

JERSEY FIGHT NEARS ITS END

Taft and Roosevelt Burning Up Roads Leading to Gotham.

MOST STRENUOUS WORK SO FAR

President Follows Colonel in Factory District—Both Sides Confident of Winning in the Voting—Democrats Fighting It Out on State Issues.

Newark, N. J., May 27.—President Taft, ex-President Roosevelt and Senator La Follette, after a day's rest, resumed their campaigning, the hardest they have experienced since they began the fight for the Republican presidential nomination. The president and Colonel Roosevelt have made more than fifty speeches each since last Thursday. Senator La Follette has made fewer speeches, but has addressed many thousands of voters.

President Taft started early this morning, visiting the towns along the Atlantic shore, which heard Colonel Roosevelt Saturday. He will continue his fight right up to the hour of opening the primary election, having arranged to speak at Glassboro at noon tomorrow, an hour before the polls open there.

Colonel Roosevelt this morning invaded the country to the southwest of this city and will go as far south as Princeton.

Both Sides Confident of Winning.

The Taft managers expressed satisfaction with the president's tour of the "commuting zone," where more than half the population of the state resides. This part of the state is also the factory district. Roosevelt leaders say their candidate will receive a vote from the factory workers that will more than offset any advantage Mr. Taft will get from the "business men's" vote in the residence towns near New York city.

Both sides claim the four delegates at large, which will be elected by the vote of the whole state, and at least sixteen out of the twenty-four district delegates. If anything the Roosevelt claims are the more sweeping.

The first four districts, which in area constitutes four-fifths of the state, extending from Cape May on the south as far north as New York city, are in doubt. Each side claims two as "sure."

State Issues Used by Wilson.

Governor Wilson's supporters declare that his speech at Jersey City defined the principal issue at stake in the Democratic primary campaign. The governor asserted that the real instructions given the "uninstructed" delegates on the Democratic ticket would be "anybody but Wilson." The Republican and Democratic campaigns in New Jersey differ widely in that the Republican candidates have made their appeals upon national issues, while Governor Wilson and his supporters and the local speakers that are pleading for the defeat of the governor have dwelt upon the party struggle within the state.

HYDE CASE TO BE POSTPONED

Man Accused of Murdering Colonel Swope Appears in Court Again.

Kansas City, May 27.—Dr. B. Clark Hyde will appear in the criminal court today for the fourth time to answer to the charge of having murdered Colonel Thomas H. Swope, but the state will ask a continuance. The case will then go over to the fall term, and it is already predicted that at that time another continuance will be taken. In fact, it is doubted now that the doctor ever will be tried again.

Originally Dr. Hyde was accused not only of poisoning Colonel Swope, his wife's uncle, but of causing the death of Colonel Moss Hunte and a young brother of Mrs. Hunte. It also was asserted that he tried to infect all of the other members of the family with typhoid fever.

At the second trial these charges were dropped and Hyde was placed on trial solely for the death of Colonel Swope. The flight of a juror caused a mistrial.

Sudden Flood at Yankton.

Yankton, S. D., May 27.—Three inches of rain fell in Yankton. Rhine creek rose to a height not known since the town was settled. Many homes were flooded and at daybreak inhabitants were rescued by boats. Great damage was done to city and country bridges, with heavy individual loss. Half of the rainfall fell in twenty minutes. The James river valley is flooded and there will be great loss to farmers, it is feared. The water is now rapidly subsiding.

Motor Car Goes Dead; Four Killed.

Martinsville, Ind., May 27.—Four persons were killed at Centerton when their automobile went dead on the tracks of Terre Haute and Eastern Traction company and was hit by a car. The dead: Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Brown, Miss Bonnie Bailey and Miss Jessie Cure, all of Martinsville.

Champ Clark Will Fight for Congress.

Washington, May 27.—While expressing the conviction that he would be the Democratic nominee for the presidency, Speaker Champ Clark announced that he would file his candidacy for re-election to congress from the Ninth Missouri district.

GO EAST TO MEET SHAW

Optimism Inspires Atlantic Northern and Southern Railroad Promoters.

