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THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE VOTING TO-DAY.

ABOUT FIFTEEN MILLIONS OF VOTES

WILL BE CAST TO-DAY BY THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES.

TO-NIGHT WILL TELL THE STORY OF WHOM THE MAJORITY HAS CHOSEN

TO RULE IN STATE AND NATION FOR THE COMING FOUR YEARS.

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NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—The American people are to-day exercising their suffrage rights and in the several States and Territories are voting for a President and Vice President. In twenty-seven States gubernatorial elections are being held, while in others legislatures are being elected which will choose United States Senators. To-day marks the climax, if it can be said to have a climax, of the most unique and apathetic Presidential campaign held in many years. The Democratic Presidential standard-bearers are Judge Alton Brooks Parker, of New York, and Henry Gasaway Davis, of West Virginia, and the Republican ticket is President Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, and Charles Warren Fairbanks, of Indiana. President Roosevelt remained quietly at home during the campaign, but kept in close touch with the canvass. Judge Parker made frequent visits to New York, where he consulted with the leaders at his hotel. At all times the strictest secrecy was observed, and the actual news that escaped might have been told in a line. Judge Parker always declined to be interviewed. The two national committees worked silently and secretly and the corps of press representatives employed by the committees had little or nothing to do. The only interesting feature of the canvass were the charges made by Judge Parker regarding campaign funds and the flat denial by President Roosevelt. Both sides say they have proved their cases.

Senator Depew said that the controversy would not change ten votes either way.

The gubernatorial contests in several States have created a good deal of interest.

Especially is this so in Indiana, New Jersey and Wisconsin. In New York and West Virginia the interest is about evenly divided. In Wisconsin the LaFollette-Spooner fight which was carried through the courts and won by LaFollette, may be carried to the polls and the people of the Badger State are wondering if Governor LaFollette's opponent, George H. Peck, the Democratic nominee, will capture the election as a result of the fight. Indiana is all at sea over the State situation. With Senator Fairbanks on the National Republican ticket, and Thomas Taggart as chairman of the Democratic National Committee, the flow of political currents are most confusing. John W. Kern is running on the Democratic State ticket, and his opponent is J. Frank Hawley. The gubernatorial fight in New Jersey is a hot one, and has been carried on between George C. Black, the Democratic nominee for governor, and Edward C. Stokes, the Republican candidate.

The gubernatorial fight in New York has been made on the administration of Governor Odell. Frank W. Higgins is the Republican candidate for governor, and Judge D. Cady Herrick is his opponent on the Democratic ticket. Governor Odell admits that Higgins will run thirty to forty thousand behind the National ticket, and the Democrats have made Judge Herrick a favorite in the betting at two to one. President Roosevelt's supporters are laying two to one and eight to five that he will carry the State.

In West Virginia there has been a warm canvass, and for the last ten days Senator Scott has been making a big fight for both National and State tickets and the Legislature. Henry G. Davis, the Democratic Vice Presidential nominee, is expected to draw heavily from the Republican ranks, because of State and local pride in having a native son on the Presidential ticket. The next Legislature will choose a successor to Senator Scott.

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CLEAR SKIES INDICATE LARGE VOTE

TO-DAY FURNISHES PROVERBIAL REPUBLICAN WEATHER EVERYWHERE.

UP STATE VOTE IN NEW YORK WILL BE HEAVY AND REPUBLICAN.

ROOSEVELT AND FAIRBANKS WILL CARRY THIS STATE BY HANDSOME MAJORITY.

(By Publishers' Press.)

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 8.—Election day dawned with a cloudy sky and a misty rain falling. The polls opened at six o'clock with a large crowd of voters lined up to get their votes in early. Indications are for a large vote.

Clear In Illinois.

PEORIA, Ill., Nov. 8.—Weather clear and cool. Polls opened at six o'clock and the early vote was heavy.

Brisk Voting In Pennsylvania.

NEWCASTLE, Pa., Nov. 8.—Weather is fair and cold. The outlook for the local judicial ticket is a trifle mixed up. Judge Wallace, the Republican candidate will be badly cut in the interest of Wm. Porter, Democrat. The normal Republican majority for the National ticket will be returned. Voting going along briskly.

