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Maine Women Bury Democrats In Avalanche of Votes

GAS OFFICIALS FORMALLY ASK RATE INCREASE

Resumption for electric extension service for residences on Oct. 15.

The expenditure of sufficient money to take care of emergency needs of the gas and electric plants.

Resumption of gas extension service if the state utilities commission will order the receivers to discontinue gas service to large consumers.

All these things will be promised by the Memphis Gas and Electric Light company in a letter to Mayor Paine Tuesday afternoon containing tentative schedules of rates needed to raise the annual deficit of approximately $826,000.

The letter and rate schedules will be given to the mayor either in person or presented at the open meeting of the city commission Tuesday.

Plans for a large construction program as outlined in the report of F. G. Proutt, consulting engineer, will not be attempted by the gas company until the appraisal of the property of the company is completed and a rate of return established by the state utilities commission.

The percentage of increase can not be determined for either gas or electricity until the city commission accepts one of the tentative schedules. All of the schedules, however, contemplate an additional total return to the company of the $826,000 mentioned by Mr. Proutt in his report to the mayor.

"If the emergency rates are accepted by the city and granted to the company, the receivers will immediatly begin the expenditure of money to take care of the additions to the plants to care for present needs," Lovick P. Miles, attorney for the receivers, said "Acceptance of new business from residence property will be resumed by the electric department on Oct. 15, in the event the emergency rates are granted.

"There is nothing in our letter to Mayor Paine at this time relative to resumption of gas extension service. Utilities commissions in other states have held and ordered gas companies to discontinue service to large consumers in order that they might take care of the domestic needs of their patrons. The Memphis Gas and Electric company is producing gas to the limit of its capacity now, and it may be necessary to secure some similar order from the Tennessee commission before we can take on new gas business."

Losing Coin in Gas.

Speaking of the contemplated rate increases, Mr. Miles said that it was costing the company $1.60 per 1,000 cubic feet to deliver gas ready for use, while their present rates net them $1.29. The company figures it is losing 31 cents on each thousand feet supplied.

"People use gas because it is more economical and convenient than other fuel. Increased rates may force some people to use other fuel and thereby relieve the burden we now have and permit the assumption of new business. Many large consumers use gas and it may be necessary to secure an order from the state commission ordering the receivers to discontinue this service and take care of the domestic needs. In this event, of course, service might be resumed earlier than otherwise.

"The elaborate building program which would necessitate the expenditure of approximately $5,500,000, as outlined in Mr. Proutt's report cannot be undertaken until the appraisal is completed and a permanent rate established by the commission, guaranteeing a reasonable rate of return on the investment over and above operating cost.

"For present needs, however, the receivers will issue notes having priority over everything else after actual cost of production has been taken care of, and will use the money derived from these notes for making necessary additions to the plants and putting them in such shape as to enable them to take care of present demands."

Mr. Miles spent the greater part of Tuesday morning in conference with Frank S. Elgin and J. F. Raimer receivers of the company and experts of the gas company. The request of the gas company is contained in a very lengthy letter addressed to Mayor Paine and outlines in detail the aims of the gas and electric company.

"The condition of the Memphis Gas and Electric company," Mr. Miles said, "is not a local condition, but is prevalent more or less throughout the nation. Nearly every gas manufacturing company has more business than it can handle and many state commissions have found it necessary to eliminate large consumers in order to care for the needs of the many small consumers."

PRESENT GRAND JURY NEARS END OF TERM

The present Shelby county grand jury will meet officially for the last time Friday, when its report on city and county institutions will be handed to Judge J. Ed Richards, of First criminal court. Tours of inspection of the various institutions will have been completed by Tuesday night, and the report will be typed immediately.

Next Monday Judge Richards will select his grand jurors for the September term of court. The grand jury then will be sworn in officially on Tuesday, and will formally organize on that day. The first meeting at which indictments will be returned will be Friday, Sept. 24.

The formation of the new grand jury, with the report of the outgoing body, makes an end to the summertime once-a-week meeting of the probers. Beginning next Tuesday, meeting days will be twice a week, Tuesdays and Fridays.

Continued Warm Weather Predicted

Partly cloudy Tuesday night and Wednesday, with continued warm weather, was the forecast made by Weather Forecaster Scott Tuesday. He also said that the Mississippi river should rise slowly in this district for several days.

The stage of the river Tuesday morning was 12.2 feet, indicating a rise of 0.3 of a foot during the last 24 hours.

