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MISSOURI AND MARYLAND GO FOR REPUBLICAN.

Roosevelt's Plurality 'Greatest Ever Given a Candidate. The Solid South Broken.

New York, Nov. 9.—With the election returns still incomplete, the plurality of President Roosevelt in the nation, according to all indications tonight, will exceed 1,500,000—the greatest plurality ever given an American candidate. The nearest approach to this in 1896, when McKinley received a plurality approximating 850,000 and in 1872 when Grant received 762,991 plurality.

Tonight the interest centres in Missouri and Maryland. Late returns indicate that the former State is in the Republican column so far as presidential electors are concerned, but that Jos. W. Folk, the Democratic candidate, has been elected governor. In Maryland the presidential vote will probably be cast for President Roosevelt. Late returns tonight indicate that Thomas A. Smith (Dem.) has been elected to congress in the first district by 450 plurality. Congressman Jackson of this district, tonight, however, puts forward a claim of trick ballots and fraud and says he will contest the election.

In the other States it is simply a question of pluralities.

The "solid truth" was broken by the probable defection of Missouri—this section of the country usually having 13 States in the Democratic column. The figures tonight show but 12 States with 133 votes for Judge Parker.

President Roosevelt carried all the northern States—swept them in fact—and tonight he had 345 electoral votes. The banner State is Pennsylvania. Twenty-four hours after the polls closed the returns from this State indicate that Roosevelt's plurality would reach 485,000. Next came Illinois, where the president polled approximately 225,000 more votes than did Judge Parker. Ohio gave Roosevelt 200,000 and New York 174,000.

The New York city returns are still incomplete but the amazement over the result has not subsided. Judge Parker carried Greater New York by only 41,000 votes.

In general the situation is chiefly interesting tonight because of the fact that the tickets in many of the States were cut. President Roosevelt ran ahead of his ticket in many localities, notably in Massachusetts, where he secured a plurality of 86,000 votes, while the Republican candidate for governor was defeated by 35,000. In that State the legislature is Republican and the entire Republican ticket, with the exception of governor, was elected. In Missouri circumstances are similar.

In Nebraska the definite announcement that the legislature is Republican disposes of the statement that William J. Bryan had aspirations for a United States senatorship. In that State, too, the governorship is in doubt, and it will require official returns to determine who is elected. Both sides claim a victory.

There is a curious situation in Minnesota where Roosevelt secured 125,000 plurality, but where a Democratic governor and a Republican lieutenant governor were elected. The election of a Democratic governor is the second in the history of the State.

Chairman Babcock of the Republican congressional committee has been returned to congress from Wisconsin but Chairman Cowherd of the Democratic congressional committee was defeated in Missouri.

The situation in Colorado presented an interesting phase tonight. Roosevelt has carried the State by probably 150,000, but the governorship is still in doubt, both sides claiming a victory.

The following table shows the approximate pluralities in the various States:

State	Parker	Roosevelt
Alabama	75,000	—
Arkansas	30,000	—
California	100,000	—
Colorado	150,000	—
Connecticut	38,000	—
Delaware	4,000	—
Georgia	65,000	—
Florida	20,000	—
Idaho	—	25,000
Illinois	—	235,000
Indiana	—	75,000
Iowa	—	130,000
Kansas	—	100,000
Kentucky	14,000	—
Louisiana	35,000	—
Maine	—	35,000
Maryland	—	86,000
Massachusetts	—	150,000
Michigan	—	155,000
Minnesota	—	50,000
Mississippi	—	10,000
Missouri	—	10,000
Montana	—	10,000
Nebraska	—	2,000
Nevada	—	2,000
New Hampshire	—	20,000
New Jersey	—	70,000
New York	—	174,000
North Carolina	—	50,000
North Dakota	—	20,000
Ohio	—	200,000

