

up to this time would be confident that Mr. Taft would carry that State and they still profess to believe that a large majority of the delegates will be for the President. The unexpected result in Pennsylvania, however, has thrown all Republicans into a state of uncertainty and very few predictions are being made now as to what is going to happen.

While the Roosevelt victory in Pennsylvania has revived in some quarters the talk of a compromise candidate such as Justice Hughes, the general effect today was to create the impression that a compromise is now out of the question. This has been brought about through the unexpected result shown by Roosevelt in the Illinois and Pennsylvania primaries.

While many of Roosevelt's supporters three weeks ago were talking of forcing the nomination of a third candidate they were today declaring that Roosevelt himself would now carry away the prize and be re-elected.

The stinging defeats administered to President Taft have the effect of increasing his determination to stand to the end. Republicans on both sides of the fence declared to-night that it was now a fight to the finish, with very little likelihood of either Taft or Roosevelt being elected, whichever one was nominated.

Even if the President should favor a compromise there is grave doubt whether he would be able to do so. The majority of the delegates who have been elected for him up to this time. This is especially true of the Southern delegates.

Col. Roosevelt will continue his whirlwind campaign trips. It was learned to-night that he will next jump to Kansas and Nebraska and then will strike into Arkansas and the South.

This plan of the Colonel to disorganize the delegates already elected for Taft in the South is regarded by Washington politicians as a bold stroke. From information obtained here to-night it is apparent that Col. Roosevelt's most important work in the South will not be to try to win votes but to organize his forces to serve their purpose, of course, but he undoubtedly expects to reap greater material benefit from his personal money-making than from any persuasive eloquence on the hustings.

Col. Roosevelt knows most of the Republican leaders on each side of the fence. Eight years that he sat in the White House he was brought in personal contact with them. Many of the Federal officeholders were named and he has had many conversations with them. There have been many evidences that some of the Federal officeholders who already have been selected will have no objection to communication with the Roosevelt managers.

About 100 of the 217 delegates instructed for or pledged to Taft have come from the Southern States. The Southern delegates always have been notorious for jumping to a winning band wagon and for refusing to say "no" until actually this block of delegates is likely to cause the Taft managers the greatest concern in the next few weeks.

The Roosevelt managers already have announced that they will not accept practically all of the Southern delegates. Several more Southern delegates are to be elected and there is strong likelihood that Roosevelt will have an advantage with these men. For example, Texas is likely to elect Roosevelt delegates.

While one convention has been held in Louisiana and six delegates have been elected for Taft another convention will be held there which will be dominated by Peck Wadlow, the Taft manager from Louisiana. This one will be a Roosevelt delegation.

In North Carolina the President will have a hard fight to prevail. Roosevelt's followers, the indications being now that he will only get about one-third of the delegates.

The next important test of strength will come on Friday, on which date State-wide primaries are to be held in Nebraska and Oregon. There will be three candidates in each of these States—Taft, Roosevelt and La Follette—and it is the fact that the progressive strength is to be divided between Roosevelt and La Follette that excites the President's friends.

Senator La Follette has been campaigning in Nebraska and Oregon. Men who are familiar with the Oregon situation believe that La Follette has a chance to carry that State. Senator Chamberlain, Democrat and former Governor of the State, who is with Roosevelt's forces there, believes Oregon will elect delegates in favor of La Follette. Some of Taft's friends have expressed a hope that a real fight will be made in Oregon, but they believe the Taft ticket will prevail. They base their hopes of success in Nebraska on the same situation.

It is estimated that there is more chance of realizing their hope in Nebraska than they have in Oregon. It is considered on all hands that the surprising results for Roosevelt in the Illinois and Pennsylvania primaries will favorably affect his chances in Nebraska and Oregon. His personal presence in Nebraska and probably in Oregon, he may be able to do more to serve to enhance his chances for success. Other Republican Presidential primaries will be held as follows: Massachusetts, April 30; Maryland, May 1; Virginia, May 16; Ohio, May 21; New Jersey, May 28; South Dakota, June 3.

