

'MORNIN', dear teacher! Here's a bright red apple.

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WEATHER FORECAST for Kansas: Fair and warmer tonight; cloudy and probably rain Friday. Colder before Saturday.

TWO CENTS

## WILSON CARRYING EVERY STATE BUT TWO BIG STATES

### Wilson Still Leading With Vote of 256 Against Hughes' 243—Charges of Fraud in New Hampshire

#### TEACHERS HERE

#### FIRST DAY OF BIG MEETING BRINGS HOSTS

Fifty-Fourth Annual Convention of Kansas Ma'ams. Ten Special Trains Bring in Crowds This Morning.

#### SPEAKING AT THE AUDITORIUM

Dr. Geo. D. Strayer of Columbia on Boy and Girl Problem.

#### United States Commissioner of Education on Affairs.

#### STRONG PROGRAM TODAY

Widely Known Speakers Before State Instructors.

#### Five Thousand Children in Big Drill Tomorrow.

#### GENERAL PROGRAMS

At city auditorium for Friday, November 10, 9 a. m. Music: Topeka High School Glee Clubs, Henry on resolutions, Supt. M. E. Moore, Leavenworth. The "Pilgrims" Chorus, Wagner, Kansas State Normal School, Topeka. Address: "The Meaning of Youth," President F. H. Bryan, Colgate University, N. Y. "Swing Along," Supt. Albert S. Cook, Bureau of Education, Maryland. Kansas State Normal School Glee club. "Martha," the Boston English Opera Company. High School Auditorium: Address, "The Public Schools, a Test of American Faith," Mary Arlin of Washington, D. C. (These entertainments are supplied by the citizens of Topeka thru their Commercial clubs.)

#### (CONVENTION PERSONALS ON PAGE 6)

Teachers by the hundreds from the cities, from the little country schools, from everywhere in Kansas began pouring into Topeka this morning to enjoy the fifty-fourth annual session of the Kansas State Teachers' association here today, tomorrow and Saturday. The registration books in the state house lobby showed that on the opening day the attendance is greater than ever before in the history of the association. By 6 o'clock this evening it is expected that the registration will be 4,000. Before the convention closes 7,000 teachers are expected here.

Preparation of the school boy and girl of today for co-operation in dealing with social affairs rather than the individualism of the past was dealt with jointly this morning by Dr. George D. Strayer of Columbia, United States commissioner of education. Both men spoke in the city auditorium which was filled with a crowd of 1,000. The fifty-fourth annual convention opened with prayer by Dr. Charles M. Sheldon of the Central Congregational church. This was followed by music on the pipe organ and a vocal solo of much merit by Miss Edith Bideau.

#### Laws Rule Now.

Briefly the speakers stressed the passing of the good old days when a man could make a living independently of others, could travel independently of the social and industrial customs of others. Now no one can travel anywhere without finding himself forced to abide by social and industrial customs of the people. "No democracy can stand unless there are enough men who will sacrifice their individual aims for the benefit of the common good," declared Dr. Strayer.

#### Teaching Two Autocratic.

The present method of teaching is too autocratic, the speakers told the teachers. Pupils seek more to please a teacher by their individualism in recitation than thru the results of co-operation which ultimately will be the only salvation of themselves and the nation. The teachers were urged to create in their pupils the need of helping one another, of making combined rather than individual efforts to reach a goal. Instances where teachers had pupils aid others, less apt in certain studies were pointed out as methods of reducing the individualistic tendencies of the times and creating the spirit of co-operation in which all work for the good of a community rather than for individual results, only.

#### Then, too, the education of a pupil's reasoning powers instead of memorizing powers was urged upon the teachers.

"Most Think Not Memorize. Too many pupils memorize their lessons and do not reason them out," declared Dr. Strayer. "This is simpli-



Superintendent J. H. Francis of Columbus, Ohio, who delivered an address to the state teachers at the high school auditorium today.

because a surface, book knowledge is all that is required." He told of a teacher who had the pupils discuss the reasons for famines in India. This discussion brought out their reasoning powers for they were forced to understand the physical conditions in and surrounding India, the weather conditions and soil conditions. "They learned to reason and acquired geography at the same time," said Dr. Strayer. "We must teach the pupils to assemble facts and arrive at conclusions in their own minds. There are too many people who will read the editorials in a morning paper and stand by those convictions until the evening paper is on the street with facts apparently as convincing and then change their minds."

