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ALL IS UNCERTAINTY

Prophets and Claimants Are Wasting Their Wind on the Result of Next Tuesday's Election

(Zach McGhee)

Washington, D. C., Oct. 30.—The first man I asked about the political situation this morning threw up his hands and shook his head to indicate that he knew nothing. He is a newspaper man who has kept up with the minutest details of the campaign, and has just returned from New York. He is one of the oldest of the Washington correspondents and has followed the details of every political campaign since Tilden was elected in 1876 and since the outburst of the presidential election of 1900. He has never been a time during all these campaigns when on the eve of the election there is so little upon which to base an opinion as to what will happen.

Anything like a prediction either way is the merest folly, he says. And so they all say, except, of course, the official campaign managers, all of whom on each side are claiming everything in sight and some things not in sight by many miles. The men in national headquarters, here, in New York and in Chicago are all giving out statements as to what is going to happen, and Bryan and Taft themselves are persistently telling the people that each expects to sweep the country and the only question is the size of the majority. They may believe it, but they do not find many people to believe that they really do. They really do not believe that they will be elected, for the political pulse feelers, forecasters, or whatever those that study the situation without bias may be called, are all completely at sea.

A Condition of Uncertainty
This state of uncertainty is due not, as might be expected, to the fact that the election is expected to be a very close one. Many who say that Taft is going to be elected admit that Bryan may be elected by a veritable tidal wave, while others who say they have a feeling that Bryan will be elected by this tidal wave admit, in turn, that Taft may have as many, or even more votes, in the electoral college than Roosevelt had four years ago. In the electoral college, not in the popular vote, in every one of these states the Republican majority will be cut down so low that it will have to be represented with a minus sign before it. But when I say Democrats or Republicans, I mean the official claimants of the two parties. The rank and file, as a rule, are not doing any very great claiming or prognosticating of any kind.

It may be a close race, and it may be a tidal wave for Bryan, or it may be an overwhelming majority—in the electoral college, but certainly not in the popular vote—for Taft. The real picture is a very pretty one, and very interesting, and very bettling, and but few are even guessing that there is literally nothing upon which to base a judgment.

The Republican chairman, Generalissimo Hitchcock, has his card index, but the voters just will not be indexed. They have a sort of antipathy against being indexed this year, somewhat like that the people of some people communities have for being vaccinated. Many of them have got to the point where they would just about as lief have the disease, which they are told Bryan would give them, as to submit to being vaccinated. Bryanism, as many of them are beginning to see it, is only a sort of varioloid anyway, and the vaccine which the Republican physicians have been injecting into them has caused a pretty considerable suffering. They don't tell Dr. Hitchcock and the other medicine men that they are going to vote for Bryan; they just simply do not tell them anything at all.

The News from the Middle West
Those here who are just back from the Middle West say that there is an inclination, exceedingly widespread, to stay away from party club meetings and all the local campaign meetings. The meaning of this is simply that the people are doing their own thinking and that they are not being governed by the party boss.

The silent vote is going to be the decisive factor in the election next Tuesday, a few days ago on the train I met a man who lives in Southern Indiana, and who was just from there. He said that in his little town, where congressional campaigns were accustomed to have several thousand people out to hear them speak, the Democratic congressman came there to speak a short while ago and only 1,200 or 1,500 people went to hear him. The Republican candidate for Congress came a few days later, says this man, and only about 150, or 200, went to hear him. He said that the party leaders are not so much out to drummed up; but, again, the people refused to be drummed. But this man told me that the Republicans in his part of the country who are going to vote for Bryan are not saying anything about it. That is the situation, not only in the Middle West, but throughout the whole country. I am told here. It is not so much our old friend Gen. Apathy as it is a spirit of independence.

In the light of this it is reasonable to ask upon what, granting that the party leaders are not all humbugs, they base their claims. The whole truth is simply this and nothing more nor less. The Republicans, while they admit that there will be a great falling off in their vote everywhere, cannot be convinced that such tremendous Republican majorities can be cut down into minorities. Bryan never has been elected, they say, furthermore, and he just can't be this time. And the Democrats, having nothing themselves either upon which to base

a reasonable judgment, just feel it in their bones, somehow, that this is a Democratic year; that the people are tired of Republican rule, or misrule, as they term it, and that there is to be a Democratic victory all up and down the line. That is about the situation.

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ROUGH ON REAGAN
Presented With a Ready-Made Hair as He Walked Down the Aisle from His Wedding

New York, Oct. 30.—A Fall River (Mass.) dispatch to the Sun says: There was a dramatic climax to the St. Peter's Church marriage the other day of Charles J. Reagan and Miss Mary B. Chadwick, both well known here.

