## CLOSE ELECTION. SEERS FORECAST WITH ISSUE NEAR

"Unbranded" Voters Will Decide the Day, Say Party Leaders

BAST IS REPUBLICAN

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NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Muddled as never
before in American political history, the
great national political campaign of 1916
entered its last two weeks today.

The outcome will be close. That is one
of the certainties gleaned from conversation with the men who manage the fight
in the two big headquarters here. Natturally, each claims victory. But in private
conversation they assert that for the first
time in the history of the nation the "unbranded" voters of the country actually
hold the decision in their hands.

Former Justice Charles E. Hughes, the
Republican "nomines, tonight resumes his
open campaign. He will be busy from now
until the curtain rolls down on the eve of
the election. Personally he is supremely
confident.

HUGHES'S ESTIMATE

Mr. Hughes feels certain that he will win. His argument, as submitted to the few persons who are in his confidence, runs about as follows:

The country is Republican. The fight this year is between only two parties. If there is any popular drift toward wilson it will not be sufficient to change the result. The Republican electors will be in a majority and they will win the so-called pivotal States by small—possibly extremely small—pluralties. But they will win!

will win!

At Shadow Lawn President Wilson, with the confidential predictions of his closust political advisers before him, maintains a quiet equanimity. He believes that the "Wilson lucky star" still is in the ascendency. He has been convinced for weeks that the twin slogans, "He Kept Us Out of War" and "Let Well Enough Alone," will be effective on the men who will decide. And he is convinced that, while he will very likely lose certain States that under ordinary circumstances he could count on—and one of these may be his home State—he will pull such support from the Republican strongholds as absolutely to assure his re-election.

### EAST IS REPUBLICAN

Swinging down the home stretch it was today even emphatically more apparent that political opinion was still far from crystallising. Most of the East seems certainly Republican. The Democrats admit that they made a tactical error in swinging their heavy artillery away from the old-time "Wall street strongholds." On the other hand, the Republicans say that they were also in error, and that, instead of following out the plans conceived before the conventions and making a straight-out fight along tariff lines they have been led into a situation which endangers their success in the sections where they should be strongest.

Republican leaders at headquarters here

Republican leaders at headquarters here are chary over making iron-clad predictions regarding nidividual States. They admitted that the doubtful States were the it in number in the history of the na-And, as was natural, they insisted, with pad and pencil, that they could show how his situation must benefit them. Across at the Democratic headquarters a similar state of affairs was said to exist.

President Wilson will have a strong sup-President Wilson will have a strong sup-port from the voters who are deciding for a President the first time. He will have the advantage of the office-holding class and this despite the fact that there is a well-de-fined opposition in most communities to his selections, aspecially in the East, where the

ajority of presidential appointees have sen far from party wheel horses. Organized labor, probably for the first me since the palmy days when the Knights of Labor were all-powerful, will cast many of its votes for the Democratic National

In addition, the democracy today is mak-ing the most of the claim that abroad, there all Europe is in "flames," the defeat of the President would be misinterpreted and there will be a distinct change in the attitude of the various Powers toward this country and its diplomacy.

### STILL NEBULOUS

Today both parties had brought into ac-m all their reserves. From every cross ad in every section of the country the dee of the spellbinder was being raised. It oad in every section of the country the olice of the spelibinder was being raised. It has admitted that, while some sudden unspialinable contingency might arise to comlicate the outlook, the general situation ardly would clarify before election day, ust a fortnight off. Headquarters are rowded with paid and volunteer advertisers. But the voter himself continued indecided and the center of interest in both

The Socialist and Prohibition vote this year will be large. Party men who are disgusted with their own factions' selections will boost the "third parties" and this fact may cause a decided change in calculations in States where one or the other party today sits in snug self-satisfaction as to the outcome.

REPUBLICAN CLAIMS

Chairman Willoox, of the Republican Na-tional Committee, claimed Ohio, Illinois and New York—the three big doubtful States—

New York—the three big doubtful Statesfor the Republican party.

