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EDITORIAL BRIEFS

And Colonel Roosevelt has carried Italy also.

Don't mistake the census enumerator for a book agent.

Cuss that Payne Tariff Bill, anyhow. The price of golf balls have gone up.

Since Mr. Shemwell got out of jail we have heard no more about his poor health.

That Mississippi scandal was a boomerang. It kicked the fellow who fired it off.

Even Col. Henry Watterson is now lauding Colonel Roosevelt. How times do change.

Just to save any further trouble, it might be best to have all the trains stop at Lexington.

Maybe Col. Roosevelt while in Rome, didn't do as the Romans did, but he told them how to do it.

That Texas mob evidently did not believe in public executions. They hanged their man right in the jail.

Charlotte's 50,000 population is probably based on the number of whiskey prescriptions issued there.

Ex-Governor Glenn is out after the best thing in sight. But up to the present his sight has been very poor.

Three kings are to greet Col. Roosevelt when he arrives at Vienna. It is presumed "Teddy" will be the ace high.

If it keeps up at the present pace, we may soon hear that the blind tigers have gone on a strike for higher prices.

The Raleigh drug stores that can pay \$500 liquor license tax must expect to fill a goodly number of whiskey prescriptions.

That Pittsburg "boodler" may spell his name Hoffstot, but the tales they are telling on him indicate that he was "hot stuff."

Hernando Desoto Money is the name of the senior Mississippi Senator, but his colleague got in with just plain, ordinary money.

Mr. Bryan has returned from South America, but if he brought back any new idea with him he has been careful not to touch it off.

Since Guard Dupree didn't kill convict Murray, it is up to the prison authorities to explain how Murray got enough dope to kill himself.

Treasury reports say the circulation per capita in this country is \$34.87, and right now we want a detective to locate the \$34.87 that belongs to us.

Since the drug stores have to pay an extra tax for selling liquor, why shouldn't the doctors also pay the city a part of the extras they receive for writing whiskey prescriptions?

The Wilmington Star says that ex-Governor Glenn often said more than he intended to say. Now, brother, you don't publish that as piece of news, do you?

Greensboro and New Bern are determined to keep up with the Democratic procession. They have a little graft exposure of their own with Democratic officials.

State legislators are quoted a little higher in New York than in Mississippi. One thousand dollars secured the New York fellow, while the Mississippian was bought for only six hundred and forty dollars.

Newspaper reports of the investigation of bribery and corruption in the Mississippi Legislature state that it was conducted behind "locked and guarded doors, with the public rigidly excluded." Oh, yes; Mississippi is still Democratic.

An exchange says it would be better for the Democratic party if there was no election of Congressmen between times. It would be better for the Democratic office-holders if there was never another election, for just so sure as another is held a lot of the aforesaid Democratic office-holders are sure to lose their jobs.

KILLED HIS OWN BROTHER.

"Lawlessness Walks the State Like a Pestilence"—Crimes Continue to Increase Under Democratic Good Government—White Man Shot at Asheville—Reidsville Man Charged With Murder—Three Negroes to Die in Electric Chair.

Yanceyville, N. C., April 7.—One of the most horrible tragedies ever enacted in Caswell occurred near Yanceyville yesterday, as a result of an altercation. John Richmond shot and mortally wounded his brother, who has since died. John Richmond has been lodged in jail at this place. This fearful occurrence has sent a thrill of horror throughout the country.

Reidsville Man Charged With Murder

Reidsville, N. C., Apr. 11.—As a result of the investigation by the coroner's jury into the case of the death of Floyd Powell, Mack Edwards has been bound over to court, and it is probable that Edwards will be arraigned and tried for his life. Powell was killed early Sunday morning in his room at the home of his brother-in-law, Calvin Williamson, and what appeared to be upon the statement of the defendant, an accident, may turn out to be a case of murder. There were no eye-fitnesses, but in the investigation held yesterday afternoon, a dozen witnesses were examined and there was a chain of circumstantial evidence to cause the jury to bring in a verdict that Powell came to his death by a pistol bullet fired by Edwards, with intent to kill.

YOUNG WHITE MAN SHOT.

Result of Two Parties Being Rocked On Streets at Asheville.

Asheville, N. C., April 11.—Emery Shape, a well known young white man of the Riceville section, is in the Mission Hospital, suffering from a gun-shot wound in the abdomen, as the result of a shooting scrape about ten o'clock last night. Houston Creasman and Walter Bartlett, it is alleged, were implicated in the shooting, but no arrests so far have been made. Sheriff Hunter tonight stated that he understood that the men were coming in to surrender, but had not up to 8 o'clock.

Fire Bug Sentenced at Sanford.

Sanford, N. C., April 7.—Rev. W. F. Fleming, colored, was to-day sentenced by Judge Lyon, holding Lee court, to three years' service in the penitentiary, for attempting to burn his dwelling house in Sanford some nights ago.

