

TAFT AND SHERMAN VICTORS

Republicans Sweep the Entire Nation Like An Avalanche

MR. BRYAN MEETS DEFEAT

Late Returns From Tuesday's Election Indicate That the Republican Candidate Has Carried the Country by a Large Majority, Although Bryan Ran Ahead of Parker's Vote Four Years Ago.

New York, Special.—General election returns from throughout the United States received up to an early hour Wednesday morning show the following results:

William H. Taft, of Ohio, has been elected President with 298 votes secure and 13 doubtful.

Practically no change is indicated in the complexion of the National House of Representatives.

The United States will retain its present Republican majority.

Governor Charles E. Hughes has been re-elected in New York State by about 76,000 plurality.

Indiana has gone for Taft by from 15,000 to 18,000 plurality.

Bryan apparently has carried Nebraska, although the Republicans still claim the State.

Ohio returns have been seriously delayed owing to the immense size of the ballot, but Taft has carried the State by a majority ranging from 50,000 to 75,000.

Taft carried New York City by about 11,000 plurality, this being the first time the city has given its vote to a Republican presidential candidate since 1896, when Mr. McKinley had a small plurality.

Mr. Taft received a greater plurality in New York State than President Roosevelt did four years ago, the indications pointing to 202,000 for Mr. Taft, as against 175,000 for Mr. Roosevelt.

Hiszen, the Independence party candidate for President, received about 23,000 votes in Greater New York.

The indications are that Democratic governors have been elected in several of the Middle Western States that have given their presidential vote to Taft.

Mr. Taft has exceeded Mr. Roosevelt's plurality in New Jersey and in Massachusetts, as well as in New York.

The Republican pluralities fell off heavily in the Middle West in a manner thoroughly surprising to the Republican managers.

Speaker Cannon has been re-elected by his usual majority.

Representatives Payne, of New York, and Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, have been re-elected and the House of Representatives probably will continue under its old regime. Mr. Payne will have charge of the new tariff bill in the extra session which Mr. Taft will call immediately after March 4th next.

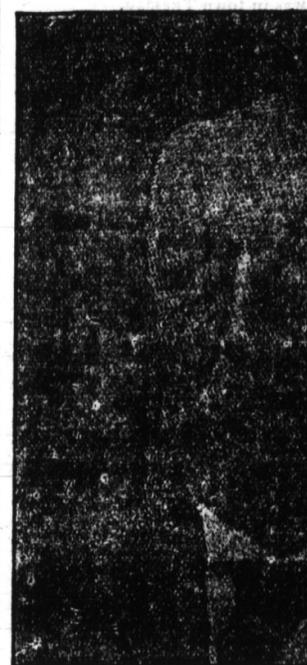
Missouri has returned to the "solid South" on the Presidential ticket, and elected Cowherd as its governor.

The first returns received came from scattering districts in Massachusetts. The heavy pluralities indicated there for Mr. Taft seemed at once to dissipate any probability of a "landslide" for Mr. Bryan, as many Democrats had claimed and the Republican managers at once began to put out claims of victory.

Returns from the up-country districts of New York State, where voting machines are largely used, were the next to arrive. It had been predicted for days that Erie county including the heavy vote of Buffalo might be taken as an index to the drift throughout the country. This proved to be the case so far as the national ticket was concerned, Mr. Taft having a plurality of something more than 4,000 votes. Erie county surprisingly, however, gave Lieutenant Governor Chanler a plurality of more than 3,000. The opponents of Governor Hughes were quick to claim a sweeping victory, but returns from the other large counties and cities soon changed the complexion of the returns completely. The vote in

four years ago has been cut in two. Illinois which gave Roosevelt 305,000 in 1904 has gone for Taft by about 170,000. The highest claim of the Republicans for Indiana is 15,000 as against approximately 93,000. Iowa, which gave Mr. Roosevelt 158,000 plurality in 1904, has dropped down Greater New York for Mr. Chanler was deeply disappointing to his friends, while the heavy vote for Taft, especially in the borough of Brooklyn, completely eclipsed the most sanguine hopes of the Republicans. Governor Hughes was cut heavily up the State, but not so deeply as to imperil his election, once the drift in his favor "below the Bronx" had begun to make itself felt.

Some of the figures relating to the Republican slump in States regarded as certainly Republican are little short of amazing. Pennsylvania's immense plurality of over 500,000



HON. WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT, OF OHIO

to about 40,000 for Mr. Taft. The return in Missouri to the Democracy on the Presidential ticket wiped out a Republican plurality of 25,000 four years ago.

Maryland and West Virginia are confidently claimed by the Republicans, but the returns are too meagre to justify a classification of either State. Massachusetts, New York and New Jersey was striking exceptions to the generally reduced Republican pluralities.

There has been a shrinkage of the Democratic vote in several of the Southern States, notably in Virginia and North Carolina.



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Mr. Taft has carried Wisconsin by a plurality estimated at 75,000, a falling from the Roosevelt plurality of 156,000 in 1904.

Kentucky has gone safely for Mr. Bryan by about 15,000.

Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota, has probably been elected Governor of that State for a third term, although the State has gone safely for Mr. Taft.

The voting throughout the country has been exceptionally heavy, ideal weather conditions bringing out the country voters in full force.

Mr. Taft carried practically every so-called doubtful State except Nebraska, where the indications point to a Democratic victory. Mr. Bryan has carried Nevada and Montana, in addition to the solid South, which includes Missouri.

Returns from Colorado and from Maryland are too meagre to form a definite conclusion as to their ultimate alignment.

The House Still in Doubt.

Chicago, Ill., Special.—At 1:30 o'clock returns had been received from 316 congressional districts out of 31 in the country. Of these the Republicans had 177, the Democrats 139, 11 were doubtful and from 64 districts no accurate returns had been received. On this showing the Republican party at this hour lacks 19 votes of being able to control the House.

How Bryan Took Defeat.

Fairview, Lincoln, Neb., Special.—William J. Bryan received at his home, "Fairview," the returns which early told him that for the third time he had been defeated in the greatest ambition of his life. Confident of victory to the very last, he was not prepared to believe that his cause was lost until the pluralities of his Republican opponent piled up in such proportions as to leave no room for doubt. When the early returns came in, he made particular inquiries regarding the State of New York and found much encouragement in the gains he was making up-State over the Democratic vote of 1904, but as the figures continued to be received, he relied on Greater New York to offset the heavy Taft vote above

North Carolina.

Charlotte, N. C., Special.—At 3 o'clock Wednesday morning The Observer had received reports from seventy-four of the ninety-eight counties of the State, and the Democratic State ticket, headed by Hon. W. W. Kitchin, is elected by an approximate majority of 30,000. Democratic Chairman Eller at 1 o'clock claimed that the majority would be from 40,000 to 45,000, basing his estimates on returns from fifty-two counties. Fifty-six counties are safely Democratic, twelve are Republican and six are in doubt. No reports were received on the remaining number, mostly mountain and extreme eastern counties.

Two congressional districts the 8th and 10th are conceded to the Republicans.

Kentucky.

Louisville, Ky., Special.—Bryan's plurality in Kentucky is 13,000, eight and possibly nine Democratic Congressmen elected and a Republican loss of two seats. This is the probable story of the election in Kentucky at the close of a day which was marked by the polling of the largest vote in the history of the State.

Wyoming.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Special.—Incomplete returns show large Democratic gains, both State chairman claiming the State by a small majority.

Oklahoma.

Guthrie, Okla., Special.—Oklahoma has continued loyal to the Democratic party, but the majority has been reduced materially and Bryan's lead is estimated at 25,000.

Ohio.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Special.—The early indications as to plurality for Taft were cut down as fuller reports came in, but still the Republican candidate seemed to have a safe lead. For the governorship, the early reports were unfavorable to Harris, Republican incumbent.

Maryland.

Baltimore, Special.—Returns from about three-quarters of the city precincts show Taft in the lead by from 2,000 to 2,500, though the precincts yet to be heard from are usually Democratic and may change this.

New York.

New York, Special.—One thousand one hundred and fifty-four election districts out of 1,633 in Greater New York gave Taft 271,690; Bryan 263,642; Hisgen 26,457.

Taft Takes it Quietly.

Cincinnati, O., Special.—Judge Taft heard the news of his election at the home of his brother, Chas. P. Taft. The Judge took the matter very quietly, expressing special pleasure at the result in certain localities.

Roosevelt Very Happy.

Washington, Special.—President Roosevelt was greatly elated when he saw by the election bulletins which reached him at the White House that the man who will succeed him to the presidency is William Howard Taft, for whose election he had striven so hard, and that the Republican party had achieved a sweeping victory.

New Jersey.

Trenton, N. J., Special.—Revised returns up to midnight indicate that Mr. Taft's plurality in New Jersey will be between 65,000 and 75,000. The Republicans elect seven of the ten Congressmen and the Democrats two, the sixth district, which is now represented by a Democrat, William Hughes, being very close and in doubt.

Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia, Pa., Special.—At 1 a. m. with 18 still to hear from the indications are that Taft has carried Pennsylvania by a plurality that will be nearer 400,000 than 300,000. The returns received show a considerable falling off in every county with the exception of two.

Minnesota.

St. Paul, Minn., Special.—While Taft carried the State by probably 80,000 the Governorship in Minnesota hangs in the balance, the result being so close that both Chairman Hill of the Democratic State committee, and Brown of the Republican State committee, claim the State by small majorities.

Nevada.

Reno, Nev., Special.—Indications at 10:30 are that Bryan will carry Nevada by a substantial majority.

Wisconsin.

Milwaukee, Wis., Special.—Taft and Sherman have carried Wisconsin with a plurality estimated at 75,000 and Governor Davidson, Republican, has been re-elected by a plurality close to Taft's.

Washington.

Seattle, Wash., Special.—Scattered returns throughout Washington indicate a plurality of at least 40,000 for Taft and the State Republican ticket. The Legislature will be almost wholly Republican.

Illinois.