State	Electors	Population
Oregon	—	40,000
Pennsylvania	—	485,000
Rhode Island	—	16,000
South Carolina	50,000	40,000
South Dakota	—	40,000
Tennessee	20,000	—
Texas	100,000	—
Utah	—	12,000
Vermont	—	30,000
Virginia	25,000	—
Washington	—	30,000
West Virginia	—	20,000
Wisconsin	—	60,000
Wyoming	—	5,000
Totals	534,000	2,527,000

The following table shows the electoral vote:
ROOSEVELT AND FAIRBANKS.
Colorado 5
California 10
Connecticut 7
Delaware 3
Idaho 3
Illinois 27
Indiana 15
Iowa 13
Kansas 6
Maine 6
Maryland 10
Massachusetts 14
Michigan 16
Minnesota 11
Missouri 11
Montana 3
New Jersey 12
New York 33
Nebraska 8
New Hampshire 4
Nevada 3
New York 39
North Dakota 3
Ohio 23
Oregon 4
Pennsylvania 34
Rhode Island 4
South Dakota 3
Utah 3
Vermont 3
West Virginia 4
Washington 13
Wisconsin 15
Wyoming 3

PARKER AND DAVIS.

Alabama	11
Arkansas	9
Florida	5
Georgia	13
Kentucky	13
Louisiana	10
Mississippi	10
North Carolina	12
South Carolina	9
Tennessee	12
Texas	18
Virginia	12
Total	133

Helena, Montana, Nov. 12.—Returns up to midnight indicate that Roosevelt's plurality in this state is not less than 12,000.

THE CONGRESSIONAL MAJORITY.

The Republicans Will Have More Than One Hundred Majority With House.

Washington, Nov. 10.—The Republican majority in the next House of Representatives will probably reach a hundred or more. The indications today are two hundred and forty-four Republican congressmen against hundred and forty-two Democrats.

The Republicans gained seats in the House in the following states: California 3; Delaware 1; Illinois 7; Indiana 2; Iowa 1; Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, each 1; Missouri 1; New Jersey 2; New York 6; Ohio 3; Pennsylvania 3.

Folk of Missouri Safe.

St. Louis, Nov. 10.—Missouri returns show that Folk has been elected Governor by a majority of over 40,000 and the indications are that Roosevelt carried the State by 4,000.

\$50,000 FIRE IN JOHNSTON.

Principal Business Block Totally Destroyed This Afternoon.

Columbia, Nov. 10.—A \$50,000 fire occurred at Johnston this afternoon, one of the principal business blocks of the Edgefield town being wiped out of the map. The fire started at 1 o'clock in a two story building occupied by J. P. Duncan, the building and household effects being totally destroyed. A stiff breeze communicated the flames to adjoining buildings with the result that these places of business were destroyed: L. P. Gibson, butcher, J. M. Hill, meat market, Laura Hill, restaurant, D. C. Edwards, groceries and hardware, W. H. Woodward, groceries, J. P. Derrick, groceries, C. A. Mobley, musical instruments.

Very little of any of the stocks were saved, so rapidly did the flames spread, and there was practically no insurance on either the stocks or the buildings.

A LANDSLIDE IN GREENVILLE.

Greenville, Nov. 8.—J. W. Walker, who ran as an independent for supervisor against J. E. Speegle, named by the county Democratic committee, wins by the handsome majority of 800.

In twenty-nine boxes heard from, Walker received 1,291, against 725 for Speegle. The independent candidate, who claimed that he was the real nominee of the party, beat Speegle at every precinct except two. It was a perfect Walker landslide, in spite of the telegram from Senator Tillman advising the people to vote for Speegle. Impossible to obtain any idea of vote for State and Federal offices or electors. Few Republican votes polled. Constitutional amendments all carried here, though the vote was slim. Many people, both white and colored, were turned away from polls, because of no registration certificates or were defective.

RUSSIA NOT READY FOR PEACE.

Unofficial Suggestion From Japan That War be Settled by Arbitration Rejected.

Japan Will Not Repeat the Offer and War Will Continue to a Finish Unless Neutral Powers Interfere.

