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EDITORIAL BRIEFS

The Baltimore Sun asks where will Roosevelt land. On top, of course.

The Wake Democrats have postponed their spring white-washing until after June 25th.

Chairman Adams' call for the primaries wants everyone to "feel" like they had a hand anyhow.

As a last resort the officials might call on the State's Oil Department to still the troubled waters.

"Oh for the rare days in June," sings the poet. They are here, and are raw in the bargain.

Now there are charges of corruption in the Baltimore City Council. Yes, it is Democratic, too.

The Wake Democrats will not ring the tocsin this year, as their only Bell has come off the ticket.

North Carolina, like a good farm, makes good when properly managed. We simply need some new overseers.

Doubtless the capitalist would not hesitate to buy our bonds if they be in power when the time came to redeem them.

Is there any law on the statute books against buying and stealing votes, or did the Legislature repeal that law, too?

The Democrats now say they should not be criticised for mismanaging affairs. Of course not—a Democrat can do no wrong!

As soon as Bryan left for Europe ex-Governor Folk announced his candidacy for the Presidency. He must not expect Bryan to return.

After "cussing" them extensively, the Democrats are now asking the Republican financiers in this State to pull them out of the hole.

About how many "red-headed editions of the News and Observer" will be issued daily regarding the bond issue if the State was in Republican hands?

The rumor that the Democratic delegation from North Carolina to their next National Convention will favor John G. Carlisle for President, has not been confirmed.

The latest Democratic candidate for President is ex-Governor Folk, of Missouri. However, he will later find out that the home-folk prefer a Republican in the White House.

A large firm in this State are advertising for laborers, offering \$1.25 per day. Would you have heard of such prices as that for day-laborers if Bryan had been elected President?

The Democrats charged that the Republicans ruined the State's credit when they were in power. But there was never a time under the last Republican administration when the State bonds would not sell at and above par.

The State officials offered their services to the ballot box stuffers in the western part of the State in 1900, but still they wonder why some of their men now buy and steal votes from each other.

If Hon. S. S. McIninch is as good a man as the Democrats said he was when the mayor of Charlotte, then the Republicans of the Ninth District have selected a most excellent man as their candidate for Congress.

Charlotte has unveiled a tablet, marking the spot where existed the only Confederate navy yard, during the war. There is nothing to prevent Charlotte being a seaport now, if she will only connect with the ocean tube and get her newspapers to suck as hard as they blow.

The candidates of the Bailey-Daniels ring in Wake are out making speeches in the county against the court-house ring. The court-house ring is out in the county bush-whacking for votes against the Bailey-Daniels ring. However, the voters may decide this fall that neither side rings true.

The Democratic papers say the Republicans should not try to make political capital out of the fact that the State administration can't float the bonds. We are not. We are sorry it is so, and we are also sorry that some loud-mouthed Democratic politicians have brought about such a condition.

FAVORS MOREHEAD FOR CHAIRMAN.

Represents the Progressive Element in North Carolina Politics—Will Have the Rank and File of Party and Business Element Behind Him.

Mount Airy Leader.]

Now that the Republican State Convention has been called and a place decided upon to hold it, interest will, no doubt, center in the contest for State Chairman which will surely take place. It is understood that Chairman Adams will not stand for re-election, and that Hon. A. E. Holton has aspirations for this position, but the latest opinion is, that in this important contest Carl Duncan, National Committeeman, and John M. Morehead, of this District, will be the candidates before the Convention for that honor.

Of the two, the former has greater experience in the game of politics, stands in with the machine and is a great political fighter, while on the other hand, Mr. Morehead represents the progressive policy in North Carolina politics that must, sooner or later, win, and while one will be backed by the Federal office-holders, the erstwhile machine, and the majority of the politicians, the other, will have behind him the rank and file of the party and the business element.

It will probably prove a more interesting fight than that of four years ago when Spencer Blackburn came near defeating the machine in this State and with the old Blackburn strength in the west and Butler and Skinner in the east, lined up for Morehead, his chances look good for victory. The west will never agree to allowing the Chairmanship and the National Committeeman to go to the east and there are thousands who are not willing to again turn over the management of the party affairs to one man as they did to Senator Pritchard.