The weather bureau is in need of a young man who has had a full high school education, Scott said Tuesday, to learn the work done by the weather forecasters of Uncle Sam. The bureau has been running short-handed for several weeks now, due to the transferring of two men to other important positions in the weather service.

PADUCAH, KY., SCHOOLS OPEN FOR FALL TERM

PADUCAH, Ky., Sept. 14. (Spl.)—All public schools of Paducah opened sessions of the fall term Monday with the largest enrollment in the history of the schools, it is stated.

Students in the high school will number about 550, and in the junior high school about 400, school heads state. The faculty of the high school was increased by several new members. Five new classes were instituted to meet the needs of the increased attendance. Grade schools in the city report large enrollments.

ANTI-BOLSHEVIK MOBS DRIVE REDS FROM PETROGRAD

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Serious anti-Bolshevik rioting is taking place in Petrograd, it is declared in reports from that city received in Berlin, says a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from the German capital filed yesterday.

Six of the Bolshevik commissioners, it is asserted in these advices, have been drowned in the Neva, while the others have been compelled to seek places of refuge.

RIOTS FOLLOW NEWS OF DEFEATS OF BOLSHEVIKI

PARIS, Sept. 14.—Riots took place in Petrograd when news of the soviet military defeats reached there, according to a report which the French foreign ministry has received through Copenhagen. The rioting, the report declared, assumed the proportions of a counter-revolution and many of the commissioners were killed.

At the foreign office it was said credit was given the Copenhagen dispatch except for one statement to the effect that the soviet fleet had mutinied and fired on Kronstadt.

Release For Most Of Espionage Act Violators Forecast

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—Labor leaders, asking general amnesty for political prisoners, were told today by Attorney-General Palmer that the government would continue its policy of "considering the cases individually."

Replying to the appeals of President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, and former Representative London, of New York, Socialist, Mr. Palmer recited the cases acted upon since the cessation of hostilities and predicted that "at the end of three months, less than 160 of the persons convicted purely of violation of the espionage act will be left in jail."

Mr. Palmer told the delegation, which presented the resolution adopted by the American Federation of Labor convention at Montreal in June, that he would inform the president what they had said, but further than that he could do nothing. The delegation was told that thus far 180 cases "both large and small, and of varied importance, have been acted on by the department, and have received favorable consideration since the armistice."

Some of these, he said, resulted in paroles, some in pardons and some in commutation of sentences. He added emphatically that he could see no other course to be taken in the face of problems with which the government had to deal.

SUSPECT HELD IN MAIL ROBBERY CASE

VALDOSTA, Ga., Sept. 14.—In the arrest at Homerville, Ga., Monday night of Rufus Knight, young overseas war veteran, authorities here believe they have one of the principals in the big mail robbery near Cornelia, Ga., several days ago.

Knight reached Homerville Monday night and registered at a local hotel, stating to the clerk that he would be there at least a week. After dinner he took his suitcase and went to the home of his uncle, H. S. Burkhalter, representative in the Georgia legislature from Flinch county, and is said to have exhibited a great quantity of Liberty bonds and other securities.

Mr. Burkhalter notified the sheriff immediately after Knight returned to the hotel.

RECORD VOLUME OF TRAFFIC HANDLED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14.—American railroads handled a greater volume of traffic during August than ever before during that month, according to reports compiled today by the American Railroad association.

During the four weeks ended Aug. 28, 3,853,822 cars of commercial freight were loaded compared with 3,580,367 cars in the same period of 1919, and 3,849,026 cars in 1918, the reports showed. During the week ended Aug. 28 the total car loading was 985,064, as against 951,653 for the corresponding week in 1919.

Freight congestion which was acute after the switchmen's strike in April has been largely cleared up, according to the association.

WHITE MAN LYNCHED BY ALABAMA MOB

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Sept. 14.—Alto Windham, white, was lynched last night about three miles from Hartford, Ala., for remarks he was alleged to have made to a white married woman.

The husband of the woman is said to have telephoned one Henry Collins to stop Windham. He did so, not knowing what was wanted with the man.

On arrival at the home of Collins, a party of men informed him of their intention, but Collins would not permit them to get possession of Windham until they had promised not to kill him, it is said.

CUDAHY DIVIDEND IS PASSED FOR FIRST TIME

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—The Cudahy Packing company passed its dividend today. Officials said it was the first time since the reorganization of the company that a dividend had been passed.

In a letter to the stock exchange the company announced its decision to pass the quarterly dividend on the common stock, which otherwise would have been ayable Oct. 5.

