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WALHALLA, S. C. WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 2, 1908.

"Also ran" is applicable to some of the candidates in the recent political race, and equally so to the negro race at Springfield, Ill.

When Blease knew that he couldn't carry much in the whole State, it was folly for him to attempt to carry Aull on his coat-tails in Newberry.

The Columbia State makes note of a "Woman who is a Major." That's nothing. We know a dozen who will easily rank as Commanders-in-chief.

Hereafter you will please designate which flood you refer to—the one Noah figured in, the Johnston flood, or the one that hit Augusta, Ga., and Kingville, S. C.

We are glad to see that the United Coffin Makers are arrayed against the Republican party.—The State.

It is true, then, who will make that odd-size political coffin for Taft in November?

Mr. Ashley will again be in the House to "Josh" the boys next winter. Anderson county, somehow, doesn't seem to be able to sever permanently "the tie that binds" when it comes to "your Uncle Josh."

Just what part Jim Farnum, of Charleston, played in the recent campaign circus is not entirely transparent to the general public, but he is supposed to have fed Mr. Blease, the tigers and some of the other animals.

Tuesday of next week the citizens of Oconee will be called again to choose their officers and to assist in the selection of State officers. Let everybody vote in this election, and go prepared to vote for the best man for each office, regardless of personal like or dislike. Vote for good officials.

Don't rush your cotton on the market unless you get your price. There is no sense in the farmer selling his product now for 4 or 5 cents less per pound than the speculator will get for it a little later. Hold your cotton and get your price. The indicated crop now tends more than ever to 15 cents.

Governor Ansel said he would also be glad to offer his services, but Mr. Blease laughed and said the Governor could not leave his office.

The above is the closing paragraph in a report of a meeting of the State Executive Committee, at which Blease and others tendered their services to the National party. Fortunately for the State, however, Mr. Blease has not, and never will have, the right to say when the Governor can leave his office. His sickly grins and small jabs are but apt illustrations of his size and quality.

There seems to be some dissatisfaction in some quarters as to the campaign expenses of R. G. Rhett, of Charleston. Just why, we fail to see. If a man chooses to spend a hundred thousand legitimately in making his race for any office, whose business is it but his own? The man who spends legitimately his money injures no man, and his expense account is put before the proper authorities for consideration. We find no unjust item in Mr. Rhett's account as published, and doubtless the State Executive Committee found it satisfactory, or they would have been heard from. We heard nothing of "Rhett money" coming to Oconee, but there were undercurrents that indicated that there was other money here. It is not the legitimate expense of a candidate that debauches and pollutes politics, no matter what that expense may be. One candidate may spend half as much as another, yet if his expense account filed before the Executive Committee accounts for but one-half or a third of his actual expenditures, there is where the pollution comes in. We have seen no such item published as "\$500 sent to bootlers in Oconee," yet we have heard intimations that such was the case, and we have seen also "the straws that went with the wind." We have not heard an intimation that there was any "Rhett money" sent to this neck of the woods. Small questionable expenditures are infinitely worse than large legitimate expenses.

Went "Sockless Jerry" One Better.

Montrie, Ga., Aug. 29.—When Senator J. A. Wilkes, from the Seventh District, arrived home yesterday evening from Atlanta he alighted from the Pullman car sockless and shoeless. The South Georgia statesman had gone Jerry Simpson one better in the democracy of foot dress when he climbed into a hack and wrapped the lap robe about his feet. The Senator explained that while he lay in his berth last night and dreamed of amendments and substitutes to the convict bill some miscreant who wanted to stand in a Senator's shoes was swiping his brand-new pair of number sevens.

They Take the Kinks Out.

"I have used Dr. King's New Life Pills for many years, with increasing satisfaction. They take the kinks out of stomach, liver and bowels without fuss or friction," says N. H. Brown, of Pittsfield, Vt. Guaranteed satisfactory at all drug stores. 25c.

SEVENTY DROWNED IN FLOOD.

Estimated Loss of Life in Georgia and Two Carolinas.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 29.—Sixteen known dead in the vicinity of Augusta, with probably an equal number of deaths in outlying districts, from which reports have not been received, probably the loss of two millions of dollars, in Augusta and vicinity, two thousand persons homeless, summarizes the situation in the Georgia flood district this morning.

Possibly a million dollars has been lost in South and North Carolina because of the high water. The loss of life is comparatively small in these States. When the whole situation is cleared, it will probably be found that the total death list in the three States of Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina, will be in the neighborhood of seventy. Most of the dead are negroes.

Negro cabins, flanking river banks, and settling in the lowlands, were washed away like so much driftwood. The water rose so rapidly that many of the occupants of these cabins had a hard chance to even escape from the rooms in which they slept.

In Augusta reports were received this morning that bodies had been seen floating down the river, but only sixteen bodies have been recovered in the city limits of Augusta. The country reports a number of casualties.

Good for Biliousness.