"The Democrats provoke laughter when
they make claims of those States," said
Mr. Willcox. "Each will roll up an overwhelming vote for Mr. Hughes. Every report that has come to us shows that Mr.
Hughes, strong in these places at the start
of the campaign, is increasing that strength
as the campaign nears its end."

### THREE STATES JOIN TO SOLVE PROBLEM

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proceed until it elects its own officers. I think this would be the dignified thing do and I should like you to go there as

to do and I should like you to go there as my representative under the direumstances.

"If you do attend this meeting, I should like to have you state clearly that it is the judgment of the administration here that we have no power whatever to fix the price of any commodity in this Commonwealth. that his ultimate resulting price to the consumer must be governed by the laws of supply and demand, that our whole purpose in calling this conference together is to ask the party in interest to sit down like men with open minds and honest intentions to work out a serious food problem for the people of this Commonwealth and to arrive at conclusions that are just and fair to every party in interest without any discrimination in favor of any interest whatsoever.

"If we maintain that stand and simply was cur good offices to bring these people legather in order that they may work out help our good offices to bring these people legather in order that they may work out help our good offices to bring these people legather in order that they may work out help our good offices to bring these people legather in order that they may work out help our good offices to bring these people legather in order that they may work out help our good offices to bring these people legather in order that they may work out help our good offices to bring these people legather in order that they may work out help of the Commonwells at this time has any authority to go."

TWO MEN SHOT IN STREET BATTLE BETWEEN STRIKERS AND GUARDS



The neighborhood of Ninth street and Girard avenue was turned into a battlefield today when armed guards, seated on the wagons of the George B. Newton Coal Company, opened fire on negro strikers who were following delivery vehicles. This picture was taken a moment after one of the wounded men was put into an automobile to be taken to a hospital.

# City News in Brief

BLANCHE M. DOOLEY, a vaudeville actress, residing at the Majestic Hotel, entered suit for divorce today against her husband, William G. Dooley, of New York. The libel charges him with cruel and bar-

NO CLUE to the whereabouts of Harry Carr, alias Harry Kennedy, who escaped from the Philadelphia County prison at Holmenburg Sunday, has been obtained by the police. The prison guards have been searching the surrounding countryside. Warden Cook is trying to learn whether or not Carr had any assistance in escaping.

THE CLASS OF 1916 at the University of Pennsylvania has elected the following officers: President, Thomas White Pearce, assistant manager of the basketball team; vice president, Wheeler Gilmore, catcher for the varsity baseball team; secretary, John Griswold Carpenter, member of the Mask and Wig Club and assistant manager of the football team; treasurer, Ronald John the football team; treasurer, Ronald John ston McCarthy, of Devon, Pa.; historian Tristan C. Colkett, of this city.

SUFFERING FROM an injured leg, it is suffering from an injured leg, it is believed, led Charles Maylock, 64 years old, of 4050 Ridge avenue, to end his life. He was found dead with the gas turned on by George Brown, a boarder. His bedroom was closed tightly, indicating that May-lock wanted to make death certain. May-lock was a weaver and is survived by three daughters, who live in Kensington. daughters, who live in Kensington.

AN AVIATION school may be established in Philadelphia for civilians by the War Department. The Philadelphia School of Aviation field at Essington has been in-spected by Major Mitchell, of the United States Signal Corps, to ascertain the flying

WEST BRANCH Y. M. C. A. has the largest membership of boys under 18 years old in Pennsylvania, according to the Year Book of the International Committee Y. M. C. A. The membership of boys under 18 at West Branch numbers 773, and Johnstown, Pa., is second with 610. Out of over 2000 associations in the United States, West Branch stands twentythird in line. third in line.

A SPARK FROM a meter started a blaze in the mixing room of the hat manu-facturing establishment of the Guyer-Roe-lofs Company. Tweifth and Olive streets. today, causing more than three hundred men and women employes to fice to the street and damaging property estimated at \$200.

