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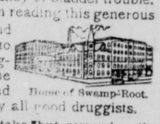

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Despite the Depression, Republicans Retain Control.

Looking now calmly and dispassionately back across the field of conflicting interests and balancing forces which shaped the American presidential campaign of 1908, one incontestable conclusion forces itself on the open mind. It is that a majority of the people became convinced in one way or another that it is "better to bear the evils that they have than to fly to others that they know not of" and to give the trust regulating policies of President Roosevelt a longer and fairer trial in the hands of his favorite adviser, William Howard Taft. How the people became so minded is a question to which no answer can be found to suit all kinds of partisans. The salient facts can, however, be recounted briefly and with historical impartiality.

On Jan. 31 was issued the challenge of the dominant personality and official of the party in power which was to determine in many ways the plans of battle of the different parties for the capture of the American electorate—namely, the message of President Roosevelt to congress advocating his program of radical legislation.

On June 16 at Chicago the Republicans got together. They cheered forty minutes when Chairman Lodge eulogized the president and seated all the Taft contestants. The thoroughness of this operation caused it to be described as the administration "steam roller," of which Frank H. Hitchcock was the engineer. The only fight was on the court injunction plank. Samuel Gompers, head of the A. F. of L., and other leaders of organized labor, confronted with numerous court decisions unfavorable to their methods and facing lower wages or lack of work for many workers, had decided to fight in the open for the party whose labor plank suited them best. Despite the warnings of the Gompers "cabinet" before the platform committee the plank finally adopted at Chicago was not to their liking. Van Cleave, Cannon, Crane and other Republican leaders insisted upon upholding the integrity of the courts, but asserting that the rules of injunction procedure be "more accurately defined by statute" and that no injunction should issue without due notice "except where irreparable injury would result from delay." William H. Taft of Ohio was nominated for president on the first ballot and James S. Sherman of New York for vice president.

On July 7 at Denver the national convention of the Democratic party assembled with the knowledge that an overwhelming majority of its delegates were pledged to the nomination of William J. Bryan of Nebraska. The big gathering broke all records for continuous cheering when the blind Oklahoma senator, Gore, eulogized the Nebraskan, the demonstration lasting eighty-seven minutes. Bryan was nominated on the first ballot, although the names of Johnson and Gray were presented. John W. Kern of Indiana, with the approval of Bryan, was named for second place.

As in the Republican convention, the main contest had to do with the wording of the injunction or labor plank of the platform. Gompers was present and gave his assent to the plank finally agreed upon. While asserting that the "courts of justice are the bulwark of our liberty," it demanded a modification of the injunction law so as to provide for a trial by jury in cases of indirect contempt. It declared against treating labor organizations as illegal combinations in restraint of trade, favored the eight hour day and promised a general employers' liability law.

Bryan at once induced his executive committee to say that it would reject all corporate gifts, would limit individual donations to $10,000 and would publish on Oct. 15 and daily thereafter the names of givers of $100 and upward. The final total published after election was $620,644 from 75,000 contributors. Although the Republican convention had rejected a publicity plank, Taft and his managers decided to work under the New York law and publish names and amounts of contributors after the election. Their funds totaled $1,655,518.

Frank H. Hitchcock, who had engineered the Taft canvass, was chosen chairman of the Republican national committee, and George R. Sheldon was made treasurer. The Democrats elected Norman E. Mack, the Buffalo newspaper proprietor, as their national chairman and Governor Haskell of Oklahoma as holder of the purse. When Treasurer Haskell resigned, his place was filled by Herman Ridder, editor of the New York Staats-Zeitung.

July 28, at Cincinnati, Taft delivered his speech of acceptance. He frankly accepted the role of "me too" by defending the Roosevelt policies in their entirety and explaining that his work, if elected, would be to carry on those reforms in detail.

Aug. 12, at Lincoln, Neb., Bryan was notified of his nomination and sounded the keynote of his campaign in the question, "Shall the people rule?" In subsequent speeches he gave great prominence to the bank guaranty plan, to the popular election of senators and to campaign publicity before election. He made a special bid for the labor vote on the injunction plank. He would destroy all trusts controlling over 50 per cent of an industry.

