T. R. LEADS TAFT BY 154.

"Standpatters" Swamped In the Drift Towards Colonel.

Of 644 Delegates Roosevelt Has 239, Taft 85 and 118 Are Uninstructed. Contested, 160, Including 88 From New York—Senator Dixon's Figures Show Nation Wide Trend.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Dixon at the Roosevelt headquarters today said: "Six hundred and forty-four delegates to the Republican national convention have been elected up to date. Of these 239 are for Colonel Roosevelt, 85 for Mr. Taft, 6 for Senator Cummins, 36 for Senator La Follette, 118 are uninstructed, including 88 from New York state, and contests are pending in the cases of the remaining 160."

State.	Roosevelt	Taft	Cummins	La Follette	Uninstructed	Contested
Alabama	2	..	..	..	..	20
Alaska	..	2	..	..	..	..
Colorado	..	10	..	..	..	..
Connecticut	..	12	..	..	2	..
Dist. of Col.	..	..	..	..	..	2
Delaware	..	..	..	..	6	..
Florida	..	..	..	..	..	12
Georgia	..	..	..	..	2	24
Hawaii	..	6	..	..	..	..
Illinois	56	*2	..	..	..	..
Indiana	8	8	..	..	..	12
Iowa	..	8	6	..	..	..
Kansas	..	2	..	..	..	..
Kentucky	3	7	..	..	..	16
Louisiana	..	..	..	..	..	20
Maine	12	..	..	..	..	..
Michigan	8	12	..	..	2	6
Mississippi	20	..	..	..	..	..
Missouri	16	2	..	..	6	2
Nebraska	16	..	..	..	..	..
New Mexico	6	2	..	..	..	..
New York	..	2	..	..	88	..
North Dakota	..	..	..	10	..	..
Oklahoma	16	2	..	..	..	..
Oregon	10	..	..	..	..	..
Pennsylvania	58	6	..	..	..	..
Philippine Is.	..	2	..	..	..	..
South Carolina	4	..	..	..	4	10
Tennessee	2	..	..	..	..	14
Vermont	2	..	..	..	6	..
Virginia	..	..	..	..	2	22
Wisconsin	..	..	..	26	..	..
Totals	239	85	6	36	118	160

*Lorimer's district.

COLONEL ROOSEVELT MAY WIN IN OHIO

Indications Are That He Will Carry Taft's Own State.

Cleveland, O.—In the present contest for the nomination for president the indications are that in Ohio, President Taft's own state, Colonel Roosevelt will receive forty-four out of forty-six delegates to the national convention. This will be a bitter pill for Mr. Taft's managers to swallow.

The progressive movement has not only stirred the voters of Ohio, but of the whole country—the plain people—to assert their rights of enfranchisement as guaranteed them under the constitution, and the wholesale breaking away from the rule of the bosses in this state and elsewhere is like a tidal wave sweeping over the land.

Never in the political history of this country have the voters given so much thought to the right of the people to rule as is manifested in this campaign, and when the Ohio state convention takes place on May 21 the policies of Colonel Roosevelt will be indorsed by the voters in no uncertain language.

NEW JERSEY JOINS THE MOVEMENT TO STOP BOSSES.

Indications That Roosevelt Will Secure Every One of the Delegates.

Trenton, N. J.—Interest in the campaign for the Republican nominee for president is growing hotter and hotter in this state as the day for the New Jersey state convention, May 28, approaches, and the indications are that Colonel Roosevelt will secure the whole number of state delegates, twenty-four, to the national convention.

"The right of the people" to rule and the desire to break away from the "rule of the bosses" are just as strong in this state as in any throughout the country, and as Illinois, Pennsylvania, Maine, Nebraska, Oregon and other states have set the example of indorsing the progressive movement as enunciated by Colonel Roosevelt, showing that this is a country "of the people, for the people and by the people."

MARYLAND TO BE IN LINE.

A Solid Roosevelt Delegation Expected From State Convention.

Baltimore, Md.—The Maryland Republican state convention will be held on May 6, and the interest in the outcome of the contest to secure the Republican nomination for president is becoming more intense each day.

