

TAFT 301; BRYAN 147; DOUBTFUL 34

Taft Victory to Be Overwhelming.

ROOSEVELT MOST SANGUINE

Taft Gets Nearly All Republican States of 1904.

NO DOUBT ABOUT NEW YORK

Ohio Also Certainly Republican and Bryan Stands in Great Danger of Losing His Own State of Nebraska.

BY HARRY J. BROWN. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 1.—William H. Taft will be elected in the opinion of practically all competent and disinterested political observers.

William H. Taft is going down to defeat for the third time, a defeat perhaps more overwhelming than that of 1896, though probably less severe than that of 1890.

Taft will probably carry every state that supported Roosevelt four years ago, with the exception of Missouri and Nevada, and possibly Nebraska and Colorado, but he may get eight electoral votes from Maryland where Roosevelt received but one, and there is a possibility, but only a possibility that Kentucky, heretofore Democratic, may cross into the Republican column on Tuesday.

Table with 4 columns: State, Taft, Bryan, Doubtful. Lists various states and their predicted electoral votes for each candidate.

EXPRESSES ROOSEVELT'S OPINION.

The foregoing statements coincide with opinions that have been repeatedly expressed by President Roosevelt during the past two weeks, and there is no man better competent to judge the situation than he.

To Bryan is conceded the entire solid South, with the exception of Kentucky, which is still probably retained by New York, Ohio and Indiana. They have been equally successful in Kansas, West Virginia, North Dakota and Montana.

REPUBLICANS DO GOOD WORK.

The Republicans have done splendid work in the important states during the closing week of the campaign, and have in all times probably retained New York, Ohio and Indiana.

POSSE AND DOGS TRAIL FUGITIVES

MANLY BANK ROBBER SUSPECTS KILL MARSHAL.

Watchman Shot Down in Cold Blood After He Is Seen Talking to Detective.

WEEPING WATER, Neb., Nov. 1.—(Special.)—A posse of men with bloodhounds are assisting the Sheriff of Cass County in hunting two men suspected of participating in the recent Manly bank robbery and who this evening shot and killed Nightwatchman C. A. Ralston.

The men came to Weeping Water yesterday evening and registered at Charles Seller and Arthur Munster at the hotel where they slept and took breakfast and dinner today. About 5 o'clock this evening they walked up the railroad tracks to the coal chutes, where they met Ralston.

One of the men fired and Ralston fell dead. A section foreman heard the shots and saw the men running away. Fifteen minutes before he was killed Ralston was talking with a detective sent here to investigate the Manly bank robbery.

LOCOMOBILE WINS RACE

Finishes 24-Hour Contest at Ascot Park With Ease.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 1.—The Locomobile won the 24-hour race at Ascot Park, which ended at 10:08 o'clock tonight. The driver, Frank Free, and the Studebaker finished second and third.

The winner made 96 miles, which is far from the record of 117. The Franklin made 86 miles and the Studebaker 62. The entire absence of tire trouble and the few mishaps were the features of the race.

The last 12 hours were passed in very slow time, the Locomobile having such a lead that it was impossible for the other to overtake it.

Only four cars out of seven starters finished, the fourth being a tiny Reo, eight-horse, one-cylinder, which made 47 miles without changing tires.

At 6 o'clock tonight the Sunset car ran into the fence and spilled out the driver, Frank Free, and Mechanic Sidney Kendall. Both were scratched and bruised but not severely.

MORMON PRIESTS ADVISE

Instruct Churchmen to Vote Republican State Ticket in Utah.

SALT LAKE CITY, Nov. 1.—This morning, as always on the Sunday preceding an election, the utterances of a Mormon priesthood to their various ward meeting-houses were closely analyzed by the politicians, and in at least one instance these high in ecclesiastical authority, advised congregations to vote the Republican ticket.

GAINS FOR PROHIBITION

Liquor Traffic Will Become National Issue, Think Chairman Jones.

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—With the assertion that the vote for the prohibition party next Tuesday will be larger than for any other party, Chairman C. J. Jones announced here today that the prohibition national committee has been assigned an income of \$25,000 a year for the next four years with which to carry on its work.

