

Political Events of the Past Week

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candidacy of Gov. Alfred E. Smith of New York for the Democratic nomination for president, that I deem it my duty as a citizen and public man to state my position, which I do in a letter to the Hon. Frank A. Hamilton, of Washington, D. C., secretary of Hon. F. M. Simmons, U. S. Senator of this state, a copy of which I herewith enclose you. The letter refers to a newspaper clipping which I enclose, which with the letter to Mr. Hamilton and this letter, I will thank you to publish in your own forum column, in order that my views may be understood by those who seem interested in them. I know that many Democrats do not agree with the views I express, and I wish to say that I accord to them the same privilege in reaching their opinions that I claim in reaching mine—feeling sure that we are all endeavoring to do what we think best for the cause of Democracy and government.

Yours very truly,
W. B. COUNCELL,
Hickory, Feb. 27, 28.

(Inclosure)

(Editor's note—Following is the letter Judge Council has written to Mr. Hamilton):

I am in receipt of your esteemed favor of the 22nd, and am pleased to hear from you again.

In reference to your inquiry as to my views or position with respect to the candidacy of Gov. Smith for the Democratic nomination for president, I am sending you a newspaper clipping that refers to an interview that I gave out last November, which expressed my views at that time. The fear that I then expressed is not so pronounced at this time, and I do not now believe, in the light of changes that have taken place, that the nomination of Gov. Smith will seriously affect the Democratic vote of this state, or do any lasting injury to our party organization. I have, therefore, been led to the conclusion that under existing conditions, the nomination of Governor Smith is our candidate for president is our wisest course, and both out to us a genuine hope of success at the polls next November.

With kindest regards to yourself and Senator Simmons, I remain,
Very truly yours,
W. B. COUNCELL.

(Inclosure)

(Editor's note—Following is the interview spoken of in Judge Council's letter, which is an editorial carried in The Record last November):

A man who thinks a great deal more than he talks, told The Daily Record the other day his opinion of the national political situation in so far as it concerned Al Smith. He began by remarking that it was a time when political leaders are "rounding their words," especially in states such as North Carolina.

The danger of the Al Smith candidacy, said this man, is not that his election would bring a revolt from the eighteenth amendment, not that it would bring Catholic domination to America, nor that it would bring immorality in government. No, those are not the dangers. The nation may disrupt the political organization of several states such as North Carolina.

But, on the other hand, this man sees where the fight that would come in case Smith were nominated might bring a life to the Democratic party that it has not felt in years and years. Gov. Smith possesses that quality deeper than personality, broader than magnetism, more incomprehensible than charm, which drives the average man, the man in the street, out in the field to battle in his behalf. He possesses "it." Woodrow Wilson nearly had it; Roosevelt did have it. It inspires the fight in the legions.

Big Bill Would Draft Coolidge

Chicago, March 2.—Mayor Thompson, supported by a brass band and 3,000 cohorts of the Thompson-Crowe organizations, has launched an organized move to "draft" President Coolidge for the Republican presidential nomination. Recently back from Washington the mayor called a meeting yesterday of his political supporters, who unanimously endorsed his program and a platform of 18 planks. His new slogan was "America First; Wets Against World Court Dry," based on an anti-prohibition plank in the county platform.

