

PRELIMINARY POLL OF THE COMING ELECTIONS INDICATES THAT THE REPUBLICANS WILL RETAIN CONTROL OF CONGRESS, ALTHOUGH GAINS MAY BE SECURED BY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

CAREFUL estimates made by The Call on the coming elections indicate that the Republican party will successfully weather the crisis and retain a working majority in Congress. Owing to recent agitation due to combinations of vast commercial enterprises and the great strikes in the Eastern coal fields, the Democrats are certain to make gains in the House of Representatives, but not enough to secure control of that body.

THE SENATE.

Table showing Senate election results for the Fifty-Eighth and Fifty-Seventh Congresses, listing Republican, Democratic, and Doubtful counts.

THE HOUSE.

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Roosevelt's Firm Stand on the Trust Question Has Gained Many Votes for His Party

Special Dispatch to The Call.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—The Call and Herald's non-partisan poll of the forty-five States which will elect 386 members of the House of Representatives for the Fifty-eighth Congress shows that the Republicans will probably be able to control the organization of that body, but by a very narrow majority.

It has been high tide in the Republican party in the nation for almost ten years. The tide is ebbing. Whether it will turn before the next Presidential election is a question, but it is perfectly clear, judging from the political conditions prevailing ten days before the elections, that voters are changing their views in sufficient numbers to cause apprehensions on the part of the Republican managers.

MOST SIGNIFICANT SIGN OF THE TIMES

Perhaps the most significant sign of the times is the growth of what may be properly termed the socialistic sentiment in this country. It is appearing very much as the Populist sentiment appeared just prior to 1892, only this time the sentiment is in the Eastern States and in the Middle West.

It first made its appearance a year or two ago and grew to such strength in New England that workingmen's candidates were taken up by the Democratic party, and labor mayors were elected in a chain of Connecticut cities.

It has been fanned to flame by the trust question, by over-capitalization of corporations, by the combination of dealers in the necessities of life to create monopoly and arbitrarily fix prices. The beef trust and its exactions during the last winter and spring was one thing that greatly tended to the augmentation of this sentiment.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY SHREWDLY TAKES THE CUE. How shrewdly the Democratic party has taken the cue is shown in important spots all through the East. In Rhode Island, where there were street car strikes last winter and a general alignment of the laboring men against the capitalist, the Democrats have formed such a combination as to make not only the election of the Rhode Island State ticket this year but also the election of two Republican Congressmen doubtful until a few days ago.

