

BROUN ENLIVENS CONGRESS RACE IN NEW YORK

Promises to Keep His Pants Pressed If He Is Sent to Washington.

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NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—In what New York calls its "silk stocking" election district, a woman, a magistrate and Heywood Broun are trying to get elected to congress.

The woman is Mrs. Ruth B. Pratt, Republican incumbent; the magistrate is Louis Brodsky, a Democrat; Broun, a columnist, some times a water-color artist, and an authority on the techniques of the three-card draw in poker, is a Socialist.

Had it not been for the candidacy of Broun, the contest might have been just "another campaign." But because of his unexpected innovations, Mrs. Pratt refrained from pointing with pride to Republican

accomplishments and charged that he was in the campaign "for a lark." Brodsky, who under ordinary circumstances might have been expected to view a number of things with alarm, has done so with marked caution.

Promises Pressed Pants

And Broun has gone right ahead with the Broun campaign. Some how his hearers felt that he was laughing secretly at his opponents. "I've heard it said during this campaign," Broun said in one of his radio talks, "that I oughtn't to be elected because I've been seen in public when my pants weren't pressed."

"I'm afraid that's true. But I promise the voters that if I'm sent to Washington I'll get my clothes pressed and be a model of sartorial splendor."

Broun aroused Mrs. Pratt's ire when he referred to her congressional record as "colorless."

During two years in congress she has made but two speeches, he said—one favoring reduction of the tariff on sugar from 24 cents to 2 cents, and the other to read a speech made by President Hoover to the Boy Scouts.

Campaign Politeness Model

Mrs. Pratt countered by saying that Broun, in the last ten years, had failed in the most elementary duty of citizenship by registering

only three times. She indicated this was a record he could "not laugh off in his column or anywhere else."

Broun retorted he saw so little to choose from between the Republicans and Democrats that he didn't see much use in voting for either.

Mrs. Pratt, in turn, aroused the ire of Judge Brodsky by referring to him as a "Tammany henchman."

But aside from these little incidents the campaign has been a model of politeness.

Broun took back what he had said about Mrs. Pratt after he met her personally. He said he found her a very charming woman.

And when the Columnist was arrested for picketing during a garment workers' strike, Brodsky was the first on hand to obtain his release.

The appellation "silk stocking" district is a misnomer. As Broun said, there is a lot of rayon in it. Although it includes the aristocratic Park avenue, it also takes in the dingy antiquated red brick houses in "Hell's Kitchen."

Broun has campaigned the district personally, addressing crowds on the street corners, while Mrs. Pratt was speaking to drawing room groups and Brodsky was appearing at Tammany clubs.

Sleep curled up like a kitten, and not stretched out like a ramrod, is the advice of Dr. H. M. Johnson of the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research in Pittsburgh.

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HURLEY WILL SPEAK ON RADIO CHAIN TONIGHT

Mellon, in Air Address, Asks Nation to Back President Hoover.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—The Republican radio campaign will be continued tonight with an address by War Secretary Patrick Hurley, the fourth cabinet member to use a national network this week for political discussion.

Hurley's topic will be "The Hoover Administration, Looking to the Future."

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SLACK SOUNDS APPEAL TO END COFFIN'S RULE

Former Mayor Scoffs at G. O. P. Injection of National Issues.

By United Press

Declaring that "it is foolish for any one to try to influence Marion county voters by attempting to make an issue of the national administration," L. Ert Slack, former mayor, in a radio address over station WFBM, Wednesday night, pointed to the record of the Coffin organization in the courthouse and called for its ousting.

"Judging from the record of Louis Ludlow during the last two years, there can be no question that he will be returned as representative in congress," Slack said.

He averred that the "appearance of Governor Harry G. Leslie in the Marion county campaign is difficult to understand, in view of the vote he got in this county in the 1928 election and in view of certain local

conditions, which he frequently has had to deal with."

"The only way the state administration could be affected would be in our legislative ticket. The most wholesome thing that could happen to the people of Indiana at this time would be a thorough investigation of state departments and such investigation is impossible unless we change the political complexion of the house of representatives," Slack said.

"The real issue in Marion county to be settled by the voters next Tuesday is whether the present county government and machine or-

ganization is to continue or whether there should be a wholesale change."

"Every voter in Marion county knows what Coffin means."

Slack described the lamentable state of county finances resulting from Coffin control and said that if the county would have to pay the bills piled up by the machine control of the courthouse the tax rate would be 68 cents instead of 38 cents.

He cited how "very large increases have been made in practically all departments of our county government without increasing the benefits to our citizens. Some of the offices have increased as high as 123 per cent in four years."

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