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John W. Davis Put Over As Presidential Nominee of Party

Is Nominated By Acclamation After 103rd Ballot; Great Demonstration Is Given Nominee

HAPPY UNIFIED CROWD

Madison Square Garden, New York, July 9.—John W. Davis, of West Virginia, was nominated for President today by the Democratic national convention after the 103rd ballot. The nomination came during the ninth day of balloting.

The opposition of William J. Bryan and the attempt of William G. McAdoo to deliver his strength to Meredith, failed to stop him.

Beginning with this morning's balloting the movement to Davis gathered a momentum which could not be retarded and gradually but surely through the succeeding ballots the votes flocked over into the John W. Davis column as state after state either increased its offering to him or turned over its whole quota.

Bryan's opposition to Davis was swept away in the rain of Davis votes which swept over the convention. The attempt of the McAdoo forces to make E. T. Meredith, of Iowa, the heir to the McAdoo strength commanded a following which made only a bad third when the Davis flood was rising so fast that all other candidates were being swept before it. Iowa, Meredith's home state, with drew him from the contest and voted for Davis.

The 103rd ballot was not completed, but when Davis passed a majority during the ballot the states flocked to him and the nomination was by acclamation.

The convention adjourned until 8 p. m. tonight.

Then scenes of disorder swept the convention as everybody clamored for a chance to join the winning forces. When the uproar was at its height Thomas Taggart, of Indiana, mounted a chair and moved the nomination of Mr. Davis by acclamation. The motion was carried with a roar and Chairman Walsh shouted into the din before him.

"The chair declares the Hon. John W. Davis, the nominee of this convention."

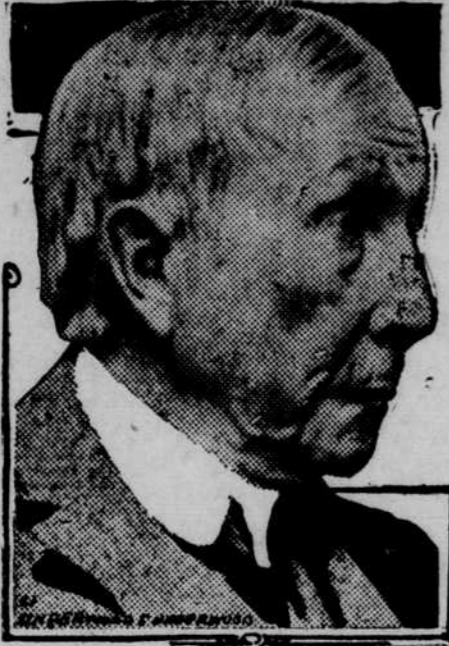
Immediately the tired, worn and weary convention which had been struggling in the throes of a seemingly interminable deadlock for two weeks—with the threat of going into a third—broke loose in a demonstration of joy and relief.

Immediately all the state standards which had previously been parading for other candidates—some of them in the midst of hard fought battles of partisan dispute—were carried into the aisles of the Convention hall while a swirling, perspiring but happy crowd of delegates followed in a procession of joy and jubilation. Governor Ritchie himself led the Maryland delegation in the procession and for a convention as prolonged and hard fought as the present one has been the demonstration for Davis was a demonstration of unity and good feeling and relief.

The Davis people, jubilant after a fight through two conventions to nominate their man, sent the leaders of their delegation headed by Mrs. Izetta Jewell Brown, to the platform to review the procession. They had worked hard to nominate him in San Francisco four years ago and had failed; they had worked hard here in New York and had suffered the discouragement of seeing his chances drop to almost nothing before they turned and rose on the debris of the deadlock between Smith and McAdoo.

The crowd was happy at the prospect of having a nomination and going home and the delegates and alternate pranced happily along with as much vigor as if they had not been at it for countless days and nights and as if they actually were not shy several aggregate nights of sleep.

85 Years Old



John D. Rockefeller, Sr., celebrated his 85th birthday Tuesday, July 8. He stated to reporters that he was well and happy with his many friends about him and had no special message except great gratitude for all his blessings.

CHAS. W. BRYAN NAMED FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

The Democratic National Convention ending the most historic and precedent-breaking political gathering in the history of the United States early this morning completed its national ticket by nominating Governor Charles W. Bryans, of Nebraska, as its candidate for the Vice-Presidency.

