

DESIRE FOR PUBLIC CAREER EARLY

Mr. Wilson, Even When in College, Had Resolved to Go Into Politics.

LAW STUDIES FIRST STEP

Quarter Century as Educator, Lecturer and Writer Precede Campaign for Governor Which Made Him Famous.

REFORMS ADOPTED WHILE WILSON HAS BEEN GOVERNOR OF NEW JERSEY.

Among the laws enacted while Woodrow Wilson has been Governor of New Jersey have been: Workingmen's compensation act. Change in election laws to make direct nomination possible. Corrupt practices act. Public utilities commission bill. Providing for a commission form of government for cities. These measures were enacted despite the fact that one house of the New Jersey Legislature was controlled by the opposing political party.

TRENTON, N. J., July 2.—Woodrow Wilson, who now becomes the Democratic party's nominee for President of the United States, was born in 1856 in Virginia, where he was baptized under the full name of Thomas Woodrow Wilson.

He dropped the Thomas about the time he contemplated his first book and took his first position as a teacher. Mr. Wilson cannot, like many office-seekers, appeal to the sentimentality of the public by an account of a self-made man's rise from poverty. His father and grandfather were educated men, prominent in their communities, and, while not rich, were able to give the aspiring young scholar a liberal education. It was not toward scholarship, however, that his earliest ambitions led him.

Public Life Early Aim. While in college he resolved to become a public man. To that end he studied law and hung out his shingle. But his legal practice was not lucrative and after 18 months of it he gave it up and with it, for years to come, his desire for office. His father, Rev. Joseph Huggles Wilson, moved to Georgia when the boy was two years old and later preached in various churches in North and South Carolina.

Young Wilson entered Davidson College at the age of 17. After two years he entered Princeton, from which he was graduated in 1879. He then studied law in the University of Virginia, receiving the degree of bachelor of law in 1882. He received the degree of doctor of philosophy from Johns Hopkins University in 1886; that of doctor of laws from Lake Forest University, North Carolina, in 1887, and that of doctor of literature from Yale University at its biennial celebration.

Writings Aid to Fame.

Professor Wilson occupied the position of editor of the Princeton Review in Bryn Mawr College and afterwards was professor of history and political economy in Wesleyan University. In 1890 he became a lecturer on the history and political economy at Princeton University. In 1898 the title of his chair was changed to that of professor of Jurisprudence and he was permitted to become McCormick professor of jurisprudence and politics. Professor Wilson also for several years gave a course of lectures in Johns Hopkins University. He gained fame as a lecturer and writer. His work entitled "The State" and his "Life of George Washington" are among his best known writings.

Professor Wilson became the thirteenth in the roll of presidents at Princeton in 1902 and the first layman to hold this office, all his predecessors having been Presbyterian clergymen. He is, however, a ruling elder in the Second Presbyterian Church, of Princeton. As a professor he was popular and his lecture classes were always among the largest.

Educational Reform Sought.

In his administration of Princeton, Dr. Wilson made two attempts to change materially the character of American education. In one project he not only failed, but alienated the support of a large body of the alumni, of many of the trustees and of the faculty. The project which did not succeed was to establish a "squad" system for undergraduates. It was resented by the alumni as an attack upon the students' clubs and the opposition became so strong that the president was asked by the board of trustees to withdraw his proposal.

The successful innovation was the preceptorial system. That called for the appointment of 50 teachers or preceptors to be added to the faculty at an increased cost to the University of \$100,000 a year. But the alumni so thoroughly approved the plan that they told the president to ahead and assured him that the money for the salaries would be forthcoming. The plan succeeded and loyal alumni have furnished the funds. This preceptorial system, by which each student gets the benefit of personal contact with a teacher, is referred to by the president's admirers as the best thing he has done in the field of education.

Campaign for Governor Wins. When Mr. Wilson, after 25 years' service as an educator, resigned the presidency of Princeton in 1910 to accept the nomination for Governor of New Jersey, there was a general tendency to look askance at the "schoolmaster in politics." However, he was carried into office on a Republican wave that swept so many states.

Mr. Wilson was elected by a plurality of 49,000 votes and became the first Democratic Governor which New Jersey had had for 16 years. It was this sweeping victory in a state that had been consistently hostile to Democratic principles that brought the former college president prominently into national politics.

The platform on which he ran pledged his party to the enactment of a workmen's compensation act, a reform of the election laws of the state which would make direct nomination possible, a corrupt practices act and a public utilities commission bill. All these measures were written into the statute books during the first year of Governor Wilson's term, in spite of the fact that one house of the state Legislature was Republican.

In addition, a law was enacted authorizing municipalities to adopt a

FOUR PHOTOGRAPHS OF DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT, TAKEN BY OREGONIAN STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER WHEN NEW JERSEY GOVERNOR PAID VISIT TO PORTLAND.



