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## Maybe Neither Coolidge, Davis Nor LaFollette ACCOMPLICE IN MURDER LIVED IN THIS COUNTY

An Unusual Political Situation Makes Possible a Final Presidential Choice by the Senate of Either Bryan or Dawes. An Outline of the Workings of Our Election Machinery When an Electoral Majority is Not Won.

Fancy a conservative newspaper publishing on its first page a story to the effect that neither Coolidge nor Davis nor LaFollette will be elected President of the United States in November. At first glance such a statement might seem outside the realm of possibility, but the political situation is complex and the election machinery such that it does not require much imagination to foresee the possibility, if not the probability, of such a situation. Almost anything may happen in November.

There are 531 votes in the Electoral College. The electoral college is composed of electors from each state, equal in number to the number of Senators and Representatives to which the State is entitled. For example, New York state has two Senators and 43 Representatives. Therefore New York has forty-five votes in the electoral college. North Carolina has two Senators and ten Congressmen; therefore, North Carolina has 12 votes in the electoral college. The total membership of the electoral college equals the total membership of the Senate and House—531. In voting it will be remembered that the people vote for the electors of their states, these names appearing on the ballot, and not those of Coolidge or Davis or LaFollette.

The Constitution provides that a majority of these 531 electoral votes, or 266, is necessary to the choice of a President. The person having the greatest number of votes, of course, wins when there are only two candidates in the field, but with three the complexities begin.

Here is the constitutional clause: "The person having the greatest number of votes (in the Electoral College) for President shall be the President, if such number be a majority of the whole number of electors appointed; and if no person having such majority, then from the persons having the highest numbers, not exceeding three, on the list of those voted for as President, the House of Representatives shall choose immediately by ballot, the President."

Electing a President. Now let us turn to the situation. If the candidate receiving merely the largest number of electoral votes

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FINE COPPER STILL.

Constable C. W. Wrenn Monday brought to the Sheriff's office a 150-gallon copper-lined still, with copper worm and cap. It was found near the mouth of Naked Creek; and had been used, and was being used, for making peach brandy.

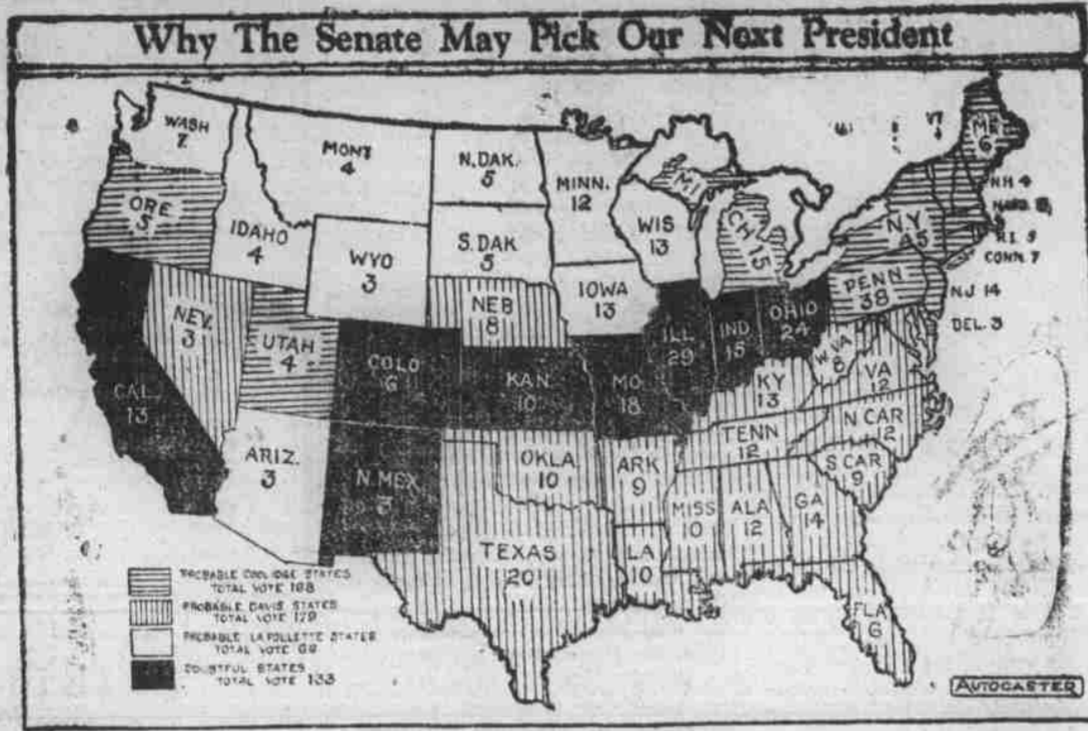
FOOTBALL EQUIPMENT.

