

THE SETTING SUN.



From the Chicago Inter Ocean.
KANSAS IS REPUBLICAN

Roosevelt Strength Among Voters Is Decreasing Perceptibly Throughout State.

Topeka, Kan., Sept. 23.—Notwithstanding the enthusiasm which has always existed in Kansas for Theodore Roosevelt, it is undeniable that his strength as a presidential candidate is decidedly waning throughout the state.

If he were the candidate of the Republican party, and if there were a chance of his election, he would, of course, sweep the state without any serious opposition. But neither of these conditions exists. The fact that his own leaders have been obliged to yield to the wave of indignant protest which swept against them on account of their effort to have Roosevelt's electors placed in the Republican column has not only proven the strength of the Taft sentiment, but it has eliminated all possibility of Roosevelt carrying the state. The withdrawal of his electors from the Republican columns has emphasized the fact that he is not the Republican candidate; and Kansas is too well satisfied with the conditions which have prevailed during the past sixteen years to follow any man, however popular he may be, out of the Republican party.

The Roosevelt sentiment has been further weakened by the universal conviction that there is no possibility of his election and that the only effort his candidacy can possibly have is to expose the country to the danger of a Democratic victory. Kansas is not from being a Democratic state, but with the subversion of the Roosevelt campaign, the state will be found in its place near the head of the Republican column.

LOSING IN NEBRASKA

Progressive Party Will Die Before Election Day Comes Around.

Reports from Nebraska show that Roosevelt sentiment is decreasing. The Third Term party, says one leader, Director Mulvane of the Progressive Party, is going down to Pops.

Clark of Hastings, Neb., of a large company which investments, securities and other things, and who has exceptional opportunity to know the feelings of the farmers, says that in the farmers are beginning to feel that if they followed Roosevelt they would land nowhere, and if they followed a Democratic president they would be ruined.

Nebraska, the Third Term party is having difficulty in securing even a few hundred and fifty signers to a petition for their county convention. The Progressive party will die before election, says one report. "Sentiment is looking better for Taft every day."

WHY ROOSEVELT IS LOSING GROUND.

Disloyal and loyal Republicans will not follow him out of the Republican party.

The American people will not gratify the disappointed ambition of a man who, in a spirit of revenge, would wreck the Republican party because it refused him a presidential nomination.

The country does not want for president a man who eagerly steps at every wild and radical theory merely to gain votes. The honest men will not support a candidate who instituted dishonest methods to help his nomination and who accepts money for his campaign from the Harvester and Steel trust directors.

Thousands of Republicans do not believe that men of unblemished character who disagree with Roosevelt are thieves and liars.

Right-thinking people cannot trust a candidate who violates his own pledges.

Republicans are beginning to realize that the only possible effect of his candidacy may be the election of Wilson, and they are not going to bring upon the country the disaster of a Democratic administration merely to gratify one man's hatred or ambition.

The people will not Mexicanize the United States by electing to a man who declares that he sees no objection to any number of terms provided there is a recall. That is, if again made president he would expect to remain in that office until the people drove him out. What Washington would not take, what Grant could not get, Roosevelt shall not have.

CANVASS OF INDIANA

It Shows That the Roosevelt Movement Is Now on the Decline.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 30.—A careful canvass has been made of the Roosevelt sentiment in every county in this state. The inquiry was started by a prominent business man of this city, who was anxious to learn for himself the true condition of affairs. He sent out a large number of letters to men in each of the counties who were not politicians and would have no incentive to falsify the situation. The replies showed that in every county in the state, with one exception, there had been a marked decrease in the Roosevelt sentiment. The opinion was universally expressed that the Third Term candidate had fewer followers now in Indiana than at any time since the campaign opened and this number was steadily decreasing. A few of these reports summarized follow:

White county—"Ours is an agricultural community and the farmers all seem satisfied with conditions and are not calling for a change. I see no evidence of Bull Mooseism spreading. On the contrary, it is weaker than at first."

