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## EDITORIAL BRIEFS

Morehead spells more votes.

John Motley wrote history, but his name-sake is making it.

Those Forsythe Democrats are still wondering how it all happened.

The Wake County machine's steam roller" blew up last Saturday.

The farmers are raising cotton and corn while the politicians are raising Cain."

Mr. Godwin says he is in the fight to a finish. That's what it will be for him.

Poke-berry juice is said to be an excellent means of committing political suicide.

Now that the Chairmanship fight is settled, let us all get together and lick the common enemy.

When a Democratic says it, you can't quite make out whether it's "hominny" or "harmony."

Unless the pokeberry juice is exhausted we may look for another red-headed issue before August 10th.

"Bryan does not show the slightest chagrin," says a press item. Why should he, he is used to being licked.

After all, it is only a matter of principle and brains. Even the opposition could win with more head.

"Mr. Bryan at last meets his finish," says a newspaper headline. That has happened so often we refuse to believe it.

Will the co-partnership between the News and Observer & Greensboro News be dissolved on August 10th?

Now, just to make the thing unanimous, won't the Greensboro News publish one of those black "White" letters?

The Halifax Democrats have split and are fighting. What particular kind of sheol this will develop is awaited with interest.

The other fellows seem to be taking it for granted that all of the uninstructed delegates are for—well, who is it, anyhow?

Two South Carolina politicians called one another liars and got to fighting. They must have thought they were in North Carolina.

The editor of the Greensboro News must have a dual personality. He claims residence in both Greensboro and Raleigh at the same time.

The dignified Charlotte Observer does not approve of Democratic attacks on Mr. Morehead, especially when appearing in poke-berry color.

Cy Watson was not the man who should have cried at that Fifth District convention. Ex-Judge Jones should have done that, for he paid the freight.

Those poke-berry editions certainly did help, for it showed the Republican voter the real reason of Democratic opposition to Mr. Morehead. They fear him.

That politics makes strange bed-fellows was never better seen than the News and Observer and the Greensboro News wrapped up in the same bed-spread.

The similarity in the political news columns of the News and Observer and the Greensboro Daily News, when referring to Morehead, is strikingly apparent.

They say Chairman Bellamy made the first big mistake at that Sixth District convention. May be, but that was no excuse for everybody to follow suit and try to make a bigger one.

Having been turned down and humiliated by his own party five successive times, Mr. Cyrus B. Watson is now ready to resign his title as "the most popular Democrat in North Carolina."

## MR. MOREHEAD FOR STATE CHAIRMAN.

Mr. Chas. M. Ray Replies to Editorial in the Southern Republican.

Charlotte Observer.] In the last issue of the Southern Republican, the leading editorial, entitled "Where McGregor Sits is Head of the Table," has been read with a great deal of interest by the Republicans of this section. The editorial in question has reference to the candidacy of Congressman Morehead for the Chairmanship of the Republican State Executive Committee.

I do not wish to "butt in," but do feel, as a life-long Republican and citizen of this State, that I have a right to be heard and to have an opinion on matters of such vital importance.

The editorial says: "Welcome, thrice welcome, every such good recruit to the cause of progress, peace, and happiness. . . . But the gorge comes when such an one appraises the company with which he has connected himself, that he comes, as a missionary, to improve their moral caliber, and root out from them such as he is pleased to deem unworthy." I did not believe that the editor of the Southern Republican, broad-minded as he has been in the past, was capable of imputing to Mr. Morehead such sinister motives. Mr. Morehead is nothing but what the Republicans have made him. They nominated him for Congress in the Fifth District, these same Republicans elected him; and, since he has "made good," the Republicans of his district, together with a host of others throughout the State, appreciating his great victory, desire him for State Chairman. If a majority of the Republicans of the State prefer him for State Chairman, they should and will elect him. If they do not want him, he has no power to force himself upon them, even if he were so disposed. Hence, if you believe in the old principle of majority rule, how can you criticize Mr. Morehead? Is it a sin for a Republican to seek preferment at the hands of his party, in North Carolina, unless he has the O. K. of two or three men who have grown fat off of its patronage? Is it a sacrilege for privates in the ranks to vote for Mr. Morehead? Simply because these two or three men want to continue in complete party control? If so, I beg forgiveness.

We need recruits and must have them if we ever expect to carry North Carolina. We must put party success above the control of party patronage. But we dare say that if the chairmanship carried with it no patronage—nothing but hard work and sacrifice for principle—Mr. Morehead would have but little or no opposition. Harry Skinner would, doubtless, have been appointed to the Eastern Judgeship, instead of a Democrat, but for the opposition, yea, I might say, treachery, on the part of some of the very men who are now opposing Mr. Morehead for State Chairman. Instead of the criticism and abuse that is being unjustly heaped upon the head of President Taft, the responsibility for this appointment ought to be placed where it justly belongs.

We should put party success above party patronage; throw open wide the door of opportunity to all intelligent and respectable men; and let it be understood, distinctly, that our souls are our own, and that we can vote and act as free men and not have to bow at the feet of a man in the East, or a man in the West, and say: "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" But, on the other hand, we have seen the sorry spectacle of some of our leaders standing on the bank with a club ready to whack every man who dared to stick his head above water.

Let us get down to business, gentlemen; elect Morehead for State Chairman; send him back to Congress from the Fifth District, where he will work in perfect harmony with McNinch, Cowles, Grant and the other Representatives we will send from the Third, Sixth, and Seventh Districts; and, then, two years from now, inaugurate him for Governor of the grand old Commonwealth of North Carolina. Let us do more than this: put North Carolina permanently in the Republican column, and thereby give unto her and her people the place she forged for herself in this great Union of States which was welded together in the furnace of human liberty. CHAS. M. RAY.

No Better Man Than Morehead. [Lincolnton Times.] We see Congressman Morehead says he will accept the Chairmanship of the party in the State, if thrust upon him.

The Times believes no better man could be selected. With him as chairman, the party would grow and prosper and succeed in carrying the State. Will eventually do it anyway, sooner or later.

## IT IS MOREHEAD

County After County Swings Into Line for Fifth District Man for State Chairman.

HIS ELECTION ASSURED

Alamance, Person, Orange, Surry, Granville, Durham, and Forsyth Stand by Their Leader—Union and Haywood in Other Districts Indicate Selection of a "Progressive Republican" Plan and a Morehead Delegation—Mecklenburg Gives Him Big Majority.

Last Saturday, July 30th, was another field day for the militant and aggressive hosts of progressive Republicans who have selected John Motley Morehead as their choice for State chairman and whose battle cry is "Republican Growth and Victory." Practically every county, and all of the big ones, that is those who cast large Republican votes and many of which are strongly Republican, endorsed the Fifth District Congressman by their actions.

Alamance, in the district which he redeemed two years ago, calls upon him now to lead the State forces to victory, as he did his district. Orange, in enthusiastic terms, makes the same demand. Surry, one of the banner Republican counties of the State, which gave him a magnificent majority two years ago, also calls to him to lead the party, because they know by past experience what he can do. Watauga, another Republican County, passed strong resolutions and instructed her delegates to vote for him in the State convention. Granville selected a Morehead delegation, the report from there saying there was "but one Duncan man" in the convention. Hertford, one of the eastern counties relied upon to back up the machine, comes out for progressive Republicanism and John M. Morehead and instructs her delegates to stand by him. Craven, one of the old-time reliances of the now broken-down machine, was in the hands of the true friends of the party, and the machine boss, "little boss" made a pitiful speech and admitted he was "down and out."

Duplin, in an enthusiastic convention endorses Morehead and instructs her delegates for him.

In the primaries held, Durham went for her old favorite, Morehead, Morehead, despite some opposition by a few old-time "pie counter" men and at the county convention to be held next Saturday a solid Morehead delegation to the State convention will be chosen.