The flames were discovered by Howard Groves, a workman, who turned in an alarm from the private fire box of the company. The firemen extinguished the company. The firemen et blaze with slight difficulty.

the fund which will be used to send six physicians from Philadelphia to minister to the civilian population of Germany. The sum of \$9000 was raised last night in a festival at the Philadelphia Turngemeinde, Broad and Columbia avenue. About \$9000 had been raised by subscription prior to last night.

THE DEMOCRATIC Students' Club of the University of Pennsylvania has chal-lenged the University branch of the Na-tional Hughes College Alliance to a public debate on the issues of the presidential campaign. The challenge was issued by N. J. Lustig, president of the Democratic Club, to Joseph Lamorelle, president of the Hughes supporters.

THE PRESBYTERIAN SOCIAL UNION was asked to help raise \$200,000 for 200,000 \$1 Christmas boxes for soldiers in the trenches of Europe at its first dinner of the season at the Bellevue-Stratford last night. The request came from Ralph C. Norton, who for two years has been a missionary in the trenches. The treasurer of the fund is Charles G. Trumbull, 1931 Walnut street.

A SLIP FROM the top of a boxcar caused the death of Robert Bradfield, 1664 South Concetoga street, a brakeman on the Balti-more and Ohio Railroad. He was ground to death under a string of freight cars. The accident occurred at Thirty-eighth street and Gray's Ferry avenue last night.

JOSEPH B. SCATTERGOOD, for forty-JOSEPH B. SCATTERGOOD, for forty-three years connected with the accounting department of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway, celebrated his seventieth birthday anniversary on Sunday and will retire on a pension November 1. Mr. Scattergood is one of the charter members of Kenderton Lodge, No. 288, I. O. O. F., and was also one of the principal organizers of the Veteran Employes' Association of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway.

THE SPEEDING of hospital ambulances will be stopped by the Association of Hospital Superintendents with the co-operation of the police. The superintendents say that if speeding can be stopped in no other way, sirons and bells will be taken from the machines and ordinary borns substituted.

MAYOR SMITH, on behalf of himsel and Cabinet, has accepted an invitation to address the luncheds of the members of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce at the Believue-Stratford next Monday. The sub-ject selected by the Mayor is "The Welfare of Philadelphia." The Juncheds is sched-uled for 12:30 and will be over by 2 o'clock.

EVANGELIST LYON WAS BUST carmien organizing for the campaign, yeslarday, although the tebernacie was closed. The evangelist and his party are at 540 stavens street, but campaign headquarters is maintained at the X. M. C. A. Building on Federal street. Meetings will be held in the tabernacie at 2:30 this afternoon and at 7:30 tonight. BYANGELIST LTON WAS BUSY

### SELECT JURY TO TRY CHORUS GIRL'S SLAYER

Wilson Ashbridge on Trial in Camden for Killing Elizabeth Dunbar

Wilson Ashbridge was placed on trial today before Justice Garrison, of the New Jersey Supreme Court in Camden, for the murder of Elizabeth Dunbar. Up to the noon recess the jury had not been com-pleted, many of the talesmen examined pleading positive opinions as to the guilt of the defendant. The prisoner himself sat unmoved after pleading not guilty to the indictment which charged willful, felonious and premeditated murder of the former

The court room was crowded during the opening proceedings. Many women were present in the galleries and in the back of the room. Ashbridge's father and sister sat near him. The prisoner wore a blue serge suit, with plaid tie, soft collar and gold stickpin. He sat with head bowed, but betrayed no interest in the progress of the trial.