Mr. Morehead is the logical candidate for Chairman, for no man in North Carolina has ever accomplished what he has and no man has ever served his party more faithfully since his advent into politics. His election would mean many recruits from Democracy, the moment he was elected, and the fact that he stood at the head of the party organization would mean victory at the polls.

Mr. Morehead may not desire this honor and responsibility, but if he does, or his party demands it, he will find thousands of old-time and loyal Republicans who are ready to see that he is made Chairman and then ready to aid him in snatching victory from the Democrats at the polls. Make Morehead Chairman and there is in store a brighter day for Republicanism in this State and men will flock to aid him in placing the State party upon a business basis founded upon the principles of the National party.

ROOSEVELT TO HEAD PEACE COMMISSION.

House Committee Approves Measure for Effort to Limit Armament.

Theodore Roosevelt, in all probability, will be appointed by President Taft as the head of the Commission which it is now proposed by Congress to create for the purpose of bringing about universal world peace.

The House Committee on Foreign Affairs to-day gave favorable approval to the Bennett-Bartholdt bill to create a commission "to consider the expediency of utilizing existing international agencies for the purpose of limiting the armaments of the nations by international agreement and of constituting the combined navies of the world an international force for the preservation of peace."

The committee authorized Mr. Bennett to combine his resolution with that of Mr. Bartholdt and when it comes before the House there is little doubt of its passage.

It is understood that the President has already made up his mind to appoint Colonel Roosevelt at the head of the Commission when it is authorized.

Havemeyer, Dead, is Charged With Ordering Employees to Steal.

New York June 2.—That the sugar trust was founded on fraud in which not only the government but growers of sugar in Cuba, Java and India suffered, was dragged today from Ernest W. Gerbrecht, former superintendent of the Brooklyn Refinery of the American Sugar Company, on trial for defrauding the Government, during a merciless cross examination by Special Assistant Attorney General Stimson.

"I was ordered by the late H. O. Havemeyer to falsify the polarimeter tests of sugar so that we would have to pay less to the sugar grower," said Gerbrecht.

The Comparison is Odious to Us.

Durham Herald.]

We have lived to learn that a fight between Democrats and Republicans is as nothing compared to a fight between Democrats.

Democratic Folly.

Charlotte Observer.]

If we must have a special session of the Legislature, as the Governor's proclamation indicates, by all means let us have it over quickly. The folly of tying the State officials' hands in the bond matter has for some time been sufficiently evident.

COURT OF CUSTOMS

The New Court of Appeals Met Tuesday For the First Time.

MANY CASES ON DOCKET

The Administration Bills Are Now in Better Shape—A Majority, if Not All the Measures, Will Be Passed at the Present Session—The Proposed Increase of Freight Rates—Increase in Illicit Distilling and the Possible Cause for Same.

(Special to The Caucasian.)

Washington, D. C., June 7, 1910.—The new Court of Customs Appeal met this morning for its first session. This court has been created to hear and pass upon appeals from the various ports of entry where importers have complained as to the finding of the appraiser with reference to the value of goods imported and the amount of tariff duties required to be paid. Formerly, such appeals were made to the United States Circuit and District Courts. All cases now pending before such courts have been transferred to this new court. When the court met this morning two hundred and twenty-five such cases were on its docket.

Proposed Increase of Freight Rates.

The railroads of the country, a few days ago, attempted to advance their rates from one end of the country to the other before the passage of the railroad rate bill now pending in Congress. They were anxious to do this because after the passage of the law no railroad can increase rates without the consent of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

To prevent such an increase of rates the Attorney General promptly applied to the courts for an injunction, which was granted, staying the putting of such increased rates into force. This prompt and effective action on the part of the Attorney-General at once brought a committee of all the railroad lines of the country to Washington on yesterday to hold a conference with the President. As a result of that conference the railroads have agreed that they will not attempt to put any increase rates into effect and will await the passage of the railroad rate bill and comply with that law. With this understanding, the President agreed that further action under the injunction proceedings started by the Government would not be pressed.

The Condition of the Administration Bills in Congress.

