EVENING LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1917

ALL M'NICHOL MEN AID TOWN MEETING PARTY CANDIDATES

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some of the McNichol Wards, on the other hand, Waiter George Smith, the Town Meet-ing party candidate for that office, was cut in favor of Sheehan.

with weather conditions ideal, a heavy In favor of some conditions ideal, a heavy with weather conditions ideal, a heavy rote is being cast for the Town Meeting ticket. In the residential sections, West Philadelphia and Germantown particularly, more than one-haif of the total registered vote had been cast by noon. In all parts of the city the bitter fight against "govern-ment by murder" brought out a heavy vote during the opening hours. In the industrial sections one-third of the registered vote was cast during the first three hours, and then there was a lult until late in the afternoon. Aside from the reported knifing of Rotan is some of the South Philadelphia wards, most of the electors voted a straight ticket. The Town Meeting voters, especially, did not cut their tickets, and voted for the inde-pendent candidates for councils as well as the fusion candidates for councils as well as the fusion candidates for council as a well as the fusion candidates for councils as well as the fusion candidates for councils as well as the fusion candidates for councils as well as

nugistrate.

TROUBLOUS WARDS QUIET

The polls generally were quiet, particu-larly in the "Bloody Fifth" and the Eight-

larly in the "Bloody Fifth" and the Eight-eenth, where trouble had been looked for. The leaders of both parties expressed confidence in the result at noon. "The voting during the morning hours means a sweep for the Republican ticket," wide Sensitor Vare.

meins a sweep for the Republican ficket," said Senator Vare. "There is not inuch opposition anywhere, and in West Philadelphia things look much better than we expected. The same is true of the northeast, where there will undoubt-edly be a walkover for the Republican can-didates. In the Fortfeth Ward it looks as if the ticket will have at least a ma-jority of 2500."

jerity of 2500." "The heavy voting in the re: dential and independent wards will elect the Town Meeting ticket," was the word from the Town Meeting party headquarters.

In order to explain to voters in today's election their right to vote the straight Town Meeting ticket and, at the same time, Town Meeting ticket and, at the same time, vote for candidates on other tickets for effices for which that party has made no nomination, the following statement was issued this morning from the Town Meet-

ing party headquarters: "The Supreme Court has decided that where one party ticket on a ballot does not where one party ticket on a ballot does not contain the name of any candidate for a particular office, a voter may make a cross in the party square and also in the squares opposite the names of as many candidates for that office on any other ticket as are to be elected. If a voter marks more can-didates than he is entitled to vote for any effect or if for any reason it is impossible didates than he is entitled to to to be office, office, or if for any reason it is impossible to determine his choice, his bailot shall not be counted for such office, but shall be counted for all other offices for which the counted for all other offices for which the names of candidates have been properly marked.

STRICT WATCH ON COUNT

It was stated at the headquarters of the Town Meeting party that a strict watch It was stated at the headquarters of the Town Meeting party that a strict watch would be kept to see that no ballots for the Town Meeting ticket of that party, which also contained crosses opposite the mame of the candidates for District Attor-ney or other offices for which the Town Meeting party made no nominations are the the transfer of District Attor-ney or other offices for which the Town would not be election judges. The mere fact that the party failed to make nomina-tions for certain offices, it was pointed out, would not deprive the voter of the risht to vote the straight Town Meeting ticket and at the same time vote for this choice. Throughout the city the police apparently free not taking much part in the election, they are at the poling places, but evidently do awant to have complaints lodged users. The Vares early made a tour of South Found for the organization ticket. The Vares early made a tour of South found a for the Organization ticket. The Vares ward, predicted today that fit and the largest ward in West Philadelphia and one of the largest in the elex. The F. Soon, executive secretary of the Town Meeting party, said that the wards on the town Meeting party said that wards are the Town Meeting party said that the wards on the the argest in the elex.

the Town Meeting party, said that the ward would go for the new party by about 2500, "Mackey is a had guesser and always was," he remarked. Magintrate Carson maid the majority in the ward in favor of the Town Meeting party would be 3800. There are 11,280 registered voters in the ward

indications in the Mayor's own ward, the Twenty-eighth, point to a majority for the Town Meeting party. The Twenty-eighth Ward is very close, and it is impossible to Ward is very close, and it is impossible to tell yet how the wind will veer. The Forty-seventh Ward is Republican without any doubt, the large negro vote supporting and it is impossible to vind will veer. The that ticket.

sioners today in the various training camp There are approximately 20,000 Philadel-phians who have answered the call to the

colors and who are now in camp. William E. Finley, executive director of the Republican city committee, today de-clared that the soldiers are entitled to vote only for the county offices, the Magistrates and the Judges. They cannot vots for Councilmen, he said. They do not have to be registered.