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commission form of government, as well as several other measures of reformator character. While his success in obtaining the passage of these measures served to bring him still more prominently before the Nation, it was his failure to obtain the election of James E. Martine to the United States Senate to succeed Senator Keen which probably focused the most widespread attention upon the New Jersey Governor.

In his pre-election speeches, Governor Wilson had given the pledge: "The people of the state will be the boss, the only boss."

When James Smith, Jr., leader of the state "machine," which nominated Governor Wilson, let it be known after the election that he expected the Senatorial toga, the Governor espoused the cause of Mr. Martine, the candidate chosen in the popular primary. Governor Wilson won his fight.

WILSON RECEIVES NEWS

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son then telegraphed to his manager at Baltimore, William F. McCombs, to release the Wilson delegates. Mr. McCombs, according to Governor Wilson, told the delegates they were released, but they refused to change their vote.

Governor's Wife Feels "Soloma."

During the time immediately preceding his nomination, the Governor walked back and forth on the lawn, chatting informally with newspaper men and residents of the town who came to be on hand for the celebration.

Within the Governor's parlors was a great crowd of visitors shaking hands and bestowing all sorts of good wishes and predictions. The Governor's three daughters, the Misses Jessie, Margaret and Eleanor, were quite beside themselves with happiness, while Mrs. Wilson smiled and said she felt "Oh, so solemn," and that the responsibility was almost as terrible as the suspense.

Mack Congratulates Wilson.

BALTIMORE, July 2.—Chairman Norman E. Mack of the Democratic National committee, sent a telegram tonight to Governor Wilson, informing the Democratic nominee for President that under no circumstances would he be a candidate to succeed himself as a chairman of the National committee.

Mr. Mack congratulated Governor Wilson on his nomination and said he would devote all his energies in behalf of a Democratic victory.

FUND FOR FIGHT LACKING

Speaker Hopes Wilson Will Be Victorious in Election, and Says He Is Too Good Soldier Not to Accept Result.

WASHINGTON, July 2.—On his return tonight to Washington from Baltimore, Speaker Clark issued the following statement: "No set of men made a better or braver fight for any man in this world than my friends all over the country made for me. They have my heartfelt thanks. We never had money enough to pay for an adequate supply of postage stamps and literature. I was tied down here by my duties of the Speakership. I could, therefore, aid my friends very little. They made the fight, gave me 200,000 majority in the states where Governor Wilson and I competed in the primaries and caused me to lead on 30 ballots in the convention, in nine of which I had a clear majority. Nevertheless, the nomination was bestowed upon Governor Wilson."

"I never scratched a Democratic ticket or bolted a Democratic nominee in my life. I shall not change the Democratic habit now. I am too seasoned a soldier not to accept cheerfully the fortunes of war."

"I will support Governor Wilson with whatever power I possess, and hope he will be elected."

"I lost the nomination solely through the misadventure and slanders of Colonel William J. Bryan, of Nebraska. True, these slanders were by innuendo and insinuation, but they were no less deadly for that reason."

"CHAMP CLARK."

PRESS AGENT ACTIVE MAN

Wilson's Publicity Campaign Starts Late but Wins.

Woodrow Wilson, unlike most men in public life today, launched his campaign for the Presidency first and established a press bureau afterwards. This reversal of the usual order by Wilson may be attributed to the fact that he was not learned in the modern-day art of political publicity. But he soon realized the need of a live press agent and supplied this necessary agency which has become so essential to the average seeker after political office in these days, when the candidate, more than ever before, must carry his appeal for support direct to the voters.

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opened his campaign in the Spring of 1911, when, accompanied by Frank Stockbridge, an experienced publicity man, he made a trip through the United States, that extended to Portland and the other Pacific Coast cities.

This tour was made by Governor Wilson primarily for the opportunity it would afford him to exhibit himself to the people and to add to the list of his personal acquaintances that would be invaluable to him later when he should become a full-fledged candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination.

He started from the Atlantic Coast without having prepared in advance a number of speeches and supplying himself with copies thereof for the convenience of the newspapers and other publications. Forming that Wilson had not supplied himself with this sort of ammunition, Mr. Stockbridge, just before starting on the tour, by telegraph arranged for appointments with a stenographer in each of the principal cities included in the itinerary. With this arrangement and further insurance, the tour was set apart and reserved religiously by Wilson for dictating his speeches and receiving reporters from the daily newspapers.

BRYAN IS PLEASED

Nebraskan Says Result Gives Assurance of Victory.

BALTIMORE, July 2.—William J. Bryan in a statement tonight said that the nomination of Woodrow Wilson on a progressive platform meant an overwhelming victory for the Democratic ticket next Fall. Mr. Bryan said: "I feel sure that the action of the convention thus far will appeal to the country. I had no choice among progressive candidates, but from the first included Governor Wilson in every list I had occasion to make. His action in coming out strongly against Mr. Parker for temporary chairman was the turning point in his campaign. The country is progressive. Nearly all of the Democratic party and more than half of the Republican party are progressive."