KERN TO TOUR OHIO TODAY

Will Make Eleventh-Hour Speeches in Northern Part of State.

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 1.—John W. Kern, Democratic vice-presidential candidate, left Indianapolis tonight for Toledo, O. He will put in the last day before the election making a series of speeches in that city at night.

ARMY IS LEAVING COREA

Japanese Troops Embarking for Home—Trouble About Over.

SEOUL, Corea, Nov. 1.—The thirteenth division of the Japanese army, which has been on duty here since the outbreak of hostilities with the Koreans, is embarking for Japan, which is taken as significant of the termination of the trouble, practically, although quite a number of irreconcilables continue to create disturbances in various parts of the country.

ODDS ARE HEAVY AGAINST BRYAN

Gamblers Take Bigger Chances Than Ever.

TAFT IS FAVORITE 8 TO 1

In 1900 Odds on Nebraskan Were 5 to 1, Same in 1896.

HUGHES GIVEN LONG END

At Chicago Stockyards James O'Leary Is Offering Bargain Odds on Chafin, Debs and Hisgen at 40,000 to 1.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—(Special.)—Betting odds have steadily lengthened on Taft, until yesterday in the Wall-street districts bets were recorded at odds of 1 to 8 on the Republican candidate.

In 1900 the betting closed at 4 1/2 and 5 to 1 against him, and in 1900 the closing odds on the night before election were the same. In 1896, at the Hoffman House on the night before Parker's defeat, the odds were 6 1/2 to 1 and a few bets were made at 10 to 1, the overwhelming defeat of the Democratic candidate thus being foreshadowed in the betting.

In Chicago, James L. Leary, the stockyards bookmaker, posted some new offerings in the way of election bets today. He offered the following combinations: Eight to 1, Bryan and Stevenson; 5 to 1, Bryan and Debsen; 11 to 5, Taft and Stevenson; 1 to 1, Taft and Debsen.

The "bargain" odds on Chafin, Debs, Hisgen and Watson he raised from 50,000 to 1, to 80,000 to 1, and the odds on Sheen, McCook, Brown and Jennings be increased from 20,000 to 1, to 30,000 to 1.

SHIP STOCK TO CANADA

Oregon Lattiesen in Syndicate Which Leases 10,000 Acres.

WINNIPEG, Man., Nov. 1.—A syndicate of Minnesota, Montana and Oregon cattlemen has leased 10,000 acres of grazing land near Chillico Lake, some distance from the head of Butte Inlet, British Columbia, and thousands of yearlings will be shipped in. The arrangements are in the hands of J. A. Steuson, of Duluth.

WATCH FOR ELECTION RETURNS

The Oregonian will announce the result of the Presidential election, Tuesday night, by means of signals from the top of the Oregonian tower. Red fire will be used to indicate the success of Mr. Taft; green fire the victory of Mr. Bryan; or alternate flashes of green and red fire if the result shall be in doubt.

EIGHT O'CLOCK—Red fire for Taft's election; green fire for Bryan's election; green fire followed immediately by red fire, if the result is doubtful.

TEN O'CLOCK—The same code of signals.

TWELVE O'CLOCK—The same code of signals.

The Oregonian will likewise bulletin by stereopticon the returns as they come in Tuesday night. The full Associated Press bulletin service will be given. It can be seen nowhere in Portland except at the Oregonian building. No other news or bulletin service is so good, so prompt. The service will begin at 8 P. M. Tuesday and continue late.

ROBBER SUSPECT ELUSIVE

Disappears and Wife and Officers Get No Trace of Him.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 1.—(Special.)—J. V. Delaney lived at 1223 South D street, and has a wife and son. On October 20, Seattle for robbing Great Northern cars. There was supposed to be three men in the gang and Great Northern detectives say Delaney was one of them, but managed to elude the officers.

The description given of Delaney is as follows: Height, 5 feet 10 inches; weight, 145 pounds; age, 25 years; smooth shaven, reddish complexion, high cheek bones, square shoulders, hair thin on top of head, thin lips, wore hat well down over eyes.