The railroad rate bill, which had already passed the House, has just passed the Senate with a number of amendments that greatly strengthen and improve the bill. Not only did every insurgent Republican join with the regulars in supporting the new railroad rate bill, but over half the Democratic Senators also voted for it; indeed, there were only twelve votes cast against the measure, and all of them were by Democrats. It is thought that the House will promptly accept the Senate bill; if not, the differences between the two Houses will soon be adjusted in conference.

An agreement has been reached in the House as to the Senate postal savings bank bill, and it now looks as if that great reform measure would become a law at this session of Congress.

The administration measure giving the President further authority for the conservation of natural resources, which had already passed the House, was taken up in the Senate on yesterday and will become a law at this session.

The other administration measures are also being pressed, and it is hoped that one or more of the remaining measures will also become a law.

The Increase of Blockading.

A Republican from the western part of the State, who was here yesterday, said that the recent seizures of illicit distilleries in Western Carolina, and especially in Wilkes County, were probably the greatest seizures ever made anywhere in the United States. At one distillery there were destroyed over four thousand gallons of mash or beer ready to be distilled. In several cases there were serious fights between the blockaders and the revenue officers.

Commenting upon this great revival of illicit distilling, this Republican said that, in his opinion, this great increase of illicit distilling was started with the hope that District Attorney Holton would soon be removed, and he said further that it might have been also induced by the thought that Collector Brown would also be removed.

It is generally known and admitted that District Attorney Holton and Collector Brown have enforced the law more effectively than ever before in the history of the State, and therefore the prospect of their removal from office naturally encouraged the violators of the law to resume on a bigger scale than ever before their illicit business.

The Caucasian is to be enlarged. Writes us for special campaign rates.

STATE NEWS.

State Press Association are holding their annual session at Wrightsville this week.

The Johnston County Republican Convention is called to meet at Smithfield June 25th.

Claud Durham, colored, was run over and killed by a freight train at Clayton Saturday night.

The commencement exercises at Trinity College were held this week. Dr. Kilgo preached the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday.

The trestle on the Seaboard Air Line at Vass was burned Saturday, and for several hours it was necessary to send trains around by Fayetteville.

Catherine Sutton, the three-year-old daughter of J. J. Sutton, who lives at Greenville Sound, near Wilmington, was frightfully burned Saturday afternoon.

Mr. L. C. Bagwell, of Raleigh, announces himself a candidate for Corporation Commissioner. He has been a candidate for the nomination several times before.

Dr. W. P. Few was Monday night elected President of Trinity College to succeed Dr. J. C. Kilgo, recently elected a Bishop by the General Conference at Asheville.

The birthday of Jefferson was observed last Friday throughout the Southern States. A very elaborate program was carried in many of the towns on that occasion.

J. A. Bennett, an employee of Wyssong & Miles Co., at Greensboro, was struck by a locomotive while walking on the Southern Railway track and instantly killed.

The home of Joe Hines, colored who lived near Wendale, in Edgecombe County, was destroyed by fire a few days ago and Hines' little child also perished in the flames.

The State Chapter of the United Commercial Travelers was held in Wilmington this week, and was largely attended. Greensboro was selected as the next meeting place.

At Lenoir on Friday last was unveiled a monument to the memory of Catawba County's Confederate dead. The occasion was largely attended and Chief Justice Clark was the orator of the day.

Thomas Gill, aged ninety-one years and the oldest resident of Fayetteville, died there on Sunday last. He was noted for his strong resemblance to Napoleon, of whom he was a great admirer.

Mr. Ike Meekins, of Elizabeth City, has been appointed Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District of the Federal Court to succeed Mr. J. A. Giles, who is now postmaster at Durham.

Alfred E. McKee, a student at the University and a grandson of the late Judge McKee, committed suicide by taking poison. No reason is assigned for the rash act. He was a native of Fayetteville.

Will Harts, a young man of Mecklenburg County, who shot and killed Robert Simpson last November, was placed on trial at Charlotte yesterday afternoon. A venire of 150 men have been summoned from which to select the jury.

