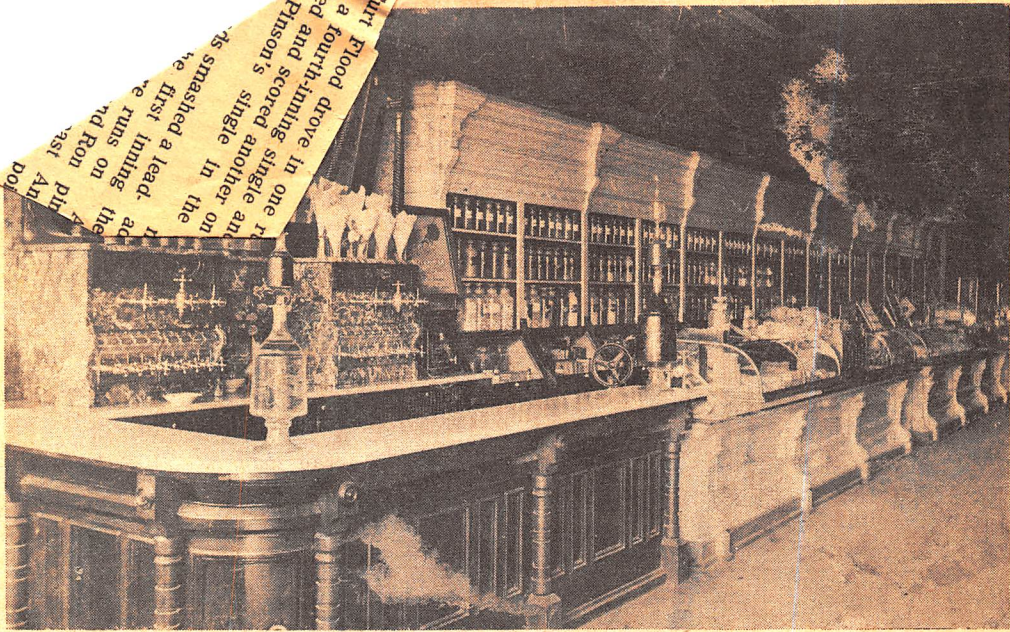


RD GLANCES



Do You Remember?

The soda fountain was a favorite meeting place in Ocala way back in the 1890's and as late as the 1920's. This one was in the Palace Drug Store, owned by James Carlisle, on the south side of the square and featured the elaborate fountain dispensing area followed by the rows and rows of bottles of drugs and other items sold only in drug stores.

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Editor Weekly News and Herald

Weinnsboro, S.C. 29180

Dear Editor,

Because I am interested in obtaining some authentic information regarding the history of the Carlisle family whose original immigrant ancestor came to Weinnsboro, S.C. from Ireland in the early 1800's, I am hopefully asking your help.

My father, James Black Carlisle, the son of James H. Carlisle, was a descendant of the Mr. Carlisle described above.

My father was only a few weeks old when his father died. At the

Age of six years he came to Ocala with his mother in 1867 (102 years ago).

His profession was pharmacy. He engaged in the drug business from an early age until his death in 1925 in Ocala. He became one of Ocala's finest and most beloved citizens.

The enclosed picture of my father's drug store was cut recently from The Ocala Star-Banner, which paper is running a feature series entitled "Backward Glance".

I am not sure whether my father was born in Chester or Newberry, S. C. I think Chester.

- (1) I know that the Wimsboro paper (I think it was the Weekly News-Herald) printed the history of the Carlisle family soon after the death of Dr. James Carlisle, former president of Wofford College. That was published in the early 1900's.

(2.) At one time (a number of years ago) I saw a copy of the genealogy of the Carlisle family. I do not know who published it.

The family tree began with the name of the original Carlisle settler in Wimsboro and carried the lineage of each of his sons down several generations. My grandfather, James H. Carlisle, was the last descendant named in my father's lineage. He was born in 1835. The date of his birth was not in the record but in my grandmother's old Bible.

I would like very much to obtain at least one authenticated copy of each of those two old records.

If they are not available and the history and genealogy of the Carlisle family is obtainable in any

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form, newspaper, book, booklet, folder
or whatever, I would like to know
that and how to obtain that source
of information. I'll be glad to com-
pensate you for whatever assist-
ance you can give me, whether
advice or material.

My father had three sons and five
daughters, all of whom are deceased
except myself and two sisters. How-
ever there are three fine Carlisle
grandsons and two lovely grand-
daughters as well as several
great grandchildren who are extreme-
ly interested in obtaining the history
and genealogy of the Carlises who
preceded my father, so as to add
the heritage that my father left to
them and of which they are very
proud and justly so.

We know little of my father's

father. We also have a gold medal which was awarded him in college.

My father's mother was Fannie Black. & he was born in Ireland. & he was a sister of Mrs. Ann Elliott who lived in Winnsboro and who had several sons. May be some of their descendants are still living there. I never met any of the Elliotts. I wish I had known them.

Also, Jake J. and Albert Gerig, who were neighbors and friends of the Elliotts in Winnsboro, came to Ocala in the 1900's. They were our neighbors and friends for several decades.

I enclosed the picture and mentioned the Elliotts and Gerig to help establish my identity and thereby my genuine interest in the Carlisle history and genealogy.

I obtained the name of your paper from the editor of the "Ocala Star-Banner".

Your Truly
(Miss) Minnie Lee Carlisle