All Is Quiet.

MCKEESPORT, Pa., Nov. 8.—After a night of drizzling rain, a clear sky followed this morning and the temperature was such as to indicate good weather throughout the day. The early morning vote was not very good and only a fair vote will be polled. All is quiet throughout the city and no trouble is anticipated from any source.

Roosevelt Is a Winner.

WHEELING, W. Va., Nov. 8.—Election day started off quietly in West Virginia. It threatens rain but that will not prevent a full vote from being cast. For the first time in eight years the Democrats are better supplied with money than the Republicans and every person who has the semblance of a voter will be dragged to the polls. The fight for the State ticket is one of deadly bitterness and thousands of dollars are being used. West Virginia politicians of both sides are not afflicted with conscientious scruples and it is feared that the election in many counties will resolve itself into a farce or riot. Roosevelt will carry the State.

Heavy Vote In Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Nov. 8.—Election day dawned cloudy and cool. A very heavy early vote is reported from both Pittsburg and Allegheny city.

Lovely In New York.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Nov. 8.—The weather is clear and the vote in village and throughout the county is coming out unusually early. Indications are that Roosevelt will poll an unusually heavy vote and that entire Republican ticket will pile up heavy plurality.

Roosevelt Ahead.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Nov. 8.—A clear sky and a bright sun marked the opening of election day in this city. The voting is brisk. Indications point to a Republican victory in this city for the head of the ticket, but it is impossible to tell much about State and local affairs and the outcome will be close.

In Line In Illinois.

CHICAGO, Nov. 8.—With a sky deeply overcast accompanied by an ideal temperature, voting began at six o'clock this morning with lines of suffragists waiting for the polls to open.

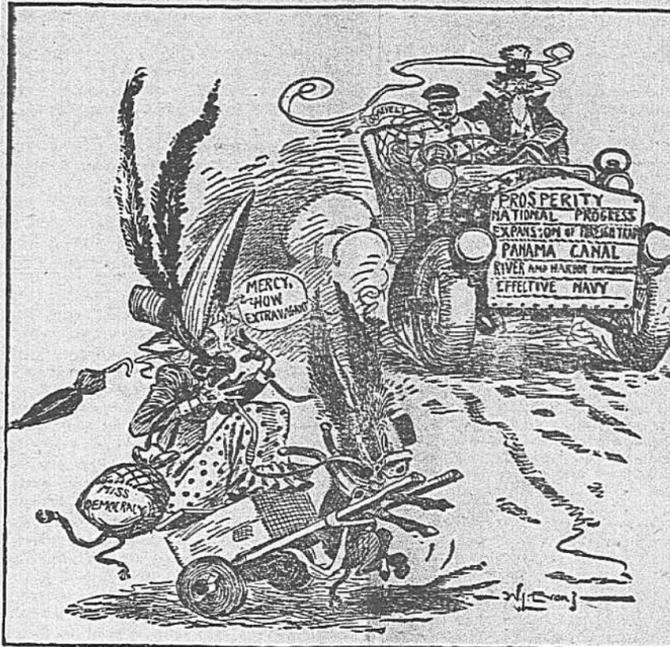
No Fine For Scratching.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—Election day broke clear and cold and voting proceeded quietly and rapidly. Ballots were cast at the rate of over one a minute in the first hour in many election districts throughout the city. There were only few arrests for illegal voting in the first two hours.

Republican Weather at Boston.

(By Publishers' Press.)
BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 8.—Republ-

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Uncle Sam: "I'm satisfied."

—Cleveland Leader.

THE SITUATION IN NEW YORK

BOTH SIDES CLAIM THE STATE BUT THE BETTING FAVORS MR. ROOSEVELT.

(By Publishers' Press.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—Both sides claim the State this morning, the Republicans apparently with the most confidence. To the unbiased observer it looks as if the State would be close, with the result in doubt. The betting, which is two to one in favor of Roosevelt and two to one in favor of Herrick, would seem to reveal a curious situation, inasmuch as it indicates that men who have a financial interest in the result think that the Republican National ticket will also prove successful.