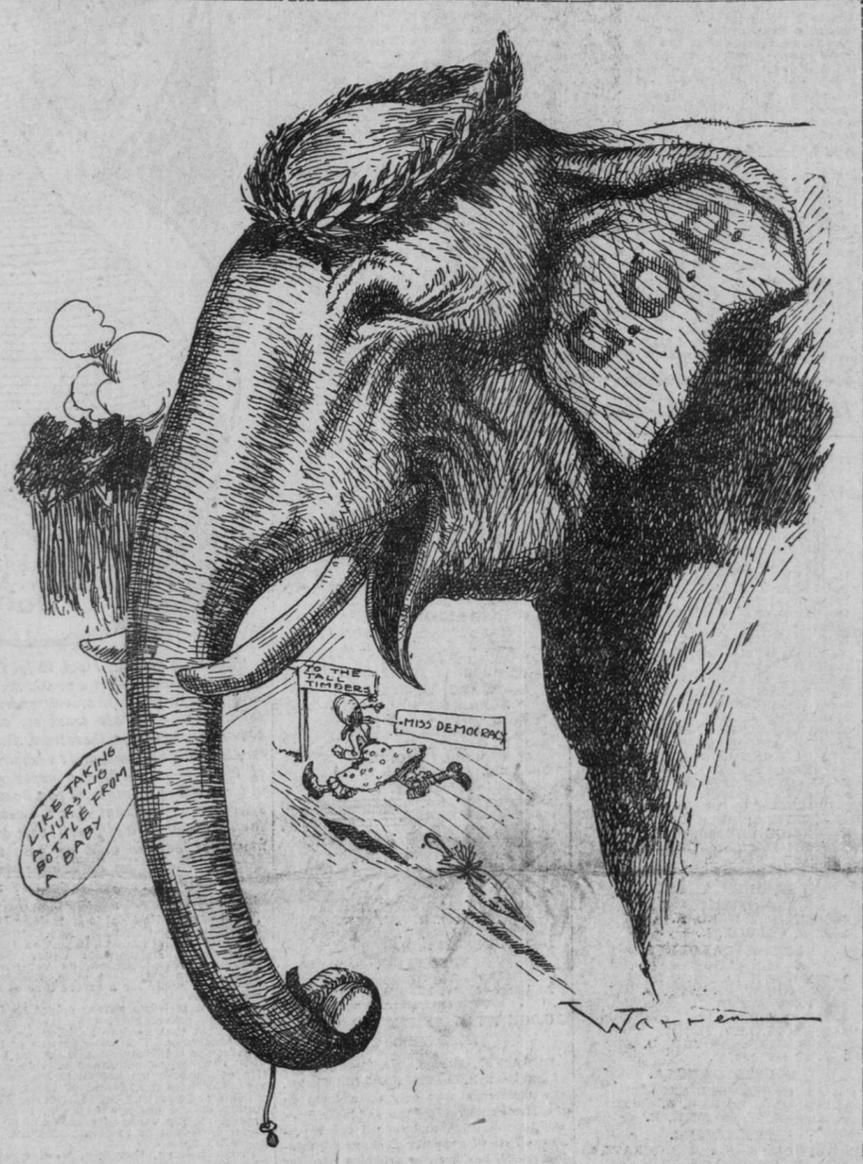
Connecticut is another notable field where the Democratic-labor union combination has been at work. In consequence Connecticut is doubtful. The Republicans nominated for Representative at Large a man who is associated with Swift & Co. of the beef combination.

COAL STRIKE AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN THE FIGHT. This is one of the pregnant signs of the time. It would seem to foreshadow a great coalition in 1904 between the Democratic party and the socialist and labor elements. It would be a coalition in some respects similar to that in which the Democratic National Committee entered in 1892, when the Populists and Democrats combined in half a dozen States in fusion on Presidential electors.

The appearance of Cleveland, Olney, Carlisle and other Democrats of national prominence in the campaign this year in behalf of the Democratic ticket is likely to bring to the support of the regular Democracy many gold Democrats, who have been either voting with the Republicans or not voting at all during the last six years.

There has been little discussion of Cuban reciprocity in the East. In the West the reciprocity issue has helped the Republicans as a corollary to the question of tariff revision. There has been absolutely no discussion of the Philippine question. Imperialism was laid in its coffin before the Senate adjourned, and that has absolutely cut no figure in the campaign.

Just as this campaign for Congress has been conducted on the question of trusts and tariff and the prosperous condition of the country, so it is indicated that these are lines on which the great national battle in 1904 will be fought. Republican campaign managers in the West have conducted their canvass



FIGURES SHOW PROBABLE COMPLEXION OF CONGRESS Indications That the Republicans Will Retain a Safe Working Majority in Both the House and Senate.

Large table showing the probable complexion of the next United States Senate and House of Representatives, comparing the 58th Congress with the present House. It lists states and their respective party affiliations for both chambers.

Names of Men in Both Parties Who Will Be Members of House of Representatives

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Below is given the Call-Herald's forecast of the election by Congressional districts. The successful candidate is given wherever it is possible to predict the result, so that the epitome in nearly every instance will be found to constitute a roster of the House of Representatives in the Fifty-eighth Congress.

- List of names of potential members of the House of Representatives for the Fifty-eighth Congress, organized by state (Alabama, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming).