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A Political Year

This is, in every sense, a political year. From the presidency down to local officers the people have the opportunity to select new office-holders.

Voters should be careful. Shrewd politicians will make efforts to mislead them. Facts will be carefully stated in truth, oftentimes, to hide the truth, by using qualifying words.

Every voter should carefully consider every candidate's character. Judge whether he is the type to serve conscientiously and honestly. The first qualification for every office-holder should be character.

Above all things, don't be fooled by promises. Any candidate can make them. Many of them are made each political year which are impossible of being carried out. Many inexperienced candidates make impossible promises without knowing that they can't carry them out.

If a candidate has previously held public office, judge him by his record there. That much of his life at least, is a public matter. Discussion of a public officer's record is not slinging mud. A candidate should not discuss personalities, but issues, however.

It is up to the voters through the nation to make every campaign a matter of comparing records and hearing vital issues discussed. The voters are the ones to discourage unfair tactics, mud-slinging, and wild promises which can not be kept.

Signs Of Better Times

The late Dwight Morrow is quoted by Roger W. Babson, statistician, in regard to the end of times of depression. Mr. Morrow said: "The turning point in business will come sixty days before most people know anything about it."

Many people are beginning to feel that certain signs indicate decided improvements in our business. These may be premature, but at least, for the first time in many months, optimistic forecasts are being cautiously put forward by those who have "busted" many times since 1929 in such guesses.

The Babson organization recently points out ten signs of better days. First of these noted are the better prices for certain agricultural products. Hog prices are going up, cattle likewise, and cotton has gone \$6 higher a bale. Lard, ham, pork, eggs, etc., also show this heartening advance. Mr. Babson points out, that if our farm population only received \$10 more per capita for their products this year it would mean \$275,000,000 more buying power.

Other signs pointed out are: The collapse of the raid on the American dollar; the nomination of candidates for the presidency who will not injure business and the adjournment of Congress; the improvements in the oil industry, the railroad business and bond prices; finally, the fact that for weeks the rate of production throughout the country of many needed commodities has been below the rate of consumption.

If you happen to be in a boat with some fool who thinks it was made to be rocked, the best thing to do is to throw the freak overboard.

All men are endowed with brain capacity, but few of them have the will power to use what they have. It takes more than good wishes.

The League of Nations' investigation is expected to blame Japan for the Manchurian affair, with the result that the Japs might get out of the league.

Honest merchants will not take advantage of the faith of their customers; because of this faith many merchants here have had success in their business.

Two crooks recently sold a woman in another state a half interest in a "money making machine" for \$15,000. Boil this down and the victim was about as guilty as the thieves.

A check on 316,371 motorists showed that only three-fourths of them exercised caution at railroad grade crossings. In other words, the rest were willing to risk their lives to save a few seconds.

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TROOPS SCATTER VETS U. S. CREDIT SOUND RELIEF FUNDS AT WORK TO BULD HIGHWAYS BIG CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM PARTIES SEEK FUNDS THE SEAWAY TREATY BIG HOUSE TURNOVER BORAH AND WAR DEBTS EXPANDING CURRENCY MAY INJURE U. S. TRADE LABOR STAYS NEUTRAL

The use of troops to force the "Bonus Expeditionary Army" to evacuate federal property and camps in the nation's capitol, gave thousands of spectators an opportunity to see a sight rare in the annals of this country. The presence of thousands of idle ex-service men, together with their unauthorized use of the buildings presented a situation which, in the President's opinion, required drastic action.

As a result, infantry and cavalry units from Fort Myer were ordered to clear the capitol. They used tear gas bombs to scatter the crowds in their way and had in support several lorries carrying tanks and machine guns. The troops were used after a fight between police and veterans in which one bonus seeker was killed and others, including several policemen, were injured.

The fact that the recent Treasury issue of \$50,000,000 was oversubscribed more than eight times reveals that the credit of this country is unimpaired. The investors offered the government more than \$5,500,000,000 at two and one-eighth and three and one-fourth percent. It seems that the banks, with the largest cash reserves on record, were anxious to get the Treasury certificates. This response indicates that no financial barrier exists to adequate relief measures in this country.

The reorganization of the \$3,800,000,000 Reconstruction Corporation has been completed, with President Hoover giving nominal control of the Board to the Democrats by appointing four members of that party. Former Senator Pomerene of Ohio, who gained fame as a prosecutor in the Teapot Dome oil scandal, will be the chairman and Charles A. Miller banker and lawyer of New York, president.

