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## ASHLEY HORNE FOR THE HOUSE.

Johnston County Democrats Hold One of the Largest Conventions in Recent Years. Stevens, Honeycutt and Nowell All Re-nominated. L. H. Allred to Be Mr. Horne's Running Mate. Mr. M. C. Winston Recommended for the Senate. W. L. Stancil for Treasurer. Two New Men, E. S. Coats and W. T. Parker for County Commissioners.

The Johnston County Democratic Convention was held here Wednesday and was the most largely attended of any convention in recent years. At eleven o'clock the convention was called to order by Hon. Clarence W. Richardson, chairman Democratic Executive Committee. After prayer by Rev. J. M. Daniel, of Selma, Hon. Ashley Horne, of Clayton, was called to the chair as temporary chairman, and T. J. Lassiter was asked to act as temporary secretary. Roll call showed that all the townships were represented by large delegations. The temporary organization was made permanent. Mr. Lassiter not being present at the time of his election Mr. Allred was called on to act as secretary. In this, he was ably assisted by Mr. F. H. Brooks.

Upon motion of Mr. Ed S. Abell the nominations were entered upon in the following order:

Clerk Superior Court.  
Register of Deeds.  
Sheriff.  
Treasurer.  
Coroner.  
Surveyor.  
House of Representatives.  
Recommending Senator.  
County Commissioners.

For Clerk of the Court—W. S. Stevens and Albert M. Noble and George L. Jones were placed in nomination. On the first ballot Stevens was nominated, the vote being Stevens 88, Noble 10 and Jones two, not counting fractions. Noble moved that nomination be made unanimous which was done.

For Register of Deeds—Alonzo Barber, of Elevation, E. S. Edmundson, of Pleasant Grove, Walter M. Ives, of Smithfield, Sam T. Honeycutt, of Smithfield, N. B. Hales, of Pine Level, and N. R. Pool, of Clayton were placed before the convention.

First ballot—Barber, 21.50; Edmundson, 23.67; Ives, 9.25; Honeycutt, 47.05; Hales 9.75; Pool 1.8.

Second ballot—Ives withdrawn—Barber, 21; Edmundson, 22.71; Ives, .07; Honeycutt 54.6; Hales 5.06.

Third ballot—Hales and Barber withdrawn—Edmundson 55.576; Honeycutt, 56.475. Honeycutt nominated, getting 889-1000 of a vote more than Edmundson.

For Sheriff—R. M. Nowell, C. W. Richardson, W. F. Grimes, Ell S. Turlington, C. M. Wilson and W. D. Avera were placed before the convention.

Five ballots were taken before a nomination was made, Nowell being in the lead on the first ballot and holding throughout till he was given the plum on the fifth. On the third ballot votes from Clayton, Cleveland and Boon Hill were given to A. M. Sanders, in all 12 votes. On the fourth ballot only Nowell, Grimes, Avera and Sanders were voted for. After four ballots all candidates were withdrawn but Grimes and Nowell. On the fifth ballot Grimes received 49.25 and Nowell 62.75. Nowell nominated.

For Treasurer—W. L. Stancil, Dr. G. A. Hood and Alex Wiggs were placed in nomination. Stancil won on the first ballot, getting 80 votes; Hood received 18 and Wiggs 6, not counting the fractions.

For Coroner—Dr. Thel Hooks was nominated by acclamation.

For Surveyor—T. R. Fulghum and Rosa Lambert were placed before the convention. Fulghum nominated on first ballot.

For House of Representatives Hon. Ashley Horne and Mr. L. H. Allred were nominated by acclamation. Mr. Horne talked about declining nomination, but convention would not hear to it, so he accepted.

For Senator the name of Mr. M. C. Winston, of Selma, was recommended to the Senatorial Convention to meet in Dunn next week.

The different districts got together and recommended the following for County Commissioners: E. S. Coats, J. C. Keen, D. B. Oliver, John W. Wood and W. T. Parker. The

convention accepted the recommendations and nominated them by acclamation.