"WE'LL FIGHT BUT YOU MUST PICK WEAPON"

Citizens' League Wants Administration to Decide on What Line Recall Battle Shall Be Pitched.

Members of the city administration must determine whether or not they will test the constitutionality of the recall act or go before the people in another election. When this decision is reached, the Citizen's league will stand squarely behind them in a fight to the finish.

It was thus that Leslie M. Stratton, chairman of the league, summed up the league's attitude toward the city administration in the event recall petitions are presented and found to be in compliance with the law.

The league held a meeting Monday at which time the recall matter was taken up and discussed. Resolutions condemning the circulation of the petitions were adopted and the league went on record as favoring a clean-cut policy insofar as the present city government is concerned. The mayor and his associates were elected by a big majority in November, 1919, with the aid and assistance of the Citizen's league. They were drafted into service by the league and ran as straight candidates of the league.

Mayor Paine declared Tuesday that he knew nothing of the meeting of the league Monday and that the action taken by league members was entirely voluntary.

For the present both the league and the city commission are awaiting the first move by the backers of the recall. As soon as the petitions are filed with the city clerk, it will then be incumbent upon the administration to decide upon their course of action and Mr. Stratton says, the Citizen's league will be governed accordingly.

Leslie M. Stratton was induced to accept the chairmanship of the league and an active campaign will be carried out in the event the petitions are presented.

If the city commissioners decide to test the validity of the recall law it will devolve upon the Citizen's league to make the fight for them. On the other hand if the mayor and commissioners decide to go before the people of Memphis for a vindication of their administration a political campaign similar to the one which swept them into office will be outlined and put into working condition as soon as possible.

Leaders in the league declare reports of disaffection among the membership as being without foundation and the action of the league Monday in deciding to back the mayor and his associates was taken largely as a precautionary measure and for the purpose of refuting these reports.

A committee of five was appointed to select suitable candidates for the city school board. This committee will report these names at a later meeting and they will be submitted to the league for indorsement. The committee is composed of Mrs. Edgar Lee, chairman; Mrs. Mary Forrest Bradley, R. L. Jordan, S. M. Williamson and Mitchell W. Rosenthal.

Legislative Ticket Resents Efforts Of Trouble Brewers

A strong intimation has been given of a purpose to select a second legislative ticket to make a fight against the Democratic nominees in the November election if the candidates selected by the Citizens' league last spring do not come through with satisfactory pledges.

At a meeting of the Citizens' league leaders Monday a committee was appointed to confer with the legislative nominees and discuss legislative programs, policy and other matters "with the view to assuring their election."

Just why there should be any apprehention over the election of the Democratic ticket is a hidden secret since there is no announced opposition to the ticket which has the Democratic nomination and was selected by a committee representing the Citizens' league and formally received the unanimous indorsement of the league itself.

Some of the nominees have been put on guard by interrogations from sources that they believe have no other purpose than to stir up trouble.

One member was approached and a conversation something like the following ensued:

"Which side are you going to take when a break comes between the city and other factions?"

"There isn't going to be any break," was the answer.

"But I know there is and I want to know what you are going to do," was the retort.

"Then if you know there is going to be a break that I don't know anything about, maybe you know which side I will take."

So far as the legislative nominees are concerned they are in entire ignorance of any friction in any source. They do not believe there is any, and regard efforts to commit them as a meddlesome attempt to cause trouble and induce an independent ticket to make the race against the nominees.

Nominees questioned Tuesday were somewhat disconcerted upon learning that a committee had been appointed by the Citizens' league to confer with them with the view to "insuring their election." They know of no difficulty in the way and feel no apprehension over the outcome. There is no other ticket in the field and they have not only the indorsement of the Citizens' league but the Democratic nomination, and are at a loss to understand just what is necessary to "insure their election," when they have no opposition.

However, if there is to be an effort to commit the delegation to a given course of conduct and a policy favorable to one faction or element the nominees will resist it.

