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RETURNS SHOW WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT WILL WIN SWEEPING VICTORY AT 'POLLS NEXT TUESDAY

REPUBLICANS SEEM REASONABLY SURE OF 295 VOTES IN THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE WHEN ONLY 242 ARE NECESSARY TO THE ELECTION OF THEIR PARTY'S CANDIDATE—ALL NEW ENGLAND AND THE EAST WILL GIVE VOTE TO OHIOAN, MARYLAND BEING THE ONLY STATE EXCEPTED—MIDDLE AND WESTERN STATES SHOW SENTIMENT FOR REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE.

REPUBLICAN CONGRESS IS NOW ASSURED

NOTWITHSTANDING TREMENDOUS ONSLAUGHT UPON RANKS OF SPEAKER CANNON AND HIS FRIENDS, IT IS PRACTICALLY SURE GENERAL REPORTS SHOW, THAT DEMOCRATS WILL NOT GAIN LOWER HOUSE CONTROL NEXT SESSION.

EMPIRE STATE WILL ONCE MORE DO ITS DUTY

Estimated That Taft Will Carry New York by a Majority Of 100,000, Hughes Following Close.

CONDITIONS IN WEST POINT TO JUDGE TAFT.

Republicans Have No Hope of Carrying Any of the Southern States Which Will Stand By Bryan.

New York, Oct. 31.—Taft's star is now in the ascendancy and the country will undoubtedly turn to the republican party next Tuesday.

The summary by states of the electoral college appears to make Taft reasonably sure of 280 electoral votes. He needs 242. The reports on which the forecast is based give the republican candidate the electors of all New England, of all the eastern states except Maryland, of West Virginia, of all the middle west, of all the north-west, of Kansas, Idaho and Utah in the Rocky mountain section, and of the entire Pacific coast. Mr. Bryan is apparently sure of 156 electors, including Maryland and entire south.

Kentucky is undecided and Nebraska is doubtful.

States that are uncertain are Colorado, Montana and Wyoming, with 21 electoral votes, which have republican leanings, and Kentucky and Nebraska, with 21 electoral votes, with democratic leanings.

Fight for the House.

The house of representatives will apparently be carried by the republicans, despite the sensational fight which has been made against Speaker Cannon and all his friends. The re-election of Speaker Cannon appears to be assured, although he has been assailed with more ferocity than any candidate on any other ticket in the canvass.

New York has been canvassed with care. The indicated plurality for Mr. Taft in the state is about 100,000. It may be more than that, it may be less. Estimates of democratic and republican managers in each county, together with non-partisan estimates made with conservatism show a strong republican vote for Taft up the state and no such landslide in New York city as would be necessary to give Mr. Bryan the thirty-nine electors.

The contest for the governorship is close and perhaps the most remarkable which has ever taken place in the Empire State. Mr. Chanler, who started in after the Rochester convention with every prospect in his favor, has lost ground steadily from the time Governor Hughes went on the stump. Even when Hughes was absent in the west, he was growing in New York. The "swing" is now with Governor Hughes. No human agency can foretell with certainty how the state election is going.

STATE REPORTS.

NEW YORK.

New York, Oct. 31.—New York state seems to be preparing to give its electoral vote to William Howard Taft. It also seems to be inclined to smile on Governor Hughes, but more shyly. These inclinations the details of a canvass made in the sixty-one counties explain by the light they throw on the figures in the state table.

The estimated pluralities are as follows:

NEW YORK STATE ENTIRE.
Non-Part. Rep. Dem.
Taft 80,500 105,850

Bryan	2,700
Hughes	5,500 50,950
Chanler	69,900
ABOVE THE BRONX.	
Taft	160,400 163,650 108,400
Hughes	121,400 130,450 67,000
BELOW THE BRONX.	
Bryan	79,900 57,800 108,400
Chanler	115,900 79,500 136,900

NEVADA.

Goldfield, Nev., Oct. 31.—Presidential ticket in doubt, with chances in favor of democrats owing to the action of Senator Nixon, a "republican," openly supporting Bartlett for congress and Newlands for the senate, both democrats, to repay them for services in bringing state police and United States troops into Goldfield last January to police the property of the Goldfield Consolidated Mines Company, a corporation controlled by Nixon.

This is the sole issue of the state campaign, and Nixon's attitude in supporting two democrats will continue Nevada in the democratic column by a possible plurality of 800.

GEORGIA.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 31.—There are several indications pointing to the probability that the usual democratic majority in Georgia, which in the last two Presidential campaigns has been around 40,000, will be considerably pulled down this year, and the most sanguine among democrats are not looking for more than 25,000 at the outside.

FLORIDA.

Jacksonville, Fla., Oct. 31.—While the republican office holders have shown some activity in the speech-making line, there is no indication that they are gaining any strength in Florida.

