

SEVERAL HUNDRED VOTERS FORM PURE BALLOT LEAGUE TO INSURE CLEAN ELECTIONS

Sellers and Buyers of Votes to be Sent to Penitentiary--Permanent Organization Formed--Leading Men Declare Themselves

Fully five hundred voters were gathered at the court house last night in response to the call of the Committee of Fifteen, to organize a Pure Ballot League in Cairo, and it was one of the most representative gatherings ever held in the city.

Chairman Huette made a ringing little speech setting forth the purposes of the meeting and the need of the organization proposed to be formed.

Mr. Huette grew eloquent when he appealed to the latter, referring to the five thousand graves at Mount City National cemetery, where lay the many men who had left stricken hearts at home to fight for their country and for the negro's freedom.

Mr. Wood continuing said if citizens took more interest in their elections there would be less corruption. There were no men more afraid of going to the penitentiary than the politicians, and if they knew they were being watched, they would be careful.

Hon. Walter Warner said he was present because he wished to be with the sheep and not with the goats, whenever there was any chance for it, and this movement certainly embraced the sheep, and he wished to have his name on the list.

Douglas Halliday said he would do whatever he could to help the movement along, feeling that Cairo could have and should have reforms at her elections.

Hon. M. F. Gilbert, chairman of the Democratic county central committee, said there should be no extremes for extremes were never successful. The movement should be calm and earnest, and the law should be enforced against all alike.

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FIERCE ATTACK ON AMERICANS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

TWO NEW YORKERS WHO INTEND VISITING ENGLAND BRANDED MURDERERS.

Redmond Defends Them--Unionists Want Home Secretary to Refuse Them Permit--Gladstone Makes Reply.

London, Nov. 17.—The approaching visit to this country of Patrick Ford, editor of the Irish World of New York and O'Meara Condon was the occasion of an extraordinary attack in the house of commons this afternoon.

Mr. Craig asked also whether licenses permitted them to do so, and if not, what action the executive proposed to take.

John Redmond immediately jumped to his feet and hotly appealed to the speaker. One of the persons mentioned, he informed the speaker, was an official of the American government, and it was incredible that such epithets were permitted to be applied to a high official, who has been in the service of the United States for twenty years.

Mr. Ford, so far as I know, has not been convicted of any criminal offense in this country; as regards Mr. Condon, a royal pardon, under the great seal, was given him in 1878.

BIBULOUS MAYOR QUILTS THE RACE

WOODWARD WAS RENOMINATED FOR MAYOR OF ATLANTA, DRY TOWN, BUT DRUNKEN ESCAPADES RETIRES HIM.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 17.—James G. Woodward, recently nominated for mayor of Atlanta in the white primary, tonight withdrew from the race, and Robert F. Maddox, who was put out as an independent candidate against Woodward, will be elected mayor without opposition.

Woodward has already served two terms as mayor, and Atlanta received much undesirable advertising by reason of his bibulous habits. His recent escapades became known a cry went up for a decent man for mayor and Woodward was forced to retire as nominee.

In withdrawing Woodward says he was fairly nominated and could be elected, but rather than for the city to be split into factions he sacrifices his right in the matter.

Mr. Woodward's drunk came from whisky sold in half a dozen places in the tenderloin.

VAN VLISINGEN CHANGES MIND

DECIDES NOT TO COMMENCE ACTION SERVING HIS PRISON SENTENCE.

TO ASSIST ASSIGNEES

In Untangling His Crooked Business—Examiners Could Not Distinguish Between Forgeries and Genuines.

Chicago, Nov. 17.—Peter Van Vlissingen, whose arrest yesterday for forgeries which will reach \$700,000, caused a sensation, decided today to forego temporarily his desire to begin immediately serving his prison sentence.

He will remain in Chicago a sufficient time to aid in untangling his business affairs which the assignees found in a very snarled condition.

So clever were his forgeries of notes and mortgages that the assignees were unable to tell the genuine from the spurious when they were presented by anxious holders, and they had to be referred to the prison.

Recognizes Forgeries. One batch was taken to the jail and showed a face value of about \$38,000. Half of the papers, readily distinguished by the man who devised them, were forgeries.

Eighty thousand dollars is the amount unearthed today, most of which was in the hands of prominent local brewers.

A large number of people in moderate circumstances were caught, however, for sums the loss of which will be seriously felt.

POSTAL SAVINGS BANK IS NEEDED

BY FARMERS OF THE UNITED STATES—ALSO PARCELS POST SYSTEM—OTHER THINGS FARMER NEEDS.

Washington, Nov. 17.—Progress throughout the country in lines of agricultural activity was reflected in today's session of the National Grange, Society for the Promotion of Agricultural Science, and the Association of Farmers' Institute Workers.

Proposed legislation for the parcels post and postal savings bank received hearty endorsement and committees were appointed to urge the passage of such bills before congress.

ADENOIDS CAUSE CRIME

Dr. Maxwell Says There Are 100,000 New York School Children Who Are Affected.