They have not been elected. They have not been made familiar with the legislation desired by city and county officials and are standing on their nomination. They do not understand how there could be any "break" between any elements in city politics unless one side or the other should undertake to secure some political advantage. They do not believe that anybody is trying to take advantage of them to pass legislation that would be objectionable or unf[illegible]

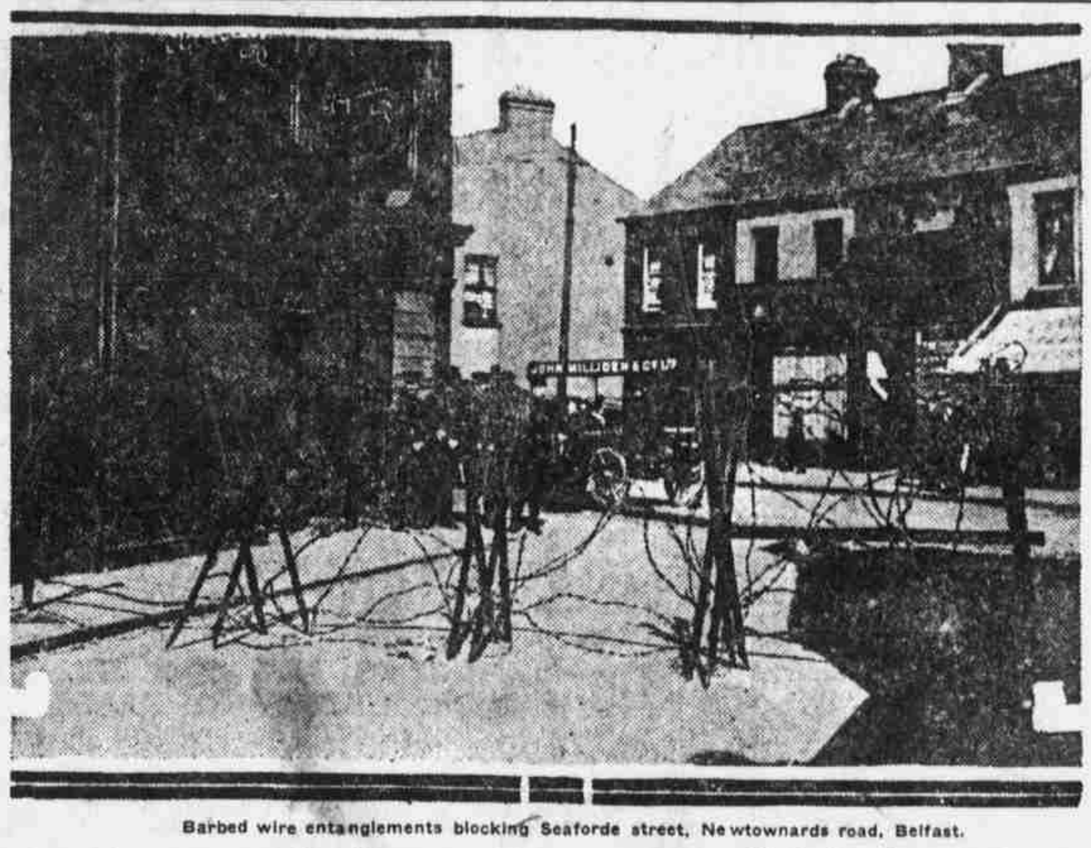
The Democratic nominees for the legislature undoubtedly will be willing to pledge themselves to the enactment of laws that are needed for the proper administration of the affairs of the city and county, and so far as possible will do everything possible to secure their enactment.

They will resist any attempt to pledge them to "take sides," when there is no indication of a side or a controversy, even if their stand on a nonpartisan platform should result in the announcement of an opposition ticket.

THIEVES ARE ACTIVE.

FORREST CITY, Ark., Sept. 14.—Many petty thefts have occured here recently, but the one that has taken every one off their feet, was the stealing of an automobile Sunday night while the owner was attending divine service.

Looks Like World War Photo, But It Was Taken in Ireland



Barbed wire entanglements blocking Seaforde street, Newtownards road, Belfast.

In some of its aspects the present war in Ireland is not unlike the great world war through which Europe has just passed. Machine guns have been used by the British, and barbed wire entanglements have also been employed. Photo shows how entanglements were used to block one of the approaches to the storm center of a recent riot in Belfast.

BULLETINS ON MAC SWINEY CONDITION BY IRISH AND BRITISH CONTRADICTORY

LONDON, Sept. 14.—Terence MacSwiney, lord mayor of Cork, was appreciably weaker this morning, as a result of his hunger strike which he is continuing in Brixton prison, says a bulletin issued by the Irish Self-Determination league. It states MacSwiney had a very bad night, but he was still conscious and his mind active. Today is the 33d day since he began his hunger strike in protest against his arrest by British authorities in Cork.

Reports to the home office from prison physicians who are attending the lord mayor did not agree with bulletin issued by the league. They reported there was virtually no change in MacSwiney's condition and that he had passed a restful night.

