

McADOO'S FRIENDS INSIST THAT HE ACCEPT LEAD

Platform to "Satisfy the Demand of Progress."

DEMOCRATIC PARTY
REPRESENTS HOPE

Republican Government Has Ceased to Function, Declares Candidate, in Address After Unanimous and Unqualified Action of His Supporters in Conference.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Addressing a conference of Democrats called to consider the availability as a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination since his name had been drawn into the senate oil investigation, William Gibbs McAdoo late today faced a throng of wildly cheering partisans and shouted:

"You command me to accept the leadership. I accept the command."

His enunciation came at the end of a day devoted to consideration of the effect of the oil investigation on his candidacy, and throughout the conference, which he did not attend, no voice was raised in opposition to the former secretary of the treasury.

As the representatives of state after state reiterated their belief in Mr. McAdoo's ability to win and his desirability as a candidate, the "availability conference" became a noisy crowd shouting vociferously for its leader and wound up by unanimously adopting a formal resolution, declaring Mr. McAdoo "the hope of the progressive thought of the nation."

Then Mr. McAdoo himself appeared to enunciate a decalogue to "satisfy the demand of progress" and the applause of the representatives of 40 states burst into an enthusiastic roar of acclaim. Each point in his platform and each gesture he made to drive it home was the signal for a fresh outburst.

The platform pledges:

To drive out corruption from official Washington, a new international conference in the American capital to promote peace, reduce the burdens of armament, restore international justice and stability, revive prosperity and consider economic problems, submission of the question of American participation in such conference to a popular referendum and "to take the grip of Wall street" off the treasury department and the federal reserve system. Other pledges include "repeal of the Fordney-McCumber tariff bill, to bring about prompt railroad reforms, to put agriculture on its feet again," to "enforce the 18th amendment of the constitution and all laws in pursuance thereof, reduce taxes, secure legislation setting up a labor code, passage of a child labor amendment to the constitution, to clean out the veterans' bureau and pay a soldiers' bonus."

Following a restatement of his professional connection with E. L. Doheny, as given the senate oil committee, Mr. McAdoo told the conference that "a grave crisis confronts the nation and that crisis must be met without regard to cost."

The progressive thought of the country, he said, must look to the Democratic party for leadership.

"There is demoralization in government at Washington. The Republican party has ceased to function," he said.

Mr. McAdoo did not appear before the conference until after it had unanimously adopted a resolution declaring him available as the Democratic candidate.

The resolution follows:

"Be it Resolved, by this conference, That William G. McAdoo is preeminently available as the Democratic candidate for the high office of president of the United States and is the hope of the progressive thought of the nation."

"It is the further sense of this conference that the record of Mr. McAdoo is an open book. His honesty and integrity in public and private life have stood the test of the most searching investigation."

"We denounce and condemn the recent infamous conspiracy which attempted to besmirch his name and proclaim that he has emerged from these attacks stronger than before."

"We unanimously demand his leadership."

Every state was represented by a spokesman in the conference.

A resolution adopted by a caucus of railroad labor leaders before the conference and declaring that "careful inquiry has failed to indicate that Mr. McAdoo has done anything improper or immoral," was later unanimously



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adopted by the entire conference. The resolution was introduced by L. E. Sheppard, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, and was signed by 17 representatives of rail union organizations attending the conference.

The resolution was as follows: "Whereas the propriety of William G. McAdoo's actions in connection with certain oil interests have been questioned, and his availability as a candidate for president of the United States is now under consideration and,

"Whereas, careful inquiry has failed to indicate that Mr. McAdoo has done anything improper or immoral.

"Therefore, be it Resolved, That we, as representatives of railroad labor, assert our belief that his availability as a candidate has not been impaired and that there is no valid reason why any fair minded person should oppose Mr. McAdoo's nomination on account of the allegations made regarding his association as attorney for the oil companies."

A telegram from Senator Walsh of Montana, a member of the committee investigating the Teapot Dome lease, declaring that the character of Mr. McAdoo "is untouched by any revelation made before the senate committee investigating the naval oil lease, declaring that the character of by State Chairman Thomas Arthur of Montana. The telegram read:

"I am committed to the candidacy of William G. McAdoo, whose character is untouched by any revelation made before the senate committee investigating the naval oil lease. I should regard any efforts to place another progressive candidate in the field as serving the interest of the Republican party to divert the public mind from the iniquitous present administration and as a contribution to the plan of the great interests allied to defeat us. I am most deeply appreciative that you or any other citizen should deem me worthy of the elevation to the presidency and I thank you and those associated with you most cordially but am unable to give countenance to any movement to that end."

