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The Way It Looks Now

One person's guess is as good as another, to be sure, especially on a presidential nomination ten months before a national convention is held.

Here is our guess: Coolidge will be nominated by the Republican national convention.

We can't accuse Coolidge of being the cleverest politician the nation has ever known, but really his little note to the press saying he did not choose to run in 1928 might be given a place in political history as the craftiest thing ever done in the big-league politics.

With those few words he has sounded out the nation. With those few words he has caused every leader to assert himself. Analysis of the response to the president's utterance indicates to us beyond question that the national convention will nominate the little man from Vermont.

Henry Ford's endorsement of Hoover means little. Borah's feeling the atmosphere means less.

Cal can go right along now never saying another word until the convention meets. Then there will be differences of opinion and support will be divided. All will agree that their favorite sons should win but when they find a split field they will all go to Coolidge.

Talk about shrewdness—the Coolidge statement is the thirty-third degree if he intended it that way. Coolidge Roosevelt with his master political mind never had anything on the Vermonter.

Each day the press reports indicate that Coolidge will be the man, and this opinion is arrived at from the wide reports given from both press and political leaders.

The Duck Fund

Misunderstanding seems to exist in the minds of some sportsmen regarding the fund that is being raised through the Federated Sportsmen's Clubs of California for the protection of ducks in Malheur Lake, Lower Klamath Lake, and other watered areas of the Northwest, says the Sportsman and Fancier.

The amount sought is \$10,000.00 of which the sportsmen of California assume half and the balance is distributed among the other ten western states. Oregon's quota is \$1000.

Whatever our opinion may be regarding the cause of the appalling mortality among wild water fowl, or the attitude of the Bureau of Biological Survey on the late lamented Public Shooting Grounds Bills, need not enter into the present case.

This fund is to defray the expenses of a survey to determine whether or not it is feasible to reflood Malheur, lower Klamath, and other lakes that have gone dry through evaporation or drainage and to ascertain the cost of such reclamation including indemnities to those who have undertaken to cultivate portions of the exposed lake beds.

Two facts remain upon which all sportsmen agree. One is that water fowl cannot survive without water. The other is that watered areas probably are not 10 per cent of what they were a few years ago due to extensive drainage operations under the name of "reclamation."

If there is any equitable means of restoring Malheur, Lower Klamath or any other lakes that heretofore have been the haunts of wild fowl, then the sportsmen should exhaust every means of determining that fact and should render every assistance in accomplishing their recovery at the earliest possible date for there is no time to be lost.

We notice Portland has a plan suggested to bond and license builders. Just another departmental trust to be formed under the guise of protecting the public. If we keep on letting every trade and profession legalize themselves in such a way that competition is eliminated we will soon reach the stage where the individual who has worked hard to become a proficient workman will have to submerge all of his ability and work for some fellow who has the pull.

If there has been liquor selling going on to high school children in this city, as some think there has been, it is high time to lay aside all red tape and go after the guilty ones so strong that the example will frighten anyone who may have such dark thoughts of the rum business in their minds. Selling liquor to minors was always a crime in saloon days. It is doubly a crime today, and anyone who is guilty must pay the extreme penalty.

The Geneva conference has collapsed. More of love's labor lost, and more proof that as long as men live they will fight and have war.

Murdering American

Scholarly gents with good intentions often get worked up unduly over the fact that there are in the United States some dozens of American dialects, each of which is dominant in some one section of the country. These purists say that there should be one standard pronunciation for every word, and that the dictionary should have in it only pedigreed words.

Perhaps it would be nice if every American spoke like every other American and every Englishman, and then again, perhaps it wouldn't. Language has been changing daily since language began. A limited dictionary with a constant, unchanging vocabulary is an impossibility furthermore, for radio has added some hundreds of new words to the language in the last few years, and aviation will do the same before it is done.

From the point of literature, it is most beneficial that there never has been and never will be a fixed and universal language. The ridiculous Harvard accent, the melodious southern accent, the broad colloquialisms of the Hoosier, and the solid hard accent of the west all have their place, and add to the variety and spice of life.

Every American murders his language, but what of it? By repeated murderings of the language we make progress, in spite of the fact that pedants am yargue we have made no progress in speech since the days of Shakespeare.

Increased use of printing, increased literacy, and the broadcasting of speech by radio are helping the growth progress, in spite of the fact that pedants may argue we shall have a speech of reasonably simple grammar instead of the hodgepodge of inconsistencies which today makes it impossible for any but a logician to master the rules in the book.

