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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR.

ALLENS ELECTROCUTED.

STRENUOUS EFFORT TO SAVE THEM FAILED.

Old Man Floyd And His Son Claud Went to Their Death Bravely-Plan to Beat Governor Mann Augered the Chief Executive.

dibly that he was ready to go, were taken to the mountains of Floyd Allen, whose refusal to acsouthwest Virginia for burial. cept a short prison term for a minor offense led to the wholesale court murder in Hillsville one year

an opportunity to pass upon the con-stitutional right of Lieutenant Governor Ellyson to interfere.

GOVERNOR HASTENS BACK.

But the young son of Governor Mann reached his father in Phila-delphia by telephone less than an of the members of the Allen famiearly morning train, arriving in Richmond at 11:30 o'clock. On the way
the telegraphed the Search of the S

instructions to return at 1 o'clock.

granted by a combination of legal Moore. The latter was merely inand technical circumstances as strange as any that had ever been presented to a court of justice.

Floyd; Bird Marion and John From From Strange and Technical Circumstances as dicted for having assisted the Allens to escape.

Victor Allen and Bird Marion fed, clothed and housed for a more. Mann had returned to Virginia ber 14. Men prominent in official circles of the State, who waited in the Captol for a final plea to the Governor. were turned away, as his secretary handed out this statement from the Executive:

MANN'S FINAL ORDER.

"Hearing at five minutes to 3 taken in the Allen case after I left the city, I considered it my duty to hurry back. I simply desire to repeat that after the most careful examination of the evidence in this case, I have not the slightest doubt of the guilt of Floyd and Claude Allen, and I will not interfere.

as originally announced was carried prison superintendent stepped the corridor which separated the cells of father and son, and read the death warrant.

with the prison guards to the death Howie, ed on at 1:22 o'clock and in four others. minutes the surgeon motioned to the superintendent that he was

Again the chair was tested while trying to sell a pig in a poke.

Claude Swanson Allen, namesake of a United States Senator, was being led through the corridor to the chamber door. Though a trifle pale he marched with measured stride, his head held high, his wonderful nerve with him to the end. As he took his seat he moved his arms to assist the guards who were adjust-ing the straps and like his father he went silently and unafraid. When Richmond, Va., March 28.—Mum-the bodies were given over to Vicbling a prayer and crying half au- tor Allen, Fioyd's son, by whom they

> HISTORY OF THE CASE. The execution of Floyd and

court murder in Hillsville one year ago, limped to the death chair in the State penitentiary today, 11 minutes ahead of Claude Swanson Allen, his son.

The sentence of the court, held the se

til the following day. The prisonhour after the delay had been ordered and by 8 o'clock today the Governor was again on Virginia soil.
Incensed, as it afterwards developed.
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Warch the 14th, the court room was
Washington, March 30.—"All

clemency, the Governor boarded an early morning train, arriving in Richmond at 11:30 o'clock. On the way he telegraphed the Secretary of the Commonwealth that he would be in Virginia by eight o'clock, this information suddenly checked the plan of Allen sympathizers in further urging the Lieutenant Governor to interfere.

While every proceeding had halted pending the Governor's arrival, word reached police headquarters that a crowd has assembled at the that a crowd has assembled at the bullets flew thick and fast. Judge that a crowd has assembled at the bullets flew thick and fast. Judge Massle, State's Attorney Foster, and plain clothes men being hurried there Sheriff Webb were shot down and with the handling of the flood situ-

o'clock, the hour announced for the ments against Floyd Allen, Claude ly tending toward normal conditions. General Assembly of opposing al execution, had left the prison with Swanson Allen and Victor Allen, son Just after sunrise the Allens pracically collapsed when informed hat a half-day respite had been hat a half-day respite had been had a half-day respite had been ha