"I took two of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets last night, and I feel fifty per cent better than I have for weeks," says J. J. Firestone, of Allegan, Mich. "They are certainly a fine article for biliousness." For sale by J. W. Bell, Walhalla; W. J. Lunney, Seneca. Samples free.

Walter Miller Shot.

New Hope, Sept. 1.—Special: Walter Miller was shot by B. P. Moore on the 31st of August while passing Mr. Moore's house, about 20 shot taking effect. He is not thought to be seriously hurt. An old grudge was the cause of the shooting.

The meeting at New Hope closed with 31 additions to the church, and more to follow. The baptizing will take place at Robinson's Shoals on the second Sunday at 10 o'clock.

Those attending the union meeting at Rocky Knoll last Sabbath report an interesting meeting. H. A. Johnson, a prominent lawyer of Perry, Okla., is visiting relatives and friends in Anderson, Pickens and Oconee. He went to Oklahoma sixteen years ago to seek a fortune. This is his first time to come back. We learn with pleasure that he has been very successful in his adopted home.

Mrs. Bennie Smith, of Anderson county, (nee Knox,) is visiting relatives and friends in this community. Miss Alloe White, who has been visiting Mrs. John F. Craig, of Walhalla, is at home again, to the delight of her many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Collicutt, of Columbia, who have been visiting in this county, have returned home. E. P. Wood's new house is nearing completion.

The election passed off quietly at this place, and all seem to be satisfied with the majority vote.

T. M. Elrod.

P. S.—The itemized account of my campaign expenses, which, through an oversight, I failed to make out, amounted to 50 cents, outside of my announcement and assessment.

Little River Items.

Little River, Aug. 28.—Special: J. C. Shockley has moved his saw-mill and fixtures to J. L. Talley's place. The buzz of the saw can be heard early and late.

Dr. Lusk and his brother, Nathan, of Guntersville, Ala., were visiting in this section the past week.

Lawrence Owens and family, of Westminster, were circulating among friends in this section a short time back.

Miss Kate Alexander has been on a pleasure trip in Pickens for a short time.

The many friends of Vance Galloway will be delighted to hear of his happy wedding on last Sunday. His bride was Miss Brown, of Tamasee. Vance is one of our most persevering young men. Much success and happiness to him and his bride, is the sincere wish of their many friends.

W. B. F. Corbin, of Walhalla, made a business trip up on his farm the past week.

James Nichols leads out on the syrup-making. He has a fine crop of cane ready to make up and is now working it up.

J. S. Cannon killed a very large rattlesnake's pilot near his house a short time back.

W. M. Perry, wife and two children, Ruby and Naomi, spent August 28 with William Holden and family, of Keowee. These good people know how to welcome others to their home and make them feel at home. The forenoon was spent in cutting melons and eating peaches and other fruit. After dinner was served, which was one of many good things, the afternoon was spent in gathering muscadines and boat riding on the beautiful Keowee. The day will long be remembered by the guests. May these good people live to see many more happy years.

The son of Earle Tow was buried at Salem on August 25. The young man was 14 years old. He was in good health up to a short time before his death. Locking of the bowels is said to have caused his death. His bereaved parents and family have the sympathy of many friends in their hour of sorrow. This death was quite shocking to his schoolmates. He was in school on Friday and was buried on Tuesday following. "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord." M.

A Card of Thanks.

Editors Keowee Courier: I desire, through your columns, to thank my friends throughout the county for their support and the handsome vote given me on August 25th, which gave to me the office of Clerk of Court without a second race. I am profoundly grateful to one and all. Respectfully, John F. Craig, September 1, 1908.

Official Result of the Election in Oconee County for State Officers.

Table with columns for VOTING PRECINCTS and various offices: United States Senate, Governor, Com. Gen, Aft.-Gen., Supt. Ed., Railroad Commissioner. Lists candidates like J. G. Evans, J. P. Grace, Geo. Johnstone, etc., with their respective vote counts.

TO THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Vote for Stiles R. Mellichamp for State Superintendent of Education.

A graduate of the College of Charleston; enlisted as a college boy in the Confederate army, returning on furlough to receive his diploma; served four years in the war; commenced his educational career after the war teaching a little country school; was afterwards principal of the graded schools of Orangeburg, and then became principal of the Preparatory Department of Furman University, Greenville, S. C.; served 12 years as County Superintendent of Education of Orangeburg county; is thoroughly equipped by training and experience to fill the office of State Superintendent of Education; will use his utmost endeavors to upbuild all of the schools, country, town and city, stimulating the weaker schools by visiting as far as practicable, and carefully inspecting school conditions; is in thorough accord with the high school law and all other recent legislation in the line of educational improvement and progress.

He is withal a gentleman of the highest Christian character. He thanks the voters of the State for the splendid vote given him in the first primary, and will appreciate the continued support of those who voted for him then and the support of all who may favor him with their votes in the second primary.