Mr. R. C. Lineback, of the State Department of Agriculture, reports that he seized 110 bags of Virginia meal in Wilmington Saturday. The meal was in a state of fermentation and entirely unfit for use. He also seized two lots of meal in Washington last week.

It is currently reported that the American Tobacco Company have subscribed for a million dollars worth of the 4 per cent bonds that it was feared would cause a special session of the Legislature. A meeting of the bankers has also been called to aid the State officials.

Watching the Scramble.

From Western Carolina Enterprise.]

That Wake County row is furnishing a lot of fun for the paragraphers, and some of them are asking various and sundry questions concerning the present attitude of the "refawmers." Some of the boys want to know whether the ticket named by the "refawmers" is any better than those fellows who are already on the jobs. Messrs. Bailey and Daniels say the present incumbents are a lot of mighty low-down, dirty rascals and will steal if given half a chance. Those in charge of the machine say that the "refawm" crowd are liars, hypocrites and scoundrels, so "there we are—r-r-r-r-r," as Mr. Dooley would say. If both factions of the untried are telling the truth, and it is generally believed that they are, it is time for the good people left in the Wake County Democracy to seek better company. They cannot affiliate with either faction if half the charges against them are true.

SPECIAL SESSION

Governor Kitchen Has Called the Legislature to Meet June 14th.

THE BOND QUESTION

If the State Bankers Do Not Answer the Pleadings of the State Officials and Take Up the Bonds the Legislature Will Have to Meet and Increase the Rate of Interest on the Present Issue, or Allow the State Treasurer to Borrow Money Pending Sale of Bonds—Must Act Before July 1st.

Governor Kitchen issued a proclamation calling the North Carolina General Assembly to meet in extraordinary session here June 14th, to take action as to the impending \$3,430,000 refunding bond issue to take care of bonds falling due July 1st, the inability of the Council of State to market the 4 per cent refunding bonds at this time in sufficient quantities, under the restrictions of the legislative act authorizing them to meet the July bond obligations.

The proclamation of the Governor follows:

"To the Honorable the General Assembly of North Carolina: 'By, and with the advice of the Council of State, an extraordinary session having arisen, I, W. W. Kitchen, Governor of the State of North Carolina, in exercise of the power conferred upon me by the constitution of the State, do issue this, my proclamation, convening the General Assembly in extra session on Tuesday, the 14th day of June, 1910, at 11 o'clock a. m., and I do hereby notify and request Senators and members of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of North Carolina to meet in their respective halls in the Capitol in the city of Raleigh at said time for the purpose of considering an emergency resulting from the inability of the State Treasurer to sell, in accordance with Chapter 299, public laws of 1909, entitled 'An Act to Authorize the Issue of State Bonds to Pay off State Bonds Which Fall Due on the First Day of July, 1910,' sufficient bonds to pay the present outstanding bonds of issue of 1880, which mature July 1, 1910, and of enacting legislation to enable the State Treasurer to reserve sufficient funds to pay said last-mentioned bonds at their maturity.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed. 'Done in the City of Raleigh this, the 3rd day of June, 1910.

"By the Governor,

"ALEX. J. FIELD,

"Private Secretary.

"W. W. KITCHIN, Governor."

The question that confronts the Legislature is whether to increase the rate of interest on bonds to run for forty years to 5 per cent, or to provide for the money needed by borrowing pending the sale of bonds. There is still one chance that the call for an extra session may be revoked. The banks of the State are asked to send representatives to Raleigh June 8th for a conference as to means for tiding over the situation. If there should be any results from this meeting, it is said the call for an extra session will be revoked by the Governor.

Later.—Just as we go to press it is announced from the office of the Governor that the entire remainder of the bond issue had been subscribed. Of the amount, the American Tobacco Company took one million dollars worth. This balance was taken entirely at par, the State not receiving any bonus.

GENERAL NEWS.

An English army officer crossed and recrossed the Channel between France and England last week on a Wright bi-plane airship.

Ex-Governor Jos. W. Folk, of Missouri, is strongly endorsed by the State Democratic Executive Committee for the presidential nomination.

Wm. J. (Fingy) Connors has been deposed as State Chairman, which action has precipitated a big row in the Democratic party in New York.

