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Attempt To Rob Bank Fails Cotton Acreage

Of Bullets

have been a gang or rank amateur dated with the desired ride. Johnbank robbers went badly awry here at three thirty Saturday morning when five of the six and denies any connection with the gangsters were captured after a veritable hail of lead had been let robbers seems to have been rather hit a glass door in the City Cafe, where officers were hidden, caus-Deputy Sheriff Hodge, who narrowly missed being hit by the bul-This was, so far as could be learned, the only injury sustained.
Officers Watching

gang for some time, as they wait-ed for the crowd that had gathered near for a dance to disperse. About three thirty the gang tried to force the back door of the bank, and, failing, boosted a man through an open transom over the

Arrested after the firing were Lawton B. (Crip) Wilson, now on parole; J. A. Waller, 35, who runs a bound over for superior court. garage in Raleigh; J. E. Johnson, 55, Raleigh merchant; Eugene Al-Hatch of the Raleigh Bar, reprebright, of Salisbury, railroad employee, and "Red" Fowler, 32, exconvict of Raleigh. Wilson, who bonds than those under which the was sitting in the car at the time the firing began, narrowly escaped Judge Brame held each of the

Equipped with an acetylene bond. torch, purchased in Raleigh, Friday, and other tools, the gang came to Wendell early in the morning Saturday, and officers on the watch for them spotted them as they hung around waiting for Commission has announced open the dance to be over. Deputies competitive examinations as fel-Clyde Weathers and Woody Mad- lows: drey stationed themselves in the town office, diagonally across the \$5,600 to \$6,400; senior marketing street from the bank, Deputies specialist, \$4,600 to \$5,400; mar-Saunders, Hodge and Guy Massey keting specialist, \$3,800 to \$4,600; were stationed in the City Cafe, associate marketing specialist, \$3, while Philip R. Whitley took his place in the office of C. A. Bla-specialist, \$2,600 to \$3,200 a year, from the bank and upstairs, thus Department of Agriculture. Clos covering a good portion of Main ing date, November 15, 1934. and Third Streets.

A. M., they parked their car, a dustry, Department of Agriculture. new Ford coach, at the curb near Closing date, November 19, 1934. the Bank, running the hose from oxygen and acetylene tanks left in tics and breeding), \$4,600 a year, massive vault door. When the of- November 19, 1934. ficers opened fire they had burned of this door, and had partly burn- Economics, Department of Agried off one hinge. Wilson was cap- culture. Closing date, November tured quickly, as he slid to the 19, 1934. floor of the car and out on the Agent for home economics, \$4,sidewalk, while Fowler and Wal600; special agent for home econ-

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Officers Surprise Robbers. as look-outs, and fled when the firing began. While officers were patrolling the highway a half hour later they picked up Albright, who had tried to thumb a ride into town with the officers. After be-The plans of what appears to ing handcuffed, he was accommo-

robbery, but Deputy veritable hall of lead had been let loose by the officers. According to reports the return fire from the robbers seems to have been rather officer in Raleigh, is being sought weak, as evidence could be found while later developments in the as the sixth man in the gang, of only three shots, one of which matter lead to the belief that more men may be implicated. The Ford, which was riddled with ing a slight cut on the hand of bullets and shot, was listed at the License Bureau under the name of Rudolph Waller, brother of one of the men captured, but Sheriff Turner states that John Jones, reput-Officers had been watching the tually bought the car. The seced to be a Raleigh bootlegger, acond car used in the attempted robbery was the property of J. A. Waller.

Tuesday morning at ten o'clock the five men captured were arraigned before Judge W. A. Brame in recorders court here, Each entered a plea of not guilty, but probable cause was found to each case and the five men were

Attorneys Parrish, Crawley, and sented the accused men, and they argued at some length for smaller men were originally held. However, prisoners for court under \$7,500

CIVIL SERVICE **EXAMINATIONS**

The United States Civil Service

Principal marketing specialist, specialist, \$4,600 to \$5,400; mardentist, across the street Bureau of Agricultural Econo

Agronomist (single variety com When the thieves thought the munity cotton improvement), \$3, ast was clear, about three thirty 800 a year, Bureau of Plant In-Senior agronomist (cotton gene-

the car through a window into the Bureau of Plant Industry, Departbank, and starting to work on the ment of Agriculture. Closing date

Household equipment specialist, small hole in the outside sheath \$3,200 a year, Bureau of Home

ler were captured in the bank. omics education (special groups), Three other men were stationed \$3,800 a year, Office of Education Department of the Interior. Clos ing date, November 19, 1934.