He estimated that between 15,000 and 18,000 soldier votes will be polled in the Philadelphia election. In the event of a close contest they would be the balance of Most of the Philadelphia soldiers who are

voting today are at the National Army cantonment at Camp Meade. All of the National Guard men are at Camp Hancock. Ga. Other enlisted men voters are at Cape May, Allentown and at Mineola, Long

Warrants Out for Thugs at Polls

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the election had been received by District Attorney Rotan up to a late hour this afternoon. Mr. Rotan said that' he and his assistants would remain on duty all day to protect the rights of citizens. The District Attorney's oce will remain open until after the polls close.

SCARE IN FOURTH WARD The gunman scare in the Fourth Ward occurred in the fifteenth division, the stamping ground of State Senator "Sam" Salus, leader of the Vare-Smith Organization in that ward. A report that men with pistols were in the polling place, at 625 South Twelfth street, caused the police to

make a search. According to William F. Wooderd, a negro Town Meeting watcher, of 612 South Eleventh street, a revolver was taken from a strange negro. No pistol was found, according to Peter Ewell, another negro Town Meeting watcher. On Wooderd's complaint Magistrate Stevenson issued a John Doe warrant for the stranger's arrest.

Michael Dowbenko, a Town Meeting watcher, was beaten and his ballot was torn to bits in a fight, according to war-rants sworn out by Dowbenko, accusing George Christian, an election judge, of as-sault and battery and interfering with a voter, and John Casey, a Highways Bureau employs of interfering with employe, of interfering with a voter. The employe, of interfering with a voter. The trouble occurred at the polling place of the first division of the Fourth Ward, at South and Swanson streets, in the river district. According to Dowbenko, who lives at 665 South Front street, he was about to put his

ballot in the box when Casey yelled: "Don't let the Swede put it in !"

This, Dowbenko told Judge Brown, was the signal for a concerted attack on him, led by Christian. As soon as he was put out of the place he asked for the warrant, which was granted. Dowbenko said the only grievance against him was that he was watcher for the independents.

Later warrants were sworn out for the Later warrants were sworn out for the arrest of the entire election board of the first division of the Fourth Ward on charges of conspiracy and interfering with a qual-ified voter. The complainant was Dow-benko, who alleged that on returning again this afternoon he was again prevented from voting. He then returned to the Municipal Court and got a second warrant for George Court and got a second warrant for Georg Christian and John Casey, and also for John Coleman, majority inspector; Joseph Casey,

minority inspector: Thomas O'Toole, clerk to majority inspector, and Freeman Snyder, clerk to minority inspector. Following a quarrel at the polling place of the ninth division of the Fifteenth Ward. which is at Tenth and Poplar streets, be-tween Frank Smith, a Vare worker, and George Dawley, a Town Meeting supporter. Dawley swore out a warrant for Smith's arrest on a charge of assault and battery. Senator Vare gave bail for Smith's anpearance in the Municipal Court next Thursday

Town Meeting headquarters this morning sent detectives into the Thirtieth Ward, of which City Treasurer McCoach is Vare leader, to investigate complaints that voters ildated. Voters asserted being inti that in the fourteenth division of the ward, Nineteenth and Carpenter streets, Republi-can Organization workers were insisting upon marking the ballots for the voters.

efore pone. Thursday.

Martin Rowe, thirty-eight, of Trenton avenue near Norris street, and Charles Pichman, of Amber street near Susquehanna avenue, were arrented late today accused of bribery. They were taken to the City Hall for a hearing. According to the police. Pichman, a Town Meeting party worker, gave Rowe a bribe of \$4 to vote for the in-dependent candidates. Rowe, it is said, after accepting the money, failed to keep bls promise and an argument followed

his promise and an argument followed. Rowe was a former policeman, but was dis-charged during the Blankenburg Administration three years ago for intoxication while on duty. The arrest occurred in front of the polling place of the second division of the Thirty-dirst Ward, at Amber street and Susquehanna avenue.