With the sudden spirit developed by Roosevelt many Republicans view with alarm the possibility of Roosevelt and La Follette controlling the national convention in the State convention. The latter form even if they are opposed to each other as candidates. Some Republicans fear now that the contest between Roosevelt and Taft may be decided by La Follette who will hold the balance of power. In that event nobody undertakes to predict what would happen. La Follette has now thirty-six delegates and is certain to win more in the West.

Newell Sanders, the new Senator from Tennessee, who is Republican national committee man from that State, does not believe Roosevelt will carry the Taft delegates in the South.

"I do not take any stock in this talk of office-holders Republicans being a lot of office-holders," said a Republican leader. "They are men of integrity and conviction and their support of President Taft springs from the fact that they believe his administration should be endorsed by the party."

"The Pennsylvania primaries put Mr. Taft out of the race," said Representative Norris, the Republican candidate for Governor of that State. "I know there is always a chance for a compromise candidate in a situation of this kind, but I do not think that one will be named in this instance. I rather expect Mr. Roosevelt to be nominated. There is no reason why the party should be sacrificed for Taft."

DELAWARE FOR TAFT.
Roosevelt Will Have Only Five Votes in State Convention.
WILMINGTON, Del., April 14.—The six delegates from Delaware to the Republican national convention will support Taft. This was made certain by the primary election yesterday throughout the State for delegates to the State convention at Dover on Tuesday. Of the 190 delegates in the State convention only five will be for Roosevelt. The remainder will be for Taft.

The convention will elect the national delegates as well as two local delegates to each county. This is the method employed in Delaware by both political parties. Four of the six delegates to Chicago will be for Taft, one for Roosevelt and one for La Follette. Congressman Heald and Gov. Pennell will be the others two will be chosen at a conference in Dover to-morrow night. The national delegates are unopposed but they will support Taft.

The Democratic State convention to elect delegates to the convention at Baltimore will be held in Dover on April 17. The primaries will be held throughout the State on April 22. The fight in Delaware is between Clark and Wilson, with honors about even at this date.

PENNSYLVANIA GIVES ROOSEVELT 70, TAFT 6

Three Delegates Elected to the President Climb the Colonel's Band Wagon.

PENROSE IS REPUTATED New National Committeeman and a New U. S. Senator Results of the Voting.

PHILADELPHIA, April 14.—Theodore Roosevelt will get the votes of 70 of the 76 delegates that Pennsylvania will send to the Republican national convention, and he may have the entire delegation.

In yesterday's primary he elected all but 6 of the 64 Congress district delegates and a big majority of the delegates to the State convention, which will instruct the twelve delegates at large for the election.

The supporters of President Taft carried only one Congress district seat of Philadelphia, the one that includes Lancaster county, where Mayor McClain of Lancaster has almost an unassailable organization.

In Philadelphia the Taft supporters apparently carried the First, Second and Third and elected one delegate in the Fifth district. But in the First district State Senator William S. Vare, the Republican organization leader, and Reviser of Taxes Hugh Black, elected as Taft delegates, have announced that they now see it Theodore Roosevelt is the only man capable of saving the country as a Republican.

President of Select Council Ransley, who was elected as an uninstructed delegate in the Third district, to-day said: "As Senator Vare votes so do I."

In the Fifth district in Philadelphia one Roosevelt delegate was elected and one apparent Taft man got through, C. A. Diston, the saw manufacturer, won on the Taft ticket through his popularity with his own employees.

TAFT'S SIX.
The recapitulation shows that President Taft may count on the votes of E. T. Stotesbury and John Wanamaker, who were elected as delegates in the Second district; J. H. Bromley, who was elected in the Third; C. A. Diston of the Fifth district and William W. Geist and William H. Keller, the two delegates elected in the Lancaster district. This is the sum total of the Taft delegates unless complete returns make changes.

