

Outlook For Close Race In This Year's Election

Back of All Confidence Expressed by Leaders Is a Feeling of Genuine Uncertainty and Fear Election May Go to House of Representatives

By DAVID LAWRENCE

New York, Aug. 26.—What is really going on inside the two big political camps nowadays will hardly be discerned from the optimistic publicity which the Republicans and Democrats are issuing nor will it be gleaned from the confident utterances of the nominees.

But the truth of the matter is there is not any real confidence underneath. Many and various are the conjectures and hopes with respect to what will happen after the campaign gets well under way and the candidates have toured and ratiocinated the country.

Yet if the election were held tomorrow it's an oft used phrase to express the actual situation at the moment the leaders of the Republican as well as Democratic parties would be doubtful as well as nervous about the outcome to the point of expecting a close result. The inside talk of "landslide" is slowly vanishing. It's to be a real race.

Sometimes when the managers do not talk for quotation they give an insight into their real feelings, their fears and their calculations.

"If the election were held tomorrow," said one of the highest in the councils of the Democratic party today, "the result would be thrown into the House of Representatives for decision as none of the three candidates would get a majority of the electoral votes. The West is all split up. We may pull out certain states but it looks more than ever as if the battle there is between Davis and LaFollette with the chances of the latter carrying many states unless conditions change."

From Republican sources comes the well guarded statement that the LaFollette tide is ebbing and that were the election held tomorrow it would be dangerous but that by election time the insular agricultural conditions will send votes now inclined to LaFollette back to Coolidge.

These comments on the situation are not the kind that will be publicly admitted for politics is a game in which the strategy of confidence is supposed to play an important part. The politicians frequently think and so do some of the propaganda which is only another word for artificial publicity. But they are not. Misrepresentation sways a number of votes but every election usually shows a definite trend based upon some fundamental conviction ingrained not during the campaign but in the months when the candidates prove on their natural and presumably non-political behavior.

Whatever impressions the country has of the rugged character of Calvin Coolidge were obtained in the few months after he took the oath of office and all the pictures and stories about his simplicity recently distributed as a publicity effort are simply repetition.

So it is with the Democratic cause. The impression of John W. Davis' character and intellectual ability which was conveyed to the country when the attention of everybody was focused on the Democratic National Convention is already implanted as is every phase of his career as a lawyer and a public official.

Persons are relatively secondary in this campaign. The candidacy of Senator LaFollette is more of a symbol than a matter of personality. The issues are becoming clearer every day. In the West they relate to agricultural conditions and the Teapot Dome controversy as it relates to conservation of natural resources. In the East it is mostly the Ku Klux Klan problem. The Democrats are rapidly developing a distinct anti-Klan complexion while the Republicans are puzzled and uncertain how to treat the issue. It may alter the whole campaign in the East, especially if religion becomes a vital factor. This has

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FARM BOYS NOW DO REPAIRING

Save Their Dads \$20,000 in Repair Work After Attending Vocational High Schools.

Raleigh, Aug. 27.—More than \$20,000 in repair work was saved certain farmers during a period of eight months in 1923-1924 by their sons, who, after attending the vocational agricultural high schools, had returned home and opened a systematized home repair shop in the barn, wood-shed, or similar outhouses. It was stated by Roy H. Thomas, Supervisor of Agricultural Education of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, while discussing the value of the vocational agricultural schools in the State.

Mr. Thomas also pointed out that since these boys had opened the home repair shops, that there had been more system on the farm in general than ever before and that much time was saved in being able to make repairs at home without making a long trip to town, and also in having a certain place for all tools and equipment.

The old village or community blacksmith shop is a thing of the past in most farming communities of the State," said the supervisor. "The passing of this historic institution is due primarily to two factors. First, modern methods of production and standardization of farm equipment has made it cheaper for the farmer to go to town and buy the repair parts needed. The community blacksmith shop, although convenient, was costly. Frequently the farmer would spend half a day having some piece of machinery repaired while the real worth of the new part was not over 25 or 50 cents.

