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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.

The spirit of revolt—old rye.

Pity 'tis that Mr. Taft is not broad-minded as well as broad-bodied.

We believe in raisin bread but not in raisin' the price of bread.

How long will Uncle Sam permit him to be Jay Bull?

"Hughes About to Lose His Voice." Yet not all he is about to lose.

"French Penetrated the Cemetery." To the looker-on the entire war field is a cemetery.

It's true that Wall Street is a bettor on Hughes, but Wall Street never yet made a better country.

The way prices are soaring the public will have to unlimber a battery of aerial guns to bring 'em down.

Senator Martine appears to have won, but Senator Martini appears to be losing ground daily.

John Skelton Williams says the American dollar should have a soul. In other words, "have a heart."

The United States at least seems to have smoked out Great Britain on the cigar tobacco proposition.

A scientist is of the opinion that if people would talk less they would be healthier. Bad year to hope for success with such doctrine.

It doesn't appear to be Mr. Hughes' voice that has gone back on him as much as his vaunted dignity and common sense.

Frank Hitchcock is back from the West with news that Hughes' speeches had weight, but wisely refrains from explaining who for.

Two things are essential for a man considering matrimony. First, knowing where he is going to get something to cook and; second, getting a wife who can cook.

The Hon. Bill Flynn was on deck to greet Hughes yesterday, but the Hon. Bill some time ago plainly showed that he doesn't care who he associates with.

An accident on the subway is blamed on a motorman who was eating pie. Yet not without precedent. Many governmental accidents have taken place while those at the lever were after pie.

A New Jersey couple eloped, jumped into an automobile and sped away from irate parents. How times do change. In the old days it was the buckboard, made famous in story and picture.

British seizure of false teeth consigned to the enemy countries looks like a fell blow at the old maids. It is bad enough for their chance to grow less with cutting down of the male population without depriving them of other things.

Will Editor Myrover, of the Fayetteville Observer, kindly explain if there is anything significant in the announcement that the capital of the Upper Cape Fear is to erect a theatre and a hospital? Is the latter for the actors when they incur the wrath of a Fayetteville audience?

Colorado is going Democratic and the betting odds are 10 to 6 on Wilson, according to a man writing from Denver. But to cap the climax he declares that it is his belief that the West will be almost as solid as the South for Wilson. Now, that is what we are compelled to admit is some enthusiasm on the part of the gent from Denver. May his tribe increase!

PACKING HOUSE A NECESSITY.

We should be tempted to envy South Carolina, soon to become possessed of two packing houses, were it not for the fact that Wilmington and vicinity will also have such an institution. We do envy the rapidity with which our Palmetto brethren have worked in this matter and their promptness in grasping the importance of the project and their readiness to support it.

The Columbia State thinks that establishment of the two packing houses, which the people of South Carolina have decided on, will encourage the raising of live stock. It deprecates that hog raising in that State has fallen off. So has the number of cows, it says. Away back in 1860 the number of cows in South Carolina was 778,000, as compared with 421,000 at present. The State finds.

These are things that are enough to cause worryment, in view of the increased cost of living, and what applies to South Carolina applies, though the proportions may be different, to other South States. There is not enough raising of live stock and too much buying by Southern farmers of things that they should be raising and selling.

"In other words," says The State, commenting upon the condition in its commonwealth, "the people of South Carolina long ago ceased to produce their own meats and for a part of their supplies have depended upon importation."

This is so as to North Carolina, too, which is bound to add to the high cost cost of living.

Continuing, The State well says, sounding a warning to the farmers: "The time has come when necessity will compel them to return to the old way. The boll weevil will cross into the State within the next two or three years, and while considerable preparation for combating it has been made, it will, of course, cause considerable upsetting of agricultural methods. A great deal of readjustment will be unavoidable and to reduce hardship to a minimum the people must be ready to produce other profitable crops than cotton as sidelines.

"The most hopeful of aids to farmers of South Carolina lately undertaken are the packing houses to be erected before next June in Orangeburg and Greenville. In connection with these railroad rates have been secured which will enable farmers living anywhere within the borders of the State to ship hogs and cattle to either point, whether in whole or part carload lots and sell them at a profit.

"If every farmer in South Carolina would raise even one or two hogs or a steer for shipment to one of these packing houses next fall, the danger of disaster to the agricultural industry, either from a slump in the price of cotton or from the boll weevil, would be eliminated.

"That these two packing houses will succeed there is no reason to doubt. They will have the constant advice of experts from the Federal agricultural department, and it is believed that every precaution against mistakes in construction, and operation has been taken. Plenty of live stock to give them profitable seasons is already insured. They will have a capacity, however, to handle a much larger output than farmers of the State are now producing. Our object now is to emphasize that the packing houses offer new and handsome opportunities to farmers to make additional profits next year and to urge the farmers not to neglect them."

While former Governor Bob Glenn was unable to fill his Brunswick

THE NOMINATING OF MARTINE.

Senator Martine, of New Jersey, has been renominated by the Democrats. Therefrom emerges much speculation. Does the nomination mean that Wilson is weaker in New Jersey, wherein men who voted for Martine will bolt the presidential ticket, or does it mean that they would present a paradox by voting for Martine and Hughes? Or has it any bearing in this respect at all?