Council Bluffs, Ia., May 27.—If the members of the Leslie M. Shaw syndicate have been lacking in ready cash with which to complete their purchase of the Atlantic Northern and Southern railroad, they are not and never have been short of optimism. That it is a financial gamble of pretty good size has never been denied and the fact that at various times the syndicate has put up an aggregate of over \$10,000,000 in interest and other charges is held to indicate that the former secretary of the treasury and his associates have never felt the slightest doubt about being able to swing the deal.

Attorney J. J. Hess of this city and August Danrow of Treynor, president of the Iowa Short Line, another railroad whose destinies are tied up with the Atlantic Northern and Southern, left for New York city to meet Mr. Shaw, who has returned from Europe, where he went to dispose of the \$5,600,000 issue of bonds issued by the syndicate. Mr. Hess and Mr. Danrow were bubbling over with good cheer when they departed and exhibited a wireless cablegram from Mr. Shaw, which they interpreted to mean "I've got the dough."

"I am certain now that the last of the causes for delay have been removed," said Mr. Hess, "and that one of the most important things pertaining to the prosperity of Council Bluffs and western Iowa has now been brought about. It will be the beginning of an interurban system of railroads that means much for the city and this section of Iowa. Our bonds have been sold at close to par."

Regarding the recent rumor of a new Rock Island line through western Iowa, facts have recently come to light indicating the road is planning to extend its line from Winterset to Council Bluffs on a direct survey and thus gain over fifty-five miles over its present crooked line from Des Moines to this city.

PROPOSE DEFENSE FUND FOR UNIONS

Will Come Up at State Convention in Muscatine.

Muscatine, Ia., May 27.—A proposition for the creation of a \$250,000 defense fund for Iowa unions will be one of the most important matters to be considered at the state convention of the Iowa State Federation of Labor, which meets in Muscatine in June. A resolution, which was drafted and endorsed by the Cedar Rapids federated unions, will be presented at that time and a strong fight will be made for its acceptance.

The plan is to assess each labor union in the state for a period of time until the sum of \$250,000 is secured, and when that amount is raised the assessments will be lowered. It is proposed, however, to maintain at all times a fund of \$200,000, which sum will apply to aid and support workers on strike or forced to remain in idleness through lockouts directed against labor unions.

The advocates of the measure declare that the adoption of such a defense plan would greatly strengthen the labor movement in the state and would firmly cement the various trade bodies of the state.

MAY MOVE PALMER COLLEGE

Trustees to Consider Removal at Meeting in Le Grand This Week.

Marshalltown, Ia., May 27.—The fate of Palmer college, Le Grand, concerning its removal from its present location to Albany, Mo., where it is proposed to combine it with two other small schools in northern Missouri and western Kansas, will be decided this week, when the board of trustees take final action. The trustees will meet at Le Grand tomorrow for a two days' session.

The executive board of the American Christian convention, the national organization of the Christian denomination, and the general educational board of the church, have both endorsed the removal project, and it is expected that the Iowa Christian convention, which is to meet at Le Grand soon, will also approve of the removal. The majority of the members of the board, it is claimed by President Watson, favor the removal. The people of Le Grand, however, are likely to put up a strong fight to prevent the college being moved.

BATH IS NEARLY FATAL

Mason City Man Seriously Burned by Electric Current.

Mason City, Ia., May 27.—Dangerously near death, Oscar Horvel was saved only by the heroic work of his wife and a neighbor, who had been summoned, when he was held by an electric current, having received the charge from an electric lamp in his bathroom. The current held his hand gripped to the fixture, and it was only by grasping his feet and pulling with all their strength that he was freed.

Old Soldier Dies.

Marshalltown, Ia., May 27.—Michael Riley, aged sixty-eight, a member of the soldiers' home from Jones county, died at the hospital of pulmonary tuberculosis. He served in company G, Seventieth Illinois infantry. He entered the home Jan. 31, 1908.

CLUB WOMEN ASK ONE DIVORCE LAW

Federation Meeting Next Month to Start Nation Wide Campaign.

MAIN TOPIC AT CONVENTION.

Leading Club Women Will Urge Legislation of the Different States to Take Action in Regulating Marriage as Well as Divorce.

