PROPHETS SUM UP **ELECTION CLAIMS**

Republican Majority of 58 in House.

JOYOUS OPTIMIST

Predicts Democratic Control of House by 22.

WHERE HE HOPES TO GAIN

Many States Have Fierce Local Contests, New York Furnishing a Speciacular Feature-Roosevelt Is the Battle-Ury.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 .- With but two full days intervening before the country will elect the Sixtieth Congress, there is decidedly a general area of "high pressure" in the political atmosphere. The expert prognosticators have stopped analyzing local conditions. They have made their final claims covering the whole area, are sitting tight and waiting for Tues-

The Republican claim, emanating from the headquarters of the Republi can committee in New York, is this:

Republican Majority, 58. The Republicans will have a majority of 58 in the next House of Repre-

The analysis of this claim from the

Sure Republican districts 222, sure Democratic districts 130, doubtful but probably Republican 21, doubtful but

probably Democratic 13. The Democratic Congressional campaign committee, with headquarters in Washington, has figured out 67 Democratic gains over its present repre

James M. Griggs of the committee thinks his claim is rather conserva-Democratic Gain, 67.

In analyzing the claim to show where the gains are expected, Mr.

Grigge is quoted as saying: The claim of a Democratic gain of 10 in New York is safe. The claim of gain each in Massachusetts, North Carolina, Kentucky, Montana, Dela-ware, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Idaho

gain of six in Pennsylvania is too conservative. The same may be said of the claim of a gain of six in Illinois. We will gain eight in Missouri. Concessions are made to us of five or six New Jersey is to be counted on for a gain of three, while gains will be made in lows, Nebraska and

Should the Democratic prediction of a gain of 67 be realized, that party would have a majority of 22 in the Sixtieth Congress.

While from a National standpoint the Congressional election is regarded as emphatically important, in some localities it has been thrown entirely in the background by state politics. Twentythree states elect Governors Tuesday; 20 elect Legislatures; 10 choose minor state officers or Justices of their Supreme Courts; Oklahoma will pass upon her state constitution; Arizona and New Mexico will decide the question of joint statehood.

New York, with its fight between Hughes and Hearst for the Governorship, has furnished the spectacular feature of the entire country. Here the red fire will not cease to burn until the dawn of Tuesday, when the white heat of battle will take its place.

"Roosevelt" the Battle Cry.

Perhaps the most notable feature of the campaign in all of its rumifications has been the extent to which the personality of President Roosevelt has been brought forward. "Support the President" was the battle cry of the Republicans in every Congressional

We can support him better than you," was the defiant answer of some of the leaders of Democracy.

The President has made it known that he wants a Republican Congress. All but two of his Cabinet officers have taken the stump to further this personally represented by Secretary The President will vote at Oyster Bay Tuesday. He will reach the White House to receive the returns in

Washington Alone Screne.

Washington, which has been the one spot devoid of political turmoil, has only watched the battle. No banners, no red fire, no speeches have disturbed the even tenor of the Government clerk's way. On election day he will go quietly to his voting booth cast his ballot and return to his task. The indications are that a large percentage of the Government forces will go home to vote.

EACH CLAIMS HUGE MAJORITY

Hughes and Hearst Equally Confident of Carrying New York. NEW YORK, Nov. 2 .- Today practically

closed the most extraordinary campaign for Governor in the political history of the state, although both candidates will speechmaking until Monday night. It has been a campaign of personalities rather than policies; of men stead of measures; and it has stirred he interest of the voters of the Empire State to its extreme boundaries. Fo vigor and vituperation it has been withou precedent, and for persistency of appeals or votes by the two candidates, it stands

The close of the campaign finds a political situation unprecedented in this state, and some of the shrewdest politicians admit that the usual sources of political prognostication are all but worth-

Mr. Hearst claims the practically undi vided support of union labor and the Inependence League, and asserts that he has so broken down the Republican machine up-state as to make impossible the huge Republican majority which has here tofore been brought down to the Bronx



publican Congressional Campa In

to wipe out the Democratic plurality in Greater New York.

