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# **NOMINATE M'ADOO**

**Believe Nomination Will Be** Tendered To Him

**PARTY ENTERS ON LAST** LEG OF LONG JOURNEY

Carolina Convention Special Leaves Ogden, Utah; Delegates Think Democratic Chances For Success Were Never Better; Party Meets Bryan's Special at Utah Oity

> By JOHN A. LIVINGSTONE. (En Route to San Francisco.)

On Board North Carolina Convention Special, Ogden, Utah, June 24.-The Tar Heel delegation entered upon the last thousand mile leg of its journey to determination to secure the nomination of McAdoo. The attitude of the former Secretary, while it is appreciated, is not regarded as final, and it is believed that the nomination will be tendered him at See Francisco in such a way that he cannot refuse it.

Attorney General Palmer and the Pennsylvania delegation, traveling four hours shead of the Tar Heel special toon the Southern Pacific, did not help to remove the feeling of disappointment that Mr. McAdoo has taken the position he has. The Tar Heels would turn seener to Cox or Mr. Bryan than to Palmer. For they do not believe the latter can win. Attached to the Tar Heel train today is a part of the Coloraco delegation, which goes to the convention uninstructed. And the North Carolinians have become interested in finding that many of them are for Mc-Adco. They find encouragement also in the promise of support for their candidate from Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas. Sentiment for Cox is found in many quarters in the West, but little enthusiasm for the Republican nominee

Democratic Prospects Good.

Prospects for a Democratic victory were never brighter, the Tar Heels be-lieve, than this fall, if the party will put up the right man. This is their biggest reason for supporting McAdoo, if they have a chance, and they have assurances today that his name will be

Leaving Denver late Wednesday night. the Tar Heels spent the night traveling across the Rockies over the Union Pacific at an altitude of from 6,000 to 8,000 feet. Today they traveled across-Utah and tonight are speeding across Nevada over the Southern Pacific towards California. The special is traveling on schedule time and is due to reach Enn Francisco Friday afternoon.

cast as a unit on the first ballot for tion in North Carolina and use his in Senator Simmons and will continue to fluence toward ratification. William vote for him if it should appear he has Gibbs McAdoo, all along and even now any prespects of being nominated. It a formidable candidate for the Demis hoped that votes for him may be se-Carelina delegation is inclined to support him, and Ham Lewis, of Illinois, for the Vice-Presidency. It is known that his name will be presented to the convention for the honor and as he has always been very friendly towards the South, being a native of that section and to North Carolina in particular, the Tar Heels want to reciprocate.

As to Third Term Talk. The attitude of the President towards a third-term still remains an unknown factor, but is believed that it has had an and Delaware, Republican. important bearing upon Mr. McAdoo's refusal to allow his name to be presented to the convention.

The North Carolina delegation will meet in Prisco some time Saturday to select its members of the platform, credentials and other committees. Most of the delegation will stop at the Grand Hotel. National Committeeman Wilton McLean, with other members of the committee, will be at the Palace Hotel.

An Enjoyable Trip.

The party has enjoyed its trip through the Rockies. The young women have devised a McAdoo yell which they give at the stops. The delegation spent an hour in Denver and a short time today in Ogden, leaving the latter place at noon for the last leg of the journey to

The delegation met William Jennings Bryan at Ogden and gave him a great reception. He is following our special on another train to Frisco. Mr. Bryan met many personal friends in the

## BODY OF LIEUT. MANNING **NOW ON WAY FROM BREST**

(By Special Leased Wire.)

Washington, June 24.—The graves registration service of the War Department today informed Senator Simmons that the body of Lieutenant Frederick Manning, son of Attorney General James S. Manning, was on board a ship that sailed from Brest on June 21. It is expected to arrive at Hoboken around July 15 or 16.

Lieutenant Manning was attached to the fourth trench mortar battery when liness. Shares of this company, accordhe died. He was stricken with pneumonia soon after reaching France.

### ALLEN A. RYAN EXPELLED FROM STOCK EXCHANGE

statement was interpreted as confirming fixed at \$50,000.