The candidates on the Taft ticket were not returned to him. They were selected to run merely as friendly to the President's candidacy. Hence, even the six that Roosevelt did not get are at liberty to change or not get any other candidate, even Roosevelt.

Not only have the Roosevelt followers swept the State for district delegates but they have also won a great majority of the 372 representatives to the State convention which will elect twelve delegates at large to the national convention.

Those twelve delegates already are counted for Roosevelt, but the meeting of the State convention will have another and more potent influence on Pennsylvania. It means the passing of the States Senator Boies Penrose, a member of the national committee, and many persons are predicting that it also marks the beginning of his exit from politics.

The Roosevelt followers will also probably dominate the State convention. They will nominate an Auditor-General and a State Treasurer, and for the first time in years and years the opposition to the organization will have absolute control of the election machinery of the State.

TAFT TO PREFER PENROSE.
In this connection the twenty-five men who yesterday were candidates for the State Senate, who were elected, will hold over until the time comes for the selection of a successor of Senator Penrose. The list of the candidates for these men are opposed to Senator Penrose and to the ideas for which he stands.

The story of the State battle would indicate that the Roosevelt victory is a foregone conclusion. In Philadelphia Roosevelt carried 17 of the 47 wards. The Taft vote here was 62,683 and the Roosevelt vote 2,900. Outside of that one district in Lancaster where the Taft delegates were elected and in Philadelphia the vote of Roosevelt was so great that it simply swamped the Taft vote. The complete vote of the State probably will show that the Roosevelt delegates polled 160,000 more votes than the Taft delegates.

THINK IT PENROSE'S TAFT.
The Roosevelt men have not the slightest doubt that their victory yesterday eliminates President Taft's availability for renomination. Their convictions are absolute on this subject, but they are not, however, so positive that Col. Roosevelt can be nominated. Some of them lean to the opinion that a third man will capture the prize, but they refuse to speak of this man as a compromise candidate, or they declare there shall be no compromise between Taft and Roosevelt.

The Roosevelt men also shall control the Republican national convention at Chicago. If at the last moment it is not deemed advisable to nominate Roosevelt and his adherents shall name the candidate.

The Roosevelt campaigners to-day had hardly slipped of a statement made in New York by Senator Root on October 28, 1910, reading: "If Mr. Taft continues to make as good a President as he is making now he will be the natural and inevitable candidate of his party in 1912 unless something happens that will prevent the United States shall repudiate the Administration of Mr. Taft by such a crushing and overwhelming defeat of his party that he will be re-elected."

The Roosevelt lieutenants insist to-day that Penrose is saying nothing. Early this morning he went to Atlantic City and within two hours after reaching there he boarded his yacht and sailed, he pointed her nose seaward, not, however, until Penrose had got the late editions of the Philadelphia newspapers and had read of the defeat of his machine. Many "SOS" messages were sent to the yacht in an effort to get some expression from the Senator, but to all he was silent. He has nothing to say.

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It is sure that the Roosevelt men of the future that they have little hesitation about detailing their plans. They are positive that the State delegates to the Chicago convention will make Flinn Republican national committeeman for the State, the post now held by Senator Penrose.

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David H. Lane and other Republican warriors in the Taft camp are to-day to-night. They declined to express any opinion of the catastrophe.

"The fight is over," said Mr. Lane, "and I do not care to say much less, much less criticize anything or anybody."

Senator Dixon, Roosevelt's national campaign manager, who is here, said: "The Taft vote of Pennsylvania is a national campaign its solar plexus blow. Senator Penrose, the Taft boss of Pennsylvania, said the other day that he would regard the election of Roosevelt as a humiliating defeat for the whole Taft campaign may be expected to collapse. The Taft rout began in Illinois completed by Pennsylvania."