#### 6 HURT IN WRECK

Golden State Limited Derailed Near Newman, Kan.

#### Four Cars Turn Over; Two in Topeka Hospitals.

The injured. R. L. Taylor, Los Angeles, negro chef, severely lacerated and bruised. George C. Hawkins, Ludlow, S. D., private Troop L. Seventh cavalry. Nose lacerated and glass in left eye. M. E. Ransom, Ft. Wichita, Wichita. Left shoulder and clavicle fractured. Frank B. Dearing, Philadelphia, first sergeant Troop L. Seventh cavalry. Right wrist and left knee lacerated. Carol Skence, Greensburg, Kan. Back wrenched. Unidentified woman, about 80 years old and believed to live in Greensburg, Kan. Bruised, and suffering from severe nervous shock.

While a number of its passengers were eating in the diner, Rock Island train No. 4, known as the Golden State Limited, was wrecked a short distance east of Newman, twelve miles east of Topeka, at 3:30 o'clock last night.

The wreck occurred when a flange on a wheel under the second car of the train broke. The car swayed and turned over on its side, dragging the rest of the six cars behind with it. Four of the cars were thrown completely on their sides while the last three coaches were merely overturned. The engine and mail car were cut loose from the train.

At noon today G. B. Hetherington, trainmaster for the Kansas division of the Rock Island, stated that not enough information was available to fix the cause of the derailment of the Golden State Limited, which went into the ditch at Newman, twelve miles east of Lawrence, at 6:30 o'clock last night.

Mr. Hetherington had just returned from the wreck. At that time two wreckers, one a Union Pacific, the other a Rock Island, were removing the debris. One line of track was open and trains were being routed thru. The other line of track was still blocked, and it was not stated when it would be opened.

It was stated that the two passengers most badly injured, who are in Stormont hospital, were Douglas Well. It was not believed then that either would die. The two in the hospital are M. E. Ransom of Wichita, left shoulder and clavicle fractured, and R. L. Taylor, of Los Angeles, colored chef, badly scalped.

Six persons were reported injured this morning, none of them fatally. With the exception of M. E. Ransom, of Wichita, and R. L. Taylor, of Los Angeles, the rest of the passengers continued on their way to Kansas City. The scant number of injured reported is due to the unusually small number of passengers according to J. W. Stevens, the Pullman car conductor.

#### Engineer to Rescued.

Another reason for the few injured was Engineer Haviland, who takes no credit for his part in saving lives. "I did it without thinking," he said. "About 300 yards east of Newman (Continued on Page Two.)"

#### TEXT BOOK FIGHT AMONG TEACHERS IS OPENED TODAY

Resolutions Prepared Would Open Up Book Buying.

Direct Slap at State Publication May Be Result.

#### DEMAND DISTRICT OWNERSHIP

Would Permit School Boards to Buy in Open Market.

W. A. Brandenburg of Pittsburg Mentioned as President.

Fireworks over the state text book proposition opened early today, at the forty-fifth annual convention of the Kansas State Teachers' association. Whether the apparent split between officials of the association and the present method of state selection of school books becomes deeper tonight depends upon the outcome of a meeting of the resolutions committee, late this afternoon, in the office of W. D. Ross, superintendent of public instruction. At that time it will be decided whether the resolutions committee shall submit to the board of directors at its meeting tonight an amendment which, if adopted by the board and teachers in session tomorrow, will place the association on record as saying: "The children of Kansas have a right to the best books, regardless of whether they are the product of state publication or private publication."

