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ROBERT A. COOPER.

Short Sketch of Our Next Governor.

Laurens, Aug. 28.—Robert A. Cooper who has been nominated for governor of South Carolina, is 44 years of age, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Cooper, both deceased. The Cooper family lived in Waterloo township, engaged in farming. As a boy Mr. Cooper attended the public schools of his community a few months each year. When he reached his 20th year Mr. Cooper arranged to attend the Jones High School in Greenwood county, going one year. This school at that time was taught by W. P. Culbertson of Laurens county. At the end of the year Mr. Cooper took the county teachers' examination and obtained a certificate to teach in the public schools and for about two years he taught in Laurens and Greenville counties. Deciding to take up the study of

law, Mr. Cooper came to Laurens in 1897 and read law in the office of the late John L. M. Irby. In a few months he was admitted to the bar and entered upon the practice of his chosen profession. In 1899 he was appointed magistrate for Laurens. In 1900 he was elected to the legislature and was reelected in 1902. In 1905 he was elected solicitor of the new Eighth circuit and for 12 years he filled the office of prosecuting attorney with conspicuous ability and courage. With an ambition to be of larger public service to his State, Mr. Cooper entered the race for governor in 1914, receiving a handsome vote, and incidentally laying the foundation for success which has crowned his aspirations at the end of the third race for the high office for governor.

Mr. Cooper is the first Laurens county citizen to be elected to the governorship, though the late Chief Justice William D. Simpson, as lieutenant governor, succeeded to the office when Hampton was elected to the United States senate.

Mr. Cooper, richly endowed with natural gifts, has nevertheless been and is a student, a liberal and broad minded thinker, and withal an amiable, companionable man. He is a member of the Baptist church and for several years has been a member of the board of deacons of the First Church at Laurens. In all public matters, county, State and national, Mr. Cooper has ever been ready to render unselfish service, and for years he had been looked upon as a leader in this section. He is interested in farming and has given much time and means to the promotion of different enterprises of the city, with some of which he is officially connected.

In 1914 Mr. Cooper lost his wife, who was before marriage Miss Mamie Machen of Princeton, this county. A little daughter, now ten years old, survives the mother. Last November Mr. Cooper married Miss Dorcas Calmes, a native Laurens girl who had spent several years in Columbia.

NAT B. DIAL.

Brief Sketch of South Carolina's Next Senator.

Laurens, Aug. 28.—Nathaniel Barksdale Dial, nominated in Tuesday's primary for United States senate for the term beginning March 4, 1919, was reared on the farm five miles west of the city, being a son of the late Capt. Albert Dial, farmer and banker and one of the leading citizens of the county. The senator nominated was educated in the public schools of the county and town, graduated from Vanderbilt University and the law school of the University of Virginia. At Vanderbilt he was a classmate of Senator Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama, Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida and Jas. C. Reynolds, now associate justice of the United States supreme court.

As a lawyer Mr. Dial has been a hard worker and has been connected with many leading cases. However, best work has been among industrial lines as a promoter and builder, and no man in the upper part of the State has contributed more to the sum total of prosperity along these lines than has N. B. Dial. He is president of the Enterprise National bank which he organized about 15 years ago, and he is connected officially with many other enterprises of the city, being at the head of one of the bonded warehouses of the city, the first one to be built in this part of the State.

He was the pioneer in the development of the Ware Shoals water power on Saluda River, and that splendid manufacturing plant and model mill town was made possible by his initiative and many years of struggle and hard work.

Mr. Dial has been honored by his town and county people, having served as mayor of the city and having represented the county as State executive committeeman, and frequently placed on the convention delega-

tion. While Cleveland was President Mr. Dial was offered a consulship, but declined the honor he was not financially able to assume the post at the time.

In 1912 Mr. Dial entered the senatorial race against Senator Tillman and W. J. Talbert and received very fine vote. Not daunted by the failure of his first effort, he determined to enter the 1918 campaign and laid his plans to this end.

Quartermaster Corps Needs Stenographers.

Washington, Aug. 28.—The Quartermaster Corps, which supplies the soldiers with food and clothing and which has charge of seeing that they get their pay, needs a large number of competent stenographers. Capt. W. R. Robinson of the Organization Branch, Methods Control Division, announced today. Any stenographer who can qualify will be given \$1,100 a year to start with increase to \$1,200 at the end of three months. A few stenographers, with special qualifications, who can take dictation at not less than 120 words a minute and who have had some secretarial experience have been engaged at \$125 a month and there is room for more of this type.

