

# SWEEPING GAINS IN 1917 SHOWN BY STATISTICIANS OF SUFFRAGISTS

Three State Legislatures, Those of Ohio, Indiana and North Dakota, Grant Presidential Franchise to Women--New York, Maine and South Dakota Authorize Referenda--Arkansas in Line

## STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA MAY CHANGE IN 1920

SUFFRAGE statisticians have compiled in tabloid form for the information of members of the Pennsylvania legislature data showing victories and progress made by the suffrage movement up to last week. Probably the most impressive of the tables arranged is that showing suffrage progress in 1917, which already, it is certain will be the banner suffrage year to date. The most recent victory recorded is the passage of a constitutional referendum measure by the New York state legislature authorizing an election to be held in November of this year, despite a similar amendment having been defeated as recently as 1915, when the question also was up for consideration in Pennsylvania.

**New York, a Parallel**  
In this connection, Pennsylvania state leaders, point to the fact that if a woman suffrage amendment is passed by the present session of the legislature at Harrisburg and the session in 1919, another referendum cannot take place in this state until 1920. Pennsylvania suffragists say New York's action is a refutation of the argument that it is too soon to reintroduce a bill in Pennsylvania, the suffrage amendment in this state having been lost by a much smaller majority than that in New York, and having carried in 33 out of 67 counties. The statistics also stress other 1917 victories, notably those in Ohio, Indiana and North Dakota, where presidential suffrage has been granted this year; Arkansas, which has granted primary suffrage, which in that state practically is full suffrage, and referenda authorized in Maine and South Dakota.

The table showing the scope of suffrage in the United States is said to be the only one having detailed corrections to date. It gives in addition to other information the fact that measures granting constitutional, presidential and municipal or primary suffrage have been introduced in legislatures of 18 states in the first 10 weeks of 1917. Attention is called to the fact that Pennsylvania is the only Eastern state north of the Mason and Dixon line, which has not granted suffrage in any form to its women, except Maine and Rhode Island. It points out in addition, that Maine this year has authorized a referendum upon constitutional woman suffrage next September. Notable recent victories in Canada are also detailed.

**Suffrage at a Glance.**  
The table in full follows:  
**SUFFRAGE PROGRESS IN 1917**  
Legislatures Granting Presidential Suffrage.  
**OHIO NORTH DAKOTA**  
Legislatures Granting Primary Suffrage.  
**INDIANA**  
Legislatures Granting Referenda Upon Constitutional Suffrage.  
**NEW YORK** (Election to be held in November, 1917.)  
**MAINE** (Election to be held September, 1917.)  
**SOUTH DAKOTA** (Election to be held 1918.)

**Other Legislatures in Which Constitutional, Presidential and Municipal or Primary Suffrage Bills Have Been Introduced in 1917.**  
Delaware North Dakota (Constitutional)  
Illinois Oklahoma  
Kentucky Pennsylvania  
Minnesota Rhode Island  
Missouri South Carolina  
Nebraska Tennessee  
New Hampshire Texas  
North Carolina Vermont  
Wisconsin Wisconsin

NOTE—In several of these states bills have been passed by one branch, and in some others the measure has been defeated by both branches. In the majority of the latter cases, however, suffrage polled a larger vote than its opponents, but lost because a two thirds vote was necessary to pass amendments, or polled a larger vote than at previous sessions.

**STATES HAVING FULL SUFFRAGE**  
Arizona (1912) Nevada (1914)  
California (1911) Oregon (1912)  
Colorado (1893) Utah (1896)  
Idaho (1896) Washington (1910)  
Kansas (1912) Wyoming (1869)  
Montana (1914)

**TERRITORY HAVING FULL SUFFRAGE**  
Alaska (1913)

**STATES HAVING PRESIDENTIAL SUFFRAGE**  
Illinois (1913) Ohio (1917)  
Indiana (1917) N. Dakota (1917)

**STATES HAVING PARTIAL SUFFRAGE**  
Arkansas Nebraska  
Connecticut New Hampshire  
Delaware New Jersey  
Iowa New Mexico  
Kentucky New York  
Louisiana Oklahoma  
Massachusetts South Dakota  
Michigan Vermont  
Mississippi Wisconsin  
Minnesota

**STATES HAVING NO WOMAN SUFFRAGE**  
Alabama Pennsylvania  
Florida Rhode Island  
Georgia South Carolina  
Maine Tennessee  
Maryland Texas  
Missouri Virginia  
North Carolina West Virginia

**RECAPITULATION**  
States having full Suffrage..... 11  
Territory having Full Suffrage.... 1  
States having Presidential Suffrage 4  
States having Partial Suffrage.... 19  
States having No Woman Suffrage 14  
Total States ..... 48  
Territory..... 1

**CANADA**  
1917—  
Suffrage assured the women of the province of Ontario by the government.  
1916—  
Suffrage granted the women of the province of British Columbia.  
**PREVIOUSLY—**  
Suffrage granted the women of the provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba.  
**PARTIAL SUFFRAGE—**  
Granted the women of the provinces of Quebec and Yukon.  
**NO WOMAN SUFFRAGE—**  
Newfoundland—Uninhabited Northwest Territory.  
NOTE—Excepting the uninhabited Northwest territory and the Northeastern fringe comprising Newfoundland, Canadian women have been granted or assured full or partial suffrage, three-fourths of its entire population of women enjoying full suffrage under the government representing the British king.

## North American Continent Is Giving Way to "The Cause"



The black states of this country now find their only parallel in Central America, Newfoundland and the uninhabited Northwest Territory, where there is no form of suffrage even for men.

