

ROCKEFELLER IS FOR TAFT

WHY HE WILL VOTE THAT WAY

The Standard Oil Magnate Declares That He Has Always Believed That Mr. Taft Is in Every Way Better Fitted For the Office to Which He Aspires Than the Democratic Candidate—Mr. Roosevelt—Declares That He Is in Sympathy With the Choice; Chairman Mack Says the Declaration Clinches His Charge That There Has Been a Deal, and Mr. Bryan Says He Is Because Mr. Taft Is in Sympathy With the New York, Oct. 30.—"I expect to vote for William H. Taft," says John D. Rockefeller, in a statement given out from the Standard Oil Company's office here last night.

"NO WONDER," SAYS MR. BRYAN.

Mr. Rockefeller is for Taft because Mr. Taft is for the trusts, declares the Democratic candidate, Mr. Bryan, in a statement here today, commenting upon the declaration of John D. Rockefeller, made in New York, that he would vote for William H. Taft.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

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A CROOKED DEAL, SAYS MACK.

National Democratic Chairman Declares That Mr. Rockefeller's Announcement Simply Clinches His Assertion That There Has Been a Deal Between the Trusts and the Republican Party.

SYNOD'S SESSIONS CLOSE

YESTERDAY COMMITTEE DAY

Many Reports Submitted at Last Day's Session by the Committees on Education, on Northern and All Adopted—New Changes in Form of Government Suggested to General Assembly, These Recommending Vesting of Power in the Synod—Address on On Colored Evangelization, Made by Rev. Neal L. Anderson, of Winston-Salem—Closing Meeting Opened With Sermon by Rev. Mr. Atkinson.

CHANGES IN FORM OF GOVERNMENT

Modernizing Show took the chair at 10 o'clock and called for the first special order of the day, which was the report of the committee on proposed changes in the form of government.

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THE CLOSING SESSION

The closing session was held to-night. At the opening Rev. George H. Atkinson, of Monroe, preached an earnest, helpful sermon, after which business was transacted.

A SOCIALIST IS ENDORSED

THIS FACTION STRONG IN ROWAN

Salisbury's Strongest Labor Organization Will Support the East Socialist, November For Sheriff— Norfolk Negro in Rowan Jail For Alleged Criminal Assault on Negro Girl—Whiskey Dealers Arranging to Leave Salisbury—Two Victims of a Robbery Still in Hospital—Rowan Rifles Expecting to Be Ordered to Concord to Protect Rowan When He is Placed on Trial—Short News Items.

THE LOCAL UNION OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MACHINISTS

The local union of the International Association of Machinists, the strongest organized labor body in this city and probably in the State, has unanimously endorsed the candidacy of Mr. Howard C. Bueck, the Socialist nominee for sheriff of Rowan county.

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BRYAN TOUR TAFT'S STATE

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NATIONAL CAPITAL GOSSIP

THE ELECTION PREDICTIONS

Most of Them Given by Partisan Men or Papers and Reflect Their Hopes—A Wise Old Republican United States Senator Says, However, That It Looks as If It Will Be a Close Race—The Campaign Drawing to a Close—Settlement in District of Columbia For Bryan.

BY ZACH M'GHEE.

Observer Bureau, 12 Post Building, Washington, Oct. 30. One can hear, and does hear, almost any kind of prediction in this campaign. As a rule, the predictions of Democratic success, come from Democrats and the predictions of Republican victory from Republicans.

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BIG GUNS IN THE WEST

SOME EFFECTIVE WORK DONE.

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