Governor Bryan, who is a brother of William Jennings Bryan, the great Commoner, was elected to his present office two years ago. He has been a political leader in the West for a quarter of a century, is closely aligned with the great agricultural forces and is a man in whom the West has great confidence. It was notable that Mr. Bryan's brother, the Commoner, opposed the nomination of John W. Davis for the Presidential nomination on the floor of the convention. Mr. Bryan's name was presented after a conference of leaders during the recess preceding the balloting, and it was generally understood he had their support.

Madison Square Garden, New York, July 9.—Senator Walsh, of Montana, tonight formally declined the Vice-Presidential nomination. He made known his decision in a letter which was read to the Democratic National Convention by Representative Barkley, of Kentucky.

McAdoo Congratulates Davis

New York, July 9.—William G. McAdoo, from his hotel, tonight sent the following telegrams to John W. Davis, the nominee of the Democratic party for President:

"Honorable John W. Davis, New York City.

"Please accept congratulations on your nomination.

"WILLIAM GIBBS McADOO." This was Mr. McAdoo's only public comment on Mr. Davis's nomination. Announcement was made at the headquarters of Mr. McAdoo after the nomination of Mr. Davis that Mr. McAdoo would have no comment to make and that he would sail for Europe, probably tomorrow, with Mrs. McAdoo.

PICTURE CONTEST TO CLOSE

The Picture contest in which some one will win \$5.00 or more will close next Tuesday, July 15. Answers received after that date will not be considered. Quite a number have entered this contest and one among the number will be awarded a cash prize as soon as the judges have rendered their decision. Watch these columns for an announcement of the winner.

SIMPLE FUNERAL PRESIDENT'S SON

Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge Take Their Son, Calvin To Vermont Home for Burial Yesterday

FAMILY BEARS UP WELL

Washington, July 9.—President and Mrs. Coolidge tonight took their boy Calvin back to Vermont to be buried in the family plot of the little cemetery at Plymouth.

A simple but impressive funeral was held in the East room of the White House late this afternoon, attended by government officials ranking military officers, members of the diplomatic corps and intimate friends of the family.

On the White House lawn several thousands persons stood with bowed heads during the ceremony, having come to give visible expression of their sympathy.

Typical of their New England reserve, President and Mrs. Coolidge repressed outward manifestation of their grief. The family, broken for the first time, drew comfort from the service, and Mrs. Coolidge listened attentively to the consoling words of the scripture, The President, on her left, sat with head slightly bowed. The son, John, on his mother's right sat erect and listened earnestly to the pastor.

A little later, in the evening, the casket was closed for the last time, in the presence of the family, and soon thereafter, almost to the hour when three weeks ago, bubbling with joy, he returned home from school, the boy was carried to the funeral train.

Tomorrow morning, a brief stop will be made at Northampton, Mass., where Calvin was born and where services will be held for him. From there the party, including members of the President's cabinet, and others close to him in personal and official life, will proceed to Plymouth. Burial will be there late in the afternoon in the lot where the President's mother and sister lie, and tomorrow night those who made the journey will return to the capital.

The services this afternoon were of short duration, but the emotions of many of those who filled the East room could not be concealed. As a quartet sang "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go," There were moist eyes, and broken sobs came from several parts of the chamber.

Then the Rev. Jason Noble Pierce, of the First Congregational church, the President's pastor, prayed God "to use the precious memory to make the family strong and love enduring."

"They love comprehends our sorrows," he continued, "and we thank Thee for Thy most divine comfort, And make us to live that when a time comes we may have his bravery, courageousness and soldier fortitude."

It was prayer for divine comfort and it was a tribute to the memory of the youth.

Opening the service, the pastor read the twenty-third psalm and then other verses of scripture. These included John XIV, verses 1-3; 15-20 and 25-27 and Romans VIII.

Two poems, recited often and admired by Calvin, "Away" by James Whitcomb Riley and Tennyson's "Crossing The Bar," then were read. After the prayer, the quartet sang "Still, Still With Thee When Purple Morning Breaketh," and the Reverend Mr. Pierce pronounced the benediction.

The quiet calm of the President's family touched all who saw them. Mrs. Frank W. Stearns, intimate friend for years and the comforter of Mrs. Coolidge in her sorrow, sat with her husband by their side but after the departure from the room of the President and Mrs. Coolidge she gave way to her grief. The strain had proved too much but tonight she was again by the side of Mrs. Coolidge.

BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Everybody cordially invited.

