

### "SOLID SOUTH" IS SLOWLY SHRINKING

#### MORE STATE LEAVING

May Go Back Temporarily, But Old Shibboleth Is Not Any Longer Effective, Belief

A great deal has been seen in the newspapers since the election about the breaking of the "Solid South," as something new in politics, which justifies the assertion that the "Solid South" has been broken before on at least two or three occasions, says the National Republic. Indeed as one well-known newspaper man puts it, the Solid South has only been kept solid by shrinking its boundaries. The older voters of the country will remember the time, before the days of free silver, when the Solid South was much larger than it has been recently. In the earlier days it consisted not only of the states of North and South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Virginia and Texas, but included Maryland, Kentucky, Tennessee and Missouri as well.

**First Break**  
The first break came in free silver times and Maryland, Kentucky and Missouri were the first to fall away, one at a time. Since the first plunge they have been going Republican with more or less frequency. In 1920 Tennessee deserted the solid combination. It went Democratic once more in 1924 but was carried by the Republicans again this year. After 1920 the Solid South had shrunk to ten states from the original fourteen. There it remained for eight years and it was not until this year that another change took place. For more states left the combination, North Carolina, Florida, Virginia and Texas. It will not do to say, of course, that they have left it for good or that the majority of their voters have abandoned the Democratic Party. Such may not be the case, but it is indeed interesting to note that up to this time no state which has left the Solid South has ever gone back to remain unconditionally.

Two principal reasons are given by the experts as to why four Southern States failed to support Governor Smith. The first is prohibition, as the South is traditionally dry. The second is religious feeling, and it is known that Mr. Hoover profited by the religious feeling in the South just as Governor Smith profited by it in New England.

But a third reason has been brought forward for the Hoover support in the South, a reason which, if not as po-

tent as the other two, is at least worth thinking about.

**The Reason**  
This reason is that the campaign of 1928 was the first campaign in which the radio was generally used with great effect. This year Republican speeches were flashed through the air by radio to the furthestmost points in the South and voters listened to Republican arguments who up to this year had never known that there were any arguments in the world which could be brought to the support of the Republican Party. Heretofore the Republican cause in the South has been so hopeless that the G.O.P. national committee has sent no speakers and no great amount of literature into that part of the country. But the radio has carried the argument there this year.

Good roads have been knitting all parts of the country together. Now the radio is coming to the assistance of the highways in this respect. The national spirit is growing year by year.

## Home Hints

Why not a re-decorated room for the children's major Christmas gift—a room full of life and color and interest that they will remember as long as they live?

If there is dark, grown-up furniture now in the room, treat it to a coat of paint or lacquer in some fresh color; use inexpensive chintz draperies in nursery patterns or a may design with interesting old-world scenes. Bring in pictures that tell a story—not cast off scenes from other rooms—for pictures do so much to form character. Such subjects as "The Holiday" or "Children of the Sea," "Sir Galahad," "Fairy Tales," "With Grandma" are all favorites with the youngsters and possess true artistic worth, even in inexpensive color reproductions which you can find at almost any art store—and you can frame them simply with passe partout.

#### MENU WITHOUT MEAT

- Bean soup
- Escalloped rice, tomatoes and green peppers
- Creamed carrots and peas
- Cheese, apple and celery salad
- Hot gingerbread
- Apricot sauce
- Nonstimulating drink

#### SALMON CROQUETTES

Scald 1 cup milk, add 3 tablespoons quick cooking tapioca, salt and cayenne to taste and cook 15 minutes. Add 1 1/2 cups mashed canned salmon,

mix and cool. Shape into croquettes, roll in crumbs, egg and crumbs and fry in deep hot fat. Garnish with sliced lemon and parsley.

#### QUICK NUT BREAD

One egg, 1/4 cup sugar, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 cup chopped nuts, 2 1/2 cups prepared cake flour, 4 teaspoons baking powder, 1 cup milk. Combine and sift dry ingredients and add nuts, then milk and well-beaten egg. Allow batter to stand for 20 minutes, then bake for one hour.

#### RIDS HAIR OF PESTS

I have a request for a remedy for this worst affliction that can come to school children and know the following to be a certain cure:

Ask any druggist to prepare a solution of fish berries and whiskey or its equivalent in diluted alcohol spirits (not wood alcohol, remember). Thoroughly saturate child's hair and head. One application will kill both insects and eggs, but repeat several times to be sure all infested spots are reached. Comb with fine-tooth comb to remove all trace of pest. Sterilize hats and caps by immersing in gasoline.

#### WHEN SHELLING NUTS

Remember nut meats can be removed from shells without breaking if hot water is poured over the nuts and allowed to remain through the night.

#### NEW REMEDY FOR INK STAINS

To remove ink spots from linen or cotton cloth, rub the spots with a cut tomato and rinse well.

#### KEEPING LEFT-OVER PAINT

Cover the top of your paint with melted paraffin and it will keep soft indefinitely.

#### WHEN FRYING IN DEEP FAT

Add a teaspoonful vinegar to fat when deep-frying to keep food from absorbing too much grease when cooking.

#### MAKES A QUICK FIRE

When a fire is slow in coming up, sprinkle a little sugar on it and it will help to hurry the hot flames.

#### A Golden Brown

Native Convert — She'll make a good wife for you.  
Missionary — But, my son, she's a mulatto!  
Native Convert — Well, she's the local heiress.  
Missionary (thoughtfully) — Ah! That puts a different complexion on the matter.

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Also, don't forget the complete assortment of Christmas Cards and Booklets, Wrapping Twine, Tissue, Foil, Yuletide Candies, etc.



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