

**SMITH AND WARREN
ISSUE STATEMENTS**

"Direct Collusion" Between Blease and Smith Charged. Denial by Senator.

The State, Sept. 4th.
George Warren of Hampton, candidate for the United States senate, yesterday issued a statement charging a "direct collusion" between former Gov. Cole L. Blease and Senator E. D. Smith to defeat him.

Senator Smith, who will enter the second primary with Warren as his opponent, denies the charges contained in Warren's statement, denouncing as "absolutely false" the statement that he was in any combination in his race for the senate, "except with the people of South Carolina" to serve them to the best of his ability.

Mr. Warren also referred to District Attorney Francis H. Weston as the "reputed campaign manager of Senator Smith" and charged that Mr. Weston, "a long and bitter enemy of Governor Blease," was a visitor to the office of Mr. Blease. Mr. Weston in a statement made after reading Mr. Warren's charges says that he is not and has not been the campaign manager of Senator Smith, and also states that the implication that he "negotiated a deal with Mr. Blease" is absolutely false.

Mr. Warren's statement follows: "I charge a direct collusion between former Gov. Cole L. Blease and Senator E. D. Smith to defeat me for the United States senate.

"This alliance, made in utter desperation, was effected and put into operation as an 11th hour effort to overcome the sentiment which had been created during the campaign in my favor.

"This campaign I was determined to make, and did make, without appeal to factionalism or factional prejudices. To demonstrate this fact, thousands of voters of both of the so-called factions gave support to my candidacy.

"Dated August 17, and signed by former Governor Blease, with his personal signature of 'Cole,' letters were prepared pledging Mr. Blease's support to Senator Smith for reelection and mailed out during subsequent

days to reach the personal friends of the former governor as an 11th hour appeal to factionalism.

"This letter was circulated by hand as well as through the mails, and used at the polls by workers for Senator Smith.

"The active support of Mr. Blease of the candidacy of Senator Smith was with the knowledge and consent of Senator Smith.

"Acknowledging receipt of a letter from Mr. Blease, dated August 6, Senator Smith, a few days later, expressed in a communication to Mr. Blease his appreciation of the permission to use the Blease letter.

"During the time of the mailing out of the hundreds of letters, on the verge of the election, the reputed campaign manager of Senator Smith, District Attorney Francis H. Weston, a long and bitter enemy of Governor Blease, whom the latter has repeatedly denounced, was a visitor to the office of Mr. Blease.

"The sequence of events leading up to the actual mailing out of the Blease letter need, in my opinion, no further explanation.

"Another method used in the desperate attempt to elect Senator Smith was the circulation around the polls of reports that I was a Bleasite, these being circulated among strong anti-Bleasite men and that I was running on a wet platform, financed by the liquor interests. This, I charge, was a deliberate and premeditated distortion of facts.

"My idea has been, and still is, to enthrone my friends with the knowledge that a new day has dawned in South Carolina politics, a new day in which demagogic tirades should give way to logical discussions of fundamental principles of government. My opponents are still living in the past of old animosities engendered and fostered by factional bitterness.

"I am in the second race. The fight is on. My lists are doubled. I am in the fight. And I will win."

Senator Smith's reply, issued after the publication of Mr. Warren's statement, follows:

"I have just been shown a political advertisement of Mr. George Warren, which was published in the Charleston

American of this date and which has no doubt been sent to the press generally. I denounce as absolutely false the statement that I am in any combination in my race for the senate except with the people of South Carolina to serve them to the best of my ability.

"Mr. Warren, in a desperate effort to win, is attempting to revive factionalism in this state. The effort will be rebuked by our people as unworthy of any one seeking the suffrage of the people of South Carolina at this day and time. What I want and will get is the great majority of the votes of the united people of this state, whatever may have been their former political affiliations.

"Mr. Warren has evidently purposely distorted the facts. They are as follows: On my return to my home in Lynchburg August 9, I received the following letter to which I replied as given below:

"Columbia, S. C., August 6, 1920.

"Hon. E. D. Smith,

"Lynchburg, S. C.

"Dear Sir:

"I am reliably informed that it is being persistently circulated in certain counties of this state that I am taking an interest in the present senatorial campaign against your renomination.

"I do not know that you care very much about the matter as to how I stand, nor that anybody else does, but I do not care to be put in a false position, and it is for this reason that I am addressing you this communication.

"I am taking no part in politics for or against anybody, and I do not know that I shall even vote in the coming primary. When asked I have frankly stated that with the present senatorial candidates, in my opinion, you should be renominated.

"I have had no conversation with you within the last few years, and have not seen you even to speak to you, only to shake hands with you once within the last two years, nor have I had any communication from anyone who is interested in your campaign; therefore, this letter is without solicitation from any source.