## "Caruso Night" In Pittsburgh May 5 Will Eclipse Any Previous Musical Event



CARUSO AS ENZO IN "GIOCONDA."

INTEREST in the Caruso concert in Pittsburgh at Shriners' mosque on Saturday evening, May 5th, is unprecedented, and indications are that out of town residents will form a large part of the audience on this occasion, for whose convenience March 19-25 has been designated as Caruso Subscription Week. Many parties have already been arranged, and special trains will be run from different points for the accommodation of patrons to this concert. Saturday night was chosen for the Pittsburgh concert to enable music lovers from more distant points to take advantage of this opportunity, for many will come from cities and towns that would not be convenient to reach after the concert, and a business day is therefore not broken by a stay in the city following the concert. Special railroad accommodations have been arranged for the nearby towns, and "Caruso Night" in Pittsburgh bids fair to eclipse any previous musical event in the history of the city. Caruso will appear with the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Ernst Kunwald, and the program promises to be a noteworthy one. In order that out of town residents may not have to make a trip to the city in advance to procure their tickets, special attention is given to mail orders when accompanied by remittance, and self-addressed stamped envelope for return. Reservations will be received and given immediate attention if addressed Caruso Concert, 119-121 Ninth St., Pittsburgh.

**Heard on the highway.**  
We ought to be mighty glad when heaven comes down to see us, but that's the time some folks run away. Folks miss happiness by sittin' still an' waitin' for it to come an' pay the rent an' cancel the mortgage. But happiness is no free gift, an' it ain't on the bargain counter.—Atlanta Constitution.

**The Orchid.**  
The orchid is a peculiar plant, for, strange as it may seem, there is no distinctively orchid odor. One smells like the violet, others like the rose, the hyacinth, the daffodil. Orchids are the monkeys, the mimics of the vegetable world, in odor as well as form and tint. No other flower resembles an orchid, but orchids are forever aping butterflies, pansies, roots, spiders, pitch plants, birds and what not. And they are not absolutely certain to look just the same twice in succession.

**His Ordeal.**  
The sympathetic neighbor asked: "Is your little brother ill this morning, Johnnie? I heard him crying in the most heartrending way." "No, not exactly," Johnnie explained, "but Willie pulled down a jar of molasses on himself in the pantry, and mother has been trying to comb his hair."—New York Globe.

**Watch Your Pep.**  
Pep is a slang word invented to convey the idea of those who are always up and about, who are full of "ginger," who never go to sleep at the switch. When you are full of pep you can go a long way toward doing almost anything. But pep runs out. If your stomach goes back on you because you don't know how to take care of it; if you consort with weak minded people, taking on the color of their weak mindedness; if you burn the candle at both ends, then your pep runs low. Watch your pep.—Life.

## Voter's Catechism.

- D. Have you read the Constitution of the United States?
- R. Yes.
- D. What form of Government is this?
- R. Republic.
- D. What is the Constitution of the United States?
- R. It is the fundamental law of this country.
- D. Who makes the laws of the United States?
- R. The Congress.
- D. What does Congress consist of?
- R. Senate and House of Representatives.
- D. Who is our State Senator?
- R. Wilbur P. Graff.
- D. Who is the chief executive of the United States?
- R. President.
- D. For how long is the President of the United States elected?
- R. Four years.
- D. Who takes the place of the President in case he dies?
- R. The Vice President.
- D. What is his name?
- R. Thomas R. Marshall.
- D. By whom is the President of the United States elected?
- R. By the electors.
- D. By whom are the electors chosen?
- R. By the people.
- D. Who makes the laws for the State of Pennsylvania?
- R. The Legislature.
- D. What does the Legislature consist of?
- R. Senate and Assembly.
- D. Who is our Assemblyman?
- R. Wilmer H. Wood.
- D. How many States in the union?
- R. Forty-eight.
- D. When was the Declaration of Independence signed?
- R. July 4, 1776.
- D. By whom was it written?
- R. Thomas Jefferson.
- D. Which is the capital of the United States?
- R. Washington.
- D. Which is the capital of the state of Pennsylvania?
- R. Harrisburg.
- D. How many Senators has each state in the United States?
- R. Two.
- D. Who are our U. S. Senators?
- R. Boise Penrose and George T. Oliver.
- D. By whom are they elected?
- R. By the people.
- D. For how long?
- R. Six years.
- D. How many representatives are there?
- R. 435. According to the population one to every 211,000, (the ratio fixed by Congress after each decennial census.)
- D. For how long are they elected?
- R. Two years.
- D. Who is our Congressman?
- R. Nathan L. Strong.
- D. How many electoral votes has the state of Pennsylvania?
- R. Thirty-eight.
- D. Who is the chief executive of the state of Pennsylvania?
- R. The Governor.
- D. For how long is he elected?
- R. 4 years.
- D. Who is the Governor?
- R. Martin G. Brumbaugh.
- D. Do you believe in organized government?
- R. Yes.
- D. Are you opposed to organized government?
- R. No.
- D. Are you an anarchist?
- R. No.
- D. What is an anarchist?
- R. A person who does not believe in organized government.
- D. Are you a bigamist or polygamist?
- R. No.
- D. What is a bigamist or polygamist?
- R. One who believes in having more than one wife.
- D. Do you belong to any secret society who teaches to disbelieve in organized government?
- R. No.
- D. Have you ever violated any laws of the United States?
- R. No.
- D. Who makes the ordinances for the City?
- R. The board of aldermen.
- D. Do you intend to remain permanently in the U. S.?
- R. Yes.

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