# **CHANCES OF STATE** PASSING SUFFRAGE FIRST NOT SO GOOD

Delegates En Route To Frisco Tennessee Governor Informed Way Is Clear For Calling Special Session

> MAY ACT BEFORE N. C. ASSEMBLY IS CONVENED

Washington, June 24 .- The prospect that the suffrage issue is to be passed Frisco at Ogden today, still firm in its upon for the nation by North Carolina glimmered today as the Assistant Attorney General of the United States informed the Governor of Tennemee that he might call a special session of the Tennessee legislature to pass upon the Anthony amendment without conflict

with the Tennessee state constitution. Senator Furnifold M. Simmons expects to see Tennessee take action before the legislature of North Carolina is convened, he said this morning. He has been informed that a poll of the members of the Tennessee assembly shows it to be favorable to ratification of the Anthony amendment. The state has presidential suffrage now.

The general observation around pulled a nest coup on the Republicans, who at heart don't want the women to chosen to stand or fall on is an issu divided. They are nearer the White at the Oxford Orphanage today. A House view of the League of Nations very large crowd was in attendance.

Should action in Tennessee come be fore it does in North Carolina, the Democratic party of the nation and that come by rail on former occasions, but wing of it in North Carolina will both pleased. Leading Tar Heel Demobe pleased. Leading far feet Demo-erats in Washington, who have been interesting themselves in the matter, have concluded that ratification by the general assembly of North Carolina grounds front, was jammed from sevwould not come without a bitter fight. At no time has it looked like a walkover for the suffragists. But all along the party chieftains have been gathering data and planning to do their best by the party. President Writes Simmons.

The President, in a letter to Senator Simmons a few days ago, urged the Simmons On First Ballot.

Simmons a few days ago, urged the North Carolina delegation will Senior Senator to look into the situaocratic nomination, has been interested from other states. The North in the North Carolian situation and has

> to call his session together before the legislature of North Carolina meets, the fight will be made in North Carolina, say suffragists. They sum the best within the recollection of regular aituation up by saying that the Dema attendants of St. John's Celebration. ocratic party has three chances to "put it across," and the Republicans three, Tennessee, North Carolina and Florida, Democratic, and Connecticut, Vermont

-well, it is just like any other

Agents Say Nation-wide Round-

New York, June 24 .- With the break-

lions within the last few months, erage concerns and their officers and salesmen—are charged with having used the mail to defraud. They are alleged to have made gross misrepresentations and in cases to have paid impressive dividends out of receipts on stock sales. salesmen disposing of stock of the Crown

While Federal officers were seeking Louis C. Van Riper at Atlantic City formed in procession under direction of and Boston for alleged connection with Grand Marshal J. E. Cameron and New York, June 24.—Expelled today Louis C. Van Riper at Atlantic City from the New York Stock Exchange, and Boston for alleged connection with Alian A. Ryan, principal figure in the alleged Stutz Motor corner last March, moter and his counsel appeared at the tenight announced he would carry his Federal court to answer the indictment. case to the courts and "stand or fall Bail was fixed at \$20,000 after the pros-on the case as the public had it." The execution had sought to have the amount

reports in Wall Street that Mr. Ryan, Van Riper's counsel, Martin W. Little-who has denounced the exchange in-ton, pleaded the latter sum was excesvestigation as a "star chamber proceedsive and would be tantamount to puning." would bring \$10,000,000 suits ishment, contending that a bond of
against the exchange and some of its \$5,000 was the usual ball in mail fraud

## LONDONDERRY, IRELAND, WHERE MANY PERSONS HAVE BEEN KILLED IN RIOTS BETWEEN BANDS OF EXTREMISTS

Senator Simmons Informed Poll of Members of Tennessee Legislature Shows Sentiment Favorable For Ratification; Action First Would Be Pleasing To N. C. Leaders

> News and Observer Bureau, 603 District National Bank Bldg. By R. E. POWELL. (By Special Leased Wire.)

Coup On the Republicans.

Washington is that the Democrate have vote in the November elections. The issue that the Republican party has upon which the women are not greatly than they are the repudiation that came from the Chicago convention.

Should the Governor of Tennessee fail

Big Vote at Stake All they want is the thirty-sixth State so that the Secretary of State can proclaim the amendment ratified. But the party that delivers that thirty-sixth

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### INDICT ALLEGED OIL PROMOTERS FOR FRAUD

Up of "Wild-Cat" Promoters Has Started

ing of scals today on indictments charging 14 concerns and 50 individuals with fraud, government agents let it become known they had begun a nation-wide round-up of alleged "wild-cat" oil company promoters, who are said to have swindled the public out of mil-The defendants-oil companies, brok-

In one case the indictments charged oil Company, falsely represented that a son of former President Roosevelt was an officer of the company, which it was claimed would soon rival the Henderson, Grand Steward; R. M. Oates, Henderson, Grand Steward; W. D. it was claimed would soon rival the Henderson, Grand Steward; W. D. Standard Oil Company in volume of busterry, Raleigh, Grand Tiler.

iness. Shares of this company, according to one of the indictments, were sold to investors in Chicago at \$2.25 a share and to "evade the western bine sky law" later was disposed of here at \$3, after costing the brokers only 7 1-2 cents a share.