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Backed by the power of the federation's 800,000 members, some of them voters, the club women will go before the lawmaking bodies and press the passage of the law. If they should succeed, it would be a tremendous triumph for women. Men have been trying to have such a law passed for years, and as far as they got is to secure the reference of the subject to the commissioners on uniform state laws appointed by the state governors in convention.

Club women who have gone over the ground carefully say that they believe the interest awakened the country over will spur the legislatures of the different states to take action in regulating marriage as well as divorce. They declare that the need of a uniform law is apparent.

Divorce Harder Than Marriage.

Mrs. Phillip N. Moore, president of the national federation, said recently, in presenting the subject, that before getting a divorce most persons had to lay bare many secrets to the judge, whereas in contracting marriage men and women were at liberty to walk to the altar without telling anybody anything about their health, morals, habits of life, or financial standing. The reason, she said, that the executive board of the national federation had come out in the open and passed a resolution favoring a uniform divorce law was the number of communications received by the board from club women all over the United States, asking whether something could not be done to remedy the divorce evils in this, that, and another state.

Then in order to round up the state federations of women's clubs and get them to consider the matter thoroughly and to spread the propaganda among all the women's clubs connected with each state organization, the resolution was submitted to the executive committee of every state federation.

This has been going on for nearly two years and it is the result of this matured deliberation that will be presented by the delegates from women's clubs in every state and territory of this country at the June biennial.

FEDERAL COURTS DEFIED

County Judges Refuse to Levy Taxes to Pay Bond Issue.

Kansas City, May 27.—More than forty years ago Dallas county, Missouri, issued bonds to aid a railroad which was never built. As was customary in those days the bonds were delivered to the railroad promoters before any work was begun on the road, and they were sold. Now David Yost of Philadelphia owns the bonds and is trying to collect the principal and interest, which amounts to more than \$1,000,000. Dallas county, however, refuses to pay, holding that it is under no moral obligation to pay bonds that were obtained by fraud. The result is that the two members of the county court who refuse to make a tax levy to pay the judgment have been cited to appear in the federal court here to answer for contempt.

As in the St. Clair county case, the federal court officials do not ever expect to see the judges. Dallas county is in the heart of the Ozarks, and still is without railroads.

The sessions of the county court will be held from time to time in the brush in out of the way places and necessary business transacted but no tax levy will be made to pay the judgment.

FALLING OFF IN TAX

Shrinkage in Business Causes Loss of \$1,000,000 to United States.

Washington, May 27.—As a result of the shrinkage in business last year the United States will derive \$1,000,000 less from the tax on corporations than in 1911. The total amount of the special excise due on June 1 is about \$28,400,000, as compared with \$29,432,355 collected a year ago.

Internal Revenue Commissioner Cabell says this is accounted for by a 4 per cent falling off in business, the prompt filing of schedules whereby the enormous penalties incurred by corporations last year are avoided, an increase in wages paid by companies, and a scaling down of tax liabilities as a result of a stricter interpretation of the law on the part of corporations.

There is a considerable decrease in the assessment of corporations in Iowa and neighboring states. In New York there are increases in four and decreases in two districts.

RIVALRY IN ACTION.

Taft and Roosevelt As They Look on the Platform in Jersey.



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IOWA PENAL SYSTEM RAPPED IN A REPORT

En Irregularly Inadequate and Archaic, Investigators Assert.

Des Moines, May 27.—The Iowa penal system is archaic and entirely inadequate, according to a report of the prison probe commission appointed by Governor Carroll nearly a year ago to investigate conditions in state institutions.

The report carries detailed plans for revolutionizing the methods of dealing with prisoners in jails, reformatories and prisons.

Prison farms or penal colonies are the foundation stones of the commission's new idea in dealing with prisoners. For the Fort Madison penitentiary the commission recommends a farm of 2,000 acres, where all first-term prisoners and short-term men should serve their sentences, and the substitution of district farms for jails in all such sentences are served.

The teaching of scientific agriculture to the prisoners by instructors of Iowa agricultural college is recommended. "The contract system now in vogue in Iowa and other states is the worst form of slavery because it is a delegated form of slavery," says the report.

