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## SAYS HE'LL WIN

A New York Man Thinks Governor Wilson Will Break All Records

## THE COUNTRY FOR HIM

Sentiment as Seen by the New York Press on a Business Trip of Ten Thousand Miles Makes Him Believe that Gov. Wilson Will Sweep the Country Next Year.

J. W. Binder, of New York, writes as follows to the New York Times concerning the presidential election next year.

The next President of the United States will be a Democrat. His name is Woodrow Wilson. His majority in the electoral college will be greater than that given to any President ever elected. These are strong statements. Let me tell you why I believe them to be true.

I have, within the past two months traveled more than ten thousand miles in the United States. I have talked with some of the biggest men in the country. I have also talked with workmen, commercial travelers, small merchants and others.

The sentiment in favor of Wilson is simply tremendous. His administration in New Jersey since his election as Governor has made friends for him by the thousand. Business men feel that in the hands of such a man their interests would be conserved, while the working men hail the New Jersey employers' liability law, enacted at his urgent demand, as one of the best laws ever put on our statute books.

"I am for Wilson because I believe he recognizes that the government of this great nation should be put on a business basis. The business men of the United States have accustomed themselves to regard government as something afloat, something mysterious, intangible, in which they had but a passing interest, and to which plain business principles could not be applied. Hence, for the past fifty years the functions of government have been largely in the hands of lawyers. Now, while I have the highest regard for law and for its exponents, I have yet to see the lawyer whom I would make the general manager of my business. If this be true of my own personal business, involving a capitalization of less than \$10,000,000, on what grounds can the people of this country possibly justify their placing the control of the greatest business in the world—the government of these United States—almost entirely in the hands of lawyers? I have no hesitation in saying that the post office department of the United States should be made to be self-supporting, if, indeed, it cannot be made to show a profit. I believe it can, if it is administered without regard to politics. It should be the business of the President of the United States to see that it is so administered. I believe that Woodrow Wilson would insist that it be so administered. Hence I am for him."

One of the men I talked with was vice mayor of a large mid-western city. He is an enthusiastic Wilson supporter. I asked him what objections he had heard to Wilson's candidacy. He could name only one. That was that Wilson changed his mind on the matter of the initiative, referendum and recall. It is true. He did. He says himself that for fifteen years he taught his classes in Princeton that neither of these doctrines would work. He says, further, he can prove today that they won't work. Then he adds with native frankness, "but the trouble is they do work," and, recognizing that that practice is always better than theory, he adapts himself to the changed conditions, and faces conditions as they are, not as he theoretically believed them to be. "This," continued my Democratic friend, "is in my estimation, the best indication of Wilson's strength."

## PLEASE FOR SENATE

HIS FRIENDS THINK HE WILL OPPOSE TILLMAN.

May Drop Out of the gubernatorial Race and Reach Out for the Senator's Scalp.

A dispatch from Columbia to the Greenwood Journal says friends of Governor Blease, who have had talks with him since his return from the political junket through the Piedmont section of the state, say that, while not committing himself, he is thinking strongly of entering the race for the United States Senate against B. R. Tillman and Col. Jasper Talbert, of Parksville.

The people are watching the situation with interest and the next public speak' or gathering, may bring forth something of interest. It is said that the governor is very much peeved because of the statements made by Senator Tillman in his letter to "Boss" Crews.

The entire situation has been brought about as a result of the exclusive interview secured by a staff representative of The Chronicle and printed in all of the South Carolina papers.

Although three months away, there is much speculation here as to what the next general assembly will bring forth. All of the politicians who have been accustomed to ask for office two years in this state are keeping still with their tongues awaiting the verdict of the lawmakers on many questions that might come up.

The present outlook in this state is that there will be no other candidates to enter the race for governor except Ira B. Jones, who is to leave the supreme bench on January 9, and the present governor.

Should the present governor retire from the race and go seeking senatorial honors, then there would likely be a number of candidates for the place.

