Ward And Roe Announce For Congressional Seat

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Excerpts from the announcements of Mr. Ward and Mr. Roe are as follows:

DAVID J. WARD

Congressman David J. Ward, Salisbury, Maryland on Wednesday announced his candidancy for renomination as Representative in Congress in the First Congressional District.

Congressman Ward had been unanimously nominated by the Democratic State Convention in Baltimore last spring to fill the unexpired term of Congresman T. Alan Goldsborough and won the special election of June 6th by a 3 to 2 vote over A. Stengle Marine, his Republican opponent.

In that election he carried every county except Dorchester, where his opponent resided.

In his announcement today, Congressman Ward said:

"I feel that my experience filling the unexpired term of Judge Goldsborough qualifies me to better serve the interests of all the people in the First Congressional District.

"During the past session of Congress many matters afecting the well being of the people of the Eastern Shore were brought to my attention and I believe that they have received satisfactory action.

"I intend for my tenure of this office to be marked by the same careful consideration to the problems of the Eastern Shore that I have given in my few months in Congress and my many years in the Maryland Senate.

"It has been demonstrated by Judge Goldsborough and other famous Congresman that the value of a representative of the people in the Halls of Congres is increased by continued and accrued experience.

"With this experience, should I be returned to the office I now hold, I hope to make myself more valuable to the First Congresional District.

"Much thought has been given to a 'platform' and I have decided to refrain from an introduction of issues at thi stime. My past record of fulfilment of the wishes of my constiuents should bear far more weight tha nany statement of policy that could be drafted for the future.

"True representation of these nine counties, occording to the wishes of my fellow citizens, is to my mind, of more importance than any stand that I may take at this time."

Congresman Ward said that his tour of the shore counties was being renewed this week.

Campaign activity, he said, would begin after the holidays. A general committee is to be named at that time and sub-committees are to be selected for each county.

L. Atwood Bennett, who served Mr. Ward as political agent in the campaign that led to his election, has been reappointed. He is a Democratic leader in Wicomico County and prominent Eatsern Shore attorney.

Congressman Ward was born on a Wicomico County farm, September 17, 1871 and attended the public schools of tha tcounty. He has been engaged in the farming, lumbering and mercantile business there during his entire business career.

He served in the Maryland Legislature 1915-17, which included the extraordinary sesion known as the "war session." A former chairman of the county State Central Committe, he later served two full terms in the Maryland Senate, declined to run for reelection, but after an interval of four years was reelected to the Maryland Senate, which office he resigned to accept the Democratic nomination to Congress.

While Representative in Congress he has missed only one roll call, one that came while he was in an evening conference with a delegation from Queen Anne's County.

DUDLEY G. ROE

My Fellow Eastern Shoremen:

As I stand here, surrounded by my friends throughout this peninsula east of the Chesapeake Bay, I realize that this night is one to be remembered by me through the years.

To-night, as I sincerely ask your support, I dedicate myself to specific pledges designed for the advancement of the Eastern Shore.

I believe much can be done through federal cooperation with the State Administration in Eastern Shore problems and I am prepared to work untiringly to this end.

The Shore's transportation needs have frequently been before me while in the Maryland Senate and I will continue to work for the construction of dual highways from Elkton to the new Cambridge Bridge by way of Chestertown, Centreville, and Easton. On the lower shore needs exists for a dual highway from Delmar to the Virginia line by way of Princess Anne and Pocomoke City and completing the by-pass already under construction at Salisbury. The present improved highways on the Peninsula are woefully inadequate.

To facilitate transportation between the divided shores of Maryland, I advocate purchase by the state of the Annapolis, Matapeake, Claiborne ferries at a price fair to the owners and reasonable to the taxpayers. This expense should be funded by bonds to be retired from the tolls colected. These tolls could be reduced to a minimum where the bonds can be retired within the Constitutional limit and then the ferries be made free and a part of the state Highway system. A substantial portion of this expenditure should be easily obtained by grant and loan from the Federal Government. It was my privilege to play no small part in 1929 in the establishment of the Matapeake Ferry and the construction of the Eastern Shore Boulevard.

I have always been a friend of our watermen, and will continue to work in their behalf in the Halls of Congress.

Fully appreciating the marvelous waterways of our bay and river country, I shall do everything in my power to obtain federal assistance to increase the usefulness and navigableness of all of our public waterways.

Having been born on a farm, owning and operating several farms, and having done business with our farmers all my life, I know the agricultural problems and will do all in my power to improve the financial position of American agriculture. I bitterly opposed the Hoover Farm Board before the Agricultural Committee of Congress on March 31, 1929, and I am convinced that this vicious, pernious piece of legislation materially contributed to the awful Hoover depression.

I will do all in my power to help keep us out of the European War. My sympathies however, are entirely with the Democracies of Europe. Dictator governments are a menace to the world, and I shall fight, with all peaceful means, Naziism, Communism, and all other isms except true Americanism.

As soon as feasible I shall work for mitigation of the present extreme restrictions as to wild fowl.

No man, business nor government can continue very long with an unbalanced budget. As chairman of the Finance Committee of the Maryland Senate, it was my privilege at the last session to cooperate with our beloved Governor O'Conor in the splendid fiscal program he submitted to us. Maryland now is on an absolutely sound financial basis with an honest surplus, free of any diversions or camaflage. In Congress I shall work constantly for a balanced budget.

I shall stand for strict economy, knowing that the only dollar a government can spend is one it has taken from the people by taxation. A nation's goals, ambitions and program must be trimmed to fit its revenue.

Finally, I again dedicate myself to my first platform, one which I have considered most important in my years in the Senate of Maryland; I shall diligently strive, to the best of my ability, to truly serve and represent by constituents whether they be high or low, rich or poor.

On this basis alone I submit myself as your candidate for Congress as representative of the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

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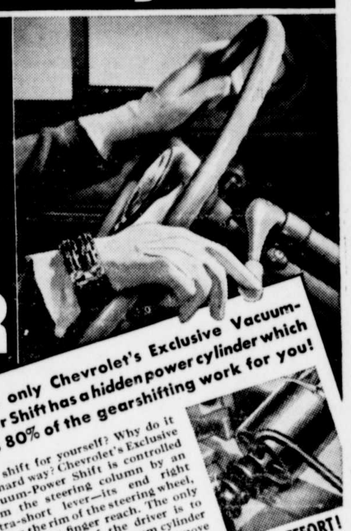

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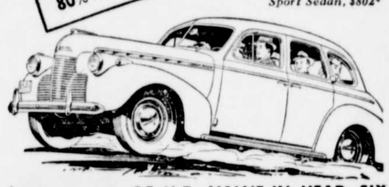

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