

AUXILIARY PLAN IN LEGION FAVOR

Veterans Will Back Movement Whole-Heartedly.

The administrative machinery of the American Legion will be thrown whole-heartedly behind a national move to build up the Women's Auxiliary of the legion. F. W. Galbraith, Jr., national commander of the legion, has announced.

A national convention of the auxiliary will be held probably next spring, when the auxiliary will assume charge of its own affairs, and as far as administration goes become practically an independent body.

"All doubts and misgivings in regard to the future of the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion were removed and a system of orderly expansion in State departments and a national organization was provided for by the Cleveland convention," said Mr. Galbraith.

"We propose to offer the aid of our organization to build up the auxiliary, but we are not going to meddle with its policies so long as our recognized ideas and purposes are carried out. The Cleveland convention voted to let the women swim without water wings."

"It authorized State executive committees of the legion to call State conventions and to establish department organizations of the auxiliary, killing the bill of lading made necessary the establishment of a total of units equivalent to 50 per cent of the number of posts in the department.

The convention resolution also permits the holding of a national convention when the auxiliary is established in ten States. The proposed national convention was to be held to choose the name of the auxiliary and to broaden its eligibility clause and the legion agreed to amend its constitution to that effect.

"I believe the woman's auxiliary is one of the greatest potential forces for good in this country, and I shall see that the legion backs it to the limit."

The women's auxiliary, which includes mothers, wives, mothers and daughters of legion members and men who died in the service, already has organized 1,362 units in forty-six States and a number of foreign countries.

FIRST RETURNS IN VOTE COME FROM 3 POINTS

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that this is the first dry national election in history.

The candidates themselves spent the momentous day quietly at their homes—Governor Cox at his rural retreat at Trail's End, near Dayton, and Senator Harding at his Mt. Vernon avenue residence in Marion, from which he has conducted the major part of his campaign.

Of the minor candidates, George E. Debs, Socialist nominee, spent the day in the bars of the Federal prison at Atlanta, from which he issued a appeal to voters to vote for the "emancipation of the working classes."

Leaders on both sides were fearful that the election machinery in many parts of the country would prove inadequate to meet the demands made upon it.

Universal suffrage increased the number of voters in the United States by anywhere from 60 to 100 per cent, with no corresponding increase in the facilities for the safe care of the ballot.

Party workers declared this may make the returns slow in getting in tonight, in addition to causing confusion and congestion at the voting booths.

SNOW 2 FEET DEEP IN WYOMING SECTION

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 2.—More than two feet of newly fallen snow will interfere with voting in northwestern Wyoming today.

FAIR ELECTION DAY IN COLORADO

DENVER, Nov. 2.—Clear, cool weather greeted Colorado voters today, with the prospect that storms during the past few days in more remote sections would cut down only slightly an expected large poll.

NON-PARTISAN LEAGUE FIGHT IN NORTHWEST

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 2.—The Non-partisan League faced its bitterest election fight in the Northwest today.

Almost every ballot marked meant "survive" or "perish" to the league.

The battle in North Dakota was especially bitter with Republicans, Democrats and Independents combined to down the Non-partisan League candidates.

'FRISCO DOUBTS RECORD VOTE

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 2.—Despite a record registration of voters—1,374,184—political observers were inclined to doubt that California, "pivotal State" in 1916, will cast a record vote today.

The national issue was slightly in eclipse because of the great interest involved by the senatorial election and the state land law amendment.

WOMEN VOTE EARLY IN NEW ENGLAND

BOSTON, Mass., Nov. 2.—An extremely heavy vote, with thousands of women casting their ballots for the first time was reported from various sections of New England today.

So heavy was the women's vote that polling facilities in many of the congested centers of Boston and other cities proved inadequate.

Long lines, with women predominating, stood for hours waiting to vote.

Rain was threatened in the eastern section of New England.

The northern sections of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont were blanketed with snow.

WEATHER HINDERS CHICAGO VOTING

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—Mrs. Inclement Weather, the most influential woman in politics, roiled the voting situation as balloting began in the Middle West today.

Rains, winds and snows, prevalent in this section, were expected to keep many ailing voters at home and interfere with the farmer's vote to considerable extent.

Early reports from centers of population, however, indicate large turnouts with women equally prominent in the long queues that formed before 6 o'clock at polling places and continued to lengthen during the morning.

Detroit, the largest city in the Middle West, where the early vote was lighter than anticipated.

Few women turned out there because of heavy rains last night and today.

The country vote, claimed by all political parties, was exceptionally light in early voting.

Democratic and Republican party leaders here denied unfavorable weather would injure their cause and continued their optimistic predictions of victory.

FREEZE HOLDS VOTE BACK IN MISSOURI

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 2.—Freezing weather seemed to carry vote throughout Missouri today, although political leaders forecasted a record vote would be polled before nightfall.

Splitting of party tickets indicated that

IOWA WAITRESS FALLS INTO FAME



HEAVY VOTING CONTINUES AS DAY PROCEEDS

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though the board was prepared to handle any emergency which might develop.

The board planned to meet any emergency by substituting the Australian ballot if a machine should become incapacitated.

Woodburn Masson, Democratic member of the election board, stated the most of the complaints made at the time the polls opened were of minor nature.

Among the complaints received by the election board, were the following:

Fourth of the Third ward, unable to start machine; fifth of the Eighth ward experienced slight trouble, but the machine was soon adjusted; third of the Fifteenth ward, minor machine trouble; fifth of the Eleventh ward, slight trouble; fifth of Perry, where there was some delay caused by the inspector failing to understand how to unlock the machine; third of the Tenth ward, machine stuck; first of Decatur, the machine stuck as was reported in fifth of Warren; some delay was caused by machine trouble in fourth of Warren; first of the Ninth ward, a key was broken in a lock which slowed the vote for some little time; counting was made difficult by Louis Evans, of the Indiana State Supreme Court; that the machine in the second of the seventh ward was out of order; third of the Third ward, the machine stuck; sixth of the Twelfth ward, there was slight machine trouble, and also in third of the Tenth ward.

Other minor complaints were made. Judging by the short time the women were in the booths, it was apparent that they were voting straight tickets.

Another surprise in addition to the large number of women at the polls at the opening hour, was the apparent complete understanding the voter had of the voting machine.

In many precincts the voter flatly refused to use the Australian ballots, as they had "practiced" on the machine and knew how to handle it.

The rapidity with which citizens voted, due to their familiarity with the machines, appeared to offset the time lost in precincts where there was slight machine trouble at the start.

TENDENCY TOWARD DAVIS NOTICEABLE

A survey of the polls also indicates a strong turn in favor of Paul G. Davis, Democratic nominee for prosecuting attorney, who has pledged "decency" in the campaign.

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Prominent attorneys have been placed in the first precinct of the fifth ward and in the fourteen other precincts where Democratic County Chairman Reginald Sullivan charged, in a written statement before Superior Judge W. W. Thornton, that there were many illegal, unregistered, irregular or forged registrations.

It is understood that a careful check is being made on those attempting to vote the alleged illegal registrations, which have been protested in the courts by Chairman Sullivan.

Agents are closely watching any attempt to cast illegal votes, it is said, and the court is to stop the saucy board from doing what it pleases with the taxpayers' money is not set out in the "explanation" although the "explanation" leaves little else to the imagination.

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