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### Al Smith Follows T. R.

AL Smith is generally being condemned as a poor sport. Instead of congratulating his victorious rival, Governor Roosevelt, and promising him support, he sulks in his tent, and becomes peevish when reporters ask him for an explanation.

NO one calls President Hoover a poor sport, for not congratulating the leader of the opposing party, and yet when real issues, rather than party labels are considered, there is more justification for friendly personal agreement between Hoover and Roosevelt than between Roosevelt and Smith.

FOR as a matter of fact, Roosevelt and Smith belong to opposing parties. They don't think alike on any important issues. Temperamentally they are as far apart as the poles. What is meat and drink to one, is poison to the other. There is no more chance of a real, political agreement between them, under present circumstances, than there was of a real political agreement between the original Roosevelt,—the redoubtable T. R.—and President Taft, 20 years ago.

IN refusing to follow Taft and forming a Third Party, Theodore Roosevelt was accused of being a traitor to his party, and a disloyal friend.

BUT the spring of his action was not being false to his old friend, or his old party, but being TRUE TO HIMSELF. Former President Roosevelt believed strongly in certain principles, he believed in attacking certain problems in a CERTAIN WAY—the result of his fundamental character and combative temperament. Taft did not believe in those principles. He did not believe in attacking problems in that way—had he so believed he could not have done so for when Theodore Roosevelt and William Howard Taft were born, they were cast in different molds.

SO the Roosevelt-Taft split was inevitable, just as today the Roosevelt-Smith split was inevitable. There is talk now of Al Smith forming a Third party. But there is no chance of this. Not because there is no reason, but because Democrats don't do things that way, and above everything else Al Smith is and always will be a Democrat. When there is splitting to be done the Republicans do it. The Democrats haven't split since 1860, and don't intend to start now.

BUT the personal split which occurred two years ago, is going to continue for the good and sufficient reason that the differences between the two men are FUNDAMENTAL.

AND the same temperamental antagonism that existed between Theodore Roosevelt and Taft, exists between them.

SMITH made Roosevelt Governor of New York, presvively as Roosevelt made Taft president of the United States. Smith feels that Franklin R. betrayed his trust and violated his own principles; just as T. R. felt that Taft had betrayed him, and the policies he held most dear.

IT makes no difference whether this charge is true or false. It makes no difference whether the fundamental cause of the break was more a matter of temperament than principle. The fact remains, the split occurred and in the realm of active politics could never be healed.

AL SMITH may, because of the exigencies of partisan politics, give lip service to the Franklin Roosevelt cause. But his heart won't be in it. His heart rests in the grave of his defeated hopes at the Chicago convention, when McAdoo deserted the stop-Roosevelt drive, and the ONE man Al Smith didn't want to see nominated was nominated.

### Is Al a Poor Sport?

IS Al Smith a poor sport? From the standpoint of party politics, he is. From the standpoint of personal friendship,—for Franklin Roosevelt was devoted to Al Smith personally and politically for many years, and carried thousands of Wilson Democrats with him,—he is.

BUT from the standpoint of PRINCIPLE—from the standpoint of those things in which a man strongly believes, in which he is in a deep sense, has his being,—HE ISN'T!

AL SMITH not only differs with Roosevelt as to reforestation, as to economic rehabilitation (he meant it when he said he would take his coat off to fight any man who tried in this period of strain and stress, to set class against class) as to prohibition, but he differs absolutely in his basic political philosophy and political methods.

AL Smith, like T. R., is OUT AND OUT! One always knows JUST where he stands on EVERY question. For what he believes to be right, he will fight for, regardless of consequences, until the cows come home.

FRANKLIN Roosevelt is just the reverse. Strangely enough he is the Taft type—a fine citizen, very much a gentleman, but with a congenital aversion to open conflict, a perfect passion for compromise and conciliation, a constant desire to get things done in the easiest and least contentious way.

### Smith Versus Roosevelt

NOTHING could more clearly bring out the essential difference between the two men, than what Governor Roosevelt is doing now and what Governor Smith did after his nomination.

Many people have forgotten the fact no doubt but only four years ago the Democratic party in its platform pledged itself to the strict enforcement of the 18th amendment. There was a fight over this prohibition plank in 1928, just as there was a few nights ago. The Smith faction lost, just as this year, the Roosevelt faction lost.

