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### It Looks Like Roosevelt

**I**F LOGIC and consistency ruled conventions, there would be no chance of Governor Roosevelt receiving the democratic nomination.

For choosing the party's DRIEST candidate to run on the WETTEST platform ever written since the 18th amendment was passed, would be both illogical and inconsistent.

But logic and consistency have little to do with political conventions, particularly democratic ones. And after their oratorical souse last night, the delegates will undoubtedly suffer a decided emotional reaction today.

**T**HIS reaction will all be in Roosevelt's favor. The plea that this wringing wet appeal, was unwisely from the standpoint of political expediency, (which only brought cat-calls and boos from the convention last night), may well lead to some sober thinking today.

Roosevelt's lieutenants will be asleep at the switch if they don't capitalize on this sobriety. Their plea that a dry candidate on a wet platform, will get the wets and not alienate the dries, will be a hard one to refute, in the "morning after" atmosphere.

Moreover Roosevelt has the nomination in the bag unless some highly dramatic and emotional appeal, can be launched to solidify the Roosevelt opposition, and weaken his support. That appeal, headed by Al Smith, Roosevelt's chief antagonist, was utilized last night. It can't be used with equal effect today. If there is any other weapon in the opposition arsenal, we don't know what it is.

So at this writing it certainly looks like Roosevelt, if not on the first ballot, then soon thereafter. The Smith-Raskob forces had their inning last night. It will be hard to keep the Rooseveltians from having theirs today.

### A Master Politician

**I**F Roosevelt IS nominated, the situation will be to his liking. He is essentially a politician and a trimmer, not a two-fisted fighter in any cause.

With that platform he will get the wet votes in both parties, but the radical Dries will not long remain in ignorance of his record in their behalf.

The following page from his official record, will not be broadcasted from the platform, or distributed to the press, but we wager it will be read in every bone dry home, before the campaign ends:

"For years he was a prohibitionist through principle. No hard liquor passed his lips or his threshold. In 1911 he sponsored the first local option measure brought to Albany by the Anti-Saloon League, lending himself to the movement that was climaxed by the 18th Amendment and the Volstead Act.

As late as 1930 he remained an uncompromising political Dry. He publicly declared a national referendum would disclose the country to be dry. He admitted he was a dry when he nominated Al Smith, an arch repeal, in 1924 and 1928.

As late as 1931 when John J. Raskob demanded that the National Committee consider the question of repeal of the dry laws, Governor Roosevelt sent hysterical telegrams to southern Democrats, urging them to oppose the Raskob-Smith program. At that time he had publicly announced himself for repeal, to become New York's governor, but he threw his personal influence against it."

Only yesterday James A. Farley, Roosevelt's manager, declared his candidate would NOT enter the prohibition platform fight one way or the other, but would abide by the decision whatever it might be.

Today Governor Roosevelt CHARACTERISTICALLY abides by that decision, and points to his platform in the wet state of New York,—where all politicians are wet—as his justification. He supports the wet plank—AFTER the issue has been decided 934 to 213,—he fights AFTER the battle has been won.

A good politician? We maintain, Roosevelt has demonstrated he is a masterful one.

### Good Work Democrats!

**A**FTER all the pussy-footing, side-stepping and straddling, on the Prohibition issue, these many years, the forthright and unequivocal stand of the democratic party, for repeal, is decidedly refreshing.

Unlike the republican prohibition plank, the democratic declaration requires no interpretation. Even those who favor prohibition, must agree that the democratic party has been honest and courageous about it.

There is absolutely no question as to just where the party stands. It believes the 18th amendment should be taken out of the constitution, and it is pledged to bring that about. This attacks the problem in the right way. For until the amendment is repealed, nothing constructive in the way of reform, can be done.

### Not So Good!

**B**UT just as we APPROVE of that repeal plank, we DON'T approve of the light wines and beer plank. Such a proposal is NOT honest, for until the 18th amendment is repealed, allowing sale of intoxicants, is contrary to the letter and spirit of the constitution. It involves both nullification and evasion.

**M**OREOVER, sanctioning light wines and beers by modifying the Volstead Act, instead of making the prohibition situation better, would, in our judgment make it infinitely worse.