Tokyo, Nov. 10.—It is reported that General Stoessel, in command of the Russian troops in Port Arthur has asked for an armistice. The purpose of his request is not stated. The Japanese are said to have been inflamed by the Russian abuse of Japanese wounded and it is therefore hoped that Gen. Stoessel will capitulate to prevent the Japanese troops from avenging these reported indignities.

Mine Kills Six Hundred Russians.

Chefoo, Nov. 6.—A shell on November 6th demolished a land mine at one of the Port Arthur forts, and between six and seven hundred Russians were killed or wounded.

Another Assault Planned on Port Arthur.

Rome, Nov. 10.—A dispatch to the Gornale Di Roma from Tokyo says the bombardment of Port Arthur by the Japanese under Admiral Nozi is proceeding without interruption. The report adds that plans are on foot for fresh general assault.

London, Nov. 10, 4.45 p. m.—Japan unofficially has made representations to Russia looking to peace. This action has resulted in failure and such representations, even privately, are not likely to be repeated by Japan.

Although the suggestion of a pacific settlement was made unofficially it actually had behind it all the weight of an offer by the Japanese government. It was made direct to Russia. No power acted as an intermediary. The proposition was put forward tentatively and unofficially, so that the Japanese government would be in position to deny any report that it was suing for peace. The failure of these direct negotiations, however, resulted in bringing intervention within a measurable distance. Foreign Secretary Lansdowne's plea for arbitration yesterday evening at the Guild hall banquet is taken here to be a pointed suggestion to the United States and France that the time is approaching when the powers must take some action. It can be definitely stated that Lord Lansdowne made his speech with full knowledge that Japan will not present a proposition looking to peace from the three powers (the United States, France and Great Britain). There is a definite impression here that the initiative will come from President Roosevelt though the action would be joint.

In an interview regarding the foregoing, Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister, said:

"I should not be surprised to see the three powers named, or two of them, take the action suggested. Exactly upon what basis of a settlement peace could be secured it is at present impossible to see, but there is not the slightest doubt that combined representations, especially if led by President Roosevelt, would have a far reaching result between two countries one of which was thoroughly defeated. It is comparatively easy to make peace in this case, as neither side is thoroughly defeated yet. The prospects for the success of friendly intervention have vastly increased. Since the commencement of the war the two nations now respect each other to a degree never dreamed of before they met in battle. That mutual respect is the most hopeful factor for peace. Japan does not want to go on fighting forever. Yet, even with all the victories won during this war, her statesmen would render themselves liable to be most seriously misunderstood, especially in Russia, if they openly suggested in the name of humanity some method whereby the war could be stopped. It would be altogether different, however, at this stage of the war, should a friendly offer, prompted by that sense of humanity which Japan cannot voice for fear of being misunderstood, emanate from the United States and Great Britain, but nothing can be done until the fall of Port Arthur."

Rome, Nov. 11.—The Tokio correspondent of the newspaper Messagero wires that a report has reached there that Port Arthur has capitulated.

The Agenzia Libera, also, has a dispatch from Chefoo stating that a messenger from General Stoessel, in command of the Russian forces at Port Arthur, has arrived at the Japanese headquarters. It is believed that his purpose is to ascertain what conditions the Japanese will impose should the Russians surrender Port Arthur.

News Not Officially Confirmed.

London, Nov. 11.—Several reports from private and press sources are current this morning that Port Arthur has fallen. No official confirmation has been received, however, and Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister, says he has received no intimation that such an event has occurred.

Protests Against Breach of Neutrality.

Birmingham, Eng., Nov. 11.—The Post bears that the Japanese government considers the permission granted the Russian Baltic fleet to coal at neutral ports a serious breach of neutrality. The Mikado's government, that paper says, has communicated in strong terms with several European governments in reference to this matter.

Reported Fall of Port Arthur Discredited.