"If you wish to use it, you may do so, as to whether it will do you any good or harm, you must be the judge.

"Very respectfully,

"Cole L. Blease."

"To which I replied as follows:

"Columbia, S. C., August 9, 1920.

1292 1-2 Main street.

"Honorable Cole L. Blease,

"Columbia, South Carolina.

"Dear Sir:

"Upon my return to Lynchburg I found your letter of August 6. I have read it very carefully and fully appreciate the motive that prompted it.

"I also appreciate your kind permission to use it. I thank you very much for your expression as to my candidacy.

"Very sincerely yours,

"Ed. D. Smith."

"The above is absolutely all and any statement to the contrary is without foundation. Nothing further passed between us. I subsequently learned that Governor Blease in writing a letter to a number of his friends endorsed my candidacy. I never saw a copy of this letter until it was shown to me by George Warren, August 26, at the campaign meeting at Monck's Corner.

"I know no faction in this race and I appreciate the votes of all Democrats. If it pleases Mr. Warren to attempt to revive antagonisms amongst our people which no longer exist, that is his privilege, but when he goes further and charges me with any combination, I repeat, it is absolutely false."

Francis H. Weston, district attorney, also issued a statement yesterday in reference to the charge of Mr. Warren that he was the "reputed campaign manager" of Senator Smith:

"I have just been shown a statement issued by Mr. George Warren, a candidate for the United States senate, in which he refers to me as the reputed campaign manager of Senator Smith.

"I make the positive and unequivocal statement that I am not nor have I been the campaign manager of Senator Smith and any statement to the contrary is absolutely false. As to the implication that I negotiated any deal with Mr. Blease, that also is absolutely false."

The Quinlan That Does Not Affect the Estate
Because of the time and expense involved in the litigation of the estate of JAMES QUINLAN, the executor of the will of the late James Quinlan, has filed a petition in the Probate Court of Laurens County, South Carolina, for an order that the estate of James Quinlan be closed and the executor discharged from all claims against said estate which are not presented on or before said date, duly proven or be forever barred.

FINAL SETTLEMENT.
Take notice that on the 8th day of October, 1920, I will render a final account of my acts and doings as Administrator of the estate of S. J. Wasson deceased, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Laurens County, at 11 o'clock, a. m. on the same day will apply for a final discharge from my trust as Administrator.

Any person indebted to said estate is notified and required to make payment on that date; and all persons having claims against said estate will present them on or before said date, duly proven or be forever barred.

R. M. WASSON,
Administrator (with will annexed).

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MADDEEN NEWS.

Madden, Sept. 6.—The Dickey Langston Comedy Company has come to life again. It is very much alive, for on Monday night, September 13th at Madden Station on the vacant lot next to the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hudgens, its second effort will take place. Eight o'clock will see the beginning of the first act. "Brother Josiah" will be staged with practically all of the old company in the parts of the city broker, his family, and the eccentric farmer and his faithful wife, Jimima, who pay an unexpected visit to the rich brother's home. And thereby hangs a most amusing chain of events which culminate in the final triumph of "Brother Josiah".

The cast of characters is as follows: Wellington Armstrong, the rich city broker - Rev. C. E. Vermillion Penstake, confidential adviser to Armstrong - Mr. Paul Finley Mrs. Wellington Armstrong.

Miss Kathleen Martin Gladys Armstrong.

Miss Juanita Martin

William LeBlanc, friend of the Armstrongs - Lieut. J. W. Wofford

Henry Nemecombe, accepted suitor of Gladys Armstrong, Mr. Byron Brown.

"Brother Josiah", the countrified brother of Wellington Armstrong.

Mr. B. Y. Culbertson.

Joens, the butler.

Mr. Harold Culbertson

Jemima, wife of Josiah.

Miss Carrie Langston

Benjamin Butler Armstrong, son of Jemima and Josiah, Mr. Lawrence Taylor.

Hezekiah Armstrong, son of Jemima

and Josiah, Mr. Ed Moore.
The popular prices of 50c for grown ups and 35c for children, will be charged for the privilege of seeing this master production, the proceeds to go to the bench fund of the New Prospect Baptist church. Come and laugh with us and at us!
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Place: Madden Station.
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Coats
The styles are most attractive. All wool materials, and are priced to move quickly. \$25.00, \$35.00, \$39.50 and \$50.00.

Sweaters
This promises to be a great Sweater season, and our sales are already heavy in this department. School days begin soon. Get your sweaters now. \$5.00 and up.

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Special value in Jersey-top' Silk Underskirts at \$4.98.

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Big lot Crepe-de-Chine Waists on sale at \$3.49.

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