Steuben county—"The Third Termers are on the down grade and will not be as strong a month later as they are now."

Lake county—"Sentiment for the Progressive is weakened, especially among the farmers. Sentiment is growing more and more favorable to the administration."

Montgomery county—"The Bull Moose sentiment here is waning as the campaign progresses."

De Kalb county—"There will not be many Bull Moose voters here. Taft will get some Democratic votes—quite a number."

Miami county—"The changes are now coming all our way. There are no more desertions from the Republican ranks."

Tippecanoe county—"The Bull Moose sentiment is subsiding." Reports from Allen and La Grange counties are to the same effect.

SLIDING BACK IN NEVADA

Roosevelt Has Reached His Limit and Is Rapidly Receding.

Reno, Nev., Sept. 25.—The decline of the Roosevelt movement, noticeable throughout the country, is very apparent in Nevada.

"The interest in the Bull Moose movement is crystallized in Roosevelt," says the Evening Gazette, "and that interest is waning." The Gazette further states that Roosevelt's disappointing speech in this state, the fact that he is receiving funds from George W. Perkins and is being supported only by cast-off politicians, are drag-stones about his neck. The Gazette sums up the situation in Nevada as follows:

"Roosevelt has reached the limit of his power and is sliding back rapidly."

ROOSEVELT MOVEMENT DYING OUT

Reports from Every Section of the Country Show Third Term Candidate Is Daily Losing Ground.

REPUBLICANS ARE RETURNING TO THE PARTY

The Effort to Organize a Bolt Has Completely Failed, and President Taft Is Gaining Because the Tide Is Now Turning in His Direction.

POPULAR VERDICT AGAINST ROOSEVELT.

In every state in which the people have had an opportunity to express their sentiment since the nomination of President Taft, the verdict has been adverse to Colonel Roosevelt and has demonstrated the increasing disintegration and eventual collapse of the third party. The results of the regular and primary elections thus far held offer convincing evidence of the steadily decreasing strength of the third term candidate.

REGULAR ELECTIONS.

VERMONT—The Roosevelt ticket polled only about 15,000 votes and was third in the race.

MAINE—There was no Progressive ticket and the united Republicans overcame a Democratic plurality of nearly 9,000 of two years ago, elected their gubernatorial ticket by a plurality of 4,000 and gained a congressman.

PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

MICHIGAN—The third term party had a full primary election ticket in the field but polled only about 8,000 votes out of a total of 150,000. In one county where the election officers were asked for 8,000 Roosevelt tickets only 189 votes were cast.

MINNESOTA—The Republicans nominated their governor and United States senator, together with other officers. The third party ticket made a poor showing.

WASHINGTON—The Roosevelt ticket received about 25,000 votes out of 300,000. The Republican vote was greater than the Roosevelt and Democratic vote combined.

COLORADO—The Republicans nominated their gubernatorial ticket over the Progressive opposition.

CALIFORNIA—Last May the Roosevelt vote in the primaries showed 77,000 majority. In the September primaries the Roosevelt majority was less than 3,000.

ROOSEVELT'S STRENGTH

IS FALLING OFF

Washington Republicans Outnumber Democrats and Third Termers Combined.

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 28.—In the recent primaries in this state the Progressives cast about 25,000 votes out of a total vote exceeding 300,000, or about eight in every hundred. The Republican vote was greater than that of the Democrats and the Third Termers combined.

S. W. Perkins, Republican national committeeman for Washington, who has been engaged in making a canvass of the political situation in this state, says that he is in receipt of letters from every section indicating a remarkable falling off of Roosevelt's strength. The figures of the primary demonstrate that these letters accurately present popular sentiment.

Mr. Roosevelt claimed the Washington delegation in the Republican National convention in Chicago. The absurdity, not to say dishonesty, of his claim, is proven by the poor showing made by his followers in the recent primary.

