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THE CONTEST AND HOW THE VOTE STANDS

Burlington.	
Miss Lois A. Workman,	13,250
Swannie Patterson,	14,450
Myrtle Isley,	3,350
Myrtle Tate,	1,000
Lillian Turner,	925
Burlington R. F. D's.	
Miss Jennie Whitsell, R. 4,	3,725
Emma Overman R. 1,	2,525
Annie Matlock, R. 2,	400
Ollie Ector, Route 2,	200
Rosa Crouse, Route 4,	200
Snow Camp.	
Miss Mary Stout,	15,425
Spring Graded School,	500
Sylvan Graded School,	200
Mebane.	
Miss Grace Amick,	300
Haw River, No. 1.	
Miss Carrie Albright,	15,700
Elon College, N. C.	
Miss Mollie Baldwin,	7,200
Union Ridge, No. 1.	
Miss Lottie Terrell,	450

Party Platform.

The following resolution was introduced and adopted at the Republican County Convention at Graham Saturday Sept. 17th, 1910. Read it, it means something to the people of Alamance County:

The Republican party of Alamance county in convention assembled do hereby resolve.

1st. We are in thorough accord with the National and State platforms of our party and we hereby proclaim our unflinching allegiance thereto.

2nd. We believe our people are entitled to an economic administration of the government in all its grades and its every department, and taking the county as a unit, we demand that our county officers be placed upon a salary basis and that all fees and emoluments now pertaining to said offices be turned into and made a part of the school funds of the county.

3rd. Believing that the safety of our government and our prosperity as a nation depend upon the education of the masses, we emphasize our loyalty to that portion of our state platform declaring for the furnishing, free of charge and under proper regulations, all necessary text books for every child in the public schools of the State.

4th. In the event of the failure, by the legislature, to pass a state-wide law, providing for the purchase of text books for the public schools, we demand the enactment of a law, applying to Alamance county, that will permit and require the savings accruing to the county by reason of the payment of salaries to our officials to be applied to the purchase of books for the children in our own public schools.

Strawberry Plants.

Now is the time to set out strawberry plants. I have eight varieties, the best known in cultivation, Earliest, medium, early and latest. Get a variety and you will have strawberries six weeks. My plants are very fine, prices fifty cents per hundred or \$4.00 per thousand, assorted as desired.

Jos. A. Isley,
Burlington, N. C.

A New Minstrel Song.

Eddie Leonard's famous song hit, "I Want to Go Back to the Land of Cotton," is now "all the go" in New York. It is a rollicking song of great musical merit.

This song, the one that has won such marked applause at Hammerstein's Victoria Theatre, New York City, where Eddie Leonard is now appearing, will be given free as a feature of next Sunday's New York World. Order from your newsdealer today. The music is by arrangement with Jos. W. Stein & Co.

Copies of Sunday World can be secured by applying at the DISPATCH OFFICE.

For Seed Wheat and Apler Cats. See N. S. Cardwell.

HON. JOHN G. CAPERS

Former Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

Brands the Democratic Bond Slander—He says that Senator Butler is Opposed to the Collection of the Carpet-Bag Bonds and that upon the Advice of Mr. Butler he Refused to Act as Counsel.

October 4, 1910

Hon. John M. Morehead
Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Mr. Morehead:

Your favor in which you say that a charge has been circulated in North Carolina in this campaign, to the effect that Hon. Marion Butler is connected with the Carlisle Bond Syndicate, as counsel for the collection of certain North Carolina Bonds, known as the "carpet-bag bonds" and requesting that I give you any information that I may have with reference to the matter, has been received.

What I know about the matter is, briefly as follows:

It is a matter of public record, cited in the cases of the Supreme Court that Senator Butler appeared as one of the Counsel in a certain case where the Supreme Court decided that the State had really gotten the value of the bonds and that they should be paid. It seems however that afterwards the state of Rhode Island and I think the state of Nevada passed some legislation which it was thought might enable the Supreme Court to pass upon the validity of a wholly different class of North Carolina bonds, different in creation, in consideration and in purpose. These are generally referred to as fraudulent "carpet-bag bonds."

I had never heard of either class of bonds until about a year ago when Counsel for Hon. John G. Carlisle wrote to ask me if I would serve as one of Counsel to take up either the Rhode Island or Nevada case for presentation to the Supreme Court.

Knowing that a case had been tried in the Supreme Court to test the validity of the North Carolina Second mortgage bonds in which ex-Senator Butler appeared as counsel, and that the judgement of the Court was that the bonds were valid, and as a result of that judgement that there had been a satisfactory settlement or adjustment made by the State, I went to call upon Senator Butler with, my then law partner, J. D. Wright.

I took the papers over to his office and ask him to give me the facts so that I could decide if it would be a straight-forward and a professional thing, under the circumstances governing the latter class of bonds, to present the syndicate before the Supreme Court. He instantly gave me a very clear statement as to the difference in the class of bonds, stating that several years before that time he had appeared for the class of bonds described by Dr. Battle and decided by the Supreme Court, but that under no circumstances would he appear directly or indirectly or as of Counsel for the bonds referred to in the Rhode Island and Nevada cases and to which my letter from Mr. Carlisle's Counsel referred. In fact he added that he had been urged to do so several months prior to my calling upon him but had declined.

