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THE RADIO AND POLITICS

The radio has played a very important part in the political campaign which closes today in the United States. Practically all of the speeches delivered by the party leaders have been broadcast and Canadians as well as Americans have received the full benefit of the same. It was stated a few days ago that radio service had cost the Democratic party \$600,000 and it is presumed that the Republicans have expended a like amount. It is safe to say that a speech by Candidate Hoover always found Candidate Smith among those listening in and vice versa. President Coolidge listened in on an important speech by Mr. Hoover at St. Louis a few nights ago, and on the following day sent him a telegram of congratulation. The radio is surely a boon to the politician but it is going to add to his campaign expenses.

ITALY MUST SUFFER

Poor Italy will some day pay a high price for her present apparent prosperity. Just now, under the powerful sway of the dictator, there is law and order. Every newspaper in Italy supports the dictator's decrees. No criticism is permitted. Not long ago Mussolini brought to Rome the editors of all the daily papers in his realm and told them what to say and how to say it. He will learn some day that people aren't built that way. He will have to face one of two things, perhaps both. He will see the energy and ambition and initiative of his people dwindle away or he will have bloody revolution. There can be no government without freedom. There must be the freedom to criticize and the freedom to participate in affairs.

Polling in the United States elections is taking place today. It has been a very strenuous campaign and both parties are confident of victory. The country is enjoying prosperity and this is calculated to help the party in power. Since the close of the civil war the Democratic party has elected only two men to the presidency, Grover Cleveland and Woodrow Wilson and each was given a second term. This means that the Democrats have held office only sixteen years out of sixty-four.

Governor Al Smith has put up a strenuous campaign for the presidency of the United States under tremendous odds and seems to have a fighting chance to win. During his numerous speeches the governor has stressed the fact that when a boy he sold newspapers and that he has nothing in the form of documentary evidence to show that he ever went to school. The poor boy stuff always takes with a big element of the population of the United States.

Candidate Herbert Hoover made his final appeal to the American people for support over the radio from Palo Alto, California while a message from Governor Smith was broadcast from his home in New York. At midnight Hon. Charles E. Hughes went on the air at his home in New York and made a last minute appeal on behalf of the Republican candidate.

There are 531 votes in the U. S. Electoral College and the winning candidate in today's elections must secure at least 266. New York, the largest state, has 45 electoral votes which is greater than the combined vote of ten of the smaller states.

"You'll note" observes the Washington Post "that the cynic who despises the human race always chooses to live where a few millions are packed close." Certainly; that's where he gets what he feeds on.

"The earth is beautiful" says Arthur Brisbane "and its best real estate corners are valuable." Isn't it just like Arthur to mix crab grass with clover.

According to all accounts Almee McPherson's personal assault against the devil in London has proved an awful flop. Almee came, saw, was widely advertised and floored.

THE POPULAR VOTE DOES NOT ALWAYS DECIDE

(Boston Herald.)

Under our system of naming a President it is possible, of course, for a man to be elected who does not receive a majority of the popular vote but who does obtain a majority in the Electoral College. The best example perhaps is the election of 1888, when Cleveland had 5,540,329 votes and Harrison, who had only 5,439,853 yet won the election, for while Cleveland had only 168 electoral votes Harrison had 233.

Such a result is due to the disparity in population of the States, differences which are recognized in one branch of Congress but not in the other. It may be supposed that a candidate might sweep such a populous State as New York with a million majority, and his competitor might win in smaller States by majorities in each case of but a few thousand. Yet it might occur that the million majority in the one State would far exceed the sum of the majorities for the other candidate in the smaller States, and still that the electoral votes of the smaller States would add up to a larger total than the forty-five electoral votes for New York.

That possibility of the transformation of a popular majority for one candidate into an electoral majority for the other always exists but it is rarely exemplified. Of course, when there are three or more candidates in the field, as in 1912 and in 1860, a candidate again may enter the White House with a minority in the popular total, but the constitutional requirement is that he shall have a majority in the Electoral College.

