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SOUTHERN PEOPLE NOT POLITICALLY IGNORANT.

It is not at all surprising that the Charlotte Observer agrees with the Hon. Leslie M. Shaw, once Secretary of the Treasury, in the statement recently made by him in a public speech in Chicago, that the people of the South are, politically, the most ignorant in the country. It is natural for the Observer to think this way, because a vast majority of Southern people have not yet become so wise that they believe it is either right or necessary to fatten special interests on subsidies paid by the people.

The Baltimore Sun, in discussing Secretary Shaw's speech takes the right view, we think, of the political acumen possessed by Southern people. The Sun says: "Hon Leslie M. Shaw, formerly Secretary of the Treasury, in an address in Chicago on Saturday spoke scornfully of the ignorance of the Southern people in respect to political questions. Mr. Shaw must have a superficial and limited acquaintance with the people of the South, otherwise he would not make so absurd and groundless a charge. It is known by well informed persons that the masses of white men in the South have always manifested an intelligent interest in politics and in public questions. They have numerous opportunities to hear the issues of the day discussed by men who are thoroughly informed on matters of public interest. They read the newspapers and magazines, which keep them in touch with current political affairs, and they discuss the issues in their own gatherings with an alertness and with an understanding which reflect credit upon their intelligence. Yet Mr. Shaw makes the sweeping assertion that 'nowhere is there greater ignorance on political questions than in the South, although conceding that nowhere is there greater eagerness to know.' It used to be said, in reproach of the South, that the people took their politics too seriously and devoted too much time to political discussions. That was a more intelligent criticism, although based upon an exaggeration, than Mr. Shaw's imputation of ignorance. Mr. Shaw will find many farmers and country lawyers in the South who have accumulated surprising stores of information on public questions and are as well qualified as he is to vote discriminatingly on political issues.

The white voters of the South, although many of them have not had the advantage of collegiate education, not only vote intelligently on public questions, but they vote from principle. 'No man in my state,' said Mr. Shaw, 'could be elected governor without a machine behind him unless he spent \$500,000.' That is to say, in a state in which most of the voters are 'intelligent' a candidate for governor running upon his fitness for office but without the support of an organization would have to spend half a million dollars buying votes in order to get a majority at the polls. Happily, this condition does not prevail in the South. There is as high a standard of political intelligence among the white voters of the Southern states as in any other states in the Union—but the Southern voters have never become so advanced in their political knowledge as to sell their votes to the highest bidder."

King Edward and the Well. Rev. Charles M. Sheldon, in Christian Herald. The value of a human being compared with a sheep is determined by the possibility of its being lost. In a small town in Canada during the year of the coronation of King Edward, when the town had been decorated for the celebration and all the people were preparing to enter upon a gala week, a poor and unknown laborer, a negro, through an accidental falling-in of a well, was buried at the bottom, but protected by beams which had fallen, so that his voice could be heard. The well was very deep. The caving-in had carried down an immense quantity of debris which must be dug out very carefully in order to save the man's life. The entire town took turns in doing the work. The festivities in honor of the King were abandoned. For several days all interest of the place centered about this unknown human being at the bottom of this well who might be rescued. No one had valued him, apparently, when he was alive and well, but the possibility that he might be saved from death at once placed him in a position of great importance, even above that of the King himself.

Not Favorably Disposed to the Substitute. Greensboro Record. Says the Wilmington Star: "According to medical experts a very small dose of strychnine is more potent than a half gallon of whiskey for neutralizing the poison of snake bites. The substitute may be all right, but those who go fishing will stick to the old remedy rather than run the risk of contracting the morphine habit." With the impaired quality of liquor it might now require a gallon to equal a little strychnine, but who is going to make the exchange?

LILESVILLE AND WALLTOWN.

At a recent meeting of the school board, composed of Dr. J. E. Kerr, Mr. J. A. Dabbs and Mr. Geo. Ingram, Prof. Hill was elected principal of Lilesville High School. Mr. Hill, who has accepted the position, was principal of the school here several years ago and bids fair to rank the Lilesville High School with the best in the state. For assistants he has the following teachers: Misses DeLaney, of Matthews, and Shurtord, of Newton. Miss Shuford is a graduate of Greensboro Female College and is a talented young lady. She is a sister of Mrs. B. R. Wall. Miss DeLaney taught here last session and was very popular both as teacher and lady.