STANDING OF THE TEAMS

National League.	American League.	W.L.P.	W.L.P.
New York 24	6 800	Chicago	26
Cincinnati	23	12 657	Boston
Pittsburgh	16	14 533	Wash'n
Chicago	15	17 469	Phila
Phila	12	16 429	Cleveland
St. Louis	16	21 432	Detroit
Boston	12	21 364	New York
Brooklyn	9	20 310	St. Louis
Western League.	W.L.P.	W.L.P.	
St. Joe	24	12 667	Soo City
Denver	21	15 583	Topeka
Omaha	20	15 574	Lincoln
Des Moines	18	17 514	Wichita

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

National League.	R.H.E.
At Chicago:	000001000—1 6 0
Chicago	000000300—3 7 0
Pittsburgh	000000001—1 4 0
Cheney-Archer; O'Toole-Kelly.	
At St. Louis:	004 000 000—4 10 2
St. Louis	000 040 000—5 14 1
Keefe-McLean; Harmon-Bliss.	
American League.	
At Chicago:	000000101—2 11 4
Chicago	000100302—6 12 1
Detroit	000000000—3 8 1
Benz-Sullivan; Mullin-Stange.	
At Cleveland:	000000001—1 4 0
Cleveland	000000000—1 4 0
St. Louis	000000000—3 8 1
Gregg-Adams; Peltz-Stephens.	
Western League.	
At Omaha:	000411000—6 6 2
Omaha	010004110—7 12 3
Hicks-Johnson; Perry-Wacob.	
At Sioux City:	03030301—10 14 2
Sioux City	02000201—7 11 1
Giffin-Orendorff; Fugate-Schmidt.	
At St. Joseph:	002102010—6 7 1
Lincoln	000000100—1 3 4
Smith-Carney; Johnson-Bachant.	
At Des Moines:	200100000—6 10 1
Des Moines	020100000—3 8 2
Leonard-Spahr; Rogge-McGraw.	

WARSHIPS SAIL ON HURRY ORDERS

Cruiser and Four Battleships Headed for Key West.

BIG DELAWARE TAKES ON MEN

Information at New York is That When Ships Reach Hampton Roads They Will Be Joined by Three More Battleships—Hospital Ship to Go.

New York, May 27.—The armored cruiser Washington, flagship of Rear Admiral Hugo Osterhaus, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet, and four battleships of the Fourth division sailed south, supposedly for Key West, on hurry orders, a few hours after arrival in port from Provincetown, Mass. The battleships following the flagship were the Ohio, Missouri, Mississippi and Minnesota.

The gunboat Yankton accompanied the squadron to serve as a dispatch boat. The battleship Delaware of the First division remained in port all day, taking aboard its complement of marines and field equipment, and, together with the hospital ship Solace, was expected to sail during the night.

The flagship Washington and the battleships dropped anchor off the naval station at Tompkinsville, S. L., shortly after dawn, where they are believed to have received new orders, for at about 10 o'clock residents of the island heard the rattle of the great warships' anchor chains again and in half an hour the last of the five vessels had passed out to sea. It is understood that the battleships have on board several hundred marines and that by the time they reach Hampton Roads the battleships Georgia, New Jersey and Rhode Island of the Third division will be ready to join them on the trip south.

PROVINCES ASK PROTECTION

Cuban Government Unable to Furnish More Troops.

Santiago, Cuba, May 27.—Conditions in the province of Oriente continue to be extremely alarming. From all quarters petitions are pouring in for protection, which the government is unable to furnish because all available troops are now being concentrated for the purpose of surrounding the main bodies of the rebels under Generals Estenoz and Ivonet.

Troops under Colonel Machado had an engagement at Parral with the rebels, in which a number of negroes are reported to have been killed or wounded, the remainder being dispersed. A company of volunteers of Santiago exchanged shots in the outskirts of the city with a party of insurgents, whom they dispersed. At Tiguaboa, government forces under Captain Perry routed a band of insurgents, killing many.

No Aid Needed, Gomez Insists.

Havana, May 27.—President Gomez sent a cablegram to President Taft in which he protests in friendly but firm terms against intervention by the United States.

FIND SEAL OF CONFEDERACY

Richmond Men Get It and Will Put It in Public Building.