In thanking the conference for the vote of confidence, Mr. McAdoo declared that the cause of progressive democracy, "transcends the fortunes of any person."

"I have severed my professional relations with the Doheny company; I owe them nothing and they owe me nothing," he said in concluding his statement outlining his connections with Doheny interest after his retirement from the Wilson cabinet.

He launched into the announcement of his platform with the statement that "the condition of affairs at Washington beggars description." The campaign, he urged, should be for "honest government, world peace, economic and social justice and the undying principles of democracy."

"Until the government is purged and made clean, and honest and efficient again, no progress can be made in settlement of the great problems confronting the American people," he said in elaborating upon his pledge "to drive corruption out of Washington."

The full text of the second plank, dealing with foreign relations follows:

"To call as promptly as possible, after the March 4, 1925, a new international conference at Washington for the purpose of considering the economic and other conditions prevailing in the world with a view to such action on the part of the United States as will promote peace, reduce the burdens of armament, restore justice and stability, and revive prosperity."

"This will not be a spurious con- (Continued on Page Seven)

R. Henry Young Called Suddenly

Esteemed Citizen Passed Away Unexpectedly Friday Night—Funeral Service Sunday.

R. Henry Young, well known and esteemed citizen of the community, died suddenly at nine o'clock last Friday night at his residence on South Broadway. Death was due to apoplexy. At the time of his death, Mr. Young was seated with his family by the fire reading a newspaper when suddenly he fell forward and in a moment his life had expired without ever uttering a word. His death came unexpectedly since he had been in his usual health, and had spent the day working in his garden and attending to his daily routine duties. The announcement came therefore as a shock, and was a sad surprise to all in the community where he had lived a long and honorable life.

The funeral service was held Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in the First Presbyterian church of which he was a life long and devoted member. The service was conducted by his pastor, Dr. D. J. Woods, assisted by Dr. Dudley Jones and Dr. D. M. Douglas. Despite the very inclement weather, a large concourse of friends and relatives gathered to pay a last tribute of respect to the beloved citizen and friend. Interment followed in the family plot in the church yard. The active pallbearers were: W. P. Jacobs, Wm. Bailey Owens, J. C. Copeland, L. B. Dillard, J. Will Dillard, Irby Hipp, John T. Little and Jack H. Young. Honorary: Dr. J. W. Young, L. H. Davidson, H. D. Henry, J. Rhett Copeland, E. L. Chandler, M. S. Bailey, W. E. Neighbors, W. M. Sumner, R. H. Hatton, A. M. Copeland, G. A. Copeland, Dr. A. E. Spencer, W. H. Shands, D. E. Tribble, Dr. J. Lee Young, A. B. Blakely, W. E. Owens, W. B. Owens, R. Z. Wright, J. S. Craig, J. F. Jacobs, Sr., Dr. J. W. Davis, Frank Copeland, Prof. A. V. Martin, Dr. D. J. Brimm, Dr. M. G. Woodworth, L. R. Stone, R. P. Adair and R. J. Copeland, Sr.

The deceased was in his 72 year of age and had lived practically his entire life in this community. He was quiet and unassuming, devoted to his family and friends, and possessed a strong personality. He always stood true in every relation of life and was a splendid type of the Christian gentleman. He held the respect and honor of all who knew him and the love of those who knew him well.

The deceased is survived by his widow, two daughters, Miss Emmie Young of this city and Mrs. John C. Henry of Greenville, two sons, John T. and N. R. Young, one sister, Mrs. Lizzie Copeland, three brothers, Geo. W. and John H., all of this place, and N. A. Young of Columbia.

Faithful husband, a loyal father, brother and friend, and a good citizen, he leaves behind loved ones and friends whose comfort is in having known him as a truthful, upright and charitable example of manhood.

NEWBERRY PLAYS HERE TOMORROW

The boys and girls basketball teams of the Newberry high school will meet the Clinton contenders tomorrow in what promises to be two hotly contested battles. The games will be played in the college gym beginning at 3:30 p. m., with an admission of 15 and 25 cents. This being the last team on the home grounds, it is hoped that a large attendance will be present.

W. J. Henry was in Columbia Tuesday on business.

KEEP OUT OF THE PUDDLES

Courtly Sir Walter Raleigh—Cynic, savant and first class fighting man—desired a favor from good Queen Bess. A puddle in the queen's path made his opportunity. Across it he flung his costly cloak. Her majesty, smiling at his devotion, trod on, dry shod, and Sir Walter's unique self-advertisement produced results.

Though most advertising is less spectacular today, it is far more serviceable. It smooths out the every day pathways of each one of us.