Among those who might run would be John G. Richards, Jr., Thos. G. McLeod, Richard I. Manning and Howard B. Carlisle.

With the mixed up condition the indications are that the next campaign in South Carolina will be one of the most strenuous in the history of the state.

From the present outlook it seems as if the whiskey question will be eliminated. With that question out of the way the issue would be men.

**THE DEADLY HOT SUPPERS.**

One Negro Shot and One Slashed in Newberry County.

In the St. Phillips section six miles from Newberry, there was a negro hot supper with the usual accompaniments on Saturday night. Monroe Lettsey was shot just under the eye with a pistol by James Wilson. While Dr. Dunn was looking for the ball Lettsey coughed it up. It had gone through the roof of the mouth and dropped into the throat. Wilson died.

Ten minutes after he had dressed Lettsey's wound, the same physician was called on to sew up two gaping knife wounds for Bennie Jones, negro, who had been slashed by Will Baxter ad Jack DeWalt at another "hot" supper, on John Wicker's plantation, near Colony, four miles from town.

## BODIES FOUND

They May Be Those of the Crew of a Schooner Lost in the Gale.

## ARE BURIED ON BEACH

Party Gone From Charleston to Learn Whether the Dead Men Floating Ashore Included Capt. Jarvis, of the Margaret A. May, and His Two Brothers.

The News and Courier says Collector of the Port R. W. Durant, Jr., President John G. Cherry, of the North State Lumber Company, and Capt. McGee, master of the schooner Collins W. Walton, and others left the city Monday aboard the Government boat Sumter for Kiawah Island to investigate reports to the effect that several bodies of white men drowned at sea were either recovered from a wreck or washed up on the beach of the island some time ago and buried by the inhabitants.

The gentlemen who compose the party going to Kiawah Island believe that among the bodies may have been the remains of Capt. Edward L. Jarvis, master of the schooner Margaret A. May, which was lost during the storm of August 27, supposedly in the neighborhood of Cole's Island or Kiawah Island. The only relic of the wreck was the stern of the vessel, which washed up on Cole's Island beach after the storm.

A Mr. Grimbald, living on Kiawah found a scarf pin on the beach after the storm, bearing the initials "E. L. J." This pin is supposed to have been the property of the master of the ill-fated schooner. Grimbald stated that he found the pin in the end of a piece of piping attached to a portion of the wreckage from the deck house of a schooner.

It is said that Capt. McNeill, who is working on the wreck of a schooner at Kiawah Island, believed by many to be the schooner Margaret A. May, discovered dead bodies in the wreck. These, it is said, have been temporarily buried in the sand, pending further investigation. The bodies will be examined by Mr. Durant and his party. When the bodies were found Magistrate Hill, of Kiawah Island, is said to have ordered them interred.

Capt. E. L. Jarvis was a member of the Commercial Club, and of the Carolina Yacht Club. He was one of the youngest and most popular skippers on the coast, and his death was a great shock to his many friends. He was beloved and honored by all who knew him.

Aboard the Margaret A. May when she was destroyed were two brothers of the master of the vessel, George L. and Raymond Jarvis. The party going to Kiawah to make investigation of the report that bodies were found from the wreck are hopeful that the remains of Capt. Jarvis can be found and turned over to members of his family.

**KILLED AS THEY SLEPT.**

Father, Mother and Children Slain at Elisworth, Kan.

Slain as they slept Sunday night, the bodies of Will Showman, a chaffeur, his wife and three small children were discovered Tuesday night in the Showman home by a neighbor at Elisworth. The victims are William Showman, 33 years old, his wife Lester Showman, 5 years old, 1 year old.

The Showmans lived in a small cottage 300 or 400 yards from any other house. The father, mother and baby were in one bed and the two other children in a second bed.