ROCKEFELLER PAID BIG SUM FOR A RUG

Chicago, Nov. 6.—There was spirited bidding the other day in London for possession of a rare rug up for auction Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick finally was the victor at a price reported to have been \$120,000. The price might not have been so high, but some one was making a determined bid against Mrs. McCormick's offers. She learned after it was all over that she had been bidding against her brother, John D. Rockefeller Jr.

The rug, upon which have trod Shahs, Czars and Emperors, was the work of expert rugmakers centuries ago as a gift to the Shah of Persia. Later the rug was a gift to Peter the Great of Russia, and then to the Emperor of Austria.

"The Herald and Examiner" said today that the Federal government has demanded a tax of \$80,000 before admitting the rug, and that Mrs. McCormick plans to carry her objection to such a tax to the courts.

CHAMPAGNE CROP IS BIG

(Special to the Daily Mail by the British United Press) Paris, Nov. 6.—This year's champagne output in France will be more than three times greater than last year's, the producers estimate. There will be 12,000,000 quart bottles bearing the 1928 label.

SOUTH AFRICAN CABINET QUILTS

(Special cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press) Capetown, Union of South Africa Nov. 6.—The Cabinet of General Hertzog, the Prime Minister, resigned today. A new cabinet is expected to be formed this afternoon.

S. C. Wilkes of Moncton is in the city today.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE  
In Utopia all football games end in a tie.  
If you carry a grudge you are overburdened.  
Frost on the pumpkin is an inspiration but is not desirable on a windowpane.  
Whiskers are coming back it is announced. But that is not news. They always do.  
Another professor that Robinson says the women of Mars have four thumbs. Great for hitch-hiking.  
Some may make an occasional slip, but usually a woman is careful not to let her memory run back too far.  
Money is of particular importance in backing up good intentions. Without money good intentions never paid a bill.  
Possibly it is true that long legs are a sign of intelligence. Anybody can see how difficult it would be for a long legged man to step on his lip.  
We read that a successful business woman of the East who treats all people alike, says: "Human beings are human beings, no matter where you meet them. Not a very startling statement though there may be a few people who will reject the idea."

DO MOOSE MAKE A CHARGE

Do Moose Charge? That has long been a mooted question and Edward Breck in an article on the subject in the November issue of Outdoor Life answers the question in the negative. He allows, however, that there are cases when moose do charge, and T. M. Brewer, a resident of Devon, New Brunswick agrees with that after an experience he has had during the present hunting season in the New Brunswick woods.

It happened in the Miramichi woods where Mr. Brewer who is now nearing 70 years of age, was completing a three days' hunting trip and it provided him with the most exciting thrills he has ever had in his lifetime. After hunting all morning he finally sighted a large bull moose and took a shot at him. The bullet did not enter the fatal place of the animal's anatomy which the hunter had aimed at, and the wounded monarch of the forest plunged through the thicket straight towards the spot from which Mr. Brewer had fired the shot. Apparently the big bull moose had visioned the hunter and was intent upon reaching him. In his hasty flight Mr. Brewer unluckily dropped his rifle and as it was soon apparent that the infuriated moose was rapidly overtaking him it seemed the only means for him to reach a place of safety would be to climb a tree. This he did but only in time as the maddened monarch, suffering from the pain of the wound inflicted by the bullet snorted up to the foot of the tree and pawed the ground furiously while the nervous hunter clung to a branch to which he had clambered.

Treed in this manner without a rifle or firearm of any kind, Mr. Brewer was forced to wait four tedious hours before the big bull moose wearied of the siege finally strayed far enough away from the tree for him to climb cautiously down and stealthily make his way to where he had dropped his rifle. Recovering his gun Mr. Brewer took another shot at the moose and this time him aim was more effective with the result that the big bull rolled over without a whimper.

Mr. Brewer estimates that the antlers of the moose with which he had his exciting adventure had a spread of 64 inches. If this measurement is correct it is a larger spread than the record moose head for all Canada in 1927 which was shot by A. C. Christiani of Red Bank, New Jersey, in the Rocky Brook woods north of Boilestown on the Miramichi and had antlers spreading 63½ inches by actual measurement.

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