Enforcement, difficult enough now, would be impossible. Bootlegging instead of being eliminated, as under repeal and government control, would be INCREASED.

Beer and light wines would never satisfy the American demand for a stimulant. The country would be flooded by bottles bearing beer and light wine labels and filled with the same sort of high power moonshine, that is being peddled about now.

Such action, instead of hastening repeal, would postpone it; and in all likelihood render repeal in this generation at least, IMPOSSIBLE.

**D**RY speakers at the convention last night, pointed to repeal as a typical example of democratic folly—throwing away certain victory, by a fatal blunder at the last moment.

We don't so regard it. Repeal, followed by government sale and control, we regard as not only good sense but good politics. Repeal PRECEDED by light wines and beer, on the other hand, we do regard as folly—and when the people of the Democracy UNDERSTAND WHAT THIS REALLY MEANS, we believe they will emphatically repudiate it.

This action, not repeal, was the typical democratic blunder.

## Today

By Arthur Brisbane  
 Stop Locomotive.  
 His Last Run.  
 Personality in Names.  
 Tommy, Jack, Bobby.

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**CHICAGO, Ill., June 29.**—You will read the Democratic platform and get the impression, that, Democrats, like yourself, don't really know what is the matter with the country... They lay all our troubles to mistakes that Republicans have made SINCE the war. Angels probably know that our troubles are due to the mistake that the human race made when it STARTED that war.

Also, in this writer's opinion, you will soon be reading that Governor Roosevelt of New York is the presidential candidate of the Democratic party. The "stop Roosevelt" campaign, suggests the young bull that got on the track with a "stop locomotive" program. Everybody sympathized with the bull.

Conventions, parties and candidates do not interfere with our great modern industry, bootlegging. Prohibition may go, and bootlegging probably will, but it hasn't gone yet. George Brooks, 39 years old, of 162 Kenilworth avenue, Calumet City, ran out of his home across his lawn. He was shot down in the usual way. He was only a small alcohol peddler, poaching, perhaps, on some other "alky peddler's" territory.

His wife, Dolly, aged 23, was putting their 4-year-old daughter, Bonnie, to bed when the killing was done.

Mrs. Corinne M. Ward sends from Parma, Idaho, "with compliments and prayers" a prohibition pamphlet called "Prohibition Facts, Questions and Answers."

"Prohibition did immediately and sharply reduce crime."  
 Mrs. Dolly Brooks and her daughter, Bonnie, probably question that statement.

The pamphlet further states: "Prohibition did practically eliminate the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks."  
 "Prohibition did immediately bring an era of unprecedented national prosperity."

The platforms of both political parties question those statements.

Reporters are always tempted to write about personalities. Knowing that human beings are interested in their kind, remembering Bacon's "Nil humani me alienum puto." But at a national convention you feel like Sinbad the Sailor in the Valley of Diamonds. There are so many personality diamonds you can hardly decide which one to pick up. As interesting a human picture as any is presented by Bernard Baruch standing up in the restaurant talking with profound solemnity to "Alice," who is not so solemn as all that. It is not necessary to add that "Alice" in our language always means Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth.

Certain first names, in our social system, belong to certain individuals. If you don't know, for instance, that "Tommy" always means Tommy Hitchcock Jr., that "Jock" means young Mr. Whitney, and that "Bobbie" is a synonym for Goetz, you might as well go back to the small town that you came from as far as any social progress goes.

Bernard M. Baruch, who used to tell Woodrow Wilson what to do and how to do it in a financial way, could act well in a charade presenting La Fontaine's "Le Chêne et le Roseau." He would be the oak, "Alice" the "Roseau."

The hardest political worker here is Jesse I. Straus, one of three young New York brothers that understand whatever they undertake. Jesse I. is here in the interest of Governor Roosevelt, working as steadily and quietly as the mainspring of a good watch.

The writer has known him since he was a small boy listening to his mother, Mrs. Isidor Straus, read good books aloud, and still wonders at the efficient frictionless functioning of that family.

If you have friends that hoard money, even taking it out of savings banks, tell them the sad story of John Laeko of Chicago, then draw a moral.