The protracted meeting is still going on here. Rev. C. H. Clyde's sermons are logical and forceful and there is every reason to believe that the community will derive great benefit from the coming of this faithful preacher.

The continued rainy weather has put a stop to all work on the buildings.

Mrs. James Nichols, after spending several days with her parents, has returned home.

The writer had occasion to visit the bustling little city of Morven on last Thursday. Its many improvements strike the eye of the visitor. A handsome new school building has recently been erected at a cost of \$7,000. Many signs of growth are noticeable in Morven's handsome new residences and a handsome bank building. Beautiful churches have been erected. The genial cashier of the bank of Morven, Mr. Ham, who is courteous itself, greets all with a smile and a hearty welcome. Morven is surrounded by as fine a farming section as can be found in the county, and its handsome school buildings and fine churches speak well for its public spirited and good citizenship. The J. F. Alexander Lumber Co. planing and matching plant is a recent addition to the town, and any community is to be congratulated on having these public spirited gentlemen in their midst.

The Misses Cole, of Florida, are on a visit to their aunt, Mrs. B. L. Wall. Mr. James Ingram is spending the week here. He is a fine singer and is helping in the singing at the meeting here.

Miss Bettie Clark is visiting at the home of Mr. J. C. Lila.

Mr. J. A. Clark and children are on a visit to Hickory, N. C.

MORE ANON.

Mr. J. Smith at the University of the South.

On the plateau of the Cumberland mountains is situated the great University of the South, a noble domain of 1,000 acres, all and singular, belonging to the University. Private citizens have for a yearly rental a freehold which they improve and upon which they reside, all on conditions (liberal, of course) prescribed by the University, and many people from the various Southern states have built houses and constructed homes—a beautiful village of the cultured South. The property of the church of the dioceses, of the Alabama, Arkansas, Asheville, Atlanta, Dallas, East Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Lexington, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Southern Florida, Tennessee, Texas, and West Virginia, it has students from every diocese and from North, South, West, and foreign countries.

Arriving on Friday, 10th inst., I met the bishops of Florida and Tennessee and many other acquaintances among the trustees. Many others have since arrived. I was assigned by the chancellor on the committees on constitution and ordinances and on sanitary measures.

A great problem is the management of this huge domain committed by the various dioceses to trustees elected by them. It requires much thought and investigation and solid work for a week. The trustees have wisely committed the administration of this great institution and property to an executive board during the interim of sessions of the board of trustees.

I must not make this communication too long, though there are so many items of interest to be said. Will send you program of Commencement week, June 10th to 17th, 1910, giving you an idea of the intellectual feasts provided.

For comfort I am sleeping under two pairs of blankets, and my appetite is appalling. If it were not for the hard work I would enjoy this mountain country beyond measure.

Cordially, W. A. SMITH.

A "Home Wrecker" Killed in Court Room.

Dillon, S. C., June 14.—Sidney Hursey, a young lawyer of this place, was shot three times and mortally wounded as he left the court room here this afternoon by Richard S. Davis, who, with his wife, conducts the Central Hotel here. Davis immediately after the shooting gave himself up and the only explanation he gave of the tragedy was the statement that Hursey had ruined his home. Hursey was an unmarried man and was the son of a merchant in Dillon. Davis is prominently connected.

Foley's Kidney Remedy may be given to children with admirable results. It does away with bed wetting, and is also recommended for use after measles and scarlet fever. Parsons Drug Co., Pee Dee Pharmacy.

POLKTON LOCALS.

The recent copious rains have delayed farm work very much. Fair weather is needed to enable our farmers to put their crops in growing condition.

The large barn on Mr. Fulton Preslar's farm, one mile northwest of Polkton, was struck by lightning last Friday evening, and burned down. Two fine mules were killed at the same time. The loss falls heavily on Mr. Preslar, who is one of our most enterprising and industrious citizens. A fund to help put him on his feet again is being raised by one people. We hope all will respond liberally and heartily. Early in the spring, when forest and old field fires were almost a daily occurrence in this section, Mr. Preslar would go for miles to help his neighbors and friends save their property. Now in return let every one come to his aid with a liberal hand.