Negotiations for the settlement of the Irish question which are described as the most promising as yet initiated will be nullified if MacSwiney dies, says the Dublin correspondent of the Times.

Secret negotiations on the basis of full self-government within the empire have been going on during the last three weeks between the most prominent leaders of moderate opinion and influential republicans, he declared. The moderates have at last been told, he adds, that nothing further can be done while MacSwiney is near death, and if the lord mayor dies the last hope of settlement on the proposed basis will disappear.

Appointment of an additional undersecretary for Ireland has been decided upon by the government.

TRAIN HITS AUTO; 1 KILLED, 1 WILL DIE, 5 INJURED

NEWPORT, Ark., Sept. 15. (Spl.)—Late Sunday Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 3 struck the automobile of C. E. Bonner, a prosperous farmer living near Newport, killing his 11-year-old son and injuring every member of his family, including himself, wife, two daughters and a niece. Miss Opal Alton Bradford, who with Miss Pearl Bonner, aged 15 years, is not thought will live. The family in their five-passenger car was returning from Tuckerman, this county, where they had attended the funeral of a young man whose body had just been returned from France.

In front of the Bonner family were several cars, and from the dust and obscure and heavy clouds, it was not noticed that the passenger train was coming down upon them, running 40 minutes late. Mr. Bonner, who was driving his car saw his danger, and attempted to speed up, but in his anxiety was not able to do so, and the car lacked about 25 inches in clearing the track the train striking it, hurling it into the air several feet, throwing every member into the air. The little 12-year-old son, Cloyce, was thrown to the ground with such force he was killed instantly. The eldest daughter, Miss Pearl Bonner, was hurled into a barbed wire fence, her jaw broken, skull crushed, and will not recover. All other members of the party were severely injured, but it is thought they will recover. The train stopped and with the aid of the crew, the family was placed on the train and brought to Newport, where they are in a hospital and receiving attention. The funeral of the little son was held Monday afternoon.

ROUTINE MATTERS ENGAGE OFFICIALS

Matters of a routine nature were scheduled to come before the regular meeting of the city commission Tuesday. Bids were to be opened for coats for the members of the fire department and police department.

An ordinance authorizing the sale of bonds for street improvements was to be adopted. The cost of the proposed improvements will total $321,732.67, and include improvements to Bellington avenue from Mississippi to Taylor, South Front street from Calhoun to Georgia avenue, North and South Third street from Adams to Calhoun avenue, Florida street from Iowa to Trigg avenue, Calhoun from [illegible] to [illegible] boulevard, Poplar from [illegible] to Tucker, and Vance avenue from Main to Fourth.

THE WEATHER

Twenty-four hours to noon Sept. 14.

Hour	Dry Bulb	Wet Bulb	Humidity
7 p.m. yes'day	78	71	81
7 a.m. today	75	72	[illegible]
Noon today	85	77	70
Maximum	86		
Minimum	75		

Sun sets today 6:09 p.m., rises tomorrow 5:42 a.m. Moon sets 7:21 p.m. Precipitation .13 inch.

Tennessee.—Cloudy.
Mississippi.—Fair.
Arkansas.—Fair.
Alabama.—Fair.
Kentucky.—Cloudy.
Louisiana.—Fair.
Oklahoma.—Fair.
East and West Texas.—Cloudy.

WRANGEL CAPTURES BRIGADE OF REDS

SEBASTOPOL, Crimea, Sept. 14. (By the Associated Press.)—Troops commanded by Gen. Baron Wrangel on the Taurada front, northwest of the sea of Azov, have surprised and captured, near Pologul, in the Oriekov region, the 124th Bolshevik brigade, including its staff and trains, according to reports reaching this city.

Soviet forces on this front are on the defensive and appear to have become exhausted as the result of their recent offensive campaign in Poland. Officers find it more difficult to arouse sentiment against Gen. Wrangel's army than against the Poles, although the former has made heavy captures in men and material.

The expedition sent into Kuban, southeast of the sea of Azov, by Gen. Wrangel seems to be a failure.

HARDING PLEDGES ANTI-JAP POLICY

Californians Told Nation Must Stand Behind Pacific States.

MARION, Ohio, Sept. 14.—To a delegation of Californians, headed by Gov. Stephens, Senator Harding declared today that the nation must "stand behind" the states of the Pacific coast to relieve them of the difficulties of Oriental immigration and must see that only such aliens as can be assimilated and imbued with thorough Americanism are admitted.