"ONLY A REINACTING."
John J. Crout, chairman of the Roosevelt committee, said: "This victory means that without question Roosevelt is the next President of the United States. Taft can no longer be considered as a candidate. His political fortunes have been wiped away forever by the rout of the Illinois and Pennsylvania primaries. The uninstructed delegates of the South will fall into line. This is only the beginning; the rest will be a mere formality."

Magistrate MacFarland, a Roosevelt campaigner, said: "The Roosevelt victory for the people and the end of the boss rule in Pennsylvania. It means the beginning of a new era which will bring better, cleaner and brighter government to the State. The glorious victory will smash the bonds of the toilers and the oppressed. The political careers of these political czars will be ended. The Roosevelt victory is a foregone conclusion. The Roosevelt victory will bring down and they will never rise again. They have been repudiated by the people with one sweep of indignation. With the Roosevelt victory the Taft machine will be wiped out and they will be no more."

HILL'S INTERESTED.
Secretary Hill of the White House is reported to have telegraphed to-day to the Taft chiefs in this and other cities of the State for the very latest returns. There was every desire to give Mr. Hill the latest and most encouraging news, but it was lacking.

The result in this city was a complete surprise to even the Roosevelt men themselves. The Taft vote in this city indicates that only about one-third of the voters turned out. There are plenty of statements to the effect that the Taft people will secure what they allowed things to drift, and that they so the Roosevelt camps. On Thursday last every one of the 1,000,000 voters in the State could not say anything about Mr. Flinn from Pittsburgh, who sent by names of Congress district delegates favorable to Roosevelt, together with this legend and Theodore Roosevelt's signature. They knew that they could vote as they chose.

Mayor Blankenburg of Philadelphia, it is declared, voted a Roosevelt ballot at the last election. He is reported to have declared the Mayor saw to it that the 12,000 officeholders of the city were not coerced or in any way interfered with. They knew that they could vote as they chose.

It is the opinion of experts that the result of yesterday's primaries was the party that has won the penrose machine in the State, also that contrary to accepted beliefs Pennsylvania is really progressive in its ideas. One Taft supporter who has been asked to explain the overturn, remarked: "It means simply that Roosevelt is more popular than Taft. If I talked for a week I could not say anything about the Astute Republican leaders like the Vares, who have the credit of controlling 81,000 votes in Philadelphia, are advising the Taft campaign. They are advising Roosevelt but because they think he will give the impression that he is an enemy of the Taft machine. They are not, however, the only Republican who can defeat the Democratic candidate."

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STANDING OF THE DELEGATES. List of Those Pledged for Taft and Roosevelt and of the Contests.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—This table shows the present standing of delegates to the Republican convention:

State.	Instructed or Pledged.		Contested.
	Taft.	Roosevelt.	
Alabama.....	22	—	20
Alaska.....	2	—	—
Colorado.....	8	—	—
District of Columbia.....	2	—	2
Florida.....	12	—	12
Georgia.....	26	—	24
Illinois.....	2	56	—
Indiana.....	20	8	12
Iowa.....	8	—	—
Kentucky.....	23	3	10
Louisiana.....	6	—	6
Maine.....	—	12	—
Michigan.....	18	4	6
Mississippi.....	20	—	—
Missouri.....	14	6	8
Pennsylvania.....	6	70	—
New Mexico.....	6	2	—
New York.....	83	7	—
North Dakota.....	6	8	6
Oklahoma.....	—	8	—
Philippines.....	2	—	—
South Carolina.....	16	—	10
Tennessee.....	14	2	14
Virginia.....	24	—	22
Vermont.....	6	2	—
Wisconsin.....	6	—	—
Totals.....	346	180	152

Cummins has four delegates from Iowa and La Follette thirty-six from Wisconsin and North Dakota. Total in convention, 1,076; necessary to nominate, 539; elected to date, including Pennsylvania, 526; to be elected, 398.