Chicago, Special.—The Republican national and State tickets gained a complete victory in Illinois, although the pluralities will probably fall short

Pert Paragraphs.

He who goes to the mill gets befloored.—Italian.
Method will teach you to win time.—Goethe.
A handful of might is better than a sackful of right.—German.
By going gains the will, and not by standing still.—Spanish.
The squirrel slaughter of Russia amounts to 25,000,000 a year.

of those obtained by the party in the campaign of 1904. Taft has carried the State by approximately 170,000 votes.

Michigan.

Detroit, Mich., Special.—While Taft has carried Michigan by a majority estimated at about 101,000 at 11 o'clock the election for Governor is in doubt, with Hemans, Democrat, leading Warner, Republican, by 7,000.

Montana.

Helena, Mont., Special.—Returns in Montana outside of Silver Bow point to a victory for the Democratic State ticket and Democratic presidential electors.

Electoral Vote 1904-1908.

STATES	1904		1908		Vote by States
	Bryan	Taft	Parker	Roosevelt	
Alabama	11	11	11	11	11
Arkansas	9	9	9	9	9
California	5	10	5	10	5
Colorado	3	3	3	3	3
Connecticut	5	5	5	5	5
Delaware	3	3	3	3	3
Florida	13	13	13	13	13
Georgia	13	13	13	13	13
Idaho	3	3	3	3	3
Illinois	27	27	27	27	27
Indiana	15	15	15	15	15
Iowa	13	13	13	13	13
Kansas	10	10	10	10	10
Kentucky	13	13	13	13	13
Louisiana	9	9	9	9	9
Maine	6	6	6	6	6
Maryland	6	7	6	7	6
Massachusetts	10	10	10	10	10
Michigan	14	14	14	14	14
Minnesota	11	11	11	11	11
Mississippi	10	10	10	10	10
Missouri	18	18	18	18	18
Montana	3	3	3	3	3
Nebraska	8	8	8	8	8
Nevada	3	3	3	3	3
New Hampshire	3	3	3	3	3
New Jersey	12	12	12	12	12
New York	36	36	36	36	36
North Carolina	12	12	12	12	12
North Dakota	4	4	4	4	4
Ohio	23	23	23	23	23
Oklahoma	7	7	7	7	7
Oregon	4	4	4	4	4
Pennsylvania	34	34	34	34	34
Rhode Island	4	4	4	4	4
South Carolina	9	9	9	9	9
South Dakota	4	4	4	4	4
Tennessee	12	12	12	12	12
Texas	26	26	26	26	26
Vermont	4	4	4	4	4
Virginia	12	12	12	12	12
Washington	3	3	3	3	3
West Virginia	13	13	13	13	13
Wisconsin	13	13	13	13	13
Wyoming	3	3	3	3	3
Totals	177	306	140	283	483

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Necessary to Elect a President.....242
Taft's Plurality.....129

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Georgia	13	13	13	13	13
Idaho	3	3	3	3	3
Illinois	27	27	27	27	27
Indiana	15	15	15	15	15
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Kansas	10	10	10	10	10
Kentucky	13	13	13	13	13
Louisiana	9	9	9	9	9
Maine	6	6	6	6	6
Maryland	6	7	6	7	6
Massachusetts	10	10	10	10	10
Michigan	14	14	14	14	14
Minnesota	11	11	11	11	11
Mississippi	10	10	10	10	10
Missouri	18	18	18	18	18
Montana	3	3	3	3	3
Nebraska	8	8	8	8	8
Nevada	3	3	3	3	3
New Hampshire	3	3	3	3	3
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Texas	26	26	26	26	26
Vermont	4	4	4	4	4
Virginia	12	12	12	12	12
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Shooting Affair Rocky Mount, Va.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Special.—At Rocky Mount, Va., Sunday, Dr. Cahill, dentist, shot and perhaps mortally wounded Robert Smithers, a prominent citizen of that town. The men met at the depot, when Dr. Cahill opened fire on Smithers. Only one ball took effect, this being in the pit of the stomach. After falling Smithers drew his pistol and fired several times, one shot taking effect in Cahill's leg. It is alleged that Dr. Cahill accused Smithers of being too intimate with his (Cahill's) wife and had notified Smithers that if he did not leave Rocky Mount he would kill him. Mrs. Cahill is said to be in Richmond, Va., having been sent there by her husband.

Steamer Has a Harrowing Experience in a Storm.

Mobile, Ala., Special.—The steamship Thelma from Cristobal Colon, arrived in port Monday morning battered from an experience with a terrific hurricane on October 16th and 17th near Saint Andrews Island. Captain Kampford reports the storm the most severe he ever experienced. Every moveable portion of the vessel was swept overboard and the lifeboats stove in. The deck-load of lumber was securely fastened and was saved.

Fallen By the Wayside.

Gold is proved with fire; friendship in need.—Danish.
Out of a great evil comes a great good.—Italian.
But for the mistakes made by great men, history would be awfully uninteresting.
A smooth river washes away its banks.—Servian.
When will it right, law is banished.—Danish.

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