

RE-ELECTION OF WILSON NOW APPEARS CERTAIN

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CALIFORNIA'S LATEST RETURNS LEAVE LITTLE DOUBT THAT PRESIDENT IS THE VICTOR

Will Have 269 Votes in Electoral College With New Hampshire and Minnesota in the Doubtful Column

Results From 5692 Precincts Out of 5867 in Golden State Show Wilson Has Lead of 5055 Votes, With 175 Precincts Not Likely to Make Change

ON THE FACE OF THE RETURNS IT APPEARS THAT WOODROW WILSON HAS CARRIED CALIFORNIA AND THE UNION AND WILL BE RE-ELECTED BY NOT LESS THAN 269 VOTES IN THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE.

—Editor of the Evening Ledger.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 9.—Latest returns from 5692 precincts out of 5867 in California this afternoon gave Wilson 456,329, Hughes 451,274, a lead for Wilson of 5055. There are 175 precincts to be heard from.

Early this afternoon it became evident from the returns coming from California that the Republican hope of a majority in that State for Hughes was rapidly vanishing. Before 3 o'clock returns from enough districts of the State were received to indicate that there was little, if any, possibility of Mr. Hughes overtaking the President's lead in the count of ballots.

Minnesota went over into the Hughes column and North Dakota was placed in the Democratic list, but about noon returns seemed to indicate that the President was gaining in the former State and the Hughes majority was being whittled down to 300 with a renewed possibility of Wilson carrying it.

From 1817 out of 1859 precincts in North Dakota the count is: Wilson, 50,819; Hughes, 49,972. The remaining 42 precincts are sparsely populated and Democrats contend their entire registered vote cannot overcome the 847 lead Wilson maintains.

Meager reports from New Mexico show Hughes 258 votes in the lead with 336 out of 638 precincts.

New Hampshire went into the doubtful column today when the Secretary of State announced that an error in tabulation of the original count had given Hughes a plurality of 161. The recount showed a plurality of 98 for Wilson. The Republican leaders announced that a recount would be demanded.

The extremely close vote in such States as New Hampshire and Minnesota may mean that the ballots of the soldiers will determine the electoral vote.

BOTH SIDES CRY "GUARD THE BALLOT BOXES"

The presidential situation today was one which pulled taut the already overstrained nerves of political managers. It was responsible for more acrimonious exchanges between the two sides than heretofore marked the campaign. It brought warnings from Democratic Chairman McCormick to his cohorts to "guard ballot boxes" lest there be tampering. It inspired Republican Chairman Tilden bitterly to reply that any one intimating theft of votes by Republicans was a contemptible scoundrel, and to issue a warning himself against stealing of the presidency by the Democrats.

In at least one State—New Hampshire—a recount and court action may be necessary to reconcile flatly contradictory claims from both sides on complete returns.

Reports from West Virginia, credited to Hughes on the face of incomplete returns but claimed as Democratic by the Wilson supporters, indicated tenseness of the partisan quarrel there might result in some of the "shotgun" activity which marked the famous Hayes-Tilden presidential controversy of 1876—the political mixup most nearly paralleling the present situation.

MEMBERSHIP OF CONGRESS WILL BE CLOSE

The next Congress will be close, according to latest returns. To date 215 Republicans and 213 Democrats have been elected. There are four members of other parties. The Republicans have probably lost the Delaware Congressional seat and a Democrat is chosen in his stead. Albert E. Polk succeeds Thomas W. Miller. Another notable defeat is that of Thomas Scully, the President's friend, in the Ocean County, N. J., district.

The Socialists point to their growing strength. In 1912 they polled 900,000 votes for President. This year they claim they will have 1,200,000; will elect thirty-five members of State Legislatures in twenty-one States and get one more member of Congress.

MANY NEW FACES IN SENATE

The people seem to appreciate the fact of being able to name the United States Senators. The popular vote system will result in many new faces being seen in the Senate next March. Hiram Johnson, who was vice presidential candidate with Roosevelt four years ago, comes into the Senate from California as a wave of 100,000 majority, while the State is so close that the presidential aspirants watch every vote counted with covetous eyes. Dr. J. Irwin France, formerly of the Tome Institute, will forget school teaching and take his seat in the Senate from Maryland. Former Secretary of State Knox will be the new man from Pennsylvania and Joseph S. Frelinghuysen, of New Jersey, another Republican, will represent that State. Thomas Taggart, of Indiana, eliminated from the Senate and James E. Watson, a well-known Republican, winner of numerous Congresses, takes his place. The coming of "Trust Buster" Frank B. Kellogg, of Minnesota, to the Senate is an event of some note in political circles. J. O. Wolcott, the young Delaware barrister, will take his bow, and another well-known Diamond State family will have its name engraved on the rolls of that historic body.

