Interview between Tribune reporter and Delph E. Carpenter, who has been intimately associated with Herbert Hoover in Colorado River affairs, and who is intimately acquainted with the presidential candidate, the purpose of the interview being to get a "close-up" of Mr. Hoover.

Q. What kind of a man is Mr. Hoover?

A. Herbert Hoover is a great big broad shouldered, broad minded, clear thinking and clean living man still in his youthful vigor. He is the kind of man who thinks straight and who despises misrepresentations, false promises and political clap-trap. He always accomplishes much more than he promises. While a man of dynamic executive intellect, his mind is always open to suggestions from every source, no matter how humble. He is always searching for truthful information and is so broad minded that he readily corrects false impressions and readjusts himself to correct opinions. He is very modest and has not the slightest trace of self conceit. He seldom uses the personal pronoun and never brags. While the most world traveled and world experienced of Americans, he is wholly unspoiled and is as unassuming, quiet and kindly as a modest country gentleman. He is one of those great executives who seldom gives orders and whose organization is composed of subordinates who both admire and love their superior and who act upon suggestions rather than orders. He possesses an unusual ability in the selection of men and is so skilled in the encouragement of self development by his assistants that they are much sought for employment by big business enterprises of all kinds and all over the world. Among these men are to be included the heads of some of the greatest farmer cooperative institutions in the world such as the Raisin Growers Association of California.
He is a man of unusual strength of both mind and body and goes about his work quietly but with that certainty peculiar to men of his type. While the greatest of executives, he is among the kindest hearted and most generous of men.

Q. What kind of a man is he in private life and personal habits?

A. The most companionable. He is an omnivorous and rapid reader who literally devours facts and figures but finds mental recreation in the reading of fiction. In conversation, he is very fluent and entertaining and loves to converse on worth while topics with those about him. His personal vices, if such may be called, consist of an almost boyish love for peanuts and popcorn and he smokes with moderation. He does not drink liquor and as a student of world conditions, realizes the moral and economic unsoundness of the use of alcoholic beverages. He sincerely believes that the future of our American people depends in great measure upon the erradication of liquor business and, that like all great vices, such erradication must be gradual and the result of patient but vigorous effort. Except upon dress occasions, he always wears a double breasted blue serge suit and otherwise dresses with modesty. He is a charming parent and his whole household is one great family with Mrs. Hoover a charming hostess, a wonderful mother and a woman superlative. The most outstanding features of his private life are his supreme modesty, kindness and naturalness. He is in all respects a clean thinking, clean living American citizen.

Q. Has his life in other parts of the world in any way impaired his love of country?
A. No. On the contrary, it has made him intensely American and more jealous of the sanctity and preservation of the beliefs of our American institutions and ideals. The more he has traveled the more he has come to realize and appreciate American institutions and advantages. To illustrate, when I was a boy I thought my home town was a same place and that other parts of the country must certainly be very superior; but long periods of absence with opportunity for travel and observation have dissipated that illusion until now I realize that my home town and home country is the best town and country and my home people are the best people in all this broad land. So it is with they who have traveled over the world as has Mr. Hoover. The hardships of an orphan boy struggling for livelihood and education followed by years of travel in foreign land and intimate dealing with all classes of foreign people has many times multiplied the patriotic sentiments that he already entertained in his youth. His patriotism is a patriotism many times compounded and, when elected President, he will be found to be one of the most kind-hearted, fair minded, but intensely patriotic of all Americans.