**Wilson Would Beat Taft.**

The New York correspondent with the Taft party writing from California says: "Mr. Byrne, who is president of the State senate, expressed the belief that Taft could carry the State provided Woodrow Wilson, who made a very successful trip there some months ago, and is looked upon as having the support of Bryan, were not his opponent."

**No Chance For Taft.**

## BLOOD ON THE MOON

GOVERNOR BLEASE CHALLENGES EDITOR HENRY.

The Governor Dared the Editor to Repeat What He Said in Paper to His Face.

Governor Blease, having taken exceptions to a reference to himself made in the Spartanburg Journal by the Editor, Mr. Henry, the Governor got wrath and wrote Editor Henry the following letter: "STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, Executive Chamber.

Columbia, Oct. 10, 1911. "To the Editor of the Journal: "A friend of mine has forwarded me your paper of the 9th, in which you speak of me as a villain."

"I spent part of three days in your city last week. Why did you not come to my face and tell me this, instead of your cowardly action in printing it in your paper? "I will be in your city again at your county fair, stopping at Argyle Hotel. If you desire to make this statement be man enough to make it to my face and not be a slurring (sic) coward and strike me in the back.

"Cole L. Blease."

To which Editor Henry replied as follows in the Journal: "The expression referred to is contained in the following paragraph: "There is fine material in South Carolina politics just now for a comic opera with Cole Blease as the villain."

Of course, Mr. Blease may take this as he likes, but there are probably few readers of the Journal dull-witted enough to think a suggestion of the governor's fitness to play the part of the villain in a comic opera dramatization of the present political situation in South Carolina, is "speaking of him as a villain."

There are perhaps people who think Mr. Blease a villain or worse, but we have seen no newspaper that has stated its opinion of him to this effect. Certainly the Journal has not done so.

We shall have to ask his excellent excellency to accept our regrets to his invitation to meet him at the Argyle hotel in this city or elsewhere. We would not intrude our unappreciative presence or attempt to interrupt for a moment the continuous performance he gives wherever he goes of his favorite burlesque, which might be entitled, "Governing a Great State," but which he renders with a seriousness and an importance that produces an unconscious satire.

We are little concerned about Mr. Blease or his acts or his talk, but when a man as ridiculous, as comical, as grotesque, as droll, as absurdly vain as he is gets into the limelight he is sure to furnish better material for newspaper paragraphs than for serious denunciation, much as he would prefer the latter style of treatment.

**DYNAMITERS MAKE WRECK.**

Many Buildings, Including City Hall, Are Shaken at Spokane.

Dynamiters wrecked the office of the Sun Employment Agency on Front Avenue Spokane. The explosion shook scores of other buildings, including the city hall, four blocks away. The entire street within a block each way of the employment agency was littered with broken glass, wood and section of corrugated iron, of which the walls of the buildings was composed. No one was injured although a number of persons were in the immediate vicinity. The damage is estimated at several thousand dollars.

**Killed by Automobile.**

At Atlanta, Miss E. A. Edwards was killed and her sister, Mrs. A. E. Dobbs, was seriously injured Tuesday night when they were struck by an automobile just as they stepped off a street car in West End. Ed Haynes, the chauffeur driving the machine, was placed under arrest.

**Pair of Young Foolish Girls.**

## DON'T WANT TAG

Progressive Wing of the Republican Party Declares For La Follette

## SAY HE IS LOGICAL MAN

Two Hundred Members of the Insurgent Party Meet in Convention in Chicago to Outline Plans For Campaign to Defeat President Taft in the Convention.

The two hundred progressive Republicans in their first national conference at Chicago on Monday endorsed Senator Robert M. La Follette of Wisconsin for president and declared in favor of a direct primary as a means for the expression of a presidential choice.

The indorsement came in the shape of resolutions framed in part by James R. Garfield, former secretary of the interior, who, it was held by the delegates, appeared as expressing the views of Theodore Roosevelt and who it was feared who oppose a declaration in favor of any individual. Mr. La Follette's indorsement went through without a hitch, however.

