

# BRYAN ADDRESSES NATIONAL CONVENTION

## Praises the Administration of Woodrow Wilson and Swears Allegiance to the Party.

St. Louis, June 15.—The Coliseum was so full tonight that the fire department took charge of the entrance and permitted no more to come in. William J. Bryan, however, managed to get by and not an uproarious reception. Senator James learned of the Nebraska's plight and rescued him.

At 10:15 o'clock Chairman James rapped the convention to order. The Rev. W. J. Hardesty, chaplain of the Missouri senate, offered prayer. After the prayer, the crowd renewed its demands for a speech from Bryan.

Senator Thompson moved a suspension of the rules to permit Mr. Bryan to speak. There were some "noes," but the chairman ruled two-thirds had voted in favor.

A committee headed by Senator Kern escorted Mr. Bryan to the speaker's place, while the floor and galleries roared with approval.

**Greatest Democrat.**  
Senator James introduced Mr. Bryan as "one of the leading citizens of the world and America's greatest democrat."

Bryan expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred by the invitation.

"Every democratic convention is a love feast to me," he said. "It gives me an opportunity to meet and renew acquaintances with men with whom I have been associated in politics for more than 20 years."

Reviewing the struggles of the party, Mr. Bryan said:

"After 15 years of waiting our party entered the White House, and fortunately, we won the senate and the house at the same time. Our party became responsible for national affairs, and now we come after three years of labor to make our plans for the future, and to submit to the American people the claims of our party to continued confidence."

**United Party.**  
"Whatever differences of opinion may exist, or may have existed, as to particular measures or particular acts, we are here to begin the fight of 1916, a united party in every state in the union, ready for battle."

"Today those who stand for the democratic party are able to go before this nation and not only give a reason for the faith that is in them, but give a defense of the administration's claims to the confidence of the people."

"You may take all the administrations from the beginning of our history as a republic to the beginning of the present one, and you will not find as many laws written upon the statute books, of great importance to the people, as you will find written in the last three years by Woodrow Wilson, a democratic president."

Mr. Bryan then referred to the tariff revision, the federal reserve law and the strengthening of the anti-trust laws.

**Federal Reserve Law.**  
"No president since Jackson," said Mr. Bryan, "has had to meet such an unholly combination of the powers of high finance, and even Jackson himself never met the situation better than Woodrow Wilson met it. We have just commenced to learn what the federal reserve law means for this nation."

"This great piece of legislation, the greatest piece of constructive statesmanship in a generation, has not only broken the hold of Wall street upon the business of the nation, but it has broken the grip of Wall street upon the politics of the United States. For 20 years there has not been an election but what a hundred men in Wall street could, by coercing those they had in their power, change the result of the election. Anyone who, like myself, has felt their power, must be pardoned if he rejoices that we have an administration that has broken that power and set a nation free."

**Three Great Measures**  
"Here were three great measures, carrying out the promise of a democratic platform, and these three great measures constitute a record of achievement which the republican party dare not attack."

"The electorate before which this republican party must now go is not controlled as the convention at Chicago was by the expert representatives of the favor-seeking corporations."

"While our president and our congress were at work constructing this splendid pyramid of performance, a war came that threw upon this administration such burdens as no president has to bear within the last 50 years. We inherited from a republican administration an insurrection in Mexico. This administration has dealt with that situation and the republican party dare not challenge a verdict before the country on the Mexican question."

"We have a few, interested men interested in ranches and a few interested in mines, who would use the blood of American soldiers to guarantee profits and their investments in a foreign land. But that is not the sentiment of the American people. The people of this country stand back of Woodrow Wilson in his determination not to interfere in the affairs of Mexico."

"Why, my friends, if President Wilson yielded to the demand of those who have clamored for intervention in Mexico, we would no sooner have crossed the line than the same men would tell him that the soldiers must never come out, for, my friends, annexation is the next step after intervention has been undertaken. And if we invaded Mexico, these same men would say 'on to Panama.'"

**War in Europe.**  
"But, my friends, the president not only has had to deal with war to the south of us, but with war to the east of us. My friends, I have differed from our president on some of the methods employed in this war, but I am one of those who desire sincerely

that this nation shall not become a participant in the dreadful conflict."

"We have a record upon which we can appeal to the people for their support, without fear, and without blush. I believe the American people, grateful for what this administration has done, grateful that we have peace in this country while war stalks throughout the world, will not be unmindful of the fact that it was a democratic president, supported by a democratic senate and house, who has thus saved the country the horrors of that war."

**Great Opportunity.**  
"My friends, I believe that there is now before this country an opportunity such as no other country has ever had since the beginning of time. I believe that God, in His providence, has reserved for the United States the honor and the task of lifting the moral code that governs individuals up to the level of nations and making it a part of the code of all nations."

