

# MAINE'S VOTE TODAY IS FIRST TEST OF BALLOT TREND

## G. O. P. CHIEFS SAY MAJORITY TO BE LARGE

Campaign Orators Plead for State to 'Point the Way' for Nation.

### PARTY LINES CROSSED

Mixed Issues Make Outcome Impossible to Estimate, Say Leaders.

By KENNETH G. CRAWFORD  
United Press Staff Correspondent

PORLAND, Maine, Sept. 10.—Maine voters lined up today for the first official count of Republican and Democratic noses since Herbert Hoover and Alfred E. Smith became party standard bearers.

Although going to the polls primarily to choose a Governor, Senator, Congressmen and other State officials, Maine was expected to show, by the size of its Republican majority, which way the political wind will blow in November.

"As Maine goes, so goes the Nation," is an adage long attached to State elections.

Maine is the only State that clings to its early September election, originally intended to keep State and National politics separate, and the outcome invariably is interpreted as an indication of the national political trend.

#### Point Way to Nation

Campaign orators in both parties have pleaded with voters this year to "point the way" for the Nation, and some candidates have stressed national issues in their platforms.

"I have never seen the State so interested in an election," said United States Senator Frederick Hale, Republican, who is running for re-election against Herbert Holmes, Democrat.

The issues have caused such a crossing of party lines that no estimate of the outcome is possible," said E. C. Moran, chairman of the Democratic State committee.

Privately, most Republicans predict a very comfortable majority.

Democrats say it will be no larger than 25,000, although the normal Republican margin is about 36,000.

#### Insull Is Suspect

The present Republican Governor, Ralph O. Brewster, received a majority of more than 36,000 in 1924, when he was opposed by William R. Pattangall, considered until this year one of the State's strongest Democrats.

Pattangall and his wife, a former Democratic national committee-woman, deserted their party this year as a protest against Smith's nomination.

Edward C. Moran Jr., Democratic gubernatorial candidate, has made "control by the Insulls of Maine's water power," the outstanding issue of today's election.

Moran has asserted that one of his reasons for urging the retention of Maine's water power is that regulation of electric rates by the State public utilities commission would be impossible once power was sent beyond the borders of the State.

Colonel William Tudor Gardiner, his Republican opponent, has declared himself for limited export of power.

#### IDENTIFIED AS BANDIT

Identified by two persons as the bandit who robbed several persons in the northwest section of the city recently, using a razor as a weapon, Robert Kelley, Negro, 25, of 22 Blake St. is held at city prison under \$5,000 bond.

Sgt. Frank Reilly, who made the arrest, reported that Ethel Reed, Negro, of 438 W. Wabash St., and Will Hurt, Negro, of 436 W. Wabash St., both positively identified Kelley.

#### Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobile reported to police as stolen belonged to:

Arthur Kennedy, 1024 W. Thirty-First St., Ford roadster, T-87-001, from Meridian and Court Sts.

Edwin H. Linneman, 1148 S. State St., Oldsmobile coach, 21-742, from garage in rear of 1148 State St.

George Kafader, 1941 Ludlow Ave., Essex coach, 9-134, from Ludlow and Washington Sts.

Robert Roell, 18 Shillier St., Essex coach, 40-418, from 15 Shillier St.

Lawrence Dain, 900 N. Phillip St., Kokomo, Ford roadster, 413-350, from Ohio St. and Capitol Ave.

Charles J. Stewart, Box 233, Ford tudor, 546-948, from Maryland and Illinois Sts.

William Schutte, 902 Woodlawn, Ford coupe, 648-784, from Market and Alabama Sts.

Chester McCauley, 940 S. New Jersey St., Moon roadster, from Market and Delaware Sts.

Carl Jacobs, 448 E. Adams St., Franklin, Ind., Ford touring, from Georgia St. and Capitol Ave.

Lora Forkner, Rural Route No. 1, Sharpeville, Ind., Ford roadster, from 211 W. Georgia St.

Fred Selm, 1125 Cottage Ave., Dodge roadster, from Riverside Park.

Garland Monks, 705 W. Sixth St., Harrison, Ind., Ford roadster, from Walnut and Liberty Sts.

#### BACK HOME AGAIN

Stolen automobiles recovered by police:

State Automobile Company, 535 N. Capitol Ave., Chevrolet Coupe, found at Illinois and Sixteenth Sts.

Ford touring car, 658-757, found at Ray and Riesner Sts.

Ira Englewood, Rural Route No. 29, Zionsville, Ind., found in rear of 2015 S. Meridian St.

Lawrence Dain, 900 N. Phillip St., Kokomo, found at Senate Ave. and Pearl St.

## Hollywood? Huh! Here's Real Surf Rider



### 2 HURT IN AUTO CRASH HELD

#### Other Serious Accidents Reported.

John Check, 25, of 2843 MacPherson Ave., and Scott Phelps, 28, of R. R. 6, Bx. 342, injured internally, were held in the city hospital detention ward today following an automobile accident at Warman Ave. and Washington St., Sunday.

A machine driven by Check careened into the curb and turned over several times when it sideswiped a car Check was attempting to pass. Check was charged with speeding, reckless driving, assault and battery and Phelps with vagrancy.

William Curry, Anderson, Ind., is at Methodist Hospital with a fractured skull said to have been received when a T. H. I. & E. traction car struck a machine parked on the tracks at Cumberland Sunday.

Melvin Thacker, 35, of Frankfort, Ind., is at city hospital seriously injured as result of an auto collision at North Western Ave. and Thirtieth St. with Clarence Gilstrap, 643 Concourse Ave.

Herbert Shaw, 326 Linwood Ave., received a broken arm when his machine collided with one driven by Henry Bridges, 34, of 2040 Olive St. at Southport and the Bottoms Rd. Six persons riding with Shaw were cut and bruised.

