

# PEACE OFFER OF TURKS IS TURNED DOWN

(National News Association)

PARIS, Nov. 4.—The powers today notified Turkey that they could not open negotiations with the Balkan states with a view to bringing about an armistice in the Balkan war.

Turkey was informed by the French government that the Balkan states could propose peace but could not propose an armistice.

## SALONIKA MAY FALL.

SALONIKA, Nov. 4.—An attack upon this city by the Greek army is imminent. The city is in a panic. Twenty thousand refugees from nearby towns are housed here. Food is scarce and soldiers are plundering ships. It is understood that the municipal authorities are in favor of a prompt surrender to prevent a bombardment.

## GREEKS THE VICTORS.

ATHENS, Greece, Nov. 4.—Five hundred Turkish prisoners and fifteen heavy guns were captured in a 7-hour battle between Greeks and Ottoman troops at Yenidje, according to addices received from the front today. The balance of the Turkish army at Yenidje fled pursued by the victorious Greeks. Yenidje lies 18 miles north of Ulia and is on a branch railway running from Salonika, 30 miles west of the latter city.

## FIGHTING CONTINUES.

SOFIA, Nov. 4.—Although Turkey has appealed to the powers to mediate and bring about a suspension of hostilities in the Balkan war, furious fighting was still going on today almost within the suburbs of Constantinople.

While the main division of the Turkish army has sought refuge beneath the forts of Chatalja, the main defenses on the north, fighting was still going on south of the orient railway and on the western slopes of the Is-tranya mountains, where Bulgarian forces drove Turkish troops before them. It was learned today that the Turkish army began retreat after 72 hours' fighting.

## The Bulgarian Losses.

The first report of the Bulgarian losses in this fight was given out here today. This stated that 4,000 Bulgarians were killed and 20,000 wounded. The brunt of the battle was borne by the first and second regiments of Bulgarian infantry. Out of the 7,200 troops only 700 escaped unscathed. 500 soldiers of the first and second regiments fell upon the field either dead or wounded.

The flight of the Turkish army compared with Napoleon's retreat from Moscow. Whole brigades of the flower of the Turkish army were annihilated. The Bulgarian artillery thundered its destructive fire without cessation night and day for 48 hours.

Rejoicing here was mingled with pathos over the bitterness of the loss. Relief is expressed that after bringing the Turkish empire to its knees Bulgaria and the other Balkan states will refuse to listen to offers for mediation until Constantinople has been invested.

I. E. Guechief, the Bulgarian premier, has dispatched important addices to Czar Ferdinand who is at the army headquarters at Stara Zagora, which it is believed relate to the mediation.

Mr. Guechief declared today that in his opinion the powers would not press their demands for a cessation of hostilities at once.

## O. S. HALL AGAIN IN TOILS OF THE LAW

Held at Kokomo on Alleged Charge of Embezzlement—Once Convicted Here.

O. S. Hall, a former insurance agent in this city, sent to the Indiana State prison on a charge of embezzlement from the Wayne circuit court on Nov. 18, 1909, to serve an indeterminate sentence of two to four years, and paroled on December 2, 1911, is under arrest at Kokomo on an alleged charge of embezzlement.

Hall was in Richmond last Friday and told friends that he was doing a prosperous business in Kokomo. He left here for Anderson. Upon his return to Kokomo, he was arrested on the request of authorities in Elwood and Tipton county. It is alleged that he sold policies, collected the premiums, and failed to remit the money to the Midland Casualty company of Chicago. At Elwood, it is charged he entered into contract with Dr. Thomas Ownes, making him examining physician and promising him a monthly salary of \$25. The company repudiated the contract. Dr. Ownes had remitted money to Hall.

Hall was convicted in Wayne county by a jury after an indictment had been preferred against him by the grand jury. He pleaded not guilty to the charge. He has a wife and six children in Cincinnati. Thomas Larmore, state parole officer, has been in Kokomo conferring with the prisoner.

It is known at Kokomo that the insurance company severed connections with Hall several weeks ago. After his parole from prison he went to Kokomo where he had a large circle of friends and acquaintances. At the time of his conviction here, there were charges against him in many Indiana cities.

William Rankin of New York, has celebrated his 104th birthday.

## NATIONAL CHAIRMAN ISSUE STATEMENT

Each Believes His Party Will Be Victorious at the Polls Tuesday.

BY SENATOR JOSEPH M. DIXON, Chairman of the National Progressive Committee.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—The campaign which ends next Tuesday marks a distinct period in American politics. The voters of the nation are in revolution against the old order of political control. No such national movement has been recorded since the anti-slavery crusade of the late fifties.

Old political leaders and landmarks have been literally swept aside in the uprising of the masses. The morning after the election, the students of American politics will be studying a new political map of the United States.