COULD NOT OPEN BALLOT BOX COULD NOT OPEN BALLOT BOX Election officials in the third division of the Twenty-ninth Ward, at Twenty-fourth street and Columbia avenue, were unable to unlock the ballot box, and five voters marked ballots and placed them in an en-velope until keys could be borrowed from a nearby polling place. The election judge said that the keys had been mislaid last night, consequently it was impossible to open the top of the box. He denied that there were irregularities, as the ballots in the envelope were kept under the eyes of

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the various party inspectors. NEGROES "ASSISTED" TO VOTE

Three negroes assumed bad sight and asked assistance in reading the ballot this morning in the Thirty-second Ward. A Re-publican watcher went into the booth with each one and helped him to mark the ballot. A Town Meeting watcher protested this action and Jere Shaw, judge of the board, ordered the practice to be stopped at once, denying any watcher the right to assist in the voting. Director of Public Safety Wilson issued

orders today to all city police to do their duty in the election, and prevent repetition of "Bloody Fifth" Ward primary election murder and thuggery. "Police duty and not politics" was the substance of instructions given all police-

men and detectives at station house rollcalls this morning. Unlike the old-time system of issuing printed election regulations and then "whispering the pleasure of the boss," the police instructions were given with the explicit understanding that every command-ing officer would be held responsible for any breach of the peace in his district.

Any attempt to import from New York "finks" or "ballot musketeers" was carefully guarded against by agents of the Town Meeting party, who were in communi-

issued on the complaint of John I a Democratic watcher, who appeared Magistrate Rennhaw for that pur-The men will have a hearing on aday. rtin Rowe, thirty-eight, of Trenton

under any prefext. The machinery of the District Attorney's office is ready today to cause the arrest of election law violators, according to an announcement by District Attorney Rotan.

In a final warning as a follow-up to his declaration of yesterday, that he wor enforce the law strictly, Mr. Rotan said would

"I shall remain on duty all day in my office and shall immediately start prosecu-tions where evidence of violation of the election laws is brought to my attention. My detectives will remain on duty all day I meant every word in my statement to citizens, and if there is any occasion for it I shall back up my warning with action."

Municipal Court Judges Brown, Wheeler, Cassidy and Gilpin sat in City Hall to fix bail and hear hapeas corpus arguments

abould the occasion arise. Magistrate Eisenbrown at Central Sta-tion, Magistrate Stevenson at 3947 Lancaster avenue, Magistrate Borie at 4646 Frank-ford avenue, Magistrate Harrigan at Sixth and Locust streets and Magistrate Collins at Sixteenth and Vine streets were on duty to hear election cases. Magistrates Ren-shaw and Carson were at Town Meeting headquarters to issue copies of the charge for the release of any independent workers arrested illegally.

DEUTSCH ACCUSED AGAIN

A warrant for Isaac Deutsch's arrest accusing him of compiracy to prevent a tenth division of the "Bloody Fifth" Ward, has been sworn out. Constable "Eddle" Abrams and other Vare-Smith-Deutsch fol-lowers were named in companion warrants. None of the warrants will be served until other back of the warrants will be served until after election, it was announced by Edward L. D. Roach, secretary of the Committee of Seventy.

This warrant issued for Deutsch, Vare-Smith "foreman" in the ward, grew out of the primary election. He is under heavy bail on murder conspiracy charges heavy ball on murder conspiracy charges in connection with the killing of Detec-tive Eppley in the sixteenth division by imported New York thugs and is under heavy ball for election conspiracy charges in connection with the ousting of the election officials in the first division.

Today's warrant was sworn out by Myer Michael, judge of election in the tenth division. It alleges that Michael was thrown out of the polling place when he refused to allow allens and disfranchised citizens to vote. An attempt was made to hold a curbstone election to re-place the election officials with Deutsch gang rule. followers, but even the police would not permit it.

VOTING AT MEADE AGAINST THE GANG

Town Meeting Candidates Lead in Ballots Being Cast by Philadelphians

Ry a Staff Correspondent CAMP MEADE, Admiral, Md., Nov. 6. Good government is having its innings to day at Little Penn, for hundreds of boys in olive drab are registering their protest against gang rule in Philadelphia.

It is impossible to give any estimate erning the size of the soldier vote at this camp, but at 11 o'clock it was apparent that a heavy vote would be cast.