The salaries named are subject to a deduction of not to exceed 5 percent during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1935, as a measure of economy, and also to a deduction of 3 1-2 percent toward a retirement annuity.

All States except Iowa, Vermont, Virginia, Maryland, Rhode Island, and the District of Columbia have received less than their quota of appointments in the ap-

portioned departmental service in Washington, D. C. Full information may be obtained from the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board of Examiners at the post office or customhouse in any city which has a post office of the first or second class, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

DUPREE CONVALESCES FOLLOWING OPERATION

Friends of J. L. Dupree will be pleased to know that he is conval- jority. escing nicely following a recent operation. He has been removed to his home on Cokey Road from the Rocky Mount Sanitarium, where the operation was recently performed.

Wide use of aerial tactics feaured football games.

To Be Increased

By R. L. KLUTZ

Raleigh.—Cotton allotments for 1935, under the adjustment contracts, will be 25 per cent larger than they were this year.

base of 10 acres was alloted six acres to plant. Next year he probably will be alloted seven and half acres, according to Dean I. O. Schaub of State College.

The increase in allottments fact that the cotton program has removed most of the surplus cotton that was responsible for the low prices of 1932 and growers can now start producing as much cotton as is consumed each year, the dean explained.

The exact size of the allotments will not be announced, Schaub added. until the AAA cotton scetion finishes its study of the cotton situation, including both domestic and foreign markets.

Growers who have already signed contracts will keep the contracts they have, while non-signers will be given another chance to join the program and participate in the rental and benefit pay

Schaub pointed out that the re ferendum to be conducted on the Bankhead act will in no way effect the AAA adjustment program since the contracts were signed for a two-year period, with the pro-vision that the secretary of agri-culture could terminate them at the end of one year if necessary.

When the referndum is conduct ed, the growers will have a chance to make known their wishes in regard to whether those who have signed contracts wish to be pro tected by the Bankhead Act from growers who do not sign, he ob

Unless the act is continued. said, non-signers will be able to increase their production as much as they wish and offset much of the work done by the signers in eliminating the surplus and bringing prices back to fairer level.

RED CROSS DRIVE HERE POSTPONED

The annual roll call of the Rocky Mount- Nash county chapter of the American Red Cross has been postponed until the week of November 26 local officials of the unit announced today.

In makinng the announcement Lynwood Edmore, roll call chairman and A. J. Berres, representa tive of the national office, said that the chapter sought to cooperate with plans of the community chest authorities who are planning their annual campaign on November 6-7.

Mr. Elmore said that the list of chairmen of the various divisions has been completed and will be an-

The Red Cross drive originally was scheduled for November 11.

LOCAL BOY NOMINATED FOR FRESHMAN OFFICE

M. W. Henry Is Candidate At Wake Forest

Wake Forest, Oct. 27 .- M. W. Henry, of Rocky Mount, was listed as one of the eight candidates for vice-president of the freshman class at Wake Forest college Friday night.

In the meeting which resulted in the nominations, a total of 34 freshmen were named as nominees for the offices of president. vice-president, secretary and treasurer. This was an all-time record for nominees in any election, class or campus, held here since the founding of the college in

Elections will be held Monday, October 29, and several run-offs will probably be necessary before anyone is elected by a clear ma-

Loans by Reserve member banks rose sharply in September.

Corn for feed lacking, farmers are selling lightweight hogs.

Aircraft experts warn of menance of war bombing.

Should Not Your Election Officials PARAGRAPHS ON NATIONAL

Corruption in elections is the most undermining influence to a Democracy and unless the willful frauds and corruptions are eliminated in our elections it will ultimately destroy the

public confidence in our Government. If a man steals a chicken then he is prosecuted and in all probability sent to the roads or the Penitentiary by the Judge but if a man steals an election through fraud most of the time there is nothing done about it and if, and when an investigation is made and these evil practices are found to be true then they are called irregularities by our election officials and still, there is nothing done about it. The practice has become so flagrant and so common in North Carolina that the Editor of the Biblical Recorder, the leading Baptist Church paper, in the interest of civic righteousness has called the attention of the people and those in authority to these flagrant violations and asks that something be done to remedy the condition. He recommends that severe penalties should be placed upon election officials who carelessly and wilfully violate their oaths in permitting a condition of this sort to exist and go unchallenged.