Miss Annie Watson, daughter of Mr. James Watson, of Cheraw, S. C., is visiting friends and relatives here. Miss Cassie Staton, of Salisbury, is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. C. Staton, of the Mt. Vernon neighborhood.

Mr. Earl Polk and a Mr. Campbell, both of Florida, are visiting Mr. M. A. Polk, of Polkton.

Miss Anne Austin, of Hamlet, was the guest of Mrs. D. L. Beachum last Sunday.

Mrs. Ella Polk and children, of Wadesboro, spent a day with Mr. M. A. Polk last week.

Mr. L. A. Monroe, a stock dealer of Laurinburg, made a business trip to our section this week.

The people living in the western part of Polkton school district and the eastern extremity of the Peachland district are petitioning the county board to grant them a school of their own. Many of these people, as the districts are now arranged, have from two to three miles to send to school. "Progress" heartily endorses this commendable forward movement by the citizens of the proposed district, and trusts that they will soon have one of the model schools of the county right in their midst. Every community that has a sufficient number of children is entitled to a good school. That is the spirit and the object of the public school system.

It is useless for local merchants to rebuke those who patronize the mail order houses. When as much as twenty or thirty dollars can be saved on a sewing machine, the same amount or more on a cooking range, and \$50 to \$200 on musical instruments, a person would be sadly lacking in business acumen were he to buy anywhere else. A farmer or laboring man has a better right to the middle man's profits than any one else. Let the middle man "hike" back to the farm with the rest of us. Cotton is 16 cents a pound, corn \$1.00 a bushel, and Leghorn eggs 20 cents a dozen.

The return of Tom Watson to the Democratic party is a topic of some local interest to a number of our people. That he is willing to confess his mistakes is commendable. Bryan will be coming back next.

PROGRESS.

Girls Jailed for Flirting.

Hagerstown, Md., June 14.—Justice Hartle today sentenced Mrs. Bessie Neil, nee Easterday, and Miss Charlotte Griffith, daughter of John H. Griffith, to 30 days in jail and to pay a fine of \$25 for improper flirting on the streets.

A large crowd was present when the young women, who are well known, were sentenced. The parents of both girls were present and pleaded for leniency. The Justice was firm and said if his sentence displeased anyone the offenders had the right of appeal. Miss Griffith is a sister of Miss Lillian May Griffith, the leading State witness in the case of Dr. David W. Jones, recently convicted of performing a criminal operation.

A Friend in Need.

Youth's Companion. The clumsy man was covered with confusion when, plunging forward as the car started with a jerk, he knocked down an umbrella, resting against feminine garments, and heard the handle snap beneath his feet.

"Oh, I— I beg ten thousand pardons," he stammered.

"It is of no consequence," said a sweet woman's voice; "not of the least consequence."

"There's a woman in there who's all right," blurted the awkward one to an acquaintance, as he fell out on the platform to cool and collect his wits. "I've broken her umbrella to smithereens, and she spoke as if I'd handed her a present. See, it's the one in gray."

"I'm, that's my wife," said his acquaintance. "Well, of course she is all right," but in this particular instance she's been suggesting for last month or so that I buy her a new umbrella. So—"Oh!" said the awkward one.

Better Not Change the Dippers.

New York Sun. "I have seen a great many ways the Southerners have of separating the negroes and whites," said a traveling man just returned from his annual trip, "but Williamam, S. C., sprung a new one on me. It is a summer resort with springs whose water will cure every ailment—so they say. On each side of every spring there hangs an iron dipper attached by a heavy chain to a great solid stone pillar. Over one is the word 'White,' over the other 'Black.' Notwithstanding that it would take the strength of an elephant to break the chains or uproot the pillars, a notice in large letters is posted over each spring, 'Ten Dollars Fine for Any One Changing These Dippers.'"

UPPER LANESBORO ITEMS.

