

DEMOCRATS ARE GAINING GROUND

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divided the Democrats, that state also elected a Republican governor, the Republicans are making a fight there this year under normal conditions, however, Kentucky is a Democratic state, and conditions are normal in that state this year. The Democrats are united as they never have been in 16 years; those who left the party in 1888 returned and are working loyally for the Democratic ticket. As a matter of fact, the Republicans do not expect to carry the state, and are only making up a fight among the Democrats, who are absolutely confident of success.

There are three states whose political history during the past eight years is particularly interesting in the light of present conditions. These are Missouri, Montana and Maryland. It is supposed, in fact, that it cannot well be asserted by any Republican that in these states, or in any others in fact, William H. Taft will prove a more popular candidate before the voters than was Theodore Roosevelt. Neither can it be successfully denied that William H. Taft is today any less popular in these three states than he was eight years ago. In view of these facts it is interesting to note that if Mr. Taft should obtain every vote in each of these three states which was cast for Mr. Roosevelt, and Mr. Bryan should do no better than he did in 1900, Mr. Bryan will carry all three of them. In Maryland four years ago Mr. Roosevelt got on the ticket, while Mr. Bryan's vote in 1900 was 121,900. Thus it would appear that Mr. Bryan is 13,000 votes stronger in Maryland than Mr. Taft will be if he is as strong as Roosevelt was.

In Missouri.
In Missouri four years ago the Democratic vote was 65,900 less than it was in 1900, while the Republican strength was only 7,000 more. Bryan in 1900 had 251,000 votes in Missouri, while Mr. Roosevelt in 1904 had only 321,000, showing that Bryan is at least 30,000 votes stronger in that state than Roosevelt was. In 1904 Roosevelt carried Montana in 1904 with 35,000 votes, which was more than 2,000 less than Bryan had in that state in 1900.

These figures show that thousands of Democrats did not vote four years ago, and that Mr. Bryan has all the advantage in these states. In fact, the Democrats feel as certain of carrying Missouri as they do of carrying Texas. For there is no state in the Union where Mr. Bryan is stronger with the Democracy than in Missouri. His candidacy alone is sufficient to bring out the full vote of the party which in Missouri it is needed to insure a large majority for the Democratic ticket. Practically every Republican leader concedes Missouri to Bryan.

Building Blocks.
Republicans are building much of their hope of carrying Maryland upon the fact that the Baltimore Sun, the leading paper of the state, is supporting Taft. Without denying that the Sun has influence among the voters of Maryland, it should not be forgotten that its influence is not sufficient to carry the state for Bryan in 1900 when it gave him its cordial support. Furthermore, the defection of the Sun has had the effect of inspiring the Democrats to redoubled effort because they realize their lack of newspaper support. The elimination of a paper of labor unions in Baltimore, and the fact that Bryan polled 13,000 more votes in that state than did Roosevelt in 1900, is a reasonable safe for Bryan this year. In Montana the union labor vote is the determining factor in the election for Bryan, this state may be set down in the sure Democratic column.

Thus the six states of Virginia, New York, Kentucky, Maryland and Montana add 52 votes to the 120 already mentioned, making 172 votes assured to Mr. Bryan.

Other Estimates.
With these votes assured, Mr. Bryan needs to get only 70 more votes in all the states from New England to the Pacific coast in order to win. In New England, of course, Mr. Taft's chances are much better than are Mr. Bryan's. If Maine were not a Republican state, or might reasonably suppose that the meager 7,000 majority which it gave the Republican candidate for governor a few weeks ago, would make the Pine Tree state good fighting ground for the Democracy. Some day Maine will come out of the woods and go Democratic. In a short campaign the Democrats will be elected in Vermont, and New Hampshire to the Republicans, and admitting that the advantage is all their way in Massachusetts, the fighting chance for the Democrats of New England is in Rhode Island and Connecticut.

Rhode Island.
Year after year Rhode Island elects a Democratic governor and would choose a Democratic legislature were not the state so districted that 210 voters in a Republican district elect as many members to the state as the 220 voters in a Democratic district. Rhode Island demands tariff revision, the Republican majority in the legislature is likely to go Democratic this year. In Connecticut the Republican machine has dominated the state since 1898. The governor, Representative George L. Lilley, the man who was virtually kicked out of congress by his fellow members because of his unwarranted charges of corruption against certain of his congressional associates. The large manufacturing concerns and the laboring men are both against Lilley. He will be defeated and may carry down the national ticket with him. Connecticut is doubtful.

