

## PRESIDENT TAFT IS SURE TO WIN

Secretary Hilles Says His Renomination is as Certain as Anything Can Be.

PREDICTION IS BASED ON FACTS  
Lines Are Being Drawn Closer and Situation is Clearing.

OUTLOOK IN INDIANA GOOD  
Every Member of New State Committee is Taft Man.

OHIO AND NEW YORK SAFE  
Substantial Republicanism in Every District in President's Home State Are for Him and He Will Get Delegation.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—In the first authorized statement he has issued in connection with the Taft campaign Charles D. Hilles, secretary to the president, predicted today President Taft would be re-nominated and elected.

"President Taft's nomination in June is as certain as anything could be," said Mr. Hilles in his statement. "I am confident there will be comparatively little opposition to him in the national convention, and when the nomination is made the republicans of the country will rally to the party standard and win a great victory in November."

"I would not make this prediction did I not feel that my information from all parts of the country warrant me in doing so. It is easy to make big claims and to try to deceive people, and I think that a man who does so without facts and figures to justify is guilty of deception."

A month ago, before I had gotten into touch with republicans in all the states, I would not have said this much. In that month I have seen the lines drawn closer and closer. In the last week the situation has cleared wonderfully with republicans in all directions falling into line for the president and manifesting a determination to bring about his nomination.

New York, Ohio and Indiana.  
"It is useless to speak in general terms or to undertake at short notice to go into conditions in each state, but developments in three of the big states within a few days ought to point conclusively to the present trend."

Mr. Hilles goes on to review conditions in New York, Ohio and Indiana, claiming that President Taft has received endorsements in those states which indicate they will give their delegates to him in the convention.

"There has been lots of noise in Ohio," said Mr. Hilles, "but the substantial republicans in every congressional district are determined the president shall have the delegates and he will get them, too."

"I have a telegram from Indianapolis, saying that every single member of the republican state committee elected in the thirteen congressional districts yesterday is for Mr. Taft. That is a big change from a committee whose chairman, Mr. Lee, went around Washington in December proclaiming that Indiana was hostile to the president."

Enthusiasm in New York.  
In regard to New York state Mr. Hilles said:

"The president's speeches in New York so enthused the republicans there that the executive committee of the county committee of New York county passed by a unanimous vote resolutions endorsing the president and declaring for his renomination in the strongest terms."

"This was followed by a meeting of the general republican committee of Kings county, Brooklyn. By unanimous vote Mr. Taft's renomination was urged. I was told today by two of the leaders of Brooklyn that it had not been the intention of the leaders to bring about an endorsement at that meeting, but the action was spontaneous after a member had introduced the resolution. The information from the leaders in New York was uniformly that the president will have the delegation of the state."

"In Ohio the president's speeches have awakened republicans to a degree that was not expected. I have not a doubt that every delegate from the state will be for him."

## The Weather

FOR NEBRASKA—Fair and colder.  
FOR IOWA—Fair and colder.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.

| Hour     | Deg. |
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Comparative Local Record.

| Date                | High        | Low         |
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| 1911 1912 1909 1908 | 39 49 51 47 | 12 15 20 21 |

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal:

| Normal temperature | Excess for the day |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| 22                 | 0                  |

Total excess since March 1. . . . .54  
Normal precipitation. . . . .10.60 inches  
Deficiency for period. . . . .1.10 inches  
Total rainfall since March 1. . . . .11.70 inches  
Deficiency since March 1. . . . .1.10 inches  
Excess for period. 1909. . . . .1.10 inches

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

| Station and State    | Temp. | High-Low | Rain- |
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