LANESBORO TOWNSHIP. Lanesboro is one of the leading townships in the county. It is traversed from east to west by the S. A. L. railway; also the lines of the Bell Telephone Company. It has two local telephone exchanges—one at Peachland, operated by Messrs. Cromartie, Griffin & Tucker, the leading hardware and furniture firm of Peachland; and one at Polkton, operated by Smith Bros., two of as genial and clever business men as are to be found anywhere. From these switchboards extend a literal net work of wires to all parts of the township and into other townships. The service from both these central offices is perfect, except the former does not as yet give night service, but it is to be hoped that this will be supplied in the near future.

Lanesboro has two of as good physicians, Doctors W. W. Barrett and L. C. Smith, as are to be found in any county. Dr. T. M. Smith looks after the dental work of the township. There are no more charitable people anywhere than are our people. There are three high schools in the township. Our people are paying twenty-five cents on the hundred dollars road tax to improve their public roads and have about a mile of as good road in the eastern part of the township as Wadesboro. But I had better hush for some of our tax payers might get wrathful.

Mrs. J. W. Thomas spent the latter part of the week with relatives in Ansonville.

Miss Faye Traywick is visiting relatives near Olive Branch.

Miss Ona Duncan, of Charlotte, spent Saturday night and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. M. J. Duncan.

Prof. Ed. Gavins, Jr., of Roseboro, is visiting in Peachland.

Miss Faye Tucker, of Fountain Hill, spent Saturday night and Sunday with her cousins, Misses Della and Lou Tucker.

Mr. and Mrs. John Watson spent Saturday and Sunday with the latter's sister, Mrs. J. A. Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett spent Saturday night and Sunday in Peachland.

Gen. Green is fortifying himself since the recent rains and without skillful management in his opposition he will become so thoroughly entrenched that he will make a formidable defense. BLUE BELL.

Grand Union Rally at Peachland.

Editor of the M. & I.—As I can reach quite a number of my people through the columns of your paper, permit me to say there will be a Grand Union turnout at the Zion church, Peachland, on the 4th of July. Ten or twelve lodges will join in the occasion.

Rev. C. K. Smith, of Shannon, N. C., (State Master) will deliver the address or preach a grand union sermon for the occasion. Quite a number of the State officers will be present. Also T. T. Henry, editor of the Wadesboro Enterprise, will be with us and make a speech. There will be music furnished by one of the best bands in the State. All persons who are looking for pleasure and recreation on that day are invited; no others are wanted.

C. C. HORNE, W. G. M.

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DEEP CREEK ITEMS.

Oh! my how it rains. Wonder if those ball players won't get out of practice during such weather.

The grass generally has the advantage of the farmers in this section. A small child of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tarlton was suddenly taken with convulsions last Monday, preceded, apparently, by no other illness. It is better now we are glad to say.

Mrs. Lizzie Webb, are sorry to report, is very sick at the home of her son, Mr. W. T. Webb.

Mr. Thomas Batliff and Miss Sarah Huntley were visitors at Mr. Wm. Gullidge's last Sunday.

Mrs. T. H. Webb, who was carried to Charlotte a few days ago for treatment, in a private sanitarium, has returned greatly improved, yet she is far from being well.

Some of the brethren of the fraternal orders, viz., the Farmers' Union and the W. O. W., will be calling on other brethren for relief if the rain does not soon cease to fall so regularly. Dr. J. E. Hart and Mr. M. E. Lowery will no doubt be asked for assistance. They are the only members of the W. O. W., it is said, who make money otherwise than farming. These men are perhaps, rivalled by members of the colored brotherhood, who discreetly guide the "higgers" without eyes, along their perilous journeys. AGRICOLAE FILIIUS.

The Conservation of Nature's Resources

Applies as well to our physical state as to material things. C. J. Budlong, Washington, R. I., realized his condition, and took warning before it was too late. He says: "I suffered severely from kidney trouble, the disease being hereditary in our family. I have taken four bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy, and now consider myself thoroughly cured. This should be a warning to all not to neglect taking Foley's Kidney Remedy until it is too late." Pee Dee Pharmacy; Parsons Drug Co.



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Shake off that tired feeling due to sluggish liver, kidneys, stomach and bowels.

