

Col. Roosevelt's Election Predicted by Mr. Munsey

The campaign practically ends tonight. The fight is over. The vote is the finish. What will the vote be? This is what everyone is asking of everyone.

My prediction is that Roosevelt will be elected. I don't know that this will happen. Nobody knows that it won't happen.

This isn't a sure-thing campaign, except as it concerns Taft. That he will not be elected is one thing we do know, as we likewise know he will run a very bad third.

I may be wrong in my conclusion that Roosevelt will be elected, but I don't believe I am.

This is a condition that cannot be measured by any known standards, cannot be measured by any known precedents.

The problem is largely a psychological one. Any deduction worth while must be, in considerable degree, intuitive. Intuition is not a thing to bank on. But supported by innumerable soundings and the political sweep, it is a heap better than cold mathematics, when mathematics hasn't a thing to get a grip on. There has never been a campaign so full of cross-currents and misleading elements as this one.

The silent vote, on which no man has any line, will cut a tremendous figure in this election. So, too, will the vote of the man who "hasn't yet made up his mind," and this type of man is very numerous.

In reaching a conclusion, the historic strength and the organization strength of the old parties, and the spontaneity and zeal of the new party, must be taken into account. So, too, must the principles of the three parties and the relative force of appeal each will make to the voters of the country.

Another way of getting something of a side light on the situation is by classifying the voters by their occupations and estimating their probable attitude in this contest. Here are some figures in this connection and they are buttressed by many facts and by many things:

Farmers' vote.....	50 per cent for Roosevelt
Industrial Wage Workers.....	70 per cent for Roosevelt
Traveling salesmen.....	80 per cent for Roosevelt
Newspaper and periodical writers.....	80 per cent for Roosevelt
Clerks, accountants, and salesmen in business houses, in banks.....	65 per cent for Roosevelt
Educators.....	75 per cent for Roosevelt
Railroad men.....	90 per cent for Roosevelt
Other transportation men.....	70 per cent for Roosevelt
Miscellaneous occupations.....	50 per cent for Roosevelt
Clergymen and doctors.....	75 per cent for Roosevelt
Railroad presidents, trust presidents, bankers, heads of business concerns, lawyers, and retired capitalists.....	10 per cent for Roosevelt

These figures are impression figures, not known figures. It is impossible to know them. They may be very wild, and they may be surprisingly accurate. They will stand a shrinkage of a good deal more than 25 per cent and still elect Roosevelt.

Indeed, a 40 per cent vote even would elect him unless Taft's vote goes utterly to pieces. The Socialist and Prohibition vote together will equal about 6 per cent of the total vote cast. Deduct this from 60 per cent and we have 54 per cent to divide between Taft and Wilson. If Taft were to get 20 per cent of this balance it would leave Wilson 34 per cent, or 6 per cent short of Roosevelt's vote.

There are ten thousand things that have a bearing on this election, but at this juncture the most convincing thing is the undoubted and tremendous sweep to Roosevelt, a sweep that has all the indications of a landslide, a sweep as from the hand of destiny.

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FLAMES THREATEN TO DESTROY TOWN

Underwood, W. Va., Burning.
Seven Buildings Gone and
Water Scarce.

GRAFTON, W. Va., Nov. 2.—Fire starting from a gas explosion in a big general store early today destroyed the place, a score of business and residence buildings and portions of the Underwood Hotel, in Underwood, this State. Assistance was sent from Grafton and Fairmont, but without adequate water supply the buildings in the business section were at the mercy of the flames. Twenty guests in the hotel awakened after the first alarm, fled to the streets in their sleeping garments and will lose everything. Seven buildings had been burned when all wire communication was cut off, and at that time fifty others seemed doomed. The fire loss had reached close to \$100,000 and may be several times that. So far as learned there was no loss of life.

MEN WERE TOO WEAK TO CATCH LIFE LINE

Schooner Driven Ashore During
Gale Is Breaking Up.
Name Unknown.

NORFOLK, Va., Nov. 2.—Driven ashore by last night's nor'easter, a three-masted schooner is breaking up near the New Inlet life-saving station. A telephone message said that two of the crew had been lost, being too weak to catch a line from the life-savers.

The vessel's name has not been learned.

Oregon Society Plans.

Plans for the winter season will be discussed at a meeting tonight at 8 o'clock of the Society of the Oregon Country at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Horland in the Newberrie, Twelfth street and Massachusetts avenue northwest. J. W. Robinson, vice president, will preside.

SIX INJURED IN EXPLOSION ON BOARD VERMONT

Victims Caught Like Rats in
Trap in Boiler Room
of Battleship.

HORRIBLY SCALDED
BEFORE AID COMES

Transferred to Hospital Ship
Solace and Brought to Norfolk.
One May Die.

THE WOUNDED:
M. C. Harma, coal passer, dangerously injured and may die.
C. A. Hotelling, coal passer, seriously injured.
H. W. Cramer, coal passer, seriously injured.
J. W. Newberry, fireman, first class, scalded.
H. M. Wagner, fireman, second class, scalded.
M. W. Green, fireman, first class, scalded.

