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No Campaign at All

AT A political rally in Carnegie Hall, New York City, over 25 years ago, the late John Hay, then secretary of state, advanced to the footlights, and after the tumult and shouting had died down remarked blandly:

"Ladies and gentlemen, this has been a very quiet campaign!" To a certain cub reporter, who had been immersed in the contest between Alton B. Parker and Theodore Roosevelt, for several weeks, that remark appeared quite preposterous. Nevertheless John Hay was right. For one who had been in the thick of presidential campaigns, since the first shot on Fort Sumpter, that contest had been a very quiet one.

ONE wonders what John Hay would say could he be here, during this campaign with the election less than two months away. Quiet would hardly be the word. He would probably declare—and with some truth,—that there had been no campaign at all. Probably when Governor Roosevelt starts his swing around the circle, politics will warm up. Even so, this presidential campaign promises to be the quietest on record.

THE reason is not far to seek. There is no enthusiasm for either candidate, outside of the rabid partisans. Last night at a local movie theatre Franklin Roosevelt delivered an address, via the loud speaker. He appeared to be interested in what he was saying, but no one else was. There was not only no applause, there was no attention. Two girls, directly behind the writer, talked so loud, the words of the democratic candidate, could hardly be distinguished. In Denver a week ago, at an afternoon movie, President Hoover was shown on horseback, at his Rapidan camp, and later seated with a dog. The pictures were shown in a silence so complete, it could hardly be termed respectful.

INSTEAD of deploring this absence of hysteria and excitement we are inclined to welcome it. The more calmly and quietly the people go to the polls in November, the more they are influenced by their heads, and the less by their emotions; the better for their country, and the better for themselves.

Hoover Gains Steadily

SINCE President Hoover's acceptance speech, no competent observer can deny, the popular trend has all been in his direction. He has been steadily gaining; Roosevelt has been steadily losing. Whether or not this reaction can go far enough, to overcome the handicap under which the Republican party, (as "ins") suffers, only the November battle of ballots can show. But if relatively speaking this "dead calm" persists, the Republicans will have all the best of it. For the common sense view of the situation is this:

No vital issues separate the two parties. The nominal differences, when subjected to close analysis, are merely the differences between tweedle-dum and tweedle-dee.

THE contest therefore comes down largely to personalities, rather than principles. Messrs. Hoover, Mills and Stimson are on one side; Messrs. Roosevelt, McAdoo and Hearst on the other. The former have a definite program of reconstruction, backed up by valuable experience gained during the past four years. If the latter have any definite program, it has not been divulged. To date the Roosevelt trio have generally condemned the Hoover program, but have offered no definite program of their own.

Yet no one can deny if Roosevelt is elected, his policies will be largely determined, by himself, McAdoo and Hearst. That was the price he paid for getting the nomination at Chicago. McAdoo will be given anything he wants. Hearst will probably ask no political reward, but will be the "power behind the throne."

In an atmosphere of calm deliberation this situation will be clearly seen, by the American people as a whole. And in such an atmosphere there is little doubt, that they will prefer Hoover, Stimson and Mills, behind a definite program, to those strange political bed fellows, Roosevelt, McAdoo and Hearst, with no program at all.

Roosevelt and Hearst

IF Roosevelt should win, and Hearst thus be a power in a democratic administration, it will be unprecedented in the yellow journalist's tempestuous career.

Nominally a Democrat, he has been a bitter opponent of democratic presidents since Cleveland. In fact, he has been the bitter and implacable foe of every American president, with the exception of President Coolidge.

This was not because William Randolph so loved the dour and canny Cal, as he hated Al Smith. He hated President Wilson also, and probably did more than any other man, to bring about Wilson's physical collapse and downfall.

IT will be interesting to see how the Hearst-Roosevelt alliance works out. Hearst could never get along with T. R.—but Franklin is a Roosevelt of another color. No one could manage the Colonel; but the Governor,—as Al Smith has pointed out,—can be. Not necessarily in any derogatory sense, but he welcomes help. He is not a lone hand leader, he is essentially a co-operator and a conciliator.

That is the type William Randolph regards as his "dish." But if this alliance runs true to the form of other Hearst alliances, it will end as the Hearst-Champ Clark alliance ended, with Roosevelt "out" and William Randolph continuing his unprincipled and self-seeking political course, as ever.

