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| **Across**  **4.** a group of persons who seek to control government through the winning of elections and the holding of public office  **5.** parties based on a particular set of beliefs, a comprehensive view of social, economic, and political matters  **9.** supported by two parties  **10.** the current officeholder  **13.** in an election, the number of votes that the leading candidate obtains over the next highest candidate  **15.** parties that concentrate on only one public policy matter  **16.** a political system dominated by two major parties  **19.** a political system in which only one party exists  **20.** a society which consists of several distinct cultures and groups | **Down**  **1.** government action based on firm allegiance to a political party  **2.** electoral district from which one person is chosen by the voters for each elected office  **3.** parties rooted in poor economic times, lacking a clear ideological base, dissatisfied with current conditions and demanding better times  **6.** parties that have split away from one of the major parties  **7.** in American politics, the party that controls the executive branch of government—i.e., the presidency at the national level, or the governorship at the State level  **8.** one of the political parties not widely supported  **11.** a temporary alliance of several groups who come together to form a working majority and so to control a government  **12.** a system in which several major and many lesser parties exist, seriously compete for, and actually win, public offices  **14.** all of the people entitled to vote in a given election  **17.** in American politics, the Republican and the Democratic parties  **18.** general agreement among various groups on fundamental matters; broad agreement on public questions |