

BITTER BATTLE AT POLLS OVER COUNCIL SEATS

Independents Conducting a Vigorous, Well Organized Fight

HAVE COMPLETE TICKET

Factional Breaks in Organization Ranks Aid Reformers in Some Wards

The most bitter fight at the primary election today is over the nominations for Council in 47 wards.

The independents have a complete councilman ticket in the field, and in every ward they are distinguished by their vigor.

Candidates from every ward except the 4th, recently created, are being nominated today.

There are more than 350 candidates for both branches of Council, and many of them have their names on more than one ticket.

No matter which way today's councilmanic fight goes, however, the next Council will be noticeable for the absence of former leaders.

John P. Connelly, who is chairman of the powerful Finance Committee, is the organization candidate for City Solicitor.

The independent leader in Councils, Robert D. Dripps, of the 23d Ward, also will be replaced.

HOSIERY PRICES MAY RISE, MAKERS SAY

Manufacturers Assert Situation Is Becoming Serious Because of the War

The American people will, in all probability, have to pay more for their stockings in the near future.

Not only will Americans have to pay more for their stockings, but if things keep up, they may have to be satisfied with white socks.

There is no hope for a solution of the situation, in the opinion of the manufacturers, even if the war should end.

American hosiery manufacturers find themselves up against it. So serious is the situation because that a special meeting of the National Association of Hosiery and Underwear Manufacturers was held this afternoon in the Manufacturers' Club.

Enormous prices have been paid for dyestuffs by manufacturers. It was pointed out at the meeting, one manufacturer said, that it is not unusual to pay \$3 a pound.

Blame for the present condition was placed upon the American manufacturers of the American Government, which, he said, had not taken a proper interest in the situation.

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MAYORALTY CANDIDATES CASTING BALLOTS IN PRIMARY ELECTION



The upper picture shows Thomas B. Smith voting at Broad and Cumberland streets. Below, at left, Colonel Sheldon Potter appears dropping his ballot at Haines street and Germantown avenue, while George D. Porter is shown at the right voting at Haines street and Wayne avenue.

PORTER, POTTER, SMITH CONFIDENT OF VICTORY

Candidates Cheerful and Express Belief That They Will Win at Polls

Each of the candidates for the mayoralty today indicated that he was confident of victory when voting at the polls.

Optimism was stamped clearly on the face of the candidates as they cast their ballots. "Good morning" to the men at the polling place in the 4th division of the 23d Ward, at 255 East Haines street.

"Yes," said the cop. "It will be very gloomy," added Mr. Perry, "for some folks." The Director said he felt sanguine of victory and predicted that he would poll a big vote on the Republican ticket.

Mr. Smith said he felt supremely confident a great sweep was in store for the Republican cause because of the way members of the party have returned to the ranks.

"I think I do not know much about affairs in the Washington party," understood Mr. Porter is supported well by that organization.

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QUICK NEWS

DUMBA'S SUCCESSOR SAID TO BE PICKED LONDON, Sept. 21.—A dispatch from Budapest says that Vienna advises report Ambassador Dumba's successor has been selected and his appointment will be announced immediately.

BRITISH WARPLANE SHOT TO EARTH AT ST. QUENTIN BERLIN, Sept. 21.—A British aeroplane was shot to earth west of St. Quentin by a German aviator. It was officially announced today.

225 MINERS ENTOMBED IN ENGLAND; 10 KILLED NUNEATON, Eng., Sept. 21.—Four hundred miners were entombed by an explosion early today in the pit head of the Exhall colliery.

BRAZIL THANKS U. S.; FAVORS WILSON POLICY WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—President Gomez of Brazil has sent a lengthy cablegram of appreciation to President Wilson expressing the thanks of the Brazilian people for the honors paid the Brazilian Minister to Mexico.

PENNSYLVANIA AND ERIE RAILROADS DRAWN INTO STRIKE JERSEY CITY, N. J., Sept. 21.—The Pennsylvania and Erie Railroads were drawn into the freight handlers' strike today.

CZAR'S GENERALSHIP CRITICISED BY LONDON TIMES LONDON, Sept. 21.—The Russian czar has not been so successful in his army leadership as the deposed Grand Duke, the military critic of the Times hints today in discussing the possibility that the Russians in the Vilna region may be unable to escape from Von Hindenburg's trap.

TURKS RUSH REINFORCEMENTS TO DARDANELLES ATHENS, Sept. 21.—The Turks are rushing more reinforcements to the Dardanelles, expecting a renewal of the Anglo-French offensive.

PRESIDENT WILSON WILL SEE W. J. BRYAN WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—President Wilson will see W. J. Bryan at noon Wednesday it was announced at the White House today.

A. F. OF L. WILL URGE CARRANZA RECOGNITION WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—The Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor today authorized President Gompers to draft a statement on behalf of the federation urging the recognition of the Carranza Government.

ZEPPELIN RAIDER'S BODY FOUND IN ENGLAND LONDON, Sept. 21.—One of the crew of one of the Zeppelins that recently raided London fell or was blown from the airship by shrapnel, according to the Daily Express, which reported today that the German's body had been found on English soil.

MUNITIONS-MAKING FIRM GRANTS 8-HOUR DAY BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 21.—The demand of the machinists and pattern-makers at the Puole Manufacturing Company for an eight-hour work day has been granted.

