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EDITORIAL BRIEFS

And now school book trust will not have to try any more for five years.

If a few more of Democratic leaders enter the ministry then the ministry will be to reform.

We are oft reminded that there is room at the top—but all of us haven't flying machines.

It appears that Simmons is not in favor of good roads. Probably afraid the other candidates would outrun him.

Speaking of "hypocrisy" and "tommyrot," how about Governor Kitchin's position on the States anti-trust law?

The State has borrowed \$250,000 to meet current expenses. Just another sample of Democratic "good government."

With the price of cotton coming down and the tax assessments going up, the farmer is getting a pretty bad dose of Democratic "good government."

A Durham politician is going over the State handing out the "Aycock spirit." Possibly he thinks that will be a popular card in a prohibition State.

A special from Centralia, Ill., says Bryan will enter the ministry and give up politics altogether. That will probably be after he runs for President in 1920.

If Bryan and Bobby Glenn both give up politics and enter the ministry for keeps, what then will the Democratic party do for leaders in the State and Nation?

Trusts that have been driven out of other States are allowed to do business in North Carolina—and to think that "Governor Kitchin has been asleep at the switch."

And now they say that liquor will be an issue in the Senatorial campaign. Thought the Democrats settled that question, to their satisfaction, about three years ago!

It is said that Glenn will be in the race for the United States Senate two years hence. Wonder if he will run on his private prohibition plank, or his Sunday-school record?

Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars is a quarter of a million, and that is what Democratic "good government" has borrowed in the name of the State to meet a few little current bills.

The commissioners of Robeson County have increased the tax rate as well as the taxable value of property in that county, and the Democratic tax payers are now sitting up taking notice.

The Greensboro Telegram says that all the real Democrats are for Wilson for President. If all the others favor some other candidate, Wilson will not even be nominated, to say nothing of his chances of election.

The Hickory correspondent of The Caucasian says that when Aycock spoke at Morganton some days ago that no mocking-bird was in hearing, but the sound of the pistol vibrated through the air twice during the day, leaving at least one person on the wounded list. And to think this should happen within Aycock's hearing ten years after he had "reformed" North Carolina!

BEATTIE IS NOW ON TRIAL.

The Prosecution Rested Its Case Yesterday—Paul Beattie Says Henry Beattie, Jr., Confessed to Him That He Murdered His Wife.

The case against Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., charged with the murder of his wife, is now being tried at Chesterfield Court-House, Va. Paul Beattie, a cousin of the prisoner, testified that he bought the gun for the prisoner with which Mrs. Beattie was killed and that Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., confessed to him afterwards that he had killed his wife, but was sorry that he had done so. The prosecution has attempted to show that young Beattie killed his wife because he loved Beulah Binford, the other woman in the case. The defense will introduce testimony to-day and it will probably be next week before the case is concluded.

ANOTHER NEGRO BURNED TO DEATH.

While 3,000 Men Women and Children Stood by Shouting Their Approval—Had Attacked White Woman.

Purcell, Okla., Aug. 24.—While 3,000 men, women, and children stood by shouting their approval, Peter Carter, a negro, who had been captured by three members of his own race and identified as the man who last night attacked Mrs. Minnie Spragins, wife of a farmer, was burned to death on a brush pile in the main street of Purcell at five o'clock this afternoon. Deputy Sheriff Hayes and Under Sheriff Farris, who attempted to rescue the negro from the crowd, were over-powered and locked in the court-house.

Mrs. Spragins was assaulted while alone in her home one mile south of Purcell. After the deed, the negro set fire to the Spragins home. Mrs. Spragins' husband saw the flames while working in the field and rushed into the house in time to rescue his wife. She said that Carter, who formerly worked on the Spragins' farm, had attacked her.

MANY PERISH IN PANIC

Twenty-Six Killed and Over Sixty Injured in Trying to Escape From Building

False Alarm of Fire Caused a Large Death Toll—Most of the Dead Were Smothered and Trampled Underfoot—A Distressing Scene.

Canonsburg, Pa., Aug. 26.—Twenty-six persons were killed and over sixty injured tonight when a moving picture film exploded in the Canonsburg opera house.

Immediately following the flash of the film, some persons shouted "Fire!" There was a rush for the exit and in a moment there was a writhing, screaming mass of humanity, ten feet high, in the narrow stairway leading to the entrance of the theater.

Most of the dead were smothered. A majority of the audience was composed of women and children. In the rush for the exit, they were thrown from their feet and trampled. Others were thrown upon them and those at the bottom of the human pile were suffocated.

When two volunteer fire departments reached the theater the sight staggered them. Those of the audience who had escaped from the building and other spectators drawn to the scene were rushing about the front of the building. No person, it seemed, was making any effort to air the struggling mass within the theater.

The firemen pushed into the building and practically threw persons into the street.

As they regained their feet they ran shrieking in terror about the streets. As the firemen neared the bottom of the pile, they began to bring out unconscious forms of the injured and later came the dead. The dead were laid in a row along the sidewalk.