Mr. Hughes and the Republican campaign managers admit that there has been defection from the Republican ranks among the laboring classes, but assert that this loss is more than offset by the promised support of "old-line Democrats." Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, claims that Mr. Hearst, whom Tammany helped to nominate at Buffalo despite his opposition to the organization a year ago, will carry New York by a plurality of 80,000 to 100,000 votes. The Republicans say they are elated over this to distinct for they claim. Mr. Hughes --- Will 16,000 Votes

PENNSYLVANIA'S FIERCE FIGHT

Battle Rages Around Graft in New Capitol Contracts.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 3 .- One of the most bitterly fought Gubernatorial campaigns in this ctate for many years practically closed with the speechmaking tonight. Local contests throughout and Virginia is good. The claim of a the state have been lost sight of in the date, and Edwin S. Stuart, the Republi-

The campaign has been fought on the in Ohio, but we will do better than that. The computation that puts us down for only one in Indiana is an increase of State Treasurer last Fall. The Fusion leaders have been directing the attention of the voters to the alleged "graft" in connection with the furnishing of the new Capitol at Harrisburg, claiming that between \$5,000,000 and \$6,000,000 have been stolen or wasted. Berry has been the chief accuser, but Attorney-General with what the latter deems sufficient proof of the alleged

Republican State Committee claims that Stuart will have a majority of over 100,000. Chairman Niles, of the Lincoln party,

is sanguine of the election of Emery and says that the Fusion candidate will be elected by at least 150,000. In this city, the real issue is between

D. Clarence Gibboney and Samuel P. Rotan for the District Attorneyship. The former is the Fusion candidate and the latter the regular Republican

UNIQUE BAY STATE CAMPAIGN

State Issues Raised by Moran Almost Eclipse Congressional Fight.

BOSTON, Nov. 3 .- The Massachusetts campaign, which closed its last week with many rallies tonight, was the most remarkable political contest in the state in many years. The issues were sharply and unequivocally drawn, on one side being unique questions raised by John B. Moran, candidate for Governor of the Democrats, Prohibitionists and Independence League, and on the other the pointed answers of Governor Curtis Guild, Jr., the standard-bearer of the Republican party. Interest in the state ticket has almost eclipsed the

Last year Governor Guild carried the state by a plurality of 22,578 over C. W. Bartlett, the Democratic candidate. Chairman Talbot, of the Republican desire. In New York the President was State Committee, tonight predicted the election of the Republican ticket by a plurality of from 45,000 to 50,000, providing the full party, vote comes out.
Chairman Feeney, of the Democratic
State Committee, claims that Moran will be elected by a plurality exceeding 36,000, and that the other Demratic candidates also will be success

ILLINOIS WARMS UP AT CLOSE

Democrats Claim Eight or Ten Congressmen, Republicans Say No.

CHICAGO, Nov. L-The actual work of the state and county campaign was finished tonight with mass meetings in all parts of the city and state. The apawhich characterized the campaign in the early stage has vanished, and dur-ing the last three weeks much more fervor has been shown. It has been de-cidedly an "off year" politically, how-

In the state the only officers to be

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OR TREASURER'S?

Deposit of Oregon's Funds at Issue.

QUESTION FOR GEO. STEEL

In Wisconsin, Courts Gave Money to Public.

\$500,000 WAS RECOVERED

Three ex-Custodians of People's Cash Were Compelled to Disgerge the Increment and One Was Impoverished by So Doing.

SHOULD INTEREST ON STATE FUNDS IN OREGON BE POCK-ETED BY TREASURERS

About \$500,000 was recovered to of Wisconsin preme Court decisions of that comnonwealth in 1893, from ex-State Treasurers for interest absorbed by them from deposits of state funds.

In Oregon, Stae Treasurers have been absorbing interest on state funds accumulated a fortune. Many hundreds of thousands of dollars of lie funds thus have been pocketed by

But the statute of limitations probably prevents Oregon from recovering from its ex-Treasurer, as Wisconsin has done, except for the last six years, during which time Charles S. Moore has been Trensurer.

Oregon's next Treasurer, George Steel, will be confronted with this question, and should be retain the interest accretion of the state funds, the money could, perhaps, he recovered from him or his bendsmen, cording to the Wisconsin precedent. celving considerable revenue from

on its deposits of public funds, and the state can do the same. As the next Treasurer is to be allowed a flat salary of \$4500 a year —that of preceding Treasurer having been only \$500-the argument that the interest should be turned into the state coffers will have ad-

held that the interest was an accretion or increment of the public fund to the state, its owner. Failure of a declared a breach of his official bond.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 3 .- (Special.) -Although there was no law strictly forhidding obsorption of interest on state money by State Treasurers, the Supreme Court of Wisconsin in 1893 forced five ex-Treasurers to return to the state with interest the interest accretion of public funds retained by them. The court decisions brought back to the coffers of the state about \$500,000; and the

Legislature released some of those liable for the debt.

