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Conlon Just
Wants Votes

A few weeks ago Mr. Conlon pleading for lower taxation, and amounted himself for Government for lower taxation, and amounted himself as a Republican candidate for Governor. He is now engaged in making speeches to win the approval of as many voters as he can.

So Mr. Conlon, the candidate, has become quite a different chap than Mr. Conlon the "less taxes" the can.

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taxes" exponent.

Here is one example of the transition: "It is unfair to the people and daugerously costly to the local taxpayer to have these sick (mentally lift and deficient) people neglected and confined in local institutions, jails, or roaming at large, I will urge the legislature to provide sufficient staff, facilities, and funds to take care of all persons who need treatment when they need it," quoth candidate Coulon.

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quoin candidate Conton.

Mr. Conton appears to think that by shouldering such costs upon the State, no longer will
the local taxpayer be burdened with the prob-

What fallacious thinking! Just like the regu- In 1917, Irving Berlin, song writer, composed a lar political twaddle that always promises "more song for a musical comedy but it was not used governmental services at less cost to the tax:

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It can't be done.

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Perhaps a condidate can't be the latter, and prechaps a condidate and it be the latter, and prechaps and the latter and pr

take on the job. That is where a fast-stepping just a to more tax, which, under the law, they are due to pay the Government.

A NEW YORK BEAUTY EXPERT SAYS, alas! that the United States is facing its darkest days; he declares that America is losing its blonds. Women born with blond tressee, in many cases, are darkening them artifically. Well, thus shall mere man assume another burden to carry on his weary journey through life. (But say, that beauty expert didn't say anything about losing redheads, did he?)

Any Man who promises his girl that he will to the ends of the earth for her is foolish—at least in his geography; for the world is round, without an end. Such a unian ought merely to pracket, the back and front yard at house cleaning time—and to church on Sundays.

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unless good candidates are chosen at the pri-mary, it doesn't matter much who wins during the general election.

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Public indifference to the primary is what
makes possible such a great degree of boss
domination in the state.

domination in the state.

Bosses can usually hold together a compact block of votes at the primary which is ordinarily enough to insure victory for their candidates—particularly if the field is split.

Ordinarily not more than 15 per cent of the qualified voters turn out for a primary. Divide this vote among a field of several candidates and it becomes apparent why a compact minority can do just about as it pleases.

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The primary could be a great weapon for good government, if used properly.

With public indifference the rule, however, it becomes a potent factor in the establishment age more concerned with their own maintenance than the maintenance of good government.

Bruce Barton once remarked that, considering all things, we people in the United States are getting better government than the description of the work of the good of the go

Anyone who looks over the average figures or turnout at primary (and even general) elec-ons will agree that there is considerable truth tions will agree that ther in what Mr. Barton says. Voters wishing to vote in the primary must be sure they are registered. Latest day for doing this is Aug. 21.

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Are you planning to vote at the primary?

Or don't you care?

Lack of interest in use of the hallot is the first \$\frac{1}{2}\$ and on the many of the many of the hallot is the first \$\frac{1}{2}\$ are in the column." movement in which too to hany of us are taking part.

Hastings Banner.

# Knocking on Wood!

with JOHN H. HARWOOD

McIVOR, Mich.—The remarkable thing about this otherwise most ordinary column is that if got written at all. Just now, this observer is seated in a comfortable chair on a bluff overlocking Sand Lake, while a spanking cool breeze whips in from Lake Huron, only a few miles away. (Bob Lynd's Camp Mahn-go-tah-see is but a half doren time to be writing about the world's chief was a superfect of the column writing a day or two before The Eccentric goes to press, strange as that may seem to people who think that editing a weekly newspaper clin be done on bankers' hours. Spouse made a trip to Ontario to see how the war in Europe had affected the lives and thought of the Canadiays. (It now appears that the Canadiays. (It now appears that without benefit of a Gallup Poil, law would seem a large order, but and would seem a large order, but and would seem a large order, but and does not still that would seem a large order, but and does not still that would seem a large order, but and does not still that would seem a large order, but and does not still that would seem a large order, but and does not still that would seem a large order, but and does not still that would seem a large order, but and does not still that would seem a large order, but and does not still that would seem a large order, but and does not still that would seem a large order, but and the constituting of the control of th

READY TO ROLL AGAIN

People's Column

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Random Remarks

HACHIRO ARITA, Japanese Foreign Minister: "All mankind longs for peace, but peace cannot endure unless nations have their proper places."

ARTHUR T. ROBB, editor of "Editor and Publisher": "The major fault in American democracy today is our widespread political and economic illiteracy."

## Strictly Fresh

THINGS move so swiftly in this age of blitzkrieging that coming events are beginning to arrive before their shadows.

The U.S. farmer has his prob-lems, but consider how things are abroad. This Mr. Flander must get pretty tired of armies of the world tramping all over his fields.

of the world tramping all over his fields.

Italy orders that no more autors shall be used by the pub-lic. It seems that the pedestrian must be saved, for future use on the battlefield.

We read of the Californian who ruses worms for a living. Like the chickens, then, he is starting from scratch.

Remember, too, that the unfor-tended a reput to the countries at war have been an form of government for the deprived of an opportunity to try tion, but they also guaranteed out night baseball.—Illinois State the Constitution that form to Journal.



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