North Carolina Murderers Sentenced.

Martinsville, Va., April 7.—John Echols, Thomas Bailey and Jim Hairston, negroes, were convicted here to-day of murder in the first degree, and will meet death in the electric chair for the brutal killing of Sidney Wood, member of their race. All of the negroes resided at Winston-Salem, and were aboard a Norfolk and Western excursion train when a quarrel resulted in Wood being stabbed to death.

Perhaps Fatally Cut.

Charlotte, N. C., April 12.—It was learned to-day that Jules Freeland, a young white man, was butchered and slashed in a horrible manner in the tenderloin district early Sunday morning, and that his condition is now precarious. Clifford Harrison, said to have done the carving, is missing.

WADE COBLE FOUND GUILTY.

Jacob Coble and Wife Give Bond for Selling Liquor—King Fired \$500 for trading With the City—Takes an Appeal.

Greensboro, N. C., April 9.—In the case in the Superior Court here this afternoon against Wade Coble, his father and mother, Jacob and Etta, indicted for the murder of John Staley, the Solicitor took a not guilty verdict as to Etta Coble before the case went to the jury. The verdict of the jury after two hours' deliberation, was not guilty for Jacob, but guilty of manslaughter for Wade Coble.

He was sentenced to twelve years in the State Prison. Appeal was taken and bond was fixed at \$2,500.

Jacob Coble and his wife, who are indicted in other bills for selling and manufacturing whiskey, gave bond for their appearance at the next term.

In the case against Highway Commissioner John L. King, indicted for violating the law prohibiting the selling by member of a public board of property belonging to individual member, a special state of facts was agreed upon. The Judge found the defendant guilty, imposing a fine of five dollars and costs. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court.

Seized Packages of Liquor.

Hamlet, N. C., April 11.—Two packages of liquor branded hardware and a barrel branded oil were seized her Saturday by Deputy Collector Merritt, of Raleigh. The goods were shipped from Bowers Hill, Va., to J. H. Rhone. No. J. H. Rhone had put in his appearance for the goods, though they had been here for several days.

MR. TAFT'S APPEAL

Urge Regulars and Insurgents to Redeem Party Pledges.

ADDRESSES REPUBLICAN CLUBS.

Ex-President Roosevelt's Courage and Diplomacy—His Actions While in Rome Are Generally Upheld—His Speeches Have Been Applauded in America as Well as All Over the Civilized World—A Delegation of Prominent Business Men Told to See the Machine Boss—The Delegation Surprised and Disgusted.

(Special to The Caucasian.)

Washington, D. C., April 11.—President Taft made a notable speech before the annual meeting of the Interstate Republican Clubs held here on last Saturday night.

It had been announced that the President would make a keynote speech for opening a campaign to elect a Republican Congress. In his opening remarks, the President said that this announcement was a mistake; that a keynote speech for the campaign would have to be made after Congress adjourned, for such a speech would have to be based upon the record which Congress had made in redeeming the pledges made by the party in the last campaign.

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CONGRESSMAN MOREHEAD'S BILL.

Guildford County People Heartily Endorse His Bill for an Appropriation for the Guilford Battle-Ground.

[Greensboro Record.]

Representative Morehead has introduced a bill in the House appropriating \$25,000 for the erection of a monument to the memory of Gen. Greene and others who participated in the last fight at Guilford Battle-Ground; also \$25,000 for the general betterment and improvement of the grounds. President Morehead, of the Battle Ground Company, says he has strong hopes that the measure will pass. Congressman Morehead is not one to rush for the band wagon; he introduced the bill the other day and the first information concerning his action came this morning to President Morehead, a copy of the bill, which has been printed being sent to him.

The passage of this bill, should he succeed in getting it through, will stand as a monument to his memory and be worth more than repeated election to the House.

GLASS TRUST INDICTED.

Government Takes Action Against Imperial Window Glass Co.

Pittsburgh, Pa., April 7.—The Imperial Window Glass Company, a corporation of West Virginian birth, which lacks but one week of being a year old, and sixteen officials and directors, were indicted by special Federal grand jury here late to-day on three counts:

(1) Conspiracy in the restraint of the hand blown window glass trade in the United States.

(2) Engagement in illegal competition.

(3) Attempt to monopolize interstate trade.

The Millers Complain.

Fifty millers from all parts of the State met at Greensboro, N. C., March 19th and organized the North Carolina Millers' Association, and it was proposed to meet again May 24th, at the same place when it is thought that a majority of the 450 millers in this State will be present.

After transacting routine business the Association paid its respect to Democratic good government by adopting resolutions condemning the present administration of the law relating to inspection of feedstuffs and a committee was appointed to wait upon the officials of the Agricultural Department of the State and have the grievances removed. They complain, among other things, against the administration of the law requiring twenty cents per ton on all feedstuffs as an inspection tax.—Union Republican.