TAFT STILL IN FIGHT; WILL STAY TO THE END

Was Nominated Four Years Ago Without States That Roosevelt Has Won.

WARNS REPUBLICAN PARTY No Man Ever Elected to a Third Term—Manager Resents Misrepresentation.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Director William B. McKinley of the Taft campaign issued this statement to-night:

The outcome of the Pennsylvania primary is a plain indication of the fact that national issues are playing only a small part in some States in the campaign for the Republican nomination for President. Instead of constructive statesmanship being put forth in an effort to solve the problems before the country and as a bid for votes on the ground of merit a nationwide campaign of vilification and malicious misrepresentation, vilification and assault on the President of the United States has been substituted. Such a campaign, amounting in fact to a conspiracy, made not only to humiliate the President personally but to commit the Republican party to rank socialism, has not only been countenanced but conducted by former President Theodore Roosevelt.

The time has arrived to call a halt on such proceedings. President Taft, always mindful of the dignity of human conduct, believing that friendship is a sacred thing and that, like truth, it should be maintained even at a personal sacrifice, and also believing that the American people expect the occupant of the highest office in the gift of the nation, as those who have formerly occupied it, to respect the dignity of that office during the course of his campaign, patiently submitted to misrepresentation, vilification and insult without reply.

The result is that his opponent has thrown all restraint to the winds. Senator Joseph H. Dixon, the national campaign manager of former President Roosevelt, has been permitted, without rebuke from his candidate, to make a charge against the United States. He has not only been permitted to charge the President with being "a receiver of stolen goods" without protest but former President Roosevelt has repeated the charge on the stump.

It is time to come when the American people will no longer sit idly by and see the unfair and malicious persecution and vilification continued by a man and by the friends of a man who has already served in the White House, by the votes of the Republican party, and who now, not only in violation of the unwritten law of the republic, but in violation of his own solemn promise to the nation, voluntarily seeks a third term on a national platform so un-Republican in nature that he dare not discuss it himself, as is shown by his recent speeches in Illinois, Pennsylvania and New Hampshire.

The fact that this candidate is now claiming to wear the mantle of Abraham Lincoln is evidence that the acme of demagogism in this country has been reached. These States which have yet to elect delegates to the national convention in Chicago might just as well realize now that the Republic as well as the Republican party has been placed in jeopardy by the issues raised by Theodore Roosevelt. They are in a great measure, and in fact, are in a great measure, a party in any national election in this country. The day of the Republican party is over. The day of the Republican party is over. The day of the Republican party is over.

Including Pennsylvania, which according to latest advices has given President Taft at least twenty-one votes in the national convention, the President to-day has 514 delegates instructed for or pledged to his renomination. He needs only 174 more delegates to insure his renomination. At a rate of 382 more delegates, making his support in the Chicago meeting 746 delegates, or more than 200 majority.

The President is in this fight to stay. He will not retreat. He will not give up the fight at Chicago. In this connection it must be forgotten that he was nominated in 1901 without the votes of the States of Illinois, Pennsylvania, Indiana, New York or Wisconsin. In this year he has a large majority of the delegates from Indiana and New York and a large number of delegates from Pennsylvania, all of which voted for him in 1908.

DALZELL IS BEATEN.
Admits His Defeat by Kelly by a Small Plurality.
PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 14.—John Dalzell, who, following the recent defeat of Congressman Bingham of Philadelphia, he came father of the House, concedes his defeat by M. Clyde Kelly of Bradford, a young newspaper editor, member of the State Legislature and a progressive Republican. Dalzell's manager says that Kelly's tally will not exceed 352, Kelly claims his nomination by 352.

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AS SEEN BY EDITORS. Opinions of President Taft's Defeat in Pennsylvania.

