HON. LOCKE CRAIG ACCEPTS NOMINATION UNANIMOUSLY TENDERED

Voices His Gratitude to the Democracy of North Carolina in Ringing Speech to Convention—The Path of Democracy

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North Carolina's unanimous choice for Governor.

[illegible] profoundly grateful to the Democracy of North Carolina [illegible] ferred upon me a distinction [illegible] pre-eminent [illegible] comes not to me alone [illegible] from your [illegible] once before [illegible] been made [illegible] the year [illegible] and recognition [illegible] one voice demanded the leadership of a battle [illegible] the real of [illegible] has devoted his life [illegible] task that we [illegible] comprehend [illegible] its grandeur and [illegible] pilgrimage he was [illegible] the first time in more than [illegible] years this convention meets without the guidance [illegible] and wisdom [illegible] eloquence that [illegible] us to higher [illegible] sorrow and [illegible] the people to those who were near him and to those who dwell in the far [illegible] far sea. He [illegible] that we did not know and he knew and his life is a less priceless and [illegible]

Welcomes Opportunity

I wish that I were worthy of this exalted [illegible] for the responsibilities of the great hour. I can [illegible] cherish this manifestation of your confidence and esteem. I welcome the opportunity for service that [illegible] know and [illegible] for all my strength and [illegible]. If elected I shall be the executive of all the people regardless of race or creed or [illegible]. I shall stand for the principles that I have professed, steadfast to the principles of Democracy. I shall devote myself to the State and to the welfare of all her citizens. I know that all honor must eventually be to the correct and fearless and conscientious discharge of duty.

By placing in my hands at this eventide [illegible] the sheaf of the harvest of the [illegible] you have [illegible] trust the [illegible] I am [illegible] fulfil this [illegible] of my ability [illegible] to the righteousness of our cause and with an unfaltering faith that the cause and the principles for which we have long [illegible] will triumph in the mighty conflict that is now beginning.

A Significant Epoch

Ours is an epoch significant with human destiny. If we would realize the magnificent possibilities of the future we must adjust our laws and institutions to the conditions and forces of modern progress. This is the mission of our party. It is what this fierce militant progressive Democracy is trying to do. The crisis is upon us. Mr. Roosevelt thinks that he produced it, but he is a symptom of it, an evolution.

The problem has been evolved and emphasized by this era of industrial accomplishment, unprecedented and undreamed of. Like the dervish in the Arabian tale, man has gotten hold of the casket with the mysterious lid that reveals to him the hidden treasures. The genii, in whose keeping are the streaming forces of the universe, have whispered to him their secrets. He has tamed and harnessed the steam [illegible] force to his will [illegible] The world is [illegible] the [illegible] of new [illegible] All the [illegible] and all that [illegible] manifold [illegible] made [illegible] a [illegible] up [illegible] fits [illegible] by [illegible]

Conditions Wrong

[illegible] has [illegible] [illegible] there [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]