Washington, Nov. 11.—The Japanese Legation has received no news from Tokio this morning corroborating the report of the capitulation of General Stoessel at Port Arthur. It is stated that advices of such an event will be cabled here immediately upon receipt of official news at Tokio.

Russians Win a Night Fight.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 11.—Lieut. General Sakharoff today reports a minor Russian success during last night. The contending forces in the fight were not large. The Japanese after a fight were driven from the town of Erthaitzi.

London, Nov. 12.—The possibility of immediate peace in the far East, which has been reported in all parts of the world, is not optimistically received in diplomatic circles. It is considered unlikely that either of the belligerents is desirous of quitting the conflict. This is thought to be especially true in the case of the Japanese, who are naturally anxious to secure Port Arthur before considering peace. It would cause great surprise in official circles if an offer of mediation should be accepted before the end of the winter, when it is expected the relative gains and losses of each will be clearly defined and a good basis for a peace settlement would be obtainable. On the other hand, as diplomats pointed out to your correspondent this morning, there is always the possibility of unexpected happenings.

Rome, Nov. 12.—A telegram from Crete states that a battleship, two cruisers and several torpedo boats of the Baltic fleet have but in there in need of repairs. This will probably further delay the departure of the fleet. The telegram adds that officers of the fleet state that they have been informed that the Japanese have arranged to attack the fleet in the Red Sea.

BLOW AT THE RUM MACHINE.

Cherokee Coured the Cost Before She Struck.

Columbia, Nov. 10.—The voters of Cherokee County, when they voted the dispensary out, were fully advised of the money cost and what money they would have to raise by taxation to meet the money losses. In the settlement just had the county received \$10,688.41 in profits. Of this amount \$5,119.77 went to the cities and an equal amount to the county, and there is a balance unexpended amounting to \$420. In addition to this Cherokee County has received during the year \$3,170.93 from the dispensary funds for school purposes, and it will get its share of the undivided fund in the State treasury.

The levy for ordinary county purposes in Cherokee County is the lowest in the State, one mill, and this will have to be at least doubled, it is figured by Comptroller General Jones, to meet the losses from the dispensary payments.

The people of Cherokee, however, have figured that for every dollar they get through the dispensary they spend ten dollars with the dispensary, and that with the dispensaries closed there will be but little money spent for liquor, and that the difference that will be saved will result in a great net economy to the county.

There is a clause in the Brice bill—the "cracker" that was put no it by the dispensary advocates which says that any county voting out dispensaries shall not participate in the surplus from the dispensary profits going to the schools. The statute allows the deficiency fund, that is fully covered by the constitution, to be paid, but states that, after the deficiency is made up, the surplus fund shall not be divided among counties that have voted dispensaries out.

There are some people, however, who hold that under the provisions of the Constitution the non-dispensary counties cannot be deprived of this surplus, and there is likely to be an issue made on this point in the courts. At all events it is claimed that Cherokee County cannot be kept out of the profits that have been accumulated for the schools while Cherokee County had its dispensaries and much of which is still unpaid to the schools, and is largely represented by stock in the State and county dispensaries.

The vote in Cherokee County—five to one—against the dispensary has proven an utter surprise to people here who are interested in the dispensary situation. The advocates and friends of the system are very much worried by this marked verdict of the voters of Cherokee, and do not quite understand what it may lead to. The action in Cherokee may lead to a State contest and utterly shatter the hopes of the advocates of prohibition. County action is the strong card for the prohibitionists to play for a good while yet.

A Heavy Load.

To lift that load off of the stomach take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. It digests what you eat. Sour stomach, belching, gas on stomach and all disorders of the stomach that are curable, are instantly relieved and permanently cured by the use of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. S. P. Storrs, a druggist at 207 Main street, New Britain, Conn., says: "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is giving such universal satisfaction and is so surely becoming the positive relief and subsequent cure for this distressing ailment, I feel that I am always sure to satisfy and gratify my customers by recommending it to them. I write this to show how well the remedy is spoken of here." Kodol Dyspepsia Cure was discovered after years of scientific experiments and will positively cure all stomach troubles. Sold by O. B. Davis.