After the ceremony the bride and bridegroom started slowly down the aisle, keeping pace with the wedding march. They smiled acknowledgment to their friends in the pews and seemed about as happy as mortals ever may be.

The little procession had gone about two-thirds of the distance when a closely veiled woman in black arose, and, picking up a little boy about 4 years old, stepped out into the bridal couple's path. It was so sudden that both halted in amazement.

"Stop, Charles Reagan," she cried, throwing back her veil. "Stop. You have to listen to me." "Miss Sullivan," gasped Reagan. "Yes, it's me," she said, hoarsely. "Here he is. He's your child. Take him. You've got to support him. I've cared for him for going on four years. Now you've got to take him. She's your wife—now let her care for your baby—yours and mine. Now take him, take him, the two of you!"

She tried to thrust the crying boy into the bridegroom's arms, but friends then interfered and Miss Sullivan was induced to leave the church. Miss Sullivan still has the child. She refused to say what she intends to do.

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AN HONORABLE IMPEACHMENT
A Citizen of New York Had to Plead Guilty to Being Bryan

New York, Oct. 30.—Hector Armstrong of 218 West Thirty-eighth St. was mistaken by a Broadway crowd today for William Jennings Bryan, chased along Broadway, around into Thirty-eighth street, and finally into a cafe, where he was chased and peeped at when he took a drink.

Mr. Armstrong felt so frightened and exhausted that he ordered a cocktail. "Shame on you," shrieked an elderly woman, poking her head into the cafe. Within a few minutes the cafe was filled with curious persons, who bore down upon Mr. Armstrong so forcibly that he decided to make a speech. "Gentlemen," he said, "I am just a resident of New York. I may look like Bryan, but I'm not."

But the crowd wouldn't be convinced until Captain Murphy, with 100 patrolmen, reached the scene and rescued Mr. Armstrong.

FOR SORE FEET
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FOAM ISN'T BEER
Important Decision Given by the Supreme Court of Illinois
Springfield, Ill., Oct. 30.—The Supreme Court holds that foam is not beer and cannot be measured as such. This point was made in a decision in a case from Mercer county, involving the wholesaling law prohibiting the sale of liquor in quantities under five gallons. Ola Nylin, proprietor of road house, was heavily fined for selling beer in so-called five gallon cases. He gave tickets calling for the number of bottles, permitting customers to take a bottle or two at a time, punching the number on the tickets accordingly. This the court declared was a violation of the law and sustained the lower court, which assessed heavy fines.

In pleading the case, the contents of bottles of a case of beer were poured out and it was shown there were but four and one-half gallons in the case. Nylin insisted the foam should be measured to make the five gallons, but the Supreme Court decided to the contrary.

A BANQUET
Spread before you would do you no good if you couldn't eat. What good can food do a child when as soon as it enters its stomach it is eaten by worms. That's the reason your baby is ailing, cross, pasty faced and thin. Give it White's Cream Vermifuge. It will expel the worms and act as a tonic for the child. Sold by Anti-Monopoly Drugstore.

HIS HUGGING CAME HIGH

Heavy Penalty Paid by a Private Soldier for Giving Away to His Emotions

Washington, Oct. 30.—Six months' hard labor and forfeiture of \$60 pay for the privilege of hugging a pretty girl for one minute—that is the price which Private Albert Anderson, Company F, Seventh Infantry, is now paying at Fort Wayne, Mich.

The hug happened on a street car on the evening of September 1, while Private Anderson was returning from Detroit to the fort.

Although the prosaic military records make no mention of the fact, it is presumed that the young woman was a bewitching vision with fluffy ruffe attachments and a peek-a-boo shirtwaist. Anyhow, an overpowering desire came over Soldier Anderson to embrace the vision. His sergeant, who was riding with him, gave him a "lawful order to refrain from putting his arm around" her.

Not even the fear of punishment, much less the publicity, could restrain the yearnings of the soldier, however, and he proceeded with the hug. The result was that Anderson was charged with "conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline," convicted and sentenced.

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Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime. Former sufferers often state that one week's use shows curative results in nearly every instance, and such symptoms as lame back, frequent desire to urinate, pain in bladder and even chronic rheumatism are generally relieved within a few days, the pain and swelling diminishing with each dose.

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GANDBONE'S FORECAST FOR NOVEMBER

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A table and a pitcher,
A tumbler and a stand,
A man in double-breasted clothes,
And music by the band;
A last appeal to reason,
A crowd with cheering draft—
Some folks think it's Bryan,
And others think it's Taft.

