

## A CENTURY OF ELECTIONS

The following summary of presidential elections for the past 100 years is compiled from statistics in the World Almanac. It states the major parties' popular vote for president starting with 1852:

D, Democrat; W, Whig; R, Republican; D-P, Democrat-Progressive; D-L, Democrat-Liberal; R(W), Republican (Whig).

1852—Pierce (D) 1,801,474; Scott (W) 1,386,578.  
1856—Buchanan (D) 1,227,995; Fremont (R) 1,291,555.  
1860—Lincoln (R) 1,866,352; Douglas (D) 1,375,157.  
1864—Lincoln (R) 2,216,067; McClellan (D) 1,808,725.  
1868—Grant (R) 3,015,071; Seymour (D) 2,709,615.  
1872—Grant (R) 3,597,070; Greeley (D-L) 2,834,079.  
1876—Hayes (R) 4,033,950; Tilden (D) 4,284,885.  
1880—Garfield (R) 4,449,053; Hancock (D) 4,442,030.  
1884—Cleveland (D) 4,911,017; Blaine (R) 4,848,334.  
1888—Cleveland (D) 5,540,050; Harrison (R) 5,444,337.  
1892—Cleveland (D) 5,554,414; Harrison (R) 5,190,802.  
1896—McKinley (R) 7,035,638; Bryan (D-P) 6,467,946.  
1900—McKinley (R) 7,219,530; Bryan (D) 6,358,071.  
1904—Roosevelt (R) 7,628,834; Parker (D) 5,084,491.  
1908—Taft (R) 7,679,006; Bryan (D) 6,409,106.  
1912—Wilson (D) 6,286,214; Taft (R) 3,483,922.  
1916—Wilson (D) 9,129,606; Hughes (R) 8,538,221.  
1920—Harding (R) 16,152,200; Cox (D) 9,147,353.  
1924—Coolidge (R) 15,725,018; Davis (D) 8,385,586.  
1928—Hoover (R) 21,392,190; Smith (D) 15,016,443.  
1932—Roosevelt (D) 22,821,857; Hoover (R) 15,761,841.  
1936—Roosevelt (D) 27,476,872; Landon (R) 16,679,583.  
1940—Roosevelt (D) 27,243,466; Willkie (R) 22,504,755.  
1944—Roosevelt (D) 25,602,505; Dewey (R) 22,006,278.  
1948—Truman (D) 24,105,812; Dewey (R) 21,970,065.  
1952—Eisenhower (R) 84,573,000; Stevenson (D) 45,900,000.

The election 1876 was contested and congress appointed an electoral commission of five representatives, five senators and four supreme court justices. The justices chose another justice as the 15th member of the commission—in all eight republicans and seven democrats. The commission, by a strict party vote, awarded the 22 electoral votes of Florida, Louisiana, Oregon and South Carolina to the republican candidates whereupon congress in joint session (March 2, 1877) declared Hayes and Wheeler elected president and vice-president by an electoral vote of 185 for Hayes and 184 for Tilden. The senate was republican. The house, which was democratic, resolved and declared as a separate body (March 3) that Tilden and Hendricks were elected on the face of the returns.

Since the passage of the 19th amendment giving women votes in 1920, the popular vote has naturally greatly increased though a large percentage of registered voters are never cast at elections and a still larger percentage never registered for elections.

## A HERO'S DEATH

Death of America's greatest jet ace in Korea has resulted in an unfortunate controversy. The ace, Major George Davis, was shot down over Mig alley and presumably killed Sunday.

The question Major Davis' widow and others have asked was why he was permitted to remain in combat after he had already shot down 21 planes, including seven Japanese planes in World War II. The air forces' official explanation was that policy calls for air jet pilots, including aces, to finish a normal tour of 100 combat missions.

Exceptions, of course, are made in such policy, but the explanation of one of his fellow officers seems the most logical: Davis' personal heroism was as great as his exploits—he wouldn't ask for any favors that his fellow officers didn't get.

Men in combat rise to the heights of personal conduct, honor, fellowship and bravery that danger brings. Major Davis obviously exemplified the finest in those personal qualities that are brought out in battle. The ace did his duty for his country, like any man in uniform in Korea, and he died the hero that he was.

The controversy stirred over his death could result in one beneficial thing: It could point to the predicament of United States air power in Korea today.

Even a month ago a flying colonel whose "boys" had shot down 139 Communist planes said the American pilots need more and better planes to keep up with the growing Red air force. He said: "The enemy has a better airplane and far more than we have." He added that the F-86 Sabre jet of ours could, "with good American team work," effectively fight against three or four to one odds. But in January he estimated the odds "have been six to seven against us."

While the truce talks have stumbled along on the ground, the air war has continued without let-up. In fact, the spurts of aerial combat have shown that the Red's numerical superiority in the air has reached the point where American pilots must get more planes. Why haven't those additional planes been sent to Korea?