After a session of more than seven hours the convention adjourned. The most of the delegates had left for their homes sometime before the work of the convention was over.

## AGED NEGRO KILLED AT MILL.

Eighty-Two Year Old Fireman Loses His Life By Accident At Avera's Mill.

Last Friday afternoon news reached here that Wesley Judkins had been instantly killed at Mr. W. D. Avera's Mill, three and a half miles from here. He was fireman at the mill and was eighty-two years old. The accident occurred on account of a bolt working loose which helped to hold on one of the balancing pieces on the shaft which ran the two driving wheels. The engine was running at high speed when the balancing piece dropped down and caused a smashup. The belt broke and knocked the colored man down, then the two driving wheels broke into several parts one of the largest pieces striking Wesley. It broke his collar bone and breast bone and ribs on the right side. Others who were near the engine narrowly escaped being struck. The loss is something over two hundred dollars damage to the engine.

## GENERAL NEWS.

Congressman Charles Q. Tirrell died suddenly Sunday at Natick, Mass.

Louis Paulhan, the French aviator, has been decorated with the French Legion of Honor.

Gen. Jefferson Davis Bradford, only surviving nephew of Jefferson Davis, died Sunday night in New Orleans.

An improved demand for cars and a consequent reduction of the surplus by 9,230 cars was noted in the fortnightly statement of surpluses and shortages of the American Railway Association.

At least two persons were drowned and several others had narrow escapes from death Friday when a Government launch used by the soldiers at Fort Scriben, near Savannah, Ga., was sunk in Lazaretto Creek.

I. J. Bolton, a Newark, O., saloon-keeper, is in jail at Columbus, O., on a first-degree murder charge in connection with the lynching of Carl Etherington. Bolton is alleged to have placed the noose about the boy's neck. His saloon was raided on the day of the lynching.

The value of imported manufacturers' material of the United States for the fiscal year just closed, including crude and partly manufactured goods, amounted to \$856,000,000 as compared with \$671,000,000 last year, \$410,000,000 ten years ago and \$287,500,000 twenty years ago, according to statistics reported by the Department of Commerce and Labor.

President Taft has practically canceled his fall speaking dates. The only important one left open is that scheduled for St. Paul at the session of the Conservation Congress, and the President may not fill this. Press of executive business is given as the cause. It was announced at Beverly that the President had secured Senator Crane's consent to visit the West and make a report on political conditions to him. It is believed the President desires to keep out of the campaign. He will go to Panama in November.

Dr. Hawley Harvey Crippen and Ethel Clare Leneve, his stenographer, who fled from London after the disappearance of the doctor's wife, formerly Belle Elmore, a vaudeville actress, were arrested Sunday morning on board the Canadian Pacific liner Montrose, off Father Point, Quebec, at the command of Inspector Dew, of Scotland Yard, who traveled across the ocean to intercept the fugitives. The man is charged with the murder of an unidentified woman, supposed to be his wife, and his companion is charged with being an accessory.

## Cotton Mill Getting Ready.

The floors of the Ivanhoe Cotton Mill have been finished, arrangements are being made to build the water tower, the machinery will arrive about August 15th and it will not be long before the mill will be ready to run.

## METHODISTS AT SELMA.

New Church Dedicated On Sunday With Impressive Exercises. Beautiful Edifice Cost \$10,700, and at Its Dedication Bishop Kilgo Preached the Sermon.—Debt of \$3,500 Being Raised a Great Congregation Being in Attendance.

The new Selma Methodist church was opened and dedicated on last Sunday, and visitors from Raleigh bring back reports of exercises that were most impressive, a great congregation being present, and the whole town taking a deep interest. There were many present from nearby towns.

It was a great day for the Methodists of Selma, the event marking an advance for them in the dedication of the beautiful church edifice, built of brick, costing \$10,700, the start for this having been made a year ago.

Everything in the church is complete, including an excellent pipe organ, and at the exercises on Sunday a debt of \$3,500 was raised, this work having been in charge of Col. John F. Bruton, of Wilson, at the services on Sunday. The church is so built that it can be enlarged by the addition of a Sunday School room.