Claude Allen, who had retained his were arrested at Pulaski, March 17 nerve throughout the trying ordeal and taken to Roanoke. Sidna Edcared for indefinitely, those persons hut he regained his composure as it. Decared for indefinitely, those persons hut he regained his composure as it. Decared for indefinitely, those persons have the regained his composure as it. Decared for indefinitely, those persons have the regained his composure as it. Decared for indefinitely, those persons have the regained his composure as it. Decared for indefinitely, those persons have the regained his composure as it. Decared for indefinitely, those persons have the regained his composure as it. Decared for indefinitely, those persons have the regained his composure as it. Decared for indefinitely, those persons have the regained his composure as it. Decared for indefinitely, those persons have the regained his composure as it. Decared for indefinitely, those persons have the regained his person and taken to Roanoke. Sidna Edcared for indefinitely, those persons have the regained his person and the regained his pe but he regained his composure as in Des Moines. Claude Swanson hold goods were swept away. They he noted the hopeless and dejected Allen, almost starved by two weeks he noted the hopeless and dejected appearance of his aged father in of hiding in the mountains, gave the cell across the corridor. As himself up near Hillsville, March the morning hours passed they sat 28, and on the following day Friel a few dollars. A half million dollars the morning hours passed they sat 28, and on the following day Friel a few dollars. A half million dollars the morning hours passed they sat 28, and on the following day Friel a few dollars. A half million dollars the morning hours passed they sat 28, and on the following day Friel a few dollars. with their spiritual advisers, but Allen followed his example. Wesley lars could be used in this way by they nerved themselves again for the Edwards managed to escape, but the relief committee. end when they heard that Governor was captured at Des Moines Septem-

Floyd Allen and his son, Claude were tried seperately for the murder of State's Attorney Foster and found guilty. They were sentenc-ed to be executed on November 22 of last year, but obtained several respites, the date being finally fixed for March 28. Sidna Allen was o'clock this morning of the action given 35 years, Wesley Edwards 27 years, Friel Allen 18 years, Sidna Edwards 18 years in the penitenti-ary. Victor Allen, Bird Marion and John F. Moore were acquitted.

Leaves From an Old Account Book. In looking over a bunch of old papers one day recently, Mr. A. M. Crowell came across some leaves in their loyalty to the condemned way, the work having seen done men, were telling them good-bye, the prison superintendent stepped into days of steel pens. One thing that this shows is that the folks in that time were careful about the pennies. contrary to the usual bellef. Many articles are charged on these leaves FAREWELLS SAID.

at twelve and a half cents, seventhe wounds he received in the Hillstille court battle, and the leaf ville court battle, said the last ried out in each case. On the tearful farewell to his boy and went pages appear such names as Robert Marion Helms, Wilson Chachamber. A groan escaped him as ney, Ellis P. Chaney, David V. he sat in the chair while the straps Cuthbertson, William F. Cuthbert-

The man who asks for a raise in The body was speedily re- salary on the strength of what he for \$6,250, one-twelfth of th \$75,-

NOT SO BAD AS EXPECTED.

A NORMAL SITUATION IS BEING REACHED IN FLOOD DIS-

In point of loss of life the fleod sued the following statement:
"There was nothing of any perlisaster in Ohlo and Indiana which of last week was not so great as was first reported. Some of the earlier reports, which are printed eisewhere in this paper, estimated that three thousand lives had been lost, while the indications now are dent. I frankly discussed the North last the number will not even fire. The sentence of the court, held up for six hours while desperate and dramatic efforts were being made to save the condemned men by eleventh hour appeals to the Lieutenant Governor, was speedily ordered to proceed when Governor Mann hastened back to Virginia soil to take charge of a situation which was sensational and exciting to a degree. The prison superintent dent, acting entirely within the law, agreed at 2 o'clock to postpone the execution, giving the Atty, General an opportunity to pass upon the contribution of the most sensational murder tragedies ever that three thousand lives had been that the number will not exceed five cardina situation along the lines I from you. If you and we expect to hear that the number will not exceed five cardina situation along the lines I for you and we expect to hear then the indications now are that the number will not exceed five cardina situation along the lines I from you. If any one owes for this paper rested for some minor offense by a deputy sheriff. While they were been that three thousand lives had been that three thousands of microlous that the number will not exceed five cardina situation along the lines I from you. If any one owes for they paper that the number will not exceed five cardina situation along the lines I from you and we expect to hear that the number will not exceed five cardina situation along the lines I from you. If any one owes for the paper what the number will not exceed five cardina situation along the lines I from you.