The Railroad Bill passed the Senate Friday, but as it was in a different form than when it passed the House, it will probably be necessary for the bill to go before a joint committee before being finally disposed of.

Considerable discussion has been aroused by the remark of the Governor of California that the Jeffries-Johnson fight is "fixed" so that the white man will win. Both fighters indignantly deny the charge.

The State Department has instructed consuls and agents at foreign places to look out for the church janitor who is suspected of killing eight-year-old Alma Kellner, of Louisville, and then burning the body. His wife is under arrest and he is thought to have escaped abroad.

SOME DEMOCRATIC HYPOCRISY.

Mr. J. L. Ramsey, in a Strong Article, Tells Why He Left the Democratic Party, and Why He is Now a Republican—A Review of Political Conditions in North Carolina.

(Continued From Last Week.)

I have visited Iredell County several times since and have been here for some time lately. I am getting more substantial food than spring water and blackberries. But the water is powerful good, and the blackberry briars, just now in bloom, seem to nod their heads at me and say: "Stand firm, my friend; we never fall." And that causes me to think that the blackberry briars are all Republicans, for if they were Democratic the crop would miss entirely three-fourths of the time, and when the briars would bear at all, the berries wouldn't be larger than No. 8 shot, and they'd be as sour as beet pickles that have been in acid vinegar so long that they have rotted.

National affairs seem to have been in competent hands for some years. McKinley, Roosevelt, and Taft, though none of them have reached perfection, have done well. Democratic men have endorsed their conduct of affairs; Democratic children and chronic political grumblers have at times criticised each of the statesmen and their most influential associates. But the wise Democratic farmer, business man and artisan has said from his heart, if not audibly: "Give us other McKinleys, Roosevelts, and Tafts." And they are beginning to help to pick them out and elect them, too.

Some years ago I was in a village some distance from Raleigh. The National and State election was but two days off. The citizens of the village were about equally divided politically. A few Democratic "rooters" from the vicinity had come in that day to help gather in any lukewarm Republicans there might be. I had dropped into a store and found several discussing the coming election. I took no part in the talk, for I did not intend to vote. Pretty soon most of the Democrats gathered around a Republican farmer who lived near and began to plead with him in a neighborly way to vote the Democratic ticket, using the usual State Democratic arguments. The Republican probably had only a limited common school education. He listened patiently for a time, then he said: "Gentlemen, your talk sounds good, and Mr. Bryan may be all right. But when the Democrats had this country I got four, five, and six cents per pound for cotton. Now I get ten, twelve, and fourteen cents—more than twice as much. Under Cleveland rule I got four and five cents for pork; now I get eight, ten, and twelve cents. Under Cleveland my family sold eggs at seven, eight, and ten cents per dozen; now we get from fifteen to twenty-five cents per dozen. We get at least twice as much now for our butter." By this time the ardent Democrats had melted away by ones and twos, and most of them mounted their horses and cut for home. The Republican shifted his chair, got up, and said to the merchant: "Put me up a dollar's worth of good coffee and a dollar's worth of sugar. I am expecting a beef man out from Raleigh to-day to look at some cattle and I must go home." I noticed that he threw down a ten-dollar bill to pay for his purchases, which was another evidence that Clevelandism had gone hence probably never to return. And Bryanism, the other extreme, has also run its last race.

Coming to the State, there are commendable features about Democratic rule. There are many excellent citizens in the Democratic organization, men who believe they are right. Some of the leaders are very good men. But with Daniels, Simmons, and Glenn in the saddle it is but another case of "when the wicked rule the people mourn." There are other leaders, of course. But they hardly know what has happened and have no idea as to what may happen. Josephus Daniels is the real leader in this State. He probably has daily and nightly communication with Satan and gets telegraphic instruction. Simmons does some of the base-note thinking and Glenn has been doing the principal hypocritical stunts in the greatest of all "come on" games—Democratic moral reform. Modern Democracy is the only agency of a political nature that professes to be able to hurry up the millennium by taking charge of the spiritual and moral welfare of the whole people. Benjamin Tillman, of South Carolina, was, and is, the prime mover. Some years ago he lifted up his voice in South Carolina and brayed like a jackass for many days. Result: A great dispensary for the State of South Carolina for the sale and manufacture of klicker, the manufacturing feature being an after-thought. Political corruption and scandal after scandal followed. But Tillman became Governor of his State and United States Senator. This looked good to the Democrats in North Carolina. A number of them quit carrying ticklers holding from a pint to a quart, ate a few cloves, put talcum powder on their red noses, and began to bowl for a dispensary system like that of South Carolina, not because it would reduce the quantity or quality.