Of course, after I learned the difference in the cases, I also declined to have anything to do with it and sent the papers all back.

Yours very truly,
John G. Capers.

Misses Myrtle Boland, Ethel Warren and Messrs. Willie and Chas. Warren and Wiley Boland of High Tower were in town first of the week on their way to Ringling Bros. show at Greensboro.

Mr. Claude Bivins and Miss Mary Brown of Efland were happily united in marriage at Raleigh last Wednesday. Both have friends in our town who will be glad to learn of their marriage.

Republican Speaking.

Hon. I. M. Meekins, Will address the voters of Burlington and vicinity Friday Night, October 28th, at Brick Warehouse at 7:30 o'clock.

Good seats for everybody, and plenty of room for the farmers wagons. Bring a load of tobacco to the Burlington Market, and hear the speaking.

The Morning Herald, (Democrat,) says Mr. Meekins is the ablest speaker in the state. The Durham Sun, (Democratic) says Mr. Meekins is better than Settle Butler or any other speaker in the state. Come and see what you think about it.

Everybody Invited.
Speaking Rain or Shine.

SUES FOR LOBY FEE

Locke Craig Appeals to Courts For Services Performed in Washington.

Asheville, Oct. 29.—A suit which promises to be highly interesting on account of the unusual allegations in the complaint is that of Locke Craig vs. Hans Rees Sons. Notice of the suit was filed some weeks ago, but the complaint was filed only a day or so ago. Mr. Craig is a well known attorney of this city and prominent politically and is spoken of frequently in connection with the Democratic nomination for governor two years hence. In the complaint his attorneys, Judge J. D. Murphy and Judge Charles F. Jones, ask for \$1,000, which is alleged to be due Mr. Craig, not for attorney's fees for services rendered in the courtroom, but for services alleged to have been rendered at Washington for the defendant company in the interest of securing the repeal of the tariff on hides and allowing raw hides to be imported free of duty.

It will be recalled that when the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill was being considered the independent tannery men of the country declared that they must have free raw hides or they would be put out of business by the big packing trusts. To wage the fight before the committee of Congress the independent packers, including Hans Rees Sons, waged quite a fight and were successful in getting what they desired.

Mr. Craig has now brought suit to recover his fee under an alleged contract with Hans Rees Sons to represent them during the fight.

Those who want to hear a good clean speech should go to hear Hon. I. M. Meekins Friday night at the Brick Warehouse, 7:30.

Installation Service.

The Epworth League of Front Street Methodist Church held right of way over all schedules at the evening service last Sunday. At 6:30 o'clock the League met in the S. S. room at the rear of the pulpit to hold its regular weekly devotional service. This was conducted by Miss Thelma Thurston, who performed her part so well that the service was both interesting and profitable to the larger number of Leaguers present.

At 7 o'clock the League filled the main auditorium of the church, where the installation of the officers elect took place. A fairly good congregation greeted the Leaguers, enough at least to indicate that our church is really interested in the young people. An interesting programme prepared by the general officers of the Epworth League in Nashville, Tenn., was used in the service. The programme provided for the congregation to take considerable part in the service in singing and responsive reading, and so far as could be judged by appearances the congregation thoroughly enjoyed the service.

In his address the pastor claimed that the Epworth League is a three-fold blessing to the church. First, in its different departments it provides for the development of the powers and resources of the Leaguers themselves.

Second it provides for helpful ministry to unfortunate and afflicted ones in the community.

Third it prepares and equips its members for future usefulness in the Church.

Respectfully,
Latimer Hornaday, Reporter.

If you don't want to miss a treat, don't fail to hear Hon. I. M. Meekins Friday night at the Brick Warehouse, 7:30 p. m. Everybody invited.

Alamance County Indebtedness.

Borrowed money.	\$21,000
Outstanding county vouchers.	5,000
Outstanding bonds issued to pay Democratic debts.	50,000
Total outstanding indebtedness not counting the good road bonds.	\$76,000

How does this strike you, Mr. Tax Payer. Don't you think it is about time you were waking up. Don't be asleep upon November the eighth. Protect your interest.

BUTLER VS. SIMMONS

The Former Challenges the Latter to Joint Debate—If the Democratic Senator Refuses Joint Debate Senator Butler Will Hire Public Hall and Speak.

Following is a letter from Ex-Senator Marion to F. M. Simmons, in which the latter is challenged for a joint debate, and in which Senator Butler says he will hire a hall and denounce Senator Simmons in the event a reply is not received:
Greensboro, N. C.,
Oct. 17, 1910.