The first loan to a state was granted to Illinois, which sought \$3,000,000 principally for the benefit of Chicago, where relief funds will be exhausted this month. The Board warned the states that its funds were to be used "only as a last resort" and that all states must meet their needs to the greatest possible extent from "public and private sources."

Widespread plans are underway to get started self-sustaining construction projects by states, counties, cities and semi-public agencies which can be financed out of the \$1,500,000,000 which the Reconstruction Corporation is empowered to lend for such purposes. In addition applications are pouring in from states and cities for loans out of the \$300,000,000 set apart for the relief of destitution.

Moreover, Secretary Hyde has appointed in relief bill to aid highway work and, inasmuch as this money may be used by states to match regular Federal aid contribution, it is expected to facilitate the construction of highways which in the near future, may give employment to around 250,000 workers. In addition, the Federal government is speeding up its public building program bending every effort to get it underway to help the employment situation. Plans have been made to spend \$123,000,000 in the erection of Federal buildings during the present fiscal year but the entire program, which calls for the expenditure of \$700,000,000, will take several years to complete.

The Treasury Department, which controls the expenditure of this sum, under its building program started in 1928 has completed 205 buildings at a cost of \$64,689,919. It has 359 buildings under contract to cost \$307,416,600. Sites purchased in the District of Columbia cost \$27,822,523 and 118 projects are to be put on the market soon to cost \$53,675,023.

The leaders of both parties are beginning to consider the question of finances and while no set figures have been accepted as cam-

paign budgets, the work of raising funds will get under way soon. The Republicans are depending on a survey by Joseph R. Nutt which will determine what they can expect to get. Reports are that the goal will be around \$5,000,000 and that the country will be split up so that each section will be responsible for some part of this amount.

The Democrats talked about \$4,000,000 but it is understood that Governor Roosevelt advised them to get \$1,000,000 first and then see what they could do. The idea is to permit each state to bear its own expenses. One interesting development is that state campaigns in the South will not be financed from National Headquarters as in 1928, when carloads of Smith literature were shipped from New York. The Democrats figure that the South is safe this year.

The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence seaway treaty will undoubtedly receive serious study before being approved, although at this time, its final acceptance is not doubted. Senator Borah, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations committee says that Mississippi river navigation and the power issue are the two outstanding questions in this connection. He has been interested in the river's development as a vehicle of traffic to open to the West the commerce of South America, the Southwest and the Orient. He also maintains that the people of the United States are interested in the development of cheap power which may be possible in connection with the seaway.

With all of the 435 members of the House coming up for re-election this fall, veteran observers predict more than 150 new names will be in the next Congress. Twenty-seven representatives have had their districts shifted by reapportionment. Nineteen have already been beaten in party primaries and express the opinion that sentiment in the country seems to run against the one holding the job. Twenty-one have retired, some of which evidently saw the handwriting on the wall. Five have dropped out of the congressional races in order to enter the senatorial contests. One has been appointed to a customs court. Adding these together, we observe that 73 members of the present Congress will not be on hand when the 73rd Congress convenes in December 1933. How many will be beaten in primaries and elections from now on is a question.

Senator Borah is reported to be contemplating an extended drive to mass public opinion behind an International economic conference to discuss war debts, reparations and disarmament. The Idaho senator says it would be "utter nonsense to hold an economic parley without handling the other subjects as well." Heretofore, the American policy has been to negotiate separately with each debtor nation and to exclude war debts from all conferences in which this country took part.

The Idahoan previously suggested that this country call such a general conference, which he believes is necessary to improve conditions. Mr. Borah, whose speech was hailed as a conversion to cancellation, insists that he has always been willing to use revision or cancellation of the debts "for a consideration" to help the world back to its feet.

Under the Glass-Steagall bill, which authorizes national banks to issue currency based on certain Treasury bonds, an expansion of \$995,000,000 is possible. Treasury Bonds now given the circulation privilege are outstanding in the amount of more than \$3,000,000,000. However, banks are restricted in issuing national bank notes to their capital stock, which cuts down the amount available to the figure first given.

The United States cannot be unmoved by the possible development at Ottawa where representatives of the British Empire are engaged in efforts to develop trade within the Empire. As most Americans know, hundreds of American factories have established branch plants in Canada within the past few years in order to escape a retaliatory tariff placed on our goods by Canada.

