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HIGH TARIFF NO LONGER DIVIDES TWO PARTIES

By CHARLES P. STEWART Washington Correspondent for The Evening and The Business Times WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—To hear Republican prophets forecasting a special session of congress to increase the tariff directly after Herbert Hoover's inauguration—if Herbert wins in November—sounds natural enough.

To hear Democratic prophets forecasting the same thing, for the same purpose, directed by Alfred E. Smith's inauguration—if Smith wins—must make old-fashioned, free trade followers of Thomas Jefferson feel rather queer.

That, at any rate, is the talk, and I got just about as much of an earful of it at Democratic headquarters in New York, when I visited there a week or two ago as I can get at Republican headquarters here in Washington any day.

In saying that I would think such predictions from his own party leaders would make old-fashioned Democrats feel queer, I mean that that is the way I would expect them to feel if any of that kind of Democrats were left.

The species is so nearly extinct, I am well aware, that the few remaining specimens class only as curiosities.

Senator Jim Reed of Missouri did tell me a few months ago that he was for a revenue tariff only, and Representative George Huddleston of Alabama declares himself opposed even to that—he stands for unadulterated free trade.

We all know what happened to Jim Reed.

Huddleston, inexorably somehow, keeps on being elected to congress from the ultra-industrial, high-tariff southern city of Birmingham—but Huddleston's case simply defies all nature's laws and nobody tries to account for it except as a miracle.

About 99 per cent of the Democrats of today—those in politics, at all events—are as protectionistic as any Republican ever was.

In fact, some of today's Democrats are more protectionistic than some Republicans.

In the quite recent past I have listened, for instance, to Senator Norris of Nebraska—if you call him a Republican—he calls himself one, anyway—denouncing the "robber tariff." Moreover, I have listened to him as he appealed in vain to the Democratic side of the senate for help in cutting our import taxes down.

Compare that with the bold declaration of Senator Stock of Iowa, a Democrat, so he says—"Nobody believes in free trade any more."

Pretty curiously, I see that a few of the newspapers which are most wholeheartedly supporting Al Smith are roasting his Republican opponent, in the genuine old-time way, as a protectionist.

Merely? Haven't they noticed that free—even partially free—trade got as hearty a kick in the pants at Houston as at Kansas City?—and that Al stands on that part of his platform without a single wobble?

It is just habit, I guess, makes these editors express themselves the way they do. All honor to them as the old stand patters, left over from yesteryear—but they are strictly out of step with the Democracy of right now, if that convention at Houston was a Democratic one.

I had a grandfather once who was a real Democrat.

He would hardly speak to one of my uncle's for half a generation because the latter bolted Horace Greeley just after the Civil war, but I will bet he himself would bolt protection in a Jeffersonian disguise.

Yet where his bolt would take him, in quest of a 1928 free trade candidate, darned if I know.

The attorney-general of Kansas is chivalrous. He has ruled that women of that state who register to vote need not tell their exact age unless they want to, provided they declare themselves to be over 21.

Where Was Eden?



That Roy Chapman Andrews is on a vain mission in searching for the site of the Garden of Eden and the origin of human life in Asia, is the opinion of Richard O. Marsh, above, of Buffalo, N. Y., engineer and explorer. Discoverer of the white Indians of South America, Marsh adopted Chepu Marsh, below, 14, of a white Indian tribe, and is educating him in the United States.

2000 INSPECT NEARBY AIRPORT

Report Given On Interest Aroused By Ford Plans At John R. Road

More than 2000 persons have inspected the large Stout all-metal airplanes which take passengers from the John R. airport, John R. and the Big Beaver roads, every Sunday, according to announcement today by officials. The tri-motor planes arrive at the field from the Ford airport Saturday night and usually begin the flights about 9 a. m. on Sunday. These are continued all day and in the evening they return again to the Ford airport. The ships are the same that make the regular run between Detroit and Cleveland.

TENNIS CLUB SECOND TEAM WINS MATCH

The Birmingham tennis club second team surpassed players from the Detroit Water Board by a score of 5-1, in a match played last Saturday afternoon.

The village second stringers found no difficulty in winning three of the four singles matches played and both doubles contests, except in the dual between Kelly of Birmingham and Miller of the visitors' squad.

The playing went to three sets and was marked by many rallies and hard fought points. Kelly won by the score, 7-5, 4-6, 6-4.

A flock of chickens owned by Henry Esdohr of Alton, Ill., attacked and put to flight a bulldog that invaded their yard.

WHEELER MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT

Royal Oak Man Officially Throws Hat in Ring For Sheriff's Office

Announcement is made of the candidacy of William A. Wheeler of Royal Oak for the nomination of the Republican ticket to the office of Oakland County sheriff.

Mr. Leonard declares that Mr. Wheeler has been a law enforcement officer in Oakland County for the past 14 years and that during that time he has conducted

his duties in a straight forward and efficient manner.

"The purpose of our organization," Mr. Leonard said, "is to elect William A. Wheeler sheriff of Oakland County. For over 14 years Mr. Wheeler has unselfishly and competently devoted his time and efforts to law enforcement in the county. We are making an appeal to the voters of Oakland County to nominate our candidate because we believe he would efficiently fill the office of sheriff."

There are three men in the race for this nomination. Besides Mr. Wheeler, Frank Schram, the present sheriff is seeking renomination and James Simmons, of Pontiac, is also a candidate.

While addressing insurance company employees on the uncertainty of life, Calvin Wasson of Chicago dropped dead of heart disease.



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