While Federal officers were seeking the seeking

marched to the grove, where the exer cises of the day began, the large audience gathering close to the grandstands upon which were seated Masons and the

Prayer by Grand Chaplain John S. Wood was followed by the hymn "Love Divine." The address of welcome by

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The situation at Londonderry as a result of clashes between forces of Unionists and Nationalists, in which the cas ualties have been heavy, is still regarded as grave. Sporadic fighting has been going on for more than a week, in which men, women and children have been combatants. The military apparently has been powerless, and at present the trouble has not ended by any means.

Annual Masonic Exercises At- Despite Announcement He Will tended By Uncommonly Large Crowd

Oxford, June 24 .- The anniversary of St. John the Baptist was celebrated very large crowd was in attendance, 10,000 being a moderate estimate. Regular and special trains brought in fewer people, perhaps, than have ever automobile traffic was the greatest on record. Visitors began to put in atgrounds front, was jammed from sev eral hundred yards outside the corporate limits to the heart of town, and from below the grounds to the graded school, a matter of a quarter of a mile. They were parked two deep on either side of the street, the overflow driving many into cross streets.

Starting off low and threatening the clouds lifted during the afternoon, the sun appearing shortly thereafter in genial warmth, and the day developed

Addresses Among Briefest Barring the unavoidable absence of several grand officers slated to take program was carried out according to schedule and on time practicially to the minute. The addresses were among the briefest and yet decidedly among the

Deputy Grand Master J. Bailey Owen, of Henderson, presided, Grand Master J. C. Braswell being in Portland Oregon, at the Imperial Shrine meeting. The grand lodge was convened in ample form promptly at 11 a. m. in the grand lodge hall, the officers regular

and pro tem being as follows:

J. Bailey Owen, Henderson, as Grand
Master; C. D. Malone, as Deputy Grand Master; F. M. Pinnix, Oxford, as Senior Grand Warden; H. M. Wake Forest, Junior Grand Warden; W. W. Willson, Raleigh, Grand Secre-tary; B. G. Bullock, as Grand Treas-urer; Rev. John S. Wood, Spencer, Grand Chaplain; B. K. Lassiter, Oxford, as Grand Lecturer; J. Legrand Everett, Rockingham, Senior Grand Deacon; T. C. McClenaghan, Raleigh as Junior Grand Deacon; J. E. Cam-eron, Kinston, Grand Marshal; J. H. Anderson, Fayetteville, Grand Sword Bearer; R. L. Stokes, Henderson, R. F. D., as Grand Pursuivant; P. M. Bragg, Stem, as Grand Steward; G. E. Cheat ham, Oxford, as Grand Steward; W. D.

Terry, Raleigh, Grand Tiler. Officers Installed Grand Secretary Willson read the list of Grand Lodge officers appointed by Grand Master Braswell and these were duly installed, Gen. B. S. Royster, P. G. M., performing the ceremony of installation in person or by proxy,

they were: Rev. John S. Wood, Spencer, Grand Chaplain; R. F. Edwards, Crumpler Grand Lecturer; Leon Cash, Winston-Salem, Junior Grand Deacon; John E. Cameron, Kinston, Grand Marshal; John H. Anderson, Fayetteville, Grand

At 12 p. m. the Grand Lodge was

# M'ADOO CENTER OF **CONVENTION GOSSIP**

Not Be Candidate, Name Recurs Frequently

SUPPORTERS OF FORMER SECRETARY ARE HOPEFUL

McAdoo Advocates Say Business of Convention Is To Nominate Man Who Can Be Elected, and Republican Platform and Nominee Dictate Him As The Man

San Francisco, Cal., June 24.- Despite W. G. McAdoo's announcement that he would not be a candidate for the Dem-ocratic presidential nomination, his name recurs very frequently in gossip in national convention circles. The McAdoo boom, for the roots and the war chests of which the Senate campaign investigating committee sought in vain, appears to thrive even against the frosty attitude of Mr. McAdoo himself. Its chief characteristic continues to be the same intangible quality that daunted the senatorial boom

investigators. On the surface McAdoo supporters prominent parts in the ceremony, the transferred their allegiance to other candidates. There is something about their alserity, however, that makes other Democrats here wonder whether they will "stay out" in their new affili-