The cases were fought bitterly for many years, but finally ended in a triumphant victory for the state. One of the ex-Treasurers was impoverished. In all the decision of the court brought back to the state a total of \$709,022.27. The Treasurers held liable were those serving over 20 years prior to that

The list of the amounts of which the court ordered the ex-Treasurers mulcted was as follows:

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Henry Baetz, treasurer from 1876
to 1874
Ferdinand Kuchn from 1874 to
to 1878
Richard Guenther from 1878 to
1881
E. C. McFeiridge from 1881 to 1885 207,652-68
H. B. Harshaw from 1886 to 1890. 129,650-30

Two Treasurers Released.

Of these sums over \$200,000 was released by a later Legislature, though there were repeated charges that the release was due to political favoritism Baetz and Kuchn were entirely rewas released from paying \$35,875.48 of his total indebtedness.

The fight over the State Treasury interest first began in 1890, when the Republicans were in power. The Demperats ferreted out the fact that the Freasurers, for nearly the generation back, had been in the habit of deposit ing the state funds in their own names and of retaining the interest received from such deposits. This nat urally made the office of State Treas-

urer very lucrative.

The Democrats made the restoration of the interest the chief slogan of the campaign, and the combination with the Bennett law, against the parochial school, aided in giving the state administration to Governor Peck, Peck's Bad Boy fame, and his political associates, including J. L. O'Connor, as Attorney-General. O'Connor at once began suit against the State Treasurers of the preceding ten years, Mc-Fetridge and Harshaw, for the amount ey had received in interest from the backs which had been the custodians of the state funds, with interest to the date of the payment of the alleged indebtedness to the state.

Long, Bitter Fight.

The contest was long and bitter. Such eted lawyers as Joseph V. Quarles, later United States Senator and now Judge of the United States District Court; Moses Hooper, of Oshkosh, the counset of Senator Sawyer, and the multimillionaire lum-Joshua Stark, of Milwaukee, assisted by E. C. Wail, ex-National Democratic committeeman, one of the candidates for the Presidential nomination at the last Democratic National Convention, and General Edward S, Bragg, who commanded the Iron Brigade in the Civil War and who has just returned to this country from Hongkong, where he was transferred from Havana as United States Consul after declaring that it was as easy to civilize a Cuban.

There was never any denial that the state funds were deposited and the interest retained by the State Treasurers. This had for 20-odd years been considered a part of the job. The salary was fair, course, but, with funds in the many hundreds of thousands in their care, they considered that they had a right to the interest on such funds. This interest, they claimed, was only a fair remuneration to them, over and above their sainies, for the risk incurred in accepting the state funds.

Harshaw Was Impoverished.

This phase of the argument was the mainstay of the defense, though every \$75,000. legal impediment was placed in the way of the prosecution of the cases. Treas urer Harshaw, the last of the Republican Treasurers, placed his entire estate in

the hands of trustees, pending the deci-

IN GAMP OF RUEF

Supervisor Has Made Full Confession.

IDENTITY IS NOT DISCLOSED

bers of Board.

At the Meeting Tonight a Desperate Effort Will Be Made to Discover Which Among Them

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 3 - (Spe clai.)-The graft unearthed in San Francisco may be classed under four divisions -liquor, building, the trolley deal and the

The building graft was the largest of these, next was the trolley. The details the building graft were learned through Frank A. Maestretti, ex-president of the Board of Public Works, who was recently dismissed by Mayor Schmitz, The details of the liquor scandal were revealed by Thomas Reagan, formerly a member of the Police Commission, who was also dismissed by Schmitz.

The crowning feature of the evidence came in the confession of one of the members of the Board of Supervisors who for the present shall be nameless were included in the counsel of the de- His identity is known to four person fense. Attorney-General O'Connor was only and the only outsider in on the secret is pledged to maintain silence.

> Informer Attends Meetings. Ruef does not know which member of

he board has confessed. He suspects that one has, but he is unable to place his finger on the person in question. condition of affairs has made the situaion a delicate one in the Buef camp. The members suspect each other and for to make a whistle out of a pig's tail as this reason do not exchange confidences Ruef calls a caucus of the Super-

visors every Sunday night. The man who has confessed attends these caucuses as if nothing unusual had occurred. At the caucus tomorrow night nef will make a desperate effort to responsible for the safety of the funds of force the bleating sheep to declare himthe state. They had their bondsmen, of self. The sheep has proved first-class in his dual role and there is no rea-

son to believe Ruef can force him. show that Abe Ruef was the center of the situation. The Home Telephone Company made all the necessary arwas financed from Los Angeles. Letters passed to and fro. Ruef was approached and asked to appear as coun-

Ruef Refuses at Critical Time.

by honor, at least by contract.

