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## 310 REPUBLICAN ELECTORS

### Returns Show Greater Republican Victory Than Was Looked for by Most Sanguine.

## HUGHES ELECTED

### Returns Also Give New York State and City to Taft.

## MISSOURI IS REPUBLICAN

### Maryland Still in Doubt, but Vote Will Probably Be Split—Bryan Will Have 156 Votes.



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New York, Nov. 5.—The membership of the electoral college which will choose the next president of the United States was still in doubt when the official returns in Maryland abandoned their task for the night.

According to the best information obtainable, the proportionate number of Republican and Democratic electors was determined by a division of Maryland's eight votes. Half of the city of Baltimore and two of the 23 counties outside that city are still to be counted, but there is a strong indication that the state's vote will be split. In any event, the margin of victory will be so small that the state was claimed tonight by the leaders of both parties. Though the splitting of a state's electoral college vote is unusual, it will be recalled that in 1904 Maryland chose one Republican and seven Democratic electors.

Missouri appears to be safely for Taft, to whom the latest returns give a plurality of 300, with the prospects that the few final districts will double or treble the figures.

Conceding Missouri to Taft and leaving Maryland out of consideration to be split between him and Bryan, the figures show 310 Republican electors assured and 156 Democratic.

Latest congressional returns indicate that the next congress will be composed of 216 Republicans and 175 Democrats, a majority for the Republicans of 41.

The returns for the Socialist and Prohibition parties are still far from complete, but indicate that the hopes of the Socialists have not been realized, and those of the Prohibitionists, in certain sections where gains had been expected, have been disappointing. The figures for the Independence party vote are also insufficient to give an accurate idea of what that party accomplished.

The states certainly carried by Mr. Bryan are as follows: Alabama, 11; Arkansas, 9; Colorado, 5; Florida, 5; Georgia, 13; Kentucky, 13; Louisiana, 9; Mississippi, 10; Nevada, 3; Nebraska, 8; North Carolina, 12; Oklahoma, 7; South Carolina, 9; Tennessee, 12; Texas, 18; Virginia, 12. Total 156.

Taft's plurality in the state of New York, according to corrected figures late tonight is 203,495, more than 28,000 in excess of President Roosevelt's plurality of four years ago.

Governor Charles E. Hughes was re-elected governor of New York by 71,150. The returns as between president and governor indicate a heavy splitting of tickets. The proportion of scratched ballots was about the same in the up-state districts as in Greater New York.

Outside of the returns, political interest was engaged today in the exchange of messages of congratulation and thanks between Mr. Bryan and Mr. Taft; a statement by Mr. Bryan in which he sets forth his determination to continue his work for the good of all, in the capacity of a private citizen; and the announcement by Mr. Sherman that it cost him just \$2,800 to be elected vice president.

Nevada.

Reno, Nev., Nov. 4.—While the returns are not complete from this state, it is safe to say Bryan carries it by less than 1,000. United States Senator Newlands, Dem., will be returned by a small majority; Bartless, Dem., for congress, will win by a heavy plurality over Maxson, Rep., and Fitzgerald, Ind.

Georgia.

Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 4.—Although Georgia gave Bryan a substantial plurality of about 10,000, Republican gains were shown throughout the state. Taft received a small majority in two counties, and Watson, the Populist candidate, carried three counties. Taft carried two wards in this city. All the Democratic congressmen were re-elected, and the re-election of Senator Clay, Dem., is assured.

## Illinois.

Chicago, Nov. 3, 10 p. m.—The Republican national and state tickets have gained a complete victory in Illinois, although the pluralities will probably fall short of those obtained by the party in the Roosevelt campaign of 1904. Taft has carried the state by approximately 170,000 votes.

Charles S. Deneen, Republican candidate for governor, ran far behind the national ticket, but has been elected by a plurality of about 100,000 over Adlai E. Stevenson, his Democratic opponent.

Chicago and Cook county gave a plurality to Taft of 50,000 against 125,000 for Roosevelt four years ago. Outside of Cook county the plurality for Taft is not far from 120,000. The plurality of Roosevelt in 1904 was 304,939 for the state.

Stevenson, Democratic candidate for governor, carried Chicago by about 8,000 and the county of Cook by about 6,000. He lost heavily, however, in the state outside of Cook. The state legislature, which is to select a successor to Senator Hopkins, will be strongly Republican.

The Socialist vote showed a considerable falling off from that of four years ago. Debs in 1904 received 69,225 votes. From the returns so far obtained it seems probable he will not receive much over 40,000.