RUTH SIDESTEPS SURGEON'S KNIFE

NEW YORK, Sept. 9. — (AP) — Although no official bulletins came from the sick room, informal advice today indicated that Babe Ruth had fought off all danger of an operation and will be his old slugging self within a few days. Ruth's right side, where he felt the twinges that stampeded him out of Detroit Wednesday evening, had been packed in ice since the outfielder was put to bed late yesterday.

Today

By Arthur Brisbane Pulling Weeds, Taking Radical Advice, Many Troubles, One Big Spanish Confiscation.

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For a picture of high grade efficiency in our noble "unemployment relief" consider this: On the highway near Hempstead, L. I., yesterday morning, a long line of automobiles stood on one side of the road, another line on the other side of the road. Forty to fifty men were scattered along the roadside, working, at the public expense. And what do you suppose they were doing?

Were they repairing the road, building a new road, a house in which someone might live, cultivating the soil? No, nothing like that.

These unemployed were PULLING UP WEEDS. A man would bend over every little while, pull up one weed, look at it thoughtfully, walk a few yards, throw it on a pile, walk back and pull another weed.

The men laughed at themselves and at each other. They know that millions of weeds growing in the fields along the road will supply seed for a fresh weed crop next year. Their work and their time are wasted; they know it. The whole thing is mockery, telling them to go out, wasting their oil and gasoline in their automobiles, and squander their time on wasted labor.

These men would like to work at something useful, and they are conscientious. When weeds are lacking along the highway, the wander into privately owned fields, and pull up weeds there. Many of the men wear new white cloth gloves to protect their hands; they are not used to pulling rough weeds.

And that is the best that American intelligence can find for idle men to do. That is how our competent welfare gentlemen waste the time of workers, and spend money that might be used to produce something worth while.

If any intelligent European could see this United States "welfare work" he would think himself in an insane asylum, not among so-called intelligent people.

In troubled times like these, it is important to give radical advice carefully. A railroad president, with the best of intentions, emphasizes the public's duty to the unemployed, adding casually: "I'd steal before I'd starve."

When Wallace F. Mitchell was plucked up dead with a bullet in him, a newspaper clipping of that statement was found in his pocket. He had some hungry children, took the suggestion literally, and was shot dead while trying to steal a bottle of milk from a grocery store in Philadelphia.

A thought, harmless in the mouth of a philosopher or a railroad president, may be dangerous when taken too literally by a little man.

Trotsky, who once ruled Russia with Lenin and is now in exile, is told that he may go to Czechoslovakia to live, but he must not mix in politics. He is a muzzled eagle, sad life.

In Greece, Venizelos, first among modern Greeks, resigns; military trouble is feared. Trouble in Paraguay. Trouble over a money agreement between France and Russia.

Plenty of trouble in this troubled world.

And the interesting fact is that something the matter with the inside of Babe Ruth, baseball player, is more important to millions of Americans than all the worries of Asia, Africa, Europe and South America combined.

It is feared that Ruth may have appendicitis, and that if he must be cut open, and sewed up, he won't be able to help win the world series for the Yankees.

In Spain, where Ignatius Loyola, suddenly becoming religious, started the order of Jesuits long ago, the government has expelled the Jesuits, suppressed their order and confiscated their property. Most of the property being in securities, some seventy million dollars' worth is supposed to have escaped the confiscation. But all Jesuits real estate, valued at some thirty millions, is taken by the Spanish government to be devoted to "public welfare." The confiscation of real property includes even Loyola's ancient castle, carefully preserved by the Jesuits.

Ambassador Mellon says conditions are better, and recovery has begun "slow, but sure." The recovery

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.

AN OCULIST OFFERS SOME POINTERS

A printed folder giving patients suggestions about spectacles and eye-glasses is the contribution of an oculist physician who treats eye diseases to popular education. I cordially agree with pointer No. 17 in this colleague's list: "The patient must remember that the specialist is not at all responsible for his condition when he comes for an examination; but that it is his own fault entirely."