Mr. Laeko decided that a savings bank was no place for his \$1000, so he took it out. Then he met a lady named Anna, who suggested that "a round of drinks in her flat in South Bishop street wouldn't do him any harm, if he didn't swallow them."

## Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.  
 Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered here. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady in care of The Mail Tribune.

### THE SHOE DYE BLUES WITH VARIATIONS.

One authority, according to a clipping sent in by a reader, asserts that shoe dye poisoning nearly scares everybody to death but never has any serious consequences.

A young man dyed his shoes black and wore them to a dance immediately afterward. He suffered nitrobenzene poisoning with a fatal outcome.

The case was reported with eight others which ended in recovery by Dr. C. W. Muehlenberg, Wisconsin state toxicologist.

Shoe dyes containing nitrobenzene are unsafe to apply to shoes on the feet. Shoes so dyed should never be worn within 24 hours after the dyeing.

The same "authority" who asserts the poisoning is never serious informs the public that when shoes so dyed are worn too soon (before the leather has dried out) the heat of the feet volatilizes the dye and it is absorbed into the blood through the skin of the feet. This is as logical as the inference that the poisoning is never serious. Why volatilize or vaporize the poison if the skin is to absorb it?

There is no scientific or experimental evidence to support the assumption that the dye or rather the solvent used in the dye (nitrobenzene, or in Europe aniline) is absorbed through the skin. There is such evidence that nitrobenzene or aniline is absorbed when the volatilized or vaporized liquid is inhaled, absorbed through the lungs.

An athletic girl, aged 16, dyed her suede shoes black and soon became dizzy and turned blue (cyanotic) and began vomiting. She complained of chills and headache and she was put to bed. Next morning she felt much better, but within an hour after dressing the symptoms returned, and she remained nauseated and cyanotic (blue) all day. After that she did not wear the dyed shoes and had no further trouble.

Nitrobenzene costs about half as much as aniline and is more commonly used as the solvent in shoe dyes in this country.

At the time Muehlenberg reported the nine cases, he found records of 47 other cases in medical literature. He noted only one shoe dye at that time bearing on the label a warning against wearing the shoes before the dye had dried 24 hours or having them dry on the feet. Nitrobenzene has a less agreeable odor than aniline.

Painters using aniline or nitrobenzene preparations are likely to suffer in mistaken conviviality he did swallow "the round," and now he tells the police that the headache seem to be just at the top of his forehead. The thousand dollars he has no longer.

Chicago has been having some trouble with small banks and the fact has been advertised. The difficulty has been in the ease with which a little bank could start. Two hundred and fifty bankers in one place will hang up their shingles like two hundred and fifty young lawyers in two hundred and fifty villages, and without the preliminary training that lawyers must have.

It is all part of our American system of taking things too easily. It means little to you, but a great deal to Chicago, that "the \$5 question was restored to the 'g market today after a lapse of three and a half months."

What changes in the life of the pig sty and the palace.

How could any hog possibly imagine, as he is dragged screaming to the slaughter, that the price men are willing to pay for the pleasure of eating his carcass makes or unmake the prosperity of thousands of farmers.

In Chicago yesterday, for instance, the packers took for killing 3000 hogs and "shippers" took 4000, while 4000 were left unsold.

That would seem only horrible murder and cannibalism to a pig. We know that it is part of civilization.

How can we, only a little higher in the scale of evolution, expect to know our destiny, as Father Time drags us from the pasture?

**Harriet Biege Rites Friday**  
 Funeral rites for Harriet Biege, wife of William Biege, who died at her home in Jacksonville Saturday, will be held at the Conger chapel at 2 p. m. Friday. Interment will be in Medford I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Dry slabs \$1.00 per net. You haul 'em. Medford Fuel Co.  
 Auto glass installed while you wait. Prices right. Brill Sheet Metal Works.  
 Good grades of lumber at cut prices. Medford Lumber Co.  
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**Tight All Day Long**

Fastest, a new improved powder keeps slabs from dropping or slipping. No gummy, heavy feeling. Sweetens breath. Gives real teeth comfort all day. Pained by people and dentists everywhere. Avoid worry. Get Fastest at Jarmain & Woods or your druggist.

