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## What About Farm Pools? Professor Attacks Farm Board Activities

Stinging criticisms of the federal farm board's policies and activities were contained in a recent address by James E. Boyle, professor of rural economy in Cornell University.

Professor Boyle asserted that the board, through trying to work by means of huge cooperative pools, by trying to corner the wheat and cotton markets, and by attempting to peg prices had violated the laws of orderly marketing and wasted billions of dollars. All previous attempts to corner a home market have failed when world conditions are not favorable, he pointed out. Canada's wheat pool, it will be recalled, lasted only six years and cost the farmer much money.

At any rate, the speech gave farmers and market men something to think about, and Professor Boyle only voiced the opinions of hundreds of experts who deplored government waste.

We quote from his speech:

"The big pools have actually cost the farmers more than the competitive commercial system of marketing for the same service. The federal trade commission found this to be true of the state-wide cotton pools. The department of agriculture found it to be true of the state-wide wheat pools. Since one principle of these big pools is to depend on contracts rather than service for their patronage, it is evident that their managers are not forced to be so alert and keen as managers of competitive businesses. More extravagances can and are tolerated. Salaries are much higher than in the competitive business.

"The big pool idea of the farm board I have described to you thus far is unsound for three reasons: Because it is based on price control rather than service, because it is contrary to farmer psychology, and because it costs more than the present commercial system. The history of American cooperation shows that, in general, the large centralized and artificially stimulated, contract using pool type of cooperative organization is very likely to fail. More bigness and monopoly power do not signify successful cooperation. Conversely, the strong local cooperative, understood and conducted without outside stimulation, performing efficiently some actual service, has a fair competitive chance of success. My own opinion is that the farm board in building a system of big pools is erecting a marketing structure which is sure to collapse.

"We cannot control or very greatly influence the size of the world's supply of cotton. But the cost of producing our own surplus, and the quality of our surplus are two things which we very largely control within our own control. It is the size of the world crop which determines world cotton prices, it is not the size of the American crop. Therefore, a reduction in American acreage, unless world supplies were materially reduced thereby, would not put prices up. Our competitors, big and little would immediately expand their output enough and more than enough to fill the vacuum we created."



By RODNEY DUTCHER

WASHINGTON, May 5, (NEA)—The extreme importance of carrying New York in the next presidential election, Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt's relations with Tammany and the question whether Roosevelt could be nominated and elected in the face of Tammany opposition are becoming political topics of increasing importance even though the Republican and Democratic national committees have been confining themselves to calling each others' chairmen liars.

As things stand today it appears that Roosevelt, should he defy Tammany, could win the Democratic nomination despite his party's archaic two-thirds rule and the fact that politicians in some other northern states probably would combine with Tammany in an effort to stop him. If this is true and remains true, the question whether Roosevelt could carry New York in the election is then of most vital moment.

It has become almost axiomatic among political experts that a presidential election can't be won without New York's 45 electoral votes. If the Democrats take the state in 1932 it will be the first time in 40 years, except for 1912, when the Republicans split. Wilson was elected in 1916 without New York, but only by carrying such seemingly Republican states as California, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Dakota and Wyoming.

Reports from New York are that Tammany is definitely sour on Roosevelt regardless of what he may do about New York City's scandals. Even if he desired, he could hardly conciliate Tammany without conceding so much as to ruin himself with the rest of the country. So he probably will be forced to let the nature of the Tiger take its course, capitalize Tammany enmity

for all it is worth and risk a knifing in New York City a year from next November if he is nominated.

Tammany, of course, has accused of knifing nearly every Democratic presidential candidate—even Al Smith—and sometimes, at least, the charge has been true. But ordinarily the party depends on Tammany to get a New York vote big enough to overcome the usual Republican majorities upstate.

Nearly all discussions of the Roosevelt Tammany situation hark back to the days when Grover Cleveland defied Tammany and yet got his party and the country behind him. There are certain obvious parallels and other great differences in Cleveland's experience which may well be sketched.

Cleveland ran and was elected first in 1884 and Tammany treachery would have then lost him the presidency except for a serious combination of factors and events. Governor of New York, as Roosevelt is, he faced a hostile Tammany and made no attempt to conciliate it. Tammany delegates were forced to have their ballots cast for him, however, under the unit rule—something which now seems unlikely to be repeated in 1932.