Cleanse and purify your system with the greatest of tonics,

OXIDINE

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The specific for Malaria, Chills and Fever, and all diseases due to disorders of liver, bowels, stomach and kidneys.

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LIST YOUR TAXES.

The list takers for the several townships of the county will attend at the following times and places for the purpose of listing the taxable property of their townships:

WADESBORO TOWNSHIP.

I will be in the court house every day during the month of June, except during court week, from 9 to 12 a. m. and from 2 to 5 p. m. to take the lists for taxes for the township. During court week I will be in my office during the same hours. J. F. Allen will also take the tax lists for the town of Wadesboro at the same hours and place. D. A. McGregor, List Taker.

LILESVILLE TOWNSHIP.

The undersigned will attend at the following times and places to take the tax lists for Lilesville township: Barnes School House, 8th inst. Battle & Battle's store, 10th inst. Lilesville every other day except the above dates.

S. T. Usher, List Taker.

MORVEN TOWNSHIP.

The undersigned will take the tax lists for Morven township at following times and places: Morven, 4th inst. Shady Grove, 6th inst. Colro, 8th inst. McParlan, 9th inst. Paris, 10th inst. And at 11 a. m. during the balance of the month of June.

C. H. Dunn, List Taker.

GULLIDGE TOWNSHIP.

The undersigned will take the tax lists for Gullidge township at the following times and places: Cassin Old Field, 15th inst. Deep Creek school house, 16th inst. Bethel church, 17th inst. Little's school house, 18th inst. Geo. T. Little, List Taker.

WHITE STORE TOWNSHIP.

I will be at the following places on dates named to take tax lists for White Store township: Rock Spring, 4th inst. Red Hill, 11th inst. Union, 18th inst. White Store, 25th inst. J. E. Tarlton, List Taker.

LANESBORO TOWNSHIP.

The undersigned will take the tax lists at the places and dates given below: Knotts Store, 8th inst. Peachland, 17th and 18th insts. Polkton, 20th and 21st insts. T. M. Smith, List Taker.

BURNSVILLE TOWNSHIP.

I will attend at the following and places to list property in Burnsville township: Fountain Hill, 14th inst. Diamond Hill, 16th inst. Whitman, 18th inst. Rocky Mt., 17th inst. morning. J. A. Parker's store, 17th inst., afternoon. Ross' Store, 18th inst.

ANSONVILLE TOWNSHIP.

The undersigned will take tax lists of Ansonville township at the following times and places: Whitman, 14th inst. B. T. Staton's residence, 4th inst. Hancock school house, 10th inst. Ansonville, 17th and 18th insts. S. M. Clark, List Taker.