The first talesman called was accepted and became foreman of the Jury. He is Thomas E. Schules, of Gioucester. Five succeeding taleamen were objected to by Prosecutor Kraft or by Charles A. Wolverton, counsel for Ashbridge. Then John H. Watson, of 401 North Ninth street, Camden, was ac-cepted. Eighteen man were examined be-Eighteen men were examined be-

cepted. Eighteen men were examined before five more jurors were selected. By this
time recess for lunchon was taken, with
the jury bov unfilled.
In addition to those named, the jurors
are Edward J. Adams. of Barrington; John
Allen, 1217 Dupont street, Camden; James
McClain, of Gloucester; Freeholder Frederick W. Gercke, 619 Pine street, and Richard Devine, 522 Penn street.

erick W. Gercke, \$19 Pine street, and Richard Devine, \$32 Penn street.

Ashbridge and George D. Thompson siew Isaac Hibbs and wounded Joseph Ellis, keepers of the Camden County jail, where ashbridge was a prisoner after he had killed the young actress. Ashbridge was captured in Chester a day after the jail delivery and his accomplice was apprehended in Boston about a month ago.

Ashbridge may never he tried for the second homicide. He is said to have confessed the first. The defendant's counsel, appointed by the Court, is the author of a new law, under which the jury can, at its discretion, recommend life imprisonment in-

discretion, recommend life imprisonment in-stead of capital punishment. Ashbridge will be the first defendant who may profit will be the first by the new act.

The Dunbar murder occurred on the night of January 23 at Ninth and Market streets, Camden. Mrs. Ashbridge had vis-ited the chorus girl and begged her to leave Ashbridge. For the sake of the

Accompanied by her father and other members of the family she was on her way to Sicklersville. Ashbridge met her on the street and was about to strike her when a pedestrian interfered. A few minutes later, in the presence of her father, he fired a shot at her. fired a shot at her.

Thompson, who is a lawyer, will be tried for the shooting of the jail keepers on Thursday. Ashbridge was a machinist and is twenty-one years old.

### ELECTRICITY SHOWN AS BOON TO SURGERY

Continued from Page One Ernest LaPiace, of Philadelphia, said that fifty per cent of the deaths following op-erations were not due to faulty operating by the surgeon but resulted from the neglect by the surgeon but resulted from the neglect and delay of the patient. He performed an operation for gall stone, and said the time was approaching when the gall bladder would be entirely removed just as the appen-dix is taken out in case of disease. He said it is being commonly recognized that the gall bladder is not a necessary organ. DOCTOR MAYO'S CHARGE

Blame for failure to prevent disease was placed squarely upon the shoulders of the medical profession by Dr. Charles H. Mayo, the famous surgeon, before the opening meeting of the surgeons at the Bellevue-Stratford last night. Physicians should teach the public preventives, he declared. The 1806 delegates from all parts of the continent began their second day of clinical observation in twenty-three hospitals today, where Philadelphia surgeons operated for a variety of diseases. Many new methods of treating disease with the knife were of treating disease with the knife were demonstrated.

In Doctor Mayo's arraignment of the medical profession for its laxity, he said: We have lived to see the time when all the great diseases of the world are under control to the extent that their etiology is known. Where the world was once decimated by plagues, all these conditions we now understand, and as medical men we quite fall to do our duty in not causing the public to take the proper available preventives.

In this country more than \$00,000 died last year of preventable diseases. The cause goes in many cases to the lack of individual efforts of the medical men living in those communities where they occurred. It is our fault. There is no reason why the laity should be educated from the advertising columns of newspapers.

WILL MASTER PLAGUE Dr. Mayo predicted that infantile paral-psis would be mastered, and within a very short time. It has been established, he said, that it is a bacteria caused disease. He declared that chronic diseases are the ones which bother humanity most at the present time, although fatal in only a small percentage of the cases. Rather than death the surgeon said, they caused morbidity of ife.

## TWO NEGROES SHOT IN RIOT, ONE DYING

Guard on Coal Wagon Knocked Senseless in Fusillade of Missles

Two negroes were shot, a private detective was knocked unconscious with a brick and several men were injured by flying milk bottles and other missiles during a riot at Tenth street and Girard avenue among strikers of the George B. Newton Coal Company today.

