

# ILLINOIS LIKELY TO ELECT SMITH DESPITE INSULL

Voters Apparently Ignore Slush Fund Revelations.

By Times Special  
CHICAGO, Sept. 10. — Illinois voters seem likely to elect Frank L. Smith United States Senator despite his acceptance of campaign contributions totalling \$125,000 from Samuel Insull, multi-millionaire public utilities magnate.

The suggestion of Julius Rosenwald, millionaire merchant and civic leader, that a high grade Republican be named as an independent candidate, and elected, did not get across. It received the approval of a few prominent citizens academically interested in politics, but it made no impression on the rank and file of the voters. As in Pennsylvania the majority of the voters here are willing to accept the product of the machine, regardless of what it is.

Can't Find a Man  
Another obstacle to the plan is the inability thus far of Rosenwald

## He Looks Like Rudolph



Doubles of Rudy Valentino are in order now and Des Moines nominates Alvin Teter, 21-year-old shoe clerk. Teter was an "extra" in the filming of "The Ten Commandments," and frequently was mistaken for the shell.

and those who agree with him to find a suitable opponent to Smith. A downstate man is considered necessary, because Senator Deneen is a Chicago resident and politics requires that the Senators be divided between the northern and southern portions of the State.  
Former Governor Frank O.

Lowden, most prominent of those mentioned as a prospective Smith opponent, announced that under no circumstances would he become a candidate. Others of prominence take the same position.

**Machine is Oiled.**  
The Illinois Republican machine, in the meantime, is preparing to defend Smith and to elect him. Data is being assembled to support the argument that there was no impropriety about Smith's acceptance of \$125,000 from Insull. Besides showing that George E. Brennan, Smith's Democratic opponent, also accepted \$15,000 from Insull, the organization declares that in the four years Smith headed the Illinois corporation commission public utility rates to consumers were reduced \$78,425,803 and Insull's companies suffered 95.8 per cent of the reduction and all other companies 4.2 per cent.

**The Defense**  
These figures include lower rates for gas, electricity and telephone and street car fares. The \$78,425,803 is arrived at by comparing prices and consumption with the rates in effect when Smith took office. Elaborate analysis have been prepared intended to show that Smith instead of helping Insull actually reduced his percentage of earnings.

"Insull's contribution won't cost Smith's ten votes," a Smith manager said.  
Others not in politics declare Smith's losses as a result of the Senate committee investigation will be enough votes to hurt, unless in the next two months there should be a surprising change of sentiment.

The Republican Senate campaign committee, which has opened offices in Chicago, is preparing to help Smith just as it will help other Republican nominees and just as if there had been no disclosures.

Reports that President Coolidge might oppose Smith's election are discounted in Chicago.

**SEEKS ANCIENT TOMBS**  
JOHANNESBURG—A search for the secret tomb of savage African chiefs is to be made shortly by Dr. C. M. Duke of the university here. When the doctor was a missionary in Northern Rhodesia he learned of the secret graves, which no white man and only a few privileged natives have ever seen. Practically nothing is known of the Lamba tribe, and he hopes to record their speech, songs and folk lore.

## DOGS ATTEND FUNERAL

Unwilling Canines Present at Last Rites for Kitten.

By United Press  
MONTEREY, Cal., Sept. 10.—If dogs have souls, or even intellects adaptable to psychological suggestion, kittens of this city may in the future enjoy unrivaled freedom from canine molestation.

Jack and Norman Steward, young sons of the Monterey postmaster, recently were presented with a few days' old kitten. The pet became not only the center of attraction to the neighborhood children but the neighborhood dogs, the latter becoming so boisterous that the kitten died in the resultant commotion.

Jack and Norman rounded up the dogs, an approximate thirty, and lashing them together, led them unwillingly to the kitten's funeral.

Reluctant participants in the cortege, the dogs were still more reluctant spectators while the fluffy body of their victim was lowered into its grave.

They were released only after the last handful of dirt had been sprinkled. They had been given a lesson, but it remains to be seen whether they benefited thereby.

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