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ballots. "It is certain," said James Franklin, chairman of the camp election commission-ers, "that nearly all of the men are going to vote. The size of the vote will default the count, and it is not likely that a tabu-inition can be made until a late hour to-night." night.

The sold ars who are operating the elec-tion machinery are imposing a strict inter-pretation upon election laws. Politicians are barred from the barracks during the balloting and a strict watch is being upo nthe lines of votes to prevent the tomary buttenholing at the booths. T There is little excitement around the barracks and no betting. That the Town Meeing candidates are leading is apparent from the attitude of the soldiers. Men who have voted the Town Meeting ticket are making no secret of their action, and they are in the majority. Vare followers are not boast-ing any, and, in fact, making no claims. Nearly 2500 negroes, including 1200 from Philadelphia, are voting in their own bareneks.

Early this morning the soldiers were up and at the work of casting their ballots. In the 215th Infantry, which is made up of Philadelphians, the men in each barracks elected three election judges and two in-spectors to handle the ballots and then proceeded to register their protest against

Similar action was taken in the 312th Field Artillery, the 314th Infantry and the such a move.

sisth infantry. For ballot bases the sol-diers introduced dress-suit cases, apple bar-rels and packing cases. Formalities were swept aside and shorily after 7 o'clock the men began to vote. Every man in uniform with the exception of a few alient is en-titled to vote, and at 9 o'clock it appears that a big meraness of the boxe will avail ROME, Nov. 8, - Two mithin charged their guns into the automobile a general commanding the Third army of at Brandenburg while it was in the au urbs of Udine, October 25. The general was killed and his ald a desperately wounded and unade prismer.

titled to vote, and at 5 o'clock it appears that a big percentage of the boys will avail themselves of the privilege. Men in the 316th sprung a surprise on the election officers by having their ballots printed in Baltimore, but those in other units are compelled to utilize home-made ballots, which serves to complicate the work of the checkers

REPUBLICANS LEADING COUNT TO BE DELAYED IN MASSACHUSETTS VOTE

First Election Returns Strongly Favor G. O. P. Candidates for Leading State Offices BOSTON, Nov. 6 .- The first State elec-

tion returns, which came from the small town of Carver, gave Governor McCall (Rep.) 36 and Mansfield (Dem.) 6. Lieutenant Governor Calvin Coolridge got 33 while his opponent, Matthew Hale (Dem.,

Pro. and Prog.) polled 12. The vote on the constitutional amendment was: Absentee oting, yes 27. no 7; anti-aid, yes 28, no 4

public trading, yes 32, no 2. The town of Mashpee gave McCall a lead of 19 over Mansfield for Governor. The vote was: Mansfield 4, McCall 23, Coolridge 25; absentee voting, yes 12, no 4; anti-aid, yes 7, no 3; public trading, yes 1, no 3.

NATIONAL GUARD OF NEW YORK ORDERED TO ARMS

No Explanation of Word to Report Fully Equipped at Armories Today

NEW YORK, Nov. 6 .- Under orders from Albany all members of the New York State Guard will assemble under arms at their armories today. The order affects every

unit in the State, according to information at the State armory here this afternoon. The New York State Guard was organ ized after the National Guard was called to war for the purpose of suppressing dis-

orders. Acting Chief Police Inspector Dillon de-

clared he had not heard of a State Guard order and that he knew of no reason for

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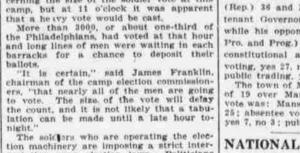
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HOT FIGHTS IN SOME WARDS

HOT FIGHTS IN SOME WARDS The Fourteenth Ward is considered to be assured to the Vares. John R. K. Scott is the leader here, and he claims the ward by 350e for the "fifty-fifty." This is known as a police ward, as it is composed of most of the so-called Tenderion. Police are more than usually active in this ward totay. The Thirteenth Ward, however, adjacent of it is the scene of 'a hot fight and may ge to the Town Meeting party. The Republican City Committee had been Join F. Flaherty, committee man from this ward, would turn in for the Organization, Word, however, passed around today that planerty would throw his strength to the ucNichol forces.

