

WOODROW WILSON IS ELECTED!

LITTLE DOUBT THAT PRESIDENT HAS BEEN CHOSEN IN MOST HAIR-RAISING, SUSPENSE PRODUCING FINISH HISTORY OF NATION

Early Returns Tuesday Night Favorable to Hughes, and Nip and Tuck Race Everywhere Kept Bulletin Board Gazers On Tip Toes—Wednesday Morning Returns Brought Cheer to Wilson Followers and Gains Steadily Throughout Day—President Conceded 256 Electoral Votes With Minnesota and California Hanging Balance; Either Will Elect Him, and He Appears Safe

Washington, Nov. 8.—Following the flood of premature regrets last night, thousands of telegrams were received at the White House this morning congratulating President Wilson on his re-election.

WILSON AND HUGHES FIGHTING TO FINISH IN CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco, Nov. 8.—Wilson and Hughes are running neck and neck. Returns from 3,003 precincts give Hughes 218,814, Wilson 217,885. This includes 560 precincts in Los Angeles, where Hughes apparently swept the section, and 342 San Francisco precincts, where Wilson is leading.

WILSON AHEAD IN CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco, Nov. 8.—(Later)—Returns from 109 additional San Francisco precincts sweep Wilson into the lead by 75.

REPUBLICANS CLAIM OREGON; SO DO DEMOCRATS.

Portland, Nov. 8.—The Republicans claim Oregon by 10,000; the Democrats claim it by 15,000.

REPUBLICANS CLAIM BOTH MINNESOTA AND CALIFORNIA.

New York, Nov. 8.—The Republican national headquarters formally claim California and Minnesota for Hughes. California managers wired that the Republicans could safely concede all counties claimed by Democrats and then win.

PRESIDENT PLAYING GOLF AS USUAL.

Shadow Lawn, Nov. 8.—With the result still doubtful President Wilson departed for his accustomed play at golf.

Minnesota Will Make Wilson Safe.

(By Perry Arnold)

New York, Nov. 8.—It is conceded that if President Wilson carries either California or Minnesota he is elected. He is conceded 256 votes in the electoral college against Hughes 238, requiring ten votes for the necessary majority.

President Gains.

Late returns indicate that North Dakota, with five votes and Wyoming with 3 are for Wilson. Wilson is ahead in Minnesota. In California the race is neck and neck, with Republican chairman Wilcox claiming the state by fifteen thousand.

California May Yet Be Democratic.

Returns from San Francisco indicate a strong Wilson sentiment. The question is as to whether it is enough to offset the Republican majority in Southern California. Thirty-seven votes are still doubtful, including California, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Mexico and Oregon. Either California, Minnesota or all three small states would secure Wilson the election. Nearly complete returns from New Hampshire favor Hughes. A four-recount is demanded and ballot boxes are being guarded. An official ballot may be necessary in New Mexico. The Republicans captured every "pivotal state" with the exception of Ohio, sweeping Illinois by a hundred thousand. With 680 precincts out of 3,074 counted, Hughes leads by 7,200.

St. Paul, Nov. 8.—The Daily News (Independent) predicted this afternoon that Wilson would carry the State Democratic headquarters claimed Minnesota by twenty



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thousand.

Minnesota 20,000 to Good for Wilson. Tumult Gives Wilson Good News.

By R. J. BENDER

Ashbury Park, Nov. 8.—Secretary Tumulty this morning told President Wilson that he could feel assured of 264 electoral votes, and "things were constantly looking better." Included in Tumulty's calculation were Minnesota, Kansas and Oregon.

Connecticut Also Doubtful.

Concord, Nov. 8.—The issue is still in doubt in Connecticut.

MINNESOTA SEEMS SURELY FOR WILSON.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 8.—There is a strong Wilson trend in the Minnesota returns. The Daily News claims a 12,000 majority for Wilson. The State elected a Republican Governor.

SWING STEADILY TOWARD PRESIDENT; OHIO LANDSLIDE.

New York, Nov. 15.—The swing was toward Wilson at 9 o'clock this morning in the closest presidential race since 1876. The President needed 29 votes to attain the electoral college majority, 266 being necessary. Of the seven doubtful States, Wilson apparently was leading in Minnesota, Kansas and Oregon. If he carries these he will lack two votes of election. Control of the House of Representatives will probably go with the President, although by a mighty slim majority. Three Socialists may hold the balance of power. The Republicans apparently failed to gain control of the Senate. Senator DuPont of Delaware was defeated.

Wilson carried Ohio by a landslide!

Wilson is leading by one thousand in California, according to accounts from half the precincts. Hughes is leading in Indiana by 9,000; two-thirds of the returns there have been counted.