If you have the North Cardina situation along the lines I from you have except to pay, we want they could get a hold to sustain they could get a hold to sustain they could get a hold the floods empty into the Ohio and these measures.

Floyd Allen had openly boasted the Missouri, and evatually into the Mississippi, and the property loss herent and persistent reactionary that he would never go to prison and it is said that the Ailens had made frequent threats against the court and everybody connected with it. He was tried March 13, but the jury did not bring in its verdict unput of the Said of the Sai it. He was tried March 13, but the jury did not bring in its verdict unjury did not bring in its verdict unjury did not bring in its verdict unjury did not bring did not bring in its verdict unjury did not bring did not bring in its verdict unjury did not bring did no

plain clothes men being hurried there to prevent any demonstration. When the Governor stepped on the platform he was quickly surrounded by officers who escorted him to a taxicab which took him quickly to the Capitol.

In his office at the State prison, In his office at the State prison, Superintendent Wood was pacing the floor nervously as he awaited the floor nervously as he awaited developments. The situation there had become more intense. Precisely at noon the superintendent was called to the telephone.

"The Governor of Virginia is at "The Governor of Virginia is at later gained to \$4.000 which was been shot in the knee, at noon the superintendent was called to the telephone.

"The Governor of Virginia is at later gained to \$4.000 which was been shot in the knee, where they eluded the posse sent to capture them. The Governor of the gained are the state of the state his desk," was the message he re-ceived from the Capitol and instant-of the gang. ceived from the Capitol and instantly preparations were made to obey
the mandate of the court. The witnessess who had assembled at 7
special grand jury returned indictlater raised to \$4,000 for the arrest
son he would announce that Hamilton and Dayton, as well as the other
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had found themselves and are rapidcerned he is on record in the last
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Waiter
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had found themselves and are rapidcerned he is on record in the last THE SITUATION AT DAYTON.

Many thousand persons must be must be provided with a few neces- ground that they were invited the relief committee. Fifteen thousand houses and busi-

ness buildings must be rehabilated. Two thousand houses and other structures, or what remains of them must be pulled down.

Thousands of tons of debris must

WEST VIRGINIA IN DANGER.

Huntington, W. Va., March 30. permits the county to vote of This city tonight is in total dark-question of issuing bonds in ter famine, 15,000 out of the 40,-600 inhabitants are homeless.

this place, when they were in business in Goose Creek township. The
accounts were kept by Mr. Flow, who
of all buildings. Numerous homes
was then a young man, and are

Charleston. He motor boats and skiffs. The motor boats and skiffs are now being takthe pany has taken charge of the rescue work.

Today Mr. Wilson received his first check in payment for his serand electrodes were being fastened about him. The current was turned on at 1:22 o'clock and in four others.

Son, Dr. Thos. C. Caidwell, John vices as president of the United States. It was for the sum of \$5,ed on at 1:22 o'clock and in four others. the United in six weeks. for a full month's service and will be of it. is going to do for the concern is 000 per year which the president re-

MR, JUSTICE AFTER MR. WATTS.

Told the President the fredell Sena tor is a Reactionary and Opposed Progressive Measure in the Legislature.

TRICTS.

Mr. E. J. Justice of Greenshoro was in Washington last week and called on the President. Afterward Mr. Justice conferred with Secretary Out First Estimates of Less of of State Bryan, Senators Gore and Life—But Property Less is Be-Owen of Oklahoma, Secretary of the yond Computation—Xo Immediate
Suffering New—Death List Not
Washington correspondent to the
Washington correspondent to the Greensboro News, and he then is-

swept that section the early part sonal interest discussed by me with

"So far as I am concerned think it would be disastrous to the cause of progressive Democracy for this class of reactionaries to given the Federal offices for the reason that it would be an asset in their hands to keep North Carolina

reactionary.
"I said this to the President in

most if not all the progressive meas-Dayton, Ohio, March 30.—Here is favoring any, and to him, more than Forty thousand persons must be no concealment of the fact that he Forty thousand persons must be fed, clothed and housed for a week more.

| was violently opposed to the resolutions I offered inviting the Presidence. dent, Mr. Bryan and Senator Laopposition particularly

Possible Road Elections

Under the laws now existing three special road elections may be held in this county and many more township elections if desired. On law permits the people of Monroe township to vote on the issuing of one hundred thousand dollars in bonds for road improvement. One law permits the county to vote on the ness, is facing both a flood and wa- sum of two hundred thousand, but letting a majority vote decide 12 This is the law under which persons are reported missing and election was held last year, but is the property damage, according to amended so that a majority of votes close estimates of leading business cast, and not a majority of the regmen, will amount to nearly \$1,000, istered voters, decides the ques-Gov. H. D. Hatfield arrived here ward an election. All of these bills tonight on a special train from except the last have already been many friends who wish them a hapbrought supplies, published in The Journal.