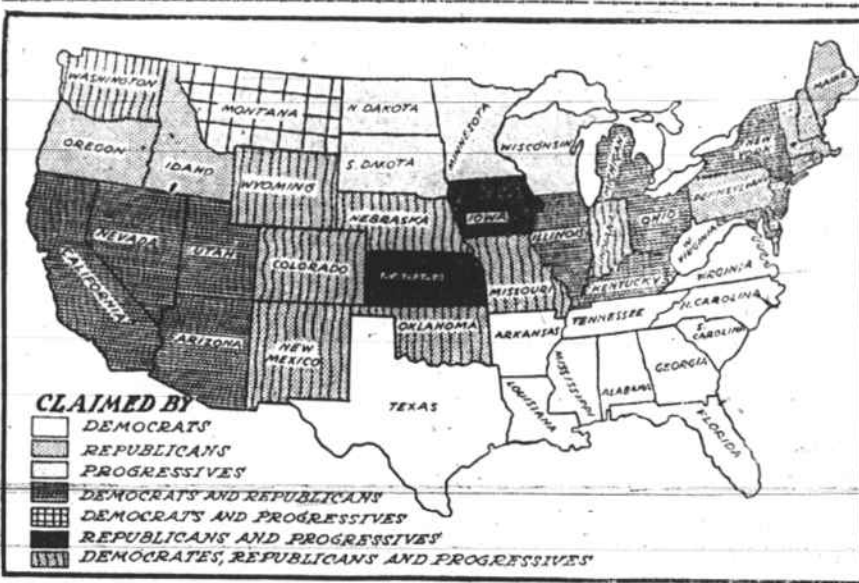
"The other factor in the passing of the community shops is that the farmers now have schools which teach their boys how to do the construction and repair jobs that arise on the farm. These schools are the vocational repair schools which have as a part of their curriculum courses in agriculture and farm shop work.

Not only are the boys scattered here and there and I lost a lot of time trying to locate them." "When the boys completed their shops," stated Supervisor Thomas, "they got busy doing odd construction and repair jobs about the farm. Within a period of eight months the 12,000 pieces of equipment were repaired and the nucleus of a fully completed shop. It was explained, the equipment consisting of work bench, tool cabinet, home made anvil—all made by the boy—and the necessary tools. Only in a few cases did the boys put up a special shop building. It was pointed out, but most of them placed their equipment in the shed of the barn, garage or made use of some convenient place.

One of the first jobs of the boys after they had put in equipment, it was said, was to gather up all the tools on the farm, oil and sharpen them and place them in the tool cabinet where they could be had at any time. Mr. Thomas quoted one farmer as saying, when commenting upon his boy's work shop, "For the first time in my life I have a place where I can do my repair work. Also, when I want a tool,

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Map of Political Situation



Here Is the Electoral Vote by States:

Alabama	12	Iowa	13	Nebraska	8	Rhode Island	5
Arizona	5	Kansas	10	Nevada	3	South Carolina	9
Arkansas	9	Kentucky	10	New Hampshire	4	South Dakota	5
California	13	Louisiana	10	New Jersey	11	Tennessee	12
Colorado	6	Maine	6	New Mexico	7	Texas	29
Connecticut	7	Maryland	8	New York	45	Vermont	4
Delaware	3	Massachusetts	13	North Carolina	12	Virginia	12
Florida	6	Michigan	15	North Dakota	5	Washington	7
Georgia	14	Minnesota	12	Ohio	21	West Virginia	8
Idaho	4	Mississippi	13	Oklahoma	10	Wisconsin	11
Illinois	19	Missouri	15	Oregon	5	Wyoming	3
Indiana	15	Montana	4	Pennsylvania	24		

Dawes' Specs



Yes, Brig. Gen. Charles R. Dawes, like most famous men, wears glasses. Maybe you never knew that before. Here's the proof. The picture was taken while he was at his desk.

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boys had done construction and repair work that would have cost over \$20,000. If it had been necessary for their farmers to employ someone to do them."

The jobs by the boys was listed as follows:
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