Frank Edwards, negro, 2347 Orkney street, is expected to die from a bullet wound in the abdomen inflicted by a priv-ate detective employed by the coal com-pany to guard one of its wagons. He is in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Clarence Barrett, negro. 2442 North Fifteenth street, was taken to the Wom-an's Homeopathic Hospital after he had been shot through the left ankle. Walter Lee, private detective, 3442 North Fifteenth street, is also in St. Joseph's Hos-cital. He has a wound on the top of the pital. He has a wound on the top of the head, where a brick hurled by a striker

The riot started when a coal wagon driven by a strikebreaker, passed a crowd of strikers and strike sympathizers at Tenth street and Girard avenue. The growd threw bricks at the driver. Two detectives, employed by the coal company to follow the wagon, attempted to stop the crowd. The strikers turned upon the detectives, throw-ing milk bottles, tomatoes and bricks. The detectives drew pistols and began firing. Bradshaw Brown, 1928 North Alder street, was caught as he attempted to escape when Policeman Hunter arrived on the scene. Arraigned soon afterward be-fore Magistrate Call, Brown was sen-tenced to thirty days in jail.

## REPUBLICANS PLAN PEP AND PYROTECHNICS FOR WIND-UP OF CAMPAIGN

Music Will Close Series of Demonstrations in Various Wards

phia will not be permitted to drone mutely along to culminate in a "quiet election." The last hours are to abound in pyrotechnics, both verbal and explosive, while no ward in the city is to be overlooked in the schedule of meetings being prepared by the Republican city committee for the final fortnight of the campaign.

A grand rally and mass-meeting in the Academy of Music will be the chief feature of the campaign's closing days. The exact date has not been announced, but Friday, November 3, grobably will be selected. Among the local speakers will be Governor Brumbaugh and Mayor Smith. The Republican National Committee has promised to furnish several campaign orators of country-wide colebrity as spell-binders, while the details and general plans will country-wide colebrity as spell-binders, while the details and general plans will be worked out at a meeting of the Republican city committee to be held today at Eleventh and Chestnut streets.

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The committee and the ward leaders generally have decided that the campaign, while progressing favorably, is too quiet and undemonstrative, and that a little more "pep and ginger" would have a salubrious effect upon the Republican voters, not only in this city and State, but in more debatable grounds. They plan a series of nightly rallies, so arranged that one shall be held in each of the forty-eight wards. One of the largest of the sectional meetings is to take place in the Broadway Theater, Broad street and Snyder avenue, in the heart of the Vare stronghold.

These ward meetings will begin late this week. Each ward committee has been called to meet on Friday night at which time arrangements will be made for reaching the voters in every division and for a tentative schedule of ward meetings so that the city committee may assign the chief speakers to the best advantage.

MRS. T. H. FISH TO WED Will Become Bride of Charles E. Morgan, 3d, at Portland, Me.

The marriage of Mrs. Theresa Hamilton Fish, daughter of John Thackaray Fish, of Fallsington, to Charles E. Morgan, 3d, of Philadelphia, will take place next Saturday in Portland. Me. Only immediate relatives and a few intimate friends will attend the

and a few intimate friends will attend the ceromony.

Mrs. Fish formerly lived in this city. She was divorced from her first husband five years ago and since then has lived with her father in Fallsington. As Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Morgan, the parents of the bridegroom-to-be, will remain in Maine for several weeks, it was decided to have the wedding in that State. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan's mother was Miss Lillie Merrick, of Philadelphia. He is a member of the firm of 'Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, of which his father is senior partner. Morris Bockius, one of his partners, will serve as best man.