Endorsed by 3,206 out of 3,482 voters of his county in the first primary, a larger percentage of votes than that received by any other candidate in the race. This expression of the confidence of the citizens of his county should satisfy all who wish to put good and competent men in office.

Copy of Resolutions

passed on May 8, 1908, by a unanimous vote of the Orangeburg County Democratic Convention:

"Whereas, Stiles R. Mellichamp, of Orangeburg county, is a candidate for the office of State Superintendent of Education of South Carolina, and

"Whereas, he is a life-long, true and tried Democrat, fully equipped and thoroughly qualified to fill said high office with credit to himself and county, now

"Resolved, That the Democracy of Orangeburg county, in convention assembled, hereby cheerfully and heartily endorses the said Stiles R. Mellichamp for said high office and pledges him its support."

Vote for Stiles R. Mellichamp for State Superintendent of Education. —adv.

Conners Local Union.

All members of Conners Local Union, No. 76, are requested to be present next Saturday at the regular meeting, at 3 o'clock. Matters of interest will be up for consideration. A. N. Prichard, Secretary.

WOOD'S SEEDS. Best qualities obtainable. Winter or Hairy Vetch makes not only one of the largest-yielding and best winter feed and forage crops you can grow, but is also one of the best of soil-improvers, adding more nitrogen to the soil than any other winter crop. Wood's Descriptive Fall Catalogue gives full information about this valuable crop; also about all other Farm & Garden Seeds for Fall planting. Catalogue mailed free on request. Write for it. T. W. WOOD & SONS, Seedsmen, - Richmond, Va.

"Stop Rocking the Boat" The MONEY PANIC is to be forgotten. The WIFE has heard this cry long enough. Put a little sunshine in your home and at the same time put in your kitchen one of our SUPERB STEEL RANGES with a line of the Blue and White Porcelain Kitchen Ware. We have them marked "Way Down." We bought them some time ago, and the prices on these famous and well-known Ranges will interest you. Roof your barn with our Vulcanite Roofing. Paint your home with our guaranteed Water Proof Paint. Dress your horse with our "Washington" Harness. And last, let us furnish you with Doors, Windows, Nails, Locks, etc., for that Building. We have a larger stock of Rubber Belting, Machinery Supplies and Farming Tools than any other concern in our county. Call and see for yourself. We lead; others follow. MATHESON HARDWARE CO, WESTMINSTER, S. C.

BUGGIES! BUGGIES! BUGGIES! We have a car load of the Celebrated Corbitt Buggies, which we are selling at the right prices and terms. We also have cheaper Buggies if you want them. Birdsell and Thornhill Wagons, Harness, Saddles and everything in General Merchandise. SEE US AND SAVE MONEY. CARTER & COMPANY.

Mule Kills Pickens Farmer. Pickens, Aug. 29.—Isaac Durham, a prominent farmer of this county, who lives in the Six-Mile section, was killed yesterday evening by a mule he had been plowing. In trying to alight from the mule his leg became entangled with one of the trace chains and the mule ran about 200 yards. In running Mr. Durham was jerked under the mule and stamped to death. Don't be afraid to give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to your children. It contains no opium or other harmful drug. It always cures. For sale by J. W. Bell, Walhalla; W. J. Lunney, Seneca. Mother and Infant Killed. Fountain Inn, Aug. 29.—Mrs. Dave Sims and her infant daughter were instantly killed by lightning at their home on Monday afternoon. Mrs. Sims is survived by her husband and three small children. Mr. Sims is a farmer and lives about three miles from Fountain Inn. COST SPARTANBURG \$100,000. Entire Family was Lost in the Waters of the Saluda. Spartanburg, Aug. 29.—All danger to 20 or more big cotton mills along the river is passed. Several of the mills have been forced to shut down on account of dams and races being washed away. There has been no loss of life in this section. At Pelzer an entire family, wagon and team of mules perished in the Saluda river. Two negroes, while at work on a railroad trestle in Laurens county, were carried down stream. It is supposed that 30 or more people have been drowned throughout the State during the past week. The farmers have lost thousands of dollars by their stock perishing in the swollen streams. The damage to the county bridges will exceed \$100,000 in Spartanburg county alone. Forty Victims of Cloudburst. El Paso, Texas, Aug. 29.—Eight more bodies of victims of the cloudburst and flood at Folsom, New Mexico, have been recovered. It is expected the total casualties will reach forty. The great need of the survivors is food, and relief is being sent by surrounding towns. World's Greatest Pain Killer. NOAH'S LINIMENT. For Rheumatism, Sciatica, Lame Back, Stiff Joints, and Muscles, Sore Throat, Colds, Strains, Sprains, Cuts, Bruises, Colic, Cramps, Indigestion, Toothache, and all Nerve, Bone and Muscle Aches and Pains. The genuine has Noah's Ark on every package. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 a bottle. Sold in medicine everywhere. Sample by mail free. NOAH REMEDY CO., RICHMOND, VA., & BOSTON, MASS., U.S.A.