PROHIBITION MAKES GAINS

Arkansas refused to repeal its State-wide prohibition law and substitute a local option instead. Montana adopted prohibition by 15,000 majority, closing saloons and nineteen breweries. The voting of Tuesday closed, it is estimated, nearly 4000 saloons in the States of Michigan, South Dakota, Nebraska and Montana.

The votes of the soldiers in the field on the border may have an important bearing on the result in some States. It is said that the 4000 men in Minnesota at the front may cast their ballots in such a manner as to swing the tide in their home State. The result will be watched with interest. Governors had to fight their own battles, according to the latest returns. Kansas gives Wilson 9000 majority, while Governor Capper, Republican, is re-elected by nearly 100,000. John A. Burnquist, Republican, won Minnesota by a god majority, while the State was fought inch by inch by the Democrats for President. Simon Bamberger, a Democrat, will rule Utah, where Democrats have so long controlled the patronage. There is every indication that John J. Corwell, Democrat, will occupy the gubernatorial mansion in West Virginia during the next four years.



NEW FACES FOR SENATE. At the top is J. O. Wolcott, who has defeated Senator H. A. du Pont, of Delaware, in a close contest in which Alfred I. du Pont threw his influence against the latter, his cousin. Below is Frank B. Kellogg, the "trust buster," who now comes to the Senate from Minnesota. Third is James E. Watson, famed as the Republican whip in former Congresses, who has ousted Thomas Taggart as one of Indiana's Senators.

HUGHES LEAD CUT BY LATE COUNT IN MINNESOTA POLL

G. O. P. Candidate Loses Big Advantage Shown in Early Tally

SOLDIER VOTE A FACTOR

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 9.—Hughes's lead in Minnesota had been cut to 307 at 11:40 o'clock today. The figures then stood: Hughes, 169,483; Wilson, 169,126, with 2660 precincts heard from out of 3024. It is possible the vote of the soldiers will decide the election in the State.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 9.—Charles E. Hughes, who is leading President Wilson in Minnesota, today suffered reversals that reduced his plurality materially.

Republican State headquarters at 9:30 o'clock this morning claimed figures complete from 20 counties in the State showing Hughes leading by 1104. Later the figure was reduced to below 500.

Virtually all the large normally Democratic counties have reported and most of those still to be heard from have usually gone Republican. Normal political complexion, however, have failed so far, except in a few instances. Judging from the trend in districts adjacent to those yet to hear from, it is believed Hughes will pull out with a slight majority.

The result, however, may not be known until the votes cast by the State guardsmen on the border are counted. This probably will not be before next week. Approximately 2000 Minnesota guardsmen were eligible to vote, and commissioners are returning to the State with these ballots in sealed envelopes, to be counted by the canvassing boards in their respective precincts. No indication was given as to how these men will vote, although an unofficial straw vote in one of the regiments showed a slight majority for Wilson.

Democratic leaders here have held that the State would go to the President by 4500 votes, and so are not at all discouraged by this eleventh-hour swing toward Hughes. It is the foreign vote that is expected to determine the result, and this, located largely in the northern counties, has been slow in reporting. It is believed by the Democrats that the President still has a chance.

It is noted here that Chairman McCormick does not claim Minnesota.

Electoral Vote for President by States

Table with columns for State, Hughes, and Wilson. Total electoral votes 531, necessary for choice 269.

ELECTION DOUBT AUGURS ANOTHER BATTLE IN COURT

Tilden-Hayes Fray May Be Repeated Because of Close Vote

PARTIES PLAN CONTEST

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—Both Republicans and Democrats already have taken steps to force recounts of ballots on Tuesday's election in the close States. It seemed certain today that there would be another great contest which will rival in bitterness the battle which marked the Hayes-Tilden conflict.

It appeared that no matter who had the majority in the electoral college on the face of the returns, he would have to fight for his certificates. The Republican National Committee is rallying to its aid the greatest constitutional lawyers of the country. So is the Democracy, and the initial fight will be made in the close States. The Democrats openly charge corruption in many of the Eastern States, but especially in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, West Virginia, Indiana and Illinois. This the Republicans indignantly deny, but the charge is certain to be aired in the courts.