A resolution followed a day of La Follette enthusiasm in which his name was cheered repeatedly when it was mentioned by a dozen speakers. Contrary to expectation, the conference was concluded in one day, most of the delegates left the city, and the progressive programme outlined for tomorrow will be devoted to support of State and local candidates and conditions.

The resolutions were framed by a subcommittee of five and were revised by Mr. Garfield and Congressman Irwin L. Lenroot of Wisconsin. John E. Little of North Carolina was a member of the subcommittee. The resolution read: "The progressive movement is a struggle to wrest the control of government in the State and the nation from the representatives of special privilege and restore them to the control of the people. The issue is the same in all the State, though the problem may be presented in different ways.

"In the national field, the control of government by special privilege is evidenced by the influence and power of the reactionary leaders in both parties in checking of preventing the enactment of progressive policies pledged by the Republican party.

"The present condition of uncertainty in business in intolerable and destructive of industrial prosperity. It is worse than idle to leave a question of whether great business enterprises are legal or not merely to judicial determination. Industrial corporations should by affirmative legislative enactment be given definite rules of conduct by which business shall be made safe and stable while at the same time the interests of the public should be fully safeguarded. We seek constructive legislation not destructive litigation.

"We favor the ascertainment of the choice of Republican voters as to a candidate for president by a direct primary vote, held in each State pursuant to the statute, and where no such statute we urge that the Republican State committee provide that the people be given the right to express their choice for president.

"Robert M. La Follette of Wisconsin years ago found conditions in his State not unlike those of the nation today. Under his leadership all opposition was overcome and there was enacted in Wisconsin a system of laws that stand as models for legislation in all States of the Union.

"The record of Senator La Follette in State and nation makes him a logical candidate for president of the United States. His character, his courage, his record of courage, his record of constructive legislation and administrative ability meet the requirements for leadership such as present conditions demand.

"This conference indorses him as a candidate for the Republican nomination for president, and urges that in all States organizations be formed to promote his nomination."

## AUTOS IN THE STATE

REPORTS SHOW OVER FIVE THOUSAND MACHINES.

The Greatest Number Are Owned in the Counties Having Improved Highways.

The State says that automobiles and good roads go hand in hand as shown by reports that have been received at the State department of agriculture from the various counties of the State.

The greatest number of miles of improved highway are found in the counties having the largest number of automobiles.

The reports from thirty-seven counties show that 5,355 automobiles have been registered since 1906. The reports show that from July 15, 1910, to September 1, 1911, there were 1,868 automobiles registered in the State.

Greenville county leads the State in the number of automobiles, there being 419 in that county. The following shows in the number of automobiles in each county of the State:

**WARSHIPS POUR SHELLS.**

Battle Fought Wednesday Along the Water Front of Hankow.

A general engagement between the Chinese revolutionary army and the imperial forces was precipitated on the water front at Hankow, China, Wednesday by the attempt of Admiral Sah Chen Ping to land a large body of troops for the reinforcement of Gen. Chang Piao. Chang Piao, who although officially dismissed by the Peking government, still retains his command, was entrenched with several hundred of the old provincial army in the native city close to the foreign concessions. It was just day break when Admiral Sah ordered his cruisers to disembark their soldiers near Chang Piao's position.

The revolutions in the Wu Chang fortifications immediately shot fire with their artillery. The gunboats in the river replied with a rain of shells and diverted the attention of the Wu Chang artillerymen, effectually covering the landing. Scattered bodies of revolutionists on both sides of the river joined in the fighting and by mid-forenoon it was estimated that 2,000 imperial troops and nearly 10,000 rebels were engaged. The warships used up a large quantity of ammunition, but the effectiveness of their fire was hampered by the fear of endangering the foreign concessions. All the foreign warships in the river sent ashore marines to protect foreign interests.