KIWANIS CLUBS OF COUNTY HAVE MEET

Picnic Supper Served in Banner Warehouse; Mr. Broughton of Raleigh, Speaks

NUMBER STUNTS PULLED

The spirit of Kiwanis is spreading in Johnston County, as all who participated in the Kiwanis gathering at Holt Lake and the Banner Warehouse yesterday afternoon can well attest. A few months ago a Kiwanis Club was organized in this city. Not long after, the good work spread and Selma formed a club. The latest organization is the one at Benson. It was the members of these three clubs with their families and invited guests that met yesterday in a good fellowship meeting. The picnic, for it was indirectly a good old-fashioned basket picnic, was planned to be held at Holt Lake, and in spite of the rain more than a hundred were on hand for the occasion. Quite a number enjoyed a dip in the lake, and the plans for the afternoon were going forward when a steady rain set in. There being no house at the lake that could take care of the crowd at supper, it was decided to repair to the Banner Warehouse in Smithfield. In a short time the entire crowd was enjoying a splendid repast under shelter and with plenty of room for the stunts which formed a part of the program.

Mr. R. P. Holding presided over the occasion calling on Dr. A. S. Oliver of Benson and Mr. Waters of Selma for short talks before the food was partaken of. After the eats, Mr. Love of Selma put on a number of stunts which kept the folks laughing. An egg race and a sack race by Kiwanians, a "nailing" race by the ladies, and a first aid demonstration by a group of Boy Scouts served to give variety to the program. A much enjoyed number was a solo by Mr. Eric Massey. The last thing on the program was a talk by Mr. Broughton of Raleigh, who brought a worthwhile message in the midst of the fun and frolic. Mr. Broughton talked on citizenship and the Kiwanian's relation to citizenship. He interwove the Kiwanis motto: "We build," and made a practical application of how the three Kiwanis clubs assembled could build better towns and a better Johnston County. The speaker of the evening was introduced by Mr. E. J. Wellens.

COLORED FAMILY EXPRESSES THANKS

The brothers and sisters of the Ennis family wish to express their thanks and appreciation for the kindness shown them during the sickness and death of their father, Freeman Ennis, who died at the age of 65 years on Sunday, July 6. He remained a dutiful father and mother to his children from October 5, 1917, when his wife, Celestia Ennis, died, until July 6, 1924. For flowers special thanks are extended to the Holts and others.

The Ennis Family.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

Every member is urged to be present next Monday evening at 8:15. An interesting devotional program has been arranged. Mrs. Jesse Coates, first department superintendent will lead the meeting.

Centenary Methodist Church

Sermon at 11 a. m. by the pastor. Announcement will be made at this hour as to whether or not there will be an evening service Sunday. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A first prize of \$10 and a second of \$25 have been offered by County Agent Tom Broom of Union County for the school district showing the largest percentage of farms growing legumes during the year. The school committeemen will determine the facts and the county board of education will determine the winners. The money will be used in buying books for the school library.

TOBACCO MARKET TO OPEN SEPT 2ND

The Tobacco Association of the United States has announced the following as the dates for the opening of the tobacco markets this season:

S. C. and Border markets—Tuesday, Aug. 5.
Georgia—Wednesday, Aug. 6.
Eastern N. C.—Tuesday, Sept. 2.
Middle Belt—Tuesday, Sept. 23.
Old Belt—Wednesday, October 1.

MIDDLE BELT MARKETS

Durham, Henderson, Oxford, Warrenton, Louisburg, Raleigh, Fuquay Springs, Aberdeen, Carthage, Sanford, Youngsville.

The Smithfield Market will open Tuesday, September 2. Two warehouses will be operated here this season.

JURY FOR AUGUST TERM SUPERIOR COURT

The jury for the August term of Superior Court was drawn by the county commissioners at the regular meeting here on the first Monday in July as follows:

N. B. Grantham, D. C. Adams, John W. Wiggs, Swade E. Barbour, Jerry M. Lee, H. J. Corbett, N. M. Lawrence, W. G. Dixon, G. W. Wood, A. G. Godwin, H. A. Penny, D. C. Lassiter, L. E. Creech, F. B. Whitely, J. H. Godwin (Benson), W. R. O'Neal, W. P. Stevens, W. H. Creech (Smithfield), A. J. Betten, R. M. Martin, G. R. Ballance, J. H. Langston, W. G. Reynolds, J. W. Hollowell, S. T. Price, G. L. Stephenson, W. H. Turlington, J. G. Dixon, J. H. Branch, Fletcher Austin, Fred Starling, T. C. Ogburn, J. H. Woodall, S. L. Johnson, E. L. Pearce and R. V. Crocker.