Hon. F. M. Simmons,
"Care of Hon. A. H. Eller,
Democratic State Chairman,
Raleigh N. C.,

"My dear Sir:—My attention has just been called to an extract from one of your speeches or to a statement credited to you as follows:

"What Butler chiefly desires to discuss is whether he in the matter of the bonds betrayed the state. That is not an open question. The evidence of Butler's treachery to the state is as conclusive as the evidence of Benedict Arnold's treachery to the country. If Benedict Arnold were alive and here and wanted to debate the question of whether he had betrayed his country, no one would debate that question with him. Why then should any North Carolina Democrat debate with Mr. Butler the question whether he had betrayed his state? The evidence of treachery is as conclusive in one case as in the other. It is a settled question and not a matter of debate."

"I have not challenged you or any Democratic officeholder or candidate to discuss the question as to whether or not I am a traitor but I have challenged the Democratic speakers and I do now specifically challenge you to discuss your record and your party's record. I am not an office holder or a candidate for office. I am a private citizen. You are an officeholder and a candidate for reelection. I and every other private citizen have a right to know your past record and where you stand today on the great living issues. These are the questions that the voters are interested in and upon which they will cast their ballots.

"You and your party have raised the cry of Butler and Bonds and the ghost of negro domination in your desperation to distract the attention of the voters from your miserable record of the hypocrisy and broken promises, and under cover of which to gain debauch the ballot box.

"I am ready to cancel one or more of my appointments to meet you at the State capital in joint debate, at which time I propose to show your treachery to your state and your country. If you do not reply I shall hire a hall in Raleigh and advertise the fact that I shall speak there and denounce you as you deserve.

Respectfully,
MARION BUTLER.

Rally Day Service at the Reformed Church, October 30th.

- 10 a. m. Program.
- 1st. Song by School.
- 2nd. Opening Service by Supt. Cates.
- 3rd. Song by School.
- 4th. Lesson.
- 5th. Song by School.
- 6th. Reports by Teachers and Officers.
- 7th. Address by John R. Hoffman, Esq.
- 8th. Song by Class No. 1.
- 9th. Address by former Supt. A. M. Shepherd.
- 10th. Song by Baracca Class.
- 11th. Short Sermon to Children by Pastor.
- 12th. Song by Home Department.
- 13th. Closing Song, Lords Prayer and Benediction all department of the School are urged to be present from 10 to 12. All friends are invited.

Mr. H. G. Kime returned last week from Virginia where he purchased a car load of nice horses.

MR. BUTLER WRITES

CONGRESSMAN PAGE

Asking that He Deny or Endorse a Report of His Speech in the Raleigh News and Observer—Mr. Page denies The Truth of the Report in The Democratic Organ.

Greensboro N. C.,
September 24, 1910

Hon. R. N. Page,
Aberdeen N. C.

Sir:—In the Raleigh News and Observer of September 23rd appears a report of a joint discussion at Carthage between you and the Republican nominee for Congress. The report of your speech in part is as follows:

"He characterized the new converts to the Republican party, who are running for office, as pawns on the politician's chess board of Marion Butler.

He charged that the motive of Butler in coming back into Republican politics in North Carolina was the collection from the State of the Reconstruction bonds and ask Mr. Parker to tell the people in his speech whether or not he (Parker) was in favor of paying these bonds. In his reply of over an hour Mr. Parker failed and refused to tell the people whether he was in favor of paying these bonds or not. This fact taken with his sophomoric laudation of Marion Butler led many of our people to believe that Parker is in favor of paying the bonds and that he is in full knowledge of Butler's secret, whose supposed purpose is to collect them."

Please let me know if this is a correct report. I am constrained to believe that you are incorrectly reported, because:

1st. Every word of the above concerning myself is unqualifiedly false.

2nd. The report of the same speech in the Charlotte Observer does not quote you as saying a word of the above; and

3rd. On account of the utter unreliability of the Raleigh News and Observer.

For these reasons I await your reply.

Respectfully,
Marion Butler

(Signed) Marion Butler
Biscoe, N. C.,
October 1, 1910.

Hon. Marion Butler,
Greensboro, N. C.,
Sir:—

Your letter of the 24th ult. addressed to me at Aberdeen N. C. I find in my office upon my return today. Relative to the report in the News and Observer of the joint discussion at Carthage on the 22nd inst. between the Republican candidate for Congress and myself, I did not in that speech make a single charge against you or any body else. I did quote from the Industrial News, a Republican newspaper published at Greensboro, prior to the Republican State Convention—an article that you no doubt have seen, and I merely said that this had been said. Whatever my feelings or opinion may be, I have never knowingly made a charge on my own responsibility that I could not substantiate. I know absolutely nothing about your connection with any of the North Carolina bonds except such facts as appear in the record. I did likely ask Mr. Parker if he favored paying these bonds, I have said nothing about you in this campaign or in any speech, but quoted what the Republicans at one time or another in North Carolina have said about you. Neither did I characterize the new converts to the Republican party as pawns in your hands. My reference to this was in regard to your activity in the election of Mr. Morehead as Chairman, and all this was taken from the Republican print—most of it from the Industrial News.

Respectfully,
R. N. Page.

(Signed) R. N. Page.
October 4, 1910.

Hon. Robert N. Page.

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