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EDITORIAL BRIEFS

When Portugal has gone Republican
The Market House committee must have hook-worm.
Somebody must have dynamited the pokeberry newspaper too.
Here's hopin' that Col. J. Pluvius will not be a "Home-Comer" next week.

"Mocking-bird Charlie" Aycock is in the position of the parrot. He finds that he has talked too "much."

Senator "Buck" Jones accomplished what older and wiser men vainly tried when he made "Ole Onreliable" behave.

The dog muzzle ordinance has been suspended. Perhaps that accounts for the renewed activity in Wake Democratic circles.

Mr. Jingles Bryan having flopped out of the Democratic party, it should not be heresy for an ordinary mortal to follow suit.

It would be interesting, even if shocking, to hear Josephus Daniels' real opinion of Bryan's flop from the Democratic party.

Senator "Buck" Jones spoiled a whole lot of fun when he shut down that pokeberry juice factory, but he rendered a great service to decency.

The Baltimore Sun, referring to the late drought, says in a headline, "Gwynne River Dam Dry." Gwynne River hasn't a thing on North Carolina.

Democracy's only issue, Marion Butler, is getting a little too heavy to hold. They would gladly stop, or rather, they are sorry they ever began.

The Shely Highlander is surely a connoisseur of words. It calls Josephus' head-piece "the shriveled think-tank—which is a disgrace to the State." Whee-e-e!

Governor Kitchin's numerous pardons are now explained. He says only Republicans are in the pen now, the inference is quite natural those many, many pardons were exclusively Democratic.

The Democratic officials have declared that tin plates and cups are good enough for the old soldiers. They must think they are all Republicans at the Soldiers' Home.

The News and Observer says of the Cooley-Pou debate at Siler City: "Cooley had nobody to meet." Well, now, we didn't have a very high opinion of Mr. Pou ourselves, but we would not have said quite that.

"A lady fainted and a hurried search of the Capitol Building failed to locate any whiskey," says a news dispatch. But did the search locate that "lost" report on the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad scandal?

Democratic papers are making much of the statement that the betting odds are 10 to 8 on Dix, Democratic candidate for governor of New York. If we recall aright the betting odds on the recent Mr. Jeffries, late of Reno, were two to one.

Governor Kitchin is invited to make the address of welcome to the Home-Comers. His subject may possibly be "Cuss Butler," "Dern Daniels," or "How Many Convicts I Pardoned—and Why." It's a safe bet it won't be "The Trusts and How I Bust 'Em."

Simmons and Overman should have agreed on their explanations for opposing investigating the high cost of living. The former declined to go into it, saying he was sick but the latter bluntly told the plain truth and said it would make Republican literature.

REGISTER NOW.

The registration books are now open. See that your name is on the books. The registrar will be at the polling place the next two Saturdays and at his residence the other days of the week.

PORTUGAL IS NOW A FREE REPUBLIC

King and Royal Family Flee After Hundreds Are Killed in Riots.

WAS LONG ANTICIPATED.

Provisional Government is in Charge. Revolution Has Been Long Expected—Royal Family Flee for Safety. to Gibraltar—Rioting and Bloodshed, but Not so Great as Feared—New Republic will Probably be Recognized by the Great Nations—No Hope of a Restoration.

Lisbon, Oct. 6.—Napoleon's famous expression, "The house of Braganza has ceased to reign," has become a reality and in place of the deposed Manuel sits a plain man of the people, the provisional president of the newest born Republic, that of Portugal.

The uprising, while long expected, was in a measure, suddenly accomplished. Ever since the public assassination of King Carlos and his older son, and the wounding of the now deposed king, Manuel, the fires of revolution have fiercely smoldered. The king and the queen mother, widow of the murdered monarch, were openly and brazenly insulted by the people. The royal family lived in hourly dread of a violent death.

The immediate cause of the outbreak was the shooting of Professor Bombardo, one of the republican leaders, by an officer of the king's guard. The people rose by thousands and stormed the royal palace. For some days there was a fear that the king had been killed, but he succeeded in reaching Gibraltar on the royal yacht, where he was given shelter and aid by the British commander there. The queen mother was with him, but they were penniless and without even clothing, so hasty had been their flight.