Governor Odell has admitted that the Republican State ticket will run 30 to 40,000 behind the National ticket, and this, probably accounts for the confidence of the Herrick men.

The legislative and Congressional tickets in Greater New York, it is expected, will show little change. The last odds laid on to-day's election by the betters follows:

General result, five to one on Roosevelt.

New York, two to one on Herrick.

Best bet recorded in New York, \$50,000 to \$8,000.

Estimated amount wagered in this city, \$3,000,000.

McGRAW

IS HELD ON SUSPICION IN MURDER CASE—HAD BEEN UNDER ARREST BEFORE.

(By Publishers' Press.)

CINCINNATI, O., Nov. 8.—The police this morning arrested John I. McGraw, of Chicago, and are holding him on the charge of suspicion in connection with the murder of Miss Alma Steinewege. McGraw was sent to the work house last Saturday on the charge of disorderly conduct. He had frightened several little girls. He was taken from the work house this morning to the police station and the new charge made against him.

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THE CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT

WILL BOTH VOTE IN NEW YORK TO-DAY—STRAIN WILL SOON BE OVER.

PRESIDENT WILL RETURN TO WASHINGTON TO-NIGHT TO HEAR THE NEWS.

RESULT WILL BE KNOWN BY MIDNIGHT—BIG VOTE BEING POLLED.

(By Publishers' Press.)

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—President Roosevelt reached Jersey City at 7:15 this morning on his way to Oyster Bay to cast his ballot. He left Washington at 12:30 this morning in the private car "Sunset" which was attached to the regular Pennsylvania train. His party consisted of Secretary Loch, Dr. C. F. Stokes, of the Navy, and Assistant Secretary Barnes whose home is at Vineland, N. J.

The President had breakfast aboard the train while going at the rate of fifty miles an hour through the State of New Jersey. Upon arrival at Jersey City the President was escorted to the Navy Tug Tancarter and after a short voyage around the lower end of New York, reached Long Island City at 7:55, where he again boarded a special train on the Long Island railroad and started for Oyster Bay.

Mr. Parker Hopeful.

ROSEMOUNT, ESOPUS, N. Y., Nov. 8.—The day dawned crisp and cloudless here. At Rosemount, the Parker family and the many friends of the Democratic Presidential nominee who had gathered about the little village, hailed the faultless weather as a good omen and a promise of victory.

With all his work of the campaign ended and nothing new to do but await the results, Judge Parker slept later this morning than any day since the St. Louis convention.

At half past eight, he ate with his family, discussing the morning's news with them and appearing in all respects cheerful and confident. The private telephone wire, which connects with Rosemount with National headquarters in New York began hearing its messages of good cheer early.

The nominee talked with William F. Sheehan, Delancey Nicol and several other leaders of his campaign, all of whom wished him good luck and a big victory. Several telegraph messages of similar import from Democrats in other parts of the country were also received. At 9:30 o'clock the pair of blacks that are familiar to every Rosemount visitor, were hitched to a light one-seated buckboard in preparation for the candidate's ride to his polling place in Kingston. Before he departed, however, his brother Fred was driven to a south bound train for New York, where he will cast his ballot this afternoon. When the wagon returned from the train the nominee and his secretary entered and began the drive to Kingston. The day was so beautiful that Judge Parker decided to make the journey by the longer route through Eddyville and several other hamlets. As he passed through Esopus village a small crowd of his neighbors sent up an impromptu cheer and at many points along the road, farmers with their families cried out hearty words of greeting as they met him or stepped to shake hands.

FENT THORN

WANTED TO LEAVE TOWN IN A BIG HURRY BUT CHIEF MORGAN SAID NO.

Fent Thorn, a local gambler, was arrested by Chief Morgan this afternoon in train No. 71, upon which he was leaving town to escape prosecution for threatening the life of one Wheeler, his late employer, who conducts the gambling room in the basement of the Grand Opera House. The arrest brings out a story which an attempt has been made to suppress. As the story is told a local gambler entered Wheeler's place Monday and started to play roulette for large sums. Thorn was running the place in the absence of Wheeler and a friend of Wheeler becoming suspicious that all was not well, went up to his room and informed him of the proceedings. Wheeler came down, grabbed the bank roll and declared the play stopped. Thorn of course was discharged and according to the warrant, threatened Wheeler's life, hence the arrest.

