

**WILSON THANKS VOTERS**

**Will Not Come West to See Us Now But Promises to Come in the Near Future**

Washington, D. C., Nov. 15.—President Wilson expressed his gratitude to the people of the west for their support in the election in messages sent tonight in reply to requests that he visit that section before congress opens. He said he would be unable to make the trip at present because of critical duties, but promised to go west later, if possible.

The president sent the following telegram to William H. King, successful for the United States senate from Utah:

"The invitation to visit the west tugs hard at my heart, because I feel deeply grateful to all the west for the splendid and generous support you have given me, but I would not be worthy of their generous confidence if I were to leave my desk at a time when duties of the most critical and pressing sort crowd upon me.

"I am promising myself the pleasure of such a trip if ever I can get free from the toils of exacting duty, and in the meantime wish to express my deep gratitude, appreciation, and regret."

He sent this message to F. G. Bonfils and H. H. Tamm of the Denver Post:

"You may be sure that I would come if I could, but I would not deserve the confidence of the people of Colorado and the rest of the great west if I were to turn away at this juncture from the public duties which press upon me. I want first of all to be sure that I am doing the job right which they have imposed upon me with their generous confidence before I give myself any margin of holiday and pleasure. I wish most heartily that I were free to come, but I really am not and can only thank you from the bottom of my heart."

The president has also written letters to Gavin McNabb, Democratic national committeeman of California, and several other Democratic leaders in that state expressing his appreciation of California's support.

**THEY DID NOT MIND**

**California Republicans Get a Scorching Because They Did Not Obey Wall Street Instructions**

If Wall street instructions had been obeyed the Republican party would not have lost California, is the gist of the argument put up by the losers of the national campaign in the Golden state. The Republicans of that state were not to be accorded the rights which should inure to every decent American but should have voted as the Wall street bosses told them is the complaint of the bosses. Of course the Democrats of the United States care nothing about these charges and recriminations in the Republican party—they are satisfied—and so is the nation—but at the same time it is most interesting to note the quarrel that is going on among the bad losers. If anyone has a desire to know just how the quarrel progresses let them read this San Francisco dispatch of yesterday, which says:

"Chester H. Rowell, chairman of the Republican state central committee, issued a statement today charging that the Republicans who undertook to look after Charles E. Hughes during his trip through California, not only made a bad job of it, but suppressed and disobeyed instructions from the east."

The statement blames them for the loss of the state from the Republican column.

"If the advices and practically the demands of the national managers of Mr. Hughes' campaign had not been defied and suppressed by those temporarily in charge of it in California," the statement said, "Mr. Hughes would now be, beyond question, president-elect of the United States."

"Francis V. Keesling, chairman of the Republican state central committee at the time Mr. Hughes was in the state, said: 'I'm not going to say anything. The telegrams were all published at the time.'"

**WILSON'S POPULARITY**

**The Result of the Election Shows There Can Be No More Talk of a "Minority President"**

In nearly every state Mr. Hughes ran behind his ticket and President Wilson ran ahead of his ticket.

To appreciate the extraordinary political change that has resulted from Mr. Wilson's leadership of the Democratic party it is necessary only to read the returns in the presidential elections of the last twenty years.

In 1896 Mr. McKinley's popular plurality over Mr. Bryan was 601,854, Mr. McKinley having 271 votes in the Electoral college to Mr. Bryan's 176.

In 1890 Mr. McKinley's popular plurality was increased to \$49,790, his electoral vote being 292 to 155 for Mr. Bryan.

In 1904 the Republican ascendancy increased tremendously. Mr. Roosevelt's popular plurality was 2,545,515,

and he had 336 votes in the Electoral college to Judge Parker's 140.

In 1908 the Democratic party picked up a little but not much. Mr. Taft's popular plurality over Mr. Bryan was 1,269,804. His electoral vote was 321 to Mr. Bryan's 162.

Thus in four successive presidential elections the smallest Republican plurality in the popular vote was 601,854 and the smallest Republican majority in the Electoral college was 95.

In 1912 the Roosevelt bolt destroyed party lines, and although Mr. Wilson was elected by an enormous majority in the Electoral college, the combined Taft-Roosevelt vote was 7,604,563 against a Wilson vote of only 6,293,019.

The Republican-Progressive plurality of the popular vote was 1,311,154, or slightly more than in 1908.

In 1916 the Wilson popular vote is 2,160,000 beyond the previous Democratic record. It is 900,000 more than the Roosevelt-Taft total of 1912. It is more than 400,000 in advance of the reunited Republican party. There is no more talk of a "minority president."