New York State.
New York should go Democratic this year, and doubtless will. The Democrats are united for the first time in many years while the Republicans are badly divided. The defeat of Governor Hughes is predicted on all sides. With the exception of governor, all of the state officers are Democrats, and it is now admitted that with any other candidate than Mr. Hearst the Democrats would have elected a governor two years ago. The labor vote, which is an enormous factor in New York, is almost solidly lined up for Bryan. The fear of Bryan is no longer entertained by honest business interests in New York, and Democrats who in former campaigns opposed Mr. Bryan are now working loyally for his election. Such leaders as Alton B. Parker, David R. Hill, E. M. Shepard, ex-Senator Lindsey, ex-Governor Henry Watterston, Herman Ritter, Nathan Strauss, M. E. Ingalls, Richard Olney and other members of the Hearst's cabinet and scores of others are earnestly advocating the election of Mr. Bryan, and the country now favors his success in the Empire state.

New Jersey.
In New Jersey the Republican majority was last year reduced to 1,000 and the same influence that controls New York is strong in Jersey that lead will be turned into a Democratic majority on election day. New Jersey is good fighting ground and Democratic gains are reported surprisingly large from the Republican sections of the state.

Majority Small.
In Delaware the Republican majority is very small, and the Democrats are fighting hard to overcome the influence of the liquor and the powder trust and the electric corporation with the good reason to believe that they may be successful this year. Judge Gray, a former gold digger, is the Republican candidate for Mr. Bryan. The Democrats have named a very strong ticket, with the son of Judge Gray as candidate for attorney-general.

Pennsylvania, of course, is hopeless. The Republicans, through the majority for Mr. Bryan, should win by a small margin in history. If the big needed majority in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh were secured, the big Democratic gains might secure the Democratic field.

The Republican factional fight in the Democratic field is intense. It is the fact that the voters are not divided on the issue, and the Democrats are united.

declared his preference for Bryan. That is chiefly all the mine workers want to know. Mitchell is for Bryan, so are they.

State of Ohio.
The late President McKinley carried his home state of Ohio in 1900 by 49,000 votes. Everyone must admit that the late President McKinley was immensely stronger in Ohio than is Mr. Taft. McKinley had the labor vote, he had a united party and he had Mark Hanna. Today Taft lacks the labor vote, he will miss the strong personal following of Foraker, he will lose many of the colored voters, and added to this his campaign has been badly bungled by new and inexperienced leaders. Bryan will carry Ohio.

Indiana is as safely Democratic this year as Tennessee. There are so many reasons which point to Democratic success in the Hoosier state that all impartial observers unhesitatingly place it in the Bryan column. These reasons include the popularity of Mr. Kern, the candidate for vice-president, local conditions, the labor situation, the demand for tariff revision, the popularity of the guarantee bank deposit plan of the Democratic platform, the lukewarm support of the Fairbanks followers, and the return of all Democrats to the fold.

Equal Chances.
Bryan has an equal chance with Taft to carry Illinois, and Stevenson's chances of being elected governor are even better than Deussen's. Here, again, are found factional differences within the Republican party, and the great labor vote of Chicago is a solid plank against Taft and injunctions.

Until recently Michigan was believed to be a hopeless Republican state. Recent events, however, have served to place the supposedly strong Republican state of Michigan in the doubtful column. The Republicans are at each other's throats over the governorship, and this should redound to the advantage of the Democrats. Labor, 75,000 voters strong in the state, is out in a denunciation of Taft and a declaration of support for the Democratic ticket. Besides Mr. Bryan's wonderful reception in Detroit and Ann Arbor where he addressed many thousands of Democrats to believe that there is some hope, even of Michigan, and they will make a fight for Bryan, if the Republicans of Wisconsin prefer principle to party there will be no doubt about that state giving its electoral vote to Bryan. Wisconsin Republicans elected Mr. LaFollette governor by large majorities and then sent him to the senate, where he has steadily advocated the progressive legislation for which Mr. Bryan stands.

Wisconsin.
The Wisconsin progressive platform, Senator LaFollette in the Republican national convention, and they were overwhelmingly defeated. They are conspicuous in the Democratic platform. Only recently the Republicans of Wisconsin in state convention again turned down the LaFollette plan. Wisconsin progressive stand by LaFollette principles they will vote for Bryan. The situation makes the Badger state doubtful, with the chances in favor of a Bryan victory.

Governor Johnson.
The candidacy of Governor Johnson in Minnesota, the demand for tariff revision, the guaranteeing of bank deposits, and the large Scandinavian population in Minnesota and North and South Dakota, make these states doubtful, and should give Bryan an even break with his opponent.

Bryan's personal popularity and the plank guaranteeing bank deposits make Nebraska absolutely safe for the Democracy. Democrats have no misgivings whatever about Mr. Bryan's home state. Kansas is unquestionably as strong for Bryan today as it was in 1900. Kansas wants tariff revision, Kansas wants bank deposits guaranteed, and Kansas doesn't want Joe Cannonism. The Kansas farmers are for Bryan and will carry the state for him, labor will help and so will the colored men of the state whose support Taft has alienated by his attitude toward the race.