FIRE AT NEW BERN.

Several Lumber Sheds and Blacksmith Shop Burned.

It is reported here that a few days ago a delegation of prominent North Carolina business men of a certain thriving city came to Washington and called upon one of the Departments of the Government to present a matter of no little interest to the people of their town and commun-

ity. Whereupon, it was suggested to them by a certain government official that they had better see the referee of North Carolina about the matter and get his approval.

It is reported that one member of this delegation, who has always been a Democrat, but who had voted for Taft at the last election, expressed himself in a vigorous manner afterwards to the effect that he had voted for Taft not only because he believed generally that the Republican policies were best for the State and the country, but especially because the President had announced that the old rotten referee system of the South should be abolished and that the wishes of the people in each community should be respected by the administration.

It is said that this citizen not only expressed his surprise and disgust, but also declared that he would never see the patronage machine boss about this matter or anything else.

ASKS SWEEPING INQUIRY.

Governor Hughes Says Demand of Public is Irresistible.

Albany, N. Y., April 11.—Declaring that the revelations in the recent Alds-Conger bribery inquiry and the facts brought out in the insurance investigation by Superintendent of Insurance Hotchkiss, have caused every honest citizen to tingle with shame and indignation and have made irresistible the demand that every proper means should be employed to purge and purify, Governor Hughes sent a special message to the Legislature tonight recommending "an immediate, impartial, thorough and unsparing investigation into legislative practices and procedure and into the use of corrupt or improper means for the promotion or defeat of legislation."

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CASE RE-ASSIGNED.

American Tobacco and Standard Oil Suited to Be Re-argued.

Washington, D. C., April 11.—Unwilling at this time to render decisions in the dissolution suits against the Standard Oil and the so-called "Tobacco Trust," the Supreme Court of the United States to-day ordered a re-argument of these cases. This postpones the final disposition of the application of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law to these corporations for weeks and probably until after next October. The present term will end about June 1st.

It is believed the court will not advance the cases for re-argument until President Taft has been given ample time to fill the vacancy created by the death of Justice Brewer.

Educate the Boys and the Democratic Party Will Grow Out of Existence.

Clinton News-Dispatch.]

The News and Observer says the "boys are being educated and that's the reason the Democratic party grows in North Carolina." But, say Josephus, why didn't you tell us which way the Democratic party is growing in North Carolina? Why didn't you tell us that it has grown from a majority of 60,000 in 1900 down to 20,000 in 1908, and this, too, during a period when there was more schools and better schools than was ever known before in the history of the State. It will not take long at the present rate for the Democratic party to grow clean out of existence. Yes, educate the boys and the Democratic party will soon go out of business.

The Trusts Not "Skinned."

The Republicans are making it warm for the trusts up North, but the Democrats down here in North Carolina won't even make an attempt to bring suit against the trusts.

You see, beloved, that the Democrats think they can play a bluff game by having Josephus to keep up a whine about the trusts, but the trusts know that they are in no danger as long as the Democrats stay in control. The trusts are not a bit "skinned."—Clinton News-Dispatch.

Some Say Morehead and Some Say Holton.

Lincolnton Times.]

Who will be the next Republican State Chairman? seems to be the big question. Some say Holton and some say Morehead. He should be a man under whom all will work harmoniously for the growth of the party.

GRISWOLD WORKING HARD HIS PARTY.

Loves His State and the G. O. P. and Has Buckled Himself Down for a Mighty Pull for "Honest Mot" Morehead and the Success of His Party in the State—Believes in the Mixing of Politics and Business.

(Washington Correspondent Charlotte Observer.)

William Griswold, the most practical of all the pugnacious Republicans that ever moved and prospered in North Carolina, is at the bat for his party and his friend, John Motley Morehead—now called Honest Mot—twenty-four hours a day. He is busy by day, gathering names, sending out campaign literature and putting balm on sore places. He believes in his State and the G. O. P. To-day, when I made my regular call, I found him absorbed in serious thought.

"A penny for your thoughts, Gris?" I said.

"They are worth more, but I will give them to you for nothing. The success of Republican party means bread and meat to me and all my friends. I do not mean that we will get Federal pie, for that never enters my head, except for the other fellow. I am thinking of business. The tariff and other good policies makes prosperous times."

"Then you believe that business and politics are bed-fellows?"

"Business and politics are said not to mix, but it is a fact that the best politics is, after all, business.

"The old saying comes from days that are fast going forever when a man was hated and shunned because he espoused Republican principles."

"To-day our people are more intensely interested in protection than ever before and are studying it from a strictly economical standpoint."

"A protection on lumber means the broadening of our industries and the utilizing of our mountain trees with their millions of feet of the finest timber grown, and this means the building of railroads into these undeveloped portions of the State."

"A tariff on leather means better prices for our cattle and hides and for our bark and extracts used for tanning and the upbuilding of an already great tanning industry."</p