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The original from which I
read the announcement of
Gov. Smith's withdrawal at the
Mad. Sq. Garden Convention July 1924

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① The Candidate for whom
I speak, Gov. Smith,
now leads the poll in
this convention. We have
advocated his nomination
as the representative of great
democratic principles. But the
future of the Democratic Party
rises far above the success

2/ of any candidate. After
over 90 ballots it is
apparent that the forces
behind Gov. Smith and
Mr. McAdoo cannot be
amalgamated. For the sake
of the party, therefore, Gov.
Smith authorizes me to say

3 that immediately upon
the withdrawal by
Mr Meador of his name
Gov. Smith will withdraw
his name also from the
consideration of the convention
until such withdrawal has
been made by Mr Meador

4 I am authorized to
say that Gov Smith's
supporters will
continue to vote for
Gov. Smith.