At the Sunday School exercises on Sunday morning there was music and the prayer was by Rev. J. M. Daniel, the pastor of the church, while an address to the Sunday School was made by Rev. G. T. Adams, of Durham. At 10:30 there were musical selections, taking part in these being Mr. Hubert Poteat, of Wake Forest, Mrs. N. E. Edgerton and Mrs. W. H. Call, vocal solos being given by Miss Anne Noble of Selma, and Mrs. Leroy Theim of Raleigh, the choir rendering other music, and Rev. R. B. John, of Raleigh, presiding elder, leading the congregation in prayer.

At 11 o'clock after Mr. Bruton had raised the \$3,500 needed, Bishop John C. Kigo preached a strong sermon to the gratification of the large congregation, and then Mrs. N. E. Edgerton presented the church for dedication, this ceremony being performed by Bishop Kilgo.

The sermon at night was also preached by Bishop Kilgo, a very large congregation being present at that time. The music was a feature at night, and in addition to those who had taken part at the morning service there was a solo by Miss Maggie Whitley. The entire day was a great one for the Methodists of Selma, who have shown wonderful enterprise in carrying to success the movement which was resulted in the completion of so beautiful a church.—News and Observer.

## MONEY IN HIS OLD CLOTHES.

Checks Found in Pockets Just Before Sending Pants to Pressing Club.

Last week a North Carolina merchant decided to have an old pair of pants cleaned up and pressed. He laid them aside last fall and had not seen them since. Before sending them to the pressing club he examined the pockets carefully to see if they needed mending. In one of them he found four checks which he took last fall from people living in his town. He presented the checks at the local bank and they were all taken readily. The checks amounted to \$34.04 and will help out that much these dull summer times. Hereafter he will be more careful in placing away his checks.

## "Goosing" Causes Trouble.

The negro boys here practice what is known as "goosing" which consists in punching and pinching each other. Last week Edgar Sanders decided to have a little fun out of Green Raiford in this way. He had treated Raiford so before and there was no good feeling toward him. The Raiford negro cut the other boy across the stomach a long gash and came near killing him. Ten stitches were required to sew up the place. The Raiford boy was placed in jail to await trial.

Jacob M. Dickinson, Secretary of War of the United States, assisted Friday in Manila at the organization of a national society to fight tuberculosis in the Philippines. The disease has been making great inroads among the Filipinos.

## CONDITION COTTON CROP.

According To Bulletin Issued By Department of Agriculture Tuesday—Figures For July 25, 75.5 Per Cent of Normal.

Washington, August 2.—The average condition of the cotton crop on July 25, was 75.5 per cent of a normal, according to a bulletin of the crop reporting board of the Department of Agriculture issued at noon today. The average condition was 80.7 on June 25, 71.9 on July 25 last year 83.0 in 1908, 75.0 in 1907 and 79.4 the ten years average. Comparison of conditions by States follows:

1910.	10-Yr. Avg.
Virginia . . . . .	80
N. Carolina . . . . .	81
S. Carolina . . . . .	79
Georgia . . . . .	70
Florida . . . . .	70
Alabama . . . . .	71
Mississippi . . . . .	71
Louisiana . . . . .	69
Texas . . . . .	82
Arkansas . . . . .	73
Tennessee . . . . .	76
Missouri . . . . .	72
Oklahoma . . . . .	87
California . . . . .	98

## SWANSON NAMED FOR SENATE.

Gov. Mann, of Virginia Selects Him To Fill Out Daniel's Term In The United States Senate.

Richmond, Va., Aug. 1.—Gov. Mann today signed a commission appointing former Gov. Claude A. Swanson, of Chatham, to succeed the late John W. Daniel in the United States Senate. The appointment is for the unexpired term, which will end March 3 next.

There was practically no opposition to the selection of Mr. Swanson for the Senatorship. He was serving as a member of Congress when he was elected governor by the Democrats a few years ago. He will be a candidate for the full term to succeed himself.

