

## CROWD IN DILLON SHOWS THE "PEP."

**MOST DEMONSTRATIVE AUDIENCE  
FOR STATE CANDIDATES.**

**Richards and Fortner Again Swear Allegiance, But Former Denies "Coattail Swinging."**

The State.  
Dillon, June 27.—Candidates for State offices talked today to a demonstrative audience in prosperous and progressive Dillon. Robert A. Cooper of Laurens rejoined the campaign party today.

[The meeting was held in the auditorium of the old school building. Many women were in attendance. Hisses and cheers greeted the heated declaration of John G. Richards that he intended to support Blease for the senate, but was not a "coattail swinger."

J. R. Regan, county chairman, presided. The Rev. H. A. Willis, pastor of the Baptist church, offered the invocation.

C. D. Fortner, running for railroad commissioner, told the Dillon audience that he intended to support Blease for the senate. The declaration brought some applause and a few hisses. Mr. Fortner declared that as far as he was concerned the idea in the Fortner bill originated with him several years ago when he was working in Greenwood and saw white people teaching in the Brewer normal college.

Andrew J. Bethea and William M. Hamer, candidates for lieutenant governor, stood today on their native health and sang the praises of "Home Sweet Home." Both were enthusiastically received, liberally applauded and presented with flowers by two winsome little girls, whom they rewarded with kisses.

J. A. Hunter and B. F. Kelly, the two remaining candidates for lieutenant governor, were given attention.

**Charges Pernicious Activity.**

J. A. Summersett charged that A. W. Jones, his opponent for comptroller general, had had clerks from his office going over the State in the interests of his reelection. Mr. Jones denied this. He said one of his clerks had come to see him in Florence to get some vouchers signed.

"I believe that the time has come when South Carolina will set her heel on the neck of blatant demagoguery," declared Mendal L. Smith, the first of the candidates for governor to speak.

"Why can not we trust the citizens of each school district to decide in elections whether or not a compulsory system of school attendance should be put into effect?" asked Speaker Smith in telling of his support of local option compulsory school attendance.

Speaker Smith's presentation of the need for a chief executive who would enforce the law aroused the Dillon audience to prolonged applause.

Lowndes J. Browning asked where the revenue was coming from if Mr. Clinkscales' plan for State-wide compulsory education or Mr. Manning's and Speaker Smith's plan for local option compulsory education were adopted. He said it was impossible to finance either under the levy fixed by the constitution for school purposes. He advocated the abolition of the levy and allowing the legislature to make a direct levy for schools and requiring school districts to supplement this as needed. He predicted that compulsory education would follow without the engendering of any bitterness. He argued for reform of the tax system.

**Clinkscales in Form.**

Cheers and cries of "Hurrah for Clinkscales" were raised as John G. Clinkscales came forward. He had entirely recovered from his indisposition of yesterday and kept the crowd laughing with his jokes. Then he made a compelling argument for a State-wide compulsory school attendance law.

Robert A. Cooper of Laurens, candidate for governor, in his first speech since the Manning meeting, said that the governor could affect the happiness and welfare of the citizens of the State by his actions.

"The State of South Carolina can never be a greater State until the law of the land is a shield of protection for every citizen and is enforced to the letter from the mountains to the sea," declared Mr. Cooper in pledging himself to enforce the statutes.

Mr. Cooper advocated the extension of the benefits of Clemson college to the farmers who support it by demonstration farms. He said that the farmers bore the heavy costs of fertilizers and should be taught how to farm to best advantage.

"South Carolina should come to the aid of the man who is willing to put forth the necessary effort to buy his own house," declared Mr. Cooper.

All the white children of school

age in the State were to ask admission to the schools at the beginning of the next term, they could not get in," said Mr. Cooper. He urged that the most remote districts educational advantages equal to those in the cities and towns.

The trouble in South Carolina has not been too much taxation, but we have not been given value received for tax money spent," said Mr. Cooper in urging the adoption of business methods in the conduct of the State's affairs.

"If you make me governor, I shall remember my oath of office and know no enemies and no friends," concluded Mr. Cooper.

"Two years from now you won't find a single man in South Carolina proud that he voted for Blease," said John T. Duncan, in the course of a speech in which he talked about what he calls the "system."

W. C. Irby, Jr., told of his opposition to immigration in 1904.

"I told the corporations then when they asked me to help the passage of the bill that there were too many poor white people in the State who needed work, and I would never agree to the importation of cheap labor to take their jobs away from them," said Mr. Irby, who sketched the movement to get immigrants and his part in opposing it.

"On every question which has come up before the legislature no man has even been able to tell me how to vote," declared Mr. Irby in telling of his vote to override the governor's veto of the 1-mill school tax bill.

