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FUSION MEETS ITS WATERLOO.

Democrats Carry North Carolina by 25,000 Majority.

COL. ROOSEVELT WINS IN NEW YORK.

Next House of Representatives Will Probably be Democratic.

REPUBLICANS CARRY NEBRASKA BY SMALL MAJORITY.

General Joseph Wheeler Returned to Congress Without a Single Vote Being Cast Against Him. Solid Democratic Delegations From Alabama and Louisiana. Texas Democratic by 250,000.

The Raleigh correspondent of the State Observer says: The election returns were as quiet as was ever known. It only needed the ringing of the bells to make it like Sunday. The vote polled is heavy. There was not the slightest disturbance at the polls. The news received by Chairman Simmons up to 8 o'clock says: Duplin county Democratic majority for the State ticket. In Cumberland three members of the Legislature are Democratic. The whole Democratic ticket is expected to win. There are big Democratic gains in Surry. There are big Democratic gains in Surry. Cleveland has exceeded expectation. New Hanover is Democratic. Bellamy is elected by a safe majority. Duplin gives the Democratic majority. Richmond and Sampson are Democratic. The Republicans concede Davidson. The Democrats carry Richmond by 1,000, a Democratic majority of 1,500; Robeson by 1,000; Wayne, 500; Franklin, 500, and the remainder of the State. The State ticket is safe there. Bennett carries by 300. Johnston carries by 300. We have swept the deck in Durham and turned the boom. 700 Democratic. Union gives 700 majority and Rockingham 400. Reports say that Halifax has gone Democratic. Wilson conceded to the Democrats by 700, including the Senator. Wayne carries the State ticket 1,000 majority, and Robeson from 300 to 500. There is a Democratic victory in Granville. There is a Democratic gain in Craven. The election was quiet there and the electoral ticket is safe. Rowan gives from 1,000 to 1,500. The majorities are: Wayne, 500; Rockingham, 400; Union, 700; Sampson county is Democratic.

THE VOTE BY COUNTIES.

Buncombe. Returns from all the precincts in Buncombe county are not in, but the indications point to the election of the entire Democratic ticket. Chairman Murphy claims the county by 400. In Asheville, the Democratic majority is majority in the first and second (colored) precincts is cut down about 25 each. It is believed that the Democratic senatorial ticket is elected, though there are no official figures. Stevens, Democratic candidate for Judge of the Criminal Court, will probably be elected over Blythe, Republican.

Crawford Elected in Buncombe. Crawford's majority in Asheville is 167. Two years ago Pearson carried the city by 149. In Hazel precinct, Pearson's home, Crawford's majority was 2; two years ago Pearson carried it by 7. Crawford's majority in the county is estimated at about 300, which would mean a gain of 25 over the last election. Reports from precincts in other counties show Democratic gains on the congressional ticket and the Democrats predict Crawford's election, Craig, for the House of Representatives, carried the city by over 300. Limestone township, 25 Republican majority. Two years ago, gives 22 Democratic majority.

Wilson. Eight precincts give the Democrats 543 majority. The remaining four will run this majority over 600. The vote for congressional candidates was a little scattered. Fontana, independent Populist, was supported by the Democrats generally. His majority in the county may reach 100. The judicial ticket ran ahead of the county vote. The majorities for these candidates may reach 100. Wilson took a majority of 47 Democratic. Connor, Democrat, for the House of Representatives, was elected by 500 majority. The fusion county chairman has conceded the county by 500 majority. All precincts heard from. A Democratic majority of 500 is assured.

Forsyth. Winston and Salem will give a Democratic majority of 300—not more than 250 each. Two years ago Winston went Republican by 258. The county gave a Republican majority of over 1,100. It will not be over 300 this time. This ensures the election of the Democratic candidates for State Senators in this senatorial election. The election was very quiet, with the exception of two fights in the morning. In the afternoon the colored men in one ward got together and fired pistols at the white men who were at the polls. The latter fired several times and the negroes left in quick order.

The statement is authorized by the chairman of the Democratic county executive committee that Wayne gives 700. This has been the quietest election in years, except for one incident. Oliver H. Dockery, Jr., fusion candidate for solicitor, who came down from Raleigh, went to Webbville, a suburban precinct of Goldsboro. The Democrats protested against his presence with the negroes, and the result was that Dockery's pass was stamped. Dockery, returning to Goldsboro, took the train for Raleigh. Goldsboro and Wayne county overwhelmingly Democratic. The senatorial district is safe.