The man who won the money yesterday declares that the play so far as he knew was perfectly square and is of the opinion that he is entitled to the six hundred dollars he won, and will make a strenuous effort to recover the amount, it is said. Thorn vigorously denies the allegation that the transaction was crooked, while the man who was supposed to have been the recipient, is known as an honest gambler and his friends do not believe that he would be a party to any such transaction.

At the Y. M. C. A.

Secretary Hawley announces that election returns, coffee and oysters will be served at the Y. M. C. A. hall to-night from nine o'clock until after midnight. Members of all parties are invited.

Democrats Like Rain.

(By Publishers' Press.)
MADISON, Wis., Nov. 8.—A light rain is falling in Southern Wisconsin. Democrats look upon this as a favorable omen.

REPUBLICANS WILL SURELY WIN STATE

A BIG VOTE WILL BE POLLED AND EVERYTHING LOOKS GOOD.

MCDOWELL AND MERCER DIFFICULTIES ARE REPORTED AS SETTLED.

REPUBLICANS CLAIM ALL FIVE OF THE CONGRESSMEN AS SURE.

WHEELING, W. Va., Nov. 8.—The campaign saw a whirlwind finish throughout West Virginia last night, with eleventh hour parading and spellbinding everywhere. Both parties made late claims of gross frauds. The names of 150 negroes imported to Wheeling were published by the Democrats yesterday. The police will arrest every negro who tries to vote illegally. The Democrats are also protesting against Federal officeholders from Washington who claim Wheeling as their residence.

The Republicans profess alarm over imported white voters from Chicago and Pittsburg. Fortunes are wagered on the Dawson-Cornwall fight for governor at even money. Odds are given on Roosevelt, 7 to 5, for the State.

Senator Scott was in telephone communication with several important points last night. He was assured by Congressman Dayton that he would carry the Second district by 2,500 to 3,000 and that Roosevelt would have 5,000, but Dawson would run behind Dayton. Senator Ellins said Dayton would win by 1,800 to 2,000 and that Dayton's other figures were high. Dayton's district is admitted to be the only doubtful district.

Senator Scott learned from Ellins that the opposition of coal interests to Dawson in McDowell and Mercer counties had been adjusted in a conference at Philadelphia with representatives of the Pennsylvania railroad interested in those counties, and that as a result Dawson's chances of winning the governorship are now perfectly satisfactory to the Republicans.

Republican and Democratic marching clubs of Wheeling and surrounding towns fraternized last night in a big "Mother Hubbard" parade in honor of Carrie Nation. This feature has been carried out in every Presidential campaign here since Wheeling clubs first held a Belva Lockwood burlesque.

UNCLE HENRY VOTED STRAIGHT

AT LEAST THAT IS THE SUPPOSITION FROM THE TIME IT TOOK TO DO IT.

(By Publishers' Press.)

ELKINS, W. Va., Nov. 8.—Vice Presidential Candidate Henry G. Davis, who awaits the results of the election at Graceland, went through his usual routine to-day. He breakfasted at 8 o'clock and then journeyed to the polls a mile away on foot. En route he was given an ovation by the folks of Elkins. He was accompanied by the two sons of Senator Elkins, who have been supporting him. He voted shortly before 9 o'clock, and judging by the length of time it took him to prepare the cumbersome ballot, in use here there is no doubt that he cast it straight.

Gale on British Coast.

(By Publishers' Press.)
LONDON, Nov. 8.—The British coast was swept by a terrific gale which lasted throughout the night. There were many wrecks of small craft reported, and a number of rescues were made by the life saving crews. No serious casualties have been reported.

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THE WEATHER.

May Have Snow To-Night.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 8.—Forecast for West Virginia: Partly cloudy tonight; probable rain or snow and colder in the mountain districts. Wednesday, fair, colder in eastern portion.

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