## Iowa.

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 3.—The incomplete returns received at 10 o'clock indicate that Taft has carried Iowa by a plurality of from 40,000 to 50,000. This is a tremendous falling off from the Roosevelt plurality of 158,000 of four years ago, but it represents only a slight falling off from the normal plurality. The entire Republican state ticket is elected, probably by about the same plurality.

## Kansas.

Topeka, Kan., Nov. 3.—Kansas election returns are still very incomplete, owing to the long ballot and the late hour of closing the polls. The returns seem to substantiate the claim of the Republican state committee that the entire Republican state ticket, headed by Walter R. Stubbs, for governor, has been elected by about 25,000 plurality, and that Taft's plurality is a few thousand votes larger.

## California.

San Francisco, Nov. 4.—California not only gives a plurality for Taft that will reach 75,000, but sends a solid Republican delegation to congress and elects a Republican state legislature that will probably return Perkins to the United States senate.

The capital removal amendment was carried by a majority of 9,714. The direct primary amendment was carried by 30,000.

## Missouri.

St. Louis, Nov. 6.—Returns compiled by the Republic (Democratic) tonight give Taft the electoral vote of Missouri by a plurality of 3,172. These returns are complete from all but three of the 114 counties of the state and include estimates based on partial returns from the missing counties. The Globe-Democrat (Republican) places the Taft plurality in excess of 3,700. The plurality of Hadley (Republican) for governor is placed at 17,651.

The legislature is Democratic on joint ballot by four votes.

## Tennessee.

Knoxville, Tenn., Nov. 4.—The returns indicate that Bryan will have about 22,000 plurality in the state.

## Michigan.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 4.—With Taft and Sherman carrying the state by a large majority, estimated at about 100,000, the successful candidate for governor is not known at 1:30 o'clock. Returns from the state are slowly coming in. Republican candidates for congress have been elected in all but the First district, where the votes have not been counted and the result is not known.

## Indiana.

Indianapolis, Nov. 4.—Complete returns in the legislature show that the Democrats will have a majority of eight on joint ballot. Eleven out of the 13 congressmen will be Democratic, a gain of seven. Taft carries the state by about 10,000 and Marshall, Dem., for governor, is elected by about 15,000.

## Montana.

Butte, Mont., Nov. 4.—Advices from throughout Montana tonight indicate that Taft has carried the state by a majority close to 3,000. C. N. Pray, of Fort Benton, is re-elected to congress by about 4,000. The governorship is still in doubt, with Donlan, Rep., running about 1,600 behind Norris, Dem.

## West Virginia.

Cincinnati, Nov. 4.—The total vote has been received from many counties of West Virginia, and these serve to confirm the Taft victory by several thousand, and because of this the Republicans continue to claim the state ticket.

## Maryland.

Baltimore, Nov. 6.—Calculations of the official returns from Tuesday's election, not finished until well after midnight, show that the electoral vote of Maryland will be split, Bryan getting six of the electors and Taft two.

On the popular vote—the vote cast for the elector receiving the highest number—Taft carries the state by 561 votes. His elector polling the highest vote received, 116,471, and the highest Bryan elector 115,910.

## Nebraska.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 6.—William Jennings Bryan has carried Nebraska by a plurality of 4,500, according to unofficial returns from all of the counties. Shallenberger is elected governor by 7,500.

## Oklahoma.

Oklahoma City, Nov. 4.—Complete returns from 40 counties in the central and northern sections of the state give Bryan a plurality of 13,000. The counties yet to be heard from are principally those bordering on Arkansas and Texas, which have large Democratic votes. These probably will raise Bryan's plurality to 18,000.

Returns indicate that the legislature will be composed of 110 Democrats and 43 Republicans. This is a gain of 25 for the Republicans, but the defeat of United States Senator Gore is not threatened.

## Massachusetts.

Boston, Nov. 4.—Complete vote of Massachusetts for presidency: Taft, 250,221; Bryan, 165,860; Taft's plu-



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rality, 84,361. For governor: Draper, R., 233,874; Vahey, D., 173,355; Draper's plurality, 60,519.

## Connecticut.

New Haven, Nov. 3.—Taft's plurality in Connecticut will exceed 25,000. Lilley, Republican, for governor will have over 1,500 plurality over Robertson Democrat.

Republicans carry complete state ticket and probably hold their usual majority in the legislature. All five Republican congressmen are re-elected.