Attends Caucus Held by Mem-

CANNOT SPOT HIM

Is the Traitor.

Home Telephone franchise

Details of the telephone transaction. rangements before the fire. The deal He agreed and fixed his "fee" at

The money was raised. When it was offered to Ruef he declined to act. Tae supposition was that he had been offered a larger fee by a rival company to block the deal. Then it was that

ened and the Supervisors let in. The date set for the sale of the franchise was April 23. April 18 came the earthquake. Despite the fact that the city was smoking, that pandemonlum prevalled, that 300,000 people had nelther shelter nor food, the Supervisors got together and instead of taking measures for the city's relief, they talked telephone franchise and com pleted their deal. They had given their pledges and they were bound, if not

Good Thing of Architect Shea. The details of the trolley deal are of great interest, but discretion dictates that they be not fully printed at this

Attention has been directed to the office of City Architect Shea. This office was the center of the building sit-

uation. Ordinances have been grossly violated. Shea, under a recent arrangement, is allowed 2 per cent on the con-



William H. Berry, State Treasurer of Pennsylvania, who furnished ammunition for attack on machine.

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Harriman Will Explode Mine Wednesday.

CONTROL ILLINOIS CENTRAL

Determined to Make Harahan President of the Road.

FISH WILL DIE FIGHTING

Foregone Conclusion That Majority of Directors Are With Harriman. New President a Veteran in the Railroad Business.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3 .- (Special.) -E. R. Harriman has laid his mines whereby he will holst Stuyvesant Fish out of the Illinois Central next Wednesday unless Mr. Harriman's plans fail-and it is a matter of record that few of his plans go awry. J. T. Harahan, second vice-president of the Illinois Central, is slated to succeed Mr. Fish. This disposes of the possibility of Captain Grammer, of the New York Central lines, securing the place.

Notice of the impending final battle came today, when a call was issued for a special meeting of the Illinois Central directors to be held at 11:30 o'clock Wednesday morning. But it will not be bloodless battle. in the final contest Mr. Fish will assemble all his forces and, if he goes down, it will be with colors flying, on which are emblazoned the words:
"The Illinois Central for the stock

holders.' Defeat of Fish Certain.

That he will be defeated, however, ould seem apparent from a look of the pposing forces. As nearly as can be made out at this distance the director; stands as follows: For Fish-Governor Dencen of Illinois

Charles M. Beach, Stuyvesant Fish, J. W. D. Cutting, John Jacob Astor and John C. Welling. For Harriman or against Fish-J. T. Harahan, Edward H. Harriman, Cor.

ellus Vanderblit, Robert Walton Goelet, Charles A. Peabody, Walter Luttger and John W. Auchingloss. John Jacob Astor is in Europe. An appeal has been made to Mr. Deneer to attend the meeting and lend his strength, but even with this addition

the anti-Fish forces seem strong enough

Harriman Seeks Battle. It had been the general belief, at least by those not in the inner circle, that Mr. Fish would be permitted to serve out his presidential term. It is said, however, that the situation was intolerable with Harriman as head of the board and Fish at the head of the railroad. In the light of this situation, it was decided by the Harriman adherents to seek an immediate battle and win a victory that would leave no doubt as

broken promises and other inside history that will make lively reading.

It is expected that some highly sensa-

Harahan the New President. J. T. Harahan, who is slated to become the new head of the great system, is a native of Massachusetts, having been born in Lowell in 1843. He entered the railroad business in 1864 as member of a track gang and has worked his way up through all the tortuous channels. He came to the Illinois Central November 1, 1890, and immediately made his personality felt. The Illinois Central has been alluded to as a man" railroad and the man was Harahan. He has an enviable reputation as an expert railroad-builder and operating

For many years he and President Fish were the best of friends. Mr. Harahan says they are still friendly and his friends say he has aligned himself with the Harriman forces because he considers it best for the interests of the

Fish May Yet Defeat Plans.

Mr. Fish arrived in Chicago tonight, angry and ready for action. He learned on the train that the meeting had been called to depose him as soon as he had left New York. It is believed here that the directors stand six to six, and that Mr. Harahan holds the balance of power, although there is a rumor that Mr. De-neen will cast the deciding vote. Mr. Fish has summoned Mr Harahan for a conference at 11 o'clock tomorrow, and It is said he will then lay down a sensational campaign, and one that may de-

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