ARKANSAS.

Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 31.—The national campaign in Arkansas, now drawing to a close when it has scarcely begun, has been one remarkable more for its dullness than for any other feature.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Raleigh, Oct. 31.—In spite of the efforts of the republican national campaign managers, the visit of William H. Taft and the expenditure of large sums of money, there is every reason to believe that the plurality for Bryan in the Old North State will reach at least the figures given four years ago, when Parker carried it by 50,000.

LOUISIANA.

New Orleans, Oct. 31.—Best information obtainable at the present time indicates that the Louisiana vote in the coming presidential election will approximate 60,000, and that of this the republican candidates will poll even less than ten per cent, giving Bryan the state by 15,000.

VIRGINIA.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 31.—Virginia will give Bryan 32,000 majority in the presidential election. This statement is made upon the authority of J. Taylor Ellyson, chairman of the state democratic committee and is a conservative estimate of the result.

TENNESSEE.

Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 31.—Taft's hurried campaign through East Tennessee is not thought to have changed many votes and indications still point to Bryan carrying the state by 20,000 to 25,000, getting probably a vote of between 130,000 and 140,000.

ALABAMA.

Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 31.—With the coming of the last fortnight of the campaign it is still merely a question of the size of the majority which will be given to the democratic electoral ticket in Alabama. The delegation in congress will be solidly democratic.

KANSAS.

Topeka, Kan., Oct. 31.—Taft will carry Kansas by 20,000 to 25,000 over Bryan. Chairman Dole of the republican state committee claims the state for Taft by 40,000. Chairman Martin, of the democratic committee says Bryan will carry Kansas but gives no figures.

MISSOURI.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 31.—Missouri is counted upon to give Bryan eighteen electoral votes; to elect a democratic state ticket, including governor and to return at least twelve democrats to legislature.

WISCONSIN.

Madison, Wis., Oct. 31.—Except for the fact that the voters of Wisconsin are showing some apathy in the present campaign and that there is likely to be a larger number of stay at home voters on election day than usual

What Thirteen Governors Say

In response to requests from the Cincinnati Times-Star, the Governors of several States have sent to that paper their opinions as to the outcome of the Presidential election. Thirteen Governors replied to the telegrams of the Times-Star, and their expressions furnish unusually interesting reading. The States represented in the symposium are New York, Ohio, New Hampshire, Idaho, Wisconsin, Utah, California, South Dakota, Washington, Massachusetts, Kansas, Pennsylvania and New Jersey, all of which are placed safely in the Taft column by their respective Executives. The gubernatorial predictions which were made on October 24 are as follows:

NEW YORK.

From the reports made to me and from my own observation I have no doubt Mr. Taft will carry the State of New York by a handsome majority.—Charles E. Hughes, Governor.

OHIO.

I am confident the Republican party will carry Ohio and Judge Taft's plurality will be larger than in any previous election, except possibly that of 1904.—Andrew L. Harris, Governor.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

New Hampshire will give the Republican ticket a substantial plurality, electing the Taft electors, governor, both Congressmen and a majority of both branches of the Legislature.—Charles M. Floyd, Governor.

PENNSYLVANIA.

In the present campaign the people of Pennsylvania will decide to maintain its record by giving Taft and Sherman the largest majority of any State in the Union. From present indications it will reach 300,000.—Edwin S. Stuart, Governor.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Republican State campaign heartily supporting National ticket. Opposition hopelessly divided and disorganized. Pluralities for Republican President and Governor should exceed those of 1900.—Curtis Guild, Jr., Governor.

KANSAS.

I think Taft will have 40,000 majority in Kansas. Our entire Congressional delegation will be re-elected. The Legislature will be safely Republican.—E. W. Hoch, Governor.

WISCONSIN.

I confidently expect the Republican majority in Wisconsin to be from 60,000 to 75,000. My judgment is that Taft and the State ticket will be accorded about the same vote.—James O. Davidson, Governor.

UTAH.

Prospectus indicates that Utah will surely go Republican on National and State tickets by a big majority.—John G. Cutler, Governor.

IDAHO.

Idaho will give her electoral vote to William H. Taft by at least 20,000 majority. We are as sure Republican as Pennsylvania.—Frank R. Gooding, Governor.

CALIFORNIA.

Taft will carry California by about 50,000. The Legislature will be handled by won by the Republicans.—James N. Gillett, Governor.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

South Dakota is safely Republican. Taft will carry it by from 20,000 to 30,000.—Coe I. Crawford, Governor.

WASHINGTON.

Washington will give Taft at least 45,000 majority. It will elect a Republican Governor and Legislature. Taft's nomination met with unanimous approval of Republicans of this State.—Albery Mead, Governor.

there is nothing in the present situation which indicates that the election in Wisconsin will result in other than a republican victory.