"If the nations now at war had spent one-tenth as much trying to cultivate friendship as they have spent in trying to cultivate hatred, there would be no war in Europe today."

"If I understand this nation's opportunity and this nation's task, it is to lead the world away from its false philosophy and help it to build its hope of peace on the enduring foundation of love and brotherhood and cooperation."

"And, my friends, if this is to be the task of this nation, what party is more fit to perform the task than the party that preaches the brotherhood of man as next in importance to the fatherhood of God?"

"I, as a lover of my country, want my country to win this greatest of all prizes. As a democrat, I want my party to have the honor that shall come with the accomplishment and fulfillment of such a task, and I stand with the democrats of the nation to give Woodrow Wilson an opportunity to be that man."

Bryan concluded after speaking 45 minutes, being loudly cheered.

Then the roll of the states was called for nominations. Alabama yielded to New Jersey, and Judge John W. Westcott nominated President Wilson.

Judge Westcott spoke very slowly. At the rate he uttered his first 300 words, it would require about one hour and 20 minutes to conclude.

The delegates were attentive and quiet as Judge Westcott proceeded, but the galleries were impatient.

"Name him, name him," came cries from the galleries and Judge Westcott hurried his speech.

**Demonstration On.**  
As Judge Westcott closed at 10:10 p. m., with a mention of the name of "Woodrow Wilson," the crowd broke into a great demonstration. Moving pictures flashlights blazed and flags were paraded in front of the stand. The band played "The Star Spangled Banner," while a huge banner bearing the president's likeness was unfurled from the roof.

The delegates began a parade bearing state stanchions. The crowd rose to its feet. Many delegates stood on their chairs.

"Dixie" and other melodies by the band evoked fresh bursts of cheering. Chairman James yielded the chair during the demonstration to Representative Hedlin, of Alabama. Women delegates were among the paraders. Senators and representatives helped carry banners. Senator Hughes personally bore the New Jersey flag.

Sergeant-at-Arms Martin stirred up the enthusiasm by waving the Texas "lone star" flag, handed over the heads of the crowd from the chairman's rostrum. Other state flags were taken to the platform.

The crowd joined in singing a medley, including "How Dry I Am," "Old Black Joe," "The Red, White and Blue," and others.

After the demonstration had been under way 30 minutes, New York and some other delegates resumed their seats.

Waving a cane over the rail at the chairman's desk, Senator Hughes renewed the clamor by leading three cheers for the president.

The band exhausted the list of popular American tunes, then turned to "Tipperary," and the crowd joined in the chorus. Then the musicians went back to American airs. Some of the delegates stooped long enough to drain pop bottles, then went back at it again.

The band was so vigorous keeping up the din that the musicians went short of breath so they laid back and let the bass drummer perform alone for a while. He belabored his drum industriously until the bandmen got their second win and then went back to "Tipperary."

There was no attempt to control the crowd. Men and women overran the platform and the press sections at will. The passages to the telegraph rooms were so packed with persons who had no business in the vicinity that only those who had their telegraph instruments on the platform could send the news of the convention to the outside world. The police made no effort to control the situation.

The crowd roared when several women suffrage workers with golden umbrellas and yellow sweaters who mounted the platform and held a suffrage umbrella over the head of Representative Healm, of Alabama, one of the most vigorous "antis" in congress. He apparently enjoyed the situation.

The New York delegates, who had been seated, were again forced to arise by insistent clamor from nearby delegations.

The band, its repertoire exhausted, turned to "On the Banks of the Wash" and "Turkey in the Straw."

At 11:30 all but a few delegates had taken their seats and at 11:33 Chairman James sounded the first gavel rap. The demonstration had lasted 45 minutes.

The roll call of states was resumed and Arizona yielded to Ohio. Former

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Train No. 51 (Sunday only) due to leave Laurens 4:30 P. M., will be discontinued.  
Train No. 52 (Daily) will leave Columbia, Union Station, 11:15 A. M. Leave Gervais Street 11:25 A. M. Leave Newberry 1:00 P. M., leave Clinton 1:52 P. M., arrive Laurens 2:15 P. M.  
This train will continue to connect with Seaboard Air Line at Clinton for Atlanta and the C. & W. C. at Laurens for Spartanburg.  
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A. H. MILLER.  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election to Congress from the Fourth Congressional District of South Carolina, subject to the rules of the Democratic Primary.  
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**For Solicitor.**  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Solicitor of the Eighth Circuit and promise to abide by the rules of the Democratic primary.  
H. S. BLACKWELL.  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Solicitor of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
GEO. T. MAGILL.  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Solicitor of the Eighth District and promise to abide

by the results of the Democratic primary.  
T. F. McCORD.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Solicitor of the Eighth Judicial Circuit of South Carolina, composed of the counties of Abbeville, Greenwood, Laurens and Newberry, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
B. V. CHAPMAN.