This warm winter kept many files alive and we will have to begin A Vitagraph special feature. "The swatting earlier, and more persis- Little Minister," in three reels and tently this spring than last. Swat- one of the most popular plays ever ters are of little value except where produced, will be shown at the Pasthere are a comparatively few flies, time this afternoon and tonight. Swatters are just the thing for

When a man begins to blow in

a jolly is always better than a jar.

LOOK UP

If the date opposite your name on the label reads "furder back" than April 1, 1913, it is time for

If you are paid up to date, you will have the satisfaction of feeling or k" when you look at the label.

If you are not paid up, then this for constitutional amendment or charter amondment is referred to

to find it out. If you have fallen which the people may rescind the behind from carelesseness, this will action of their agents when necessa-

If you have been unfortunate and age of the qualified voters a vote don't feel able to pay the amount, may be had on any local law to de-

ing to read in advance, not behind.

A great many have recponded already, and we received a good number of renewals this morning after we had made up our mailing list for this week and the label will him. It is a safeguard to good him. sent your renewal in and your label in North Carolina understands that does not show it, your date will be run up by next week.

> North Carolinian to Represent U. S. at Court of St. James.

Washington, March 31 .- It was brought out today, that Walter H. or other corporation to lay down Page, editor of World's Work and and require certain fixed duties of a North Carolinian, had been offer-their employees after examining ed and had accepted the ambassa-them to see whether they are com-

don within 10 days.

With the appointment of Mr.
Page to represent the Administration at the Court of St. James, he Carolina closely connected with the Wilson administration, Daniels, Secretary of the Navy and Houston, Cecretary of Agriculture, will the other two.

Recorder's Court.

Walter Stack, carrying concealed veapons, two cases; 4 months on competency and carelessness?

coads in each case. Appeals to Sumerchant would recall him w perior court. W. P. Harris, resisting officer;

R. Armfield, disturbing the peace;

and battery; 30 days.

and battery; not guilty,

Luther Beaver, carrying conceald weapons, \$10 and costs; assault with deadly weapon, \$10 and costs. poration in the same way.

John Blount, colored, larceny; nonths on roads. Authur Thomas, assault and bat

ry; not guilty. battery: costs.

Vance Laney, assault; costs. Charite Laney, carrying concealed weapon; \$10 and costs. Jas. H. Howie, gambling; \$7.50 and costs.

Aid to Flood Sufferers.

The Monroe lodge made the first contribution this place to the flood sufferers, having sent a check for ten dollars Saturday night. The lodge then appointed Messrs R. W. Lemmond, ular rule. The ward politician, the H. T. Pate and C. E. Schachner a ignorant local dictator as well as appointed Messrs R. W. Lemmond. committee to solicit funds and forward them at once. Any one may make their contributions to either of the above gentlmen, or leave to defeat the will of the people—
them at the Journal office or the them at the Journal office or the the initiative, referendum and re-Bank of Union.

Thomas-Austin.

Miss Estelle Austin, daughter of cation and to publicity. Their one Mrs. Henry Austin of West Monroe great argument and scare is "dantion. The other county law per- township, and Mr. John P. Thomas gerous," Crowell came across some leaves This afternoon at 4 o'clock the mits the county to vote on the of Charlotte were married at the their assertions. These measurements are the county taking over Baptist parsonage in Monroe last. These measurements are the county taking over Baptist parsonage in Monroe last. The jury which under the law is required to witness all executions, assembled outside the penitentiary shortly before 1 o'clock, mingling there with the crowd. The program to the program of the county taking over the chain gang and grading roads and contracting for dragging. The come sooner or later. Why this place, when they were in business section is inundated, legislature also passed a general to witness the ceretain the county taking over the chain gang and grading roads and contracting for dragging. The come sooner or later. Why this place, when they were in business section is inundated, water being up to the second floor statute permitting any township mony. We and the county taking over the chain gang and grading roads and contracting for dragging. The come sooner or later. Why water business section is inundated, water being up to the second floor statute permitting any township. as originally announced was carried accounts were kept by all and are have been wrecked and their occuout without change. While two
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> "The Little Minister," at the Pastime Tonight.