POPE INTERCEDES FOR INVADERS POLAND ROME, Sept. 21.—As the occupation of Russian Poland by the Austro-Germans becomes firmer, the action of the Pope to obtain from the invaders recognition of the rights of the Poles becomes more insistent.

RUSSIAN ARMY ESCAPES TEUTON TRAP AT VILNA

Continued from Page One That the situation at Dvinsk is critical. This fortress forms part of the third line of Russian defense, the first and second being, respectively, the Vistula and Bug forts, all of which are now in German hands.

GERMANS DASH ON MINSK TO CUT OFF SLAV VILNA ARMY BERLIN, Sept. 21.—German troops are now moving rapidly eastward toward Minsk to cut off the means of escape from its only means of escape from the Russian front.

HEAVY PRIMARY VOTE SETTING NEW RECORD Continued from Page One

HEAVY IN THIRTY-SECOND. In the Northeast the vote is average with the exception of the 32d Ward, where it is heavy, owing to the presence of between Jerry H. Shaw and William Minter, both candidates for Council.

BIG DOWNTOWN VOTE. In the 10th division of the 30th Ward there were 63 votes cast by 11:30 o'clock out of 232. In the 11th division of the same ward the figures were 39 out of 222.

LIGHT IN 1ST. Voting was light in the 1st Ward during the early hours. Watchers in the 13th, 14th, 15th and 30th divisions reported that the Republican candidates were the favorites.

IN WEST PHILADELPHIA. In West Philadelphia there were some record-breaking figures. The 19th division of the 24th Ward (23rd street and Locust avenue) put out the largest division vote of the city up to 11 o'clock.

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VARE AND McNICHO MEN IN FIERCE FIGHT OVER COURT PLACE

Factions at Each Other's Throats in Judiciary Contest. McCurdy Victory Predicted

RYAN LEADS BATTLE City Solicitor and Judge Dougherty Offer Strongest Opposition to Opponents

The Vare and McNichol factions of the Republican Organization are at each other's throats today, in a bitter fight to nominate the candidates for Judge of the Orphans' Court.

The Vare forces, assisted by several individual ward leaders, are backing George McCurdy, president of Common Council, while the McNichol followers are all voting for Judge Morris Dallett, the incumbent.

Orders went out to the two camps late tonight. Their fight to nominate McCurdy, the Vares have lined up with them David H. Lane, David Martin and Edward W. Patton, besides all of their own ward leaders, except Henry J. Trainer, of the 3d Ward, who is supporting Dallett.

The Vares and other leaders who are supporting McCurdy are doing so because they had pledged him their support when the Organization leaders decided to back McCurdy and, at Dave Lane's request, threw down Judge Dallett. Strong pressure has been brought to bear on Judge Dallett's behalf, however, and caused McNichol finally to support him.

The names of all the judiciary candidates for the Superior Court, the Common Pleas Court, the Orphans' Court and the Municipal Court are printed upon a separate primary election ballot, known as the "nonpartisan" ballot, for today's election.

Interest in the judicial fight today centers chiefly about the contest for the two places in the Common Pleas Court No. 2, and the four judges of the Orphans' Court. In spite of the nonpartisan law, designed to take the judiciary election out of party politics, the Republican Organization has a strong interest in the contest.

There are 14 candidates in all running for these two places. Of these, however, it is expected that Frederick S. Michel, J. Ryan, Joseph P. Rogers and Webster Dougherty will offer the strongest opposition to the slated candidates.

In Common Pleas Court No. 1 the nomination of present Judge William H. Shoemaker, who was recently appointed by Governor Pennypacker, is believed to be a foregone conclusion. The other candidates for these places are Edwin M. Abbott, Robert F. Bonner, Francis S. Clark, Emanuel Kline, Evan B. Lewis, Joshua Rogers, Horace Stern and Harry A. Walther.

Judge Thomas D. Finletter is expected to be elected to succeed himself in Common Pleas Court No. 4. As there is only one candidate opposing Judge Finletter, Louis Wittenberg, it is believed that Judge Finletter will receive more than 50 per cent of the votes cast at today's election.

While there are eight candidates for one vacancy in the Municipal Court, it is believed that Judge Raymond MacNell will lead by a large majority. The other candidates are Patrick P. Conway, S. Walker Foulkrod, Lawrence C. Hickman, Harvey McCool, Herman T. Waller, Henry John Nelson and William C. Stever.

The three candidates who are expected to lead for the Superior Court are present Judge Finletter, Judge George B. Orndy, of Huntingdon County, and J. Henry Williams, of this city. The other candidates are Stephen Howard Husek, Charles Palmer and William D. Waller, who is making a vigorous contest against J. Henry Williams.

Final Opinion in Street Paving Case Reserved Decision was reserved today by Judges Audendore, Cane and Finletter in an effort to determine the liability of the Rapid Transit Company for the paving of streets.

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Niagara Falls ROUND \$12.00 TRIP September 24, October 8 SPECIAL TRAIN LEAVES Philadelphia, Broad St. Sta., 8:10 A. M. West Philadelphia, 8:20 A. M. 1st Parlor Car, Dining Car, Day Coach, via Pottsville, Susquehanna Falls. These good for FIFTEEN DAYS. Round-trip tickets and baggage. Returning illustrated booklet of Niagara Falls, N. Y.