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TAFT NOW ASSURED NOMINATION.

President William H. Taft is on a fair road to renomination as the Republican standard bearer in the campaign of 1912. With approximately 100 delegates to the Chicago convention already instructed for him, the president is more than likely to break his record of 1908, when he was nominated with 702 votes on the first ballot in the Chicago convention of that year. There is no longer any question that he will be renominated, and the only question now puzzling the managers of the Taft campaign is the completeness of his victory.

Coupled with the assurance of his renomination is the growing sentiment in the big Republican states both east and west that President Taft is the only Republican candidate who can possibly be elected this fall. It will be recalled readily enough that when Mr. Taft took office three years ago, March 4 last, the great issues of tariff

revision and reform on a protective basis and of monetary reform and the great legal problem involved in the exact meaning of the Sherman anti-trust statute were squarely before the country. In the latter issue the supreme court had not made its famous ruling in the Standard Oil and tobacco cases which were to outline for the first time since the law was passed by congress its exact meaning. On each of these three great issues it has been necessary for President Taft to consider and frame a definite policy, and it is his decision as to these great questions that has convinced the business men, the laboring men and the farmers of the country that another term in the White House for William H. Taft is all that is necessary to restore the country on that basis of unparalleled prosperity which characterized the administration of William McKinley. It is this sentiment which not only assures the renomination of Mr. Taft at Chicago, but also his re-election in November.

So many bewildering side issues have become involved in the present campaign for delegates to the Chicago convention that the facts above stated have been overlooked in certain communities. Even the progressive achievements of the Taft administration have been forgotten in the excitement occasioned by the introduction of new political doctrines, practically none of which, except the proposal to recall federal judges, can be dealt with by the national government, but must be decided each state for itself. The demand for a presidential preference primary in each state, wholly a state matter, in which even the president himself has no right to interfere, has been magnified into a national issue notwithstanding the fact that there is and can be no national law on the subject, and only a few states are prepared to throw the protection of the law around any such primary and in face of the fact that one-tenth of the delegates to the Chicago convention are already chosen and hundreds of delegates elected to state and district conventions. It has been estimated that to clothe such a primary with legal authority, as provided by the rules of the party, it would cost the taxpayers of this country not less than \$5,000,000 immediately.

The hysteria occasioned by these conditions is now passing away, and the foremost facts staring the voters in the face are the progressive and definite policies of President Taft and the certainty of an immediate improvement in business conditions all over the country following his renomination and re-election. These facts are of vital interest to all classes of citizens, especially when they are confronted with the alternative of a change in administration, a change in policies and a continuation of business depression and general unrest.

In estimating the probabilities of President Taft's renomination and re-election it is necessary to recur only to recent history. The president carried every northern state in 1908. Between the election of that year and 1910 occurred the tariff legislation known as the Payne tariff law. It is a well known maxim of politics that

that party which revises the tariff is defeated at the next election, and the only exception to the rule in recent years was the passage of the Dingley law, which was followed so closely by the outbreak of the Spanish-American war as to bury the tariff issue in a wave of patriotic enthusiasm. The more recent by-elections in the big Republican states east of the Mississippi river, notably in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, have shown a return of Republicans to the fold and a restoration of the old time Republican majorities, which justifies the prediction that they will be safely in the Taft column in November. That they will so unanimously support any other Republican candidate, particularly if the third term issue is injected into the fight, is denied by the best informed leaders in those states.

As to the nomination there is no longer any doubt but that President Taft will have a majority of the delegates both from the north and the south. New England will be practically if not entirely solid for him. He will have sweeping victories in New York, Pennsylvania and the other middle Atlantic states. Ohio has never yet failed to support a favorite son candidate or failed to cast its electoral vote for a Republican candidate for president. Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Minnesota, Kansas, Nebraska,

South Dakota and Oklahoma, of the middle western states will all have their quota of Taft delegates in the convention, four of them having already instructed delegates in some districts for the president. The southern states will be almost unanimous in their support of the president, while in Utah, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, Wyoming, Arizona and the Pacific coast states there is every assurance of solid Taft delegations. Present indications point only to a scattering opposition to President Taft's renomination.

PROGRESSIVE HERE, OTHERWISE ELSEWHERE.

Jonathan Bourne teaches progressive policies in Oregon because Oregon is a progressive state, and Bourne believes in saying things which will please the people, but at Washington he is quite a different Bourne. There he assumes another role. His millions make him eligible, in his opinion, to membership in the United

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When the Aldrich tariff was before the senate, it is a matter of record in the senate journal that Bourne stated that he knew nothing about tariff matters, but that he had confidence in Senator Aldrich's knowledge and opinions upon this very important subject. His votes indicate how complete this confidence was. He voted with Aldrich 75 times, and consequently against the progressives 75 times, and was absent 72 times, and voted against Aldrich three times. No doubt it was such conduct on the part of some ancient statesman which coined the proverb, "O, consistency, thou art a jewel!"

local visitor yesterday.

Robert Newlin went to Imbler this morning on business.

Mrs. Harriet McDonald returned this morning from Hot Lake.

C. G. Holst of Joseph was a guest of the Foley hotel yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Thomas came over from Cove on No. 5 last night.

County Superintendent E. E. Bragg returned this morning from Union.

A. M. Runnels, city attorney of Joseph, was registered at the Foley last night.

M. W. Kiddle of Island City was registered at the Sommer hotel last evening.

Dan Chandler and daughter, Mrs. Walter Nelson, left this morning for Durkee.

Attorney D. W. Sheahan of Enterprise was a local visitor yesterday afternoon.

L. A. Stoop and Charles Stoop of Elgin were registered at the Foley hotel last night.

Mrs. Daniel Boyd returned to Enterprise this morning after spending a few days here with Mrs. J. W. Knowles.

Rev. J. D. Gillilan went to Wallowa this morning where he will attend the district conference of the Methodist Episcopal church.

E. C. Day who went to Pendleton yesterday to witness the laying of the cornerstone of the branch asylum, returned this morning.

Miss Flossie Severs returned to Cove this morning after visiting with her sisters, Miss Bonnie, at Enterprise and Mrs. J. D. Stout of this place. While visiting in Enterprise Miss Severs and her sister visited Joseph for a few days.

W. R. Kivette will go to Boise this evening where Mrs. Kivette is now visiting. After transacting some business in the capital city he will return, accompanied by Mrs. Kivette.

Mrs. M. L. Graham of Milton is a guest with her daughters, Mrs. J. D. Porter, Mrs. Jennie Holverson and Mrs. Ethel May.

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