Those who wish to qualify for these positions may obtain information at every postoffice in the country, even in the smallest community. Applications should be made to the local representative of the National Civil Service Commission with headquarters at the local postoffice. Capt. Robinson said:

"Living conditions in Washington are more satisfactory than for some time past, and it is apparent that the situation will improve. Work has been started on enormous government dormitories to house 2,400 people and the Shipping Board has recently moved some 2,500 employees away from Washington. The result has been that the room situation has been eased off a little and will, un-

doubtedly, be better in a short time as the new dormitories are completed. The cost of living in Washington is about the same as it is in Chicago or any other city of that size. Satisfactory room and board can be secured for not to exceed \$55 or \$60 a month. Additional expense will, of course, vary with the inclinations of the individual."

The Baby-Saver in London.

London, July 25 (Correspondence of The Associated Press)—The man reputed to be the world's most successful baby-saver has come to London to save lives for the British empire and thereby replenish war's ravages. He is Dr. Truby King, founder of the Royal New Zealand Society for the Health of Women and Children, an organization that has reduced the infantile death rate in New Zealand from about 85 in 1,000 to 48. The New Zealand government has lent him for a year to the mother country to teach women here how to care for their young.

"Every mother," he says, "ought to be told the full extent of maternal responsibility and privilege. The child may well ask of his mother—when he comes to know what makes or mars a human being more than any other factor of life: 'Did you give me the milk which the good God gave with every mother, or did you rob me of my birthright?'"

It is not, according to Dr. King, the poor and ignorant who fail most in parental duties. He adds:

"The burden of bearing children is for the most part, taken up by people who have the least means, and in a large proportion of cases, they set an example as regards natural nursing and personal care—in two words, complete motherhood—which is so often shirked by those of ample means and leisure. Civilized nations are recruiting their populations from parents who, relatively speaking, have failed in the battle of life from one cause or another, and not from those who have succeeded."

SUMTER COTTON MARKET

(Corrected daily at 1 1/2 o'clock Noon)

P. G. BOWMAN, Cotton Buyer.
Good Middling 33 1-2.
Strict Middling 33 1-4.
Middling 33.
Strict Low Middling 31 1-2.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Open High Low Close
Yes/days
Oct. . . . 35.30 35.64 34.90 35.06 35.25
Dec. . . . 34.95 35.22 34.30 34.55 34.80
Jan. . . . 34.85 35.05 34.10 34.35 34.50

Illicit Distillation in Ireland.

Dublin, July 25 (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—The tax on whiskey, which has risen from ten to thirty shillings a gallon, has greatly stimulated illicit distillation in Ireland, and there has been a great addition to the number of cases of potheen-making reported to the police. This has always been a secret hillside industry in Ireland. Now it is extending to the towns. In the country districts barley steeped in sacks in a bog-hole, and malted on the barn floor is the material used.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. DeLorme and children have gone to Murrell's Inlet.

Good Crops in Ireland.

Dublin, July 25 (Correspondence of the Associated Press)—A bumper harvest is anticipated in Ireland this year. At the end of May the right amount of rain came at the proper time, and all the food crops are reported to be exceptionally promising. Winter wheat, oats, barley and rye are all doing excellently. Potatoes will be particularly good. The numbers of live stock have been well kept up and it was a favorable lambing season. Flax is poor, and as it has been extensively grown to provide Belfast with linen for airplanes this is a disappointment.