NORFOLK, Va., Nov. 2.—The victims of another explosion aboard a United States man-of-war, six wounded men, one of them scalded so badly that he probably will die, were brought to the Norfolk Hospital today from the battleship Vermont, on which a terrific boiler explosion occurred early today.

The explosion occurred while the Vermont was at anchor off the southern drill grounds where the annual target practice began today. The great force of the explosion shook the entire ship, and within a few seconds the entire engine room was filled with steam and scalding water.

The six men were caught like rats in a trap and thrown to the floor of the boiler room when the shock came. Four of them groped their way blindly toward the doorways and meanwhile slid from the decks above was rushed toward the wounded shut-ins.

Victims Horribly Burned.
Incomplete details of the sea tragedy indicate that it was several minutes before the six men could be located in the steamy atmosphere of the boiler room, and in the meantime they were horribly burned.

The men nearest the boiler were scalded from head to foot, and when removed to the open air were in a near unconscious condition. Their shipmates, stationed in various parts of the engine room, were also severely hurt by the escaping steam and water.

Immediately following the explosion, which came in the early morning hours, Captain Hughes sent a wireless message to the hospital ship Solace, which stood near by. The men were transferred at sea shortly before daybreak, and were brought to Norfolk during the morning.

Some of the injured men are so seriously hurt that they were removed on stretchers from the steam-filled engine room.

Confusion Followed Crash.
Early reports from the Vermont say that great confusion existed aboard when the boiler burst, sending a shiver through the ship and awaking the sleeping officers and men above. Everyone aboard, from captain to bluejackets, was at once out of his sleeping quarters, and the shouted commands of the officers sent rescue parties below.

The full effect of the explosion was not known for several moments, and for a time it was believed that everyone in the immediate vicinity of the boiler had perished. It was difficult to ascertain at first the exact extent of the explosion, and in every breast there lurked the haunting fear that the force of the impact might have hit the main-of-war in a vulnerable part of its hull, probably endangering the ship itself. A modified sign of relief went up when it was learned that only one boiler, No. 6, had had its head blown out.

The wireless message for aid was sent shortly after 2 o'clock this morning, within a few minutes after the explosion had aroused every one aboard. The hospital ship responded promptly and physicians were soon relieving the sufferings of the scalded men, whose groans might be heard above the hurried directions of the commanding officers of the two ships.

HALF MILLION ARE FIGHTING AT TURKS' LAST STAND NEAR GATES OF CONSTANTINOPLE

Bulgarian Hero and Scene of Rout



GENERAL SAVOFF, Commander-in-Chief of Czar Frederick's Forces, and Map Showing How Turks Are Making Their Last Desperate Stand At Constantinople Menaced By Triumphant Forces.

SHERMAN IS LAID TO REST IN UTICA WITH HIGH HONOR

Taft and Other Statesmen
Attend Vice President's
Funeral.

UTICA, N. Y., Nov. 2.—In the presence of the President of the United States, members of the Cabinet, the Senate, and House of Representatives, of the Diplomatic Corps, and men and women of every walk in life, final honors were paid today to James Schoolcraft Sherman, Vice President of the United States.

In deference to the wishes of Mrs. Sherman, the funeral was without display. Simple, unostentatious services were held in the First Presbyterian Church, and the offer of the President of a guard of regulars to escort the body from the church to the cemetery was refused. As far as possible the funeral was as simple as the dead man would have liked, and the public services were made as brief as possible under the circumstances.

President Taft and party, the members of the Senate and of the House and the distinguished party from Washington reached this city at 1 o'clock.

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BECKER GETS NEW RECORD ATTORNEY FOR HIS APPEAL

J. A. Shay Succeeds Hart in
Case of Murder
Convict.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Attorney Joseph A. Shay, 25 Broad street, has succeeded John W. Hart, as attorney of record in the case of Charles Becker, convicted of the murder of Herman Rosenthal, and now in the deathhouse at Sing Sing awaiting electrocution set for the week beginning December 9.

Attorney Shay today denied the report that chief counsel for Becker, John F. McIntyre, had deserted his client and would have nothing to do with the preparation of the appeal. He said that McIntyre would remain as chief counsel and would take the lead in preparing for the appeal proceedings which, he said, would be made at once.

It was further announced that Attorney Shay would go to Sing Sing for a conference with the condemned former lieutenant of police this afternoon and that final conversation will be held looking toward the appeal.

District Attorney Whitman, it is said, has consulted four of the leading attorneys in the State as to the outcome of the Becker appeal. It was said that opinion was unanimous that Becker need not entertain any great amount of hope for redress in the court of appeals.

telegraphed today from Belgrade to the Gazette.

BUDAPEST, Nov. 2.—A battle comparable with any in the world's history was drawing to its close before the gates of Constantinople today.

On both sides—Bulgarian and Turkish—nearly 500,000 men are engaged. Fighting began ten days ago and has raged almost continuously since.

The battle front was about thirty miles long at first. Then it stretched to nearly one hundred. Today it had narrowed again to about thirty, as the sea hemmed the combatants in on either side.