The Tenth Ward will also be the scene of a keen struggle. Organization men al-ways have been in doubt whether Thomas A. Cunningham, chief clerk of Common Pleas Court and city committeeman from this ward, would turn in for the McNichol forces or the Organizatsion. Word has been received that Cunningham is turning in for the Town Meeting party and that his men have been working to that end for several days. Even Vare con-ceded this ward to the Town Meeting party. The Tenth Ward will also be the scene

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party. The Fifteenth Ward is going to the Town Meeting party. Harry J. Keeley, Vare leader in the ward and protege of W. Free-land Kendrick, Receiver of Taxes, sained his position on the city committee through a split in the McNicho forces. Magistrate Collins and Judge Brown sep-arated at the time of the last election, but indications are that their differences have been made up, and, with the addition of the Democrats, they will be arrayed solidiy against the Organization. against the Organization.

KENDRICK "ROUNDS UP" VOTE

The lengths to which the Organization lenders are going to bring out every vote they can swing for the "fifty-fifty" ticket were shown by W. Freiand Kendrick. Or-fundation candidate for Receiver of Taxes. After having sent word last night to the Broad and Ontario streets, not to vote until 9 o'clock this morning. Kendrick, accom-paniad by Dr. James Boott, a brother of Congressman John R. K. Scott, went to the home at 9 o'clock and "rounded up" the vot-om.

Kendrick openly demanded that the aged Kendrick openly demanded that the aged Masons in the home go to the polis with h m and vote the straight Republican ticket. He and Doctor Scott loaded them into four automobiles and then took them to the polling place, where several of them re-ceived assistance in marking their ballots. Almost the entire Penrose-McNichol sup-port is being thrown to the Town Meeting licket. The only exceptions, suparently, are the Seventh. Sixteenth and Twenty-lifth Wards, but in these wards the ma-jority, if there is any, will be absurdly amajl.

The Wards, but in these wards the ma-jority, if there is any, will be absurdly anaji. With the exception of Charles Segar and Charles Hall, of the Seventh Ward, Klas Abrams of the Sitteenth and William F. Campbell, of the Twenty-fifth, who is on the "Fifty-Fifty" Vare ticket for magis-tratk, all of the Penrose-McNichol leaders in the city met late yesterday afternoon at the headquarters of the Republican Alliance, 14 Real Estate Trust Building, and piedged their support to the anti-Vare-Smith ticket.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS ARE VOTING IN CAMPS

TOWN MEETING WORKER ARRESTED One of the day's first arrests was that of Fred Nelson, thirty-eight years old, 1006 Kater street. Nelson, a Town Meeting work-Rater street. Neison, a lown sheeting work-er, was arrested shortly after polls opened by Pollceman Ry in, in the seventh division of the Fourth Ward, on charges of fraudu-lent voting preferred by Organization work-ers, led by State Senator "Sam" Salua, Nelson was held in \$600 bail by Judge Brown for further heaving and what se Brown for further hearing and was re leased to vote.

John Barrett, a Town Meeting watcher at the polling place of the fifth division of the Forty-eighth Ward, at Garnet street the Forty-eighth Ward, at Garnet street and Snyder avenue, was arrested on a charge of interfering with a voter. Mr. Barrett, who is a real estate broker, with offices at 1420 Chestnut street, was arrested by Follceman Ramsey, of the Twenty-eighth and Ritner streets station. The charge later was writedrawn

and Ritner strebts station. The charge later was withdrawn. Warrants were issued by Magistrate Renshaw for the arrest of Nathan Cipiet, as employe in the office of the Recorder of Deeds, of 427 Bainbridge street; David Nachman, employed in the Department of Public Works, of 436 Monroe street, and Wolf Fogel, of 766 South Fourth street, charging them with interfering in the con-duct of the election and unlawfully assist-ing voters. The men were taken before ing voters. The men were taken before Magistrate Eisenbrown and were admitted to \$600 bail.

FIRST APPEALS IN VAIN,

It is alleged that the three men attempted to influence voters of the seventh division of the Fourth Ward, at Fourth and Bain-bridge streets, to mark their ballots in a bridge streets, to mark their ballots in a certain way, that they intruded themselves into the election booths and that they shoved voters out of booths. Charles Den-inghower is the judge of election at this precinct, and it is said that appeals to him to stop the attempted intimidation of voters had no effect whatever. David Wechter, one of the watchers for the Town Meeting party at this polling place, is said to have reported the situation to headquarters, but no action was taken. Finally the warrants

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