Rowan. Rowan gives a Democratic majority of about 1,400, a gain of nearly 100 per cent. in all the county precincts. Klutz's majority in this district will be over 4,000. Glenn and Thomas, the senatorial nominees, will be elected by more than 1,000 majority. Wiley Rush, Democratic candidate for solicitor, has a safe majority in the judicial district.

Union. Union has gone Democratic overwhelmingly. Bellamy and the State ticket have a majority of 800. The Democratic county ticket will not fall under 1,000 or 1,200 majority. The fusionists have carried but one township, if that, which is not likely.

McDowell. McDowell county is surely Democratic by a safe majority. In the fight between whites and negroes, one negro was shot. More trouble is expected.

Cumberland. Cross Creek township, including Fayetteville, gives a Democratic majority of 284, a gain of nearly 270. George's Mill a Democratic majority of 15, a gain of 60 votes. The Democrats gained about 50 votes in Black River township, but did not carry it. The Democratic losses in Seventy-first township are 17 only. The losses so far, summing up, seem to give the Democrats a gain of 100 in eight townships, and he gained in eight Fireman Moody lived at Waynesville. He was elected by a small majority. Although all the returns are not in, enough is ascertained to warrant the assurance that the county is safely Democratic by from 150 to 250 majority.

Rockingham. Returns from 19 precincts, out of 30, in the county, show a Democratic gain on the congressional ticket of 191. The precincts unheard from are Democratic strongholds, and conservative estimates put Kitchin's majority in the county at not less than 420. The entire Democratic ticket is thought to be elected by a safe majority. The election passed off quietly. A heavy vote was polled. In Reidsville, Democracy wins by from 300 to 500 over the fusionists and that takes in every candidate. Lindsey, for the Senate, leads the county ticket. Kitchin makes great gains in every precinct.

Randolph. Randolph is still in the Republican column. The Democrats have conceded the election of the Republican ticket at this hour, 1 a. m., by a majority of about 23. It is so very close that it will take the official count to decide. The prospect, except two, has been heard from and there is little hope for the legislative ticket by the Democrats, but the other two precincts may elect it by 10 majority. Atwater ran a little behind the ticket.

Edgecombe. In Tarboro seven precincts out of 21 give the Democratic legislative ticket 1,300 majority. This shows a Democratic gain of 680 over the vote of 1902. The Democratic legislative ticket is elected by 1,800; the Democratic State ticket will have 500 majority.

Guilford. The election passed off quietly. There was no disturbance whatever. The indications are that Guilford will go Democratic by 500 to 800. The entire Democratic ticket is elected.

Robeson. Robeson county gives a Democratic majority of 912. The fifteenth senatorial district is saved. Robeson is held and the State is saved! The Democratic majority is fully 1,000.

Orange. The State ticket is Democratic by 300 majority. The Legislative ticket is Democratic by 350. Chapel Hill goes Democratic and Orange county follows suit. The county ticket is elected by a majority of from 300 to 600. Kitchin's majority in the county is at least 100. There are Democratic gains throughout the county.

Davie. The Republican senatorial and county ticket is elected by not exceeding 100 majority. The Democratic sheriff and register are probably elected.

Haywood. The indications are that Haywood county has gone Democratic by at least 3,000 majority.

Mecklenburg. So faithfully had Chairman McCall and the other Democratic workers of Charlotte done their duty, that it was expected that Mecklenburg would go about 1,000 Democratic majority—those figures being announced as the official expectations, but no one anticipated the handsome majority of 1,700, which she rolled up. Every Democratic official in the county is elected. Charlotte township went Democratic by 1,115 votes.

Ashe. Ashe county, at 8 o'clock, is in great doubt. It looks as if the Democratic and Republicans have about divided the county ticket. The legislative ticket is very doubtful. Large Democratic gains are reported in some townships.

Anson. Anson county has had a great day for Democracy. The Democrats carry the county by not less than 200 majority for the county and State ticket.