Of the losses in killed and wounded only the vaguest estimates could be made. Military men here surmised, however, from the little they have learned definitely that on both sides the figure will approximate 750,000 men.

Fall Expected Any Time.

Beyond the fact that fighting was still in progress within twenty-five or thirty miles of Constantinople today, accurate information was lacking of developments later than Thursday night.

Ten days ago it would have been taken for granted here that the Turks, realizing that their last line of defenses had been reached, that their capital itself was besieged, and that one more defeat would be their last, would fight to the last man. But this was not the opinion of the best judges today. The persistency with which they have been beaten has shattered the general faith in the Ottoman troops' prowess. News that the Bulgarians had entered Constantinople was expected at any time.

Hopeful Bulletins Issued.

The Turkish war office continued, it was true, to issue hopeful bulletins. The army's east wing, it was asserted, was winning, the west was holding its own. The known facts made it certain that the bulletins were false.

The Turko-Bulgarian war, thus far, has been one huge battle. Skirmishing began as soon as the Bulgarians crossed the frontier at Mustapha Pasha and grew hotter as they approached Kirk

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SIXTEEN DIE WHEN CRAFT IS WRECKED

Canadian Steamer Goes to
Pieces on Rocks in Lake
St. Louis.

ONLY FOUR MEN ARE
SAVED FROM DEATH

Women and Children Among Victims
of Tragedy Caused by
High Wind.

MONTREAL, Quebec, Nov. 2.—Word has reached here that during the tremendous storm of last night the steamship Cecelle, a little boat which plies between Montreal and Valleyfield, sank at Isle Perrot, in Lake St. Louis, ten miles west of here.

As far as can be learned, at least sixteen people have been drowned, men, women, and children. Only four passengers were saved—all men.

Soon after leaving the Lachine canal and entering the lake, the storm caught the frail little craft which only weighed 125 tons. The violence of the storm increased, and the Cecelle got out of control completely.

Ship's Hull Shattered.

With the force of the fifty-five-mile-an-hour gale behind her, she rushed toward the south shore and struck the rock: Isle Perrot with a force that smashed her thin wooden hull to fragments and threw passengers and crew into the water.

The wreck of the ship attracted the attention of a farmer Alexander Leonard, who heroically put out in a boat. He found four men clinging to wreckage. These he took safely to shore but could discover no more.

The survivors are: Lionel LeDuc, son of Capt. J. LeDuc, Valleyfield; A. Gosselin, Valleyfield; E. H. Gullargeon, Valleyfield; Felix Cousineau, St. Col. This morning sections of the debris drifted ashore along the borders of the lake. The names of the missing have not yet been learned.

ETTOR DEFENSE TO TAKE TWO WEEKS

First Witness Takes Stand in Support
of Labor Leaders' Contentions.

SALEM, Mass., Nov. 2.—The first witness for the defense, Edward Riley, of Lawrence, took the stand when court opened today in the Ettore-Giovannitti-Carusio trial.

That the testimony of the defense's witnesses will take at least two weeks longer to hear, was strongly suggested by the court's ruling that only twelve witnesses a day will be subpoenaed. It was announced today that the present plan is to hold court next Tuesday, election day.

DARING AVIATOR PLANS LONG FLIGHT

Will Leave Omaha For 1,200-Mile
Hydroaeroplane Trip.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 2.—Tony Jannus, dare devil of the recent Chicago aviation meet, will leave Omaha, Wednesday, November 6, for a hydroaeroplane flight to New Orleans, in an effort to establish a new speed record for long distance. According to plans announced today, he will fly a Benoist 80-horsepower biplane and expects to travel via the Missouri and Mississippi rivers, covering a distance of 1,200 miles.

Pennsylvanians to Meet.

The regular monthly meeting of the Pennsylvania Society, of Washington, will be held in the Pythian Temple tonight at 8 o'clock. Samuel R. Stratton, president, will preside. Notices of the meeting have been mailed to several hundred Pennsylvanians in Washington, asking that they attend.

WEATHER REPORT.

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT.
Fair tonight and Sunday; colder to-morrow, with freezing temperature.

TEMPERATURE.	
U. S. BUREAU.	AFLECK'S.
8 a. m. 40	8 a. m. 40
9 a. m. 42	9 a. m. 42
10 a. m. 43	10 a. m. 43
11 a. m. 43	11 a. m. 43
12 noon 43	12 noon 43
1 p. m. 51	1 p. m. 51
2 p. m. 52	2 p. m. 52

TIDE TABLE.
Today—High tide, 1:57 a. m. and 1:15 p. m.; low tide, 8:51 a. m. and 8:21 p. m.
Tomorrow—High tide, 2:15 a. m. and 2:56 p. m.; low tide, 9:05 a. m. and 8:53 p. m.

SUN TABLE.
Sun rises 6:28 | Sun sets 4:53

TIMES FOOTBALL EXTRA THIS AFTERNOON

A complete and detailed story of the Princeton-Harvard football game at Cambridge will be sent to The Times over a wire direct from the field of play, and will be printed in an extra to be issued

AS SOON AS THE GAME IS ENDED