

CANAL BOARD NAMED

REORGANIZATION OF THE PANAMA COMMISSION.

Charles E. Magoon for Governor of the Zone—Engineer John F. Wallace Will Have Charge of Actual Work of Constructing Waterway.

Washington, April 4.—The president has carried out his plans for the reorganization of the isthmian canal commission as to personnel and business methods, generally on the lines of the legislation he suggested to congress at the last session, which failed in the crush of business in the closing hours. Secretary Taft made public the personnel of the new commission and the division of duties among them. Only one member of the old commission was reappointed, Mr. Benjamin M. Harrod. Otherwise the commission is new from top to bottom and there is considerable difference between the functions and pay of the commissioners. Finding he was obliged legally to appoint seven commissioners, the president did so, but he carried out his own plan by making three of them practically the commission. The other four, though bearing



JUDGE CHARLES E. MAGOON.

[Who will be governor of canal zone.] the title of commissioners, not only receive a much lower compensation, but are assigned much smaller fields of activity. The president also has carried out his scheme of dividing up the work of canal building among the commissioners, so that nominally acting as a body on stated occasions, each individual member would operate in a special field. The head of the commission is a trained railway man, chosen for his administrative abilities in the financial and purchasing field; the new governor of the zone is a lawyer, who also has had to do with state affairs; the engineer commissioner already is known for his abilities in the execution of the practical work of canal cutting. The other members of the commission are placed to comply with the law as to the number of the commission, but are men of high ability as hydraulic engineers. Secretary Taft told them that they were expected to show results and that is said to be the keynote for the president's action.

Personnel of Commission.

The personnel of the new canal commission is as follows: Theodore P. Shonts, chairman; Charles E. Magoon, governor of canal zone; John F. Wallace, chief engineer; Rear Admiral M. T. Endicott, U. S. N.; Brigadier General Peter C. Haines, U. S. A., retired; Colonel Oswald M. Ernst, corps engineers, U. S. A.; Benjamin M. Harrod.

The president has made an order allowing a salary of \$7,500, with traveling expenses, to each member of the commission, and to the chairman of the committee the additional compensation of \$22,500, to the chief engineer an additional compensation of \$17,500 and to the governor of the zone the additional compensation of \$10,000. The head of each department is allowed the use of a furnished house on the isthmus and his traveling expenses when traveling on the business of the commission. The total is \$102,500. The salaries and allowances under the former commission amounts to \$120,000.

After their induction into office and their consultation with Secretary Taft, the commissioners met in the office of Governor Magoon and had a brief talk over the reorganization plans. Under the president's order the actual headquarters of the commission will be in Panama, and there will probably be a considerable transfer of employes from Washington to that place, leaving here only a sufficient force to carry on the work of the administrative branch and to keep the duplicate accounts. Chairman Shonts, with Governor Magoon and Engineer Wallace, will spend most of his time in the zone.

Quit Work on Chicago Postoffice.

Chicago, April 4.—Work on the new postoffice building in this city is practically suspended on account of a strike of 150 members of the building trades employed in finishing work. They quit work in sympathy with the steam fitters, who struck last week be-

cause the place was not ready for them.

Teacher Katherine McGee ran into a car driven by a motorist after Mary Ann McGee, her juring sister, and Katherine McGee were on their way to the western section of the city, where they are engaged as teachers.

DUNNE WINS IN CHICAGO.

Democratic Candidate for Mayor Gets a Majority.

Chicago, April 5.—A political tornado overtook one of the most ruggedly fought campaigns in the country. In Chicago, the Republican party was defeated in a memorable effort to capture the majority of Chicago. As a direct result the city is officially committed to the policy of the quickest possible cessation of private franchises for public utilities. Municipal ownership is especially threatening street car lines, valued high in the millions.

After winning successively four remarkable biennial fights of independents against the regular Republican party organization, John Maynard Harlan, son of Associate Justice Harlan of the supreme court of the United States, was a loser as a public candidate for mayor. The defeat is attributed to an extraordinary whirl of causes, starting with political revenge and taking in a wide sweep, embracing the most up-to-date socialism as a factor. The victor is Judge Edward F. Dunne (Dem.).

Seldom, if ever, has Chicago witnessed a more lively, picturesque contest. The city was hideous with the ringing of cow bells and the roar of cannon crackers.

The Republican candidate suffered heavily from campaign attacks, charging that he was a political assassin. Alleged unworthy leaders of his own party, who had been thrust from office and power largely through Harlan's aggressiveness in previous campaigns, were conspicuously absent from his support.

Judge Dunne was elected by a plurality of 24,248 and received a majority of 945 of all the votes cast. He also had the distinction of receiving the greatest vote ever cast in Chicago for a candidate for the office of mayor. He was given 161,659 votes out of a total of 322,373. Mr. Harlan, the Republican candidate, received 137,411; Collins, the Socialist candidate, 20,323, and Stewart (Pro.), 2,980.

John F. Smulski, the Republican candidate for city attorney, was re-elected over his Democratic opponent by nearly 15,000 votes. The other candidates on the Democratic city ticket were elected by pluralities somewhat smaller than Judge Dunne. Frederick W. Blocki was elected city treasurer and Adrian C. Anson, city clerk. The new city council will probably be Republican.

Frank D. Comerford, who was expelled by the house of representatives in the present legislature for failure to sustain charges of bribery which he made against members, was re-elected in the Second district of Cook county.