**Profits From Chester Truck.**

J. T. Bass of the Baton Rouge section of Chester County from a three-four-acre watermelon patch this year realized \$122.55 from the sale of watermelons, besides having plenty to eat. Mrs. D. E. Bass of the same neighborhood realized \$12.05 from tomatoes raised on an acre row, besides having plenty for home consumption.

**Dispute Causes Tragedy.**

Will Dent, living near Columbus, Miss., shot and killed John Brownlee, a prominent planter Monday night and was himself shot and killed by Babe Brownlee, a brother of the victim. A part of the charge from the shotgun used by the negro also killed his wife.

"Senator La Follette is in himself a platform that represents the progressive spirit."

## THEY ARE BUSY

Anarchists Put Dynamite Under the Taft's Train Was to Use.

## AFTER GOVERNORS TOO

Anarchists Plot Not Only to Kill President Taft, But Also the Governors of Three American and Two Mexican States Who Were To Hold a Conference.

Anarchists seem to be getting busy out West. Thirty-six sticks of dynamite was found under the Cairtan viaduct, 26 miles north of Santa Barbara, Cal., several hours before President Taft's special train passed over the bridge en route to Los Angeles Tuesday morning. The dynamite was found after the watchman engaged in a revolver battle with two men who escaped.

The dynamite was discovered at 2 o'clock that morning. The president's train passed over the bridge at 5 o'clock. The night watchman saw two men on the bridge shortly before 2 o'clock. They were at the opposite end of the 1,000 foot span and ran when ordered to halt. The watchman hurried across the bridge firing several shots, which were returned.

After the pair had escaped the watchman returned to the bridge and began an investigation. Near the center of the span, lodged on one of the supports of the viaduct, he found the 36 sticks of dynamite with a 10-foot fuse attached to one of the sticks. He left the find untouched, going immediately to Santa Barbara and notifying the officials.

A dispatch from El Paso, Texas, says an arrest has been made in connection, it is alleged, with a plot which Mexican secret service officers declare had been formed to assassinate the three American and two Mexican Governors who are to meet in that city for a conference next Friday.

When the alleged anarchist, whose name is withheld, was arrested, he attempted to shoot the El Paso detective who seized him. A stubborn fight ensued. Other suspects are being sought.

The Mexican secret service men claim that a band of anarchists have gathered at El Paso and formed definite plans to murder Gov. Colquitt of Texas and the Governors of Arizona, New Mexico, Sonora and Chihuahua during their visit to the city. Abram Gonzales, Governor of Chihuahua, is said by the detectives to be the special object of the attack. Gonzales is a great, jovial fellow, almost as big as President Taft. He was Madero's Secretary of War during the insurrection against Diaz, and had his headquarters at El Paso. He was elected Governor last August. He declared that in future Mexico was to be the land of wealth for poor men, but he has made himself unpopular with the aristocracy by crushing monopolies and among certain classes by putting down gambling.

**FLAPS OVER TO WILSON.**

A Republican Newspaper Bolts Its Party for Him.

A Sacramento, Cal., dispatch says the Sacramento Union has come out strong for Governor Wilson, Democrat, of New Jersey, for President in 1912. The Union was always been Republican and was still supposed to be Republican at least, but it has announced that it is independent and believes the best thing for the nation is to defeat the Republican party. It extols President Taft, but doubts the wisdom of re-electing him. The country needs a stable and a responsible government and in the present condition of the Republican party this can only be obtained through the Democrats.

**Deadly Hot Supper Begin.**

Walter Cobb, colored, lies at the point of death as the result of four pistol shot wounds received at the hands of one Jim Howland, also colored. The shooting occurred Saturday night some two or three miles south of Aiken, and followed a dispute which had arisen at a hot supper at the home of Howland.

**Burned His Three Victims.**

Gov. Kitchin, of North Carolina, has offered a reward for Will McIntyre, wanted in Rutherford county for a most notable series of crimes. He operated a blockade distillery, and now it is believed that he committed three murders for the purpose of robbery, and burned the bodies of his victims in the furnace of his distillery.