

Official United States Census. Population 1910.....39,279. Population 1900.....15,996. Population 1890.....10,328.

PROHIBITION IN ILLINOIS SADDLE

Cold Water Delegates Hold Balance of Power in the State Legislature.

MONTANA MAY BE DEMOCRATIC STATE

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 12.—Prohibitionists and Independents may hold the balance of power in the lower house of the next legislature, which meets January next.

Massachusetts Reorganizing. Boston, Mass., Nov. 12.—Returns in many of the districts where Tuesday's election left only a narrow margin between opposing candidates will begin next week.

In the former William P. Wilder, Republican, is apparently elected for both the short and the long terms by 23 and 12 votes, respectively, over Thomas C. Thatcher, Democrat.

Montana Looks Democratic. Helena, Mont., Nov. 12.—With both parties claiming control of the legislature, partisan feeling is beginning to run high, owing to the closeness of the result in many counties.

United States Senator Thomas H. Carter, whose successor will be chosen by the next legislature, said tonight: "I do not care to go into details, but you can quote me as saying that the legislature will be Republican on joint ballot."

New Hampshire. Concord, N. H., Nov. 12.—Complete unofficial returns of the vote for members of the legislature show that the state senate will consist of 16 Republicans and eight Democrats, as against 20 Republicans and four Democrats two years ago.

In the house of representatives this year 233 Republicans and 166 Democrats have been elected.

West Virginia. Elkins, W. Va., Nov. 12.—The political overthrow by which the West Virginia legislature becomes Democratic has led to statewide speculation as to a candidate to succeed Nathan B. Scott, Republican, in the United States senate.

It led to the announcement that Henry G. Davis, the Democratic candidate for vice president in 1904, has entered the contest. There are other prospective candidates under discussion.

SUFFRAGE IS LOST IN ARIZONA FIGHT

Phoenix, Arizona, Nov. 12.—After three hours devoted to oratory on the woman suffrage question, the constitutional convention administered a decisive blow to the "votes for women" movement by defeating the Connolly proposition.

The suffragists have maintained a lobby at the convention ever since the first day and, although it was known a week ago that the elections committee would make an unfavorable report, they have waged a persistent campaign, concentrating recent efforts to obtaining the passage of the Connolly measure, which would have made it mandatory on the part of the first legislature to call a special election at which men and women would have voted on the question.

The question of separate submission at the convention to ratify the constitution still remains, but suffrage leaders have not lost interest, holding they can get submission at any time by the initiative.

River Rhine Rising

Cologne, Germany, Nov. 12.—The river Rhine here is 17 1/2 feet above its mean low level tonight and is still rising.

Mannheim reports the river 18 feet and Moselle 22-4 feet. At Metz the river is the highest it has been for years. The lower parts of that city are flooded, as are those of several towns below Metz.

MYSTERIOUS POISON IS KILLING MANY CATTLE

Las Cruces, N. M., Nov. 12.—Reports from the Pecos valley and from the range country near Silver City and Lake valley to the Agricultural college are to the effect that the cattle are dying in large numbers, and it is thought that they have been poisoned either by the water or by some plant which they may have eaten.

The chemistry department at the college is investigating the matter with a view to determining the source of the sickness and the elements in the plants or water which causes it.

Assistant professor Mitchell of the chemistry department, and professor Simpson of the animal husbandry department, are contemplating a trip to the ranges near Lake valley in order to make an exhaustive study of the plants and water, samples of which will be brought back for chemical analysis.

ORPHANASYLUM BURNS BUT CHILDREN ESCAPE

New York, N. Y., Nov. 12.—Three thousand boys and 1500 girls, orphan inmates of a Catholic protector in the upper part of New York city, were routed from their beds by a fire that destroyed the five story wing of the main building early today, entailing a loss of \$150,000.

Thanks to the discipline and coolness of the 60 Christian brothers in charge of the institution, there was no panic, and the shivering children went through the routine fire drill like little soldiers, marching out of the buildings to the assembly hall.

BELLE CRIPPEN MAY BE ALIVE

SUSPICIOUS WOMAN IN CANADA

Alix, Alberta, Canada, Nov. 12.—Great excitement has been caused here by the report that a woman who arrived in town Wednesday is Belle Elmore Crippen, for whose supposed death Dr. Hawley Crippen is under sentence to be hanged in London, November 23.