## Wisconsin.

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 3.—The Republican national and state tickets are victorious in Wisconsin today by a plurality estimated at 75,000. The congressional delegates with one district to hear from probably will remain about the same as two years ago, nine Republicans and two Democrats.

## Utah.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 4.—Additional returns from the state at large this morning do not change the estimate made last night of 15,000 plurality for Taft and from 10,000 to 12,000 for Spray, Republican, for governor. Utah will return Joseph Howell to congress and Reed Smoot to the United States senate.

## New Jersey.

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 3.—Revised returns received up to midnight show that Mr. Taft's plurality in New Jersey will be between 65,000 and 70,000. Republicans elect seven congressmen and the Democrats two, the Sixth district, which is now represented by a Democrat, William Hughes, being very close and in doubt.

## North Dakota.

Fargo, N. D., Nov. 4.—With Taft leading by 15,000 in 300 precincts in the southern part of the state heard from, the race for governor is close, Burke, D., having 17,500 and Johnson, R., 17,630. The loss that Johnson suffered in the cities is more than made up in the rural districts.

## South Dakota.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Nov. 4.—Returns at midnight were sufficient to show that the Republicans had practically made a clean sweep of the state on the national and state tickets. They have elected both congressmen at large.

## Delaware.

Wilmington, Del., Nov. 3.—General T. Colman Dupont, Rep., state chairman, claims Delaware for Taft by 3,500 plurality. He also claims the election of Pennewell, Republican, for governor, by about 2,000, and the remainder of the Republican state ticket by the same figures, with the possible exception of Davis for attorney general, whose election he claims by 1,500.

## New Hampshire.

Concord, N. H., Nov. 4.—Two-fifths of the vote of New Hampshire, counted and returned, indicates that Taft has carried the state by about 20,000 plurality. Henry B. Quimby, Rep., for governor, will probably have 4,000 plurality, but as a majority is required to elect, the vote of the minority parties may cut an appreciable figure in determining the result. The two Republican congressmen were re-elected.

## Texas.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 4.—Returns indicate the election of the entire Democratic ticket by the usual majorities.

## Rhode Island.

Providence, R. I., Nov. 4.—With about two-thirds of the 161 precincts heard from, the figures indicate a probable plurality of 18,000 for Taft in the state. The Republican state ticket headed by A. J. Pothier, candidate for governor, has undoubtedly been successful.

## Minnesota.

St. Paul, Nov. 3.—The indications are that Johnson carries Ramsey county (St. Paul) by 3,500 and the state ticket by at least 25,000. The returns indicate that Taft will carry Minnesota by 80,000 and the final figures may show that he has 100,000.

## Louisiana.

New Orleans, Nov. 3.—Bryan swept Louisiana today and the returns indicate a majority of 40,000. All seven Democratic nominees for congress were elected.

## Ohio.

Cincinnati, O., Nov. 4.—At 1 o'clock this morning it seems that Taft will have slightly more than a normal plurality of close to 50,000, while Harris, Republican, for governor, is defeated. The indications at this hour are for the election of Harmon, Democrat, by over 15,000.

## Virginia.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 3.—The Republican state committee concedes Virginia to Bryan by 15,000, but claim a gain of one Republican congressman.

## Wyoming.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Nov. 3.—Complete returns have not yet been received from any part of the state; incomplete returns show large Democratic gains. Both state chairmen claim the state by small majority.

## Florida.

Jacksonville, Fla., Nov. 3.—The election in Florida resulted in the usual Democratic majority of from 18,000 to 20,000.

## Mississippi.

Jackson, Miss., Nov. 3.—Bryan carried Mississippi by a majority of over 50,000. The vote for Taft showed slight increase over the Republican vote in the last presidential election.

## North Carolina.

Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 3.—The complete Democratic ticket will carry by a majority of at least 130,000. The Republican ticket made gains throughout the state.

## Vermont.

White River Junction, Vt., Nov. 4.—Complete returns from the state of Vermont give Taft 39,592, Bryan, 11,688, Higien 719; Taft's plurality, 27,904.

## Maine.

Portland, Me., Nov. 4.—Taft and Sherman were given a plurality of 32,000 in Maine yesterday out of a total vote for the two leading parties of 103,000.

Vale, Nov. 3.—Taft leads by 111 votes in Malheur county from six precincts so far reported.

St. Helens, Nov. 4.—Complete returns in Columbia county give Taft 1,188, Bryan 425, Chafin 37, Debs 182, Higien 16.