A young scotch minister falls in

those flies that wintered over. Swat love with a gypsy girl. The ban of now, for it will be a hopeless case the "Kirk" and the condemnation of the austere town folk intervene there's trouble around. as Carriers to their marriage. Unexpected circumstances of a start-Hereafter, the check will be his money a lot of people get wind ling nature happen and their prejudice and intolerance are removed Love conquers and the little minis-Whatever may be said against it, ter and "babbie" are married. Matinee at 4:00 p. m.

Initiative, Referendum and Recall,

Don't forget to register for the ection April 15th on the initiareferendum and recall.

Whether you favor these measures or not, it is your duty to vote your sentiments.

What is mount by the initiative? The initiative is a start or a neglin-ning of some law to be submitted to popular vote. The initiative is a process of popular control or direct legislation by which any municipal-ity, any county or any State can by petition of a given percentage of veters have a proposed law submityou to renew. Some are so far back that they ought to be ashamed of same or defeat. It is the country sage or defeat, it is the quintes-sence of majority rule,

is for you and we expect to hear charter amendment is referred to the people to adopt or reject it is called a referendum or referred bill.

The referendum is a method by By petition of a given percenttermine whether a majority of the

people want it. This is democracy. What is the recall? The recall is a process of popular control, by which the people may by majority vote after petition for election by a government,

All business houses have the re-call for their employees. All banks, factories and all other corporations employing agents, representatives or servants have the recall for these. All railroads have the recall for their employees.

white petent, is it not much more necesdorship to Great Britian. White House officials confirmed the news and Mr. Page will leave for London within 10 days.

The petent, is it not much more a care sary for a city, a county or a State to employ competent servants to run their business? How long would a complex complex complex to the confirmal complex compl railroad official retain an incomperage to represent the Administra-tion at the Court of St. James, he is the third man born in North Carolina closely connected with the The railroad officials and the mer-chants and the banks examine their employees on certain defined duties. being What merchant would employ a clerk without having any restraint or control over him? How long would a clerk retain his job, if he wasted his time, showed general inmerchant would recall him without undue ceremony.

What merchant can reserve the right to discharge an employee for acompetency or for stealing or for osts.

John West, car breaking; bound carry out orders, and then candidly say that this same principle should Bud Poore, colored, violating or-dinance 80; \$5 and costs.

Walter Babb, assault and battery; your corporation? You are taxed to help to run it.

employ a fellow to work and leave him without restraint, Daisy Houston, colored, assault control, responsibility or supervision you will lose more money on him than you can make.

It is possible to bankrupt a cor-Pratt Jacobs, larceny; 6 months waste, mismanagement and graft increase the burdens of taxation. Each individual citizen will suffer in proportion. His business-the city government, the county government or the State government is just as sure Abe McCain, colored, assault and to be wrecked by bad management and slack business methods as a private business would be under the same conditions.

Those who oppose the initiative, referendum and recall: have a nice, easy public plum and wish not to be disturbed in their holding of their easy jobs; nearly all reactionaries, standpatters, professional politicians, federalists, centralists and any others who hold their places and their power by keeping the people in the dark, are opposed to these measures of popthe learned senator or representative of national fame-who wishes eall. Their specialty is pulling the wool over the eyes of hie masses, They are opposed to universal eduand then fail to qualify These measures are bound to

come sooner or later. Why not Very truly, H. D. STEWART

The goods to which you give up display space should be goods that will pay you a satisfactory return on that space.

Don't wait for the time to come when you need friends to make them. Make them now and let them use you first.

Some so-called friends are like burglar alarms-they go off when

A man's business should also advertise his advertising

Clothing may come down in price at times, but there are no bargains