Because of advertising, luxuries and necessities that once would have been worth a king's ransom are yours at little cost. Advertising pits merchant against merchant, artisan against artisan, manufacturer against manufacturer. This comparison brings out the best there is in everything for your personal benefit.

You wouldn't know about many boons of modern life were it not for advertising. That is why you are not taking full advantage of the better things in life today if you consistently overlook the advertisements.

Read The Chronicle Advertising and Keep Abreast of the Times

Case of Gosnell Again Continued

No Telling When Trial Will Be Held. Editor of Paper Charged With Contempt of Court Through News Story.

Greenville, Feb. 18.—The case of Jake Gosnell, federal prohibition agent, charged with murder in connection with the killing of the late Sheriff Hendrix Rector in Greenville July 4, 1919, which was to have been called to trial for the third time in sessions court in Pickens Wednesday, was today continued to a later term of court on motion by Solicitor David W. Smoak and associate counsel for the state.

The case in which two mistrials have resulted, one in Greenville and one in Pickens county, took still another sensational turn today when Mr. Smoak declared that he was asking for continuation in view of a news story, which appeared in the February 14 issue of the Pickens Sentinel, a weekly newspaper published in Pickens. The article, the solicitor asserted, had so warped and influenced public opinion and sentiment in this county as to make a fair and impartial trial of the case a virtual impossibility just at this time. The state contended that the article in forecasting a possible acquittal to the case had involved contempt of court. Solicitor Smoak made a brief address to the court on his motion after he had first asked that F. V. Clayton, editor of The Sentinel and superintendent of education of Pickens county, be adjudged in contempt of court for writing the story and punished.

Judge Dennis took the matter in hand and ordered a rule to show cause served on Mr. Clayton, returnable to the court not later than February 22, when the defendant must show cause why he should not be so adjudged in contempt of court.

A. H. Dean of Greenville for defense counsel spoke briefly on the motion, following Mr. Smoak. Mr. Dean explained that defense counsel had no intimation that a motion for continuance of the case would be made and that while the case had been set for hearing at this term of court by the solicitor, that defense would not press the state to come to trial under what might be construed as unfair circumstances. Judge Dennis granted the motion. Just when Jake Gosnell will be called to trial the third time for his alleged murder of Sheriff Rector, remains to be seen. However, continuation of the case from the present term of court makes it certain that weeks or even months may elapse before all machinery for trial may be ready to function again.

The prohibition agent is alleged to have shot the late Sheriff Rector in a garage on Court street in Greenville after some words had passed between the two men. Both previous trials have been warmly contested. The first trial was held in Greenville and then counsel for Gosnell secured a change of venue on the contention that sentiment was prejudiced in this county towards the case. Widespread interest has attended the case throughout, in view of the fact that both men were well known and public officials at the time of the killing.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS MEETING TONIGHT

A called meeting of the Clinton Lodge No. 84, Knights of Pythias, will be held tonight in the lodge rooms, beginning promptly at 7:30. First degree work will be done, and the members are urgently requested to attend this meeting.

Special Services Attract Interest

Strong Sermons Being Preached Daily at College and Presbyterian Church by Dr. R. G. McLees.

In spite of the inclement weather the first of the week, the evangelistic services being held in the city by Dr. R. G. McLees are being attended by appreciative congregations. The meeting began Monday night and at 7:30 each evening a service is being held in the First Presbyterian church. Every morning at 11:15 in the college chapel, a service especially arranged for the college students is being held.

The preacher, Dr. R. G. McLees, is no stranger here and has been given a most cordial welcome by his large number of friends and acquaintances. Eighteen years ago he held a revival meeting here which was attended by large congregations and resulted in a large number of admissions into the church. Dr. McLees is an evangelist of unusual ability, and presents strong, appealing messages, earnestly and eloquently. He uses no clap trap methods but preaches the gospel with all the earnestness of his soul and depends upon the holy spirit for results.

The meeting will continue through this week and probably into next. A most cordial invitation is extended to all church and non-church members alike to attend the services.

Poultry Association To Meet Saturday

The next Poultry Association meeting is expected to a very lively one, for the shipment of car of culls from the county will be discussed. Each member is expected to make a report from his section of the county as to the probable number that can be gotten for the shipment. Those interested in shipping culls in the car are invited to attend the meeting. Over forty have joined the association and there are 22 paid up members. The membership fee is only fifty cents per year, and many more are wanted in the association. If you are interested in poultry production you will get the good of the membership fee in one meeting.