On Monday, the county conventions of Union, Person and Haywood instructed their delegates to vote for Morehead for State chairman, while Mecklenburg, filled with office holders who worked "tooth and toe nail" for Duncan, give ten of her fourteen delegates to the Fifth District man.

The stronghold of the "machine," Wake County, wherein are located the big internal revenue office, the large number of postoffice employees, the marshals office, all of which combined to defeat the will of the people, was swept by the militant Republicans who favor Morehead. Desperate efforts were made to defeat Lester F. Butler in his home ward; the representative of the "big boss," though living in another ward, went out and made speeches and worked night and day. The vote in Raleigh, despite the large number of office holders was strongly for Morehead.

The county convention on Saturday will elect a Morehead delegation to the State Convention. In the United States Marshal's ward he was defeated for a delegate by a vote of 14 to 4.

As we go to press, we received word that Morehead City, in the home county of National Committeeman Duncan, and only a few miles from his home town of Beaufort, went solid for Morehead in the primaries.

Orange for Morehead by Big Majority.

Hillsboro, N. C., July 30.—Promptly at 1 o'clock p. m. to-day in the court-house at Hillsboro, W. E. Ham, the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Republican party of Orange County, called the County Convention to order. Upon the roll-call it appeared that every township in the county was represented.

Resolutions endorsing the national administration and the course of Congressman John M. Morehead were adopted by a large majority. The delegates to the State Convention were instructed to cast the vote of the county for Morehead for Chairman.

Surry County Instructs for Morehead. Dobson, N. C., July 29.—Surry County to-day instructed for John M. Morehead for State Chairman.

Alamance County for Fifth District Man.

Graham, N. C., July 29.—The Republicans of Alamance County, in convention here to-day, endorsed the administration of President Taft and the course of Congressman Morehead and instructed for Morehead for Congress and for Morehead for State Chairman. The convention was well attended and harmonious.

Watauga for Morehead.

Boone, N. C., July 30.—Watauga County Republicans held their convention here to-day. John M. Morehead was endorsed for State Chairman.

Hertford County Republican Convention Endorses Morehead.

(Special to the Caucasian.)

Ahoskie, N. C., July 27. The convention was called to order by the county chairman, and A. G. Bazemore was called to the chair as temporary chairman. On motion, a committee of one from each township was chosen on permanent organization and the committee recommended A. G. Bazemore for chairman and A. S. Mitchell for secretary. The report was adopted.

On motion of J. S. Mitchell the convention went into the election of delegates to the various conventions.

For the State Convention, A. S. Mitchell, H. A. Hobbs and J. H. Evans.

For Congressional Convention, A. G. Bazemore, O. P. Snipes, G. H. Mitchell, B. S. Liverman, J. H. Holloman and J. H. Howard.

For Senatorial Convention, R. H. Holloman, J. H. Eure, Jno. A. Parker, J. D. Godwin, J. E. Overton and T. W. White.

For Judicial Convention, W. M. Corwin, J. T. Colston, B. S. Liverman, Isaac Newell, I. P. Outland and J. Rawls.

The convention passed strong resolutions endorsing President Taft's administration, and instructed its delegates to the State Convention to vote for the Hon. John M. Morehead for State Chairman.

Convention adjourned to meet on call of chairman of the county executive committee to nominate county officers.

Union County for Morehead.

Waxhaw, N. C., Aug. 1.—One of the most enthusiastic Republican conventions was held at Monroe Saturday ever witnessed by the Republicans of this county. The business of the convention was gotten down to in earnest and in a business-like manner, with the utmost of harmony prevailing.

The naming of the county ticket was deferred until some time in August, when the chairman and executive committee will put out a full ticket. The following delegates were elected to represent the county at the State Convention to meet at Greensboro August 10th: J. D. A. Secret, C. J. Braswell, J. E. Haigler, T. C. Braswell, J. L. Condon, J. W. Wallers, Leonard Latham, H. M. Baucom, J. W. Hasley, M. C. Haigler, J. J. Parker, W. B. Love.

