

BLACKBURN HARD TO DOWN
AN EXCEPTIONAL POLITICIAN
 An Eighth District Democrat Says He is the Only Republican Who Can be Elected in His District and His Downfall Cannot be Accomplished by the Usual Methods—Blackburn in Lead for Democratic Nominations—Charters Granted—Harvie Jordan to Speak Saturday—News Notes of the State Capital.

Observer Bureau.
 122 South Tryon Street.
 Raleigh, March 1.
 "What effect will the incident have on Blackburn's chances for re-nomination?" This question was put by The Observer's correspondent to an eighth district Democrat, one thoroughly familiar with all the political conditions obtaining there. This query was answered in these words, and are worth hearing since they bear the marks of a prophecy as well: "Blackburn can play the baby act better than any man in the State and most effectively, and he can do things politically that no other man in the State can do and live. You can judge him by no rule applicable to the human race. He can go over his district, get up before those mountaineers, tell them he was a poor mountain boy, winning success, when his enemies, backed by the Democrats, began to persecute him, and he can shed tears (as he did at Wilkesboro, when Governor Glenn wiped up the car with him) and the people will believe him, and no power on earth can keep him from getting that nomination. Now just stop figuring on Spencer's downfall by the usual methods. He is the only Republican in the district who can possibly be elected, and if the Democrats put up a strong man he may be defeated. There never was a time when the northwestern counties were so torn up. I believe if a prohibition campaign were waged in 'Whiskey Wilkes' it would vote out the distillery. There is not an open barroom in it now."

HACKETT IN THE LEAD.
 When asked as to the likelihood of the Democratic nominee the man from the eighth district said: "Hackett, thus far, is in the lead, and unless someone other than those already mentioned comes into the field, he will be nominated. He is not acceptable to the temperance element, but it is thought that element would find little encouragement to scratch him for Blackburn." Hackett will get the nomination, and there is no doubt he would be a popular candidate if he would run. It is thought that Hackett will get the nomination, and there is no doubt he would be a popular candidate if he would run. It is thought that Hackett will get the nomination, and there is no doubt he would be a popular candidate if he would run.

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 After an illness of a Week She Passes Away—Funeral Services to be Announced.
 Mrs. Lela Carmichael, the wife of Mr. H. H. Carmichael, died last night at 12 o'clock at her home on Euclid avenue, Dilworth. Mrs. Carmichael had been seriously ill only since Sunday. Her death was unexpected and is a great shock to her husband and relatives.
 Mrs. Carmichael was 25 years old. She is survived by her husband and one child and several brothers and a sister.
 The funeral arrangements were not made last night. They will be announced to-day.

A President to be Elected.
 The regular monthly meeting of the Mecklenburg Cotton Growers Association will be held in the county court house to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock. Vice President John McDowell will preside. Several items of interest will be considered. The election of a successor to President C. C. Moore will be taken up and the office filled by one of the many available men who are now members of the association.
 All farmers are urged to be present to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

200,000 Feet Lumber Burned.
 Special to The Observer.
 Wilmington, March 1.—Sparks from an old house burning in the vicinity set fire to some 200,000 feet of lumber in the yards of the Cape Fear Mill here to-day but by stubborn fighting the flames were succeeded in consuming the lumber that not over \$5,000 or \$4,000 damage resulted. This was fully covered by insurance.

Negro Whose Crime Convulsed Shreveport Hanged.
 Shreveport, La., March 1.—Charles Coleman, the negro who murdered Margaret Leary near here last week, was legally executed in the parish jail to-day. No excitement attended the execution, public feeling having subsided since the conviction of Coleman last Saturday. Coleman confessed.

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