RETURNS PRIMARY ELECTION—SUMTER COUNTY

VOTES RECEIVED BY CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY OFFICES AND CONGRESS—AUGUST 27, 1918

	CONGRESS		SOLICITOR		STATE SENATE	HOUSE OF REP.		SUPT. OF EDU.	JUDGE OF PROBATE	MAGISTRATE																				
	BRANTLEY	LEVER	M'LEOD	TIMMERMAN		M'LEOD	WOODS			CLAPTON	BELSER	GILLIS	JACKSON	MOISE	STUCKEY	HANYSWORTH	RICHARDSON	SINGLETON	WARRDEN	MUELVEN	A. O. JOHNSTON	W. D. JOHNSTON	DESCHAMPS	CUTTINO	MOORE	WELLS	HODGE	REES	HURKETT	DUBOSE
Sumter—Ward 1	74	28	2	65	45	112	89	39	52	89	44	112	56	23	28							35	45	25						
Sumter—Ward 2	238	30	11	261	154	414	340	97	30	346	144	417	259	53	103							142	188	73						
Sumter—Ward 3	126	36	17	99	106	206	154	63	14	147	75	201	75	67	57							42	48	45						
Sumter—Ward 4	86	19	16	69	66	137	93	42	72	79	56	134	66	42	27															
Borden	11	5		15	1	16	13	6	14	12	5	16	6	5	5															
Concord	42	6	2	45	13	58	31	27	49	42	6	58	24	1	33															
Dalzell	69	13	7	54	53	109	66	55	76	73	53	107	44	22	40															
DuBose	23	7	4	15	22	37	21	26	22	22	19	37	18	13	5															
Earle	39	4		17	34	50	36	13	40	44	11	51	16	15	9															
Farmers	19	3	11	24	21	45	25	14	27	37	26	4	15	22	9															
Hagood	37	8		37	10	47	26	21	45	43	3	47	40	6	1															
Manchester	6			6	5	6	5	3	5	1	3	6	1	2	3															
Mayesville	46	11		39	24	64	36	24	25	47	24	65	37	4	19							43								
Oswego	22	7	5	29	8	38	36	6	33	18	18	38	12	5	19							12	15	11						
Pisgah	8	3	3	14	17	17	4	10	12	10	5	17	7	9																
Pleasant Grove	21	1	30	3	3	32	16	16	15	29	20	32	9	5	19															
Privateer	59	2	38	42	61	101	65	23	74	95	45	99	31	27	42	22	4													
Rafting Creek	11	19		26	4	31	10	29	15	29	17	32	17	1	12															
Reids	9	6		18	4	23	17	5	14	17	7	23	5		18															
Salem	41	3	2	26	20	46	39	8	45	38	7	46	40	2	4															
Stateburg	13	6	1	29	20	50	25	33	26	28	32	50	13	14	23	27	18													
Shiloh	14	29		60	5	64	58	16	51	48	16	64	34	6	29	58	3													
Taylor	4	22	1	26	12	39	24	32	29	14	6	39	5	7	26	28														
Trinity	44	6	1	38	16	54	45	9	46	44	12	53	31	5	18															
Wedgfield	26	3	29	41	23	65	43	23	50	33	26	62	27	7	31															
Zoar	20	2	1	19	12	34	23	7	12	27	13	22	24	1	7															
Soldiers' Vote																														
Total	91	1136	348	152	1125	757	1895	1345	620	1193	1412	693	1840	906	362	597	135	26	23	66	308	499	271	140	111	78	60	100		

RETURNS PRIMARY ELECTION—SUMTER COUNTY

VOTES RECEIVED BY CANDIDATES FOR UNITED STATES SENATE AND STATE OFFICES—AUGUST 27, 1918.

	U. S. SENATE (Long Term)		U. S. SENATE (Short Term)		GOVERNOR	LIEUT. GOVERNOR	SEC. OF STATE	COMP. GEN.	STATE TREAS.	ADJ. GENERAL	SUPT. OF EDUCATION	ATTORNEY GENERAL	RAILROAD COMMISSIONER	COM. OF AGRICULTURE																			
	BLEASE	DIAL	RICE	BENET										PEPLES	POLLOCK	BETHEA	COOPER	DESCHAMPS	DUNCAN	M'LAURIN	RICHARDS	COHEN	LILES	WIGHTMAN	DOVE	SAWYER	CARTER	MOORE	RECTOR	SWARINGEN	SAPP	SEARSON	WOLFE
Sumter—Ward 1	16	86	6	23	24	64	6	80		1	1	11	23	64	22	111	109	111	108	21	55	46	37	24	48	17	22	16	2	55	22	31	
Sumter—Ward 2	18	394	5	81	40	298	13	375		1	1	29	47	338	24	420	408	420	419	41	370	104	195	107	262	28	37	75	6	266	69	69	
Sumter—Ward 3	33	161	11	41	46	134	23	143		4	3	27	54	161	47	207		207	207	48	153	79	62	59	69	32	41	39	12	92	54	49	
Sumter—Ward 4	37	96	4	20	39	82	7	90		1	4	30	15	81	36	134	131	133	132	20	108	52	48	31	56	18	31	19	5	71	32	24	
Borden	15	15		2	13	2		12			2	15	1	15	1	16	16	16	16		16	21	35	1				8	44	5		55	1
Concord	10	40	3	6	18	34	2	44			10	47	11	58	58	58	58	58	5</														