**Manning for Law and Order.**

"If I am elected governor I propose to bring into play a State-wide enforcement of law, declared Richard I. Manning, who was applauded when he promised a temperate use of the pardoning power.

Mr. Manning advocated a business-like administration of the State government and local option compulsory school attendance. He congratulated Dillon on being one of the three counties in which every school district had voted a special tax to supply its schools. Mr. Manning urged State aid for weak school districts to bring the minimum term of each one up to six months.

John G. Richards said it rather amused him to hear the candidates who are lawyers trying to teach the people of Dillon county how to farm. He told of his work as a representative for various educational measures and of his opposition to compulsory school attendance in any form. His declaration that he intended to vote for Blease was liberally hissed and sparsely cheered.

Charles Carroll Simms read an extract from the editorial in The State which said he ought not to be elected because he would continue the policies of the present administration. He said that the opposition of The State to him was due to the fact that he would allow no one to dictate to him whom he should have for his friend and whom he should vote for.

Charles A. Smith, asking for promotion from lieutenant governor to governor, was the last speaker. He promised to be as considerate of the use of public as of private funds. He advocated submitting the question of State-wide prohibition to the people. Lieut. Gov. Smith said that the State had made great progress educationally in the last few years. He asked if any greater progress would have been made under a compulsory school attendance law and insisted that the State was not yet ready for a system of compulsion and that it would force negroes into the schools.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

#### House of Representatives.

Godfrey M. Harmon is hereby announced as a candidate for the legislature and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the House of Representatives, subject to the Democratic primary.  
Neal W. Workman.

George S. Mower is hereby announced as a candidate for nomination for the House of Representatives in the approaching Democratic primary.

H. O. Long is hereby announced as a candidate for the House of Representatives and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

Joe B. Derrick is hereby announced as a candidate for the House of Representatives and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

Dr. J. Wm. Folk is hereby announced as a candidate for the legislature and will abide the rules of the Democratic primary. Platform: Cooperation, education and lower taxes.

B. V. Chapman is hereby announced as a candidate for election to the

House of Representatives, and pledges himself to abide the result of the Democratic primary.

—Arthur Kibler is hereby announced as a candidate for the House of Representatives and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

#### County Supervisor.

The many friends of D. C. Boland hereby announce him a candidate for County Supervisor and pledge him to abide the result of the Democratic primary.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for County Supervisor for Newberry and will abide the rules of the Democratic primary.

L. C. Livingstone.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Supervisor for Newberry county subject to the Democratic party.

J. C. Sample.

I am a candidate for Supervisor, subject to the rules of the Democratic party.

J. H. Chappell.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Supervisor of Newberry county and will abide by the Democratic primary.

Henry M. Boozer.

The many friends of J. Monroe Wicker recognizing his ability and qualifications, we hereby nominate him for County Supervisor, subject to the Democratic primary.

Friends.

I am a candidate, for the office of Supervisor of Newberry county subject to rules of the Democratic primary election.

L. I. Feagle.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Supervisor of Newberry county and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

Custis L. Leitzsey.

#### Magistrate Nos. 1 and 8.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Magistrate for Townships Nos. 1 and 8 and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

L. M. Player.

Charles W. Douglas is hereby announced as a candidate for Magistrate for Townships Nos. 1 and 8, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.

E. L. Rodelsperger is hereby announced as a candidate for Magistrate for Townships Nos. 1 and 8, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.

Jacob L. Dickert is hereby announced as a candidate for Magistrate for townships Nos. 1 and 8 and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

#### Magistrate Township No. 3.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Magistrate in Township No. 3, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary.

Jno. B. McCullum.

I announce myself a candidate for Magistrate for Township No. 3 and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

W. D. Rutherford.

Jos. H. Adams is hereby announced as a candidate for Magistrate for township No. 3 and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

#### For Magistrate No. 4 Township.

R. M. Aughtry is hereby announced as a candidate for re-election for magistrate No. 4 township and will abide by the rules of the Democratic party.

#### Magistrate No. 9.

S. L. Fellers is hereby announced as a candidate for nomination for Magistrate for No. 9 township in the approaching primary.

Friends.

#### Magistrate No. 11.

H. H. Ruff is hereby announced as a candidate for reelection for magistrate of No. 11 township and will abide by the rules of the Democratic party.

#### Magistrate No. 9.

G. W. Kinard is hereby announced as a candidate for nomination for the office of Magistrate in township No. 9 in the approaching primary election.

#### Magistrate No. 10.

J. A. Kinard is hereby announced as a candidate for Magistrate, Township No. 10, and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

Having decided to make the race for Magistrate in No. 10 township I hereby announce myself for reelection and will abide the result thereof.

E. H. Wertz.

#### Magistrate No. 10.

J. J. Kibler is hereby announced as a candidate for Magistrate No. 10 township and will abide the result of the Democratic primary.

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