Bringing Home the Bacon  
 For some months past it has been tough "bleeding" to bring home enough "bacon" to make both ends meet. A young lady we know of was admiring her engagement ring the other day and she asked her mother if a diamond wasn't the hardest thing in the world, to which her mother replied: "Yes, sweetheart, keeping up the payments on it."  
 It doesn't take much "bacon" to let this shop repair your Chevrolet. Our results will be a striking example of careful workmanship and supervision representing results that combine economy and satisfaction. It pays to let experts do your work—they cost no more.

Pierce-Allen Motor Co.  
 South Riverside Phone 150

Dr. Holt warns people not to drink Rogue river water.  
**TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY**  
 June 30, 1912 (It Was Sunday)  
 Wilson leads in balloting at Democratic convention.  
 Henry Haswell driving an EMP 30 ran into a carriage on North Riverside and knocked off a wheel. The carriage belonged to Dave Phipps.  
 Enthusiast local Democracy, liked by two members of Oregon delegation

"switching from Wilson," send following message:  
 Hot wave hits valley.  
 "Oregon Delegation, Baltimore! Send us the names of the two traitors in Oregon delegation. Tell them not to cross the Mississippi!"  
 The City Relief society makes a report, "that \$86 was expended for aid to an unfortunate family, and there is no other distress."  
 Graves Jewelry shop one block north of postoffice. Phone 499-W.

## Swem's Gift Shop July Clearance

This mid-year event brings bargains galore. A store wide sale—Thousands of desirable things—Prices so low you can't resist buying.

LISTED BELOW ARE A FEW EXAMPLES THERE ARE MANY MORE IN THE STORE

- \$3.95 Travelling Cases, Box Type, Black and Brown.....\$1.95
- 25c Baggage Name Tags, Leather......15
- \$2.50 Small Table Lamps, Parch. Shades.....1.85
- Bed Lamps—Green, Rose, Blue, Pleated Silk Shades.....1.50
- \$5 Table Lamps, 17-inches tall, Parchment Shades.....2.45
- \$6.75 Dutch Silver Lamp Bases, Complete with cord.....2.95
- \$1.25 Flower Vases, 8 inch, Practical Shapes......59
- \$5.50 Pottery Flower Vase, 12-inch, Green Glaze.....2.65
- \$2.00 Jug Shape Vase, Attractive unique piece......55
- Peasant Pottery Vases, Boxes, Pitchers, Reg. 65c to \$1.50. Now......39
- \$10.00 Roseville Black Pottery Vase, large size.....4.40
- 50c Bridge Table or Phone Clip Pencils......35
- \$1.50 Tycoos Thermometers, warranted correct......50
- \$6.50 Bronze Head of Dante, A Fine Piece......2.75
- \$6 Chinese Heads, Colorful decorations.....1.95
- \$8.50 Chinese Brass Dinner Bell in Teak Stand.....3.50
- Diaries, Values to \$3. Genuine Leather Binding......95
- \$3 Writing Portfolios, Leather and Silk Lined......95
- 10c Dennison Perfumed Sealing Wax, all colors, per stick......35
- 50c Finger Nail Clippers in Leather Case......25
- \$2.75 Italian Graft Pottery Vases and Jardiniere.....1.50
- \$4 Carved Chinese Brass Bowls, Globe Shape.....1.49