The trouble with a girl throwing herself at a man is that she has to pick herself up afterward.

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Cal and Hoover Talk Flood



Recommending federal aid in the flood reconstruction program throughout the Mississippi valley, Secretary Herbert Hoover is shown here after his conference in the Black Hills with President Coolidge. Hoover told the president state legislatures were unable to bear the entire burden of the cost.

HAT POLISHING IS ART TO SOLOMON OF ETON

ETON, Eng., Aug. 5. (AP)—There is one in England, whose right name is John Thomas Harris. But his father before him

was known as Solomon, and his grandfather before his father, so he inherits the name.

Solomon, a jovial little man who looks as if he had stepped from the pages of Dickens, is the careful keeper of the top-hats at Eton. Top-hats at this famous school for boys are the everyday headgear, so it requires a lot of work to keep them in shape. To make the battered, roughened and shapeless top-hat as smooth and shining as if it were new is Solomon's job and Solomon's art.

Thousands of top-hats have passed through the hands of this 70-year-old man. From the ends of the earth old Etonians have returned to have their top-hats polished or "lashed up" by Solomon.

Many a famous man has sat in Solomon's little back room and talked to him while Solomon wrought his usual miraculous transformation, making a sorry-looking top-hat into a resplendent headpiece.

RUTH DRAPER SCORES

LONDON, Aug. 4. (AP)—Without scenery, orchestra or changing wardrobe, Ruth Draper, American monologist, filled the Garrick theatre for a two-week engagement, during which performances were often prolonged until 11:30 because of the applause.

Her audience included old ladies in bath chairs wearing Victorian bonnets, modern flappers and manfully dressed women of the intelligentsia.

FAMILY WASHDAY 'BLUES' TO LEAVE ENGLISH TOWN

BIRMINGHAM, Eng., Aug. 5. (AP)—Much of the dreariness and "blues" of the family washday will be eliminated for housewives by Birmingham's municipal laundry, largest of its kind in the world, in which a washing which ordinarily requires a whole day will consume less than two hours.

The cost of washing for a family of five will be about one shilling and sixpence, or about 10 cents, including soap and soda.

Birmingham's laundry will open in the fall. A housewife will be able to place her soiled clothes in a power driven machine, then into a hydro-extractor to remove moisture and finally into a drying closet. Her only work, besides bringing her hamper of laundry, will be to pull two levers and turn two taps. Motor driven mangles and electric irons will also be available, as well as special facilities for clothing likely to lose color in washing.

OFFERS PRINTED FELT

VIENNA, Aug. 5. (AP)—Some of the newest felt hats shown here are printed in jungle effects.

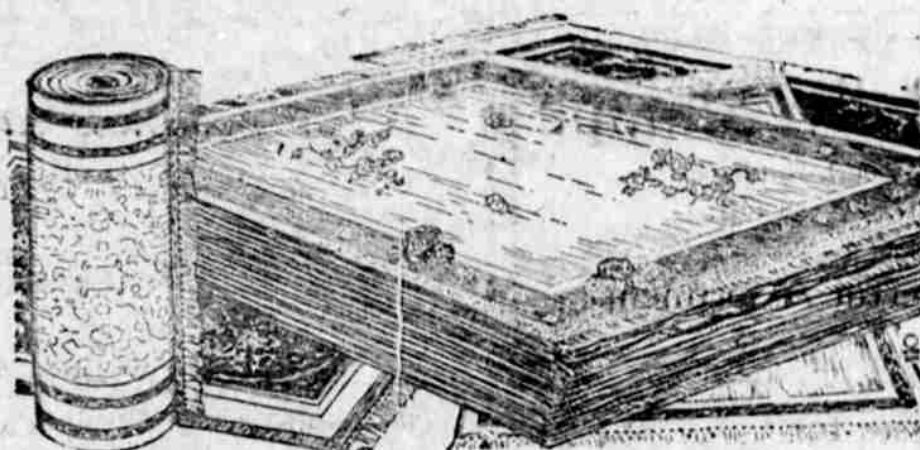
Zebra stripes, snake scale, and candy stripes predominate. The hats are extremely light in weight and have a glossy silk finish.

Some of the winter hats have patterns burned on velvet. The designs are in long nap, standing out in relief.

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