Was Stood Loyal.
Colorado has always stood loyally for Bryan and there is no reason to believe that it will do otherwise this year. Democrats regard it as safe. Wyoming may go Republican, Utah is close, Idaho is fighting ground, as are also the three Pacific coast states of California, Oregon and Washington. In California especially there is almost unanimous approval of the prohibition of Asiatic immigration as expressed in the Democratic platform, and upon which the Republican platform is silent, there is a good chance for Democracy this year. Of course the influence of the Southern Pacific

is enormous, and naturally with Harriman at its head is opposed to the success of Bryan, but even this may be overcome.

Thus there are, with the solid south and the six Democratic states of Missouri, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Montana, Nevada and Maryland 172 votes for Bryan at the outset.

In addition to these Bryan must get 70 votes to win.

As shown these states are reasonably Democratic. West Virginia, Indiana, Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado. They have 45 votes, thus bringing Mr. Bryan within 25 votes of the goal.

New York and Ohio are probably Democratic. New York alone, with those already mentioned as Democratic, would be sufficient. Ohio and one or two small states, such as Idaho, Utah, Washington, Oregon, Delaware or Rhode Island would be enough.

These states are doubtful, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Idaho, Utah, Connecticut and Rhode Island.

There is a good fighting chance in Michigan, Iowa, Washington, Oregon and California. Democrats look for a landslide similar to that of 1892, and are confident of Bryan's election.

SOMNAMBULIST SHOT DEAD

Harry Starr at Tacoma Kills His Uncle, Joseph Eley, Who Comes Apparently Prowling at Night and Does Not Answer Challenges.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Tacoma, Wash., Oct. 7.—Mistaking him for a burglar, Harry Starr shot and almost instantly killed his uncle, Joseph Eley, in the doorway of their tenhouse, at Center and Bailey streets, at an early hour this morning. On discovering his fatal error, Starr became crazed with grief and when taken to the city jail by the police he was almost a raving maniac.

About 3 o'clock this morning Starr was awakened by the sound of some one prowling about the tent. He called out, asking what was wanted, but received no response and the prowler continued, even better than Deussen's. Here, again, are found factional differences within the Republican party, and the great labor vote of Chicago is a solid plank against Taft and injunctions.

stinct and suddenly there loomed up in the opening of the tent a man's form. Thinking only of his wife and children behind him, Starr fired point blank at the intruder, and the form crumpled up on the ground, rolling with in the tent. Mrs. Starr lit a lamp and then it was revealed that the body on the floor was that of Eley. A bullet had pierced his head.

Eley, who was 43 years of age, was taken to St. Joseph's hospital by neighbors, but died 10 minutes after he had reached there. It is believed Starr will be released as soon as he recovers from the shock.

It is the belief of the police that Eley was walking in his sleep. According to Mrs. Starr he was subject to epileptic seizures and frequently wandered away from home during these attacks.

Strike Revived on C. P. Lines
Men Deny That Settlement Has Been Reached With Company.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 7.—Mass meetings from Port Arthur to the coast are being held by the mechanics of the Canadian Pacific railroad today looking to a renewal of the strike recently settled.

The men indignantly declare that the strike was ended without their being given an opportunity to vote on the question. Few men have returned to work.

Discussions have developed among the men throughout the west as a result of the action of their leaders. The 1,800 mechanics at Winnipeg are particularly incensed at what they term the domineering action of the road in compelling them to work with imported strikebreakers. They declare they are discriminated against in the apportionment of work and that all have been refused their old positions.

Crown Theatre.
251 Alder street near Third. An Irish fairy tale. Tale of the church bells tolled.

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gation armed themselves and beat back the crowd until soldiers arrived.

Constantinople, Oct. 7.—The port today declares that the Austrian government is not keeping its pledge to evacuate Turkey from Bulgaria. It is in line with all recent acts of Austria. It is probable that another statement will be issued by the powers demanding that the provisions of the Berlin treaty be observed.

Berlin, Oct. 7.—Dispatches received here today say that the island of Crete, which occupies a similar position toward Turkey that held by Bulgaria before the declaration of independence, is on the verge of rebellion. It is expected that the people of Crete will issue a declaration of independence at almost any time. This, it is said, will be followed by an endeavor to effect a union with Greece.

Ferdinand Is Safe.
New York, Oct. 7.—Cable advices from European capitals this afternoon discredit the report that Ferdinand of Bulgaria has been assassinated. No report of the killing of Ferdinand has been received at Vienna, and it is considered impossible for it to have taken place north of the Austrian government having been informed. The origin of the report cannot be discovered.

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California Man in Taft's Company
(United Press Leased Wire.)
San Francisco, Oct. 7.—To permit George A. Knight to speak on the same platform with William H. Taft at Madison Square garden on October 28 the Republican state central committee has agreed to release him from his engagements throughout the state. Knight will round off the week in southern California and will then prepare for his eastern trip and speech.

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