

Mooreville N.C.

May 26, 92

My Dear Friend & Bro. -

I deeply regretted our failure to meet in Raleigh, especially as you indicated at the table that you desired to see me. I wanted to say how sincerely I rejoiced at your nomination, and to assure you, as I do now, with all my heart, that I put myself unreservedly at your command, to do anything, everything, in my power to further the cause of which you are the honored leader. I want you to know that I am your friend in the fullest sense, ready throughout the campaign, and the administration that is sure to follow, to hold up your hands and to render any service that my talent and opportunity may equal.

I told you in a moment of congratulation that I didn't lose a vote for Governor. That was not quite true, for I "threw off" or Jarvis to begin with knowing that it amounted to nothing but to keep Hobb-off. After that ballot, I voted for you all the time. Even on my absence, the bulldozing majority of our District delegation, saw the unit rule over Holmes, and cast

the whole vote for Holt, but they never succeeded in doing it in my presence, altho they frequently attempted it.

The great lesson of the Convention, in your nomination, is this: the patriotic conservative element has reasserted itself. The Extremists are relegated to Robinson and Butterman alike and in the background. Let the campaign now be shaped in harmony with this principle: the good & wise people will satisfy it.

I am with you, my dear Sir, Soul & Body. When you want me, say so I am willing to spend and be spent in the great cause. I will hold myself <sup>ready</sup> to speak anywhere, at any time, where I can possibly be.

I may and probably will be a candidate for the Congressional nomination in this District. Things looked a little dark some time ago, but the outlook is improving. I haven't seen a man who isn't satisfied, and most are greatly pleased with the ticket for '92.

With sincere and unlimited regard for my friend and the coming General, I am  
Yours truly  
A. Deagan

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Old Sparta,

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