The dangers of racial conflict, said the Republican nominee, must be recognized and provision made to reduce them to a minimum. He suggested that such steps could be taken without offensive reflection on any race and without raising the question of racial inferiority or inequality.

In his speech to the Californians, the senator also suggested the necessity of a protective tariff levy to aid American farmers and replied at length to Democratic charges of Republican "senate oligarchy."

The nominee declared it was not surprising that the Democrats should be displeased because congress had exercised its constitutional powers during "a seven-year period of fine words, much dictation, tinkering with business and unwarranted assumption" by the executive. Discussing the race question as presented on the Pacific coast the candidate said:

"In spite of the honor of these Oriental peoples and in spite of the contributions to the world's advancement, it is conceivable that they may be so different in racial characteristics or in manner of life or practice from other peoples of equal honor and achievement that no matter whether it be on the soil of one or upon the soil of the other, these differences, without raising any question of inferiority, superiority or inequality, [illegible] [illegible] they have [illegible] Pacific coast without blame to either side, a friction that must be recognized. The nation owes it to the Pacific coast to recognize that fact. The nation owes it to the Pacific coast states to stand behind them in necessary measures consistent with our national honor to relieve them of their difficulties."

DeSoto County Sends Her First Bale To Memphis

The first bale of new cotton from DeSoto, Mississippi, was received today from B. E. McIntosh, planter, of [illegible], Miss. The bale was consigned to [illegible]ery & Donelson Co., local [illegible]

ITALIAN MASTERS URGED TO YIELD TO RED DEMANDS

MILAN, Sept. 14.—Important discussions took place today between representatives of the workmen and the managers, in which Prefect Lusignoli of Milan and Prefect Taddei of Turin participated. Signor Taddei returned to Turin on receiving word of the Debenedetti incident.

The most interesting statement in these discussions was that Deputy Daragona, representing the confederation of labor, is trying to convince the employers of the necessity in their own interests of solving the problem of their relations with the men in a radical manner, so as to modify profoundly social conditions. He informed the delegates that the confederation was at work on a project aiming clearly to establish a new moral, technical and economic situation for the workmen.

The representatives of the employers expressed the opinion that a settlement should be made now on the purely economic question, postponing any decision regarding complete social reforms until the reopening of parliament, which was asked also by the socialist and Catholic deputies, who observed that parliament was the only proper tribunal to give a decision on such important matters involving the life of the entire nation.

Meanwhile, in all the works of socialist propagandists are urging the men to resist for a definite triumph of the proletarial ideas.

CONFERENCE AT MILAN IS REPORTED FAILURE

ROME, Sept. 14.—A dispatch to the Stefani agency from Milan says that at a joint meeting of the metal workers and the manufacturers' syndicate Monday evening, there was failure to reach any decision favorable to an ending of the controversy.

DANGER OF BOLSHEVISM PASSED, SAYS PAPER

ROME, Sept. 14.—Italy has passed through the crisis of the metal workers' movement, according to Giornale de Italia. In commenting on the situation, the newspaper says:

"Until last Saturday we were on the edge of Bolshevism. That danger seems to be removed and leaders of workmen have become the heralds of necessity to produce more. We shall see whether they are able to induce their followers to do so."

WORKERS SEIZE THREE TRUCKLOADS OF METAL

FLORENCE, Italy, Sept. 14.—Three truckloads of metal have been seized by the workers at the station at Arezzo, near here, the workers claiming the iron was needed by them in factories they have occupied. The value of the materials taken over is estimated at 500,000 lire. Several motor lorries loaded with wheat also have been seized by the men.

POLICE HUNT FOR KIDNAPING MAIAC WHO WHIPPED BOY

Police are searching for the mysterious man who Monday picked up Herman Harden, 11, as he was walking [illegible] [illegible] forced him to cross the river to Arkansas where he beat [illegible] and otherwise mistreated him.

[illegible] lives on North [illegible] street. The father lives in New Orleans.

Young Harden told the police he was walking along Main street Monday afternoon when he was accosted by a man about 30 years old.

The man persuaded him to go to the river front, where he forced him to enter a rowboat and cross the river. After beating him severely and otherwise mistreating him he listened to the boy's entreaties and brought him back to the Memphis side of the river.

The police believe that the man is insane. They fear that if not apprehended he will kidnap other boys.

The Harden boy's back, shoulders and arms show that he was beaten severely. C. B. Smith, who said to detectives that he was a friend of the boy, reported the occurrence to police.