Relatives fought and struggled to break past the guards and reach the victims.

SEVEN KILLED IN STORM

Sundays Storm Did Considerable Damage Along South Carolina Coast

PROPERTY LOSS ONE MILLION

Charleston Suffers the Heaviest Loss. Houses Unroofed and Streets Strwn With Fallen Trees, Fences and Other Debris—Several Piers Washed Away and Harbor Filled With Wreckage—Business in Savannah, Ga., Was Tied Up on Account of the Storm.

Charleston, S. C., Aug. 28.—Seven persons known to be dead, many injured and property damage of more than \$1,000,000 seems to be the sum total of the damage wrought by the terrific storm which struck Charleston Sunday afternoon, isolating that city from the rest of the world.

In addition to the known dead, the Cassidy family, caretakers at the Wappoo Phosphate Works, are missing, and are believed to have been drowned.

Great relief was felt when it was learned late today that the people on Sullivan's Island were all safe, having been taken off by the ferryboat Lawrence, which tied up overnight at the Mount Pleasant wharf.

The harbor is filled with wreckage of small boats, schooners and launches, many piers are washed away along the water front and in the city the streets are strewn with fallen trees, roofs, fences and other debris. Among the principal buildings damaged are the custom house, postoffice, St. Michael's Church and the Wappoo Fertilizer Mills. The street car, electric, telephone and fire alarm systems are entirely out of commission.

All trains tonight are leaving the city from the old depot, the new station being entirely under water. No mail trains were operated in or out of the city today.

At the height of the storm the wind reached a velocity of 94 miles an hour while the tide rose 8 feet or more at the Battery, in front of the city.

Charleston, S. C., Aug. 28.—As the result of the freak storm which struck this city and Savannah last night and which reached hurricane proportions, Charleston has been practically isolated from the world for twenty-four hours. Property losses, it is estimated, will reach approximately \$1,000,000.

Alonzo Coburn, an engineer on the Charleston division of the Southern Railway, was instantly killed while sitting in the yardmaster's office when flying timbers crashed through the windows and broke his neck.

A Mr. Smith, of Columbia, and a motorman, Cutter, of the local street railway system, were killed and L. D. Klintworthy, of St. Stephen's and E. B. Hill were seriously injured, when a trestle adjoining the Mount Pleasant ferry collapsed. Two unknown women also were drowned when their home was flooded before they could escape. Several negroes also are reported among the storm victims.

The rainfall was more than two inches. The disturbance was reported to be west of Charleston and working away, and Forecaster Cole said there is no further need of fear.

The tide was something over eight feet during the storm, three feet short of the panic of 1893. Considerable damage was done by the water in the low sections of the city, necessitating many people being removed from their houses. The waters have caused washouts on the approaches to the union station, preventing the use of this depot.

Great damage is feared for the rice and sea island cotton industries by the rise of the tide. Heavy damage was done to these crops in the storm of last October and another severe blow might prove much of a death blow to both industries.

Mills Damaged.

The fertilizer mills also were damaged badly. In the city, the damage is largely in the unroofing of houses, blowing down of fences, toppling over of chimneys, etc. The flooding of premises and goods, with the unroofing of the buildings, added to the property losses. The water front has suffered as it has not done since the cyclone of 1885, when great havoc was wrought. A half dozen wharves have been knocked away in whole or part and shipping has suffered a good deal.

Storm Ties Up Business in Savannah.

Augusta, Ga., Aug. 28.—Passengers who have just arrived from Savannah and crews of the Central of Georgia train say the damage from the storm was not so great in that

city as was first feared. The greatest injury to the city is in being completely cut off from all wire communication. No loss of life has been reported, though the wreckage among houses along the water front has been extensive. The streets are littered with debris and all today business was at a complete standstill.

MAY MANUFACTURE THEIR PRODUCT.

Proposition by Three States to Form a Ten-Year Pool, Erect a Factory and Control the Burley Tobacco Outfit From Three States.

Lexington, Ky., Aug. 26.—James B. Haggin, the New York millionaire, may become one of the moving spirits behind the Burley Tobacco Society hereafter if he accepts the proposition which President Lebus of the society is said to have made him.

He has been asked, it is said, to join tobacco land-owners in a ten-year pooling contract by the terms of which the society is to build a factory here to handle its own products and practically control the Burley tobacco output of Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana.

Haggin produces the largest tobacco crop in Kentucky.

Advertising Stamps Must Not Be Place on Letters.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 28.—Serious inconveniences in handling the mails from particular localities is being experienced by the postal authorities on account of general use of adhesive stamps other than United States postage stamps.

In view of the trouble experienced from the use of the Red Cross stamps during the last Christmas holiday period, Postmaster-General Hitchcock has issued an order that no adhesive stamps except United States postage stamps should be attached to the address side of a letter or package.