IOWA.

Des Moines, Iowa, Oct. 31.—That Taft will carry Iowa is conceded by many democrats. Mr. Bryan is known to entertain the idea that he may get the state. Republicans are confident. The republican plurality will be cut by internal strife in the party.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Bismarck, N. D., Oct. 31.—The electoral vote of North Dakota will be cast for William H. Taft by a majority perhaps less than that given for Roosevelt in 1904. Roosevelt obtained a good many democratic votes that this year will be cast for Bryan. Taft will receive the normal republican vote on an increased total. The vote in this state is largely agricultural and fair

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THE WEATHER PROPHET.

INDIANA—Fair and continued cool Sunday.
OHIO—Fair Sunday.

Probable Vote in the Electoral College

REASONABLY SURE REPUBLICAN.

California	10
Connecticut	7
Delaware	3
Idaho	3
Illinois	27
Indiana	15
Iowa	13
Kansas	10
Maine	6
Massachusetts	16
Michigan	14
Minnesota	11
New Hampshire	4
New Jersey	4
New York	39
North Dakota	4
Ohio	23
Oregon	4
Pennsylvania	34
Rhode Island	4
Total	295

REASONABLY SURE REPUBLICAN.

South Dakota	4
Utah	3
Vermont	4
Washington	5
West Virginia	5
Wisconsin	13
Total	58

REASONABLY SURE DEMOCRATIC.

Oklahoma	7
South Carolina	9
Tennessee	12
Texas	18
Virginia	12
Total	156

DOUBTFUL—DEMOCRATIC LEANINGS.

Nebraska	8
Kentucky	13
Total	21

DOUBTFUL—REPUBLICAN LEANINGS.

Colorado	5
Montana	3
Wyoming	3
Total	11

INDIANA IS SAFE FOR TAFT, WHILE WATSON HAS OVERCOME MUCH OPPOSITION AGAINST HIM AND WILL BE ELECTED GOVERNOR

Special to Palladium.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 31.—Now that the campaign is at an end and the actual work of making votes is over, it is safe to indulge in a little prophecy as to what the result will show when the ballots are counted next Tuesday.

There is nothing in sight that indicates anything other than a Republican victory in Indiana. Taft is believed to be as certain of carrying the state as the sun is of rising on election day. It is the opinion of the best posted politicians and the closest observers in the state that he cannot lose. Some of them place his plurality at 50,000 or even at a much higher figure, but the most conservative guess and the one that looks nearest the truth will place the plurality for Taft at about 25,000 to 30,000. This is about the normal Republican plurality in Indiana. There is no reason to expect it to fall below this figure.

True, Taft will lose some Republican votes, but it is also true that many democrats are going to vote for him. These are particularly among the business men who fear the depression that would be sure to follow the election of Bryan to the Presidency.

In fact, this feeling of dread and doubt has grown to such a degree that it is bound to have an effect on the election. Business men say they will feel safe under a Taft administration and that this is why they are working for Taft's election. And the feeling is so general that it will certainly counteract and wipe out any losses that Taft may sustain from other sources.

Republicans Enthused.

All over the state the Republicans have been enthused during the past week as they had not been enthused before during the campaign. They put on their fighting clothes at least and went at it in earnest, and they are in the fight to win.

It is conceded that the Republican State ticket will not get as many votes as Taft in Indiana, but that it will be elected is considered an absolute certainty. Congressman Watson, however, is making new friends daily and adding votes for the state ticket by the magnificent campaign he has made and the straight out position he has taken on the issues of the campaign. He has made plain, forcible speeches in every county in Indiana and they have enthused the republicans. Then there was the tour of the state by Senator Beveridge on a special train during the past week, and this was perhaps the most effective piece of campaigning done during the entire contest. Beveridge spoke in sixty-three towns in five days, and in every one he left the people thinking over what he said. He was greeted by big crowds and he made a hit everywhere. Some of the closest observers are expressing the opinion that the Beveridge tour means 5,000 votes for the republican ticket.

Watson's Opposition.

Watson's opposition is confined to two elements. The strongest of these is the saloon and brewery element, all of which is lined up solidly against him. It is fighting him and the republican legislative ticket everywhere, but on the other hand the temperance people are for Watson and republican control of the legislature.

The labor vote is the second element that is opposing Watson, but it is believed that the campaigning made in the last two weeks has wiped out much of that opposition, and reduced to a minimum the danger from that direction.

Many laboring men in the state have found in the closing days of the campaign, that Watson is and has been their friend instead of the enemy he has been painted to them and they are coming to his standard at the finish. While there will be some who

will get away from him, the party leaders believe a great majority of the workmen who have been deluded by Gompers and other opposition speakers into the belief that Watson's record on labor questions has been bad, have had their eyes opened to the fact that it is not bad and that Watson has never fought the measures that labor demanded.