## O&C TIMBER SALES SPLIT

The Bureau of Land Management of the Department of the Interior is supporting legislation before congress which would prevent western Oregon counties from collecting 75 per cent of the proceeds of Oregon and California railroad grant timber sales and would provide for a 50-50 split between the counties and federal government.

Bureau Director Marion Clawson made this clear in testimony before the house appropriations committee subcommittee Tuesday. He said the counties in which reforested lands lie would get \$6,750,000 of the estimated \$9,000,000 gross from 1952 O&C timber sales. He hoped congress would act on the bills before the house which provide a 50-50 split. As the house has an economy axe out, especially for access roads in the timber, the Oregon members sponsoring the legislation feel it would be better to hold on to 50 per cent of the timber sales cash than to risk losing it all.

Clawson told the committee his bureau needs \$700,000 this year to continue its program of access road construction in the O&C lands. He estimated that 525,000,000 board feet of timber from the lands would be sold during the next fiscal year at an average price of \$22 a thousand. As a matter of fact the proposed legislation would cut the counties' revenues one third, for the bureau favors recommending amending the bills so all government administration expenses would be deducted before the 50-50 split is made.

Though Clawson stated that the government has not lost money under the present 75-25 split because of high prices received for timber, the house appropriation committee is not convinced and will have to be shown. As all timber sold is under the sustained yield basis, access roads will open up vast areas and perhaps in the long run increase county revenues in the future.

BY H. T. WEBSTER

## The Unseen Audience



## POOR MAN'S PHILOSOPHER

### Younger Feminine Generation Shooting Up Like Corn Stalks

By HAL BOYLE

Tampa, Fla. (AP)—Are you finding it harder to meet American women on their own level? I am. And with me the reason is very simple. I no longer can look them in the face. I have to look up to them.

They are getting that tall. What are they feeding girls these days anyway—"grow-fast"?

Everywhere you travel this nation you notice that the younger feminine generation is shooting up like corn stalks under a hot July sun.

Is a new race of American Amazons in the making?

Maybe that's just a reflection of the American credo that we have to have everything bigger and better. But foreign visitors, notably Frenchmen, for some time have been appalled at the altitude our ladies are attaining. And certain disadvantages are becoming apparent to the native male, too.

For in the battle of sexes in the United States men have been steadily losing ground.

They have been told women are made of finer stuff, have more culture, can endure more suffering, live longer, and control more money than they do. Only in the field of height have

they been able to say to women, "grow up, kid."

But that is exactly what the gals are now doing, and they threaten to reduce man to his final inferiority. He is on the way to becoming a pale satellite of womanhood, circling around the flower of his choice like a tame bee.

This sad certainty became apparent to me during the parade here the other day highlighting the Gasparilla Festival, one of the Southland's greatest fetes.

I was dressed in pirate regalia, trudging along feeling pretty villainous. But as I passed a high-stepping high school drum majorette, she looked over and said: "Hi, Stumpy!"

Well, that melted all the piracy in me. Why, I am five-feet nine inches tall and I can remember when girls her age used to call me things like "Tarzan." Anyway, one girl did once, and what if she was near-sighted? From Tarzan to Stumpy in 20 years—what a comedown!

My theory is that the modern girl had better curb her Alpine growth or she will outshadow the average American man altogether, forcing the poor, inhibited soul to court midgets to keep his own vanity intact.

## Kefauver Who Campaigns In Coonskin Cap Short of Fur

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS

Washington (AP)—Sen. Estes Kefauver (D. Tenn.), who campaigns for office on the tail of a coonskin cap, is almost out of fur.

And partly, it's because of "bad" investments.

Not so long ago, he made a bet with Sen. Herbert R. O'Connor (D-Md.) on the Sugar Bowl game between Maryland and Tennessee. Maryland won, and there went a 'coonskin hat. It now rests under glass in the athletic department of the University of Maryland.

Recently, Kefauver put a 'coon bonnet under the hammer at New Orleans. He calculated to lose that one and it went to the highest bidder, with a net of more than \$1,000 for the campaign against polio.

The senator was pretty happy about the way that one came out. Among the people in the audience was St. Bernard parish sheriff Celestine (Dutch) Rowley—not one of the senator's best friends, the feeling harking back to senate crime committee investigation days. The auctioneer asked the sheriff if he would try on the hat for size.

The sheriff reversed his badge. Said he: "I wouldn't give 25 cents for the thing."

Rowley, however, donated \$100 to the March of Dimes.

The original 'coonskin cap, which the senator wore when he campaigned for the senate in 1948, now flies from the cupola atop the capital in Nashville. Another lost bet.

The Kefauver folks are a little anxious about that deal, too. "Been having some high winds down that way lately," a secretary in the senator's office reported. "The fur on the tail of the cap doesn't look much like 'coonskin anymore."

Worst blow, however, to the pride of the man who has one eye on H.S.T.'s balcony and the other on any sneak low enough to commit crime, was a recent event.

United Press photographer Milt Freier was assigned to flag down the senator, back him into a corner, and snap his black head adorned with a 'coonskin cap.