Delegates were instructed for J. J. Parker for the Seventh Congressional District; also instructed for John M. Morehead for State Chairman.

Person County Endorses Morehead.

Roxboro, N. C., Aug. 1.—The Republicans of Person County held a largely attended and enthusiastic convention on Saturday.

The following county ticket was nominated: Legislature, F. O. Carver; Register of Deeds, M. W. Satterfield; Sheriff, T. D. Winstead; Treasurer, O. L. Satterfield; Commissioners, A. P. Clayton, J. P. Wade, and David Long. Clerk of the Court was left open to be announced later.

The convention endorsed John M. Morehead for State Chairman.

Durham for the Favorite.

Durham, N. C., Aug. 1.—The most non-partisan of the Republicans believe that in the coming County Convention Congressman Morehead will get fifty delegates, and that about thirty will be against him, this estimate being based upon the result of Saturday's primaries. The delegates to the State Convention will be solid for Morehead.

Yadkin Favors Morehead.

Yadkinville, Aug. 1.—Yadkin County Republicans in convention here to-day were addressed by Hon. E. A. HoRon. There was a large and enthusiastic attendance. A full county ticket was nominated, but not without considerable contest, involving some feeling. On this account, (Continued on Page 3.)

## CORRECT FORECAST

Misleading Statements of Greensboro News and News and Observer Refuted by Facts.

AN UNHOLY ALLIANCE

Machine Organ and its Democratic Ally Magnify Insignificant Returns—Big Counties to a Unit for Mr. Morehead—The Actual Figures—Evidences of Complete Understanding Between Duncan Machine and the Democrats Shown—Inspired "Interviews" and Similar "News" in Both Papers.

The Caucasian can now state with certainty that Mr. Morehead will be elected State Chairman by a very large majority.

From the action of the counties that have already elected delegates, and from information which we have received, that we consider entirely reliable, as to the action that will be taken on next Saturday by the remaining counties, it is safe to state that Mr. Morehead will not only be elected, but that he will have over eight hundred votes, out of a total of eleven hundred and twenty-six, when the convention meets on August 10th. These are the facts.

Unfortunately, a large number of people are dependent upon the Greensboro Daily News and the Raleigh News and Observer, its ally in this fight to perpetuate ring rule, for news as to the political situation. It is noticeable that both the News and Observer and the Greensboro Daily News either misrepresented the action of most of the large counties that elected delegates for Morehead, or failed to print the news and the action of such conventions. On the other hand, there is not a convention held that declares for Duncan and ring rule that a report is not published in both papers and unduly magnified.

Magnifies Insignificant Things.

For instance, when the county of Edgecombe, with only two votes in the State Convention, is captured by the ring, because the party is so small that the ring and their henchmen can easily control, the fact is heralded from one end of the State to the other as a great victory for the machine and as a death knell to Morehead and the rule of the people. Practically, no effort has been made to secure delegates for Morehead from the counties that had only two or three votes. The efforts of those who are striving to re-organize the party and head it toward victory have been concentrated in the counties with a large Republican vote where the people could rule in spite of the attempted domination of the ring bosses and their henchmen.

These twin organs have gone even further, as in the case of Granville County, in saying that it had declared for a continuation of the ring, when, as a matter of fact, the county had declared for Morehead.

An Inspired "Interview."

Recently, a staff reported of the Raleigh News and Observer was in Morehead City. He sent an article on the Republican political situation to that paper which was published in great headlines on the front page. The substance of this article was an interview which was, no doubt, given by Mr. Duncan or inspired by him, to the effect that the machine would have every delegate in the three strong Republican Congressional Districts in the West, namely, the Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth, and that the large vote of these Districts, with the other counties that had been captured by the ring, would give them a majority, even if they did not secure a single vote in the East.