A MAN HUNT IN WEST VIRGINIA.

Another Feud Has Broken Out in Fayette County—Jackson Clan Kill Two Officers.

Huntington, W. Va., Nov. 11.—What promises to be one of the hardest fought battles in the history of feud-ridden Fayette county is imminent in the mountains south of Montgomery, where an armed posse of two hundred men are believed to have surrounded Harvey Jackson and two brothers, who are wanted for the murder of Sheriff Daniels, and John Rolf on Thursday. The Jacksons are known to have two Winchesters and several revolvers apiece and they are not expected to be taken alive as they know, if caught, they will be lynched. Owing to the inaccessibility of the county it is hard to get news. The whole country side is worked up to fever pitch. The whole trouble grows out of the murder of Constable W. A. Jackson, by Policeman Elliott, following an argument Wednesday night. Hearing of the murder his brother, Harvey Jackson, and two brothers started to clean out the entire police force of Montgomery. They killed Sheriff Daniels and also Rolf, who defended Daniels. They then took to the mountains.

A DISPENSARY MURDER.

Two Constables Kill Each Other Near Eastover in a Drunken Fight Over an Overcoat.

Columbia, Nov. 9.—News was received here tonight of a double killing at Eastover, in the lower part of this county, the participants being Dispensary Constables R. L. Irby and S. A. Phillips. According to the report received here the two men quarrelled over an overcoat and both produced pistols, firing together. Phillips was instantly killed and Irby lived for about an hour. Both were believed to be under the influence of whiskey.

As soon as Chief Constable Hammet heard of the killing he notified Coroner Green, who directed that the bodies be taken charge of by Magistrate Wertz, who lives in the neighborhood. The men had gone down to Eastover on their regular round of inspection of the district, and their quarrel was purely a personal one, in which the dispensary played no part.

The tragic part of the whole matter is that S. A. Phillips came from Eastover and was killed within a few rods of the home where he was born, and dies leaving a wife and two children. He had been on the force about eighteen months and was appointed by the Governor after being highly recommended by leading citizens of Richland County.

R. L. Irby was from Laurens county and was a nephew of the late Senator Irby. He had been on the constabulary force about seven years. Chief Hammet said tonight that he was one of the best dispensary constables in the State, and the best in this district. He was married and leaves a wife and one child. Chief Hammet regrets the tragedy very much, and said tonight that if the men were drinking it was in direct violation of the orders issued the force.

WILL RAISE BEEF CATTLE.

State Hospital For the Insane Believes in Local Production.

Columbia, Nov. 11.—At the regular monthly meeting of the board of regents of the State Hospital for the Insane yesterday it was decided to raise for consumption as many beef cattle and hogs as is consistent with the needs of the institution. For the present the beef contract has been divided between Pope and Heriot, local butchers.

Capt. Ireddell Jones of Rock Hill, who has been a member of the board of regents for 18 years and has seen the development of the institution in that time, said last night that the people of the south are getting tired of depending upon St. Louis for beef. The movement to buy cattle on the hoof and to feed them for slaughter has become quite general throughout the south and he is satisfied that the State Hospital can fatten its beef cattle at two-thirds of the cost of buying from the markets.

It is also the purpose of the board of regents to raise for use in the hospital a large number of hogs. There is a lot of offal matter on the farms which can be used to fatten hogs, and it is the purpose of the board to use everything for some purpose.

A Runaway Bicycle

Terminated with an ugly cut on the leg of J. B. Orner, Franklin Grove, Ill. It developed a stubborn ulcer unyielding to doctors and remedies for four years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured. It's just as good for burns, scalds, skin eruptions and piles. 25c. at J. K. W. DeLorme's drug store.

Not a Sick Day Since.