Great electoral states like Illinois, Pennsylvania, Michigan, and California will be swept into the Progressive column by pluralities, in some instances, more than a hundred thousand.

Notwithstanding the "claims" of political managers, the truth is there is not an accurate yard stick to measure the present situation.

One thing, however, is certain. The human interest propaganda of the Progressive party has appealed to thinking men and women as nothing else has done for half a century. It is the natural evolution of democracy itself. In the great industrial centers of the nation there will be a veritable avalanche of votes for the Roosevelt and Johnson electoral ticket.

For the first time since the days of Reconstruction, the voters in the southern states feel that they can vote for a non-sectional political party. In Tennessee, North Carolina and Georgia, the Progressive ticket will poll a tremendous vote next Tuesday. In every other southern state the vote for Roosevelt and Johnson will be twice and in some states three times as large as was cast for the Republican ticket four years ago.

The Taft ticket will beyond the adventure of doubt be a bad third in the race. In many places it will even be a hot race for fourth place between Debs and Taft.

The contest next Tuesday is absolutely between Roosevelt and Wilson. Based on full information as to conditions in every state, we believe that Taft has no possibility of securing to exceed fifteen electoral votes. Taft has no show to carry any states except Utah, Wyoming, New Mexico and Vermont.

Speaking frankly, I believe the chances favor Roosevelt in Vermont and Wilson in New Mexico. I believe Wyoming hangs in the balance between all three candidates.

Eight years ago Roosevelt swept the nation by two million four hundred thousand majority. He stands today the foremost man in the world.

Leading the greatest political fight in our nation's history, he will, on Tuesday next achieve the greatest triumph in his whole political career.

BY CHARLES D. HILLES, Chairman of the National Republican Committee.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—Tuesday, November 5, will witness the re-election of William Howard Taft as President of the United States.

A remarkable campaign is drawing to a close.

Going into the contest with the handicap created by cruel misrepresentations, that sought to poison the minds of the American people against him, President Taft has come through clean and strong. The record of the sanely progressive achievements of his first term, fear of the untried experiments and the utter disregard of all constitutional restraints by the third-term candidate, and unwillingness on the part of the American people to jeopardize the splendid prosperity of the present period under a free-trade Democratic administration, gradually wrought the change which today assures William Howard Taft a second term as President of the United States.

I do not believe it necessary to go over the situation by States. I am confident that the effort to disrupt the Republican party has failed miserably, and that the evidence to sustain that assertion will be in before Tuesday night.

I am firmly confident that at the polls on Tuesday, the vote of the country will be cast for four years more of Taft and prosperity.

BY WILLIAM F. MC COMBS Chairman of the National Democratic Committee.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—The Democratic forces never entered a battle with more united strength or more confident of victory than they will on November 5.

We have waged the contest along the lines that we believed to be of the greatest advantage to the American people. It is now up to the voters. To tell where we are strongest is a task beyond me, or any other conscientious Democrat who has been in the midst of this fight.

The south will again be united for the Democratic ticket. The returns we have had from all the southern states indicate that the Wilson and Marshall vote will be the largest ever given a Democratic candidate.

While some extremely conservative persons may include California in the debatable column, we are confident of carrying it for Governor Wilson. We have to overcome a lead of practically 87,000 votes in California, but the division among the Republican party is so great and the support of

the Democratic ticket has been so enthusiastic, that we have every right to believe that we will carry the state.

Colorado will increase its majority of 3,000 at the last election to not less than 15,000 for Wilson and Marshall.

Connecticut is a hotly contested state, and while we have to overcome a large majority, we have every confidence that we can do it.

Bryan received 22,000 votes in Delaware at the last election, while Taft received 25,000. The split in the Republican ranks gives us this state by a safe majority.

Illinois has been one of the most bitterly contested states. The Republicans carried this state the last time by one vote less than 190,000. That is a big lead to overcome, but we can do it and Illinois will be ours by 25,000 to 50,000 majority.

Indiana is safe for Wilson and Marshall and we will have the biggest Democratic majority ever given a candidate.

Our reports from Iowa are most enthusiastic, and we are not worrying over the results in that state. Iowa can be safely put down for Wilson and Marshall.

Maine had but 3,000 Republican majority in the September election with both factions of the Republican party united. Divided, as they now are on national lines, the state will certainly cast its electoral vote for Wilson.

Maryland is safe in the Democratic column and we will elect the six congressional candidates from that state.

In Massachusetts we have to overcome a large Republican majority but the split in the Republican ranks insures Democratic success. The Democratic outlook could not be brighter. There is no debate over Missouri.

Michigan, Minnesota and Montana are all states in which we have made remarkable gains and we hope to find them in the Democratic column on election day.