Supporters Still Hopeful. Privately, some of these former Mc-Adoo supporters admit they have not lost hope that he will be the nominee. They state their case bluntly. The business of the convention is to nominate a man who can be elected, they say. They regard the Republican ticket and platform as "encouraging" from a Democratic point of view and believe that the brass tacks of politics will debate McAdoo's nomination as the man who could be elected. They are shaping their present course, admitted, in anticipation of a deadlock between Attorney General Palmer, Governor Cox and the other prominent aspirants and a general swing to McAdoo at that point which

would result in his selection. For See a Deadlock. Meanwhile, representatives of other

## **FOUR MILLION DOLLARS** DAMAGE BY HAIL STORM

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Kinston, June 24.—Reports of damage from yesterday's hail storm poured in today from many Lenoir county farms. Investigators here said indications were that the damage in Wayne and Pitt counties and a small section of Greene would probably equal that in Le-noir, and would make a total for the four counties of not less than four million dollars.

It was the most dangerous storm this part of the State has ever seen. Crops nearing maturity on thousands of acres in the most progressive sections of the four counties were cleared of every stalk. On a single plantation more than 700 acres of well-developed tobacco, cotton and corn were obliterated. Many of the losers were the ten-Three of the townships in Le-

noir were devastated by the hail, which fell from fifteen minutes in some places to thirty minutes in others, and drove every living crea-ture to shelter to save his life, so large were the stones. The wind was terrific and the rain a deluge. It will be many hours before all the farms can be canvassed for in-dividual losses, but scores have been listed today as having lost their crops on from 500 to 750 acres. A rift in the storm caused a few plantations to be sideswiped, while those adjoining them were converted into a wilderness. No reports have been received telling of any less of life.

# **WAGE AWARD SOON**

President Assured New Wage Schedules Will Be Forthcoming at Early Date

Washington, June 24. - Assurances controversy were received today by President Wilson.

The board's message to the President executive as to possibility of hastening the award or of announcing a tentstive or partial settlement. The reply of the board had not been made public at the White House tenight, but it was under-stood to set forth that some delay must occur in a matter in which there are so many conflicting claims, so many classes of workers to be considered and so much evidence, both oral and written to be

While hopeful that the text of the board's reply would be made public eventually, representatives here of the railroad unions said that the mere assurances that an early award could be expected would exercise a beneficial effect at least in preventing the spread of incipient strikes.

The President's Message. The President, in his message to the

board in Chicago, said: "Reports placed before me transportation situation hourly growing more difficult, and I am wondering whether it would not be possible for your board to announce a decision with eference to the pending wage matter. At least would it not be possible for your board, if it has reached no final conclusions relative to these vital matters, tentatively to agree upon a

settlement or even a partial settlement." The Interstate Commerce Commission, t became known today, is watching the strikes in Eastern railroad centers. notably Philadelphia and Baltimore, and is particularly concerned with the effect to the candidate or the platform.

of the walkouts on its efforts to relieve "I am aware," said Mr. Cummings, freight congestion and to move toal to where a coal shortage exists.

The walkout today of yardmen at the Potomac yards, across the Potomac River from Washington, resulted in the placing of temporary embargoes on all freight passing through the yards, which handle most of the freight between the South and the Eastern portion of the country. It was announced to-night, however, that the full night crew reported for work. Yard officials estimated that there were 3,900 carloads of freight in the yards, 99 per cent of which is billed for cities other than

#### Washington. BOARD MAY HAND DOWN ITS DECISION NEXT WEEK.

The Railway Labor Board may hand down its decision fixing new wage schedules for all classes of railroad workers next week. No date can be set definitely, however, according to Judge R. M. Barton, chairman of the board, as recon sideration of the assembled decisions may delay the final award for a week more.

Judge Barton denied reports that the oard faced a deadlock because of the widely divergent opinions of the members representing the roads and the

Publication today in Washington of the text of President Wilson's message asking the board to expedite its award cleared up the mystery which had surrounded the telegram, receipt of which had been denied by the members of the Judge Barton declined to make public

his answer, but said he would be glad 19, against 17 in February. to have the President do so. The request embodied in the President's message that, if a complete award could not be made at this time, a "partial settlement," he announced ould not be acted on. Judge Bar- 1918.

figures are compiled.