The spirit was willing, but the senator was fresh out of 'coonskin caps. A search of his office and the Kefauver - for -

WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

## McDonald Confirmation Stymied by Democratic Solon

By DREW PEARSON

Washington—The House Commerce committee, now investigating Harry McDonald, might dig into a more important matter by investigating its own chairman—Congressman Robert Crosser, Ohio democrat, who has been grinding a political ax against McDonald, a republican. This is one backstage reason McDonald's confirmation has been held up as new boss of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Inside story is that Congressman Crosser tried to bring pressure on the Securities and Exchange commission under McDonald on behalf of financier Cyrus Eaton, who has been in trouble with the SEC. Eaton and Congressman Crosser both come from Cleveland.

The SEC is investigating Eaton for promoting a lawsuit against Auto Manufacturer Henry Kaiser as a trumped-up excuse to back out of a multimillion-dollar contract. The courts have already awarded Kaiser \$3,000,000 in damages, and the National Association of Securities dealers has suspended Eaton for two years for unethical conduct.

Despite this, Crosser has repeatedly telephoned SEC commissioners in an attempt to influence them in Eaton's favor. When the SEC continued to rule against Eaton, Crosser hinted that SEC's treatment of Eaton ought to be investigated by a congressional committee and shortly thereafter the probe started.

## Carries Out Threat

Though the probe was undertaken by Crosser's Interstate Commerce committee of which he is chairman, he has kept in the background and assigned the investigation to a subcommittee headed by Congressman Louis Heller of New York.

When President Truman appointed McDonald to head the RFC, the senate banking committee asked for Heller's files in order to study McDonald's record. But to the senate's amazement, Heller flatly refused. The real reason was that the files contained nothing against McDonald.

Meanwhile, Crosser got busy behind the scenes, arranged for \$25,000 to step up the SEC investigation, then telephoned South Carolina's Chairman Burnett Maybank of the Senate Banking committee, explaining that the Heller subcommittee was going ahead with its investigation and that Maybank ought to wait for the final results.

This did the trick. Maybank summoned his senate banking committee behind closed doors, grumbled that President Truman had appointed McDonald without consulting his committee, and recommended that he be confirmed.

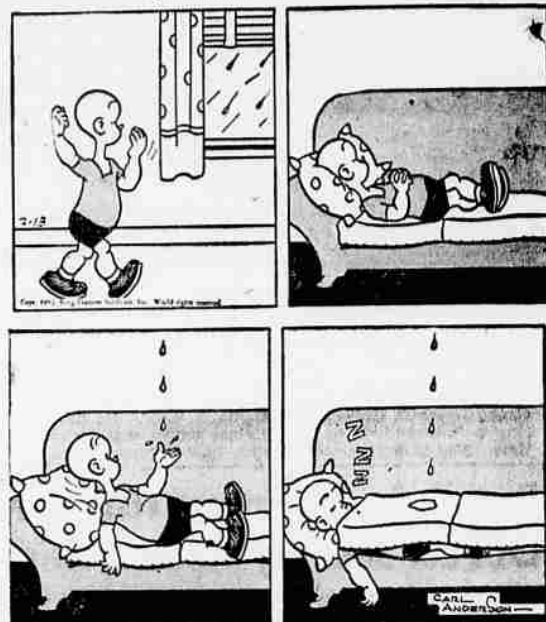
## No Inflation for This Barber

Bedford, Pa. (AP)—There's a barber in the nearby western Pennsylvania community of Woodbury who doesn't know the meaning of at least one word under the P's in the dictionary.

He's Daniel N. Byers and the word is i-n-f-l-a-t-i-o-n. Now 83, Byers still plays the trade he began 69 years ago. And, he still gets the same pay as he did then—ten cents per hair cut. "Just never saw any reason to charge more," is the way Byers explains.

BY CARL ANDERSON

## Henry



## Sheriff's Speed Gets Him Trouble

Washington Court House, O. (AP)—Fayette county sheriff Orland Hays dug shotgun pellets out of his overcoat today and asked please that no more people mistake him for a burglar.

A young farm wife called Hays last night to investigate an auto parked near her home. As Hays walked toward the auto, he felt the sting of shotgun pellets across his back. His thick overcoat saved him from injury. The woman who had called him admitted firing the shot. "I didn't think you could get here so soon," she said, "I thought you were a burglar."

## Freshman's 'Blind Date'

Seattle, Wash. (AP)—John Aiskne, University of Washington freshman whose sweetheart lived 900 miles away, reluctantly agreed to his fraternity brothers' demands that he take a "blind date" to the fraternity's winter dance.

When he picked up his date, there was Beverly West, his friend from "back home" in Palo Alto, Calif. Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity brothers had taken up a collection to bring her here for the dance.

## Live Lobsters Given Shelter

Los Angeles (AP)—When police arrested Mrs. Elizabeth Jensen on a drunk driving charge, they took along the live lobsters they found in the back seat of her car.

They hauled the crustaceans to an improvised aquarium at the animal shelter. A city ordinance provides that live animals must be impounded if found in the company of an owner who is arrested.

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