New York, Nov. 17.—Declaration was made today by Dr. William H. Maxwell, city superintendent of schools in this city, that adenoids in children are so alarmingly prevalent that they produce depravity in boys and girls who have them.

CAMPAIGN FUND A LITTLE SHY

BUT CHAIRMAN MACK OF DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE SAYS WE'LL PAY IT.

PERMANENT QUARTERS

Will Be Established Soon (Either in New York or Washington)—To Make Effort to Disseminate Doctrines.

New York, Nov. 17.—The Democratic national committee finds itself unable to meet the expenses of the late campaign. Chairman Norman R. Mack said today:

"We did not receive enough money to pay all of our obligations, but every bill we owe will be paid. I shall regard them as personal obligations."

Mr. Mack explained that the total receipts from all sources aggregated only about \$500,000. The detailed statement of receipts and expenditures will be filed with the secretary of state by Herman Ridder on Nov. 24th.

Chairman Mack, while looking a bit blue over the financial condition, announced that the permanent national headquarters of the Democratic party would very shortly be opened in either Washington or New York.

Who Will Pay It. "Who is going to pay for it?" I knew you would ask that question," said Chairman Mack. "The Democratic party of the United States is going to pay for it. I have had offers from every state in the union to contribute to a fund for the purpose. Republicans keep headquarters open in Washington year in and year out. We are supposed to do all our campaign work in three months every four years, instead of keeping a headquarters, through which we may be able to educate the people from year to year."

National headquarters either in Washington or New York will shortly be opened, and we all shall try to educate the people of the country up to an appreciation of Democratic principles.

Mr. Mack spoke with some show of feeling of a personal letter he had received from Mr. Bryan, thanking him for his work in the campaign. As the letter was strictly personal, he could not make it public. Mr. Mack will be in the city for a week or ten days, closing up the work of the national committee.

ROCKEFELLER TO TAKE THE STAND

STANDARD OIL TRUST PROBE IS RESUMED IN NEW YORK—THREE HIGHER UP OFFICIALS SUBPOENAED.

New York, Nov. 17.—Testimony concerning the subsidiary pipe line companies of the Standard Oil company was heard today at the hearing of the government's suit to dissolve the so-called oil trust, and counsel for the company announced that John D. Rockefeller, John D. Archbold and James A. Moffett, who have been subpoenaed to appear in the company's defense, probably will not take the witness stand until later in the week.

The three officials of the company were served with subpoenas by United States Marshal Henkel today. It is understood that Mr. Rockefeller's testimony will have to do with the formation of the Standard Oil company and its early development.

STANDARD DECLARES DIVIDEND

New York, Nov. 17.—Directors of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, which is the parent, or holding company, of the oil combine, today declared a quarterly dividend of \$10 per share. This was unchanged from the dividend paid in the corresponding quarter of last year, and makes a total of \$46 in dividends to be paid this year. This has been the case since 1904. This company has \$8,283 shares outstanding.

WOULD ACCEPT SENATORSHIP.

New York, Nov. 17.—J. M. Dabzell, known as "Private Dabzell," in a letter today announced that "at the solicitation of Ohio comrades" he is willing to accept the United States senatorship from Ohio if offered to him.

TAFT WILL VISIT CUBA TO SEE THE INAUGURATION.

Havana, Nov. 17.—It is reported on good authority that President-Elect Taft will visit Havana to attend the inauguration of General Gomez January 28 as president of Cuba.

KAISER AGREES WITH BUELOW

PROMISES TO CONFORM HIMSELF TO THE CONSTITUTION HEREFTER.

PEOPLE ARE REJOICED

At Satisfactory Outcome of Conference Between the German Chancellor and Emperor Yesterday.

Berlin, Nov. 17.—As a result of an interview between Emperor William and Chancellor Von Buelow, the former today promised hence forth to conform himself to the constitutional methods of conducting the policies of Germany, that is, through the chancellor and his associate ministers.

This promise was made public in the Reichsanzeiger, the official gazette of the empire, as follows:

"During today's audience granted to the imperial chancellor, his majesty, emperor and king, listened for several hours to the report made by Prince Von Buelow, the imperial chancellor, describes the feeling and its causes among the German people in connection with the article published in the London Daily Telegraph. He also explained the position he had taken during the course of debates and interpellations on this subject in the reichstag. His majesty, the emperor, received the statements and explanations with great earnestness and then expressed his will as follows:

The Emperor's Promise. "Heedless of the exaggerations of public criticism, which are regarded by him as incorrect, his majesty perceives that his principal imperial task is to ensure the stability of the policies of the empire, under the responsibilities of constitutional responsibilities, in conformity therewith, his majesty, the emperor, approved of the chancellor's utterances in the reichstag and assured Prince Von Buelow of his continued confidence."

People Are Rejoiced. Buelow had determined upon handling in his resignation if the emperor had not met the country's demands, but as such a situation did not arise, the audience ended with the emperor saying to the chancellor that he reposed full confidence in his wisdom.

The people are greatly rejoiced at the outcome and believe that a great step has been taken to ward freer government and that henceforth the crown and nation will act together.