Mrs. Delaney says she has had a letter from Walker telling her that Delaney was not implicated in the looting of cars. Delaney was for a long time connected with the Great Northern, but was discharged some time ago.

BOTH WAIT SURE OF BIG VICTORY

Our Fight Is Won, Declares Hitchcock.

BRYAN SAFE, MACK'S VERDICT

Democrats Claim 333 Votes, Republicans 325.

EMPIRE STATE IN DOUBT

Non-Partisan Papers Which Have Completed Canvass State Hughes' Position So Uncertain Result Cannot Be Foretold.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Generally fair weather throughout the United States for election day, with the exception possibly of the region extending from the North Pacific Coast over the Northern Rocky Mountain states, was predicted tonight by the Weather Bureau.

NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—At both Republican and Democratic headquarters in this city today it was announced that the work of the respective organizations in the campaign of 1908 was at an end. National Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock, of the Republican committee, and National Chairman Norman E. Mack of the Democratic committee, are going home to vote and will return to this city Tuesday afternoon to receive returns at headquarters.

While the National chairman believe all has been done that can be done to elect their chiefs, the candidates themselves will continue in the fight to practically the last minute. Mr. Taft, after spending the day in Buffalo, New York, returned to Cleveland, where he will speak in the afternoon and to Youngstown, where he speaks at night, hurrying thence to Cincinnati to vote on Tuesday and bear the result of the election.

Mr. Bryan intends to put in the day and night in Kansas, where he is campaigning in northern Kansas. He will be at Lincoln for a home-coming demonstration in the evening.

At Republican headquarters in the Metropolitan building today it was asserted that Chairman Mack's estimate of 325 votes in the electoral college.

WEDDED AT 6 P. M.; KIDNAPED AT 12

BRIDE WEEPS WHILE BRIDE-GROOM IS IN DUNGEON.

Festive Friends of Chauffeur Attend His Wedding as Guests, Then Spirit Him Away.

CHICAGO, Nov. 1.—(Special.)—Halloween's sprites dealt most unkindly with one poor bridegroom last night. He was married at 6 o'clock in the evening, only to be spirited away from his bride at midnight by rough goblins in automobiles and imprisoned in a noisome dungeon until almost noon yesterday.

The victim was A. E. Wilson, a chauffeur. His partner in misery, just taken for a partner in life, was Miss M. E. Neuring, until six hours before the tragic separation. The halloween goblins were four husky chauffeurs of the Cooky Company.

Wilson was released just in time to meet his weeping bride, and leave on a honeymoon for the East. The kidnaping occurred at the home of the bride, 568 Forty-fifth street.

ELKS FIGHT FATAL BATTLE

One Bull Killed in Desperate Encounter in Bay City Park.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 1.—(Special.)—As a result of the fiercest and most desperate battle in the history of Golden Gate Park, the herd of a dozen elk was reduced last week by one, and the head of the vanquished bull will be added to the natural history collection in the Memorial Museum.

Two great bulls fought for more than half an hour, and the beaten one, feeling, was gored in the flank by his pursuer and so seriously wounded that he had to be killed.

It was Thursday afternoon that the combat occurred. The two bulls, after many calls of defiance, began the fight which ended in the death of one. When one bull gained a decided advantage, the weaker animal tried to escape from the paddock, but the victor pursued him. Driven into a corner, the victim, before he had time to turn, was gored twice in the flank, the huge antlers of his antagonist ripping great holes in the flesh.

The fatally wounded bull was killed a short time afterward by order of the park superintendent. The head is being prepared for exhibition in the museum.

ADMITS TAKING OIL MONEY

Magee Denies, However, It Was for Newspaper Influence.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 1.—(Special.)—W. A. Magee, of Pittsburgh, who was last night accused by William R. Hearst of having received \$250,000 from John D. Archbold in 1898, while he was publisher of the Pittsburgh Times, tonight admitted that he did receive money as set forth by Mr. Hearst, but that it was not for newspaper influence. Mr. Magee says: "At the time mentioned I was managing director of the Pittsburgh Times and also treasurer. My brother, the late Senator C. L. Magee, owned the controlling interest in the Times. I recall the incident referred to by Mr. Hearst, and I remember that I got the money he mentions. I had done some work for some person connected with the Standard Oil Company, and this was my pay. There was never any intimation that any one knew I was connected with a newspaper, as the work required, my name was altogether outside that line."