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POSTAL BANK BILL

The Bill Has Been Reported Favorable by the Committee.

WILL VOTE TODAY

Champ Clark and His Followers Resort to Usual Democratic Tactics in Their Opposition to Bill—Bill Reported by Strict Party Vote—Democrats Have No Reasonable Argument Against the Measure—Senate and House Will Both Vote on Bill To-day.

Washington, D. C., June 7.—With the Democrats attacking the Republicans, denouncing the "insurgents" for their alleged insincerity, and assailing the "Bucklers" for bringing in a "kagade" to further a party measure, and the Republican leaders retaliating by charging the Democrats with similar performances when they were in power, a special rule was adopted in the House to-day which placed the postal saving bank bill on its way to final passage, with the debate limited to eight hours and all possibility of amendment cut off.

The special rule providing for the passage of the bill was brought in by Representative Daniel, Chairman of the Rules Committee, immediately after the railroad bill had been sent to conference. The debate on the rule was limited to one hour, but both sides occupied their full share of it by heaving verbal brick-bats at the other side. The vote at the conclusion was 160 to 139, all but ten of the "insurgent" Republicans having voted with their party for the adoption of the rule.

The rule which the Democrats designated as a "tax rule" provided for the immediate consideration of the postal savings bank bill, the limiting of the debate to eight hours, the prohibition of all amendments, and the allowance of the offering of one substitute and a motion to recommit. The rule was reported by a strict party vote in committee and over the protest of the Democratic members.

As soon as the rule was adopted, Representative Weeks, of Massachusetts, Chairman of the Committee on Post-offices and Post-roads, in charge of the bill, obtained an agreement by which the bill would be taken up again on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock in order that the House might be able to vote on the measure at 6 o'clock on the evening of that day.

Wayne County Republican Says His People Favor a Change in County and State Chairmen.

Editor Caucasian.—Please allow me space in your valuable paper to speak the sentiments of the Republicans at large in Wayne County. The people want a new County Chairman and a new State Chairman. I believe I am up with the wishes of the people, and can say that E. W. Hill will, in all probability, be our next County Chairman. The present Chairman, Mr. Swift G. Pate, who has been County Chairman for twelve years, has just recently resigned the postmastership at Fremont to again accept the chairmanship under the machine crowd; also with a promise to be appointed cotton statistician in Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C. Is the event that Mr. Duncan can affect a change. There is also two other Republicans seeking the appointment from this county, one of them an ex-Confederate one-legged soldier; the other is a one-armed son of an old soldier; but the ring bosses have turned down those two men and now want the job to go to Mr. Pate to keep the "machine" oiled. This is the condition of the Republican party in our county, and we speak, in part, of our own knowledge, and from good sources. I feel it is our duty to seize the opportunity as now presents itself and for every county in the State that has not already done so, to send a full delegation for Congressman John W. Morehead, for State Chairman. Now will not every Republican in every precinct in the State lay hold of this opportunity, and send only good men as delegates to our State Convention, who want to see the party grow, and win. If we want to win, we must put forth to the front only our best men who have the best interest of the party at heart. Those things are absolutely essential. Mr. Hill, who I mentioned as if he be elected county chairman he will work in harmony with any one whom the people elect for State Chairman. I bespeak the full, active co-operation of all true Republicans in reaping the full benefits which this opportunity affords.

A WAYNE REPUBLICAN.

Wilmington Ring Far Worse.

Greensboro Daily News.]

Is it possible? A Wilmington alderman has declared in open meeting that Democratic ring rule in Wake is as nothing compared with ring rule in Wilmington. Then Joe Daniels' opinion of the latter would have to be printed on asbestos paper!