REPUBLICANS WIN BY WORST MARGIN EVER REGISTERED

PORTLAND, Maine, Sept. 14.—Maine, with women voting for the first time, gave an overwhelming plurality to the Republican ticket in the state election yesterday. With a total vote larger by 55,000 than the highest ever previously cast in the state, Frederic H. Parkhurst, of Bangor, was elected governor by a margin of 65,000 over his Democratic opponent, Bertrand G. McIntire, of Norway. The plurality was 17,000 more than the largest obtained by any other gubernatorial candidate in the history of the state.

Four Republican congressmen were elected by large pluralities. Congressman Wallace H. White, Jr., John A. Peters and Ira G. Hersey, retained their seats, and in the First district, where Congressman Louis B. Goodall, Republican, did not seek re-election, Carroll L. Beedy, of Portland, Republican, was chosen.

Every member of the state senate will be a Republican, while of a membership of 151 in the state house of representatives, the Democrats succeeded in electing 15. In the last legislature there were two Democratic senators and 41 Democratic representatives.

The vote of the state for governor, with returns from 40 small towns and plantations in remote districts missing, was: Parkhurst, Republican, 133,817; McIntire, Democrat, 69,249.

The increase in the total vote was largely accounted for by the presence at the polls of women eager to grasp the opportunity of exercising their new privilege, undaunted by a heavy downpour in the afternoon. The result showed that most of them voted the Republican ticket.

As the returns came in, showing from the first evidence of a tremendous Republican sweep, Democratic state leaders were silent as to the possible significance of the vote with relation to the presidential election. Parkhurst, after being assured of his election, gave the viewpoint of the Republicans in a statement in which he pointed out that the campaign had been "vigorously contested by the Democrats on national issues," and said the outcome gave "most conclusive evidence that the voters of Maine resent the autocratic and un-American administration that the Democrats have given us." He declared it was "equally an indorsement of Harding and Coolidge."

Matters of merely state importance were hardly touched upon in the campaign. The leading speakers were men of national prominence, both parties striving to effect a good showing in the "barometer state," the only state in the union to hold its state election in advance of the voting for president. For the Republicans, addresses were delivered by Gov. Calvin Coolidge, of Massachusetts, vice-presidential nominee; Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Senator Joseph S. Frelinghuysen and others. The Democrats sent into the state Franklin D. Roosevelt, candidate for vice-president; Secretary Daniels, former Secretary Wm. G. McAdoo and Homer S. Cummings, former chairman of the Democratic national committee. The chief theme of all these speakers was the league of nations, upon which they upheld their respective national party platforms.

The only woman who was a candidate for public office at the election yesterday was defeated. Mrs. Margaret Dyer, of Bar Harbor, was the Democratic candidate for register of probate in Hancock county. She was nominated to fill a vacancy on the Democratic ticket, and as her name did not appear on the ballot it was necessary for those voting for her to write it in.

Maine Labored And Paid For By G. O. P. Says George White

NEW YORK, Sept. 14—Commenting on the result of yesterday's election in Maine, George White, chairman of the Democratic national committee, today issued the following statement:

"This is the Republicans' day of rejoicing. They planned, labored and paid for it, and I would not by any utterance of mine rob them of any of their joy. With a splendid organization and with the expenditure of every effort possible to great finances, they prepared the Republican state of Maine for this state election in the hope of persuading the country that the trend is heavily Republican in the national race.

"Had the Democratic party been presented the same opportunity in a state where the trumpet call of Democracy means as much as the clarion of Republicanism in Maine, we should have made as nearly the same efforts possible with the same psychology of mind.

"We shall have votes for the league in November from thousands of men and women who supported Col. Parkhurst. On a certain morning in November our time for rejoicing will come, and in the meantime we gaze cheerfully upon today's Republican demonstration and do not begrudge them at all."

RATIFICATION CLINCHED BY CONNECTICUT

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 14.—The Connecticut legislature this afternoon, by concurrent action, ratified the woman suffrage amendment to the federal constitution, making Connecticut the 37th state to ratify.

Rumor R. T. Goldsby, Noted Negro Fence, Has Been Killed

JACKSON, Miss., Sept. 14. (Spl.)—A persistent report has been current here for several days that R. T. Goldsby, the noted Vicksburg criminal who escaped from Parchman convict farm nearly three weeks ago, had nearly $4,000 on his person when he departed, and that a few hours later he was "lost" in one of the swamps near the farm.

The prison board of trustees convened here in regular session. Members of the body admit that they heard the rumor several times, but have been unable to trace it or collect authentic evidence.

