

# MARGIN OF 43 FOR TAFT IS CLAIMED

President's Managers Figure They Have 583 Votes, to 427 for Colonel.

## ALL ARE CHOSEN BUT 22

Roll Will Be Complete by Next Tuesday Night—McKinley Says Contests Have Been Made on Filmy Pretenses.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—(Special)—According to a statement issued at the Taft bureau, President Taft has 583 delegates in the Chicago convention. This number would be 43 more than enough to nominate. The Taft bureau contends to Colonel Roosevelt 427 delegates, or 156 less than enough to nominate.

Only 22 delegates remain to be chosen, six at large in Ohio, six at large in Arizona and 10 in South Dakota. All delegates will have been chosen by next Tuesday night.

The methods which Mr. Roosevelt and his managers have pursued to attain their ends is amply reflected by the contests now pending before the Republican National committee, said Representative McKinley, in charge of the Taft bureau.

### Contests Called "Pretenses."

"Mr. Roosevelt is contesting the seats of more than 200 delegates before that body and the filmy pretense on which he is making his contests will be shown to the country when the contests are heard by the committee. These contests will be decided on their merits by the ruling body of the party. The friends of the President, knowing the facts as they are, have no hesitancy in saying that in every contest they have both the moral and legal right to the votes of the delegates they claim in support of President Taft. The high-handed methods of Mr. Roosevelt and his managers, almost invariably perjured in their execution, can have no standing before any body of fair-minded, conscientious men."

### Strains Await to Be Welcomed.

"Mr. Roosevelt well realizes that he is now coming face to face with his own party at Chicago and that what he has done and said in this campaign will be weighed carefully in the balance. He and his managers have conducted themselves in this campaign without any regard whatever for the convention, the platform, the laws or the rules of the contest as laid down by the Republican National committee. On the stump Mr. Roosevelt himself has said nothing good either for the party, its President or principles or leaders. In the Republican National convention the party will be called upon to consider these matters carefully, and Mr. Roosevelt will, no doubt, receive all the consideration to which he is entitled as a minority candidate in that convention."

## CHICAGO IS STORM CENTER

Conservative Taft Man Gives President Majority of Nine.

CHICAGO, June 1.—(Special)—Chicago became the center of the political horizon of the United States today, as Washington the lids of the desks were jammed down at the National headquarters of the Taft and Roosevelt camps of war and hosts of managers, "strong" brigades and press armies began the march on the city by the lake.

Monday will see four National headquarters mixing their forces. Chicago from break of day until the curtain falls on the convention, the rest of the country will be in political obscurity, "strong" brigades and press armies began the march on the city by the lake.

Roosevelt headquarters at the Congress Hotel, in charge of Senator Dixon, La. Follette headquarters, in charge of Mr. L. Houser at the Grand Pacific Hotel.

Cummins headquarters in the Rector building.

A full list of contests filed so far was given out by the National committee today as numbering 233. The list does not include the Alaska contests or those scheduled at the primary elections in the South Dakota, Arizona or Ohio elections of delegates. Six at large are still to be named in Ohio.

Several contests which had been expected were withdrawn at the last moment. This was true of the Seventh Indiana district and several Kentucky districts.

One of the most significant statements as to what effect the rulings by the National committee and the convention credentials committee on the seating of contested delegates will have with reference to the nomination was made today by a prominent Taft follower. His estimate, while considered on the Taft side as the ledger by those of his following, gives some inkling as to the battle which will be drawn in the convention.

The figures today give 373 unopposed delegates and Roosevelt 418, thirty-six delegates are pledged to La Follette and 10 are pledged to Cummins. Twenty-two are in Arizona, 10 in South Dakota, and six in Ohio—are set to be elected.

Six of the 233 contests he classed as without merit. Of the other 227, he expected that Taft would win four-fifths. This would give Taft 549 votes on the first ballot, or only nine more than required to nominate.

## CALIFORNIA CONTEST FILED

Taft Delegates in Fourth District Demand Seats.

A contest based on the wording of the call for the Republican convention was received today by Secretary Hayward from the Fourth District of California. California delegates were selected to a state wide primary and Colonel Roosevelt was the favored nominee. In the Fourth district, E. R. Fryn and Morris Meyerfeld, Jr., of San Francisco, Taft followers, certify to the National Committee that they were the choice of the Republicans of their district, having received a majority of the Republican votes cast. Charles F. Wheeler and Philip Banoff, Roosevelt men, received the largest vote in the state wide primary for delegates from the Fourth district and claim the convention seats. The Taft men base their contest on paragraph of the National convention call, which follows:

"Provided, further, that in no state shall an election be so held as to prevent the delegates from any Congressional district and their alternates being selected by the Republican electors of that district."