STATEMENTS OF MANAGERS. The attitude of the national chairmen is shown in the following statements, which they gave out:

Chairman Willcox said: Every precaution must be taken to secure an honest count of the ballots in every close State. Anybody who intimates that Charles Evans Hughes would permit any man or group of men to attempt to steal the presidency for him is a contemptible scoundrel and knows it. I say further with a full sense of responsibility to the American people, that any man or group of men who attempt to steal the presidency from Mr. Hughes will do so at their peril.

Chairman McCormick issued the following statement: In reply to the one made by Mr. Willcox:

President Wilson is re-elected, and Mr. Willcox shows he is aware of that fact. His wall is only to the charge of some imaginary person that some one expects Mr. Hughes or his managers will try to secure the election through fraud in worthy of the best traditions of the Republican party. The public has had chance to judge.

HUGHES HAS SLIGHT NEW MEXICO LEAD. ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Nov. 9.—Complete returns from 79 precincts in Chaves, Valencia and San Miguel Counties give Hughes 4344; Wilson, 4176.

REPUBLICANS REFUSE TO CONCEDE NEW HAMPSHIRE. CONCORD, N. H., Nov. 9.—The Republican State organization refused this afternoon to concede the State to Wilson, despite the President's lead on the face of the unofficial returns.

WILSON GETS MINNESOTA, SAYS NEWSPAPER POLL. ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 9.—The St. Paul Daily News on telephone and telegraphic returns from many missing precincts tabulated 169,810 votes for Wilson and 168,481 for Hughes, a lead of 1329 for Wilson in Minnesota. These figures are not official, but are from official sources.

CONTEST ON VOTE IN MINNESOTA CERTAIN

ST. PAUL, Nov. 9.—Indications are this afternoon that no matter how Minnesota's vote is tabulated there will be a demand for an official count and a probable court contest. Both Republicans and Democrats are preparing for action this afternoon.

GERMANY TOLD POLES WILL AID HER IN WAR

BERLIN, Nov. 9.—Chancellor von Bethmann Hollweg was told today by "Lawyer Makowiecki, author Studnicki and Professor Humnicki" that Poland will give its sons to fight in the armies of the Central Powers, as an appreciation of the proclamation re-establishing the Polish kingdom.

TODAY'S RACING RESULTS

First Pimlico race, selling, handicap, all ages, 6 furlongs—Gleaming, 116, Butwell, \$7.00, \$2.90, \$2.50, won; Ting-a-Ling, 114, Ambrose, \$2.70, \$2.60, second; Etruscan, 113, Robinson, \$3.20, third. Time, 1:14.

Second Pimlico race, Elkridge steeplechase, 3-year-olds, 2 miles—The Brook, 132, T. Tuckey, \$11.50, \$5.40, \$5.70, won; E. L. 140, W. Blake, \$5.90, \$4.10, second; Simon Jones, 138, D. Holly, \$3.70, third. Time, 3:54.

Third Pimlico race, Juvenile handicap, 2-year-olds, 6 furlongs—Cadillac, 110, Robinson, \$17.30, \$7.90, \$4.10, won; Manchu, 113, Butwell, \$9.60, \$5.70, second; Jock Scot, 113, Keogh, \$3.30, third. Time, 1:13 4-5.

WILMINGTON MAN BETS 100 TO 1 ON WILSON

WILMINGTON, Del., Nov. 9.—John Malaisca was so confident of Wilson's election this morning that he put up \$500 against \$5 on Wilson's winning. RIOT ATTENDS WILSON PARADE IN PRINCETON. PRINCETON, N. J., Nov. 9.—A riot in which numerous persons received broken bones and other injuries resulted when a parade of Wilson adherents marched through the negro settlement here. Stones, sticks and flats were brought into play, and it required the efforts of the entire Police Department to subdue the rioters.

CONGRESS HAS LAST WORD IN ELECTORAL CONTESTS

THE Senate and House of Representatives, sitting in joint session and voting concurrently, but separately, finally decide all contests where the choice of presidential electors is called in question. This is provided for in the "presidential succession act" of 1886, which reads as follows:

Congress shall be in session on the second Wednesday in February succeeding every meeting of the electors. The Senate and House of Representatives shall meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon, on that day, and the President of the Senate shall be their presiding officer. Two tellers shall be previously appointed on the part of the Senate and two on the part of the House of Representatives, to whom shall be handed, as they are opened by the President of the Senate, all the certificates and papers purporting to be the certificates of the electoral vote, which certificates and papers shall be opened, presented, and acted upon in the alphabetical order of the States. * * * and the votes having been ascertained and counted * * * the result of the same shall be delivered to the President of the Senate, who shall thereupon announce the State of the vote, which announcement shall be deemed a sufficient declaration of the persons, if any, elected President and Vice President of the United States. * * * Upon such reading of any such certificate or paper, the President of the Senate shall call for objections, if any. * * * When all objections so made * * * shall have been received and read, the President of the Senate shall thereupon withdraw, and such objections shall be submitted to the Senate for its decision; and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall in like manner submit such objections to the House of Representatives for its decision; and no electoral vote or votes from any State which shall have been regularly given by electors, whose appointment has been lawfully certified to according to section 3 of this act, from which one return has been received, shall be rejected; but the two Houses concurrently may reject the vote or votes when they agree that such vote or votes have not been so regularly given by electors whose appointment

It is to be noted that the present Congress, which will decide any contest in the election just held is strongly Democratic in both branches.

PRESIDENT HOLDS STEADILY TO GAIN IN PIVOTAL STATE

California Ballot Will Decide Issue in "Eyelash" Finish

FEW PRECINCTS MISSING

Democrats Gain Confidence From Strong Vote in Southern Section

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 9.—California hangs in the balance today as the count is being told for Woodrow Wilson and Charles Evans Hughes in their race for the presidency. The State also holds the scales which will turn the issue one way or the other.

Tabulations of 5473 precincts in California, including corrections and revisions of earlier counts in some counties, showed Wilson leading by 4396. The totals were: Wilson, 446,261; Hughes, 435,865. An error in reporting Mendocino County as having cast nearly 15,000 votes is corrected in this total. This leaves 400 precincts to be heard from.

Late California returns, however, from outlying precincts in the State, with 5531 out of 5867 precincts, give Wilson a 3533 lead. The totals were: Hughes, 449,947; Wilson, 444,450. This included San Francisco County complete, which gave Wilson a plurality of 15,094. Eleven hundred and ninety-four precincts in Los Angeles County gave Hughes 130,941; Wilson, 112,205.

The missing precincts are mainly in southern California, where Hughes is strong, and there is a strong possibility that when returns from these come in the Wilson lead will either be reduced greatly or offset.

However, with only four small precincts missing, San Diego County vote stands: Hughes, 16,864; Wilson, 16,659. Democrats regard this as most encouraging.

Complete official returns from San Francisco County give Wilson 78,451; Hughes, 62,357. Wilson's majority was 15,094.

Complete returns from 170 out of 177 precincts in San Bernardino County give Hughes 11,518, Wilson 9171. El Dorado County, complete, 36 precincts, give Wilson 1733, Hughes 1055. Napa County complete gives Wilson 1085, Hughes 920.

Word from three more outlying Kern County precincts raised the total vote of 112 out of 122 precincts to Wilson 2587, Hughes 4545.

The soldier vote on the border cannot affect the California election, it was pointed out. California made no provision for her militiamen out of the State's limits to vote. Facing the outlook of an "eyelash" finish.

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NEW HAMPSHIRE REVISION PLACES WILSON 81 AHEAD

Original Ballots Sent for and Result May Be Changed

CONTEST SEEMS CERTAIN

CONCORD, N. H., Nov. 9.—At 1:30 today Wilson's lead over Hughes in New Hampshire was announced at eighty-one with all sections reported. Returns are constantly being received at Secretary Bean's office and in many instances they show considerable changes from the first reports.

"We have requested the clerks in all sections to send in the original ballots at once," was the announcement of the Secretary of State's office shortly after noon.

"A recount will be commenced as soon as they arrive and a further change is quite possible," the secretary added.

The Concord Patriot announced at 10:30 o'clock today that returns, official and unofficial, from the whole State, with no towns missing, showed Wilson carried the State by 93 votes.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Nov. 9.—The Union, leading Republican paper of New Hampshire, received a dispatch from the State House representative today saying that complete official returns in New Hampshire give the State to Woodrow Wilson by 93 votes. They say tabulations in the Secretary of State's office completed today showed that Wilson had overturned Hughes's lead of the earlier reports and had carried the State.

NEW YORK, Nov. 9.—George W. Perkins, at Republican headquarters at 10:30

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THE WEATHER

FORECAST. For Philadelphia and vicinity—Increasing cloudiness, probably followed by rain late tonight and Friday; slightly warmer tonight; colder Friday; strong southwest winds. LENGTH OF DAY. Sun rises... 8:40 a. m. Moon sets... 11:57 p. m. DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES. CHESTNUT STREET. High water... 11:20 a. m. | Flood water... 1:25 p. m. Low water... 1:55 a. m. | Ebb water... 3:55 p. m. TEMPERATURE AT BALDWIN. 87 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100