"I am satisfied that with Mr. Wilson running for President on the platform which has been prepared, there will be comparatively few progressive Republicans who will not feel justified in supporting the Democratic ticket. If I were to make an estimate tonight I would say that we ought to have not less than 200,000 majority of the popular vote and enough of the electoral vote to give us an overwhelming majority in the electoral college."

"The action of the convention in adopting the anti-Morgan-Ryan-Belmont resolution has demonstrated that the Democratic party is not only progressive, but is bold enough to throw down the gauntlet to the predatory interests. It is fortunate that Mr. Wilson's nomination was made without the aid of Mr. Murphy. It is no reflection upon the many honest men in the New York delegation to say this."

Mr. Bryan held an informal levee this afternoon in his room and many delegates dropped in to congratulate him upon his fight. Telegrams poured in praising him for the campaign he had made in the interests of progressivism.

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PRESS ANALYZES WILSON'S VICTORY

Some Regard It as Personal; Others Hold Radicalism Is in Saddle.

"MARSE HENRY" IS BITTER

Courier-Journal Chooses "Devil," Being Unable to Take to Woods.

London Newspapers at Sea as to Real Meaning.

NEW YORK, July 2.—Opinions of the nomination of Woodrow Wilson, editorially expressed by some of the leading newspapers of the United States, are as follows: New York Herald—The New Jersey Governor has won and won handsomely. It is a pity that with the abundance of Presidential material there should be such a bitter struggle, and while Mr. Clark's friends are no doubt sorry to see him lose the nomination, they are not little doubt but Mr. Wilson will have the loyal support of all Democrats.

LONDON EDITORS MYSTIFIED

Opinion of Leading Newspapers as to Outcome Varies.

LONDON, July 2.—(Special)—The newspapers here are at sea over the meaning of the nomination of Woodrow Wilson.

The Standard says: "Mr. Wilson's nomination is due to the pertinacious fight by Mr. Bryan on the Wall Street influence."

The Daily News says: "Of all men eminent in American politics Dr. Wilson is the one most free from machine control and whom bosses most dread."

The Daily Graphic says: "Mr. Wilson is looked upon as the only Democrat who could have vanquished Mr. Roosevelt if the latter had obtained the Chicago nomination."

The Morning Post says: "The nomination of Mr. Wilson is regarded as a defeat for Mr. Bryan. New York opposed Mr. Wilson to the last because he was regarded as too radical to be safe. If Mr. Roosevelt runs as an independent candidate, he will divide the radical strength with Mr. Wilson. The course, if the more radical vote is divided between these two candidates, the better it will be for Mr. Taft."

The Times says: "The Democrats probably have chosen the best candidate at their disposal. Dr. Wilson's nomination must prove a serious obstacle to Mr. Roosevelt's schemes."

CLARK'S 'HOME FOLK' REGRET

Secretary of Bowling Green, Mo., Club Says He Is "Eating Crow."

BOWLING GREEN, Mo., July 2.—Champ Clark's "home folks" received with regret this afternoon the news that Governor Wilson was the Democratic nominee.

Members of the Clark Club at Bowling Green, Mo., who read the bulletins telling of the outcome in Baltimore expressed the opinion that their fellow-citizen, after having had the best of the fight for nine ballots, was entitled to the nomination. The Secretary of the Clark Club said he was "eating crow."

BANDANA CLUB ASSURED

Promoters Say They Will Go Ahead and Finish Organization.

Neither the nomination of Wilson by the Democrats nor a decision by Roosevelt not to organize another political party will be permitted to interfere with the permanent organization of the National Progressive Bandana Club of Oregon at the East. At this writing Mr. Lepper have their way. That was the ultimatum issued last night by temporary chairman and secretary, respectively, of the proposed Bandana Club Monday night.

"We feel that the time has arrived in American politics," said Mr. Lepper, last night, following a conference with Mr. Kellaher, "when an organization of progressives should be made. There is need for such an organization, in which all voters who stand for clean politics may become affiliated, regardless of who may or may not become nominees for the Presidency. For this reason, if for none other, the meeting will be held next Monday night to organize permanently the club that was started last night. At this meeting it will be for those who have signed the membership roll of the club to decide what further action shall be taken. There is no question but that the club will effect permanent organization."

Marsfield Cyclist Run Down.

MARSHFIELD, Ok., July 2.—(Special)—Carl Abrams, riding on a bicycle today, was struck by an automobile and run over. He was riding on Broadway when the automobiles were driving fast, and narrowly escaped being killed. The accident resulted in the police curbing the speed of the automobiles.

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