The nameless interview proceeded to state, also, that Morehead would get only one county in the East, and that would be Sampson, and that the rest would be solid for the machine. Since that interview was published every eastern county that has held a convention, with the exception of the little county of Edgecombe, with two votes, and the county of Vance, with only six votes, has elected a Morehead delegation, and in Vance County there is a split, with two conventions, and we understand, of course, that there will be a contesting delegation. The people of that county are against a continuation of ring rule.

When the county of Duplin held its convention, the largest ever held in the county, with the Hon. Thomas Settle present as a speaker, making the occasion a notable one, neither the Raleigh News and Observer nor the Greensboro Daily News carried a line about the convention or the speech of Mr. Settle, or the fact that

the delegates were . . . voted solidly for Mr. Morehead.

Democrat Organ "Boo" . . .

The Raleigh News and Observer has continued to publish articles almost daily to the same effect misrepresenting Morehead and boosting Duncan, but has never once interviewed Mr. Morehead or any man supporting him to state the facts as they are.

On July 19th, following the same policy, the Raleigh News and Observer publishes an article, under big display headlines on its front page, attempting to show that the machine will control the western counties almost solid, and that the western counties will dominate the convention, regardless of the wishes of the East, and again that paper carries interviews from the machine side, and never an interview nor a statement from the side of the people who are opposed to ring rule.

The Correct Forecast.

For this reason we have taken the trouble to tabulate the vote of each Congressional District in the State, and can now give our readers a reliable estimate as to how the vote from each District will stand in the State Convention, as follows:

First District, with 67 votes, will give to Morehead 42.  
Second District, with 38 votes, will give to Morehead 20.  
Third District, with 83 votes, will give to Morehead 67.  
Fourth District, with 91 votes, will give to Morehead 75.  
Fifth District, with 189 votes, will give to Morehead 47.  
Seventh District, with 119 votes, will give to Morehead 85.  
Eighth District, with 171 votes, will give to Morehead 97.  
Ninth District, with 153 votes, will give to Morehead 94.  
Tenth District, with 157 votes, will give to Morehead 109.

Total for Morehead . . . . . 814  
Total for opposition . . . . . 312

Grand total . . . . . 1,126

These figures may be slightly changed by the action of conventions on next Saturday, but our readers may clip out this table and preserve it to check up at the State convention and see how accurate is the Caucasian's information. Mr. Morehead will not receive less than 814 votes; we feel sure that he will receive much in excess of that, for our estimate is ultra conservative.

It will be noted that Mr. Morehead will receive a large majority of the votes in each Congressional district, except the second, and that is a district made up of small counties and is a typical machine district, with the exception of a few counties.

That is the Congressional district in which the ring bosses nominated in the last campaign a postmaster for Congress, and in which the Democratic majority was increased, while the Republican majority was greatly increased in every other Congressional district in the State. That district typifies ring methods and ring results, and if the ring could have its way in every county and every Congressional district in the State, just what happened in that Congressional district two years ago would happen this year in every Congressional District in North Carolina.

This is another illustration of why the News and Observer and the Democratic ring is so greatly interested in the defeat of Morehead and the success of Duncan and his henchmen.

NAILING A LIE.

False Report That Has Been Industriously Circulated By "the Pie Counter" Machine Nailed By Mr. Morehead—A Dignified Response to a Contemptible Lie.

In the present campaign, in which the machine forces have striven so industriously to defeat Mr. Morehead for State Chairman, they, finding nothing true to bring out against him resorted to Democratic methods and published lies. One that was most liberally circulated was to the effect that Mr. Morehead, if elected Chairman, would favor the appointment of Democrats to office. To the numerous letters written him regarding this, the Congressman makes the following dignified disclaimer:

[Copy.]

"Spray, N. C., July 23, 1910.

"Mr. . . . . N. C.

"My Dear Sir:—Your letter stating that a report is being circulated in your county to the effect that I am in favor of Democrats holding the Federal offices in North Carolina, etc., received. My whole course in my political career gives the lie to this latest organization tale of the machine gang. As a matter of fact, my efforts have been bent toward the preventing of the bosses from having (Continued on Page 3.)