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These branch plants might be able to take advantage of the new Empire policy but it is officially admitted that a conference is seeking an agreement whereby products of foreign plants, operating within the Empire, must contain fifty percent in value of Empire materials or labor, or both, to qualify for the lower British Imperial tariff rates.

The movement, it is plain is directed at the United States and originates from purely domestic manufacturing interests in Canada which hope to secure a monopoly on the preferential rates that may be set up. If the plan goes through, American branch factories will have to discontinue operations or double their use of Canadian materials, whereas, under present conditions it has been possible to manufacture the essential parts in the United States for shipment across the border where the finished product was assembled.

FACTS IMPORTANT TO OREGON MANUFACTURERS REVEALED

University of Oregon, Aug. 5—(Special)—Vital facts that should prove of great value to Oregon manufacturers are shown in a study just completed here by the bureau of business research. It is declared by David E. Faville, director of the bureau. The study is entitled "Wage Payment Plans Used by Oregon Manufacturers" and is the work of Clausin D. Hadley, assistant professor of business administration. It is compiled from answers to questionnaires received from 134 manufacturers employing 10 or more workers.

The study revealed that textile manufacturers have been most progressive in adopting incentive systems of wage payment and are increasingly tending to follow the Eastern practice of changing from a day rate to a piece rate. It also shows that unwarranted failure of incentive wage plans in Oregon for certain concerns has been brought about by the practice of basing piece rates on past performance rather than scientific studies.

Too many Oregon plants, in the opinion of the writer of the study are using the "depression" as an excuse for continuing antiquated wage payment systems, the plants holding that this is "no time to make a change." The arbitrary changing of wage rates in some plants has caused a feeling of distrust on the part of workers and loss of interest in increasing output it was declared.

In Oregon 79 per cent of the industrial workers are paid by the day as compared with 47 per cent for the United States as a whole, while only a little over a third as many workers on the average are paid piece rates in Oregon as in the country as a whole.

The booklet containing the study which is of practical interest to manufacturers, may be obtained from the Bureau of Business Research at the university upon request.

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SCREEN STARS

Cecil B. DeMille thinks the "ethereal" type of woman is the most lasting in the movies and plans to use Elisa Landi, borrowed from Fox, as "Mercia" a Christian virgin who remains steadfast though surrounded by wickedness of pagan Rome. He says that Mary Pickford was the first "ethereal" actress and that of present stars, Norma Shearer, Janet Gaynor, Ann Harding, and Helen Hayes are the type which he defines as combining "physical allure with a certain quality of spirituality." Mary Pickford is expected to make two pictures during the present year. Pearl Buck's novel "Good Earth" will probably be filmed in China with Chinese artists playing the roles of Wong and his wife. George Bancroft, who has constantly fought Paramount over the stories given him, has started his career as an independent. Bancroft says that only the star making a good picture will survive and that he can now pick and choose his own vehicle. Dorothy Mackay, who went to prison after her husband, Ray Raymond died from a blow, supposed to have been administered by Paul Kelley, has written a scenario, "Women in Prison," telling of her experiences in San Quentin. First National has the story and Barbara Stanwyck will probably have the lead. Edward Everett Horton, comedian, has come back to the movies to play a part in Ernest Lubitsch's "Honest Funder." Director Frank Borzage is looking for "legs with a blonde temperament" and says that the winning pair will have a chance to act an entire sequence of scenes. At no time will the face of the owner be shown, regardless of how beautiful she may be. Jackie Cooper plays phonograph records to key up his emotions. His favorite crying record is "Little Grey Home in the West" and his cheerful record is "Pied Piper of Hamelin."

PEOPLE I HATE

The pretty ladies lately rife
Who yip and whoop when lightly lit
And strive to be the party's life
Are frequently the death of it.
These wretched damsels, erstwhile fair,
Fill me with horror, for certainly
Their spattered rouge and tumbling hair
Will make a snorting Dry of me!
I fear I'll end
In a murderer's row
For the lady who chirrups
"Cherrie!"
When she means "Good morning,"
"Good night," "Hey ho,"
Or "How's your uncle?"
Or just "Hello!"
When politicians on the air
Become emphatic
I lift a loud and earnest prayer
For extra stacc.
Soon will bare-legged dancers sing
Underneath the trees of Spring.
Faintly loony in squads apart,
They'll nimbly prance in the name
of Art.
And numbly watching as they strive
we
See why Heav'n sends poison ivy.
When stocks were falling dimly
My banker started a run on me.
I want to see this tough old sinner
Served as a boa constrictor's dinner
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