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# PLATFORM HOLDING | CANDIDATES CAN CONVENTION TOPIC MUTUAL AGREEM

Democratic Line-up Appear As Leaders Arrive

M'ADOO BOOM APPEARS TO BE FAR FROM DEAD

Boosters For Presidential Aspirants Open Headquarters and Become Increasingly Active; Bone-Dry Plank To Furnish Biggest Fight; No Orders From The White House

San Francisco, June 24.-More and more elements of uncertainty appeared in the line-up of the Democratic National convention as the leaders of first magnitude arrived in increasing num-bers and put their heads together over questions of policies and men.

For the time being the platform held its place as the big topic of cogitation and negotiation, with the problem of bone dry prohibition the chief material

for controvessy.

Talk of candidates, in a moribund stage for a week, was revived appreci-ably as the convention crowds gathered. Boosters for Palmer, Cox and a half dozen other aspirants became increasingly active among uninstructed dele-gates and a whole bevy of favorite sens and "dark horses" blossomed out with readquarters of their own McAdoo Boom Still Alive.

Meantime the phantom McAdoo boor

stalked serenely through hotel corri-

iors and conference rooms, leaving behind a trail of uncertainty and speculation. Though publicly executed at the hands of Mr. McAdoo himself, the movement did not down. Indeed, its perambulations were suggestive of the pink of vigor and it turned up uninvited as the ghost at the council table of more than one candidate's manager. that the Railroad Labor Board would On several questions of convention expedite its award in the railroad wage organization, too, the party chiefs were in a quandary. There were some rumblings of a fight against Senator Glass, the administration choice for chairman of the platform committee, and the was in reply to an inquiry by the problem of choosing a permanent convention chairman got into a mess, which threatened to upset seriously the plans of some administration supporters.

Waish To Be Storm Center.
Senator Walsh, of Montana, who voted in the Senate last March for ratification of the peace treaty with the Republican reservations, promised to become the storm center of the organization fight. In some quarters he was urged as a candidate against Senator Glass for head of the platform committee, though others thought he should have the permanent chairmanship instead. He had the backing of W. J. Bryan and was said to be favored also by other powerful forces more or less out of accord with some administration policies.

The administration people have sug-gested Secretary Colby, of the State Department, or Chairman Cummings, of the National committee, as permanent chairman, but it was said today that Senator Walsh might be accepted as satisfactory. The general trend tonight seesmd to be to put him forward for the convention chairmanship rather than for the head of the platform com-

mittee. No Dictating By Wilson. Chairman Cummings and other national committee officials discounted talk of an open anti-administration fight and protested vigorously against lobby gossip that President Wilson was attempting to dictate either in regard

"of no intention by the President to New England and other Eastern points, communicate to the convention in any way, shape or form. I anticipate no voluntary suggestion from him. He added, of course, that there could be no restraint on the President's

friends in any communication they might care to establish with the White House, though he said the whole attitude of the chief executive had been to let the convention work out its own destiny.

Senator Glass, who arrived last night

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### COMMISSION GIVES COAL PRODUCTION STATISTICS

Increase In Profit Per Ton Dur-

ing March; Also Increase In Production Washington, June 24.-Coal produc-tion statistics compiled by the Federal Trade Commission from reports submit-

ted by 1,981 operators for the month of

March indicate an increase in the profit per ton of 13 cents, or 45 per cent. The margin of profit per ton in March, the commission declared today, was 42 cents against 29 in February. Average cost per ton was reduced 4 per cent in the intervening month and the output per working day increased 5 per cent. The average number of days worked by each miner during March was given as

Production in March by the operators reporting to the commission, aggregated 16,097,642 tons, as compared with 13,-774,956 tons in the preceding month, and monthly average of 14,197,000 tons in

The commission's detailed analysis of ton said, as the hundred or more sep. The commission's detailed analysis of arate schedules are all related and it the month's reports showed an averaged may be necessary to revise awards cost per ton, f.o.b. the mine, of \$2.33, tentatively decided on when all the and an average sales price of \$2.74, apgures are compiled.

Two moves looking toward settlement penses labor led with \$1.72 per ton, supof the series of sporadic railway strikes plies cost 27 cents and general expenses will be taken here tomorrow. Heads of 34 cents per ton. In 1918 the labor all the re-organized railway unions will item was \$1.49, supplies 25 cents and meet here for a conference, at which general expenses 29 cents, giving a total cost per ton at the mine of \$2.04 in that year when the sales price was \$2.65.