It is further proposed that the school book commission problem was promised at a late hour this afternoon, when F. L. Pinet, secretary of the state association, appeared at the office of W. D. Ross, state superintendent, and announced that he had a resolution to be presented to the resolutions committee. Pinet's resolution will ask that the legislature refrain from taking any further steps in investigating the state publication propaganda for two years at least.

Meantime, it is proposed in the resolution to be presented to the resolutions committee that the state publication from a strictly educational standpoint. At the same time Pinet's resolution would request an investigation of state publication from a dollar and cent standpoint by a cost expert.

In addition a section would be added reading: "We favor the compulsory district ownership of text books and the right to select them from the best on the open market."

The latter part of the resolution is the one looked upon with alarm by friends of the text book commission. It directly provides for the abolishment of the compulsory adoption of the state text books and the election to select them from the best on the open market.

At a meeting of the resolutions committee a month ago, resolutions were adopted by the committee for the approval of the board and association placing the association on record as favoring such a modification of the law relating to the school book commission as will put the selection of textbooks in the hands of active teachers and favoring in the selection of books the consideration of quality—not price.

"Suddenly," said M. E. Moore, of Leavenworth, chairman of the resolutions committee, "some of the members of the committee demanded the district ownership amendment."

Mr. Moore stated that he had invited A. M. Thoroman, secretary of the state school book commission, to be present at the meeting. At 1:30 o'clock this afternoon Thoroman declared he had not received the invitation. W. R. Smith, state printer and chairman of the commission, also declared he had received no invitation to the meeting.

There appears to be no fight for the presidency of the association. Names have been mentioned but W. A. Brandenburg, president of the Pittsburg Manual training school, seems to be the man who has the "inside" of the board of directors, at their meeting tonight.

#### ROYAL FLYER MISSING

Baron Lucas Either Killed or Captured by Germans.

#### CONTEST VOTE IN STATES THAT ARE DOUBTFUL

Exchange of Fraud Cry in National Headquarters.

Democrats Start Proceedings in New Hampshire.

#### BOTH SIDES BANDY DEFINITIONS

Replies and Answers Come Hot and Fast.

Warn Ballot Box Watchers to Look Out for Fakes.

New York, Nov. 9.—Charges that the Republican election officials in New Hampshire were unfair in the vote count there, by which they gave the state to Hughes by 161 votes was made today by Henry Morganthau, chairman of the Democratic finance committee. "We will demand and get a recount there," he said. "It will be very queer if we can not get in 150 or 200 votes in this way. The Republicans control the election machinery and it is only natural that a recount would give us a gain under such circumstances. These officials have given us no vote for more acrimonious exchanges taken a large number of votes away from us that we were entitled to."

Morganthau's charge was in answer to a statement by Governor Perkins. Instructions to the Democratic committee in New Hampshire to demand a recount had already gone forward, he said.

#### NERVES ARE FRAYED

The situation today was one which pulled taut the already overstrained nerves of political managers. It was reported that the Democratic exchanges between the two sides than heretofore marked the campaign. It was reported that the Democratic Chairman McCormick to his cohorts to "guard ballot boxes," lest there be tampering. It inspired Republican Chairman Miller to reply that any one intimating fraud by Republicans "was a contemptible accusation against the honor of the party and the Democrats. In at least one state (Continued on Page Two.)"

#### MAY WAIT WEEK

2,136 Minnesota Guards' Vote May Decide Issue.

But These Won't Be Counted Until Tuesday.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 9.—With 2,136 Minnesota militiamen's votes cast at the election before next Tuesday, the world may wait another week to know who will be president of the United States, if Minnesota is to be given the proud privilege of deciding that issue. Six commissioners who took these ballots to the border to be marked by the militia are expected to return to Minnesota today. They are due Sunday. Both parties claim the militia will be counted before Tuesday, the world may wait another week to know who will be president of the United States, if Minnesota is to be given the proud privilege of deciding that issue.

#### FOREIGNERS FLEE

Take Special Trains to the Mexican Border.

Report De Facto Evacuate City of Ojinaga.

El Paso, Nov. 9.—Passengers arriving from Chihuahua City brought a report that a special train was being prepared to bring the French and British residents of Ojinaga to the border. Chinese residents are also coming from the state capital. It is feared that Villa is preparing an attack.

#### MAY SPLIT VOTE

Prospect for California Vote To Be Divided.

Not Improbable; It Happened Four Years Ago.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 9.—The possibility that California may cast a divided vote in the electoral college was discussed today by the party leaders who watched the returns slowly coming in from California precincts. Under the law, the thirteen candidates for elector to receive the largest vote will go to the electoral college, regardless of whether they all favor the same presidential candidate. It is possible for the high man of one set of thirteen electors to be higher than the low man of the set of electors whose party candidate receives the majority of the electoral votes. Four years ago this happened. Wilson carried two electoral and Roosevelt eleven.

#### TOTALS CHANGE ONLY SLIGHTLY THROUGHOUT STATE

Wilson Will Carry Kansas by More Than 30,000.

Only One Democratic Congressman to Be Uprooted.

#### CAPPER BY 150,000 PLURALITY

Legislature Safely Republican in Both Houses Now.

Harger and Simmons Go Down to Defeat of Hughes.

#### LATEST STATE RETURNS.

President. Returns from 1,952 precincts: Wilson 248,093; Hughes 218,276. Returns from 1,698 precincts: Capper 231,749; Lansdon 132,775.

Kansas will boost the Wilson presidential plurality above the 30,000 mark. It may go to 32,500 or even 35,000. That is greater than any dream of the most ardent and enthusiastic Democrat. With nearly 800 precincts to report governorship totals, Governor Capper is now hanging languidly on the 100,000 mark and looks safe by 125,000 or more.

Today the Democrats are simply dazzled and bewildered by their showing in the state. On the eve of the election, when the Democrats claimed everything in sight, Hubert Lardner, chairman of the state committee, put the Wilson plurality at 11,000 to 12,000. Then he knocked on wood and wished dreams might come true. Now Lardner is submerged in good news of which he never dreamed and never permitted himself to think.

Total figures this afternoon from 1,952 of the 2,474 precincts of Kansas give Wilson 248,093 and Hughes 218,276—a skimpy 30,000. But there are more than 500 precincts out and Wilson keeps growing as reports come to Topeka. He is now judged as to where it will stop.

Do your own guessing on governor, also. If it were possible to slice a few thousand off the Capper returns and add them to the Hughes column, the Republicans would be happy. In 1,698 precincts, Capper has 231,749 votes and Hughes 132,775.

#### CONGRESSIONAL FIGHT

The Republicans dented the Democratic congressional stronghold by the election of Col. Ed. C. Little over Congressman Joseph Taggart. That was as far as the winning went. Right there the Bourbon line held and Kansas residents of the five remaining Democratic congressmen.

In the Fourth district Congressman Dudley Doolittle won a close fight over Clyde W. Miller. Doolittle's majority over Miller will probably be something less than 500, altho returns from all counties in the district seem to give him a safe lead and the election. Miller and his managers have conceded the election to Doolittle.

St. Paul, Nov. 9.—Charles Evans Hughes was holding his slight lead over President Wilson in Minnesota when returns from 2,800 precincts out of 3,024 in the state had been completed at 2 p. m. today, the count was: Wilson 173,213; Hughes 173,652.

#### BOTH STILL CONFIDENT

Victory Seen in Both National Camps—Leaders Make Statements.

New York, Nov. 9.—Statements were issued from both Democratic and Republican national headquarters this morning still claiming the pivotal states for the respective parties. "When I returned at 5 o'clock," said Chairman McCormick, in a statement telephoned from his hotel, "I knew that North Dakota was safe for Wilson, California absolutely ours, that we had New Mexico surely and that we are putting up a good fight in Minnesota."

#### GERMAN PRINCE KILLED

Nephew of King of Bavaria Dies From Battle Wounds.

#### WILSON?

Hughes Must Get Both Minn. and Cal. to Win.

California Drift to Wilson Sensation of Today.

#### HAS 5,000 LEAD IN CALIFORNIA

Hughes Slipping in Minnesota; Only \$11 Ahead.

G. O. P. Newspapers Admit Wilson Victory Late Today.

#### LATEST RETURNS

Admits Wilson Winner. Philadelphia, Nov. 9.—The Philadelphia North American, one of the strongest Republican papers in the state, posted a bulletin this afternoon conceding the election to President Wilson.

Charge Tampering Ballot Boxes. Fargo, N. D., Nov. 9.—Charges that ballot box tampering is being attempted in eastern North Dakota were laid before United States District Attorney Silyer by United States Marshal J. J. Doyle this afternoon.

New Hampshire to Hughes? Concord, N. H., Nov. 9.—All but forty-six of the 294 election districts in New Hampshire give the following vote for president: Wilson 36,793; Hughes plurality 279. This announcement was given out.

New York, Nov. 9.—The tide over Wilson set so strong in California and Minnesota this afternoon that it appeared probable at 3:45 this afternoon returns from these two states would indicate the president's re-election.

Two Philadelphia newspapers which have strongly supported Hughes in the campaign this afternoon conceded their candidate's defeat. "They were the Evening Ledger and the North American."

The belief that the Wilson drift would result in his choice was based on the developments in California and Minnesota. Hughes' lead in Minnesota is being cut down as further returns come in. The precise drift in these states and in the other smaller doubtful states of New Hampshire and New Mexico showed on the United Press returns available at 3:45.

California, 5,892 out of 5,867 precincts: Wilson leading by 5,055 votes; to come 175 precincts. New Hampshire, 248 out of 294 precincts, Hughes leading by 279; to come 46. Democrats preparing to back up claim of carrying state by court action.

Minnesota—2,736 out of 3,024 precincts: Hughes leading by 811; to come 288. New Mexico—226 out of 538 precincts: Hughes leading by 558; to come 302.

#### HOPE ON 18 PRECINCTS

Democratic State Chairman Cushing maintains an air of confidence in the presidential candidates turned into the home stretch. He said the eight remaining precincts in Los Angeles county would not give Hughes a sufficient plurality to overcome Wilson's lead. On the other hand he decidedly still claims the pivotal states of New Hampshire and New Mexico.

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#### LATEST FIGURES

Standing of states with electoral vote. Needed to elect, 266.

#### FOR WILSON.

- Alabama, 12. Arizona, 3. Arkansas, 10. Colorado, 6. Florida, 6. Georgia, 14. Idaho, 4. Kentucky, 13. Louisiana, 10. Maryland, 8. Mississippi, 10. Missouri, 18. Montana, 4. Nebraska, 8. Nevada, 3. North Carolina, 12. North Dakota, 5. Ohio, 24. Oklahoma, 10. South Carolina, 9. Tennessee, 12. Texas, 20. Utah, 4. Virginia, 12. Washington, 7. Wyoming, 3. TOTAL, 256.

#### FOR HUGHES.

- Connecticut, 7. Delaware, 3. Illinois, 29. Iowa, 13. Maine, 6. Massachusetts, 18. Michigan, 15. New Jersey, 14. New York, 45. Oregon, 5. Pennsylvania, 38. Rhode Island, 5. South Dakota, 5. Vermont, 4. West Virginia, 8. Wisconsin, 13. Indiana, 15. TOTAL, 243.

#### DOUBTFUL.

- California, 13. New Hampshire, 4. New Mexico, 3. Minnesota, 12. TOTAL, 32.

#### WINTER IS COMING

A Cold Wave Is Expected to Reach Topeka Tomorrow.