## TAFT VOTE GROWS.

Oregon Returns Will Give Plurality of Nearly 25,000.

Portland, Nov. 6.—As official returns come in from the various counties of the state, Taft's plurality continues to grow, and it is almost certain that the first night's estimate of 25,000 will be verified.

Bryan's vote in each county exceeds that for Parker four years ago, and even Taft has in many instances received a bigger vote than that accorded Roosevelt. The November vote was not so heavy as that cast at the June election.

The minor parties will likely show a decrease when the final returns are all completed. In Lake county, Chafin received but one vote. Higien's vote in all counties is but a trifle. The Socialist vote is not what had been expected.

Portland, Nov. 5.—Multnomah county gave Taft a plurality of 7,949. County Clerk Fields yesterday completed the official count, which shows the following vote: Taft 17,819, Bryan 9,870, Chafin 630, Debs 1,455, Higien 45. The total number of votes cast against Taft in the county was 12,000, giving him a majority of 5,819.

The Dalles, Nov. 4.—Complete returns from Wasco county give Taft 1,324, Bryan 770, Chafin 56, Debs 141, Higien 4. Taft's plurality is 554.

Albany, Nov. 4.—Linn county, which Bryan carried in 1896 and 1900, has given Taft a plurality of 385 votes. Complete unofficial returns from every precinct in the county give Taft 2,202, Bryan 1,817, Chafin 147, Debs 331, Higien 10.

Eugene, Nov. 4.—With 36 out of 50 precincts counted, the results in Lane county are: Taft 2,953, Bryan 1,635, Debs 252, Chafin 79, Higien 7. The Socialist vote is about 30 per cent less than it was a year ago. The Prohibition vote is much less than usual, while the Independent vote will average about one to every four precincts.

Salem, Nov. 4.—Today's returns from outlying precincts in Marion county have increased Taft's lead from 1,300 to 1,473. Thirty-six out of 42 precincts give Taft 3,629 and Bryan 2,156.

Pendleton, Nov. 5.—The official count of the vote in Umatilla county was completed this evening and is as follows: Taft 2,335, Bryan 1,363, Debs 180, Chafin 110, Higien 3.

Hillsboro, Nov. 5.—Washington county complete official returns give Taft 2,324, Bryan 1,157.

Oregon City, Nov. 4.—Complete unofficial returns from every precinct in Clackamas county give Taft 2,798, Bryan 1,895. The Prohibition and Independence vote combined will probably not exceed 1,000.

Grants Pass, Nov. 4.—Election returns from Josephine county show a Republican majority of 256. The vote from 10 precincts is Taft 879, Bryan 622, Prohibition 20, Socialist 276, Independence 14.

Medford, Nov. 6.—The official count in Jackson county shows Taft 2,037, Bryan 1,537, Debs 379, Chafin 98, Higien 10. Taft's majority over Bryan is 500.

Corvallis, Nov. 6.—Complete unofficial returns give Taft 1,184 and Bryan 773.

Burns, Nov. 4.—Precinct returns come in very slowly, only 12 of 19 precincts have yet reported, but these have 734 out of the 1,000 votes in the county. The result so far is Taft 394, Bryan 271, Debs 61, Chafin 6, Higien 2.

La Grande, Nov. 4.—Union county gave Taft a plurality of 321. Taft's total vote was 1,520, Bryan 1,199, Chafin 41, Debs 232, Higien 10.

Astoria, Nov. 4.—Complete unofficial returns from all precincts in Clatsop county give Taft a plurality of 827. The vote received by each one of the candidates is as follows: Taft 1,484, Bryan 657, Chafin 49, Debs 254, Higien 8.

Marshfield, Nov. 4.—Returns from two leading towns in Curry county: Gold Beach—Taft 26, Bryan 11, Higien 1. Wedderburn—Taft 20, Bryan 7. Indications are that with rural districts Taft will have 100 plurality in Curry county.

McMinnville, Nov. 4.—Complete unofficial election returns for Yamhill county show a total of 3,657 votes, of which Taft electors received 1,988, Bryan 1,253, Chafin 251, Debs 161, Higien 4.

Roseburg, Nov. 5.—Complete returns in Douglas county give Taft 2,103, Bryan 1,390, Debs 380, Prohibition 63.

Marshfield, Nov. 4.—Practically complete returns in Coos county give Taft 1,773, Bryan 786, Debs 293.

Toledo, Nov. 4.—Returns from nine precincts out of 14 in Lincoln county give Taft 499, Bryan 213, Debs 108.

