in the composition of the American people.

## BEWARE OF "DIGESTIVES."

The Only Way to Cure Stomach Disorders is by Strengthening the Digestive Organs.

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## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

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*Mabel Cook*  
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