### JAPANESE FOLDING FANS GIVEN FREE WITH EVERY PURCHASE

- \$5 Chromium Serving Trays, Non-Tarnishable.....\$2.85
- \$2.75 Pewter Salt and Pepper Shakers, pair......95
- 35c Gold China Nut Cups, Variety of Colors......19
- Footstools, Upholstered in tapestry, velours, etc......95
- \$9.50 Fulper Jug Vase, 9 inches tall, Blue-green.....3.75
- \$5 Modeling Clay, Fun for the Children......35
- \$3 Wood Block Outfits, Tools, Roller, Ink, etc.....1.65
- \$3 Tempera Water Color Outfits, 16 Colors.....2.19
- \$1 Perpetual Desk Calendars, Artistic Mottos......50
- \$1 Diaries, Trip Books, A Vacation Record Book......45
- 25c Porto Rican Hand Embroidered Handkerchiefs.....3 for
- Washable White Purse with Color Trim......49
- \$1 Ladies Cigarette Cases, Mole Silk and Brocades......49
- \$1 Cigarette Holders, Stimulated Ivory in Case......49
- \$3.50 Photo Frames, Gold and Enamel, 3 1/2 sizes.....1.95
- \$12.75 Console Set, Fulper Bowl and Pr. Candlesticks.....5.00
- \$7.50 Antique Russian Dinner Bell.....2.05
- \$9.50 East Indian Enameled Brass Serving Tray.....4.50
- Coin Purse, Genuine Leather, Several Styles......35
- Pocket Memo Books, Leather Covers, Extra Fillers......25
- \$1.50 Table Set Cig. Lighters, Silver and Gold......95
- Corvoda Cigarette Cases, Values to \$6.50, Choice.....1.50
- Vacation Stationery, 8 Sheets Paper, 8 Envelopes......10

### JOIN OUR JULY BOOK CLUB All The Books You Want To Read For Only 25c

- \$5-\$6 Indian Pottery Pitchers, Water Bottles.....\$1.95
- \$3.50 Jardiniere, Large Size, Neutral Colors.....1.95
- 75c-\$1 Engagement Books, Fancy Covers, Indexed.....1.10
- \$1-\$2.50 Bracelets, Many colors and styles......75
- \$1 Crater Lake Pictures, Size 6x8, Tone Gold Frames......25
- Crater Lake View Books, 12 Colored Pictures.....1.50
- 50c Etcherat Silhouettes Plaques on Fir Wood......50
- 75c Gift Package of Clean Tissue......35
- Japanese Paper Parasols, Bright, Colorful Designs......50
- \$4-\$5 Hanging Strawberry Jars, Soft Green.....1.95
- \$1.75-\$3 Strawberry Jars, Decorative......95
- \$6.50 Copper Sun Dial for Your Garden.....3.00
- \$1 Glass Turtles, Used for Doorstops......35

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- Two Pack Boxes of Playing Cards, Attractive Designs.....\$1.49
- 50c-75c Bored Stationery, French Border Tints......39
- \$1.75 Club Parchment Stationery, Quantity Box......95
- \$1.10 Eatons Dekle Velum Pound Paper, with Pkg. Envelopes......75
- \$1.25 Children's Books, Colored Illustrations......49
- 85c FOSTORIA Luncheon Plates, Green and Amber......50
- \$1.50 FOSTORIA Etched Crystal Luncheon Plates......80
- \$2.50-\$3.50 Fostoria Cake Plates, 13 and 14 inches.....1.50
- \$1 Fostoria 19-inch Dinner Plates, Green and Orchid......50
- \$7.85 Fostoria Opalescent Flower Centerpiece.....3.50
- \$3.35 Fostoria Sandwich Tray, Etched Orchid Color.....1.50
- \$1.75 Fostoria Candy Jars, 3 Partition......95
- \$2.25 Etched Crystal Sugar and Creamers, Pair.....1.35
- Glass Cups and Saucers, Rose, Green and Topaz......10
- 40c Helsey Tall Beverage Glasses, Heavy Optic, Each......25
- \$7.50 Tea Set, Spanish Design China, Service for 8.....3.95
- \$24.80 Dinner Sets, Leigo Ware, Glen-Eden Pattern.....15.00

### You Will Want to Take Kodak Pictures on the 4th of July Trip. We'll Loan You a Camera

- Kodak Albums, Size 7x10, 50 Leaves, Imit. Leather Covers.....\$1.39
- 10c Art Corners, Easy Way to Mount Pictures, 4 pks. for......29
- \$1 Automobile Brooms, Keep the Car Clean......25
- \$1 Costume Dinner Rings, Sterling Marcastite Mounting......75
- Used Books Taken From Our Circulating Library......15
- 500 New Books, Regular 75c editions, Popular Fiction.....49
- \$1 Pencil Sharpener, Razor Blade Knives......49
- \$3.25 Letter Scales, Bakelite with Stamp Drawer.....1.90
- \$3.50 Draughting Tool Sets, German Silver, Set.....1.90

## Swem's Gift Shop On Main Street