Nebraska will remain in the Democratic column.

New York and New Jersey are beyond question safe for Wilson and Marshall. We anticipate coming down to Manhattan with a majority of 70,000 for the Democratic ticket. This should give us New York state by 250,000.

Ohio is just as safe for the Democratic ticket as any of the southern states and I firmly believe that we will have the largest majority in Ohio ever given a Democratic candidate.

Pennsylvania is going to be the scene of a remarkable three-cornered fight. This state, with its 300,000 majority, has been the scene of one of the most strenuous contests ever conducted by the Democrats and our reports indicate that we not only have the united Democratic vote of half a million, but have gained tens of thousands of other votes. Wilson will lead Roosevelt, with Taft third.

The fight for Taft was given up in California and there began at once a flocking of the Taft politicians to the standard of Wilson for vengeance upon the Republican Progressives who had shut them off the ballot.

How much of a stampede has really occurred it is hard to determine. It is a new situation in California, politics and the political forecasters are making their calculations now with reservations. If all the Taft voters of California go to the polls and give their votes to Wilson the Democratic candidates will probably win.

The situation is further complicated by the 50,000 voters who supported Senator La Follette in the presidential primary election of last May. Both sides are claiming that they will get the bulk of the La Follette voters. They are mostly Republicans, Progressives and protectionists, and this, the Roosevelt men say, insures the Bull Moose ticket two-thirds of the La Follette votes.

Pre-election predictions do not make votes. We have endeavored not to deceive ourselves over the outlook, but the indications have been so uniformly favorable that the Democratic party sees nothing but victory Tuesday. It is important, however, that the Democrats get out and vote and must take nothing for granted.

We shall not be surprised to find every electoral vote of every state for Wilson and Marshall. The Democratic party is united. The Republican party is divided into fragments and cannot hope to succeed this year.

## FALLING WINDOW BREAKS MAN'S LEG

Philip Widdy, an employee of the Rumely company, met with a painful accident this morning, while crawling through a window in one of the shops of the plant. Widdy was carrying material through the window. The window prop was knocked loose by Widdy's foot, causing the window to fall on his leg and breaking it. He was removed to his home in the city ambulance.

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## CALIFORNIA WILL GO TO ROOSEVELT

Indications Are He Will Carry the State by at Least 75,000 Majority.

(National News Association)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 4.—

The elimination of Taft electors from the ballot in California places her unquestionably in the list of doubtful states although the Roosevelt leaders announced today that they will win by a majority of 75,000, and the Wilson leaders, more conservative in their claims stated that Democracy will prevail with a majority of 30,000 or more.

Unprejudiced predictions are a shade in favor of Roosevelt based upon the unbroken power of Governor Hiram W. Johnson, his place on the presidential ticket and the fact that the Roosevelt electors are down on the November ballot as Republicans in a state which has a normal Republican majority of 30,000 now increased to 160,000 by the granting of votes to women.

Before it was settled that no Taft electors would be on the ballot there appeared to be little doubt that Roosevelt would win with Wilson second and Taft a weak third.

Roosevelt Popular.

California was one of the Republican strongholds of the country. It had gone Democratic only twice since 1856. The last time was in 1892 when the Cleveland electors were victorious. Roosevelt carried California in 1904 with a majority of 115,000 and Taft had nearly 100,000 majority four years ago.

But all the calculations of a Roosevelt win in California in 1912 were upset at the end of September, when the supreme court ruled that the Taft electors chosen at a rump state convention of Taft men were not entitled to a place on the ballot.

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## WEATHER REPORT

According to the weekly report of the co-operative observer in climatological service of the United States weather bureau, last Sunday was the coldest day recorded here this fall. The mercury dropped to 28 degrees. The warmest day of last week was Tuesday with a temperature of 71.

The steamship lines burn five million tons of coal annually at New York.

A Texas husband is sued for divorce because he hugs his wife too much.

## BEVERIDGE SHOWS BETTING STRENGTH

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 4.—Election wagers in this city considerably narrowed on the governorship today but odds of four to one that Wilson will be elected were neglected in blocks ranging from \$1,000 upward. Beveridge, for governor, showed increased strength and even money that Radston would defeat him by 30,000 to 40,000 was eagerly grabbed. Wagers that Beveridge would poll more votes than Durbin were entirely neglected, even with odds on the Beveridge end.

Elmer Lafonzo, Indian, and Genevieve Norton, white, have married in Los Angeles.

## LET ROAD CONTRACT

At the meeting of the board of county commissioners this afternoon, the contract for the improvement of the Charles Minor road, which is an extension of the North Tenth street or the Richmond and Newport turnpike, was awarded to the Foster Construction company. The bid was \$28,790.

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