ELECTION RESULTS IN KANSAS.

Democrats Carry Kansas City, Kan., and Leavenworth.

Kansas City, April 5.—Elections were held in the larger cities of Kansas. The Democrats carried Kansas City, Kan., and Leavenworth, this being a revolution and entirely unlooked for in each case. Topeka elected the Republican ticket.

William W. Rose (Dem.) was elected mayor of Kansas City, Kan., by probably 1,500 plurality, defeating the present Republican mayor, Thomas B. Gilbert, M. A. Waterman (Ind.) and W. J. Kelchner (Soc.). The election aroused more interest than any previous election in Kansas City, Kan., and it was notable because of the activity of women voters. Of a total registration of 18,000 voters, 5,000 were women, and the election of Rose is due to the women.

Leavenworth elected Peter Everhardy (Dem.) mayor by 200 majority over D. R. Anthony (Rep.).

Pinley Ross (Rep.) was elected mayor of Wichita by a large majority and the entire Republican ticket.

Elections in Colorado.

Denver, April 5.—Municipal elections were held in all cities and towns of Colorado, with the exception of Denver. At Colorado Springs, Henry C. Hall, Democrat and nonpartisan, was elected mayor. At Leadville the Republicans elected only two aldermen, less than a majority, the remainder of the offices going to the Democrats. John T. West (Dem.) was elected mayor of Pueblo by about 300 majority. The rest of the Democratic ticket was victorious by larger majorities. Cripple Creek and Victor went Republican. The Democrats were successful in the majority of towns where party lines were drawn.

Earthquake in India.

Lahore, April 5.—Shortly after 6 a. m. a succession of severe earthquake shocks were felt here. The damage was extensive. It was inferred that

there was considerable loss of life in the city, where many picturesque houses collapsed and parts of buildings crashed on small adjacent dwellings. The towers of the Golden mosque are reported to have fallen and Wazir Khan's mosque was badly cracked.

Promoter Francis Remanded.

Philadelphia, April 1.—On the testimony of two former employes of the defunct Storey Cotton company, Stanley Francis, accused of being one of the promoters and directors of the concern, was remanded for trial by United States Commissioner Craig, with bail fixed at \$50,000.

Close in St. Louis.

St. Louis, April 5.—With 100 precincts missing out of a total of 400 Mayor Wells, Democratic nominee, re-election, is leading John A. Taylor (Rep.) by 774. Neither side is claiming the victory by more than 1,000 plurality.

Cereal List Makes Prodigals.

Omaha, April 5.—Harry Williams and Harold ... who two weeks ago left their parents' home at Battle Creek, Mich., because they objected to cereal foods are confined in the city jail here.

Nebraska Legislature Adjourns.

Lincoln, April 3.—The legislature adjourned at midnight Saturday, after sending to the governor the Junkin anti-trust bill and the bill prohibiting the manufacture and sale of cigarettes. The anti-trust measure is designed to prevent conspiracies in restraint of trade and the giving or taking of rebates in shipping.

Prefers Death to School.

Lincoln, April 4.—Merle O'Brien, a boy fourteen years old, shot himself and probably will die. The last words he said were: "I don't want to go to school." The family moved here recently from York county, Nebraska, in order that the children might go to school. The father of the boy says Merle was homesick for the farm and the old home scenes and had been despondent for several days.

Fatal Quarrel at Butte.

Butte, Neb., March 31.—A quarrel begun at Butte between Myron Irwin and "Bob" Rumsey on one side and Robert Carins and his father on the other had its sequel across the Niobrara river in Holt county when Robert Carins was stabbed to death. It is charged Irwin killed him, while Rumsey assisted. The two escaped in a buggy. A posse of Carins' friends are in pursuit and threaten vengeance. A telephone message says Irwin and Rumsey have asked the sheriff to meet them at Stuart and they will surrender.

KILLED BY FLASHLIGHT.

Man Blown to Pieces While Taking Photograph of Omaha Saloon.

Omaha, April 1.—Albert Butler of Hannibal, Mo., was blown to pieces by an explosion of a flashlight apparatus in Levy's saloon. His face was blown away, all his fingers and one hand blown off and the body cut completely in two.

The man had prepared to take a flashlight picture of the saloon when suddenly there was a terrific explosion and fragments of the man's body were hurled in all directions. The saloon is a total wreck. All the windows were blown out and the interior is a mass of ruins.

William A. Murray of the Nebraska Telephone company was badly cut about the face. The walls of the saloon are so badly cracked that it is feared the building will collapse.

WORKED MAILS AND MALES.

Woman in Insane Asylum Gets Money and Jewelry by Smooth Scheme.

Omaha, April 1.—Postoffice inspectors have been investigating a peculiar case of using the United States mails with the purpose to defraud, in which a woman patient at the Lincoln hospital for the insane is the central figure. The woman has gathered in a collection of fifteen or twenty gold rings, varying in value from \$2 to \$20, about \$75 in cash and 200 or more dollars in value of varied articles of feminine adornment.

The woman is the wife of a prominent citizen of Antelope county. She has since her incarceration become a member of a matrimonial bureau at Denver, the purpose of the school being to bring people of matrimonial inclinations into correspondence. As there happens to be no special restrictions upon the correspondence of patients at the asylum, the woman had full sway in her missives. She has engaged herself to a score or more of men in different parts of the country. Inasmuch as the woman is insane, she cannot be prosecuted.

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