"I was taken severely sick with kidney trouble. I tried all sorts of medicines, none of which relieved me. One day I saw an ad. of your Electric Bitters and determined to try that. After taking a few doses I felt relieved and soon thereafter was entirely cured and have not seen a sick day since. Neighbors of mine have been cured of rheumatism, neuralgia, liver and kidney troubles and general debility. This is what B. F. Bass of Fremont, N. C. writes. Only 50c. at J. F. W. DeLorme, Druggist.

A MATTER OF HEALTH

ROYAL BAKING POWDER
Absolutely Pure
HAS NO SUBSTITUTE

ANOTHER WHITE MAN SENTENCED TO DEATH.

Earl Rochester to be Hanged at Walhalla on January 6th.

Walhalla, Nov. 10.—Judge McCulloch today at noon sentenced Earl Rochester to be hanged January 6th next. A motion for a new trial was overruled.

The scene in the court room was a most solemn one, when a young man of fine family received his death sentence for murdering his neighbor, whose family is equally as prominent.

Before sentence was pronounced Rochester made a long statement, narrating the circumstances that led up to the killing of Mills. He said he was goaded into the killing by threats and insults.

Evidence showed that Mills was not armed when he was killed, only a small knife, a pipe and a piece of tobacco being found on his person.

Gen. Grippenberg Dies of Apoplexy.

London, Nov. 11.—A telegram from St. Petersburg states that General Grippenberg, who was recently appointed to command the second Manchurian army, died suddenly of apoplexy today.

Mothers Praise It.

Mothers everywhere praise One Minute Cough Cure for the sufferings it has relieved and the lives of their ones it has saved. A certain cure for coughs, croup and whooping cough. A. L. Spafford, Postmaster of Chester, Mich., says: "Our little girl was unconscious from strangulation during a sudden and terrible attack of croup. One Minute Cough Cure quickly relieved and cured her and I cannot praise it too highly." One Minute Cough Cure relieves coughs, makes breathing easy, cuts out phlegm, draws out inflammation, and removes every cause of a cough and strain on lungs. Sold by O. B. Davis.

Worse Every Year.

Plenty of Sumter Readers Have the Same Experience.

Don't neglect an aching back. It will get worse every year. Backache is really kidney ache. To cure the back you must cure the kidneys. If you don't, other kidneys will follow. Urinary troubles, diabetes, Bright's disease. A Sumter citizen tells you how the cure is easy.

B. A. Betts, well-known farmer, living two miles north east of Sumter, says: "I believe Doan's Kidney Pills which I procured at Dr. A. J. China's drug store are a good kidney remedy. For a number of years I had a hard time with my back and every cold I caught settled in my back and the pain felt just like rheumatism and would just lay me up. I could not sit for any length of time in one position or attempt to turn over in bed without the sharp pain striking me and making me yell right out and I had to take hold of something to support me when I got out of bed. The kidney secretions were irregular, unnatural and at night too frequent in action. I used lots of remedies and took doctors' medicine but was just the same after I used them as before. I was told about Doan's Kidney Pills curing other people so I went and got them. They helped me immediately and since then the pain has left me, my back is strong and the kidney secretions do not bother me. My health is greatly improved in every way and I give Doan's Kidney Pills the credit."

For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Indigestion Causes Catarrh of the Stomach.

For many years it has been supposed that Catarrh of the Stomach caused indigestion and dyspepsia, but the truth is exactly the opposite. Indigestion causes catarrh. Repeated attacks of indigestion inflame the mucous membranes lining the stomach and exposes the nerves of the stomach, thus causing the glands to secrete mucus instead of the juices of natural digestion. This is called Catarrh of the Stomach.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

relieves all inflammation of the mucous membranes lining the stomach, protects the nerves, and cures bad eating, sour risings, a sense of fullness after eating, indigestion, dyspepsia and all stomach troubles.

Kodol Digests What You Eat
Make the Stomach Sweet.
Bottles only. Regular size, \$1.00, holding 2 1/2 times the trial size, which sells for 50 cents.
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For sale by Olin B. Davis.