Burke. Unofficial returns from all precincts in Burke county, received up to 10 o'clock, show the election of Julius H. Hoffman, Democrat, to the Legislature by a majority of 100. The majority for the Democratic senatorial ticket is about the same as Hoffman's. Manly McDowell, Democratic candidate for sheriff, has about 300 majority over Shuffman, Republican.

Davidson. Davidson county is safely Democratic by from 200 to 400 majority. The Democratic majority in High Point township is 125, a Democratic gain of 200.

Catawba. Returns from all but three precincts in Catawba give a Democratic majority of 412. Complete returns cannot be had for the county before 3 1/2. The entire Democratic ticket is elected.

Rutherford. Returns from the county up to 12 o'clock indicate the election of the entire Democratic ticket by more than 400 majority.

Durham. Durham county a safe Democratic ticket is elected by majorities ranging from 300 to 600. Foushee, Democrat, for the Legislature, is elected for Congress and carries the county by about 500. The senatorial and judicial tickets are safe by good majorities.

Alexander. The entire Democratic ticket is elected in Alexander. McIntosh, for the House, is elected by about 100 majority.

Cleveland. Cleveland county elects the entire Democratic ticket, State and local. Conservative estimates place the majority at 500, a great Democratic gain in every precinct.

Iredell. Iredell makes a gain of 750 votes, going Democratic by 800 or more. The election of Senators in this district seems to be assured. Every township in the county shows a heavy Democratic gain. Shiloh leading, with a majority of 290.

Scotland Neck's majority is 741; Pamlico 137 for the Democrats and nothing for the Republicans, because they refused to vote in the legal boxes. Tillery precinct gives a good Democratic vote and Rowenath 179 Democratic. It is quiet at all precincts heard from and there has been no trouble anywhere.

Polk. The indications at the close of the polls are that Polk elects the legislative ticket by a majority of 800 to 900, a Democratic gain of 800 in the county.

Surry. Surry county has been carried by the Democrats by a safe majority. Charles is elected to the House. The Senator is in doubt.

Granville. The indications are that part of county tickets is elected. The county is claimed for the Democratic ticket. A large vote was polled. It was the quietest election ever held in Granville. The negro vote was almost solid.

Richmond. The indications are that Richmond has gone Democratic by 1,000 majority. It is reported that Governor Russell was run out of Whitington and came to Hamlet, locked up in a baggage car.

Alamance. Alamance is redeemed. The county is Democratic by from 250 to 350.

Moore. Moore has gone Democratic. Black, Democrat, is probably elected Senator in the twenty-second district.

New Hanover. New Hanover will go Democratic by 300 or more. Everything is quiet.

Carteret. The Democrats carry the county by from 200 to 300. The member of the House of Representatives is elected by from 100 to 150. The State congressional and senatorial tickets are elected by 200 majority. Duncan claims that it will take the official count to decide.

COL. ROOSEVELT IS ELECTED.

Republicans Carry New York State by About 20,000.

RESULTS IN OTHER STATES.

Republicans Carry Nebraska for Governor and Will Probably Control the Legislature—A Republican to Succeed Senator Murphy in New York.

New York (Special).—Theodore Roosevelt, Republican, late colonel of the United States Volunteer Cavalry, has been elected Governor of this State by a plurality anywhere from 18,000 to 20,000. All Col. Roosevelt's associates on the Republican State ticket are probably elected with him. The returns from Greater New York and from the counties outside of this municipality are incomplete, but enough have been received to indicate a heavy falling off in the vote of the State, while that of the city was well sustained. The consequence is the falling off in the Republican plurality in the State from 212,000 to the approximated figures given above. Outside of Greater New York, the vote for Van Wyck is only about one-fifth of one per cent. above that of Foster, in 1896. There appears to be a loss of four Republican Congressmen in the Brooklyn districts, the second, fourth, fifth and sixth and Congressman Quigg, who had a majority of about 2,000 at the election last year, has been defeated by Wm. Astor Chamberlain, in the Albany district, the twelfth, Guyton, Democrat, has been elected to succeed Southwick, Republican.

In addition to the foregoing there are numerous Democratic gains in the eighth and thirteenth districts, both in New York city. Daniel J. Burdian, Republican, second district, and Congressman Quigg, who had a majority of about 2,000 at the election last year, has been defeated by Wm. Astor Chamberlain, in the Albany district, the twelfth, Guyton, Democrat, has been elected to succeed Southwick, Republican.

