

TAMMANY BOSS PLACES N. Y. IN DEMOCRAT BAG

Any Candidate Will Beat G. O. P. in November, Says Curry.

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WASHINGTON, April 1.—New York state will be very glad to present the next Democratic President to the nation, according to Tammany Leader John F. Curry, but "it does not want to hog things."

Breaking ancient precedents, which have shrouded Tammany chieftains in silence and mystery, the smiling, white-haired Tammany boss predicted that any leading Democratic candidate will carry the country in next November's presidential election on the twin issues of economic and prohibition.

New York, with its forty-five electoral votes, he said, already can be counted in the Democratic column.

Although he declined to indicate his preference as between Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt and Alfred E. Smith, Governor and ex-Governor of his home state, the Tammany boss indicated that, barring unforeseen happenings, the delegation's ninety-four votes would be cast for Roosevelt.

He also made clear that, under the unit rule, Tammany and Long Island delegates would determine the state's choice for the presidency.

Curry Likes Garner

Curry also showed a great liking and admiration for Speaker John N. Garner, speaking of the courage and skill shown by his old friend in rising in the tax fight at the dramatic and critical moment.

Some think the friendship between these strangely contrasting men may have a great effect on developments if it appears that neither Smith nor Roosevelt can make the presidential grade.

As to the revelations of alleged graft on the part of Tammany men by the Seabury inquiry, Curry declared the disclosures "would not make a particle of difference in New York's vote next November."

"It is too obviously a partisan, political investigation," he said.

The Tammany boss, whose newspaper interview was part of his program to have his organization play a more important role in national affairs, met the press in his suite at a local hotel.

Talks With Frenchmen
After the ice had been broken with cigars and cigarettes, he entered into a series of humorous and diplomatic discussion with the eager questioners, including reporters who never had before seen a Tammany leader and attended solely to satisfy their curiosity.

They saw a smiling, pleasant-faced man over 50, who wore expensive but tasteful clothes—dark suit, dark tie, handkerchief in his breast pocket.

They saw a white-haired, easy-going figure who parried or declined to answer when he thought it wise, but who discussed national and local politics and personalities with a disarming frankness.

They met Mrs. Curry, a cultured, convent-bred woman, who soon disappeared to entertain friends of her daughter, an alumnae of a local Catholic university. Curry's son attends Georgetown university here.

'T. B.' PERILS STUDENTS
Men in Medical Training Found Most Apt to Get Disease.

PHILADELPHIA, April 1.—Medical students are particularly apt to develop tuberculosis, it appears from a survey of students of the University of Pennsylvania school of medicine here, made by four members of the faculty.

Between 93 and 94 of every 100 students examined had developed the disease. Among pre-medical students in college, the rate was slightly lower, being about 85 or 86 out of every 100, while among high school boys the rate was only between 77 and 78 per 100.

GARY SNUBS VICKI

Even Refuses \$3 for One Dance



Gary Cooper



Vicki Baum

NEW YORK, April 1.—Vicki Baum, popular German novelist, expressed deep pain today upon her arrival aboard the North German Lloyd liner Europa, that Gary Cooper, the tall Hollywood movie actor, refused point blank to dance with her during the voyage, even though she offered him \$3 for the privilege.

"Ah," sighed Frau Baum, "but I like the American men! They

are so boyish. So different. So amusing. They never worry." Cooper returned from an African hunting expedition, bringing with him some fifty skins of lions and other wild animals. He talked of thrilling escapes from wild beasts in the jungle, but declined to discuss Frau Baum's offer to dance.

"I wanted to dance with him," the German authoress said. "He refused. Then I had a friend go to him and make the \$3 offer. He turned it down. Again. Now I guess all I can do is to start work on another book. I'll begin Monday if I get around to it."

G. O. P. LEADERS

SHY FROM JOB OF KEYNOTER

Watson, Dawes and Senator Reed Balk at Convention Invitations.

By Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance
WASHINGTON, April 1.—The temporary chairmanship—the keynote job—of the Republican national convention is going begging.

While the Democrats virtually have agreed upon Senator Barkley of Kentucky as their keynoter, the Republicans have had three rejections thus far and a selection is unlikely during the next two weeks. James E. Watson, senate Republican leader, has declined suggestions of national committee officials that he make the opening speech. Previously, committee chairman Simeon D. Fess invited Charles G. Dawes, president of the reconstruction finance corporation. Dawes declined.

Fellow senators advised Watson that it would be beneath the dignity of the Republican leader to accept a second-choice invitation.

Senator David A. Reed of Pennsylvania, one of the President's most consistent supporters, has also been approached, but Reed declined, on the theory that he is not a political speaker.

Two of the most effective speakers among Republican senators are Borah of Idaho and Johnson of California, but neither would, ac-

cept if invited. Johnson is not likely to attend the convention and there is possibility that Borah will stay away, as he did in 1924, when Coolidge was nominated.