From the Philadelphia North American. The result of Saturday's primary election in Pennsylvania eliminates President Taft as a candidate for reelection worthy of serious consideration. Whatever course those who control his actions may see fit to take to assuage the humiliation of his rout, the outcome has been as a result of a candidate before the Republican national convention, for it is impossible to believe that there is either folly or cruelty enough in his blind supporters to force the party which honored Mr. Taft so highly in North Dakota to endorse in open convention its complete repudiation of him and his Administration.

Saturday's victory will not end with the removal from the Republican Presidential race of this chosen and accredited candidate of special privilege. It will accomplish a result of even greater benefit to the mass of the American people. It will make the nomination of Theodore Roosevelt a genuinely progressive platform with certainty. And without much doubt it will cause his selection to be brought about by acclamation at Chicago.

The word has gone forth from the great indispensable Republican States from New England, North Dakota to the South is the same. And after Illinois and Pennsylvania have spoken that word is finally settled.

We speak with knowledge when we say that this condition, generally conceded by the Taft managers, has come as a surprise as great to Col. Roosevelt and his friends as to his enemies. We were present at the conference when Col. Roosevelt consented to take up what then had the appearance of a hopeless contest, but one in an reversal of the situation. In four years the progressive movement in the party, a cause which to him and his advisers seems almost sacred.

When asked what effect the election of Roosevelt would have on the content he replied that such a result would do much toward defeating any reactionary candidate. When asked what effect the election of fifty anti-revolutionary delegates from Pennsylvania would have on the content he replied that such a result would do much toward defeating any reactionary candidate. When asked what effect the election of fifty anti-revolutionary delegates from Pennsylvania would have on the content he replied that such a result would do much toward defeating any reactionary candidate.

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To Mr. Taft's Managers.
From the New York Times. In spite of Illinois, in spite of Pennsylvania, in spite of the victory in New Jersey and Ohio, while the Pacific States are in doubt and may return a split vote, the result of Saturday's primaries in Pennsylvania is a great industrial State which a week ago seemed to be almost certainly assured for Taft, must now be conceded to be in doubt.

One Man Rule Looms.
From the Pittsburgh Post. Col. Roosevelt has swept the good old State of Pennsylvania. The stamped in place of Col. Roosevelt an evolution take the place of the man and revolution. Conditions have changed to a remarkable degree within a week, and "one man rule" looms up with a force that impresses itself upon the most thoughtful citizens.

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"Nothing But Death."
From the Springfield Republican. It would be taken for granted that President Taft, after the victory of Saturday week he has just experienced as a candidate for renomination, will now make his opponents understand as they have not before the unalterable purpose which inspired his statement that "nothing but death" could remove him from the contest.

If such a spirit on his part was appropriate two months ago, it is much more appropriate to-day. He should now press on, determined to have justice at the hands of the people, to force to struggle him to his political death. There should be no compromise, no withdrawal, no surrender.

The character of the campaign Mr. Roosevelt is making leaves the President no honorable alternative to an indefinite, unending maintenance of his position as a candidate for the last gasp. There might be a dozen reverses like this in Illinois and Pennsylvania and still the President would be under a heavy moral obligation, not merely to his friends and himself but to the country to continue this battle to the end.

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CHALLENGE TO ROOSEVELT.
Gardner Invites Him to a Joint Debate in Massachusetts.
WASHINGTON, April 14.—Representative "Gus" Gardner of Massachusetts, Senator Lodge's son-in-law and an old friend of Col. Roosevelt, to-night challenged the President to a debate on campaign issues. Representative Gardner recently turned against the Colonel because of his judicial recall theories. Here is a letter sent by Gardner to Roosevelt:

"I see by the newspapers that you intend soon to speak in Massachusetts. In this campaign are being lost sight of and that an endeavor is being made to link the name of President Taft with that of Senator Lodge and other unpopulist persons who are the President has always opposed. During your Massachusetts tour I respectfully invite you to a joint debate on the principles at issue in your campaign. The time and place for the debate I leave entirely for your decision."

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