Hourly temperature readings furnished by the weather bureau: 7 o'clock... 36 11 o'clock... 50 8 o'clock... 38 12 o'clock... 52 9 o'clock... 40 1 o'clock... 55 10 o'clock... 44 2 o'clock... 57

Temperatures today averaged 2 degrees above normal. The wind is blowing at the rate of twelve miles an hour from the southwest. A brief period of clear warm weather followed by some real winter, with rain and cold as on the schedule for the week-end, according to weather bureau reports. Fair weather with temperatures above normal prevailed today and the same is promised for tomorrow. Friday night the bad period will begin, according to the forecast which reads as follows: Fair and warmer tonight, Friday increasing cloudiness followed probably by rain; colder Friday in the northwest and north central sections of Kansas; much colder by Saturday in all parts of the state.

The lowest temperature last night was 35 degrees, the official records show. It was cold enough on the ground, however, to freeze a light (Continued on Page Two.)

#### Kansas Republicans May Question Vote Here.

Suit in Supreme Court to Test Law's Constitutionality.

#### ROW OVER ELECTORS' CHOICE

Lawyers Claim Cross Should Be Behind Their Names.

#### G. O. P. Has Everything to Win and Nothing to Lose.

With every state a pivotal state and with every vote needed by each candidate for the presidency, the Republicans may contest the Kansas electoral vote. This plan was worked out early in the week by the Democrats. Now the Republicans are considering the plan of attack anticipated by the enemy.

In event of a contest, suit will be filed in the supreme court to test the constitutionality of the Kansas system of voting for presidential electors. This year Kansas voted in a square opposite the name of presidential candidates. Votes were not cast for individual electors. According to a theory of many lawyers, the constitution specifically provides that electors shall be chosen, who shall choose the president. A successful contest by the Republicans would result in throwing out the electoral vote of the state. In such an event the vote would be taken from the Wilson column, altho none would be added to the Hughes string.

Following announcements today that New Hampshire Democrats would file quo warranto proceedings, to test the validity of state constitutionality of the Kansas vote, and cause a re-run of the state vote, Kansas Republican leaders considered for the first time the plan for a contest in this state. Questions surrounding the constitutionality of the Kansas vote are being studied today by a number of able lawyers. Returns from the state show that the popular vote was cast for Wilson. He has a 30,000 lead. So the Republicans have everything to win and nothing to lose.

Positions Have Changed. Today the Republicans are in much the same position as the Democrats prior to the election. Last Sunday several Democratic leaders were in conference with legal advisers relative to the constitutionality of the Kansas electoral system. They planned to file suit to test the state vote in event it was unfavorable to Wilson. Just at that time they were not strongly of the opinion it would be for Wilson, either. The fact that the state vote supported Democrats fully as much as it did the Republicans (Continued on Page Four.)

#### A LIVELY FIGHT

Unofficial Count Gives Wilson N. H. by 117.

Republicans Cry Fake and Claim State for Hughes.

Concord, Nov. 9.—New Hampshire complete, but only partially certified to the secretary of state, gives Hughes 43,732, Wilson 43,849. Wilson's plurality 117.

The complete count, showing a plurality of 117 for Wilson presidential electors, is based on certified returns to the secretary of state from 23 precincts out of a total of 234, added to press returns from 64 precincts. The secretary is checking up the press returns with those certified as the latter come in. In the two precincts which were missing until this afternoon gave a total of 11 votes for Hughes and 7 for Wilson.

Statement by G. O. P. Phillip H. Faulkner, chairman of the Republican state committee, issued the following statement: "The claim that New Hampshire has gone for Wilson is unsubstantiated by any returns in our possession. Fully 46 per cent of the town clerks throughout the state have rendered no official returns of the vote but such unofficial figures as we have, verified in every quarter of the state, indicate that Mr. Hughes has carried New Hampshire by something less than 100 plurality."

"We have well fortified information officers in the counting of votes in many quarters and we have today instituted proceedings for an inspection of all the votes cast in the state on Tuesday, as our law provides. Contest the Vote. "George A. Fairbanks, Newport, one of the Hughes presidential electors, is the petitioner in this action, and we expect to have the New Hampshire ballots in the hands of the secretary of state by the close of another day."

"We do not concede New Hampshire to the Democrats and are prepared to substantiate our claim of Republican victory before any competent tribunal."