The State Board of Elections in North Carolina is appointed by the Governor and if it is not possible for hmi o appoint a State Board of Elections to correct these evels, then the next Legislature should make these offices elective and let the people try their hand at the job. We feel quite sure that they could bring about an improvement. Governor Gardner appointed Judge Biggs, his Campaign Manager, as Chairman of the Board of Elections to run the elections while he was Governor, and Governor Ehringhaus has appointed Major McLendon, his Campaign Manager, to run the elections during his term of office. Now, we would not intimate when stating these facts that these two gentlemen are not qualified to hold the elections but it was once stated when speaking of Ceaser's wife that she must not only be virtuous but that she must be above suspicion. Now, our elections should not only be fair and conducted so as to eliminate fraud and corruption but they should be like Ceaser's wife.

REPUBLICANS MUST GET SLOGAN OTHER THAN BALANCED BUDGET

The old Campaign slogan of the Republican party, "Full a spending program to restore Dinner Pail," has been discarded by the leaders of the Republican party and they have selected them a new slogan entitled "Balanced Budget," Now, if the Republican party had selected the slogan "Balanced Diet," which was so much needed under the Hoover Administration and which Mr. Roosevelt has been trying to give to the people, then we feel the relief burdens of states and that this slogan would have been so much more appropriate.

The slogan "Balanced Budget" is in line with the policy

of the Republican party and just as cold as steel itself. What REV. S. T. HABEL father would undertake to balance a budget when his children are crying with hunger and cold from the want of clothes. The Committee in New York, when advocating Mr. Hoover's election, stated that if Mr. Hoover was elected that he would put a car in every garage and two chickens in every pot, but when Mr. Roosevelt came into office there pastor of the Enfield Baptisi were no new cars and the old ones practically worn out. As Church. for the two chickens in every pot there were not even one chicken in most instances, according to a recent statement of a movie actor, they didn't even have the pots.

The Republican party is now making a great effort to re gain the confidence of the people but we feel before they are able to ingratiate themselves into public confidence again they will have to bring forward a different slogan than balanced budget. There has been some criticism because the Presdent is feeding the hungry and making mattresses to distri-bute to the infirm and old. The Republican party subsidized with its high protecteve tariff wall and with its large gifts for a big portion of the special interests of this country offered not one word of criticism that the Government was becoming too paternal yet when our President is making efforts Mrs. Habel. They were presented to feed the hungry and provide employment for the unployed then they say that our Government is becoming paternalistic. a complete set of silver, glassware if it is to be worth reading, it must

\$10.000 Fire At Nashville

Nashville-Fire of undertermdered unconscious for a time by to set up a retirement system. the fire and smoke. A fire fight-ing unit from Rocky Mount aided local fire department in controlling the fire.

LOCAL AGENTS ATTEND SESSION IN RICHMOND

Alford and Roberts Go To Harvest Sale Congress

Harvey Roberts and Dallas Alford, local insurance agents, attended the session of the Harvest Sales congress, sponsored by the Sales congress, sponsored by the Richmond Virginnia Association of signs. Life Underwriters and held Friday in the John Marshall hotel in Richmond.

During the meeting they heard swing to Republican party.

Rail Pension Bill Illegal

Washington.-The railway reined origin late today destroyed tirement act was held unconstitutwo residences and two store build- tional Wednesday in a ruling handings and \$1,400 worth of cotton, ed down by District Supreme Court and damaged two residences. The Justice Alfred A. Wheat. The residences burned were those of Will Clark and Jack Langley. The yond its powers, in the light of the nouses damaged were the old J. interstate commerce clause in the D. Barnes house and the Robert Constitution. The 136 major rail-Gupton house. The store buildings ways were compelled under the were owned by Will Clark. The act to deduct 2 per cent of salarproperty damage was estimated at ies of employes and to add twice \$10,000. Four firemen were ren- as much from the railway's funds

> prominent insurance company leaders, among them Bradford H. Walker, president of the Life Insurance Company of Virginia, Alvin T. Haley, general agent, Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance company of Greensboro, the governor of Virginia, Honorable Geo. C. Peery, and Theodore M. Heihle

Fletcher says Digest poll shows

Be Elected Rather Than Appointed? PROBLEMS AT WASHINGTON

Legion Demands Bonus Payment

Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., Of San Francisco Elected National Commander. Universal Draft Advocated

After demanding the bonus by an overwhelming vote of 987 to 183 the American Legion Convention adjourned at Miami, Fla. Thursday, October 25, to meet next year at St. Louis, Mo.

Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., unanimously elected National Commander for the coming year without opposition.

A progressive legislative program was adopted which included besides the bonus: A Universal Draft law, conscripting capital, labor industry, and manpower case of war. Registration of all aliens, and deportation at once of preceding presidential election. As criminal aliens. The making of Armistice Day, November 11, a National Holiday. Barring communistic literature from the mails and candidates of the communist party from state and national tion will pass judgment upon the electoral ballots.

The legion, in passing the bonus resolution and asking for the remission of interest on loans already made, stated that the present administration is committed to a spending program to restore of the bonus would prove the greatest stimulus to business that could be suggested, and that it would relieve distress and lighten

JR. RESIGNS

Rev. S. T. Habel, Jr., has resigned his pastorate of the First Bappastor of the Enfield Baptist

The young pastor, who is only twenty-five years old, has served the Nashville church, his only pastorate, for four years.

Mr. Habel is very popular in Nashville, with all denominations The pastor's farewell sermon was preached to his congregation on the fourth Sunday in October when both churches united their services as a tribute to him.

On Monday night a farewell party was given in honor of Mr. and

WILLIFORD NEWS Miss Mattie Williford

Friends of Mrs. E. C. Sexton vill be glad to know she and the baby are doing nicely.

Mrs. Lula Tyree returned home Monday after a two weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. B. B. Williford.

Friends of Mrs. Frank Cockrell will be sorry to know she is sick. Duke Sheron was home last week-end. Dr. John Tyree of Richmond,

Va., and three of his friends visited Mr. and and Mrs. B. B. Williford last Saturday night.

ELECTION NEXT WEEK OFF-YEAR LOSS USUAL TO ENDORSE NEW DEAL DEMOCRATS FACE DANGER ROOSEVELT MAY GET HARD DRIVING FOR THE BONUS HOUSING PROJECTS START CAMPAIGN TO BE ENLARGED

By Hugo Sims, Gold Leaf Farmer Special Washington Correspondent

The citizens of forty-eight states will go to the polls on Tuesday, to select thirty-three governors. thirty-four senators, and 432 members of the House. A tabulation by the Associated Press records 1420 candidates for the 509 posi-

Figures from previous years indicate that off-year elections are participated in by about seventy per cent of those who voted in the something like 40,000,000 voted in 1982, this would indicate a turnout of about 28,000,000 voters. Thus it is probable that less than one-fourth of the people in the napolicies of the New Deal.

Records of past off-year elections show that the party in power has lost strength in the lower house without exception since the administration of President Buchanan. Some reduction in Democratic strength in the House would be in line with the experience of the rast, which shows that, as a rule, the strength of the party in power in the House, on the average, has dropped from sixty to forly-eight per cent in off-year

Unless there is a great change of public sentiment, President Roosevelt and his New Deal policies will record a victory without precedent in off-year elections. This is the considered opinion of practically all observers. They foresee a minimum gain of four seats in the Senate and probably the holding of the enormous majority in the House which was not expected a month ago. In fact, some go so far as to expect a loss to the Republican party in the House where it has only 115 out of 435 members

Readers should understand that it is not the business of this column to take sides in national pogive an honest report of the state Mr. Habel is a Virginian and a of affairs in the nation, together cousin of Congressman Harold D. with something like an intelligent interpretation of the facts w to expect.

> With this in view, let us point out that such a triumph for the Democrats or the Administration will present a serious threat in itself. Lacking effective and militant opposition, the Democrats are liable to split up into factions, with a consequent invitation to the Republican to step forward in 1936 and take advantage of the family

Charges Republicans that practicall all candidates in the presents vote-getting drive have taken advantage of the spending policeis of the Adminis-

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