A FAILURE IN COLORADO

Why the Roosevelt Movement Has Failed to Materialize.

"The Roosevelt movement is a failure in Colorado," said David Heaton of Salida, Colo., during a recent visit to Chicago, while discussing the political situation in his state. He is president and general manager of the Federal Consolidated Monumental Granite company, and is also identified with large mining interests.

"We are tired of industrial and political pyrotechnics in Colorado," he continued. "We have been through all sorts of disturbances in our state. We have seen what were called 'dynamite days.' We have had our wild and woolly experiences and we have known what it is to deal with strikes and strikers. Mr. Roosevelt is now a dangerous type of political striker, doing nothing but raising trouble. We do not want a man of his temperament in the White House. We prefer to support President Taft."

Roosevelt a Frost in Oregon.

A. V. Spalding, a widely known contracting engineer of Portland, Ore., while on his way east from Portland, reports that the Roosevelt tour through Washington, Oregon and the Pacific coast states were a frost.

A letter received at the Taft headquarters from Edward D. Baldwin, secretary of the Oregon state central committee, says:

"Things are looking better here every day for Taft. The lukewarm reception given Roosevelt in Portland the other day has given courage to our people."

Decreasing in Iowa.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Sept. 29.—James A. Tremblin and Luther A. Brewer of this state, officers of the Iowa League of Taft Clubs, who have been assisting in the organization of Republicans in the state, have received reports from every county showing the decrease of Roosevelt sentiment, and assert that the Republican strength of the state is crystallizing among President Taft.

LITTLE SENTIMENT

FOR ROOSEVELT

Minnesota Republicans Have No Interest in a Third Term Party.

Minneapolis, Minn., Sept. 27.—The recent primaries in this state demonstrate that the Roosevelt sentiment in this state is decidedly on the decrease. The renominations of Governor Eberhart and Senator Nelson, both loyal Republicans and Taft supporters, have encouraged the Republicans of this state to make a vigorous and aggressive fight.

Little sentiment is found in Wisconsin for Roosevelt, and the contest, without doubt, is narrowed down between Taft and Wilson. The business men of Milwaukee, and other Wisconsin cities, are rallying to the support of the Republican ticket and volunteering their services to elect Taft. The prosperous condition of their business urges them to support the present administration.

ROOSEVELT VOTE SMALL

Primaries in Michigan Show That Republicans Are Loyal.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 28.—Charles D. Hilles of the Republican national committee, who recently spent a day in this state, held a conference with the Republican county chairman—83 counties being represented by these leaders of county organizations. Eighty of the county chairmen reported that their counties would vote for Taft and only three stated that conditions were doubtful.

These reports are the logical sequence of the recent primary in Michigan where the vote for the Third Term party ticket was pitifully small.

Representative McLaughlin of the Ninth Michigan District, in speaking of conditions in that state, says that Roosevelt is losing ground daily and the outlook for a splendid majority for Taft is growing every day.

The recent state Republican convention was attended by nearly 1,500 delegates. Great enthusiasm was manifested and the speakers were applauded. Roosevelt's name was not mentioned, while President Taft's name was loudly cheered.

REFUSE TO JOIN ROOSEVELT

New Mexico Republicans Prefer to Remain With Their Party.

Santa Fe, N. M., Sept. 27.—United States Senator Thomas B. Catron of this state says that a large number of the Progressives are refusing to go into the new party. They prefer to remain with the Republican party. "It looks to me now," he says, "as if the electoral vote of New Mexico is certain to be given to President Taft."

Albuquerque, N. M., Sept. 27.—"So far as the third party is concerned in New Mexico, it is as dead as Julius Caesar," is the assertion of the Albuquerque Morning Journal, the official newspaper of this state.

The Journal names a number of men, including former Governor H. J. Hagerman and Associate Justice R. H. Hanna, who have fought the battles of the Progressive movement, but who have quit in disgust.

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