Richmond, Va., May 27.—The great seal of the Confederate States of America, the existence of which has been shrouded in mystery for nearly half a century, has been acquired by Eppa Hunton, Jr., William H. White and Thomas P. Bryan and brought back to Richmond, the old capital of the Confederate States of America.

After having been identified by the English makers, it is to be placed in perpetual custody of some public institution in Richmond for preservation.

The story of the removal of the seal from Richmond and its preservation through many years, with every person acquainted with its whereabouts pledged to secrecy by the most solemn Masonic oath, has been unearthed from the voluminous records of the library of congress in Washington, and the seal itself was located in possession of Rear Admiral Thomas O. Selfridge, U. S. N., retired, now living at Washington. He readily agreed to part with it for a consideration, expressing his approval of a plan for bringing it back to Richmond and its perpetual preservation in some suitable institution.

FIREMEN SET HOUSES AFIRE

Kentucky Department Chief and Two Aids Accused of Arson.

Somerset, Ky., May 27.—Indictments against Henry G. Waddle, Robert Warren, and John Dunn have been returned by the Pulaski county grand jury. These men are charged with burning and entering into a conspiracy with each other to burn property in Somerset.

Waddle is chief of both the police department and the fire department of Somerset, and the other men are policemen, who have also served as firemen. Marshal Bosworth says that Waddle, as the chief of the two departments, had an arrangement with the city of Somerset whereby he and the men under him in the fire department were to be allowed so much per run to fire instead of regular salaries, and that the conspiracy was hatched to increase their pay.

Bosworth says that upon investigation he found that there had recently been eighteen incendiary fires in Somerset.

IMPERATOR; CAPTAIN

World's Largest Ship, Bigger Than Titanic, Ready for the Water.



'Above, how Emperor will look when completed; below, Captain Hans Russen, who will command it.

ROWLAND ACQUITTAL DISCOURAGES STATE

Other Indicted Labor Leaders Will Not Have to Stand Trial.

Davenport, Ia., May 25.—With Clayton Rowland being found not guilty on the first ballot, following the disagreement of the jury in the Oliver C. Wilson case, the state is said to be somewhat discouraged in trying to convict the alleged conspirators in the Muscatine labor cases and it is probable that there will be no more trials. It took Rowland's jury but a short time to arrive at a conclusion. Conflicting statements of many of the important witnesses of the state is thought to have been responsible for the verdict.

The Oliver C. Wilson case is the only one which remains on the docket here, the charge against Emmet Flood of Chicago, national organizer for the American Federation of Labor, having been dismissed.

LOCUST ABOUT TO WAKE

Seventeen-Year Brand to Make Appearance in Few Days.

Des Moines, May 25.—The seventeen-year locust will awaken from his long sleep next week, according to Wesley Greene, state horticulturist.

Mr. Greene says he has turned up a number of the "locust pods" in spreading in the garden this week, and they will push their way through the ground within the next few days.

Mr. Greene, who is considered an authority on such questions, predicts the locusts this year will not be as thick as they were the last time. This will make the fourth breed of locusts Mr. Greene has studied. His first experience with locusts was in 1861. He says each succeeding breed has been smaller, and predicts it will not be a great many years before the locust is extinct in this section of the country. The greater the cultivation of the soil, the more rapid is the extinction of the locust, he says.

VIOLATE PURE FOOD LAW

Several Iowa Firms Are Hit by Agricultural Department Decisions.

Washington, May 25.—Notices of judgment in three Iowa cases under the pure food law were given out by the department of agriculture. In one case forty bags of dried apple chips shipped from John H. Leslie company of Chicago to A. A. Gelsler & Co. of Des Moines and in possession of the Northwestern road are condemned. A quantity of "Cream of Hops," in possession of Shelby C. Weaver of Colfax, Ia., and "Hop Tonic," in possession of Wilkinson Brothers of Blanchard, both found to contain alcohol, were condemned. Misbranded alfalfa meal was shipped from the Washington County Alfalfa Mixed Feed and Milling company, Fort Calhoun, Neb., to Iowa. The company pleaded guilty and was fined \$13 and costs.

Wilbur Wright, the noted aviator who has been near death with typhoid fever for several days, is in a much improved condition, according to word from his home at Dayton.