HOW GREECE STANDS.

Pisa, Italy, Nov. 17.—King George of Greece, was received in audience today by King Victor Emanuel and reported the result of his visit to Vienna. He said assurances had been received that the Greek interests would be supported by Austria-Hungary and Germany, and that he trusted that the Italian attitude be favorable. Continuing, he expressed hope that Rome would use its good offices to induce Great Britain not to oppose the annexation of Crete to Greece.

THREE PER CENT RAISE

In Freight Rates Will Satisfy the Requirements of the Railroads Says W. S. Brown.

Chicago, Nov. 17.—W. C. Brown, senior vice president of the New York Central lines, at conference with F. W. Upham, president of the Illinois Manufacturers' association in Chicago, today assured the latter that the railroads of the country had agreed that a three per cent advance in freight rates would satisfy the requirements of the roads.

This takes the place of the threatened ten per cent advance which annoyed the shippers in opposition several months ago. Brown agreed to endeavor to secure the appointment of a committee representing the roads to meet a similar committee of shippers to discuss the new rates.

TEXT OF NEW TREATY

Said to Have Been Made Between United States and Japan Published in Honolulu.

Honolulu, Nov. 17.—The Honolulu publishes what purports to be the text of a new treaty between Japan and the United States, official announcement of which, it says will not be made until next February. The treaty, as published, guarantees the integrity of China. The emigration of laborers from other country to the other is prohibited until further agreement is reached.

MRS. GUNNESS' LOVE AFFAIRS

TOLD OF BY ONE OF STATE'S WITNESSES IN LAMPHERE TRIAL YESTERDAY.

LAMPHERE ANNOYED HER

State's Position, That Because of Falling Out Between Them That He Sought to Harm Her, Strengthened.

LaPorte, Ind., Nov. 17.—That Ray Lamphere made threats against Mrs. Gunness was shown by a number of the state's witnesses today and through them also Prosecutor Smith was able to bring out the fact that a strong motive existed for the defendant to annoy Mrs. Gunness and that this annoyance terminated on the morning of April 28, in Lamphere sitting fire to the Gunness house.

The love affairs of Mrs. Gunness and Lamphere were also told by William Slater, and in his testimony the state found much of value to strengthen its position that it was because of the falling out between the two that Lamphere sought to harm Mrs. Gunness.

Other witnesses for the state testified on lines similar to those brought out at the coroner's inquest and published at that time.

A. K. Helgelein, the star witness, told of his anxiety over the disappearance of his brother. In reply to the first letter of inquiry to Mrs. Gunness, he received the following answer:

Her Cunning Avoids. "LaPorte, March 27, 1908. "Mr. Axel K. Helgelein—I have your recent letter, in which you wish to know where your brother Andrew keeps himself. Well, that is just what I would like to know.

"He came here about the middle of January. When he left here he said he wanted to find his brother, who had kept a gambling room in Aberdeen. He thought he was in New York, or possibly had gone to Norway. He wanted to spend some time with us when he returned. When he was in Chicago he said he would be there so short a time that I need not write. I have neither seen nor heard from him since then. I saw a man who said he had gone back to South Dakota. I will close, with friendly greetings. BELLE GUNNESS."

This letter did not allay the suspicions of Helgelein, and he wrote again to Mrs. Gunness, receiving a reply as follows:

Lamphere Was Crazy. "LaPorte, Ind., April 31, 1908. "Mr. A. K. Helgelein—Your letter I have received some days ago, but have not been able to answer in regard to your brother Andrew. I have tried every which way to find some trace of him. The man who told me he is in South Dakota is named Lamphere, who worked for me a while. He said he had heard it from some one he knew in Mansfield, and he had also probably told them about the \$10,000. I know right away that it was a lie.

"But this Lamphere began to find so many wrong things to talk about, until at last they took and arrested him and they had three days to examine him and see if he was right. They found him not quite crazy enough to put him in a hospital, but perfectly sane he is not. He is now out under bonds and is going to have a trial next week, therefore there is no foundation to the stories told, but one thing I am sure of is that he is one way or another has taken the letter from Andrew he said to me.

"The man who is working for me found a piece of the letter in the barn some one evening when Lamphere was present. There is no name on this paper, but I know his writing, and it was written to a woman and it seems he had thought of coming back in May and it is very natural that he (Lamphere) has also got a hold of other of his letters, but to find out positively in regard to this is almost impossible.

Wanted Brother to Come. "Others have told me that Lamphere was jealous of Andrew, and for that reason troubled me this way, but to me he did not say anything, and I did not mention it to him when Andrew left. This Lamphere drank my milk, and I got the impression that he was not quite right and others say the same.

"Now this is what Andrew himself told me, and I believe it to be true. Andrew had sent to him a lot of money when he was here. Some of this I got for a mortgage, which he had made over to him, and a lot of cash money, but I do not think it was so much. He had a lot of checks, but as far as I know I think they were all payable to himself, and he had other valuable papers.

"I think it would be best for you (included on Third Page.)