

The Future Of The Democratic Party

New York World.

The attempt to forecast the future of the Democratic party is idle speculation, and responsible leaders of the party will be well advised not to rush into print with prophecies, declarations, recriminations. Four years are a long time in the history of a party, and what is said now in a mood of depression or elation can have very little value. What is needed now is a clarification of mind, and to that end we suggest tentatively the following considerations:

- 1928 was a landslide in the electoral college slightly but not much larger than 1912.
- The Democratic party polled a larger proportion of the popular vote this year than in 1904, 1920 or 1924 and only a slightly smaller proportion than in 1908 and 1912.
- There will be two parties in the United States.
- Almost certainly they will be called the Republican and Democratic parties.
- A party which polls at least 40 per cent of the popular vote is not negligible.
- A party with at least 12,000,000 votes in the pivotal states is not negligible.
- A party which has more than 75 per cent of its popular strength outside the old solid south will have to consider the wishes of that 75 per cent.
- Events in the next few years rather than wishes and opinions today will set the issues and reveal the leaders.
- In the mean time we suggest to the 12,000,000 Democrats outside of the south that they study and remember the gallant fight of the southern leaders and southern newspapers who vindicated the best traditions of this country. We know of no nobler episode in American politics than the sustained and brilliant struggle conducted by the dry Protestants of the south against bigotry and fanaticism. They faced odds which would have daunted all but the bravest and most honorable men.
- The world for its part does not know how to pay them adequate tribute.

Lutherans To Have School For Pastors

(Special To The Star.)

The committee charged with the responsibility of arranging for a school of pastors has not simply marked time since its election and appointment may 15, 1928. Three meetings have been held; one in Hickory, one in Rock Hill, and one in Columbia. A curriculum attractive and full of value has been outlined, and an able faculty has been elected.

This school is to be held in the Lutheran Theological Southern seminary, Columbia, S. C., beginning Thursday, May 16, 1929, with formal opening on Wednesday night, following the annual commencement in the morning of May 15, continuing through the following Thursday.

The idea of a pastor's school is not entirely new, (the Lutheran synod of S. C. having sponsored such a school for two years, through the efforts and support of a few prominent laymen of that synod.) but this is the first time the school is to be held under the auspices of the alumni association of the Theological seminary. While this school is definitely authorized and sponsored by the alumni association, it is hoped that every pastor within the territory of the Southern-seminary will avail himself of the opportunity offered.

Watch for the complete program to be given later, and plans for eight days of delightful benefits.

REV. N. D. YOUNT, Secy.

"To Those In Flanders Field."

(By Lloyd Mauney.)

In Flanders field the soldiers sleep
Beneath the poppies red,
They gave their lives that we might
keep
Old Glory over head;
In battle lines they gave their all
That we might thus be free,
Oh worthy ones that suffered thus
Our hearts are still with thee.

In Flanders field the crosses stand
Against the azure sky,
They stand as one against the sun
To those that had to die;
Beneath the sod the soldiers rest
In sleep of sweet repose,
While all around the earth is crown-
ed
With glory of the rose.

In Flanders field the guns are quiet
Beneath the glowing sun,
Their work of death and work of
On earth is already done;
The fields are draped in silence
there

In tribute to those that died,
The Holy Master of the world
Keeps vigil at their side.

In Flanders field the dove of peace
Spreads its wing of love,
The noise of strife and surging life
Are lifted far above;
The years may drift along Time's
path
And peace or war both yield,
But our minds will turn forever
back
To those in Flanders field.

TRY STAR WANT ADS.

Around Our Town

— Shelby Sidelights —
With Renn Drum

JUST BY WAY OF GETTING started, we notice that in the financial report of an uptown church in Shelby \$40.16 is listed in the cash disbursements to the credit of "bad checks."

Now, whaddya know about giving the parson his pay with a bad check?
Who in the heck said the world was getting better?

THE ABSENCE OF THIS COL-UM apparently was not noted during the campaign excitement, but now that there are no wild tales to tell about Herb and Al it appears as if one or two folks, anyway, would welcome this space filler back.

As proof we present the following letter, written on the stationery of the Cleveland Springs hotel:

"Now that the election is over and you have time to observe the things that are happening locally, let me suggest that while Bruno Lessing is all right, Dr. Copeland's health talks are instructive, and the comic strips are funny—all of which have added greatly to The Star—still I can't say that I enjoy any of them as much as I do 'Round the Town Stuff.' They lack the at-home atmosphere, and besides it's hard to keep up with you in your ramblings (How's that?). I think that a fellow of your type should account for the time he's putting in. (Note: The discarded brown derby perhaps can explain).
"So, let's have it back. That old home town stuff is best after all.
Yours, etc.,
"J. D. L."

Thanks. Here we are, for the vacant columns yawn like the Grand Canyon just after an election.

SPEAKING ABOUT THAT election business, do you remember that just a week or so back the political scandal-mongers were yelling because Hoover had spent most of his life in some other country, and because there was somebody who could see Al Smith was drunk every time he hove into sight. Such stories were told here in Shelby, y'know.