BUT what did Al Smith do? He refused to abide by that plank. The moment he received notification of his victory, he wired to the convention in part as follows:

"It is well known that I believe there should be fundamental changes in the present provisions for national prohibition, based as I stated in my Jackson Day letter, on the fearless application to the problem of the principles of Jeffersonian democracy. . . . While I fully appreciate that these changes can only be made by the people themselves, I feel it to be the duty of a chosen leader of the people, to point the way, which in his opinion leads to a sane, sensible solution of a condition which I am convinced is entirely unsatisfactory to a great mass of the people."

BUT what did Governor Roosevelt do? It is an open secret that Governor Roosevelt, personally opposed the outright appeal plank, and favored leaving the decision through a referendum to the people. But as taking such a stand publicly involved a bitter fight which might jeopardize his chances of victory, he characteristically refused to take sides one way or the

other, and then when the wringing wets had won, promptly went over to their side.

AL Smith would rather NEVER GET A VOTE, than do things that way. He can't do them that way. Governor Roosevelt on the other hand, can't do them any other way. Like Theodore Roosevelt and Taft, the reason Franklin Roosevelt and Al Smith can never work hand in hand, is that when they were born, nature cast them in fundamentally different molds. Neither are to blame. They are merely what they are, their conflicting temperaments and characters determined by elemental forces over which they had no control.

AND as the tragedy of William Howard Taft was that he HAPPENED to be a candidate for President, when national conditions demanded a type that Roosevelt represented, so the tragedy of Franklin Roosevelt is that he is candidate for President, when conditions demand the type that Al Smith represents.

We believe the truth of this statement will become clearer and clearer as the campaign goes on.

### 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.

#### OUR FRIENDS INSIST ON RESISTANCE

Several years of study, observation, and research served to convince the conductor of this column there is no such state as "resistance" in the common sense of the word. Immunity is a well defined and in some instances measurable state and of course it applies to a specific disease.



does not apply to a particular disease but in a vague way to many or all diseases.

E. J. S. contributes this to the symposium:

We, the S— family, read your articles daily, discuss them, and derive much benefit from them. We desire to submit the following with regard to the resistance-immunity discussion:

**IMMUNITY:** Safe from attack, protected against a disease by a natural or acquired peculiarity. Immunity is a condition of the body wherein it resists the development of morbid processes.

**RESISTANCE:** A temporary power to ward off or retard the development of a morbid process.

If it were physically impossible for an individual to acquire any particular disease, then we would say that individual is immune to that disease. We would classify the condition of being immune as 100 per cent. Then any degree of resistance would be below 100 per cent, say from 99 per cent down to zero.

Then W. R. O. jumps in while we are temporarily winded and remarks:

To my small mind it seems that if a person is only partly immune that in itself implies there must be some sort of resistance. Either that is true or I do not know enough about the English language to understand the meaning of the two words.

While the referee is rather hurriedly counting over our prostrate and groaning remains, Mrs. W. B. R. sends in her view:

Immunity means that a person does not get sick when he comes in contact with the disease germs. Resistance, to be of any value, must be absolute, perfect, complete. In other words, it must be immunity.

This argument commenced in July, 1930. In April, 1932, H. F. A. succeeded in getting the floor, and he goes on and on—

### Today

By Arthur Brisbane

Wire From W. R. Hearst. A Radio Campaign. An Island for Snakes. Mammoth, Cro-Magnon. Europe's Cheap Money.

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The New York Times, commenting on the nomination of Roosevelt and Garner, has, on its front page, undertaken to explain the part played by W. R. Hearst. Because his group of twenty-five million Hearst newspaper readers can carry any election, if they choose, you are interested in the following telegram received by the writer from W. R. Hearst, yesterday.

Los Angeles, July 3.

Arthur Brisbane, New York American: I personally will not reply to the articles in the Times or to any such insinuations. The reason the California delegation went for Roosevelt was because he was obviously the choice of a majority of the Democrats in the convention hall and throughout the country.

A Democratic party which is not governed by the wishes of a majority is simply and plainly not Democratic. It has usurped a name to which it has no right.

Alfred men will not support him. But it also is a good reason why genuine Democrats will support him.

Therefore, I look to see all loyal Democrats everywhere support Governor Roosevelt because he is a rightful and regular Democrat, rightfully and regularly nominated by a rightful and regular Democratic convention.

I do not know whether Smith will support him or not. I do not know how loyal and regular Smith is.

However, Smith and Roosevelt have loyally supported each other in times past and political rivalries do not create permanent enemies in liberal-minded men.

Smith cannot always be nominated for President. Some of the time he will be called upon to support those who have loyally supported him.