Coach Shorty Lawrence came back to town Monday from a trip to the mountains. He will be in and out until school opens (probably Sept. 1st.)

He has ordered some nifty jerseys and other equipment for the football team. The jerseys are solid orange, with stickem cloth, and felt numbers on the backs. The head-gear will be yellow; the stockings black, with one-quarter pin stripes every two inches. Rockingham High will have the best team in its history, this fall; and is going out for the state championship.

HICKS GETS GROCERY.

J. F. Hicks has bought out the W. R. Fluke grocery and takes charge Friday, Aug. 1st. Mr. Hicks will conduct the business in the same stand.



### ELLERBE BANKS CONSOLIDATE

BANK OF ELLERBE LAST SATURDAY TOOK OVER THE BENNETT BANK & TRUST CO., MERGING THE YOUNGER BANK INTO THE OLDER.

The doors of the Bennett Bank & Trust Co., at Ellerbe, were not opened last Saturday, instead the books and accounts etc being transferred across

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### NEW NASH MODELS.

On page four can be seen the announcement of the new Nash models, just out. The Pee Dee Motor Sales Co. tonight received one of these new model cars, and has it on exhibition now.

### REFEREE MEETING AUG. 17TH.

J. B. Cheshire, Jr., U. S. Referee in Bankruptcy, has sent out notices that the first meeting of the creditors of M. H. French (Garden and Star theatres) will be held in the office of M. W. Nash at Hamlet Aug. 17th, at 1:30 o'clock, at which time the creditors may attend, claims can be proved, trustee appointed and other business transacted.

### BODY THROWN INTO A CREEK

WHITE JITNEY DRIVER IN HALL-FAX COUNTY SHOT BY NEGRO PASSENGERS SATURDAY NIGHT AND BODY HID IN CREEK.

There is an old saying that when one fire breaks out in a town, two others will soon follow.

And when one murder occurs, of an unusual nature, other similar murders are likely to take place. For instance, the recent killing of Major McLeary, the hiding of his body and the eating up thereof by buzzards, perhaps gives to the minds of some who are not naturally strong-minded a disposition to go and do likewise. There is a

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### 205 MONTHS ON ROADS SENTENCES

SUPERIOR COURT FOR CRIMINAL CASES LAST WEEK NETTED 205 MONTHS IN ROAD SENTENCES FOR 10 MEN. TWO TERMS IN SEPTEMBER.

This paper last week gave the names and sentences of those sentenced to the roads, the total amounting to 178 months. Additional sentences to that total were 2 years for Walter Chance, and 90 days for G. P. (Bud) Henry, making a total of 205 months for this term of Court.

When the POST-DISPATCH went

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### TRAIN WRECKED TODAY.

No. 5, the New York to Atlanta Seaboard fast train, was six hours late today, due to its having been derailed between Lemon Springs and Cameron this morning about 6:15 o'clock. The engineers was scalded, and a few others had minor injuries, but no one was killed. The track was repaired and the trains continued southward in six hours time.

### GREEN LAKE CHURCH HOME COMING.

Annual Home Coming at Green Lake This Sunday. Dinner on Grounds.

The annual Home Coming at Green Lake church will be held this Sunday, August 3rd. Rev. J. H. Shore will be the speaker at the morning service, and Prof. Earnest Green, of Carolina College, at the afternoon service. Special music from a picked choir will furnish the music at both services.

The public is cordially invited to this annual event, and the people are asked to bring baskets.

### \$42,000 TOWN BONDS.

As can be seen in the advertising columns, the Town is to issue \$42,000 in street improvement bonds. It is understood that this is to pay for street and pavement work already done, and some pavement work that is now in process.

### THINK IN TERMS OF HIGH COTTON

MANY MEN WHO KNOCK THE CO-OPS THINK IN TERMS OF HIGHEST PRICE OF THE SEASON, AS THE ONE AT WHICH THEY WOULD HAVE SOLD!

The true measure of the progress of individuals, peoples, nations or institutions is not to be found in the position which they may chance to occupy at a given moment of time. It may properly be determined only

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### FEDERATED CLUBS SATURDAY

County Clubs 11 O'Clock.