Pennsylvania. The following named Congressmen have been elected in Pennsylvania: First district, H. B. Ringgold, Republican; second, Robert Adams, Jr., Republican; third, William McAleer, Democrat; fourth, James R. Young, Republican; fifth, A. C. Harner, Republican; sixth, Thomas S. Butler, Republican; seventh, Irving P. Wagner, Democrat; eighth, Marshall Parsons, Republican; ninth, Morgan E. Williams, Republican; tenth, Charles F. Wright, Republican; eleventh, Horace B. Parker, Republican; twelfth, John M. McManus, Republican; thirteenth, Joseph E. Torrey, Republican; fourteenth, Summers M. Jack, Republican; fifteenth, John Dazwell, Republican; sixteenth, William H. Graham, Republican; seventeenth, Ernest E. Anderson, Republican; eighteenth, Samuel A. Davenport, Republican.

Nebraska. Scattering precinct returns indicate a political surprise in Nebraska, inasmuch as they forecast the almost certain election of the Republican ticket for Governor by a plurality of not less than 5,000. This will be a reversal of the verdict of 1896 by nearly 15,000. The count thus far is wholly in the Governor's favor. The State ticket is considered, and it is the belief that the ward running slightly ahead of his ticket, it would make the results on the remaining State officers very close. The most surprising feature of it all is the strength displayed by Republican legislative candidates, the few returns received being in favor of the State ticket. As these are from but one or two counties, however, they fail to indicate assuredly the complexion of the Legislature.

Ohio. Congress, first district, Ohio, William F. Shattuck, Republican, elected; second district, Joseph H. Brownell, Republican, elected; fourth district, R. B. Gordon, Democrat, elected; fifth district, David Meekison, Democrat, elected; sixth district, Seth W. Brown, Republican, re-elected; tenth district, Stephen B. Morgan, Republican, elected; eleventh district, Chas. E. Crossman, Republican, re-elected; seventeenth district, John Anderson McDowell, Democrat, elected; nineteenth district, Chas. E. Dick, Republican, elected; twentieth district, E. J. Huggins, Republican, elected over J. Leniz, Democrat. This district gave a Democratic plurality last year of 2,187. Twenty-first district, Theodore E. Burton, Republican, elected; twentieth district, E. O. Phillips, Republican, elected.

New Jersey. The first returns coming in indicate that the Democrats will carry Jersey City by about 2,500, and the county of Hudson by between 900 and 1,000. No Republicans will be elected to any position in the county or city. The Democrats have made a clean sweep. Crane will have nearly, if not more, than 6,000 in the county. William D. Daly is elected to Congress by probably 4,500. Allen L. McDermott is elected State Senator by nearly 15,000. Chairman Murphy, of the Republican State committee, at 8:45, said: "We have carried the State for Governor by 15,000. We have elected a majority of the Assembly and will elect John Nean United States Senator. At the Democratic headquarters at the same hour it was said they were awaiting further returns before making any predictions. United States Senator Wm. J. Sewell telegraphs the Associated Press from Camden at midnight as follows: "New Jersey elects a Republican Governor by 8,000 majority, and a Republican Legislature."

New York. The following Congressmen in Kings county, which is practically the borough of Brooklyn and a part of Greater New York, have probably been elected:

Second district, John J. Fitzgerald, Democrat; third district, Edmund Driggs, Democrat; fourth district, Bertram T. Clayton, Democrat; fifth district, Frank E. Wilson, Democrat; sixth district, Mitchell May, Democrat; Rhode city district, gives Roosevelt 1,877, Van Wyck 1,056.

Georgia. The Democratic Georgia returned a solid delegation to Congress, as follows: First, John E. Lester; second, James H. Griggs; third, Edgah H. Lewis; fourth, William A. Adamson; fifth, Leonard L. Livingston, sixth, Charles L. Bartlett; seventh, John W. Maddox; eighth, William M. Howard; ninth, Farish C. Tate; tenth, William H. Fleming; eleventh, William G. Brantley.