### STORE BLAST PROBED

#### Fire Chief Starts Inquiry Into Explosion.

Fire Chief Harry E. Voshell today conducted a personal investigation to determine the cause of an explosion at the McCrory 5 and 10-cent store, 19 E. Washington St., which wrecked the front of that store at 3:20 a. m. Sunday.

Voshell said he believed the blast was caused by sewer gas.

The explosion apparently centered in an engine room underneath the sidewalk.

The sidewalk was bulged and cracked and in the basement thin walls blown down.

Damage to the State Life Bldg., in which the store was located, was estimated at \$10,000. Tiling was blown from the first floor wall of the building corridor.

James Wilson, 5031 Park Ave., manager of the store, refused to estimate damage to the stock until a representative of the company arrives from New York today.

The store was open for business today, with the exception of a few departments.

### WATER MAINS GET O. K.

#### Ten Miles to Be Laid Before End of Year.

Plans for laying 10 miles of water mains before the end of the year have been approved by William C. Mabee, Indianapolis Water Company chief engineer.

During the past eight months 12 miles of mains have been put down in an effort to provide additional fire protection to various parts of the city and to care for anticipated growth.

### WHAT IS LIFE? WHY IS DEATH? SCIENTIST MAY HAVE KEY TO MYSTERY

#### BY KELVIN JONES United Press Staff Correspondent

LONDON, Sept. 10.—Prof. A. V. Hill, noted physiologist, apparently is on the threshold of solving important features of the age-old mystery of life and death, the Evening Standard's correspondent telegraphed today from Glasgow, where the British Association for the Advancement of Science is meeting.

The statement said Professor Hill, by studying the muscles and nerve cells of the human body, had reached startling conclusions about the difference in sources of energy between human beings and machines, as well as varying reasons for the disintegration of spirit-

ualism in England—Sir Oliver Lodge and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.

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## SWEDEN'S DRY LAW SUCCEEDS, POLICE ASSERT

### Chief Says Drunkenness and Crime Fall Greatly Under System.

Sweden tried prohibition. It failed. Now a rigid system of State control is being tried, successfully. William Philip Simms, Foreign Editor of the Standard, has made an intensive study of the plan, and hereewith presents the fifth of a series on the workings of the system.

BY WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS  
Foreign Editor, Scripps-Howard Newspapers  
STOCKHOLM, Sept. 10.—Nobody knows better than a policeman how a nation's liquor laws are working. So I called on Erik Hallgren, Stockholm's acting police chief.

"Strictly as a police officer charged with maintaining law and order," I suggested, "which regime would you rather work under, the old saloon, out and out prohibition, or your present system of liquor control?"

"In all candor," Chief Hallgren replied, "there can be but one answer to your question. Our system is much better than any other I have heard of. The police of Stockholm and all over Sweden never have had less to do than they have now. Drunkenness steadily is declining and so is crime."

"During the war we had virtual prohibition trust upon us," he went on. "So I can speak from experience. In those three years crime just about doubled. After the war, when our control system again became operative, both drunkenness and crime fell off greatly."

#### American Situation Cited

"Something of the kind seems to be going on in America right now," I injected. "I mean a crime wave. Our murders, holdups, gang-wars and underworld doings seem to be causing considerable comment abroad."

Chief Hallgren did not change expression at this as I expected. I have discovered that foreigners are inclined to smile when the subject of Chicago and other rum war fronts is mentioned, but here was a man who seemed to regard it all from a purely professional point of view.

"That seems the universal experience in prohibition countries," the chief resumed. "It was so in Norway, in Russia, and elsewhere."

"Take Finland for example, just across the Baltic. It has prohibition in Helsinki, the capital, a city of about 260,000, the police average about sixty arrests a day, whereas here in Stockholm, city of almost twice the size, we average only eighteen or nineteen."

#### Few Drunkenness Arrests

"Our population," the chief continued, "is about double that of Finland. Our arrests for drunkenness have dwindled from 58,900 in 1913 for all Sweden, to 29,000 for 1927, a 50 per cent decrease."

"Temperance among women and young people, those between 15 and 20 years of age, has shown an especially happy trend. From an average of 100 representing drunkenness among women during the three years preceding liquor control, the figure has dropped to 32, while for young people of Stockholm the decrease has been from 100 to 17."

"Making use of index figures all along, drunkards coming to the attention of the Stockholm police have decreased under the control system from 100 to 30 and for all Sweden from 100 to 51."

"Cases of alcoholism treated in our hospitals have diminished from 100 to 26 and those privately reported by physicians from 100 to 31."

"Deaths from chronic alcoholism have fallen from 100 to fourteen for all Sweden and from 100 to sixteen in Stockholm. The yearly average of alcoholic insanity has dropped from 100 to thirty-three."

"There is no comparison between the present order and the old. From the policeman's point of view, or from the wider one of a citizen desiring the best possible conditions of law and order, the liquor control improves our improvement."

"The policeman's job has been made comparatively easy."

#### Next: A trip through Sweden's liquor store.

### HEIRLOOMS ARE STOLEN

Attic of Vacant House Ransacked, Fixtures Taken.

Heirlooms and other household articles, valued at \$200, were taken from the attic of a vacant house at 5225 College Ave., according to a report to police made by Mrs. Earl Brattin, Hooker, Okla., owner. The thief also took out the electrical fixtures.

Charles W. Trever, 221 N. Tremont Ave., was away from home Saturday night long enough for burglars to ransack his home and take guns and jewelry valued at \$75.

Gypsy thieves in Serbia put their own blood into the food of any one whom they suspect knows of their offenses; they believe this prevents him from betraying them.

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