# ITS PLACE AS BIG JOINT DEBATE HERE:

Elements of Uncertainty In Accidental Meeting In Jonesboro Forestalls Their Managers

> AGREEMENT FORMALIZED IN GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Governor Gives Out Statement, Including His Letter To Both Managers, Appealing To Democrats To Accept Agreement "Without Prejudice"; Not Surprising

Forestalling their managers by a few hours, Democratic gubernatorial candidates O. Max Gardner and Cameron Morrison, meeting by accident in the little town of Jonesboro, in Lee county yesterday afternoon, agreed between themselves to cancel the joint debate scheduled for Raleigh next Monday Their agreement was ratified last night at 8:30 when their campaign directors met in conference with Gov-ernor T. W. Bickett and formally agreed, in the interest of party har-mony, to halt the procedure "without prejudice to either candidate."

Almost unbroken pressure was brought to bear upon the candidates themselves, upon their managers, and upon the Governor to intervene in behalf of party harmony to call off the discussion. The headquarters of both candidates here were cluttered with telegrams protesting against the debate, coming from men of high degree and low, with here and there a request for reserved seats if the thing should actually be allowed to happen. Gover-Governor Bickett found his desk littered with like messages when he returned to the city yesterday.

Governor The Engineer. Managers J. Crawford Biggs and Heriot Clarkson met in the Governor's office at 10:00 o'clock yesterday morning to arrange a truce, in response to the chief executive's letter of the evening before appealing them to call a half in the program. The Governor was not in the city, and the managers retired, after making arrangements to return at 8:00 o'clock in the evening for further conferences. When they arrived there was nothing to say, more than to repeat what their principals had al-

ready said. The Governor gave out a statement following a brief conference, including the letter which he had addressed jointly to the two managers on Wednesday, the joint telegram from Messrs. Gard-ner and Morrison to their managers informing them of their agreement, and commending them both for "placing the welfare of the Democratic party high and above their own personal feelings." Neither Mr. Clarkson nor Judge Biggs had any statement to

make. Some Disappointment Those who were anticipating verbal combat at close range gave up hope of an evening of divertisement when they read yesterday morning that Governor. Bickett had added the weight of his influence to the growing volume of protest against the debate. It was almost a foregone conclusion that the next step would be the announcement of a cancellation, although few expected two candidates to get together themselves down in the sandhills and arrange a truce without the assisting offices of their managers, who signed the forensic agreement here Tuesday night. Somewhat of the dramatic attaches to the story that comes from Sanford of the chance meeting of the two men who occupy so much of the public at-tention just now. It is related that Mr. Gardner drove into Jonesboro while Mr. Morrison was engaged in a speech in the only available building in the

by village and made a speech himself and returned. They met in the middle of the principal street of the town-There was hearty hand shaking, and most apparent good will between them.
The citizenry of the town turned out en masse to witness the momentous doings, and cheered lustily, when it was announced that neither had any desire to carry on with the arrangement. There was more handshaking, mutual assurances that the one would heartily support the other, after the second primary declares the nominee, and they again went their ways apart. Their personal press agents also declared a truce and collaborated in their account of the

town. He drove on through to a near-

happening. The Conference Here.

Neither Mr. Clarkson nor Judge Biggs carried with them any air of anxiety when they entered the Governor's offic night, but rather indicated relief that it was all over. Mr. Clarkson came first and hastened away alone after-Judge Biggs arrived later and stayed longer, seemingly well pleased with the turnings and trendings of events. Governor Bickett followed them from his office and dictated the following statement:

"On yesterday I addressed to Hon. J. Crawford Biggs, manager for Hon O. Max Gardner and Hon. Heriot Clarkson, manager for Hon. Cameron Morrison, the following letter:

The Governor's Letter.

"My dear Sir:-I am greatly disressed to see that it is proposed to have a joint debate between the two candidates for the Demogratic nomination for Governor. I have looked at this question from every angle and fail to see how a single atom of good arn come to the Democratic party from the a meeting. On the other hand it is as plain as day that a maximum amount of harm must result.

"Both of these gentlemen have here tofore been recognized as able and honorable workers in the ranks of the Democratic party, and all good men must deplore any attempt to besmirch either of them because he now aspires

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