Cleveland won New York, which then meant the

presidency for him, by 1149 votes. Because of Tammany's opposition it seems likely that he could not have won had a single one of the following factors been

- 1—The famous "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion" boner pulled by a clergyman at a reception of his opponent, James G. Blaine.
- 2—The large "mugwump" or independent vote withheld from Blaine.
- 3—The hatred of Roscoe Conkling, an important Republican leader, for Blaine.
- 4—A Prohibitionist vote of 25,000, most of it normally Republican.

All these things seem to have been worth more than 600 votes apiece to Cleveland and possibly so were others, such as the Long Island City frauds where votes cast for Ben Butler were allegedly counted for Cleveland.

Tammany could not block Cleveland's nomination in 1888, but it was commonly believed to have encompassed his defeat in the election by selling him out in order to elect its gubernatorial candidate, David B. Hill. Benjamin Harrison took the state by 13,000 votes; a switch of half as many would have given Cleveland the state and the election.

## Way to Figure Weather Learned

WASHINGTON, May 5, (AP)—Weather experts learned today that any American can tell roughly how cold it will average in his home town next winter by calculating the distance from there to the Gulf of Mexico.

Winters, in general, average one degree colder every 25 miles north from the gulf to Minnesota. Oliver L. Fassig of the United States Weather bureau told the American Meteorological society at its annual spring meeting. Mean winter temperature along the southern limits of the United States and up the Pacific coast to northern California is 56 degrees, while in northern Minnesota it is five degrees, he said. A similar rule holds for the depth of frost penetrates into the ground, Fassig explained. The ground at the average freezes one inch deeper

every 25 miles north from the gulf in the far south there is no frost, he said, but in northern Minnesota the ground freezes to a depth of 36 inches.

The weather grows rapidly warmer instead of colder during an arctic blizzard, W. C. Haines of the weather bureau reported. He was meteorologist on Admiral Richard E. Byrd's expedition to the south pole.

## Quake Cause Of This Hole-in-One

MANCHESTER, Eng., May 4, (AP)—An ill earthquake for golfers that brings no good. As a sharp earth tremor shook the East Lancashire countryside yesterday, a golfer on the Cherriton links drove to within a few inches of the hole. The earth rolled gently and the ball dropped in.

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by LAURA LOU BROOKMAN Author of HEART HUNGRY, ETC.

BEGIN HERE TODAY Gypsy McBride, 19-year-old New York typist, marries Jim Wallace the day after she meets him at the home of her wealthy cousin, Anne Trowbridge. Gypsy has been jilted by Alan Crosby, just returned from a year and a half in Paris studying art, and Wallace's fiancée had broken their engagement to marry a wealthier man.

For a long time she stared out at the moonlight. There was an angle to the problem which the girl realized only unconsciously. With Marcia Phillips on the scene Jim Wallace—kind, generous, and considerate—suddenly became more desirable.

"Not at all I'll be all right." "Well, I'll try not to be gone long but don't wait up for me." She said goodby and Jim disappeared. Gypsy left the dining room and walked out on the sun porch. There was a full moon lighting the garden and under its mellow glow the place took on new enchantment.

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asked me if I'd ever regretted our marriage. Do you remember?" "It was too dark for her to see Jim's eyes. His answer was a monosyllable. "Yes."

After a few minutes he arose. "Isn't this the night Paul White-man's orchestra is on the air?" he asked. "Must be about time for them."

"Oh—good morning," she managed to say. "I've been gardening." Marcia's laugh was a low trill. "How nice!" she said. "Such a beautiful morning for it. Come and see me some time."

June drew to a close. Then one afternoon as Jim Wallace was dictating some correspondence the telephone rang. "Wallace speaking," he said abruptly.

"What are you going to do?" she asked. "Fasten it up with wire!" Sam said staunchly. "I'll teach the little buggars to burrow into this hedge!" Sam mumbled on belligerently.

"Then I'll wait. Thanks, dear. I'll be looking for you!" "Very well," said Jim. He spoke curtly with a glance at Miss Otis, the secretary. He put down the telephone and returned to the letter before him.

He swung on his hat and disappeared through the door. In 10 minutes he was entering a fashionable downtown tea room, a place more frequented by women than by men.

The garden and the grounds were in good shape. The redecoration of the house had been finished long ago—Jim talked little about his practice as he had during the Roberts case. Even Pat was no longer a subject for conversation.

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