The following have been invited to speak to the association next Saturday at 2 p. m., the 23rd of February in the Business League Hall: Mr. D. H. Hall, poultry specialist from Clemson College, Miss Juanita Neely, poultry specialist from Winthrop College, Mr. A. D. Robertson, Development Agent of the Seaboard Railroad. We can't say how many of the speakers will be here but anyway we are expecting a good meeting.

C. L. VAUGHN,
Sec. of Poultry Association.

Orphanage Receives Memorial Gift

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Lewis Establish the Ann Lewis Memorial Fund at Thornwell Orphanage.

The Thornwell Orphanage of this city is in receipt of \$2,000 in liberty bonds from Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Lewis of Chester. The gift is to be used by the institution for the establishment of the Ann Lewis Memorial Fund.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis are from Chester but Mr. Lewis is now located at Whitmire where he is cashier and active manager of the Bank of Whitmire. The gift on their part is greatly appreciated by the orphanage and will be used for the purpose designated.

CLINTON FOLKS GONE ON TEXAS TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. B. Bailey, and Mr. and Mrs. D. W. A. Neville left Saturday as members of a party going to the Magic Valley of South West, Texas. The trip will include Atlanta, New Orleans, Houston and Galveston, Texas, and the Magic Valley where they will make an inspection of the wonderful citrus groves. From there the party will go for a day into Old Mexico, visiting Matamoros which is the gateway to Mexico and on to South America. The tour is under the personal direction of Conductor J. W. Lipscomb and will cover a period of eight days.

Dr. S. C. Hays and Mr. E. G. Fuller are expected home this week from a two week's trip to Florida and Cuba.

CLINTON WOMEN TO FACE TRIAL TODAY

Mrs. Alice Young and Miss Emma Stroud Go on Trial This Afternoon for Attack on Former's Daughter-in-Law.

When court of common pleas convenes in Laurens this afternoon at three o'clock after the mid-day recess, Mrs. Alice Young and her sister, Miss Emma Stroud, elderly women of this city, will face trial for an attack on Mrs. Young's daughter-in-law, Mrs. F. E. Young, which is alleged to have taken place in the home occupied by the Young family on Feb. 7th. It was stated that the case would be called Monday, but on account of the feeble condition of Mrs. F. E. Young it was set for today. Solicitor H. S. Balckwell, who is attending the sessions of the legislature, will go to Laurens today to represent the state in the prosecution. Although the solicitor has had offers of financial aid in securing assisting counsel, it is learned that Mr. Balckwell will prosecute the case alone. So far as has been learned, the defendants have not retained counsel.

The grand jury on Monday morning returned a true bill on an indictment of assault and battery with intent to kill against the two women. Mrs. F. E. Young was expected to appear in person at the hearing, but she was not permitted by her physician to leave the hospital in her weakened condition owing to the inclement weather and the trying ordeal incident to testifying. Two state witnesses were summoned before the grand jury, Miss Lidie Blakely, trained nurse, who was the first to answer the call of distress from the Young home, and Sheriff S. C. Reid, who made the arrest of the two women. Dr. S. C. Hays, who was the first doctor to see Mrs. Young after the alleged attack and who carried her to his hospital is expected home today or tomorrow from Cuba and he will be one of the state's important witnesses.

The details of the alleged attack upon Mrs. Young have already been given the public. The trial of the case is expected to draw the largest crowd of any case heard in the court of common pleas in years. The alleged crime has created a sensation, since according to the story of Mrs. F. E. Young and others, she was beat almost into insensibility with a heavy iron rod and then cut over the head with a hatchet. She was left in an apparently unconscious condition for more than an hour when one of the elderly women called in the neighbors, declaring that the younger woman had fallen down the steps and killed herself. The victim of the alleged attack feigned death in order to prevent further attacks.

The two sisters under indictment have held stoutly to their first story, that the young woman was hurt by a fall down the stairway. Considerable speculation has taken place as to the turn the trial will take. In case of conviction the court will have before it the problem of sentencing two white women, both of whom are nearing seventy years of age. The sentence in such a case is practically within the discretion of the presiding judge, from one minute up to twenty years with or without a fine.

Judge T. J. Mauldin of Pickens, is the presiding judge, and when the case is reached on today's docket, the court house is expected to be filled to over-flowing.

AUXILIARY TO MEET

A special called meeting of the Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church will be held Friday evening in the church auditorium following the preaching service. All members are asked to be present.

Mrs. Virginia Neville, Pres.

NOTICE

The South Laurens Singing Convention will meet with Renno Methodist church at the school auditorium Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. All singers and the public are cordially invited to meet with us.

H. Y. Abrams.

Mesdames H. D. Rantin and T. J. Blalock spent Wednesday in Columbia.

Mr. J. M. Dick, of Charlotte, spent Monday and Tuesday in town.