Colonel Roosevelt's candidacy and the principles for which he stands have caused such an upheaval in the political history of this state and the country at large as has never been known before in the history of the country, and Maryland will be in line with the other great states which have emphatically gone on record as indorsing the progressive, and it is predicted that a solid Roosevelt delegation will go to the national Republican convention at Chicago to register in no uncertain manner its choice of Theodore Roosevelt for president.

BAY STATE HEARS CALL AND WILL VOTE FOR T. R.

Massachusetts Republicans, Noting Big Roosevelt Wins In West, Deride Standpatters Who Insist on Party Suicide.

COLONEL HAILED AS "INDUSTRIAL MOSES."

Lawrence Strike Makes Voters Think, Also Slur on Pennsylvania Victory---Rank and File In Victorious Line.

Boston.—Whatever the so called "Taft sentiment" might have been ten days ago, today it is all for Roosevelt. The conservatives in the Republican ranks—educators, lawyers, business men, farmers, operatives, the backbone of New England—were the first to hear the note sounded by Illinois and Pennsylvania, then taken up by Nebraska and Oregon, and today rock ribbed New England is in line for the one leader that can lead not alone the party, but all the people, to victory. The "third term" cry is today too weak to echo. It is lost in the same ridicule that meets Congressman Gardner's unconsciously humorous demand that the colonel meet him in "joint debate." The colonel has shown so strongly as THE man, THE leader, that all classes of Republican voters, assured until now that Taft alone could win, turn toward the misinformers and smilingly utter Missouri's unwritten motto.

Of the incidental happenings that have kindled Roosevelt sentiment to enthusiasm none has been stronger than the sneering comment of a Boston newspaper that the Roosevelt victory in Pennsylvania was "a triumph for professional reformers and the coal miners." This awakened indignation among the workers, the rank and file of the party, who are always keenest to detect the popular trend. The Pennsylvania workers knew what they wanted and voted accordingly. Those of Massachusetts will do likewise on Tuesday, April 30.

The Real Progressive.

In no state more than in Massachusetts have the silent voters had more striking cause for real deliberation on the presidential issue, and the leading element in this cause has been the spectacular Lawrence strike. Whatever individual circumstances went to make up that calamity, the fact remains that the strike itself proved the existence of an industrial unrest that could mean only one thing—namely, that the people were dissatisfied and demanded and would bring about a change. Would they re-elect President Taft? How could they re-elect him when the demand for a change was so obvious? Would they elect a Democratic president? Perhaps since there must be a change. But when has the election of a Democratic president ever meant anything but industrial disaster? Who, then, was the real progressive, the man of vigor—an initiative and a referendum in himself—the man of deeds, to whom all the people could look for leadership out of an industrial wilderness?

The Workingmen Answered.

The Massachusetts workingmen asked this question. The candidacy of Theodore Roosevelt answered it immediately. But Massachusetts, one of the oldest of states and perhaps the most conservative, pauses to breathe before it begins to shout, and in the interim its own child, Maine, declared with emphasis for Roosevelt—Maine, in which the need of a strong, magnetic leader was not half so immediate as in Massachusetts. Nor was Massachusetts deaf to the shouts of Illinois and Pennsylvania. In its conservatism perhaps the Bay State was a little surprised at the magnitude of the Roosevelt victories in the west, but they were the spoken reflections of its own opinion rather than arguments for falling into a line of which Massachusetts was already a part.

All For Roosevelt.

The clamorers alone—the standpatting machine, backed by an almost unanimous party press—did the premature shouting, invoked the dubiously sacred name of "precedent" as argument in favor of party suicide. The silent voters were silent still, waiting for the echo of their own thoughts. They heard it, not from one quarter, but from many, and perhaps no more impressively than from the Connecticut convention, in which the name of Taft was heard in silence, while that of Roosevelt called forth cheers that were more than significant.

New England is aroused and is all for Roosevelt. His candidacy stands for national expediency, surmounting any possible question of precedent. Massachusetts Republicans know it, and they will so vote.



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