Now that it is over the announcement comes that President-elect Hoover is going to visit South America, the only country he has never been in, and nobody cares enough to say anything about it. Likewise, with the election gone for a week not a soul has reported seeing Gov. Al all "lit up."

Now, isn't that funny? Looks as if they howled so much about Hoover going abroad before the election they would raise Cain sure enough now that he is going off again just as soon as he is elected. And if a man ever needed "a shot or two" it seems as if Al would after that licking, yet no one has

seen him "all licked up" since. Such is, or are, politics.

BY THE WAY HAVE YOU tried to drive from one traffic light to the other with the green signals on since the changing time has been cut down? If you have, and made it before the red light, you very near broke the speed limit.

INCIDENTALLY, HAVE YOU noticed that each Saturday, as it comes tripping along toward Santa Claus, sees a new record crowd of shoppers in Shelby?

Last Saturday along the shopping district could be seen autos with license plates from Forest City, Rutherfordton, Gaffney, Lincolnton, Cliffside, Spindale, Kings Mountain and other points.

You've heard that old saying about the town beating a path to the door of the man who could make a real mouse trap. Well, Shelby seem's to be the mouse's trap when it comes to shopping in this section these days.

AMONG THE YOUNGER SET there is considerable interest in the announcement that "Ikey" (Harold) Griffitt is coming home from Turkey for the holidays.

The item makes one wonder how many changes have taken place in Shelby in the last year or so while he has been away. Those who stay in the old home town realize that changes are, and have been, taking place. But those of us who linger on soon get accustomed to the change, and in a week or so after a change everything looks just the same. On the other hand the fellow who spends just a month or so away from Shelby comes home to note that many things have happened while he was away. Haven't you noticed it?

As for the young fellow coming in from Turkey for the holidays (wonder if he will be wearing one of those peculiar fez caps?), Shelby will hardly look like the same place.

Where old Central hotel was he will find a fine new building rapidly taking shape. In that change, tragic as the recollection is, he will miss several familiar faces. And in between the old hotel and the new one there was another tragedy, and other faces that he will be missing. On every street in town will be a new business and new business buildings that he never saw before he left. Out every residential street there will be new homes, and in several cases there will be entirely new residential sections.

Just sit down and go over in your mind every street in Shelby as it was a year and one-half ago. If you take time to do it, you'll be surprised at the change. "Ikey" will remember it as it was, and will see it as it is.

Much water has passed over the mill wheel, wherever it is, since he left, and many new mounds have

Best Dressed



"The best dressed woman in England and the continent" is the title that belonged to Mrs. Joan Nash for several years. Recently she married Paul Dubonnet and her claims to the title are said to have been strengthened. Above is a new picture of Madame Dubonnet wearing a black net evening dress with a pearl necklace and a large diamond bracelet.

Jobs in Jest

To a plumber almost every job's a pipe.

Many a match has been made with an old flame.

Silence is golden, but you shouldn't take money for it.

The Chicago policeman who killed a gangster the other day probably will plead that he didn't know it was loaded.

Crime costs the country \$10,000,000,000 a year, statistics say. But you must remember that a dollar doesn't go as far as it used to.

TRAFFIC ON PARIS SUBWAY MORE A MILE THAN NEW YORK'S

Paris.—New York, which has been bragging about possessing the greatest subway crowds in the world must pass on the crush championship to Paris, if official figures published by the Paris Metro company are to be believed.

The Paris Metro lines carry more than twice as many passengers a mile as the New York subways.

grown out of the ground in Sun-

Better cut the colyum off here a it seems to be getting so pessimistic that it might get to bawling in an other paragraph or so.

TURKS BAN TAXICAB MIRRORS SNOOPING DRIVERS FORESTALLED

Constantinople.—Taxicab petting parties, one of the phenomena of the recent emancipation of Turkish women, have been given a boost by the chief of police of Constantinople.

He has ordered taxi drivers to remove the mirrors which they have been fastening on the inside of their windshields and with which they could watch their passengers. Stamboul chauffeurs have become so absorbed in watching

back-seat occupants that the number of traffic accidents has increased by leaps and bounds.

The chauffeurs plead that the mirrors are needed against passengers who have a habit of jumping out and running away without paying their fares and also against bandit clients.

Consistent Winner.

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Just as mothers always do. And most of her presents, as far as any rate as you can recall, have been "community" presents... rugs, vases, silver, furniture... things that everybody shared.

But when did she ever have a gift that was all her very own... thought of and purchased with her own, individual, personal pleasure alone in mind?

Mother might decry the thought... but we have helped children (of all ages) bring joy to so many mothers that we know she'd love a gift that was all her own... one of these lovely new ELGIN Parisienne Watches, sparkling with the touch of Paris... something that lasts... something to cherish as a symbol of the precious affection that prompts it.

A store full of lovely gifts here... may we conduct you through it and suggest a few... at any prices you may have in mind?