Claude Augustus Swanson was born March 31, 1862, in the town of Swansenville, Pittsylvania County. His parents were John Muse Swanson and Catherine Pritchett.

In 1886 he entered the University of Virginia and took the degree of bachelor of law, completing in one year the two-year course. Immediately after graduating from the university he located at Chatham and began the practice of law and was successful from the start. In 1896 he was nominated for Congress, and served in the House of Representatives for six terms.

Mr. Swanson was elected governor of Virginia in 1905 over Judge Lewis (Republican) by the largest majority of any governor since the civil war.

## A. H. ELLER AGAIN CHAIRMAN.

Chosen by Acclamation to Succeed Himself as Head of Democratic Party.

Raleigh, Aug. 1.—The State Democratic executive committee tonight re-elected Hon. A. H. Eller of Winston-Salem, chairman by acclamation and named W. M. Brock, of Anson county secretary in the stead of A. J. Field, who found it impossible to private secretary to Governor Kitchin.

The attention of the committee was directed to the condition in the sixth congressional district, where both O. L. Clark of Bladen and H. L. G-dwin of Harnett claim the nomination for congress and after a lengthy discussion the committee adopted a resolution directing the chairman to appoint a committee of five good Democrats to investigate the situation. The committee will decide first as to the jurisdiction of the committee to take action and then as to whether there has been a nomination, who the real nominee is, in any, and if there is none, then recommend what course should be arrested.

This action was taken after a lengthy discussion in which the necessity of some action to unify the divided forces in the district was especially emphasized. The chairman is to announce his committee alter.

A. J. Field offered a resolution deciding that in the opinion of the executive committee the time has come when a uniform primary law to all parties and all State elections

should be enacted and recommended such legislation for the next general assembly. Action was postponed as to this until the next meeting of the committee, which will probably be when called together to hear the report of the special committee on the sixth congressional district situation.

## NEGRO KNOCKED FROM TRAIN.

One Negro Robbed Another And Pushed Him From Train. Badly Hurt But Alive at Last Account.

Last Saturday night a negro from Jefferson, S. C., was passing Smithfield on a north bound passenger train for some point further north. He had something like twenty-five to thirty dollars in money. When the train passed Dunn a negro got on there and somehow got in conversation with this negro and found out about his money. The negro from Dunn induced him to go out on the platform between two cars, and while cut there he asked him to change five dollars for him. As soon as he started to do this the Dunn negro grabbed the pocket book and knocked the South Carolina negro from the train to the ground. He was badly hurt by the fall. The wounded man crawled to the lumber mill from the railroad and there stayed until he was found Sunday morning. A six-inch gash was on the right side of his head. His lower jaw bone was broken in two pieces and the lips cut through. One of his ankles was sprained. He was taken to a physician here and his wounds treated. Train number 80 took him to Rocky Mount to the Railroad hospital. At last accounts he was alive but as the jar caused concussion of the brain, it is not thought that he can live. So far as we know no one knows anything about the robber.

## Woman Killed Faithless Husband.

Because her husband, Oscar Price, forsook her for another woman, Helen Price, colored, armed herself Saturday night with a double-barrelled shot gun and after walking a distance of six miles, found him at another woman's house and shot half his head off his shoulders. This, says the Charlotte Observer, occurred in Lower Providence township, Mecklenburg county. The woman was accompanied on her murderous mission by her cousin, Sam Walkup, who called Price to the door, when his wife shot him. Both are in jail. The woman went to the home of her landlord after the shooting and offered to surrender.

Beulah Miller was the enchantress who lured Price to his fate. After Price was shot his dead body lay where it fell for 12 hours—until an inquest could be held.—Statesville Landmark.

## VIRGINIA'S CHOICE RATIFIED.

Lee Statue Can't Be Removed—Taft and Wickersham Approve.

President Taft has approved without comment an opinion by Attorney General Wickersham to the effect that there is no provision of law by which the statue of General Robert E. Lee, in Confederate uniform, can be removed from Statuary Hall in the capitol at Washington.