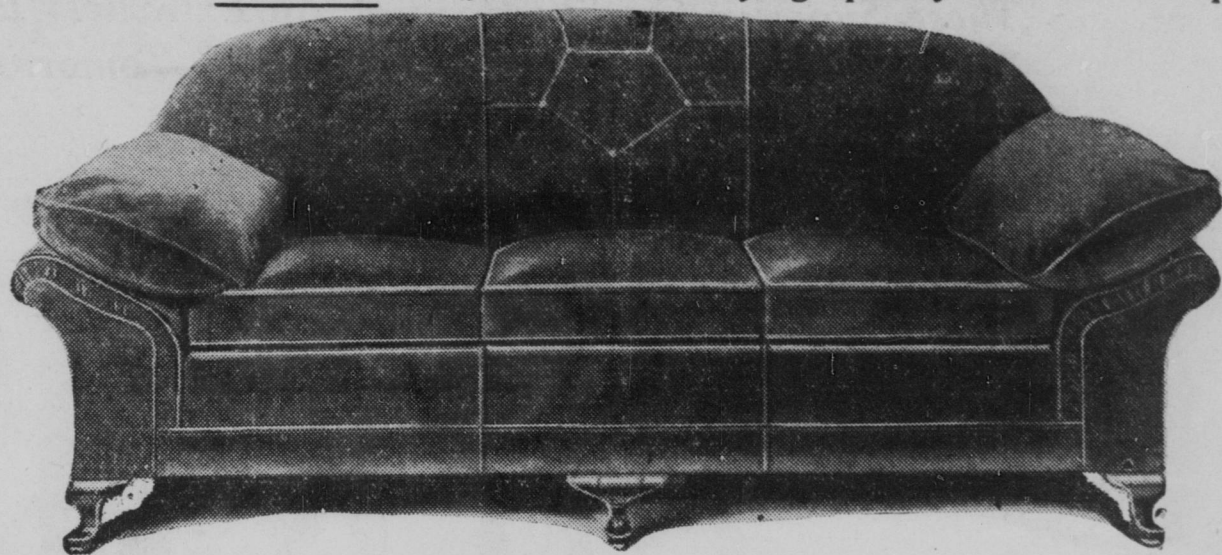
Among second-string senate orators, particularly among senators

seeking re-election, there is said to be an inclination to avoid the honor. These senators realize that whatever they say will be subjected to White House editing in advance and they do not want to make a pro-Hoover speech, which later may

devil them in their own campaigns. There is possibility that, for the first time in years, the keynoter will be selected from without the senate. House Republican Leader Snell has been decided upon as permanent chairman.

Fess said today a decision on the temporary chairmanship may not be made until the convention arrangements committee meets in Chicago, April 16. Meanwhile, James Francis Burke, committee counsel, is studying available speakers.

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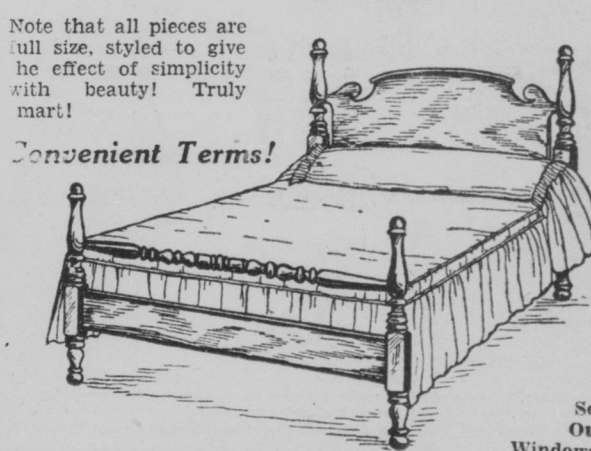
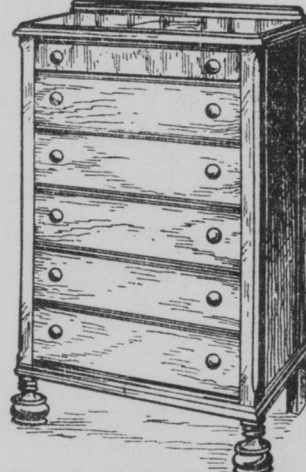
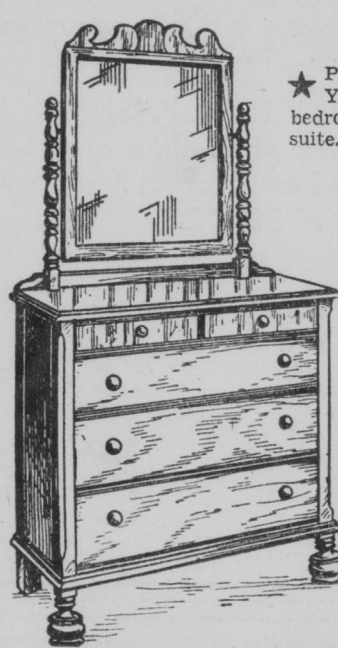
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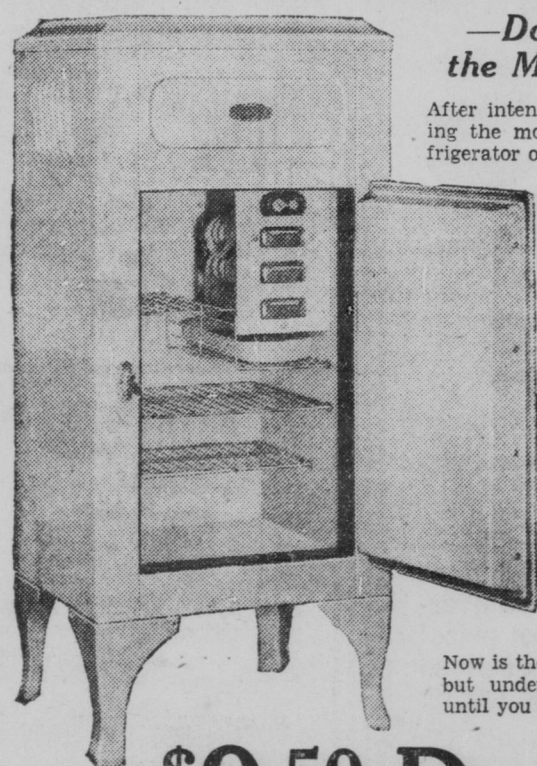
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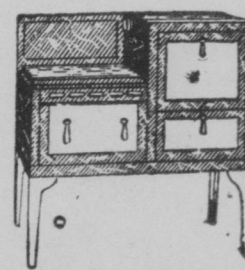
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