There is not likely to be much, if any, change in the Indiana congressional delegation except that Dr. Charles E. Good, republican, is slated to defeat Congressman Rauch in the Eleventh district. The other districts will remain as they are. Although the main effort of the democrats has been to defeat Congressman Foster in the First district and Congressman Chaney in the Second district, their fight has been hopeless. They have no chance to win in either district. These are the only districts in which there has been a real fight by the democrats.

There is absolutely no way to figure out the next legislature. If Watson wins the legislature will, of course, be republican by a large majority. If by any chance Marshall should be elected governor it might mean a democratic house and a republican senate. This would prevent any radical or harmful legislation by the general assembly, for, under any circumstances the democrats cannot control the senate because of the large number of hold over republican senators and no bill can be passed unless both houses vote for it.

Taken as a whole, the situation in Indiana from a republican standpoint has been better in some campaigns gone by, but the republicans are going to carry the state this year, too.

THIS TOWN GOOD.

Carlisle, Pa., Oct. 31.—Newville, in this county, a town of over 2,000 population, has been running along for several months without police protection of any kind and has been doing creditably at that.

Officer Householder some time ago notified the borough council that the town was good enough to get along without a policeman, and that he didn't want to impose on the borough any unnecessary drain on its finances.

The other officer, John Hackett, died recently, and the borough council at its last meeting, finding no applicants to bear the star and club, decided to let well enough alone.

ELECTION RETURNS.

We invite everyone to be with us at the Coliseum Tuesday night to hear the election returns. We extend this invitation to all regardless of party affiliation. The ladies are especially invited to be guests.

THREE WIRE REPORTS.

We will receive three reports by wire—Western Union telegraph, Bell telephone and special leased wire to Chicago. This wire will lead direct to the Hearst News Service office at Chicago. The reports over each wire will be received by a company operator.

Y. M. C. A. SUPPER.

Arrangements have been made with the Woman's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. to serve supper from 5 to 7 o'clock at the Coliseum. A good supper at 25 cents. You may go direct to the Coliseum early, eat your supper and spend the evening hearing all the returns first. All proceeds of the supper will be for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. The reports will be read by the Rev. J. O. Campbell, he of the powerful voice.

BE OUR GUESTS.

ROOSEVELT AGAIN SAYS STANDARD MOVE IS TRICK

President Amazed That Reported Flop of Oil Magnate To Republicans Has Been Taken Seriously.

REASSURING TELEGRAMS SENT TO WHITE HOUSE.

One States That Labor Vote Will Not Be Deceived by Political Move of Standard Oil.

KELLOGG TO PUSH CASES.

PROSECUTION OF OIL OCTUPUS WILL BE PUSHED TO END HE SAYS, AFTER LEAVING THE PRESIDENT.

DID BRYAN GET MONEY?

When the Facts Are Known It Will Probably Be Found That Secret Gifts Were Made to Democratic Campaign Fund.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 31.—President Roosevelt is amazed at the reports from some parts of the country that the John D. Rockefeller announcement that he will vote for Taft is taken seriously. The president, himself, takes the announcement as a joke, and this afternoon authorized the following statement:

"The president has received numerous letters and telegrams showing that this is a trick of Rockefeller's, doubtless made by an agreement with the democratic party, and will fail absolutely. It is self-evident on its face, as Mr. Taft has said, that if Mr. Rockefeller had really wanted him elected he would have kept quiet about it, and that he has come out for him as being the way in which he can damage him most."

In addition the following telegram was made public from the White House today:

Cleveland, O., Oct. 31.—The president: The labor vote will not be deceived by Rockefeller's political trick. We will bury him with Tom Johnson. Cuyahoga county is as safely republican as is the state of Ohio, and the electoral college. Signed, A. L. Faulkner, president Window Glass Workers of America."

Immediately following the making public of this statement and telegram, Frank Kellogg, of Minnesota, the "trust buster," in charge of the Standard Oil prosecutions, called upon the president and remained with him for an hour.

Upon leaving the executive offices, Mr. Kellogg said: "The president will say all that is necessary regarding this last move made by the Standard Oil corporation to discredit Mr. Taft by pretending to support him. I will not discuss the matter. To one thing, however, I wish to call attention to the fact that no immunity from prosecution of criminal complaint has been granted to an officer of the Standard Oil corporation."

The hearing in the case to dissolve the Standard Oil trust will come up before the United States circuit court in St. Louis in February. The government is trying to secure material to attack the trust along a new line, and it was in connection with such new material that Mr. Kellogg said he called upon the president today.

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