HIGH COTTON RESULT IN BIG SALES MOTORS

"King Cotton has again ascended his throne and the South is enjoying the greatest period of prosperity in its history" declares A. Burwell, Jr., Chalmers distributor in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Mr. Burwell arrived in Detroit recently in an effort to boost Chalmers shipments south of the Mason & Dixon line. He is brim full of enthusiasm over the business outlook for the next six months and is making plans on a broad scale to take full advantage of present record breaking conditions in the cotton belt.

"The South is buying more and better motor cars than ever before," continues Mr. Burwell. "Since last May I have doubled my dealer organizations and I expect to increase it another 100 per cent. in the next six months."

TARHEEL SOLDIER IS VICTIM OF ACCIDENT

The Raleigh News and Observer's Raleigh correspondent writes:

Private E. M. Jarvis, Company C, Second Regiment, whose home is in Washington, shot himself accidentally last night. He was on guard with his company at Tobin and had been sent back to camp for ammunition. Returning he fell and his leg was discharged. The bullet hit his left arm. He is in the hospital at Fort Bliss and the surgeons are of the opinion that amputation will be necessary.

Jarvis was seriously injured near Camp Glenn some months ago when he was killed by a party of charity workers.

BADDIES GONE, CHILDREN ERR, ENGLAND DISCOVERS.

Manchester, Eng., Nov. 7.—Fifty-seven juvenile offenders were haled into the local police courts here in a single day. Nearly all had lost their fathers in the war. Lack of parental guidance was held chief factor in the delinquency of the children.

New York, Nov. 8.—The infantile paralysis epidemic which swept New York city during the summer marked many, but not all of its victims, for life. The home cases show a higher percentage of serious after effects than those of the hospitals.

According to a health bulletin just issued, 66 per cent. of 2,058 discharged from city hospitals showed evidence of paralysis, 18 per cent. showed that paralysis had entirely disappeared and the remainder, 16 per cent., had not shown effects of paralysis at any time.

Postpone Dedication.

Pastor W. M. Craig announced in the First Baptist church Sunday that a series of meetings to have been commenced in the edifice this month, part of which was to have been conducted by Dr. Wharton, the famous Baltimore evangelist, had been postponed because of the failure of materials for the completion of the auditorium to arrive. The series, during which will occur the dedication of the new edifice, will probably take place in January.

LENOIR COUNTY GIVES MUCH-INCREASED MAJORITY TO DEMOCRACY IN ELECTIONS ON TUESDAY; KINSTON CITY DOES GREAT

Local Precincts Almost Double Plurality of Two Years—Taylor, Sheriff, Leads Ticket—City On Anxious Watch All Tuesday Night and Most of Thursday—Crowds at Courthouse Following Voting to Hear Returns—Woodrow Wilson, God Bless His Darlin' Old Heart!—Republican Hopes Go A-Glimmering as Returns Indicate Expression of Americans for Peace and Prosperity

Incomplete returns give the Democratic party a majority of 1,000 or more in Tuesday's elections. Several remote precincts had not reported at all by 10 a. m. Wednesday; two or three others had not reported in full. Democratic leaders claimed an increase of 25 per cent. or better in the county majority. Sheriff A. W. Taylor led the ticket in the precincts heard from; Register of Deeds Carl Pridden was a close second. Returns on the vote on the constitutional amendments are very meagre. They drew little interest from Lenoir voters. The City of Kinston almost doubled its majority of two years ago.

ins, though, Democrats and radicals chaffed each other, hundreds of men predicted and ciphered, "Uncle Wat" Tuten shouted "Hurrah for Wilson" some little bets were made. Cheering was unstinted at the announcement of every gain for either candidate. "Uncle Wat" grew red about the eyes and a tear or two crept forth occasionally when he had to tell the "boys" that it looked like thing's "is goin' ag'in' us." But every other minute he remembered to "God bless Woodrow—bless his darlin' old heart." Col. W. D. Pollock, who goes to the State Senate from this district as the result of the election Tuesday, would not give up hope when it seemed that the case was hopeless, hinted at corruption in other regions of the country and declared that he would gladly give up his newly won honor if it could help Wilson back into the White House. The auditors grumbled sometimes when bulletins from Southern points were read. They were not interested in those tense moments in what the South had done nor the local results. The South had done its share—given nearly half enough electoral votes to put Wilson back into the Presidency—including Missouri, Kentucky and Oklahoma had done far more than its share.

Interest Intense and Feverish. Wednesday morning Kinston was excited, with the National election still in doubt. Many reports were heard on the streets from 6 until 10 o'clock—some gave Wilson a good, safe lead. The Free Press bulletined a statement from the United Press—whose word is beyond dispute—between 9 and 10 to the effect that Wilson, leading with five electoral votes, still had to get 29 out of 62 doubtful votes, with California in balance and little New Hampshire as well, included.

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