

ROOSEVELT BID FOR DIXIE'S AID GRIPS INTEREST

Political Leaders Declare
N. Y. Governor Realizes
He Needs Support.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance
WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—Franklin D. Roosevelt's apparent move for a political understanding with Al Smith today aroused speculation over the prospect that an alliance between Smith-Raskob cohorts and "favorite son" groups may yet prevent the New York Governor from winning the Democratic presidential nomination.

Roosevelt's managers, in the opinion of national observers here, must have been making some definite calculations, and come to the realization that, for all the sentiment on his behalf, they are not piling up enough actual delegate promises.

That has been the opinion here for some time, where certain national Democratic directors are known to favor either Governor Alben W. Barkley of Maryland or Newton D. Baker of Ohio, and the Roosevelt-Smith luncheon is regarded as a development of first importance.

Would Need 44 More

Facing the combined opposition of "favorite sons" and Smith, it is estimated that Roosevelt would have only 664 delegates, or forty-four less than he needs.

Should John F. Curry, Tammany leader, take it into his head to go to the convention with an unstructured delegation, thereby leaving his hands untied, this would reduce Roosevelt's convention strength to 574 delegates.

All this, too, assumes that unorganized sentiment for Roosevelt in the west and south eventually will crystallize in the form of ballots on the convention floor.

Unless Roosevelt is able to conciliate the 1928 standard bearer, who is suspected of entertaining presidential ambitions, and is able to have Tammany with him, it is believed generally he faces a more difficult fight than has been expected. In the home-stretch he may have to turn to the New York organization.

226 for "Favorite Sons"

The anti-Roosevelt strength, in ordinary political reckoning, consists first of the so-called Smith states with a total of 172 delegates as follows: Massachusetts, 36 delegates; Connecticut, 14; Rhode Island, 6; New Jersey, 28; Illinois, 58, and Michigan, 30.

Delegates from "favorite son" states amount to 226, as follows: Maryland (Ritchie), 16; Virginia (ex-Governor Harry F. Byrd), 24; Arkansas (Senator Joseph T. Robinson), 18; Ohio (Baker or Governor George White), 48; Missouri (ex-Senator James A. Reed), 36; Oklahoma (Governor William Murray), 20; Texas (Representative John N. Garner), 40, and Tennessee (Senator Cordell Hull), 24.

CITY ETCHER HONORED

Mrs. Mess' Picture Is Chosen for New York Exhibition.

"A Water Fantasy," an etching by Mrs. Evelyn C. Mess, Indianapolis artist, has been chosen for the sixteenth annual exhibition of the Society of American Etchers, in New York, Nov. 26 to Dec. 26, according to a word received today in Indianapolis.

Mrs. Mess, president of the Indianapolis Etching Club, is active in art circles in the city and a number of etchings now are on display in the Broad Ripple library. She studied in Europe for several years.

WOMAN SLAYS INTRUDER

Fires From Window as Man Tries to Break in Door.

By United Press
GARY, Ind., Nov. 21.—Edward Boler, 29, died here Friday of a bullet wound inflicted by Mrs. George Popoff while Boler allegedly was attempting to break into the Popoff home.

Neighbors said that Boler and Popoff had quarreled. When Popoff went for police aid, Boler attempted to break in the door, witnesses said. Mrs. Popoff fired at Boler from a window.

Police said Boler was intoxicated.

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W. B. Butler

The courthouse "man of figures" today began totaling a long column of digits making the thirty-first and last time he will balance the semi-final tax receipts.

W. B. Butler, first deputy county auditor and guardian of the county's funds, has served as sentinel over more than \$80 million dollars, during his sixteen years in office, yet never has handled a cent of the money.

Butler, who is 54, and knows as much as any one person concerning

ST. LOUISANS IN STRONG PLACE FOR COMEBACK

'Pay as You Go Plan' Spared City Extreme Distress in Depression.

BY RAYMOND CLAPPER
United Press Staff Correspondent

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ST. LOUIS, Nov. 21.—Cautious and thrifty in past days of plenty, St. Louis is plodding forward now on a much better foundation than is the case in some localities.

A big trade gateway to the wheat and cotton country, business is beginning to get the first traces of encouragement from rising prices in those commodities.

St. Louis is a manufacturing center but it does not go in for "style" or "class" goods. It makes staples, like work shoes and chemicals, and does a tremendous jobbing business in groceries and clothing. It is the opposite of Detroit, which lives solely by selling automobiles. Therefore, it experiences neither the elation of boom times nor the extreme anguish in depression.

Building Under Way

St. Louis is, in its conservative way, carrying on a substantial public and private construction program, involving expenditure of probably \$30,000,000.

Miles of streets are being widened. A new bridge is being built. A new terminal is under way. The St. Louis Star has started work on a new building and the St. Louis Globe-Democrat recently moved into its new building.

St. Louis is showing the country how a conservative, pay as you go community can weather one of the nation's worst depressions.

There has been just one bank failure. That was a small institution not even a member of the clearing house. When money ran out on the new courthouse job, wooden steps were built. The stone approach was left to another time.

Never Swept Off Feet

Business men here feel St. Louis has something which might be emulated by those communities which were swept into a fever of speculative frenzy by the infectious ballyhoo of the roiling days of 1928 and 1929. It left this city

First conference of Mayor Reginald H. Sullivan's committee to seek reduction of Indianapolis light and water rates will be held soon.

Sullivan has asked Harry Cuthbertson, public service commissioner, to attend the parleys as arbitrator. Cuthbertson suggested compromise settlement of the rate cases when the city filed petitions with the commission.

Sullivan told the commissioner he soon would notify him when the first session will be held. Civic and business organizations are backing the city's fight against the Indianapolis Water Company and Indianapolis Power and Light Company.

Pleasant Run Association will meet at the school Tuesday at 7:45. The Warren and Marion county sites and Warren O. Suther will furnish part of the program.

Warren P. T. A. council will sponsor a home good fair at the high school auditorium tonight. Booths will be exhibited by the Indiana Varnish Co., Indianapolis Power and Light Company, Fisher Brothers Electric Company, Lymon Brothers, Indianapolis, and other merchants. Food products will be shown and given. Indianapolis wholesale dealers and manufacturers will be present.

Pike Township "Worthy Home Membership" is the subject of a new meeting Dec. 8, at the New Augusta school. The child welfare committee reports five new subscriptions to the Child Welfare Magazine.

Summer roundup committees report three 100 per cent children instead of two.

Finance committee work at the school carnival was successful in selling the "White Elephants."

Wayne Township The Flackville Association held a "safety meeting" Thursday. Miss Julia Landers, county and representative of the fire prevention bureau, spoke.

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ROOSEVELT GETS BOOST

Middle West for Him, Minnesota Democratic Leader Declares.

By United Press

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt is an overwhelming favorite in the middle west for President in 1932, Joseph Wolf, Democratic national committeeman from Minnesota, said on his arrival here.

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