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## TAFT'S VICTORY MOST COMPLETE

Republican Presidential Can-  
didate May Have  
325 Votes.

## NEXT CONGRESS IS REPUBLICAN

Governor Hughes Is Re-Elected  
Over Chanler in New  
York State.

Great Surprises in the Election There  
--Ohio Elects Democratic Gov-  
ernor but Electoral Votes  
Are Taft's.

New York, Nov. 5.—William Howard Taft of Ohio, Republican, has been elected twenty-seventh president of the United States and James Schoolcraft Sherman of New York, has been chosen vice president. This is the out-



WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT,  
(President-Elect of the United States)  
come of one of the most remarkable  
political campaigns in the history of  
the republic.

William Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska, the Democratic candidate, went down in the third defeat of his life's ambition to occupy the White House.

### Electoral Vote Growing.

Results received have shown that Mr. Taft would have at least 300 electoral votes, and as the details came in increasing fullness from the west, it began to look as if the figures might reach the 325 mark claimed in the anti-election forecast of Chairman Hitchcock of the Republican national committee, or possibly would approximate the 330 achieved in 1904 by Mr. Roosevelt. The number necessary to a choice is 242.

The following table shows the electoral vote in the presidential elections of 1908 and 1904:

|                                    | 1908.                | 1904.                           |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| With Number of<br>Electoral Votes. | Taft.<br>Bry.<br>an. | Roose-<br>velt.<br>Par-<br>ker. |
| Alabama.....                       | 11                   | 11                              |
| Arkansas.....                      | 9                    | 9                               |
| California.....                    | 10                   | 10                              |
| Colorado.....                      | 3                    | 5                               |
| Delaware.....                      | 3                    | 3                               |
| Florida.....                       | 5                    | 5                               |
| Georgia.....                       | 5                    | 5                               |
| Idaho.....                         | 3                    | 3                               |
| Illinois.....                      | 27                   | 27                              |
| Indiana.....                       | 13                   | 13                              |
| Iowa.....                          | 13                   | 13                              |
| Kansas.....                        | 10                   | 10                              |
| Louisiana.....                     | 15                   | 15                              |
| Maine.....                         | 9                    | 9                               |
| Massachusetts.....                 | 16                   | 16                              |
| Michigan.....                      | 14                   | 14                              |
| Minnesota.....                     | 11                   | 11                              |
| Mississippi.....                   | 10                   | 10                              |
| Missouri.....                      | 18                   | 18                              |
| Montana.....                       | 3                    | 3                               |
| Nebraska.....                      | 3                    | 3                               |
| Nevada.....                        | 3                    | 3                               |
| New Hampshire.....                 | 4                    | 4                               |
| New Jersey.....                    | 12                   | 12                              |
| New York.....                      | 39                   | 39                              |
| North Dakota.....                  | 4                    | 4                               |
| Ohio.....                          | 23                   | 13                              |
| Oklahoma.....                      | 3                    | 3                               |
| Oregon.....                        | 4                    | 4                               |
| Pennsylvania.....                  | 34                   | 34                              |
| Rhode Island.....                  | 4                    | 4                               |
| South Dakota.....                  | 4                    | 4                               |
| Tennessee.....                     | 12                   | 12                              |
| Texas.....                         | 18                   | 18                              |
| Utah.....                          | 3                    | 3                               |
| Vermont.....                       | 4                    | 4                               |
| Virginia.....                      | 5                    | 5                               |
| West Virginia.....                 | 7                    | 7                               |
| Wisconsin.....                     | 13                   | 13                              |
| Wyoming.....                       | 3                    | 3                               |
| Total.....                         | 48                   | 308                             |
|                                    | 308                  | 177                             |
|                                    | 334                  | 140                             |

### Republicans Control Congress.

Republican control of the next national house of representatives is assured, with about the same proportion of strength between the parties. Returns from 355 congressional districts give the Republicans 196 members and the Democrats 159, with 36 missing. The majority needed for control is 196. In the present house there are 223 Republican members and 166 Democrats.

With thirty-one United States senators to be elected by legislatures the Republicans will retain control of both houses of congress, the precise figures being subject to change as final returns arrive.

### HUGHES WINS IN NEW YORK

Taft Carries the State, Including  
Greater New York, by 185,392.  
New York, Nov. 5.—Party leaders  
are analyzing surprises in the Empire  
state vote where Taft, Gov. Hughes  
and the whole Republican state ticket

won signal victory. What was more surprising than anything else, Taft carried the Democratic stronghold of Greater New York by a plurality of 15,645. He also carried Erie county, another normally Democratic territory, by 7,000 but this is 5,000 less than the Roosevelt plurality there.

Taft's plurality in the whole state is 185,392, and that for Hughes is 72,820. The legislature is again overwhelmingly Republican.

The New York county plurality for Bryan is only about 11,000 with a few districts missing. Brooklyn went for Taft by more than 20,000. Queens and Richmond went for Bryan by small pluralities. Taft had 28,000 more votes than Hughes in this county. The plurality in the whole city for Chanler for governor is about 59,000.

The New York state legislature will elect a successor to United States Senator T. C. Platt. It will stand: Senate, 34 Republicans and 17 Democrats; assembly, 102 Republicans and 48 Democrats. This is a Republican gain of two senators and seven assemblmen.

The state's congressional representation will be divided, as at present, among the two parties, with one change, Hillquit, Socialist, being elected in the Ninth district in place of Rorland, Democrat. The next legislature will be Republican in both branches, insuring a Republican successor for Senator Thomas C. Platt, who will leave the senate in March.

New York and Buffalo are the only two large cities of the state that have gone Democratic.

"I need not say that I am greatly pleased with the result of the election," declared Governor Hughes. "I felt certain that the people would endorse the administration of President Roosevelt by electing Secretary Taft, and I consider my own re-election as an approval of the policies pursued by the state administration during the past two years."

### KEYSTONE STATE STANDS PAT

Gives Taft a Big Majority; Nearly as Big as Roosevelt's.

Philadelphia, Nov. 5.—Pennsylvania has gone Republican by a majority of 400,000, the figures being as near as can be arrived at on the returns received. In 1904 Roosevelt carried the state by 505,519, and two years ago Stuart, Republican, was elected governor by 48,435. This city, Pittsburg, Harrisburg, Altoona and other cities have given Mr. Taft pluralities, but Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and towns in which the so-called "labor" vote is strong have gone Democratic.

The election in Pennsylvania turned almost entirely on national issues, the highest state office voted for being a judge of the superior court.

For that office William D. Porter, Republican, has been elected by a majority of 50,000 over Webster Grim, Democrat.

The vote in the country districts was, as usual, heavily Republican. The state's representation will again be Republican in the Sixty-first congress, the Democrats having gained only one seat. The figures will be as follows:

### BRYAN SLEEPS WELL

Greets His Callers with a Smile and Looks Over the Morning Papers.

### Maine—Taft.

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