Moro, Nov. 4.—Complete unofficial returns for Sherman county give Taft 443, Bryan 252, Chafin and Debs 32.

Lakeview, Nov. 4.—Complete returns in Lake county give Taft 464, Bryan 239, Debs 50, Chafin 4, Higien 5.

## EXCEEDS TAFT VOTE.

Plurality of Cosgrove Over Pattison Estimated at 47,166.

Seattle, Nov. 5.—Returns from every county in the state place Taft's plurality over Bryan at 46,558. The presidential vote on the Socialist, Prohibition and Independence party tickets was inconceivable and fell far behind the predictions made by their leading supporters. Cosgrove's plurality over John Pattison is figured at 47,166.

The Republicans have 37 state senators and 51 state representatives, giving them a majority of 77 on joint ballot, which insures the election of congressman Wesley L. Jones to the United States senate to succeed Levi Ankeny.

Returns indicate that both the two proposed constitutional amendments have failed of passage, the tax amendment being overwhelmingly defeated and the eminent domain amendment being defeated by a smaller majority. The Higien vote in the state was practically negligible, but Chafin, the Prohibitionist, polled a respectable vote. As indicated, the Socialist vote approximates 12,000. Only one "sticker" candidate, or candidate running on a nonpartisan platform, in the entire state got in. He was on the county ticket in Skamania county.

Goldendale, Nov. 5.—The full vote for Klickitat county is now in. Taft got 893, Bryan 844, Cosgrove 940, Pattison 374.

Aberdeen, Nov. 4.—Indications are that the entire Republican ticket in Chehalis county has been elected by good majorities and that the Democrats, Socialists and Prohibitionists did not make anywhere near the showing that was anticipated.

Chehalis, Nov. 4.—Complete unofficial returns from 49 Lewis county precincts give Taft 2,792, Bryan 1,276, Debs 396, Chafin 47. Cosgrove for governor has 282 plurality.

Yakima, Nov. 4.—Yakima county polled 5,400 votes, of which the Republican ticket got a straight vote of about 3,400 and the Democrats 1,500. The entire Republican ticket is elected.

Kalama, Nov. 4.—The entire Republican ticket in Cowlitz county was elected yesterday without any exception. All the precincts were heard from today, giving the Republican candidates a majority ranging from 309 to 1,031.

Vancouver, Nov. 4.—Complete returns from 26 out of 27 precincts in Clarke county give Taft 2,684, Bryan 1,291, Chafin 34, Debs 53, Higien 9. For governor—Cosgrove 2,706, Pattison 1,256. For congressman—Cushman 2,617, Brown 1,133.

Raymond, Nov. 4.—Incomplete returns in Pacific county insure the election of the entire Republican county ticket, with the exception of commissioner for the First district.

Seattle, Nov. 4.—Returns received here leave no doubt of the election of Humphreys, Poindexter and Cushman for congress, with the vote practically the same as that of Taft.

Returns at 3:30 p. m. show the following result of election for members of the legislature for the state:

Senate—Democrats, 5; Republicans, 73.

House—Democrats, 4; Republicans, 63.

## CARRIES IDAHO BY 20,000.

Meagre Reports Indicate Election of Entire Republican Ticket.

Boise, Nov. 4.—Practically complete returns give Taft 15,000 plurality in Idaho. The Republican candidate for congress is elected and the legislature is overwhelmingly Republican. Brady, Rep., for governor, received about 6,000 plurality. The entire Republican state ticket is elected with him.

Boise, Idaho, Nov. 5.—The vote on Socialist, Prohibition and Independence candidates in Idaho will not be known until the vote is canvassed, but from reports made it is evident there was a light vote for Chafin. Higien did not get a single vote in this (Ada) county. A slight increase in the Socialist vote is indicated.

Wallace, Nov. 4.—In Shoshone county Taft and Sherman have received a majority of nearly 1,200 and the county has elected every Republican officer with the possible exception of sheriff, treasurer and one commissioner.

## Colorado.

Denver, Nov. 4.—Chairman Vivian of the Republican state central committee admits that the trend of the count of Tuesday's vote in Colorado is toward a Democratic victory, but still hopes that complete returns will give the state to Taft and that some of the candidates for state officers will be successful. However, he concedes the election of ex-congressman John F. Shaffroth, Democratic candidate for governor and also concedes a good majority of both houses of the legislature to the Democrats. This insures the selection of Charles J. Hughes as United States senator, Henry M. Teller's successor, which will be made by the next general assembly.