Mr. Wilson has put the two parties on an equality again. The great Republican majorities of the last twenty years have been broken, and the country will profit from this restoration of the balance. There is no better assurance of good government than two parties practically equal in power and each at the mercy of the independent vote.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**EXECUTRIX NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary upon the estate of Charles E. Gill, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, by the Probate Court of Buchanan County, Missouri, bearing

date of the 14th day of November, 1916.  
All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance, within six months from date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.  
HELEN E. GILL, Executrix.

**EXECUTOR'S NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary upon the estate of Louisa M. Pribil, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, by the Probate Court of Buchanan County, Missouri, bearing date of the 13th day of November, 1916.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance, within six months from date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.  
ROY H. BRILL, Executor.

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**  
In the Buchanan County Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1917, State of Missouri, County of Buchanan, ss. Lottie Seigleart, Plaintiff vs. Glenn Seigleart, Defendant.

Now at this day came the plaintiff by her Attorney, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Circuit Court that said defendant, Glenn Seigleart, is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and does not reside therein, it is ordered that said non-resident defendant be notified by publication, as required by law, that said plaintiff has commenced her suit in this Court against said defendant by petition and affidavit, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of divorce from the defendant on the grounds of desertion and abandonment, without a reasonable cause, for the space of more than one whole year next before the filing of her petition herein, and of indignities such as to render her condition as his wife intolerable, in that defendant has kept company with lewd women, stayed out late at night without any excuse therefor, refused and neglected to support plaintiff, often became intoxicated, and accused plaintiff, falsely, of keeping company with other men; that unless the said defendant shall be and appear at the next term of this Court, to be begun and held at the Court House, in the City of St. Joseph, in Buchanan County, State of Missouri, on the 1st day of January, 1917, on or before the third day of said term, to answer plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken for confessed as to him and judgment rendered accordingly. It is further ordered, that a copy of

this order be published in the St. Joseph Observer, a newspaper published in the County of Buchanan, for four weeks successively, the last insertion of which to be at least fifteen days before the next January, 1917, term of this court.  
A copy. Attest:  
ROSS C. COX, Clerk.  
By EMMETT J. CROUSE, Deputy Clerk.  
ARCHIE A. BRYAN, Attorney for Plaintiff.

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**  
In the Buchanan County Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1917, State of Missouri, County of Buchanan, ss. Oscar E. Williams, Plaintiff vs. Mattie Williams, Defendant.

Now at this day came the plaintiff by his Attorney, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Circuit Court that said defendant, Mattie Williams, is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and does not reside therein, it is ordered that said non-resident defendant be notified by publication, as required by law, that said plaintiff has commenced his suit in this Court against said defendant by petition and affidavit, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of divorce from defendant on the ground that defendant has absented herself from plaintiff without reasonable cause for the space of more than one whole year next before the filing of this petition, that unless the said defendant shall be and appear at the next term of this Court, to be begun and held at the Court House, in the City of Saint Joseph, in Buchanan County, State of Missouri, on the 1st day of January, 1917, on or before the third day of said term, to answer plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken for confessed as to her and judgment rendered accordingly.

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ROSS C. COX, Clerk.  
By R. M. DUNCAN, Deputy Clerk.  
E. M. SWARTZ, Attorney for Plaintiff.

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**  
In the Buchanan County Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1917, State of Missouri, County of Buchanan, ss. Anna M. Butler, Plaintiff vs. John Albert Butler, Defendant.

Now at this day came the plaintiff by her Attorney, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Circuit Court that said defendant, John Albert Butler is a non-resident of the State of Missouri,

and does not reside therein, it is ordered that said non-resident defendant be notified by publication, as required by law, that said plaintiff has commenced her suit in this Court against said defendant by petition and affidavit, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a divorce from the said defendant alleging among other things that the defendant deserted the plaintiff in a cruel and heartless manner and disappeared and tried to keep the plaintiff from knowing that he had gone away and tried to deceive the plaintiff and had letters written in which he boasted of attending dances and keeping company with persons of questionable reputation to the humiliation and shame of the plaintiff; that unless the said John Albert Butler shall be and appear at the next term of this Court, to be begun and held at the Court House, in the City of St. Joseph, in Buchanan County, State of Missouri, on the 1st day of January, 1917, on or before the third day of said term, to answer plaintiff's petition, the same will be taken for confessed as to him and judgment rendered accordingly.

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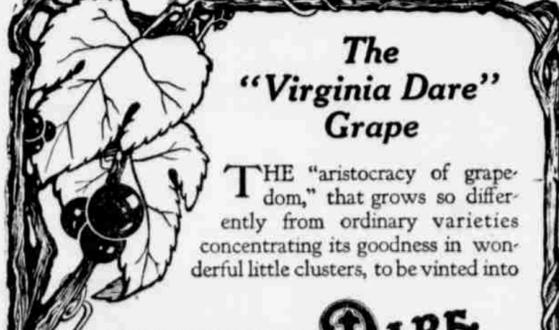
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