Regarding the depression as the beginning of the breakdown of the capitalist system and claiming the army of idle workers as their asset, the Socialists of America went into the campaign with better weapons than ever before. On May 10 the Socialist convention met at Chicago. For the first time the Socialists of America affirmed their position on specific questions of policy. The convention nominated on the first ballot unanimously Eugene V. Debs for president and Benjamin Hanford for vice president, the same ticket put up by the Socialists in 1904.

The Prohibitionists, conscious of the great strides their cause had made on the local option issue in many states, nominated Eugene W. Chafin of Illinois and Aaron S. Watkins of Ohio July 15 at Columbus, O., on a platform containing many radical proposals besides that against the sale or manufacture of intoxicants.

On July 28 at Chicago the first national convention of the Independence party, outgrowth of the league organized by Editor Hearst, named Thomas L. Hisgen of Massachusetts and John Temple Graves of Georgia on a platform containing most of the radical ideas of the Democrats and some more radical. Opposition to Bryan was its keynote.

The People's party April 3 at St. Louis again named Thomas E. Watson of Georgia as its standard bearer along with S. W. Williams of Indiana, although it did not put a ticket up in all of the states.

On Sept. 15, at Columbus, O., Hearst stirred up the hitherto calm current of the campaign by reading into his speech the first batch of a series of letters which had been stolen from the files of the Standard Oil company and which threw a sinister light on the activities of various public men, notably Foraker, Bailey, MacLaurin, Sibley, certain Pennsylvania judges and ex-Governor Stone, who was urged to appoint them. Most of the letters were written by Vice President Archbold of the trust and contained divers certificates of deposit for large sums of money. At the same time Hearst repeated the story of the alleged attempt to bribe former Attorney General Monnett of Ohio wherein Haskell, the Democratic treasurer, was made to figure. As governor of Oklahoma Haskell also was accused of protecting a legal branch of the Standard. Foraker at once withdrew from the campaign, and the president issued a hot statement condemning the Ohioan and gave out an old letter showing how Taft had refused to deal with Foraker; then compared this course to that of Bryan and Haskell. Bryan replied, demanding a hearing for Haskell, and then ensued a bitter verbal duel on personal and party issues. Haskell resigned, but protesting innocence, as did also Du Pont, the powder trust head, from the chairmanship of the Republican speakers' bureau. Both the president and Taft took the ground that publishing names of contributors before election would be to invite unfair and partisan criticism of candidates.

Gompers appealed to all unions in the A. F. of L. to give moral and financial support to Bryan. Speaker Cannon was the special target of the Gompers battery, and "Cannonism" became a national issue, many candidates for congress being pledged against Cannon as the next speaker.

On Nov. 3 the voters of the nation had their say. The extent of the Republican victory can be best remembered by the statement that Taft carried every state that Roosevelt did in 1904 except Nebraska, Colorado and Nevada. Furthermore, Taft invaded the solid south with small pluralities in Maryland and Missouri and large gains in other southern states. The popular vote stood: Taft, 7,637,676; Bryan, 6,393,182; Debs, 447,651; Chafin, 241,252; Hisgen, 83,186; Watson, 33,871; Gilhaus (Socialist-Labor), 15,421; total, 14,852,239. The total vote in 1904 was 13,510,708. Several states in the Taft column elected Democratic governors—Harmon in Ohio, Marshall in Indiana and Johnson in Minnesota. Taft captured the Democratic stronghold of New York city. The Republican majority in congress was reduced to 47, the total being 219 and the Democratic 172. The senate's Republican complexion was unchanged.

The early months of the long session of congress were devoted chiefly to the Republican wrangle over the terms of a currency bill. The Aldrich relief measure finally went through the senate March 28 despite the all night filibuster of La Follette, to propitiate whom the railroad bond feature had been cut out. La Follette named an oligarchy of fourteen wealthy men who, he said, actually ruled the nation. The Vreeland bill, in which clearing house associations were made the channel of the new currency issue, was passed by the house, and then a compromise between that and the Aldrich bills, with provision for a joint commission to report on permanent reforms, was adopted by both branches and signed by the president.

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