You see, the specialist may come straight from a class reunion or an anniversary dinner or just a quiet session of a committee of medical society cronies where the various members read and discuss brief papers. Whatever his condition, it is reassuring to the patient to know that it is his own fault. No. 17 pointer tells the reader that "One pair of glasses usually suffices for a person under 40 years of age. After that period of life, two pairs are necessary—one to correct the defective eyesight and to be worn constantly; the other for near work, because of the fact that every one at 45 years of age needs what is called eye glasses."

But the oculist approves the use of double lenses or bifocal one-piece or invisible lenses instead of two pairs of glasses, provided these are mounted in spectacle frames and not worn as pince-nez (eye glasses kept on by a spring).

In another pointer the doctor says the average person has the idea that glasses will restore them to comfort. What a fine subject etymology, philology, the anatomy of words, would make in a high school course! It would be more interesting than crossword puzzles, and I believe more instructive than such dreary subjects as English literature and composition. Incidentally, why not adopt the pronoun "them," as suggested by Prof. William Lyon Phelps, I think, to refer

to a person, some one, or anybody and everybody. It fits in. The oculist reminds us that, in many cases of eye-strain the action of the eye muscles has become so unreliable that the proper glasses, fitted after careful measurement of the vision by the oculist or optometrist, may make everything look distorted for a while. But the patient should follow the orders of the specialist until the muscles, under the correcting influence of the glasses, regain normal balance. This may require two or three weeks in some cases.

When a person first puts on bifocal spectacles they will generally experience difficulty in getting accustomed to them, perhaps feel certain that they will never be able to wear them with comfort. But if they faithfully wear the glasses for a few days this early difficulty will clear away and presently they will forget it and become unconscious of the glasses.

There may be debate whether older folk should use the eyes when there is any eyestrain or wear the correction offered by optometrist or oculist. But there is no question that young persons, children particularly, should always wear spectacles if they are near-sighted, for this early care will conserve eyesight for later years.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS "Lasses in Gingerbread. I use molasses when I make gingerbread, cookies and cakes. But a woman recently told me the molasses we get nowadays contains sulphur dioxide, which is not good for our health. . . .—A. R.

Answer—That is true. And a more palatable molasses, without the brimstone adulteration, is obtainable everywhere.

Irregular Teeth. My daughter, aged 14, has crowded teeth. Her eye and stomach are noticeably out of line. Dentist wants to extract them. Would extraction of these teeth spoil contour of the mouth?—V. M. C.

Answer—If they are primary teeth, no; if they are the permanent teeth, yes. Usually the permanent canine teeth are cut at the age of 12 to 14 years, and the others earlier.

of California, and for the past several years among the first ten in national competition, the South Pasadena corps should present an interesting feature for downtown visitors Saturday night. Soon after their arrival in the city, they will parade in a 15-minute performance at the Holy theater, where they will demonstrate some of the numbers they will play in national competition.

The corps is composed of 55 members, and are traveling by private

PASADENA CORPS HERE SATURDAY

The American Legion drum and bugle corps from South Pasadena, Cal., which makes its initial appearance in Medford on Saturday night, on its way to the national convention in Portland, is one of the outstanding Legion musical organizations in the country, according to advance reports received by local Legion officials. The corps will leave Pasadena Friday morning and will remain overnight in Sacramento, coming to Medford on Saturday.

The executive committee of the local post has decided to undertake the entertainment of the visitors, and a committee consisting of Commander Wilson Wait, Cole Holmes, Fred Fry, Dr. C. P. Johnson and Fred Schettel, has been appointed to work out details of the entertainment. The corps will be quartered in the Medford Armory, arrangements for this feature having been handled by Capt. C. Y. Tengwald.

EVERY WOMAN faces this question

"How do I look to other people?" If you have a lovely skin, attractive eyes, and plenty of enthusiasm, you need not worry.

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HELPS KEEP YOU FIT

Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County) History from the Files of The Mail Tribune of 20 and 10 Year Ago.) TEN YEARS AGO TODAY September 9, 1922. (It was Saturday.) Record number of deer killed in Jackson county this year.

A number of citizens, including Ted GeBauer of Ashland, fined for speeding on the Pacific Highway.

School to open next Monday, with Edwin R. Durso as football and basketball coach. Medford high hopes to "regain lost athletic glory."