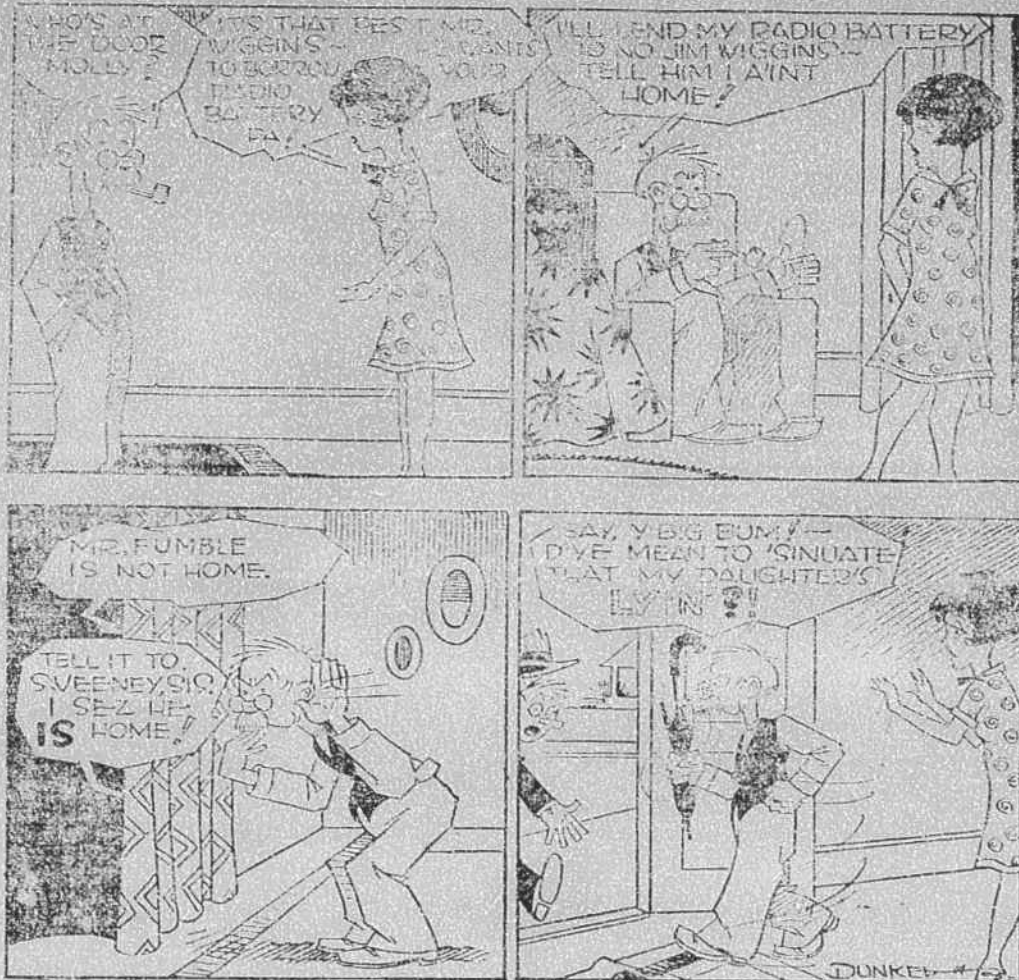
The platform denounced the Volstead act and the World Court; demanded the federal government bear the entire cost of "America First" flood control, completion of inland waterways and home rule for Illinois.

Walsh Enters Race

Washington, March 3.—Senator Thomas J. Walsh of Montana has entered the expanding field of Democratic candidates for the presidency with the open support of William G. McAdoo, the political foe of Governor Smith of New York.

Like Smith, the senator is a Roman Catholic. Unlike the New York governor, he is committed to the dry cause.

Announcement that the widely known prosecutor of the sensational



Teagot Bone investigation would be pitted against Smith, Reed of Missouri, and other Democratic presidential aspirants in California and some other states, capped a week of activity in political camps of both parties.

The Kansas City and Houston conventions are now less than four months away. At one or the other the occupant of the White House after a year from tomorrow will be selected. The approach of primaries and conventions in many states also is bringing home to candidates and their managers a realization that there is no time to be lost and that political ally can be made even before the winter frost is out of the ground.

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Having qualified as administrator of the estate of T. S. Watson, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, to present them for payment within one year from the time of this notice; otherwise this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will come forward and make immediate payment.
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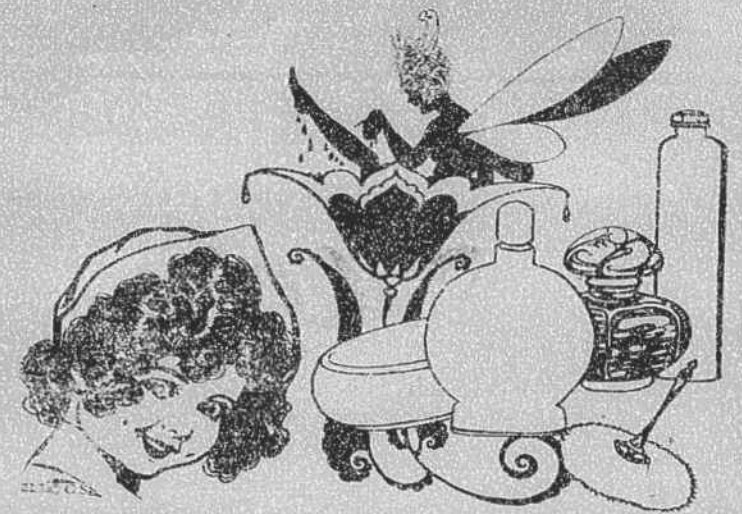
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The Presidential Nominations.....

will be made in only a few weeks. The political pots are beginning to boil and indications are that the campaign of 1928 will be the most bitterly fought before and after the conventions of any within the memory of the majority of our readers. Especially for the benefit of the great per cent of Democrat subscribers we do not receive daily newspapers, the management has arranged to carry each week in condensed form a summary of the high spots on the political horizon for the previous week. Therefore, through the columns of your county newspaper you will be able to keep track of what is going on in the major political parties. One dollar will bring the news to you each week from now until the election is over.

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