Hector York, the prison guard, who confessed that he aided the escape of Goldsby, receiving $200 therefor, is now being held in jail at Indianola awaiting trial at the next court term.

When first placed under arrest a charge of aiding a prisoner to escape, which carries with it a comparatively light punishment, was preferred by the Parchman authorities. However, Messrs. Thames and Stone, members of the prison board, have preferred the additional charge of accepting a bribe, and, on his own confession that he actually got $190, a penitentiary term for the former guard is likely.

Many persons who have closely followed the Goldsby scandal firmly believe that [illegible] "bumped off" while trying [illegible] because he had talked too much, and that a plan to let him escape was framed with this end in view.

Gov. Roberts' Son May Not Recover From Auto Injury

NASHVILLE, Sept. 14. (Spl.)—Maj. M. M. Roberts, son of Gov. A. H. Roberts, who suffered a fractured skull Saturday night when the motorcycle on which he was riding was struck by an automobile driven by a contractor, J. B. Wright, was reported slightly improved this morning, having regained consciousness Sunday.

Dr. E. M. Sanders, attending physician, holds out little hope for recovery since the X-Ray examination made Saturday night shows an eight-inch fracture of skull extending from behind the left ear to base of the skull. Major Roberts talked with members of his family this morning for only a few moments.

M'CRORY, ARK., HIGH TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 20

M'CRORY, Ark., Sept. 14. (Spl.)—The McCrory high school will open the fall term with the following faculty on Sept. 20: [illegible] T. Willis, superintendent; Miss Bertha Gray, principal; Miss Florence Dawson, first grade; Miss Ruby Spradlin, second grade; Miss Bernice Mathews, third and fourth grades; Miss Valerie Cozort, fifth and sixth grades; Miss Almer Kenner, Latin and mathematics; Miss Mary Hives, history, sewing and cooking; Miss Helen Wakefield, music and expression; Miss Mary Simonds, piano and English.

The school board has adopted the work-play program and is installing additional equipment in order to provide domestic science, gymnasium, moving picture machine, sewing and cooking, physical training, etc. New buildings are being constructed and will be ready when the fall term opens, and indications are that McCrory will have the most successful school term in its history.

Memphis Has Best Street Car Men In Country, She Says

"Memphis street car conductors are among the most thoughtful and courteous in the world," was the statement made by Mrs. L. T. Trussle, noted writer and globe trotter, whose home is in Chicago and who is stopping at present at the Hotel Gayoso. "It has been a great pleasure and surprise to have dealings with them.

"In Chicago and New York," Mrs. Trussle continued, "the conductors act like boors. They snap at you if you ask them a civil question and treat you with the utmost disrespect. In Boston, St. Louis and San Francisco, it is the same way. In London the street car men seem to have a grudge against the whole world; in Paris the tramways were the only lines where the conductors were human. The men on the underground, at times, were almost brutal.

"In Berlin, before the war, the conductors would arrest you without the slightest compunction if you brought the slightest particle of mud into the car. The fine was quite severe, too. In Belgium, the conductors were always looking for tips, and woe to the person that neglected this pourboire. He was always carried beyond his stopping place. Memphis is to be congratulated in possessing a body of men on her street car force that is second to none."

Native Tennessean Made Commissioner District Columbia

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14. (Spl.)—President Wilson has appointed J. Thilman Hendrick, native Tennessean, commissioner of the District of Columbia to succeed W. Gwynne Gardner, who resigned several months ago.

Hendrick is a son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hendrick, of Clarksville. He has been in Washington 27 years.

UNIONIST QUARTERS SEARCHED FOR ARMS

BELFAST, Sept. 14. (By the Associated Press.)—The activities of the military took a new turn yesterday when they made a house-to-house search for arms in the unionist quarters of Londonderry.

The search occupied the whole of the afternoon. Troops with fixed bayonets blocked the entrances to the streets.

The republicans have been busy in other places. The Fanad Head coast guard station at the entrance to Lough Swilly was burned Saturday night. A mail train bound from Mallow to Tralee was held up yesterday at Cortatlea and all the Dublin and Cork mail seized.

REDS DRIVE BACK POLES ALONG BRODY

LONDON, Sept. 14.—The Russian soviet forces, it is reported from Moscow, have taken the offensive on both sides of Brody, near the old Galician border, and are marching on Lemberg, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Berlin, dated Monday.

The Polish and Ukrainian troops, it is declared, have been driven back by the Russian cavalry.