

A Statement From W. M. Wyatt

To the People of Montevallo:

I sincerely appreciate the honor and responsibility bestowed upon me by a majority of the voters of Montevallo last Monday when I was elected as your Mayor for the next four years.

To those of you who voted for Mr. Small I wish to say that I cheerfully yield you that privilege of the free expression of your ballot.

My job now is to serve honorably and honestly as Mayor for all of you, regardless of how you voted. I have, therefore, dismissed from my mind completely any and all consideration as to how anyone voted.

I made no special campaign or effort to get the office. I made no promises to anyone about what I would or would not do if I were elected. You are going to have in me a Mayor about whose approach to the job you know absolutely nothing other than what you may deduce from your observation of me as a citizen of your town for the past thirteen years.

I shall adhere faithfully to the one large and comprehensive purpose which I expressed in my letter to all the voters before the election – that I will render, as your Mayor, that measure of service and devotion to duty which I honestly believe will contribute to our mutual and collective happiness, progress and security.

The affairs of our town are the proper concern of all of you. I solicit your help and counsel that those affairs may be conducted in a manner that is fair to everybody and best for our town and community as a whole.

Your Mayor is not your Town's government. The Town Council is the larger and most important part of it. I am happy that I will have with me a Council that will do the job in a creditable and constructive manner. It was fortunate that you had ten people from among whom to choose your Councilmen, any five of whom, in my opinion, would be as safe and sound as a silver dollar.

Sincerely,
W. M. Wyatt