After the woman alighted from the train Wednesday, she went to a livery barn and ordered a team of horses, saying she would send them back next day by a friend. The horses were returned by a farmer. While the woman was waiting for the horses the Crippen case was being discussed by a group of men. One remarked: "I guess they will make old Dr. Crippen squawk over in London." On hearing this, the woman fainted.

Later, while in a store, the woman was eagerly reading a number of newspapers and again fainted on reading something concerning the case.

The police have her under surveillance and she may be arrested today.

Count Tolstoi Disappears; Wife Tries Suicide By Drowning Through Ice



COUNT TOLSTOI AND WIFE.

St Petersburg, Russia, Nov. 12.—A private message from Tula says the counsellor Leo Tolstoi twice attempted to commit suicide today by drowning himself through a hole in the ice. This follows the disappearance of her husband, the noted writer and social reformer.

The Novoe Vremya has received the following telegram from Tula signed by prince Demitry Obolonski: "Count Leo Tolstoi left Yasnaya Poliana on the morning of October 10 (?) accompanied by a physician, and neither has been heard from since."

"The countess is in despair. In a letter to his wife, Tolstoi says he has decided to spend his remaining days in solitary retirement."

The last news concerning count Tolstoi, on October 18, last, said he had suffered several fainting spells that day and for several hours was unconscious. In the evening, however, his condition was somewhat improved. Tolstoi celebrated his 82nd birthday anniversary last August.

GAYNOR TIRES OF STRIKERS' TACTICS

They Turn Down Agreement Once Made; He Says Strike Will Be Broken.

New York, Nov. 12.—The striking express drivers and helpers of Jersey City nullified the agreement reached between the New York strikers and the five transcendental companies.

The agreement was conditioned upon the consent of the Jersey men to return to work. They have refused.

The situation now reverts to the position it occupied before mayor Gaynor took a hand, with this exception, that the mayor is angry and resolved to temporize no longer.

"They can reject the agreement if they want to," he said, "but I beg to say that a committee of their own selection came to me voluntarily, with no request of mine and made an honorable agreement. If the men reject that agreement, I shall teach them that express wagons can be run without their help, even if we have to man every one of them with policemen."

SEVERAL INJURED IN AUTO RACE

Bruce Brown Wins Grand Prize Event on Savannah Track.

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 11.—Bruce Brown won the grand prize; Hemery, second; Burman, third.

Savannah, Ga., Nov. 12.—The grand prize of the automobile racing world was raced here today. Fifteen drivers, noted the world over for their cold nerve and daring, were sent off at 5 o'clock, for a run of 4 1/2 miles, or 24 times around the course, for a prize of a \$5000 gold cup and \$4000 cash to the winner.

Chevrolet, driving a Marquette-Bulok, was first off, with Mulford in a Lozier second, and Basle in a Pope-Hartford third.

Hemery was driving a Benz, one of the favorites, and Nazarro a Fiat, as were also Wagner and De Palma.

Chevrolet was first around the course, reaffirming the advantage of his start. He made the lap in 14 minutes and 19 seconds. Hemery, going 72 miles an hour, was close behind.

Hemery, with a great burst of speed, took the lead in the second lap and had the lead by a minute and a half on the fourth lap. Nazarro was second.

Wagner took the lead in the ninth lap, Hemery and Nazarro having the troubles.

EXPECT VALUES TO REACH \$30,000,000

Increase in El Paso Tax Values Does Not Include New Skyscrapers.

Increases of property values in El Paso of more than \$1,500,000, making the total taxable wealth more than \$30,000,000, is expected to be shown by the compilation to the assessment upon the completion of the work of the board of appeals. The property valuation in 1909 was \$28,500,000.

The \$30,000,000 valuation represents but half the wealth of the city as the property is assessed at but approximately 50 percent of its real value. The \$30,000,000 valuation includes the rendered tax roll of \$25,500,000 and that the unrendered roll will make the total \$30,000,000 is stated by city assessor Behr.

The taxable wealth in 1911 is expected to be much greater as the many new buildings under construction in El Paso at present will be subject to taxes at that time.