The home demonstration clubs of Richmond county will meet together Saturday morning at 11 o'clock in the office of the Home Demonstration Agent at the new courthouse. Present will be Miss Elizabeth Kelly, of the Tobacco Co-Ops, and Miss Landon, of the Cotton Co-Ops, who will make addresses.

The demonstration in peach preserving etc will not be held, neither will lunch be served; the abandonment of this feature was thought best in view of the various revivals being held in the county and the desire of the housewives to be at home Saturday afternoon to prepare for their Sunday duties.

### NEGRO KILLED IN MINE.

Lee Covington was killed in a coal mine at Uniontown, Pa., Saturday when a cave-in occurred. The body was shipped to Rockingham, reaching here Wednesday and buried at Holly Grove the same day.

Lee was about 27 years old and had been in Pennsylvania for several years. He was raised by Mr. E. N. Ingram, who had Lee and a brother bound to him when young boys.

### UNION SERVICE SUNDAY.

The union services of the Methodist, Episcopal and Presbyterian congregations will be held Sunday night at the Presbyterian church, with Rev. J. D. Bundy, Methodist pastor, preaching the sermon.

### PEACH SHOW GREAT SUCCESS

FOURTH ANNUAL PEACH SHOW HELD AT HAMLET WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY ECLIPSE ALL FORMER EFFORTS. MANY NOTABLE MEN PRESENT.

The fourth annual Peach Show held at Hamlet Wednesday and today has eclipsed all former efforts. In every way it was a success. Several thousand people, mostly from a distance, motored to Hamlet to see the beautiful display of Georgia Beles, Elbertas and Hales, and then to inspect the various orchards that dot the eastern part of Richmond county and western and central part of More.

The Show was held in the tobacco warehouse. It was artistically decorated.

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### THAT SLOGAN PRIZE

Time Limit Extended Aug. 10.

Have you made a suggestion as to a slogan for Rockingham? Last week's paper gave the rules of the contest, in which the Pee Dee Motor Sales Co., is trying to get a suitable slogan, not exceeding 35 letters (not counting the name 'Rockingham'). The prize is \$5, and the first 50 persons carrying or sending sealed slogans, will be given a gallon of gas free.

The time limit was Aug. 3rd, but this is extended through Aug. 10th. Think up a slogan and try for the \$5 prize. Mr. Tucker has asked Messrs. Lowdermilk, Wall, Parsons, London and Reynolds to be the committee to decide the prize winner.

### TOOLS OF THE LAW.

Deputies Reynolds, Seawell and Key Monday broke up a 60-gal. oil drum still on the Holt spring branch, about five miles northwest of Rockingham. They poured the beer in the branch, and in a few minutes they caught a large eel that had become affected by the beer.

Calvin Stanback, colored, was brought back from Richmond Wednesday by D. M. McCall, to answer to the charge of abandoning his family.

### RHAM MAN HURT IN TRAIN WRECK

J. F. MEACHAM SUFFERS BROKEN ARM AND LEG WHEN TWO CARS ON INTERURBAN NEAR CHARLOTTE COLLIDED TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Eleven white people and five negroes were injured Tuesday afternoon just outside the city limits of Charlotte, when an electric car on

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### OFFICERS ARE KILLED.

Riddled with bullets, the bodies of Leon George, veteran prohibition agent of the Wilmington police department, and Sam W. Lilly, deputy U. S. Marshal, were found on an isolated road four miles from Phoenix, Brunswick county, at 10:15 o'clock Tuesday night. George was crumpled under the steering wheel, shot thru the head and body; while Lilly was sprawled in the road beside the machine. George's Airedale dog, with six bullets in him, was dead in the back of the car. The weapons of the officers were in their pockets and had not been fired.

Elmer Stuart and Jack Ramsey, two young white men, were on Wednesday arrested in Brunswick county and lodged in jail at Southport. They are blockaders and are believed to have ambushed the officers and killed them. Both young fellows are about 22 years old.

### SEDBERRY MURDERER CAUGHT.

Jim Collins, the negro who shot and killed Chalmers Sedberry in Anson county July 19th, was captured Sunday near Georgeville, in Cabarrus county. Two of the searching party found Collins concealed in a clump of bushes on the bank of Rocky River. He attempted to escape and was shot in the arm. He ran but was caught a few hundred yards up the river, lying flat on the ground and with a knife in his hand. He was carried to Concord jail, but Sunday night was carried to some neighboring jail, generally believed to be Charlotte, where he will be kept until Anson county Court convenes, which is Sept. 8th, with Judge Lane presiding.

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