Florida. Returns insure the return of S. M. Sparkman, Democrat, in the first congressional district, and R. V. Harris, Democrat, in the second. The vote, judging from indications, is from 10 to 20 per cent. lighter for both parties than in 1896. The whole Democratic State ticket is elected. The light vote is due to the feeble resistance offered. The constitutional amendments requiring that bonds of State officers be in sound surety and guarantee companies, were carried overwhelmingly. The Republicans and Populists will not elect together over five members of the Legislature, if that many. The Legislature elected will choose a successor to Samuel Pavo.

Minnesota. Both parties are claiming the result on the State ticket. On Legislature, the Democrats have all along conceded the victory to the Republicans. The organization on Congressmen are insufficient to decide, although it is probable the Republicans have at least four delegates, probably more. Apparently the result will be decided by the country, as the two cities are about a stand-off.

South Carolina. Elliott, Democrat, first; Folbert, Democrat, second; Latimer, Democrat, third; Wilson, Democrat, fourth; Finley, Democrat, fifth; Norton, Democrat, sixth; Stokes, Democrat, seventh congressional district, elected by very large majority. The Democratic State ticket was elected without opposition. Light vote cast throughout the State.

North Carolina. The Democrats have certainly won in fifth, sixth and seventh districts. Returns not complete, make it practically certain that they have won in the first, third and fourth. In the second and fourth the two Populists, who were endorsed by the Democrats, are elected. The Republicans re-elected Luney in the eighth. It looks now that the Democrats have made a clean sweep except in the eighth district, where the majority is reduced. The Legislature elected second district, S. W. McCall, Republican, elected; the Democratic judicial ticket is elected by not less than 20,000. Two years ago the fusionists carried the State by 40,000. The vote shows that there has been a revolution.

Massachusetts. Congress, Massachusetts, first district, George F. Lawrence, Republican, elected; second district, S. W. McCall, Republican, elected; third district, H. Walker, Republican, elected; fourth district, G. W. Weymouth, Republican, elected; sixth district, W. H. Moody, Republican, elected; seventh district, E. W. Roberts, Republican, elected; eighth district, S. W. McCall, Republican, elected; eleventh district, C. F. Sprague, Republican, elected; twelfth district, W. C. Lowery, Republican, elected; fifteenth district, W. S. Green, Republican, elected.

Connecticut. Returns from Connecticut leave the Connecticut delegation unchanged politically. Following is the Connecticut list complete. First district, E. Stevens Henry, Republican; second district, N. D. Sperry, Republican; third district, Charles A. Russell, Republican; fourth district, E. J. Hill, Republican.

Texas. Sayers carries Fort Worth by about 2,100 plurality. It is estimated that he will carry the State by 250,000.

Louisiana. The Democrats in Louisiana made a clean sweep, electing six Congressmen, three railroad commissioners and three judges in the parish of Orleans. The Congressmen elected are: First district, Adolph Myers; second Robert C. Davesy; third, Robert F. Broussard; fourth, Phanoir Breaucelle; fifth, Samuel E. Baird; sixth, Samuel M. Robertson.

Missouri. Chairman Cook claims the election of the entire Democratic State ticket by a plurality of 25,000, the election of 13 third party Congressmen, and the return of a safe majority to the Legislature, ensuring re-election of United States Senator Cookrell.

Arkansas. Congress, first district, P. D. McCulloch, Democrat, elected; second district, J. S. Little, Democrat, elected; third district, Thomas C. Melias, Democrat, elected; fourth district, W. L. Taylor, Democrat, elected; sixth district, S. Brundidge, Democrat, elected.

Mississippi. Mississippi congressional results: First district, John M. Allen, Democrat, elected; second, Thomas Knight, Democrat; third Thomas C. Catchings, Democrat; fourth, R. W. Fox, Democrat; fifth, John S. Williams, Democrat; seventh, Patrick Henry, Democrat.

Stone's Plurality About 125,000. Pennsylvania returns at midnight, an estimate based on the returns of the counties heard from indicate the election of Stone by a plurality which may exceed 125,000. Stone may have 75,000 plurality in Philadelphia county alone.

Virginia. The election in Virginia was the quietest that has taken place in many years. Not more than half the vote was polled, except in the ninth and

tenth districts, where the Democrats had formidable opposition. The result is that the State returns a solidly Democratic delegation of ten members, and the feature of the election was the breaking away from the Waterbury Republican stronghold of the ninth district, where he was defeated by Lhea. All the Congressmen elected are prominent silver men.