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Charles E. Morgan, id. is prominent solially. He was graduated from Harvard, itses of 1893, and the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania, class of 1201. He is a member of the Rittenhouse, Union League, Huntingdon Valley Country, Germantown Cricket, and Metropolitan Club, of

ners Dig Their Way to Safety

# News at a Glance

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Oct. 24.—Qaly 656 teachers were in attendance here at the opening of the sixty-second annual session of the Montgomery County Teachers' Institute. This is a decrease of 200, due to the withdrawal from the Montgomery County Institute of the first-class townships of Lower Merion, Cheltenham and Abington, which in future will hold their own institute, a privilege that the law gives them. The borough of Pottstown elected to have its own institute some years ago. Lower Merion, it is understood, will organize for itself, while Cheltenham and Abington, adjoining townships, will meet

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Seattle is represented in the navy by an armored cruiser named after it today, Acting Secretary Roosevelt announced. The cruiser formerly was the Washington, but the name of the State has been given to a battleship.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Oct. 24.—Two trainmen were killed, another seriously injured and a number of passengers were badly shaken up when Union Pacific No. 7, westbound, known as the Los Angeles Limited, collided with a freight train near Bushnell, Neb. sixty miles east of hore today. Neb., sixty miles east of here, today.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Despite the fact that the finer fur-bearing animals are steadily decreasing, the value of raw-fur production in the United States and Canada has shown an enormous growth in recent years. A report issued by the Department of Agriculture today estimates the earnings of trappers of North America last year at not less than \$20,000,000, although exports of raw furs were only about half the normal proportion. The success of the industry is attributed largely to fur-animal protective less latton.

## 4,000,000 WOMEN VOTERS ARE ARDENTLY WOOED BY BOTH BIG PARTIES

Grand Rally at Academy of Republicans and Democrats Using Every Device to Capture Suffrage Ballot in Twelve States

### LEADERS CONFER TODAY EACH CLAIMS ADVANTAGE

By CARL D. GROAT NEW YORK, Oct. 24 .- Four million women's votes aren't to be sneezed at this presidential year.

The two big parties admitted this frankly today and said they're turning every pos-sible attention to wooing the suffragists'

Each side claimed the majority of the women would be for them, but each was just as frank in admitting that it's hard to tag women voters and that there'll be much independent voting.

As the Republican women's branch put it, "The women will not vote as their husbands, brothers and sweethearts do."

The Democratic camp said, "Suffrage will not be a determining factor. Women will reason for themselves and vote as they see fit, though we believe they will see that Wilson is their best hope."

They are very earnest folk—these women campaigners. A few around headquarters of both parties looked as though this hunt for the clusive vote might be a fad, but for the most part they had their coats off and were hustling.

were hustling.

Both sides are making a big drive on strictly economic questions, arguing that what affects men also affects women. Workers at Hughes headquarters were busily engaged mailing out a list of questions for women to ponder, involving largely matters of higher living costs, tariff and the like. Their circular suggested that on strictly women's and children's matters, the G. O. P. had been the more favorable.

Around the corner, near the Grand Central Station, the Democratic women were just as buny mailing out literature to prove that the children's bureau, the commission on industrial relations, the child labor bill and even the Federal Reserve act and rural credits, measure are big arguments why Wilson should have the women's vote.

The States where women vote are Wyoming Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Washington, California, Oregon, Arisona, Kanssa, Illinois, Montana and Nevada.

Illinois leads with shout \$60,000 votes, while the whole registration totals about 4,000,000.

22 CRAP SHOOTERS CAUGHT Police Raid Organization Chartered as Penrose Club

NEW CASTLE, Pa., Oct. 24.—Police offi-cere raided an organization of negroes chartered as the Penrose Club. Twenty-two men were captured, and the combined for-feits posted with the police totaled \$430, none of which was claimed.

The club mecabers were shooting crap when the police made the midnight visit, it was charged.