It is their contention that the Repub-

## LOS ANGELES FORMER MAYORALTY CANDIDATE WHO IS NAMED IN DARROW BRIBERY CASE.



JOB HARRIMAN.

## STATE CALLS HARRIMAN

FIGHT ON ROOT EXPECTED

Four Thousand Newspapers Ask for Seats in Big Convention.

CHICAGO, June 1.—David W. Mulvane, of Topeka, member of the Republican National committee from Kansas, said today that he expected a lively fight on United States Senator Root, of New York, as the temporary chairman of the Republican National convention, but that he expected the action of the sub-committee on arrangements in selecting Senator Root for the place would be approved by the complete National committee.

"A fight over the temporary chairmanship, both in the National committee and on the floor of the convention is certain," said Mr. Mulvane. "However, I now feel confident that the work of the sub-committee on arrangements in naming Senator Root as temporary chairman will be approved by the complete membership of the National committee."

Colonel Harry S. New, of Indianapolis, chairman of the sub-committee on arrangements, said tonight that it would be physically impossible to take care of about 4000 newspapers which within the last few days have indicated a desire to be accommodated with seats for their representatives.

"Originally there were 434 press seats," said Colonel New. "That number has been increased to 534 and that is the final limit. The allotments all have been made and there will be no additions or changes from this time on. Within the last few days I have been deluged with requests for seats from newspapers in all sections of the country. My secretary tells me that these additional requests total about 4000. It is simply beyond human means to accommodate these papers."

It was reported tonight that when the National committee meets, its first business will be the election of a chairman. Since the death of John F. Hill, of Maine, Victor Rosewater, of Nebraska, vice-chairman, has been acting as chairman. Several names have been suggested as possible successors to Mr. Hill, whose place as committeeman was taken by F. M. Simpson, of Bangor, Me.

## GRAY ASSUMES DUTIES

NEW HEAD OF GREAT NORTHERN TAKES OFFICE.

Day Spent in Conference—L. W. Hill Probably to Be Made Chairman in Near Future.

ST. PAUL, June 1.—Carl R. Gray assumed his duties as president of the Great Northern Railroad in place of Louis W. Hill today. Mr. Gray spent most of the day in conference with Mr. Hill and other officials.

It is said that no immediate changes are contemplated, but it is regarded as likely that in the next few months there will be some sort of reorganization.

L. W. Hill continues as director of the system and it is understood that he soon will be elected chairman to succeed

## ROSE FESTIVAL WEEK

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Send James J. Hill, Denial is made of reports that L. W. Hill in the future will devote his entire time to the exploitation of development enterprises in Oregon or to the Hill ore properties. In the capacity of chairman of the board of directors, Mr. Hill, it is said, will continue to have an active interest in the railroad properties.

## OLD GUARD'S BANKS IN SENATE THAWKED

Power of Those Who Have Retired in Four Years Not Found in Successors.

## REAL LEADERS ARE GONE

Ability of Aldrich, Oratory of Dooliver and Constructive Statesmanship of Frye Not Found in Present Body.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, June 1.—When, on March 4, 1912, the Taft Administration comes to a close, no less than 36 United States Senators who saw Mr. Taft take the oath of office in the Senate Chamber on that stormy and memorable March 4, 1909, will have passed out of public life. Twenty-eight of the number are "freely gone." Some have died, others were retired by will of their constituencies or their State Legislatures, and others retired voluntarily.

It is doubtful if any Administration has witnessed so many changes in the United States Senate. Certainly no Administration has seen so many men of power and prominence eliminated from the greatest legislative body in the United States. For among those who will be missed when a new President is inaugurated are the men who, at the beginning of Mr. Taft's Administration, were actually in charge of the Senate, and rightfully known as the managers of that body.

### "Old Guard" Has Passed.

The Taft Administration has witnessed the passing of the "Old Guard," a group of Senators who for years were all-powerful. It has seen the Republican majority of the Senate dwindle from 37 to seven; it has seen the "Progressive" number dwindle from 13 to one. It has seen 14 Democrats take the place held by Republicans four years ago. A gain of eight seats by the Democrats will change the actual complexion of the Senate by March 4, next, and such a change is not at all improbable.

In some respects and in some instances the Senate unquestionably is the gainer by changes that have occurred. In other instances the reverse is true. And until all the new members have had a full day in office it would be unjust to attempt to strike a balance. The fact remains, however, that some of the most powerful men the Senate has ever known have passed out of public life since Mr. Taft became President, and, measured by brains alone, these men have no equals among those who have come to don the top.