Three nightgowned figures caught prowling around in Central Point pasture, the sheriff hears.

The first lady of the land—Mrs. Warren G. Harding, improves from serious illness.

Babe Ruth hits homeruns Nos. 30 and 31.

Noted film beauty visits valley.

Flower show, baby show and horse racing to be county fair features.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY September 9, 1912. (It was Monday.) Movies of convict life in the Ohio state prison now at the Star theater.

Scott Davis reports he will get 6,000 sacks of potatoes from 38 acres in the Table Rock district. (You can't raise potatoes here.)

Auto truck will haul valley fruit to Crescent City.

New rural mail route up Fooths creek to be started.

World-famed scientist due here next week for trip to Crater lake. Five hundred auto owners of county urged to provide 25 autos for the trip.

Clarence Darrow, noted attorney, acquitted of bribery charge at Los Angeles, passes through city, and says when he retires from law, he will buy a small tract here.

Jenkins' Comment

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They indicate that stocks of merchandise are exceedingly low. That, in its turn, means that as orders come in it is going to be necessary to put people to work at once in order to get the orders filled.

If it is generally true, as many people suspect, that stocks are low, increase in employment will be more rapid than has been anticipated.

GLENDALE—New walk to be built on Mollie street from corner of Pacific avenue.

cars. They will arrive in Medford between 7 and 8 p. m., Saturday.

NIPPONESE FLIERS PLAN VISIT HERE ON PACIFIC HOP

William A. Clarkson, superintendent of the Medford airport, has received word from the Hocht Shim-bun, morning and evening daily newspaper of Tokyo, Japan, that the third trans-Pacific flight from Saitoh-shior, Japan, to San Francisco, will be attempted the middle of this month. The two previous flights were failures.

The letter received from S. Noma, president of the newspaper at Marunouchi, Tokio, stated that should the fliers land at the Medford airport, any courtesies that might be shown them would be appreciated by the firm. The flight is being sponsored to further good will between the two countries.

A Junkers long-distance land plane, W-33, will be used in the flight. The plane is to be known as Hocht Japan-Honma III. The crew will be Kiyochi Honma, first-class navigator; Eichihiro Baba, first-class pilot, and Tomoyoshi Ishita, radio operator.

According to plans for the flight, landings will be made at Nome and Fairbanks, Alaska, and the ship is scheduled to pass over Hazelton, Canada, and Seattle, Wash.

The cruising speed of the ship is listed at 138 miles per hour. Due to the long distance of the flight, from the Japanese port across the north Pacific, the plane may find it necessary to land at the field here, according to the letter from Tokio.

CATHOLIC LEADERS HOLDING COUNCIL

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 9.—(AP)—A solemn pontifical requiem mass for deceased archbishops and bishops of the northwest province will be celebrated here today at the first provincial council of the Roman Catholic church held in the northwest in 41 years.

Deliberate sessions of the council began yesterday after a solemn pontifical votive mass of the Holy Spirit. The council is being held at St. Mary's cathedral.

After vesting of the 50 or more participants the procession advanced through the cathedral and the Most Rev. Edward D. Howard, archbishop of Portland in Oregon, the celebrant, was seated upon his throne. The mass was sung by a male choir.

Thye Humbles Utah Grappler

PENDLETON, Ore., Sept. 9.—(AP)—Ted Thye, Portland heavyweight, defeated Al Sparks, Logan, Utah, wrestler in a main event match here last night. Thye dumped Sparks out of the ring and the Utah man was unable to continue. Bob Meyer, Portland middleweight, took two falls from Jack Kennedy of Pendleton.

Electricity and Ice Cream Do YOU KNOW That for every dollar spent for domestic electricity in the United States \$1.60 is spent for Ice Cream? There is no other source of energy at any price that will take the place of electricity. Electricity not only produces perfect light but is the most efficient cooking fuel as well. Electricity is a perfect laundry servant and gives the most dependable refrigeration in use today. It even furnishes the family with entertainment through the radio and so greatly shortens household tasks that the housewife spends much of her time in recreation and pleasant association with her family instead of in the kitchen. Yet... although electricity is the world's most perfect servant, it is cheap... so cheap that the average family spends much more for Ice Cream than for Electricity.