Protestants and Jews to Try Copeland

These Bars was Assessed to the NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—These Bars, the sim settless appeared at the office of Assistant Tax Commissioner Becker yesterday and admitted that she had \$4500 clear of all the had been assessed for \$25,000, but she conviously Backer that this use

## HUGHES PLANS VOLLEY INTO DEMOCRATS FOR HYPHEN ALLEGATIONS

May Reply in Queens Tonight to Charges of Collusion-Willcox Turns Accusation Upon Opponents

BETS 10-9 ON G. O. P. MAN

NEW YORK, Oct. 24 .- Charles Hughes, speaking in Queens borough to night, probably will have something to say about the hyphen charge. The candidate himself was stient today, but those close to him suggested he might reply to the

Democratic allegations. The Democratic National Committee continued its hyphen drive against the Republican nominee. The latest installment in the can nominee. The latest installment in the series concerning the admitted conference between Hughes and the American Independence Conference linked the name of Supreme Court Justice Cohalan, of this city, as with the hyphen organization. It named him as a speaker to the "conferees" and said he had urged getting in touch with Republican leaders more closely.

The Democratic contention is that Hughes altered anti-Ally attacks subsequent to his conference with the Independence group. At one point, the Democratic document says, his attack on Wilson's "surrender to force" in the eight-hour law was regarded as strong, but not wholly entifactory.

Answering this, Chairman Willcox, of the Republican National Committee, reiterated his statement that Hughes had made the organization no pledges and had entered into no agreement or deal.

Willcox charged that the Democrats were seeking hyphen favor. The Hughes talk with the Independence organization and the American rights committee was at the solicitation of the organization, he said, while he asserted the Democrats had sought council with hyphens. The Republican chairman charged the Democrats had franked out a speech translated into German, as made by Representative Lieb, of Jediana.

### 40,000 POWDER WORKMEN FOR HUGHES, SAYS LEADER

Du Pont Men Against Wilson for Tax, Declares New Jersey Man

NEW YORK, Oct. 24 .- The Times today prints the following special dispatch from its correspondent at Haskell, N. J.:

There are 40,000 voters engaged in powder making in New Jersey who will vote almost solidly for Hughes, according to James Lynch, manager of the du Pont factory here, who is directing the Hughes campaign among the 3500 employes under

To indicate how solidly the powder-makers are behind the Republican candimakers are behind the Republican candi-date. Mr. Lynch said that of the 3000 voters in the Haskell factory, only seventy-five had voted in the Democratic primary. That proportion, Mr. Lynch believed, had been cut down considerably by the Hughes cam-paign now being conducted vigorously by the du Pont officials among their employes.

"The employes of this factory are per-"The employes of this factory are perfectly free to be for President Wilson, if they want to," said Mr. Lynch. "None of them will be punished for being Democrats, if they want to be. As a matter of fact, a few of them are Democrats now and have not been digturbed. When the meeting was called at the clubhouse last Tuesday I ansounced that the purpose was to launch the Hughes campaign, and about fifteen employes expressed their disapproval by leaving the room. We have nothing against them on that account.

them on that account.

"We have got into the campaign this time, principally because the firm has been hir perhard hit and many of us have been hit perhard hit and many of us have been hir personally by the retroactive tax which the Wilson Administration has placed on the munition business. For the last eleven years the du Pont Company has made a practice of giving bonus stock to its employes for exceptional service and for valuable suggestions. At present about twenty-nine per cent of the stock is held by employes of the company. In 1915 there were 1122 employes, a large proportion of them ployes of the company. In 1818 there were 1132 employee, a large proportion of them laborers, holding bonus stock, and that num-ber has been considerably increased since. Before the great expansion of the du Pont factories following the war, about one em-ploye in six held bonus stock, and every man had then and still has a chance to

"These men are hit in the pocketbook by anything that injures the company. Consequently there is no necessity for using pressure to get a strong Hughes movement started in this factory, and I have reason started in this factory, and I have reason to believe that the same is true of all the other du Pont factories in this State, in Delaware and in New York, which employ a total of 70,000 men. The total of employes has jumped since the war from 6000 to 70,000, and the 54,000 new employes, who are well paid and have good jobs, know that their interests are the same as those of the company.

of the company.