The city council sitting as a board of appeals, is scheduled to hold its last meeting Monday, after which the property values as determined, will be announced as a whole.

EDITOR APPOINTED AS UNITED STATES SENATOR

Des Moines, Iowa, Nov. 12.—Governor Carroll today announced the appointment of Lafayette Young, editor of the Des Moines Capital, as United States senator to succeed the late senator Dolliver.

JOHNNY EVERS TO COACH THE NAVY BALL TEAM

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 12.—Johnny Evers, the Chicago Nationals' crack second baseman, will coach the navy team at Annapolis next spring and will not join his team until June 1. His broken ankle, which has knit nicely, will be taken out of its plaster cast tomorrow.

MINING MAN JAILED ON CHARGE OF FRAUD OPERATIONS

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 12.—A capias for the arrest of Theo. E. Henderson, vice president of the Afterthought Copper company and the parent concern, the Great Western Gold company, was issued today by the United States commissioner. Henderson is charged with a scheme to defraud. Receivership proceedings were brought against the Afterthought and Great Western companies.

SANTA FE CONVENTION TO FINISH IN A WEEK

Santa Fe, N. M., Nov. 12.—After spending three hours in a debate over the legal significance of the word "fix," the constitutional convention gave up in despair and referred it to the first state legislature to "fix" the powers and duties of the state board of equalization, which is to consist of the governor, secretary of state, treasurer, traveling auditor and attorney general.

A limitation of 12 mills for the first two years and thereafter of 10 mills is placed upon the state tax rate, this not to include the levy for the payment of the interest on the public debt.

New railroads, irrigation works, smelters, reduction works, sugar factories and other industries are exempt from taxation for the first six years and a \$200 general exemption is granted all heads of families.

The convention also disposed of public land matters in two brief paragraphs, which are very liberal and which will not tie the hands of the new state, as under it a large part of 13,000,000 acres of state lands can be sold if buyers are found for it at or above the minimum rates fixed by congress.

Today the convention disposed of the article on corporations, which leaves only the apportionment, miscellaneous provisions and the final revision of the entire constitution as unfinished business.

It is now certain that the convention will adjourn next Saturday.

AMERICAN JAILED FOR DEFENDING HIS HOME FROM MEXICAN RIOTERS

NEW COMPANY ENTERS OIL FIELD

The Toyah Oil and Pipe Co., Has Abundant Capital Behind It.

Will Ship Oil to El Paso and Mines

Toyah, Texas, Nov. 12.—The entering of two new operating oil companies into the Toyah field has given the oil business a decided boom.

The Toyah Oil and Pipe Line company, composed of Midland and Toyah capitalists with a capital stock of \$25,000, has been incorporated and will begin active operations in the Toyah field at once, the promoters say.

The new oil men say that there will be none of the secret operation business about their work. They have all the land they want and are willing that everything they do shall be known to the public.

They have capital sufficient to sink a well to China, if they wished to, the men say, and they are determined to develop the Toyah field to make it a producing oil section.

The new company has three locations, all northwest of Toyah and south of the Texas company's field of operations. A pipe line will be constructed from the field to the railroad, should oil be struck in paying quantities and it will be shipped direct to El Paso and the mining sections of the southwest.

The officers of the new Toyah Oil and Pipe Line company are: George D. Elliott, of Midland, Texas, president; Z. T. Brown, Midland, vice president; G. G. Nesbitt, Toyah, vice president; J. Wiley Taylor, Midland, secretary and treasurer.

The directors are: George D. Elliott, George Gray, J. Wiley Taylor, Z. T. Brown, H. N. Garrett, all of Midland; G. G. Nesbitt, of Toyah, and W. H. Graham, of Fort Worth. Mr. Graham is a practical oil well driller and will be in charge of the operations.

The list of stockholders includes W. B. Elkins, cashier and D. W. Brunson, president of the Midland National bank, and W. J. Moran, of Midland, who was appointed an inspector of the Toyah oil field by the district court during a recent trial.