It is only by loyalty that one gains loyalty. Smith has always prided himself on being regular. It is not regular to be a renegade. Smith will support Roosevelt alright, unless the brown derby has gone yellow; and of course it has not. Smith is a pretty able citizen and he knows that he would not amount to anything now or hereafter if he read himself out of the Democratic party. However, that is something for Smith to consider. Roosevelt is going to be elected in any case.

W. H. HEARST.

This will be a radio campaign. The county fair, the patriotic outpouring of voters will see little of the candidates, and they will see nothing of torchlight parades. President Hoover and Governor Roosevelt will talk through the air, and campaign speeches will change and improve.

You must change your words, and arguments, carefully, when you can no longer make faces, pound with your fist, wave your arms, or toss back your lionine mane, to impress.

Both Hoover and Roosevelt have made a careful study of the radio and its possibilities.

On the radio abuse, or even too severe criticism, of your opponent often helps the opponent. And humorous anecdotes that begin "It seems there were two Scotchmen" are not acceptable. Radio campaigns make substantial campaign contributions necessary, since each party will need at least a million dollars for radio expense alone. That is more costly than the ancient "blocks of five" bribery system.

The radio promotes thought, eliminating the mob spirit of old political meetings.

In New York's Bronx zoo, the snake manager has a good idea. Snakes in cages discover that life is simple. Some one brings live mice, or whatever they eat, at regular intervals; no one disturbs them. So they lie down, make no effort, and do not amuse the visitors.

Also they get no exercise. A small zoo island has been arranged: 42 snakes let loose on it, if they swim in the water, they cannot escape because of a rim around the outside of the water. They are expected to crawl around and entertain students of snake nature.

How like ourselves, in our unnatural city life. The baker, the butcher, the milkman, bring bread, meat, milk. The employer brings his payroll, the public school brings knowledge, takes charge of the children; the movie

brings excitement. The average American, in prosperous times, lives much like the zoo snake, making little mental or physical effort.

Someone runs his government. Why should he exert his precious gray matter?

We need a "snake island" for humans to compel useful activity. This depression may supply that island.

In Russia, five well cared for statues have been found, made from bones of the mammoth, by men of the Cro-Magnon race, 25,000 years ago.

The mammoth has vanished, and the Cro-Magnon, with his well developed head and brain, has gone with him. Many things have happened since they disappeared from earth, and of those happenings thousands have been far worse than the troubles of which we now complain.

Human beings have survived conditions in which war was constant. They have lived through the seven-years' war, 30-years' war, 100-years' war, the "lack death" and all the plagues from Asia. They will survive this little trouble, based on the fact that WE HAVE TOO MUCH OF EVERYTHING AND DO NOT KNOW HOW TO DISTRIBUTE OUR EXCESS. OR KEEP OUR WORKERS PRODUCING.

London bank rate is lowest in its history, short term loans are made at 1 per cent. That interests Americans that pay 6 per cent, and find it hard to borrow, even on good security.

With us it is a case of temporary remorse. Our high finance dumped billions into more or less worthless bond issues, dumped other billions into dubious foreign loans.

There is, temporarily, no inclination to make loans of any kind. But that will change, as prosperity creeps back, like the melodramatic heroine coming home in the snow storm.

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### Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County) History from the Files of The Mail Tribune of 29 and 10 Year Ago.)

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY July 5, 1922. (It was Wednesday)

State and federal government to probe nightriding outrages in this county. Grand jury to be called.

Babe Ruth hits 14th homer of season.

Twenty-five thousand people attend July 4th celebration at Ashland.

"Pro Bono," in letter to editor sees no hope for nation or the world as "economic pressure" increases.

Attendance at Crater lake sets new record.

Twenty-five per cent of signers of petition to recall Sheriff Terrill not registered voters as law requires.

Band concerts in city park to start July 14.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY July 5, 1912. (It was Friday)

Local residents sign testimonial thanking Mail Tribune for its reports on the Republican and Democratic national conventions.

One dead, one seriously hurt in motorcycle race at Ashland.

Bud Anderson, "the pride of Medford," slaps "Roughhouse" Burns to sleep in eight rounds in Klamath Falls bout.

Twenty-five hundred Medfordites journey to Ashland to celebrate.

Soldier Elder and Walter Monahan fight at Nat, before a small house Archie Asche financed the bout and "sustained a severe personal jolt in the wallet." The Mail Tribune reports that he was "hit harder than any of the alleged combatants."

Murderous heat wave grips the entire east.

Crystalglow—Kodak glass supreme. The Peaseley's, Opp. Holly Theater.

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