A speaker on a Pullman,
A little pantomime,
A hasty diagnosis
The perils of our time;
A farewell and a promise,
A benediction aft—
Some folks think it's Bryan,
And others think it's Taft.
A man with twenty dollars,
Another man with ten,
A swift exchange of challenges,
A And two excited men;
A show-down and a wager,
A banknote and a draft—
Some folks think it's Bryan,
And others think it's Taft.
A homestretch and a tumult,
A spyclass and a shout,
A feverish excitement while
They try to make them out:
A flying dust cloud leading,
A second cloud about—
Some folks think it's Bryan,
And others think it's Taft.

In the old Roman calendar November was the ninth month. Blessings fell early, and the empire gave thanks just before the first frost; but about 700 B. C. the trusts left the people so little to be thankful for after nine months that it was decided to wait a while, and see if anything would come of the Roman elections. Numa accordingly made November the eleventh month and had Thanksgiving fall with the first snows, notwithstanding the month gets its name from the Latin novem (nine).

The frisky calf will sniff the air and hear the whistling gun, and the festive calf will indicate the zenith with its tail. The frost will paint the forest with a deep and redder dye, the hired man will shuck the corn, the pumpkin vine will pierce the soliticians will hit up their office-holding feud, and the modest maple tree will blush and come out in the nude.

And then the presidential race Will hold its royal sway,
And everyone will exercise His liver, anyway.
He'll bounce it up and down between His pancreas and gizzard,
And wait it through his inner works
From A around to Izzard,
And even though his present race May prove to be in vain,
He'll have the health and strength to run
Sometime, perhaps, again.

At any rate the candidates will dash into the stretch, and both Bills-of-the-Wispy will make themselves quite hard to catch. They'll spurt in spirited response to many wild arousers, and fan the dust up with the slack downhanging from their trousers. They'll come in sight exhibiting a score of fancy paces, and only hit the trem-fancy earth in four or five high places. The air will darken with the flight of gravel, dirt and sods, and the crowd will sound its battle cries and give and offer odds. And Teddy meanwhile will wedge in quite close beside the track, with something that he has concealed within a paper sack, and when his entry charges down, hot-footing like the wind, T. R. will hang a hornet nest upon him down behind.

And then there will be doings on This agitated sphere—
The earth will pitch and buck to beat A frenzied Texas state
The sun will spin around and round
And blow up once or twice,
The moon will turn a very dark
And bloody ball of ice,
And no one will remain to see
Who won the race for vice.

The election will be held on the 3d, and the trusts will hold an all-night prayer meeting on the 2d. Mr. Bryan will cast his vote for Mr. Taft at Lincoln, Mr. Taft will return the courtesy at Cincinnati, and Mr. Rockefeller will receive the news at Cleveland. The quadrennial ass who wheels another quadrennial ass through town on a wheelbarrow will start from the postoffice at 10 o'clock on the morning of the 4th, followed by 90 boys and the Foolkiller. The complete returns will be in by the 15th.

The annual show-down between city and country life will be complete by the 20th, when the farmer will hang his collar stocked with potatoes, turnips, kraut, honey, nuts, hams, side meat, souse, popcorn, pickles, pigs' feet, applebutter, lard, sweet potatoes and sorghum, and the city man will enter the winter with his cellar stocked with ten tons of hard coal and two gas meters.

The man who made election bets, Relying on his knowledge of the weather, will withdraw him from college. The football season will wind up, and the faculty will order flowers and decorate the graves.

A double fleeced-lined coat of hair will come in style for dogs, and the farmer will put on the pot and kill his fattened hogs. The air will teem with shots and squeals and sundry flavors sweet, the good housewife will render lard and scrape and pickle feet, the spared old hens will get a note of terror in their cacklings, and the children will refresh their tumms with good, old-fashioned cracklings.

Mr. Roosevelt's annual proclamation advancing the price of turkey 10 cents a pound will be issued about the middle of the month. He will urge us to give thanks that 55,000,000 cubic feet of earth were excavated at Panama in October.

The sad-faced gobbler will address His young and fearful flock,
And clip for memory's sweet sake
A small and tear-stained lock,
And then, with many sighs, will lay His head upon the block.

Until the 25th November will be under the zodiacal sign of Scorpio. People born in Scorpio are cross at supper, and it is better, if possible, to be born after the 25th, when the month is under the sign of Sagittarius the Archer. Sagittarius people are only cross at breakfast, when everybody is The dower for November is the

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chrysanthemum, which signifies that Japan received our fleet without starting anything. The moon will be full on the 8th.

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