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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, AUG 3,

THE REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

THE NOMINEES WERE NAMED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE FOR EACH OF THEM, WITH APPLAUSE.

THE PLATFORM AND GENERAL FEATURES.

The Republican state convention was held in the Light Guard Armory, Detroit, on Tuesday, to nominate state officers and transact the usual convention business. There was no unharmony, no objections to any candidates, no scrambles for place and all was done in harmony and unanimity. The preliminaries of the night before showed that there would be nothing to delay the proceedings and there was not. The convention was called to order by Chairman Diekema and prayer was offered by Rev. Mac. H. Wallace. The delegates were welcomed by Major Cook, Representative Fordney, of Saginaw, was chosen temporary chairman, and made a lengthy address. Committees were appointed and recess taken till 1:30 p. m.

At the afternoon session speeches were made by Governor Warner, P. H. Kelley, candidate for lieutenant governor; Senator Burrows and others. The governor's address embraced these points:

As a summary of two years of close observation, he expressed the conviction that there never was a time when the people watched as carefully and interestedly the conduct of public affairs and when officials generally were more responsive to public sentiment.

In an inventory of the accomplishments of his administration, he frankly admitted that some of the 1,029 acts of the legislature to which he had given his assent had proven a disappointment. One of these was the law making changes of venue mandatory.

Another was the law limiting to dependent relatives the right of action against those responsible for death or injury caused by carelessness or neglect.

Another was the Galbraith law permitting manipulation under the guise of "equalizing values" in fixing the railroad rate of taxation. Its passage, however, had the advantage of settling in a judicial determination of an important question.

Divers grounds for Republican optimism were outlined as in conformity with the primary law and he expressed gratitude for the honor of being the first beneficiary under its operation. Correction of defects in that law were recommended.

General legislation for the more efficient regulation of corporations was also recommended. President Roosevelt was eulogized for his work in this direction and Michigan's co-operation in further efforts of that character was pledged.

The Nominees.

The candidates for governor and lieutenant governor having been nominated at the June primaries, the ticket was completed by the unanimous choice of the convention for all the other places and is here given:

For Governor—Fred. M. Warner, of Farmington.

For Lieutenant Governor—Patrick H. Kelley, of Lansing.

For Secretary of State—George A. Prescott, of Tawas City.

For State Treasurer—Frank P. Glazier, of Chelsea.

For Auditor General—James B. Bradley, of Eaton Rapids.

For Land Commissioner—Henry C. Rose, of Bath.

For Attorney General—John E. Bird, of Adrian.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction—Luther L. Wright, of Ironwood.

For Member State Board of Education—Dexter M. Ferry, Jr., of Detroit.

State Central Committee.

The congressional districts chose these members to serve on the State Central Committee:

First District—T. J. Navin and Jas. O. Murfin, Wayne.

Second District—T. Hawley Christian, Wayne; W. W. Wedemeyer, Washtenaw.

Third District—J. E. Watson, Branch; Frank Knappen, Kalamazoo.

Fourth District—George E. Baldwin, Allegan; George W. Merriman, Van Buren.

Fifth District—B. F. Hall, Ionia; E. M. Bernard, Grand Rapids.

Sixth District—Geo. W. Cook, Genesee; Seth Rupert, Livingston.

Seventh District—A. E. Sleeper, Sanilac; W. T. Hosmer, Macomb.

Eighth District—William M. Smith, Clinton; David L. Evens, Tuscola.

Ninth District—W. E. Osmun, Muskegon; E. O. Shaw, Newaygo.

Tenth District—Dexter Hall and Frank Buell, both of Bay.

Eleventh District—T. R. Welch, Oscoeola; Orville Dennis, Missaukee.

Twelfth District—Robert H. Shield, Houghton; Robert A. Douglas, Ironwood.

Hon. Gerrit J. Diekema was re-elected chairman of the committee.

The Platform.

The committee on resolutions received this one from William Alden Smith:

Resolved, That this convention favors the nomination of candidates by direct vote of the people.

There was some discussion which ended by a compromise and the committee made this report which was unanimously adopted and so became the platform of the party:

We, the representative Republicans of Michigan, in convention assembled, unreservedly and cordially indorse the patriotic, courageous and aggressive administration of President Roosevelt. We admire him as the embodiment of the high ideals of the Republican party, for his insistence upon adequate and efficient railroad legislation, and for his demands that the welfare and interests of the people shall be first considered, regardless of selfish promptings and of the organized protests of greed and power. Under his administration the enforcement of law has been prompt and impartial, recognizing neither position nor station in dealing with violators and in urging the requirements of justice.

We are glad to give voice to the high appreciation on the part of the Republicans of Michigan for the splendid work of the fifty-ninth congress, and to the Michigan members of that body, for their legislation of the last session. In our judgment the declarations of President Roosevelt that no congress in the last quarter of a century has accomplished so much good for the whole people of the United States, is a just tribute to the wisdom and patriotism of the Republican majority of that body.

The prosperity of our state at the present time and through recent years surpasses all former records made by our own or any other nation since civilization began. This prosperity has been and is being shared by the working men and the farmer. By the merchant and the manufacturer, and by all men and women who make up the great body of the American producers and consumers. These conditions illustrate again, as they have so happily in other periods of American history, the practical value of Republican policies and Republican principles, as established in Republican laws and applied by Republican administrations. We emphatically affirm our continued belief in the wisdom of the Republican protective tariff policy. Whatever changes in tariff schedules may become necessary should be so made as to preserve the Republican principle of protection and to aid the further advancement of American industry and activity.

As Michigan Republicans, as well as in our own capacity as delegates representing the working forces of our party in all sections of the state, we are most glad to give cordial indorsement to the renomination of Gov. Fred M. Warner, as the Republican candidate for governor, already made by 55,000 Republican votes. In every feature of his official course as governor of Michigan has Fred. M. Warner fulfilled the promises made by himself to the people of this state and made in his behalf by those who knew him to be courageous, honest and true. He has assisted in the enactment of laws, which he believed were desired by a majority of the people and has as vigorously opposed other enactments, the purposes of which he deemed undesirable. He has familiarized himself with the status and needs of our state institutions, and with sincere regard for their growth and advancement, has successfully urged the greatest possible economy and care. The people of Michigan know Gov. Warner, and their knowledge of his qualities as an official and of his character as a man will lead them to elect him as his own successor in November by an overwhelming majority. We also heartily ratify and approve the nomination of the Hon. Patrick H. Kelley as the Republican candidate for lieutenant governor. We indorse the administration of state affairs by all of the state officers and believe their records will result in their election by overwhelming majorities.

We commend the last legislature for its efficiency and success in the disposition of matters of state importance; for its practical economy in providing for state expenditures and for its fulfillment of its promises made to the people when