DR. SPRUNT DIES IN WILMINGTON

Wilmington, July 9.—When Dr. James Sprunt passed peacefully away in his sleep at the home of his nephew, Walter Sprunt, on Green-Wilmington lost an honored and beloved citizen and North Carolina one of her foremost and most distinguished sons. While the end had been momentarily expected for the past three days his demise nevertheless has saddened Wilmington in a way that no other death in many years has done. It is realized here that Dr. Sprunt had made for himself a place in the hearts of this community peculiarly his own, and that in a business, social, literary, charitable and civic sense the niche cannot be filled.

Dr. Sprunt was the senior member of the cotton exporting firm of

W. M. SANDERS ILL WITH PNEUMONIA

Friends of Mr. W. M. Sanders will regret to learn that he is quite ill with pneumonia at a sanatorium in Clifton Springs, N. Y., where he went several weeks ago for treatment. His son, Mr. W. Ransom Sanders and Dr. A. H. Rose left yesterday afternoon for Clifton Springs.

STEVENS CHAPEL

We have changed our Sunday school hour to ten o'clock a. m. instead of three p. m.

Preaching services are held at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. every Sunday. We extend an invitation to all in the vicinity of Stevens Chapel to attend the services.

J. S. IRVINE.

WELL KNOWN COLORED MAN DEAD

A well-known colored man in town, Freeman Ennis, died at his home here Sunday after an illness of some time. He was a native of Smithfield and lived here all of his sixty-five years with the exception of one which he spent in a hospital at Wilson. He was well thought of by both colored and white.

SERVICES AT LIVE OAK

Rev. R. M. von Miller will preach at Live Oak Baptist church Sunday night at eight o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend.

NOBLE ANSWERS MR. ROBERTS' REPLY

Re-Affirms That His Deceit In The Race For Judge of Records Court Was Unjust

WANTS PEOPLE TO KNOW

I have read with a great deal of interest and pleasure Mr. Roberts' attempted explanation of how I was defrauded out of twelve votes in Selma Township, as a result of which my majority in the county of 23, was changed to 1 majority for Mr. Martin.

After reading this article, I feel like asking Mr. Roberts, who says, "I have had no experience in politics," but who claims to have voted for me, supported me, and so earnestly endeavored to protect my interest, if his article was not prepared in Smithfield by one who has had considerable experience in politics, and who helped lead the fight against me, and I also ask him if he doesn't think the article instead of defending him, does him a greater injustice than my statement could possibly do, or was intended to do.

Mr. Roberts stated in his introductory remarks, "It is not my purpose to enter into a controversy with a disappointed candidate." I note he used the word, "disappointed," not defeated; and yet I want to assure Mr. Roberts that I was not defeated, nor was there anything in the last primary that was in any way disappointing. I knew the men in the county who were making the fight against me; I knew the exact purpose for which they were making the fight, and I knew what they would do to win, if it became necessary. So the word disappointed, used by Mr. Roberts' author, is as erroneous as the word defeated would have been, I am no more disappointed than Mr. Roberts would be if some one would hold him up on the highway and rob him of his money, or break into his store while he slept and rob him of his goods. He would be helpless to prevent either, just as I was helpless to prevent my vote in Selma from being changed from 236 to 224, and Mr. Martin's increased from 107 to 119.

Mr. Roberts' article should convince one even more than my first statement, that I was defrauded out of the nomination. Now let's see just what he says; "As soon as that count was completed, the totals of the four sheets were added together, showing a total of 236 for Noble and 107 for Martin, and this result was phoned to Smithfield." That refers to the County Box. He admits there were four tally sheets, and that the four sheets showed that I had received 236 votes and Mr. Martin only 107. Now my readers want to bear this in mind, that the names of the other county candidates were on all four of the tally sheets the same as mine. So Saturday night I had 129 majority in Selma.

I stated in my former letter that Mr. Roberts told me the ballot boxes were nailed up and put away. He states this is not true. Which of us stated the truth? Listen at what he says and then judge. "When the count was completed around 11 o'clock, it was found that we had nothing with which to nail up the County Box." If the boxes were not nailed up, why did he not say, "It was found we had nothing with which to nail up the Ballot Boxes," instead of saying, "It was found we had nothing with which to nail up the County Box." Something with which to nail up the Congressional Box, something with which to nail up the State Box, and yet, nothing with which to nail up the County Box, and he, Mr. Roberts, part owner of a store where nails and screws are to be had in abundance. To make such a statement and expect it to be swallowed is nothing more or less than to insult the intelligence of the citizenship of Johnston County.

What does he next say? "We were all tired and hungry and had no

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