The rioting continued in the city. The bitter feelings of the people against the Catholic religious orders found opportunity to give vent and convents, monasteries and churches were raided and burned. Priests and friars were openly hunted and shot down and it was with difficulty that the provisional government, of which Dr. Theophile Braga is president, succeeded in restoring order. The new government has taken hold with firm hands. The royal family are declared exiles, but their property will be saved to them. An election to form a constitution will shortly be held. Little doubt is expressed that the great nations will soon recognize the infant republic, as the flight of the king and his subsequent remark that he bowed to the will of the people, precludes any hope of the re-establishment of the monarchy.

The people of Spain have caught the infection and there is reason to expect that the wave of republicanism will sweep that kingdom into republican hands as well.

ROOSEVELT FLIES.

The Colonel Goes Up on a Wright Aeroplane and Enjoys the Sensation.

St. Louis, October 11.—Theodore Roosevelt made an aeroplane flight as the passenger of Archibald Hoxsey, and said it was the finest sensation he ever had experienced. He traveled two times around the aviation field at Kinloch Park in three minutes and thirty seconds. He waved his hand at the thousands of spectators, much to the discomfiture of the aviator, who feared that the Colonel might hit a controlling cord. When the machine alighted easily a few feet from the starting place, a mighty shout of applause went up. Hoxsey, a Wright aviator, said that Mr. Roosevelt made a good passenger, except that he enjoyed the trip so much that Hoxsey was afraid the Colonel would fall out or interfere with the engine, which was roaring at his side. The Colonel waved his hands at the crowd so vigorously that Hoxsey called out to him: "Keep your hands on the rail, Colonel."

Colonel Roosevelt, who had forgotten to hold himself in, waved his hands once more and then obeyed orders.

The Colonel's flight was a surprise to everybody. Although he had been invited to go, no one had the least idea that he would do so, and he himself did not decide to fly until the moment before he stepped into the machine.

The Caucasian from now until after the election, in clubs of ten or more, for only ten cents each.



THE "CRIME" OF BUTLERISM.

A STINGING REBUKE

Chairman Morehead Makes Caustic Reply to Speech of Ex-Gov. Aycock.

Ridiculous Statement that a Bond Syndicate Financially Aids Republicans—Bonds Could Not Be Paid Without Submitting Question to the People—Sarcastic Suggestion That Idea Was Inspired by Such a Proposal Being Submitted to the Democrats.

The attention of Chairman John M. Morehead being called to alleged utterances of former Governor Chas. B. Aycock, in which the Republican party is falsely charged with a "dicker" with the so-called "carpet bag" bond syndicate, comes back with a dignified, albeit severe, refutation of the charge.

Chairman Morehead points out the utter absurdity of the false charge and shows the impossibility, under the constitution, of any legislature, Republican or Democratic, authorizing the payment of the bonds without first submitting the question to the people.

The chairman also calls the ex-governor's business sense to attention, by showing that even if such an attempt be made, the overtures would more likely be made to the dominant Democratic party than to the minority.

He gives the ex-governor the benefit of the doubt and expresses the hope that he has been misquoted by a certain element of the Democratic press who are noted more for the breach of the truth than in its observance.

The letter is as follows:

"Hon. C. B. Aycock, Goldsboro, N. C.
"Dear Sir:—I write to ask if the newspapers are correct in accrediting to you the statement that the Republican party is listening with favor to propositions looking to the collection of the carpet-bag bonds and that big contributions from these bondholders are being made to the Republican campaign fund in this State."

"If the newspaper version of your remarks is correct, I wish to most emphatically and unequivocally denounce the statement that the Republican party entertains any idea whatever looking toward any attempt to collect these bonds as absolutely unwarranted.

"You are, of course, aware that the provision of Section 6, Article I

of the Constitution of the State expressly prohibits the payment directly or indirectly of any of the bonds referred to unless the proposing to pay the same shall have first been submitted to the people and by them ratified by the vote of a majority of all the qualified voters of the State at a regular election held for that purpose."

"In the face of this constitutional inhibition, how can it be reasonably contended that any political party by legislative control or authority can bring about the payment of these constitutionally repudiated bonds?"

"As to the assertion that the holders of these fraudulent bonds are lending aid and comfort to the Republican party in the shape of contributions to the party's campaign fund, it is utterly untrue.

"I cannot conceive how such an idea originated, unless, perchance, the proposition has formerly been submitted by these bondholders to the Democrats, which would be a much more reasonable business proposition from their standpoint than an effort on their part to do business with a legislative minority.