### Aldrich Most Influential of All.

Heading the list of those who have retired stands Nelson W. Aldrich, probably the most influential man who ever sat in the United States Senate. He is headed by Senator Crane, of Massachusetts, who recently announced his purpose to retire. Next in importance comes Bailey of Texas, who has made a similar announcement, as has Guggenheim of Colorado. Primaries recently held have determined that Senator Bourne, of Oregon; Senator Brown of Nebraska, and Senator Cullom, of Illinois, will not be returned, and the primary fight in Pennsylvania fore-shadowed the defeat of Senator Penrose.

### Dixon Scheduled to Retire.

Likewise, the recent fight in Montana seems to foredoom Senator Dixon, the manager of the Roosevelt campaign, to defeat if he seeks re-election. This completes the list of 36. But one will search in vain among the names of those who have come into office by reason of the foregoing vacancies for any who thus far has given promise of attaining fame in the Senate. There may be some among them destined to accomplish great things, but not one among the number has yet reached great heights, even in the field of oratory. There has developed no successor to Aldrich as a leader; no successor to Dooliver as an orator; no successor to Frye as a legislator. Time may bring some of these young Senators to the front, but not many seem destined to achieve unusual distinction.

### Funeral of Mrs. Danziger Today.

The funeral of Mrs. Dorothea Danziger, who died Friday night at St.

### Issue is With Committee.

(Continued From First Page.) bear instructions for the President, will stick to him. As against this, however, men in the Roosevelt camp declare that many of the delegates classed as Taft men have already assured Mr. Roosevelt they will be for him when the time comes. The Roosevelt men say further that they have assurances of support from dozens of Southern delegates.

### Compromise Talk Not Heard.

The situation is unique and puzzling and nothing would cause surprise to those most concerned. There is little talk now of a third candidate. Many of those favoring President Taft would gladly turn toward a third man, but they say the moment compromise is suggested many of the Taft delegates will swarm to Mr. Roosevelt. As a result they declare they must "stick to the last."

That Mr. Roosevelt will bolt if the President is nominated is a general belief among Republicans.

### Clark's Victory Complete.

Rhode Island to Vote for Speaker on at Least One Ballot. PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 1.—Revised reports returned from the first Democratic Presidential primary in Rhode Island show that Speaker Clark, candidate for the Democratic nomination for President, and National Committeeman Green, candidate for re-election, have been victorious.

Clark received 4107 votes to 1232 for Governor Wilson and 728 for Harmon. The delegates to the Baltimore convention will support Speaker Clark on at least one ballot.

### Dean Rogers to Nominate Baldwin.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., June 1.—The name of Governor Simeon E. Baldwin, of this state, will be presented to the Democratic National Convention at Baltimore by Dean Henry Wade Rogers, of the Yale Law School, who will be a guest of the state delegation, and who, when the time comes, for the nomination speeches will sit in the convention by virtue of a proxy.

### Redfield Out for Vice-President.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—At the solicitation of his friends in the House, Representative Redfield, of Brooklyn, N. Y., today announced he would permit his name to be presented to the Democratic National convention, as a candidate for the Vice-Presidential nomination.

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Most Tourists Who Now Visit Europe Do Not Know Own Country, Says C. W. Pitts.

CHICAGO, June 1.—(Special)—The first steps toward the formation of a permanent organization among the railroads for the purpose of turning the tide of American travel from Europe to the magnificent scenic spots of the United States were taken at a dinner given by C. W. Pitts, general agent of the Great Northern Railroad in Chicago, to more than 200 traffic representatives of Western railroads centering in Chicago.

The suggestion of Mr. Pitts that such a movement be started was received with enthusiasm by the railroad men present, and the nucleus of a permanent organization was at once formed. With Mr. Pitts, E. L. Bevington, secretary of the Transcontinental Passenger Association, was selected to look after the initial arrangements.

"Every year from \$150,000,000 to \$400,000,000 of American money is spent in Europe by tourists, a great proportion of whom do not know the first thing about the unsurpassed grandeur of the scenery within their own country," said Mr. Pitts.

GRESHAM HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES.

GRESHAM, Or., June 1.—(Special)—Commencement exercises of the Gresham High School were held last night with 10 graduates. President J. W. Kern of the Oregon Agricultural College made the graduating address to the class. Following are the graduates: Harold Kern, Frieda Bratzel, Bessie Howitt, Hilda Muender, Gladys Miller, Willa Metzger, Ida Rettig, Beaula Strebin, Elsie Schultz, and Geneva Wright.

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