LA FOLLETTE IN CONTEST

Wisconsin Watches Eagerly Result of Fight Over Speaker Ekern.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 1.—Aside from a dozen or more meetings of Social Democrats in Milwaukee tonight the political situation was quiet in Wisconsin today. All eyes will watch for the returns from Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, Tuesday night, which will determine the Assembly of Speaker Herman L. Ekern (La Follette, Republican), who is an independent candidate against Albert T. Twissne, the primary nominee. Senator La Follette went through the district making several speeches for Ekern, while Governor Davidson spent two days advocating Twissne's election. Ekern claims Twissne obtained the nomination through the aid of Democratic votes.

SELECTS CORDOGA ISLAND

Government to Establish Wireless Station Off Alaskan Coast.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—Mummy Island, about eight miles from Cordoga, Alaska, has been selected as the site for the Navy wireless station to be established on the Alaskan coast, to close communication between the coast wireless station of the Navy and the military Alaskan telegraph system.

MONEY FOR COAST POSTS

War Department Will Ask Congress for \$2,606,110.

STUDENTS BURN KANE IN EFFIGY

Revolt at University of Washington.

RESENT SOCIAL RESTRICTIONS

Gather on Campus and Burn Furniture in Big Bonfire.

FACULTY GIVEN WARNING

Proclamations Lampposting President Posted on Buildings—Instructors' Rooms Left as if Wrecked by Kansas Cyclone.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 1.—(Special.)—Revolution against social restrictions recently placed on them by the faculty, students of the State University, early Sunday morning, organized opposition that took the form of smashing college furniture, posting proclamations against the professors and culminated in the burning of an effigy of President Thomas Franklin Kane on the campus.

The depositions were not discovered until several hours after the night marauders had departed from the campus, leaving a trail of wreckage behind. It is believed that the collegians gathered about 2 o'clock in the morning. Members of the faculty against whom they apparently have set aversions were singled out for attack.

Make Bonfire of Professor's Desk.

The boys broke into the private office of Dr. Horace G. Byers, head of the department of chemistry and smashed open his desk. The office is in the chemistry building, near the main hall. Dr. Byers' papers and personal effects were thrown around on the floor and then the husky collegians carried the desk away. They built a bonfire in which several other pieces of the State University furniture helped to make a bonfire.

The rooms of Dr. Morris of the history department and Denmore, an instructor in English, were also broken into. These rooms are in a small frame structure behind the main building. It is believed that an attempt was made to carry this building away, but finding this useless, the students then set themselves to defiance. The animus was not apparently directed against either of the two faculty members whose rooms were mutilated, as their effects were not damaged.

March in Glee Around Fire.

Windows were broken, blackboards and charts torn to pieces, and the rooms left looking as if they had been visited by a cyclone. Several scores of the rioting students then gathered around the bonfire and marched triumphantly to and fro.

The burning of President Kane in effigy followed. The depositions result from dissatisfaction with the faculty rules promulgated a month ago which placed limitations on the social functions allowed the undergraduates. In the lampposting proclamations posted by the students Sunday night President Kane and the faculty were given a general warning not to interfere with the society life of the students.

Asylum Building Burns.

ROME, N. Y., Nov. 1.—Ward building B of the State Custodian Asylum for Feeble Minded Women was burned today. All the sick and helpless were safely removed. It will cost \$100,000 to replace the burned structure and \$25,000 to furnish it.

Halloween Frank Cost \$250,000.

BELTON, Tex., Nov. 1.—Fire started by Halloween rosters late last night totally destroyed the Belton Cottonpress and 10,000 bales of cotton. Loss, \$250,000.

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The Weather.—Yesterday—Maximum temperature, 59.7 degrees; minimum, 52.1 degrees. TODAY—Rain, with high southerly winds.