In addition to deciding the question on a purely legal basis, Mr. Wickersham argues the matter from an ethical point of view, declaring that Lee has come to be regarded as typifying all that was best in the cause to which he gave his services and the most loyal and unflinching acceptance of the complete overthrow of that cause. That the State of Virginia should designate him for a place in Statuary Hall as one illustrious for distinguished military service, the Attorney General declares, is but natural and warranted under the reading of the law.

Mr. Wickersham's opinion was called forth by protests to the president from the department of New York, Grand Army of the Republic.—Beverly, Mass., Dispatch.

The largest illicit still in the history of Alabama was captured near Davidson, in Tallapoosa county, Friday the plant having a capacity for manufacturing 200 gallons of moonshine daily. The operators were not arrested.

## CARLISLE DIES IN NEW YORK.

Was Secretary of the Treasury Under President Grover Cleveland. Had Distinguished Career. Always Consistent Democrat, He Served in Many Positions of Trust.

New York, July 31.—John G. Carlisle, former Secretary of the Treasury, who had been critically ill for the past two days, died at his apartments in New York at 10:50 o'clock to-night of heart failure, accompanied by oedema of the lungs.

An intestinal complaint of long standing, which wore down his vitality, lay behind the technical fact of heart failure. He was attacked last spring by the same trouble, complicated by an ailment of the kidneys, and for a time hovered near death. But his remarkable vitality triumphed then, as it seemed it might even in the illness which ended to-night.

John Griffin Carlisle was born in Kenton county, Ky., on September 5, 1835. He was educated in the public schools, after studied law, and was admitted to the bar. Always a consistent Democrat and interested in public affairs as a young man, he rose from the Kentucky House of Representatives to the State Senate, served as Lieutenant-Governor, and finally graduated into national affairs.

From 1877 to 1890 he was a member of the national House, and from 1883 to 1889 was Speaker of the House. He resigned to fill the unexpired term of James B. Beck in the United States Senate, from which he again resigned in 1893 to become Secretary of the Treasury under President Grover Cleveland.

With the retirement from power of the Democratic party in 1897 he withdrew from politics, and took up once more the practice of law, this time in New York City, where he continued to reside until his death to-night.

The body will be sent to Washington to-morrow, and the funeral probably will be held from the residence which Mr. Carlisle still retained there because of the many cases he argued before the United States Supreme Court. Burial will be in the family plot at Covington, Ky.

## A STOCK PLUNGER'S FATE.

Frail Little Man Was a Bank Cashier Who Stole Half a Million.

A frail little man, with grey cheeks and hollow eyes, in whose manner and presence there was nothing to suggest that single-handed he had coolly lifted \$500,000 in bonds and stocks from the strong box of a bank, was arrested to-day in a downtown restaurant, not five minutes' walk from the bank he had robbed. He was Erwin Wider, the missing cashier of the Russo-Chinese bank. In the Court of General Sessions his lawyer, Leon Ginsberg, said that he would plead guilty, and he was committed to the Tombs in default of \$25,000 bail. Ginsberg pleaded vainly with Judge Warren Foster for a lower amount, saying "none of this money is in my client's possession. It was all swallowed up in Wall Street speculation."

Almost as Wider was arrested the grand jury handed up an indictment against him. The arrest was due to the persistence with which detectives trailed Wider's wife. She was in consultation last night with Mrs. Ginsberg, whose husband, besides being Wider's lawyer, was also his neighbor, and thence she was traced to-day to the restaurant where her own husband was arrested.

Wider made no secret of his heavy plunges in the stock market. Sitting at his desk in the bank's agency here, he gave orders openly over the 'phone to his brokers, after the manner of the Rockefellers, the Keenes and other big market gamblers. Stock Exchange members who eagerly sought his patronage said last night the bank was the only address they knew at which to reach him.—New York Dispatch, July 29.

Associate Justice William H. Moody, of the United States Supreme Court, has stated that he will announce his retirement from the bench prior to the expiration of the enabling act passed in his behalf by the last Congress. The act expires the middle of November.