"I am constrained to believe that the papers have misrepresented you, because from my estimate of your character as a man and an honored citizen of the State, I am loath to believe that you would be a party to such a misrepresentation of facts, or that you would allow yourself to be driven by the extremities of the Democratic party in this State to resort to those methods of vilification and misrepresentation so habitual to and characteristic of the organ of your party."

"In conclusion, may I appeal to your sense of fairness and honesty, both of which I believe you embody to the fullest extent, and ask that if you made the statements you substantiate them, or if, as I believe, you did not make them, join me in removing this slur upon your reputation as a man of honor, who would decline to resort to such methods, regardless of the dangers that beset Democratic supremacy in North Carolina at this juncture.

"Yours very truly,
"JOHN M. MOREHEAD,
"Chairman."

Prisoners Kill Officials.

Willemsstadt, Island of Curacao, Oct. 9.—The American steamship Merida, which has arrived here from Maracaibo, brings news of a revolt in San Carlos prison, near Maracaibo. The prisoners burned the prison and killed several officials, including the warden, who was a brother of President Gomez. All the prisoners are said to be at large.

CHATHAM'S SCANDAL

Democratic Ex Sheriff Milliken is Shown up in a Bad Light.

Ex-Sheriff's Additions in Making Settlement Proved to be Wrong—County is Nearly One Hundred Thousand Dollars in Debt—Large Sums Unaccounted For—Where Did the Money Go?—Two Present Republican Officials Have Saved County Over \$5,000—A Clean Sweep is Needed.

(Special to The Caucasian.)

Pittsboro, N. C., October 11.—The county candidates began their canvass in Oakland Township at Asbury to-day. The Democratic candidates were panic-stricken when Sheriff J. J. Jenkins stated the unanswerable fact that recently he found an error in ex-Sheriff Milliken's account of over two thousand, five hundred dollars, in the said outgoing Democratic sheriff's favor in one single cancellation of county orders, which was made on Nov. 11, 1908. The Sheriff was accredited with over seven thousand dollars when it should have been between four and five thousand dollars. Take notice that this was made at a call meeting, between the election, and the retiring of the old officers. Each page on the account book of the ex-Sheriff has the items on that page added up on an adding machine, with the adding machine slip pasted on each page of this cancellation. Every page is added correctly, but where the mistake comes in is in adding the totals of the pages of this cancellation. Mr. W. E. Brooks credited the sheriff's account with the same amount of same date on the account against him, which he, as clerk to the Board was keeping against the Sheriff in the Register of Deeds office.

In July, 1909, when the outgoing Democratic Sheriff was winding up his accounts with the County, the Commissioners had another cancellation of county orders. This time using the adding machine, but getting the total in a different way. When they were ready for the cancellation, the ex-Sheriff's deputy had the entire cancellation added giving, as the Burroughs adding machine had it \$3,762.02, when it should have been \$2,286.17, making an error of \$1,475.85 in favor of the

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CONGRESSMAN PAGE NAILS A FALSEHOOD

News and Observer Report of Speech, He Says is Falsehood.

UNTRUE EVEN TO FRIEND

Report of Congressman's Speech in News and Observer, He calls Untrue—Habit of Lying Has Grown So Strong, It Tells Lies on Its Own Friends—Garbled, Distorted and Untrue Reports the Rule in the Democratic Organ—Utterly Unreliable.

In its desperation, the News and Observer has begun to misrepresent the members of its own party and of its own faction. Its editorial utterances are known to be utterly beyond trust or belief; its news articles, when speaking of anything pertaining to Republicans were so ridiculous as to be amusing, if they were not so vile.

The habit has grown so strong that it now tells falsehoods on its own friends. In an alleged report of the joint debate between Congressman Page and Hon. J. C. Parker, candidate for Congress from the Seventh District, which, by the way has been conducted on a high plane in keeping with the character of the two gentlemen, the News and Observer puts words in the mouth of Mr. Page that he indignantly resents.

The following correspondence is self-explanatory:

Mr. Butler to Mr. Page.
Greensboro, N. C., Sept. 24, 1910.
Hon. R. M. 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 asked 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 this 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 instead of dealing with the purported report of your speech as it appears to deserve.

Respectfully,
(Signed.) MARION BUTLER.

Mr. Page Repudiates the Report of His Speech.

Biscoe, N. C., Oct. 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 to-day. 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 anybody 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

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