







## NEW YORK SOLID FOR UNDERWOOD

Varner Says Northern Democrats Want Him For President.

BEST QUALIFIED CANDIDATE.

No Prejudice in the North Against the Nomination of a Southerner, as Shown by Justice White's Elevation to the Supreme Court of the United States.

"New York is practically solid for Representative Underwood for the Democratic nomination for the presidency, and if the south will show the north that a southern man should be nominated there is little doubt to my mind that the Empire State will send an Underwood delegation to Baltimore," said H. B. Varner of Lexington, N. C., at the Raleigh yesterday.

Mr. Varner has just returned from a business trip to New York, where he talked with a number of prominent people who are in a position to know the sentiment in that section of the country.

"While in the north I talked with men from New York, Massachusetts, Vermont and New Hampshire," said Mr. Varner. "Underwood is conceded by all to be the best qualified man of any of the candidates so far mentioned. Northern men do not raise the question that a southern man cannot be nominated and elected to the presidency. Chief Justice White of the United States supreme court is not only a southern man, but served as a Confederate soldier. This to my mind is conclusive evidence that no one questions the ability and fitness of the southern man for the high office of president of the United States."

Mr. Varner is very much pleased with the situation in North Carolina. He states that he is in receipt of hundreds of letters daily from men pledging their support to Mr. Underwood. He says that all the other candidates have friends in the state, but the large majority of them believe Mr. Underwood is the better man and would have a better chance of election than any other candidate now in the field.—Washington Post.

### GIVE THE NORTH A CHANCE.

Oscar W. Underwood Successful Democratic Leader.

The war between the states removed the causes of irritation between the north and south and laid the foundation for a perfect peace. For a time memories of the struggle and of conditions resulting from it kept passion and prejudice alive, but these gradually disappeared. In 1868, 1872, 1876 and 1880 abuse of the south played a prominent part in presidential campaigns—the Republicans using it to win votes—and then it ceased.

Political Issues. Politicians do not abandon issues because they are not right. They abandon them because they are unprofitable. It was the public sentiment of the north that decreed the burial of the bloody shirt. The Republicans

hoped for nothing from the south. So far as the south was concerned they might as well have continued their appeals to sectional animosity. They dropped sectionalism because they found it was costing them votes in the north—because in the north a widespread sentiment had developed against abuse of the south.

South in the Union. The statue of Lee stands in the capitol at Washington. What was called the "war of the rebellion" is now officially termed "the civil war." The nation is now careful not to wound the feelings of the south. There are nearly 500 senators and representatives at Washington, and Heyburn stands alone among them—looked on as a freak because he has not divested himself of war time prejudices.

Groundless Fear. The south honors Lincoln, admires Grant, cherishes no enmity against the men who wore the blue when southern men wore the gray, but does not give the north credit for an equal breadth of Americanism. It still clings to the idea, false for a quarter of a century, that northern voters would be prejudiced against a southern presidential candidate. This suspicion is unjust to the north, and we believe if it were offered the people of the north would gladly embrace the opportunity of proving that they are as broadly American as the people of the south.

Give the North a Chance. We want to give them that opportunity, and there will probably never be as favorable a time as now. A southern Democrat is the leader in the victorious fights in the house. He is the leader in shaping the issues that will divide the two parties in the campaign this year. Underwood is the logical candidate of the Democratic party, and we believe his nomination would create at the north a wider enthusiasm than the nomination of any other candidate would call forth.—Times-Union, Jacksonville, Fla.

### UNDERWOOD BRIEFS.

Mr. Underwood may not get the Democratic nomination for president, but there is no denying the fact that he is making easy sailing for the man who does. His leadership during the present session of congress has demonstrated his fitness to hold any office within the gift of the people.—Laurel Argus.

If the thinking men of this country, the middle class, who make up the great majority, will stop to think they will come to the conclusion that Oscar Underwood more nearly represents their beliefs than any man who is before the people at this time as a presidential candidate.—Farmington Valley (Conn.) Herald.

Oscar Underwood, who is being very prominently mentioned for the Democratic nomination for the presidency, declares, "If I could aid in writing on the statute books laws that would equalize the burden of taxation, make the wealth of this country carry its fair share of the taxes to support our government and lift from the backs of the masses of the people the inequitable load of taxes they are compelled to carry, due to the fact that our taxes are levied on consumption and not on wealth, I should accomplish a vast deal of good for the American people." That's a noble sentiment, to be sure, and one that does credit to Mr. Underwood's heart and head.—Staff, Johnson City, Tenn.

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### Underwood a Worker.

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The Underwood way is exemplified in the significant record of his biography in the Congressional Record. Where there were from twenty to forty lines telling the life story of the other senators and representatives there are just five terse, well packed, fact full lines about Underwood. The congressmen furnish the material for the "copy" in this biographic sketch—usually their early life struggles, their triumph over difficulties, modestly veiled narratives of their winnings by figured majorities over opponents, whom they married and who married them and a good deal more.

### Own Statement of Record.

Underwood didn't even furnish his middle name to the publisher. Here's his legend:

"Alabama.—Ninth district.—Counties: Bibb, Blount, Jefferson and Perry counties; population (1910), 301,945. Oscar W. Underwood, Democrat, of Birmingham, was born in Louisville, Jefferson county, Ky., May 6, 1862; was educated at Rugby school, Louisville, Ky., and University of Virginia; was elected to the Fifty-fourth, Fifty-fifth, Fifty-sixth, Fifty-seventh, Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth, Sixtieth and Sixty-first congresses and re-elected to the Sixty-second congress."

### Record of Achievement.

That's all. That's enough. It's a record of just plain, hard progressive, increasingly effective and eminent public service. That's the way he has been advancing. That's the reason you never heard of his rise years ago—his progress like a meteor and most likely his disappearance into space and darkness. He's been too busy to blow, too earnest to parade, too modest to brag. The opportunity came for leadership; then the years of quiet study, of steady practice, of practical experience began to tell. The stored information, the accumulated wisdom, the great reserve force, dangerous to his enemies and a supply of strength for the Democratic ranks, became known.

It was the Underwood way.—Athens (Ga.) Banner.

**Monte Carlo's Pension List.** Monte Carlo, the famous gambling den of France, has probably the most remarkable pension list in the world. Men and women who absolutely ruin themselves at the casino are allowed small sums for the rest of their lives. The pensions vary from 5 francs to 40 francs a day, according to the amounts lost at the tables, states the National Magazine. A Scotchman who lost about \$1,000,000 at roulette is said to receive \$7 a day. This gentleman resides today in a tiny villa at Nice. Every year the casino company pays out some \$15,000 in pensions.

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