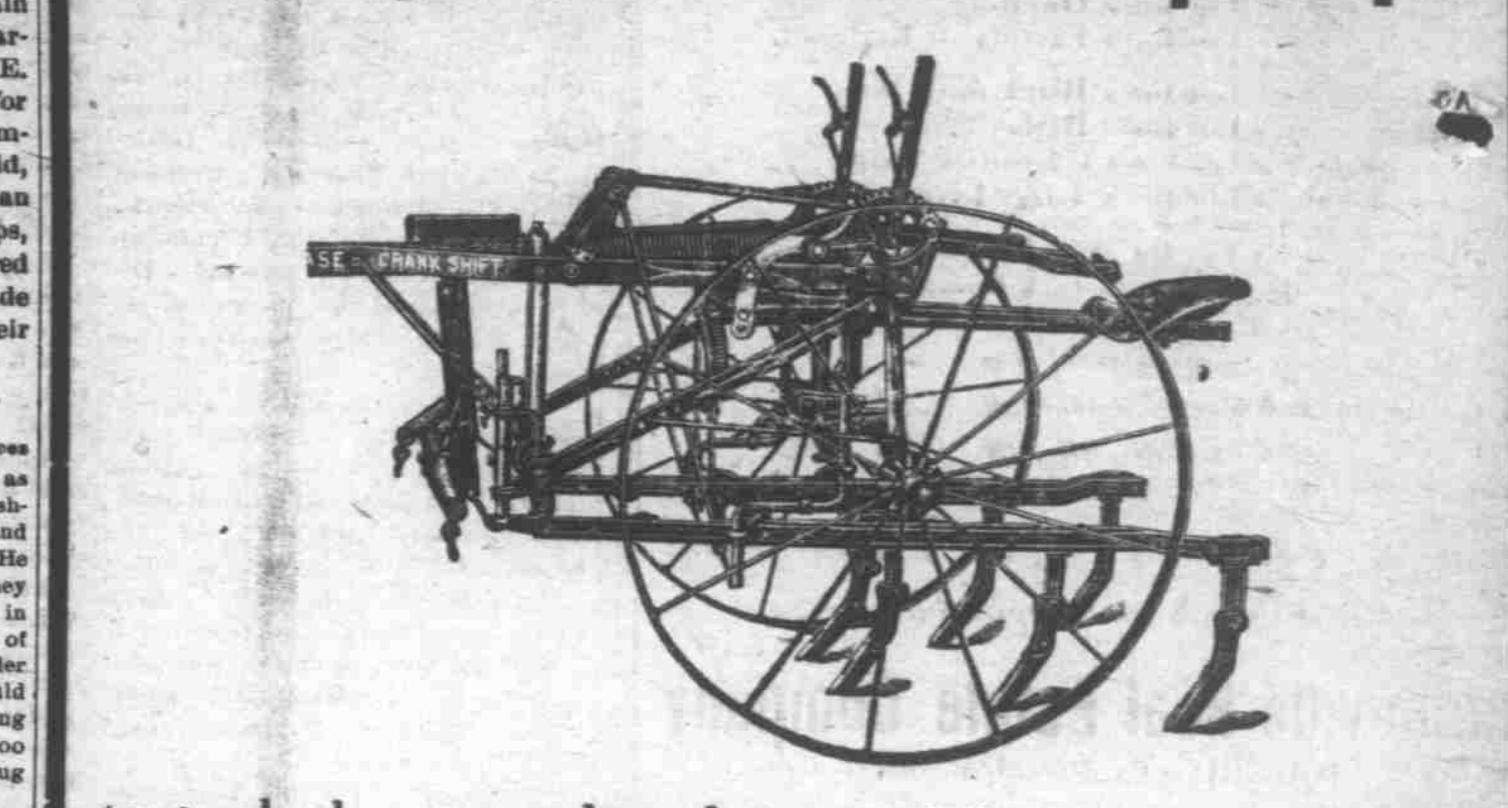
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to good advantage when the ground becomes dry enough for it to be stirred.

The use of improved agricultural implements has increased in this county fully 300 per cent inside of four years, and yet Anson county in far behind in the use of two-horse cultivators than any other county in this section of the two Carolinas. We have before us a letter from a dealer in Lincoln county, saying that they have sold nearly three hundred riding cultivators in that county alone, and their land is more hilly and rough perhaps than in this section. We also have a letter from a dealer in Concord saying that he sells from 30 to 40 riding cultivators each year. We have a few of these riding cultivators in stock, and, in order to introduce them this year, will allow you to get one on trial. They are coming and coming to stay.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

of deeds of Anson county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

D. M. JOHNSON.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of the County of Anson subject to the action of the Democratic primary. PLYDE P. MARSH.

To the voters of Anson county—Greetings! I embrace this opportunity of soliciting your votes, in the coming Democratic primary, for the office of treasurer of Anson county. If you will elect me to said office, I promise a correct and faithful discharge of the duties incumbent upon one in that position and promise at the expiration of four years to cheerfully surrender the office to whomever you may elect as my successor. Thanking you in advance for any support you may give me, I am, Yours most respectfully, E. D. GADDY.

FOR CORNER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of corner of Anson county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. ADAM GREEN.

FOR COTTON WEAVER AT WADESBORO.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-nomination for the office of cotton weaver at Wadesboro, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. C. B. ALLEN.

FOR CONSTABLE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Constable for Wadesboro township, subject to the Democratic primary. M. B. HOWELL.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Anson county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. F. K. LENTZ.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Anson county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. S. A. BENTON.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Anson county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. W. F. CRUMP.

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