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F.D.R. Accepts Democratic Nomination for State Senator

I thank you heartily for the honor you have done me and the confidence you have reposed in me by nominating me for the State Senate. But even more do I thank you for giving me an opportunity to do what little I can to advance the cause of good government under the banner of the Democratic party this year.

As you know, I accept this nomination with absolute independence. I am pledged to no man; I am influenced by no special interests, and so I shall remain.

In the coming campaign I need not tell you that I do not intend to sit still. We are going to have a very strenuous month.

Gentlemen, I count on your active support. We have real issues and an excellent platform to lay before the people, and with the aid of the independent thinking voters of these counties we have little to fear from the result on November eighth.

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