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Will Then Get More Than 300 Votes in the Electoral College

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 16.—If Roosevelt and Johnson win the 45 electoral votes of New York, they will be elected President and Vice-President of the United States. If they can carry the Empire State they will have possibly 300, or even more votes, in the electoral college. Two hundred and sixty-six is the majority necessary.

As the campaign approaches the close, hopes of Progressive success are mounting higher and higher. The reports from Eastern States, emanating from a great variety of sources, continue to be increasingly encouraging. At the State headquarters here the Progressive leaders have been slow to accept the good news, because it seemed like too good news. This attitude has applied particularly to New York.

New York Swings to T. R. The word from the Empire State has become so emphatic in its assurances, however, that a completely changed view has been taken. It is explained in the dispatches that the large manufacturing population is going over in a body to the Progressive party. The definite proposals of the Progressive platform to correct labor oppressions and its demands for social and industrial justice are having a great appeal. Furthermore, the nomination of Oscar Straus for Governor has given a great impetus to the new party, among other things solidifying the anti-Tammany sentiment in its support.

It is very clear that what looked like an impossible situation for Roosevelt and Johnson a few weeks ago has now turned to one of at least good prospect. The positive assurance that Roosevelt will carry New Jersey against Wilson is most significant. That tends to justify the claims that are made in behalf of New York. The success of Roosevelt at the primaries in Massachusetts last spring also tends to justify the reports that there is an excellent prospect for the Progressive ticket in New England. Nevada Progressive.

It looks as if the old standards of political estimate will not hold in the present campaign. For example, conditions in Nevada have indicated that there was no chance there whatever for the Progressive ticket. State Chairman Daniel A. Ryan asked three men who made trips into separate regions of the Sagebrush State to make diligent inquiry. He told them he wanted the facts, no matter whom they favored, for he did not wish to be misled. All three of these men returned with the information that everywhere men were talking Roosevelt as their choice. All three believe that the Progressives will sweep the State.

Chance in Doubtful States. Of the doubtful column there is a very good chance that Colorado will go for Roosevelt. There are encouraging signs in Delaware and Connecticut. Louisiana is really a strong Republican State, but the race question has kept it in the "solid south." It has recently been shaken up by a successful reform movement, which represents a completely new order of things. Maine is either Progressive

or Democratic. In a table of party claims there is good reason to count it for Roosevelt. Progressives of Montana vigorously protest that they will carry that State. There is a chance, possibly remote, that the Progressives will carry Nevada. Tennessee will likely be for Wilson, although East Tennessee is strong for Roosevelt. The Democrats seem to have the better of it in West Virginia. Of the Column claimed for Roosevelt there is no doubt as to California, Idaho and Illinois. There is some as to Indiana. The recent poll of the New York Herald, hostile to the Progressives, conceded that ex-Senator Beveridge, Progressive candidate for Governor, would be elected, but claimed the State against Roosevelt. Progressive leaders say, however, that Indiana will certainly respond, as will her neighbors, Illinois and Michigan.

Further, the sensible estimate is that if Beveridge wins Roosevelt also will. The claim of Massachusetts is hotly protested by the Wilsonites. There is no reason to believe Roosevelt will not win the State as he did at the Presidential primary. His strength there has improved since then as a matter of fact. There is no question as to Michigan, Minnesota and Nebraska.

Teddy Votes to Spare. From this distance it hardly appears reasonable that Wilson and Taft cannot carry their home States of New Jersey and Ohio. Yet Eastern Progressive leaders declare New Jersey to be absolutely theirs, and assert that the recent political upheaval in Ohio has all been to the overwhelming advantage of Progressivism. Roosevelt will undoubtedly sweep Pennsylvania as he did last June. La Follette's defection will not prevent a Progressive triumph in Wisconsin. Governor McGovern and many other leaders are strong for Roosevelt.

Roosevelt and Wilson and possibly Taft will win some of the votes from the doubtful column. In the table Roosevelt could lose any one of Ohio, New Jersey or Indiana and win. If his gains are of any consequence from the doubtful column he could afford to lose two of them. If his acquisitions are as great as some of his enthusiastic friends assert they will be, he could stand to lose all three of them. However, New York seems to be essential.

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