"Furthermore, this Hughes movement is a movement of the du Pont employes, and has not been fostered or encouraged by the directors of the company, some of whom are Wilson men. Statements that we have threatened to take away the jobs of Wilson supporters or refused to permit employes to wear Wilson buttons are totally false."

There are two other economic arguments which are circulated among du Pont employes as reasons why they should vote for Hughes, although officials of the plant deny personally using such appeals. The first is that, if Wilson is elected, the du Pont employes will lose the twenty per cent war bonus which was added to all salaries shortly after the war. The second is that, if Hughes is elected, all of the 64,000 new employes will be retained after the war to work on "infant industries," which will be substituted for powder-making, whereas they will all be out of jobs if Wilson is elected, for the reason that these industries could not, it is said, be reared under a Demogratic tariff. ocratic tariff.

# MEXICANS SCURE NORTH AS BANDI STRIKE CHIHUAHU

Refugees Tell of Contin Villa Victories at Carranza Post

TREVINO LACKS FORCE

EL PASO, Tex. Oct. 24 Hunts refugees fleeing from Chihuahua streamed into Juarez during the night early today, bringing further research today, bringing further research to the Carrana These refugees declare the Villaite on the western side of the city. As a on the northern Mexican capital is an at any moment.

About midnight 300 reside About midnight 300 residents of huahun City arrived in Juares, as train brought the family of Geom-vino, Carransa commander. They be turned to Chihuahua City only a

In one car were thirty sirfs, days
of the most prominent families in the
tal. Many of the refugees crossel to
American side of the border. Near
had left because they feared Villa
again enter Chihuahua City. Some the
General Trevino will evacuate the dis
The refugues brought confirmation of
defeat suffered by de facto govern
troops in the two-day battle Friday.
Saturday at Falomas.
While hunting caches of ammunities
cently near Namiquipa, Villa stores
the Santa Ana ranch, a Hearst pro-

# O. HENRY'S GENIUS GRE **BEHIND PRISON WALL**

Biographer Tells For First The Full Story of Writer's Conviction

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—The late Win Sydney Porter, known under the part of O. Henry as one of the greatest story writers of the generation, served by years and three months in the State tentiary at Columbus, Ohio, for enter ment. While there he met the original Jimmie Valentine and several other acters and types that he utilized is writings that immortalized his mans in of the O. Henry stories were written ing the author's imprisonment and sent out for publication through a free New Orleans.

Through Professor C. Alphonso Smith

Through Professor C. Alphonso Smill the University of Virginia, the stiems romor placed on the author's mean romor placed on the author's many cleared away and removed, six years is Porter's death. The complete story of Henry's trial and imprisonment will given in the O. Henry biography to be plished next Friday by Doubleday, Pur Co., and will be referred to by Preis Smith today in his address on O. Re at Chickering Hell. at Chickering Hall.

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of Austin, Texas,

The concern was carelessly managed a positors being allowed to go belief to counter and take cash, leaving memoras or, sometimes, forgetting to 60 m Henry rosigned in December, 116, went to San Antonio, later joining the of the Houston Daily Post, condense column of verses and paragraphs.

From this position O. Henry was sometimed to Austin on charges of subsement, \$564.48 on October 10, 1894; Builton November 12, 1894, and \$209.46 on a vember 12, 1895. The latter date was sequent to his resignation from the Instead of going to Austin for trait maintaining his innecesses, O. Henry and of Austin, Texas.

Miss Athol Estes, whom he had marrie 1887, was dangerously ill in Austin. In cided to go there and give himself us arrived February 5, and went free until the next Federal Court term, died July 25, 1897.

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DEATHS

HILLMAN—Oct. 23. suddenly, of inshand of Mary E. Hillman. Relational viends. members of the Voluntur artment of Pennsylvania finites ood of Railroad Trainmen. Washington 0. 342. P. O. S. of A. invited in rivices. Friends may call Thurs. WALTON—Oct 23, at ber 15, 53 at ber 23, at ber 24, 5 at ber 25, at ber 25, 5 at ber

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