**For State Senate.**  
Subject to the rules of the Democratic party and the result of the primary election, I respectfully announce myself a candidate for State Senator from Laurens county.  
J. H. WHARTON.  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the State Senate subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic party.  
O. P. GOODWIN.

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I hereby announce myself a candidate for the House of Representatives subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
W. R. RICHIEY, JR.  
I hereby announce myself for re-election to the House of Representatives subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
WILSON W. HARRIS.

Subject to the rules of the Democratic primary election, I respectfully announce myself a candidate for the Legislature from Laurens county.  
D. L. BOOZER.  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the House of Representatives, subject to the rules governing the Democratic primary.  
S. H. GOGGANS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the House of Representatives from Laurens County, subject to the rules of the Democratic Primary election.  
J. H. RUSTI.  
**For Sheriff**

Subject to the rules of the Democratic Primary election I hereby announce myself a candidate for Sheriff of Laurens County.  
J. THOS. PEDDEN.  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Laurens county subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
W. H. BARKSDALE.

I hereby offer myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Laurens county and pledge myself to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.  
B. A. WHARTON.  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Laurens County subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
A. R. SULLIVAN.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Laurens County and promise to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.  
D. W. M. MASON.  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Sheriff of Laurens County, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
S. C. REID.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of the County of Laurens and promise to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.  
J. W. KELLETT.  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Laurens county and promise to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.  
JOHN D. W. WATTS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Laurens County subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
GEO. C. HOPK.  
**For Coroner**

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Coroner of Laurens County and promise to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.  
J. PORTER BELLEDGE.  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Coroner of Laurens county and pledge myself to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.  
H. J. FRANK

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Coroner of Laurens county subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
W. HAMP TON WHITLOCK  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Coroner and promise to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.  
Z. R. TRAYNOR

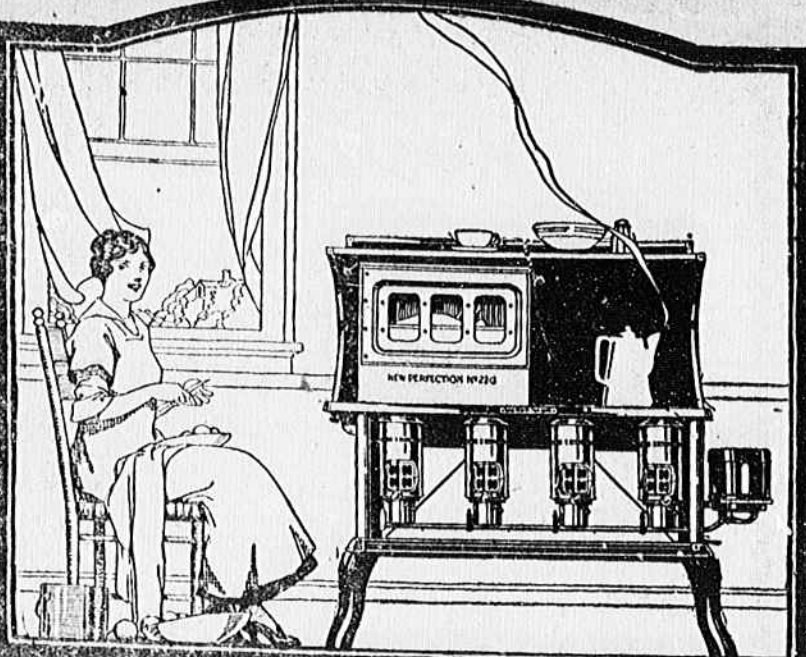
**For Treasurer**  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Laurens county and promise to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.  
R. JUD. LANGSTON

I respectfully announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Laurens County and pledge myself to abide by the result of the Democratic primary.  
L. F. McSWAIN  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Treasurer of Laurens County promise to abide by the results of the Democratic primary.  
ROSS D. YOUNG

**For Auditor**  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Auditor of Laurens county subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
J. WADDY THOMAS

**For Clerk of Court**  
I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Clerk of Court for Laurens County subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.  
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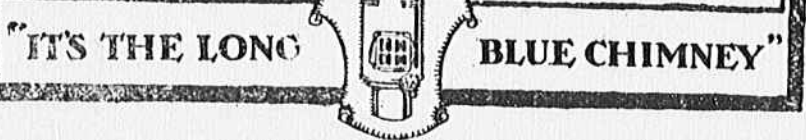
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