HORSES DASH BEFORE TRAIN; MAN KILLED

Clarksville, Texas, Nov. 12.—H. D. Beeman, aged 58, a farmer, was killed by a Texas & Pacific freight train, two miles east of town today, when an engine struck a carriage in which he was driving to the city. The horses became frightened and dashed in front of the locomotive. One horse was killed. Beeman's head and legs were crushed.

MEXICAN MOB FIRES INTO MOB OF MEXICANS AND KILLS ONE OF ATTACKERS

Mexico City, Mexico, Nov. 12.—A dispatch today from Guadalajara, says that Carlos B. Carothers, American manager of the West End Realty company, last night fired into a crowd of anti-American rioters stoning his residence, killing Jesus Loza, a fourteen-year-old boy, and wounding Prudenta Chavez, a watchman.

Carothers, the dispatch says, was taken from his home at midnight and placed in jail.

ACQUITTED OF MURDER AFTER SEVEN TRIALS

Abilene, Texas, Nov. 12.—N. S. Lundy, charged with the murder of A. H. Anderson in Jones county six years ago, was acquitted by the verdict of the jury in the district court at Baird this morning.

Lundy was tried seven times on the same charge and was twice convicted of manslaughter. The case was tried in five different counties and the court of criminal appeals reversed the case twice.

SPEAKERSHIP BOOM TO BE LAUNCHED AT BANQUET

San Antonio, Texas, Nov. 12.—The candidacy of Sam Reyburn of Bonham for the speakership of the next house will be launched tonight at a dinner arranged by A. P. Barrett, formerly state senator, and Chester H. Terrell, former member of the legislature from Bexar county. Members of the legislature from all over the state have signified their intention of attending.

AMERICAN FLAG BURNED BY GUADALAJARA RIOTERS

Guadalajara, Mexico, Nov. 12.—In the course of the anti-American demonstrations in this city an American flag was burned amid cries of "Death to the Gringos."

Conservative estimates placed the damage to property of Americans at from \$5000 to \$10,000. In spite of efforts being made by the government authorities to preserve order, a spirit of unrest prevails and renewed violence is feared.

WELL TO DO TEXAN ENDS HIS OWN LIFE

Tyler, Texas, Nov. 12.—George Gardner, aged 31, ended his life this morning at his home near this city by drinking the contents of a bottle which had contained carbolic acid. He was married and well to do and no cause is known for his suicide. He recently returned from a trip to New Orleans.

PIERCE AND HIS PARTY SPEND THE DAY IN WACO

Waco, Tex., Nov. 12.—H. Clay Pierce, the St. Louis multimillionaire; S. W. Fordyce and C. W. Cahoon, of the Pierce-Fordyce Old association, accompanied by Mrs. Pierce and Mrs. Burrows, the latter a daughter of Pierce, are spending the day here. They will go to Dallas tonight.

MEXICAN CONSUL AT EAGLE PASS INVESTIGATES LYNCHING

Washington, D. C., Nov. 12.—All possible assistance is being given the Mexican consul at Eagle Pass, who is (Continued on Page Two.)

MEXICAN MOB VICTIM NOT MEXICAN CITIZEN

Fort Leavenworth, Kan., Nov. 12.—A wireless message relating to the anti-American demonstrations in Mexico was received at the government station here last night. The spark was lost before the signature was sent, but the message is believed to have been sent by secretary of state Knox to president Taft, who is en route to Panama. Other messages to the president have been caught here.

The message believed to have been sent to Taft read: "Editors of incendiary papers will be arrested. The embassy is vigorously protected. I am informed on unquestionable authority that Anton Rodriguez was born in New Mexico and was an American citizen."

The lynching of Rodriguez in Texas was the reason for the anti-American riots in Mexico.

MEXICO MAY HAVE TO TAKE WATER

Washington, D. C., Nov. 12.—Little doubt is entertained here that the wireless picked up at Fort Leavenworth last night relating to Rodriguez was from secretary of State Knox to president Taft. If its statements prove to be the case, the Mexican government will be obliged to withdraw its protest and demand for reparation and it would leave the United States the aggrieved party in the rioting in Mexico.

It is expected at the department of state that the investigation of the lynching of Rodriguez now being conducted by governor Campbell, of Texas, and the Mexican consul of Eagle Pass will settle all doubts as to Rodriguez's nationality. The state department had no new details today of new Mexican disturbances.