

he ran again, but was defeated, as was also the case four years later, his defeat being due to factional differences in the county.

On March 28, 1906, Governor Warfield appointed him Associate Judge to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Edwin H. Brown. The appointment was accepted by Democrats as being a proper move on the part of the Governor, and since then Judge Crothers has occupied his position on the Bench up until the time he was nominated for Governor. Mr. Crothers makes his home in Elkton, Cecil county.

Comptroller of the Treasury-elect: DR. JOSHUA W. HERING
(Democrat).

Dr. Joshua W. Hering is a resident of Westminster and has been prominent in the politics and public life of Carroll county for a number of years. He first held public office in the session of the Maryland Senate of 1896, having been elected Senator in a special election in December, 1895, which was most hotly contested, the vote of his county determining the political complexion of the Senate in that session. He was chairman of the Committee on Revaluation and Assessment, and was also chairman of the Conference Committee of the two houses on this bill. In the same session he was on the Finance and Corporation committees. He has been connected with the banking business for many years, and was for a term President of the Maryland Bankers' Association. He was elected Comptroller of the Treasury in 1899 and 1901, and declined a renomination in 1903. He was unanimously nominated for the same office in 1907 by the Democratic State Convention, and after canvassing the State was elected by a majority of nearly 15,000. He was elected President of the General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in 1892 and re-elected in 1896, and is the only layman who was ever elected president of that body and the only person ever re-elected. He was one of the founders of Western Maryland College; was its treasurer for many years and is now President of its Board of Trustees. He was also one of the founders of the Westminster Theological Seminary and of the Home for the Aged at Westminster. He is President of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Carroll County and a director in a number of other institutions. He received the degree of Doctor of Laws from St. John's College at Annapolis in June, 1900.