Iowa. C. T. Hancock, chairman of the Republican State central committee, says: "We expect to carry the State by about 30,000 and elect the entire congressional delegation." A. A. Hoffman, secretary of the Democratic committee, says: "From the returns received so far the State will go Republican by a greatly estimated majority."

THE NEXT CONGRESS. Eighty-Five Republicans and 107 Democrats Elected to the House. New York, Special. Returns received in the Associated Press office in this city from all over the country Wednesday morning, indicate that 85 Republicans and 107 Democrats have certainly been elected to seats in the national House of Representatives. The same number two years ago returned to the lower house of Congress 105 Republicans and 89 Democrats. Based solely upon the estimates in these districts a Republican loss of 20 and a Democratic gain of 21 is indicated. These estimates concede to the Democrats six of the congressional districts in Greater New York except one, the fifth-thirty.

To the Associated Press, Secretary Kerr said at 1 o'clock: "The Republicans will have lost control of the House of Representatives. We will have from 85 to 100 members and will organize the House of the fifty-third Congress. The majority of the opposition will be from 15 to 20 over the Republicans and perhaps more. Our advisers indicate Democratic gains in some of the States as follows: Alabama 1, Illinois 1, Iowa 1, Kentucky 2, Maryland 2, Massachusetts 2, Missouri 2, New Jersey 2, New York 6, North Carolina 2, Pennsylvania 6, Virginia 3, West Virginia 1. This is a total of 37. One district in Delaware is doubtful with the chances in favor of the Democrats. In figuring a gain of three in Virginia Secretary Kerr includes two districts which elected Democrats in 1896, who were unseated by the present House.

Cuban and Porto Rican Bonds. The foreign bondholders have at last formally agreed to present their claims in 1899. In figuring a gain of three in Virginia Secretary Kerr includes two districts which elected Democrats in 1896, who were unseated by the present House.

Disgraced Painter's Art. The Merritt Weeking Company has received information that the Maria Teresa is anchored at Island. Captain Chittenden will leave with the Merritt at once.

Belgian Artist, One of Watteau's Students—Casar Dumortier—was handsome, having been born without arms, and with only rudimentary legs, and yet he carried off all the prizes at Lille, won golden medals in Paris, and had pictures in the Louvre. He used to hold the palette with one foot stump, and use the brush with the other. A slender staff was built in front of his chest, and on this he wrote and traced, limited and completed, leaving traces of color wherever he passed, traversing the canvas with the swift, noise of a fly upon the wall. Antwerp had an artist who copied the masterpieces of Rubens, and yet had no hands. All his work was done with his toes, and so well did he paint that his pictures fetched a higher price for their artistic merit than those of any other artist in the city. England's handless painter, Mr. Bartram Hiles, at the age of 16 had exhibited his first picture at the Bristol academy, and succeeded in winning the national scholarship of the value of £100 for two years. He both paints and models with his mouth. Herr Adam Stepen of New York is another armless artist, who guides the brushes with his toes. The young Swiss artist, Alphonse Rapin, has no arms, but manipulates her crayon in a wonderful manner with her right foot. A German lady, known as the "foot artist" (German armsless and painting with her feet, four years ago married a professional singer. The wedding ring was placed on her fourth toe, and she signed the register with her foot.

Helping the Old Man Out. "It may not strike you as a plausible story, but it has the merit of truth. I read low down in Pennsylvania. It was in the old days when lectures were popular and people thought a good deal of solid information.

"There was one old chap in our neighborhood, who thought he had a call to instruct the people in some of the most abstruse problems of philosophy and political economies. The truth was that he was so slow and so prosy and monotonous that no one of ordinary intelligence could sit under his teachings without going to sleep.

"As sometimes happens, the old gentleman had a son who had all the 20 and was full of ginger and sharper than a tack. One night there was a fine audience and the old man was glowing heavily after having put most of his hearers to sleep. Just as his case seemed hopeless and the yawning crowd was praying to escape there was a lively bombardment of shelled oyster from the gallery. It was like a pouter of bird shot, and inside of two minutes all were on the alert. Before the father could grasp the situation that boy yelled out:

"Say, pa, stick right to your lecturing. Hammer it into 'em and I'll keep 'em awake, and be accompanied the assurance with another volley of oyster."—Detroit Free Press.