These questions are natural; due to the fact that it was known that Attorney-General Wescott, Martine's opponent in the New Jersey primary, was favored by Wilson, and he had declared for the Wilson policies. Senator Martine had opposed the President's international policies and was advocated by the German-Americans of New Jersey. While undoubtedly a great many other things were factors in the race and the man in office generally has a better understanding of the situation and more influence, this question was at the front and made itself felt.

But will those who voted for Martine vote against Wilson in November? If they do they will present the paradox of attempting to elect a Democratic Senate to work with a Republican President. Or did they merely vote for Martine to visit vengeance upon Wilson and will they bolt the ticket? Or will they vote the Democratic ticket, in accordance with the obligation they assumed when they participated in the Democratic primary? Interesting speculation this, adding to the gaiety of the campaign.

TRIED AND FOUND TRUE.

So far as Columbia, S. C., is concerned, the commission form of government is endorsed. After a trial of six years it has been pronounced a success. It is a verdict, too, by jury, not by opinion based on what others may or should think. For this reason the endorsement is of especial strength and contributes to the evidence in favor of the genuine commission form of government.

Six years ago Columbia, tiring of the old unwieldy, discordant and multi-headed aldermanic form, decided at the polls to change to the commission form, such decision being made by a vote of 1,310 to 68. It was provided that after a six-year trial the people should again pass on the question, so that it might be ascertained whether or not the people really desired it, after investigation. That was a decidedly common sense and democratic way of going about it. Often a trial of some particular form proves a failure, but it is difficult to change, as certain influences in control prevent it. In fact, it seems that this test in Columbia was about to be prevented when the courts stepped in and ordered an election. Just there is where democracy was preserved and the commission form saved much harangue and harassment in future, it seems to us.

The election was held Tuesday and resulted in the people of Columbia voting 1,099 to 258 to retain the present form. The majority was indeed large and speaks eloquently in behalf of the commission form and is also evidence that the ward-healers and slick politicians have lost much of their grip, because they are never in favor of the commission form of government.

ISN'T IT WORTH CONSIDERING?

Canada is again calling for more recruits, to be sent to the front. No doubt Canadians will answer the call with their usual ardor and patriotism. But the very fact that the call has been issued, that more of the flower of Canada must go across the water to fill graves, should be a reminder to the people of the United States of how fortunate this country has been and what a splendid thing it was to have a man at the head who preserved his equilibrium. The manhood of America would have rallied as quickly and with as great gusto as the men of any other country, but is it not a happy thought that the occasion did not arise for it? Does not some credit for preventing this sacrifice belong to the gentleman now the President of the United States?

That is a great thought for the fathers of the country, and a great one for the womanhood. For the latter—mothers, wives and sisters—it is much greater than whether woman suffrage should come by Federal enactment or by State legislation.

CHIEF OF POLICE RESCUES CARS

North Wilkesboro, Sept. 28.—Three stolen automobiles have been rescued by the chief of police here within the last two days and the latest catch was a noted breaker of the law. The capture was exciting in several ways and led the chief and his posse through woods and swamps before the alleged thief, Otto Wood, was captured.

PREMIER HAS FORCED A USTRALIA TO CONSIDER CONSCRIPTION.

The Australian conscription bill, which will be referred to the people of the Antipodean continent at a referendum soon, is the result of the work of Premier William Hughes, who is one of the most ardent advocates of compulsory military service in the British Empire. Almost since the beginning of the war the Australian premier has conducted a vigorous campaign to have the conscription bill brought to a vote in the House of Representatives and the Senate and then referred to the people for ratification.

It is expected that the feminine vote

county appointment, the date was well taken care of by other Democratic speakers. New Hanover made a splendid contribution. L. Clayton Grant, Esq., Democratic nominee for the House from New Hanover, making a rousing speech. It is understood that he made one of those vote-getting speeches.

If the Democrats of other States are as active on the stump as those in North Carolina there is no lack of enthusiasm and work in order to re-elect Wilson.

The news from Berlin that they are celebrating the arrival in the United States of the Bremen is probably no more out of the ordinary than the many times Americans have reported her arrival. But where is the Bremen? Will Davy Jones kindly submit a report?

Health and Hygiene

EPIDEMIC OF FAIRS.

Many Requests from Many Quarters for Health Exhibits at Fairs.

"North Carolina will hold more county and community fairs this fall than ever before," said an official of the State Board of Health today. Already over forty fairs have been reported to the board, and they are still coming in at the rate of about one a day. Most of them are reported through their secretary or some official who has made application for a health exhibit or something on this line.

Two years ago the board made only one health exhibit—that at the State Fair. Last year there was quite a demand for similar exhibits and a traveling exhibit was sent around to seven county fairs. This year the board decided to enlarge, and offered a free motion picture health entertainment in a black tent to a number of fairs and a health exhibit to others. The demand has become so great that two health exhibits have already been placed in the field and today the board announced that for the balance of the season it would endeavor to provide some exhibit material on some phase of public health to every fair association that made application.

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PREMIER WILLIAM HUGHES AND MRS. HUGHES.

will play a large part in the final decision on the bill. Three women who have given their sons and husbands to the empire are expected to vote for conscription. The premier visited England and the front a few months ago and aroused popular enthusiasm by his outspoken criticism of war measures and his advocacy of a "fight to the finish." Strong support was developed for him for a place in the British Coalition Cabinet, but not sufficient to place him in the position.

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