Tens of thousands of stamps now are being used, including Panama Exposition stamps, various State exposition stamps, and what are known as the McNamara legal defense fund stamps, authorized by the American Federation of Labor.

TAFT SPEAKS AT BEVERLY

Will be Governed by Tariff Board as to Tariff Revision

Says the Democrats Attempted to Play Politics of the Most Irresponsible Character in Respect to the Three Tariff Bills.

Beverly, Mass., Aug. 26.—President Taft began the presidential campaign of 1912 here today his friends believe. In a speech that breathed defiance, he scored the "insurgent" members of the Republican party in Congress and the Democrats who combined to revise several schedules of the present tariff at the special session of Congress, just closed.

He singled out Senator LaFollette, of Wisconsin, Speaker Clark and Chairman Underwood of the House ways and means committee as leaders of the attempted revision. He indicated that he regarded the proposed revision as injudicious and dangerous to business, but made it plain that if the tariff board in December reports that downward revision of the cotton and wool schedules should be made, he will recommend it.

Standing on the broad terrace of Congressman A. P. Gardner's farm, with Senator Lodge and other Massachusetts Republican leaders, the President addressed 500 members of the Essex County Republican Club. Their cheers were loud and long.

President's Speech.

President Taft said, in part: "The extra session of Congress was called for the purpose of confirming the Canadian reciprocity treaty, which it did by a support made up of votes from both parties. I have no doubt Massachusetts, by both parties, would confirm its adoption.

"Our Democratic friends, however, were not content to allow the session to pass with the accomplishment of the purpose for which it was called. They assisted—most of them—in the passage of the reciprocity bill, because they believed in its usefulness, and in so doing they united with the Republican support and did not play politics in its passage. However, having pursued a purely statesman-like course with reference to reciprocity, they did play politics of the most irresponsible character in respect to three tariff bills, which by uniting with certain Republicans in the Senate they were able to pass and present to the Executive for his signature.

"I recognize the general demand throughout the country for a reduc-

ANOTHER CHANCE TO BE ONE OF THE BOOSTERS

15,000 Bonus Offer Extended to Wednesday September 6th at 9 P. M.—Your Subscription Now Would Put Your Favorite Well Up in The Race—Obey That Impulse—Subscribe Now.

This Extended Offer Gives Contestants Just Entering an Equal Chance With the Rest. A Few Subscriptions Now Means the Lead and in all Probability First Place at the End. Do Not Delay Until It is too Late. Get Your First Subscription To-day. Remember the 15,000 Bonus Vote Offer.

NOTICE.

Will the candidates who have decided not to remain in the contest kindly send back the receipt books we mailed to them. Postage for the same will be returned.

We have extended "Booster Week" to Wednesday, September 6, at 9 p. m. This is done in order to give the candidates just entering a chance to get in the lead while the contest is still young. Things though just simmering are beginning to get interesting. You have an opportunity now to take part in the game. It's jolly good fun and profitable, too. There is that piano waiting for you if you will only make a determined effort to win.

The Caucasian contest is the talk of the State. The political campaign has had to take second place. "Who is ahead?" and "Who do you think is going to win?" is heard more frequently now than remarks about the weather. Everybody is willing and anxious to help some young lady win one of the beautiful prizes offered by The Caucasian.

Don't you want a \$400.00 piano? Of course you do. Well, what's the answer? The answer is our Booster Week offer; 15,000 extra votes for every subscriber, new or old, turned in before September 6 at 9 p. m. Obey that impulse (apologies to Life) and start right now.

Thirty-Nine Reasons.

You have heard of course about the man who said there were thirty-nine reasons why he couldn't go to Europe. He said the first reason was because he couldn't afford it and after that the other thirty-eight didn't matter. There are just thirty-nine reasons why you should take advantage of our Booster Week offer. The first reason is—you want that piano, and after that the other reasons don't count. Call around and we will tell you about the other thirty-eight.

The voting limit has been raised to 20,000 votes this week. Watch the paper for the standing of your favorite. Help her increase that standing. DO IT NOW.

Walked Fourteen Miles.

One of our subscribers in a western county has experienced great difficulty in trying to keep his files of The Caucasian. His Democratic neighbors enjoy reading the paper and he doesn't like to be unneighborly, but it sometimes takes him a day to trace down his paper and get it back home. He writes: "I am sure that if a representative would go into each settlement throughout the State subscribers for The Caucasian could be gotten, as it is not the only Republican paper published at the State Capital, but it is decidedly the best paper for general news that I get among several. And I feel sure that where a Republican becomes acquainted with the paper he cannot do without it, and if a Democrat wants to know the truth, as is going on in his party, he will take it also. At least, when I lend my Caucasian to a Democrat neighbor and then call for it, I generally find that he has seen something in it so good that he has sent it to another, and so on, until one Sunday I walked fourteen miles in the settlement trailing my paper, and when I did find it, it was about worn out. So I have about decided to plant other subscriptions."

Every mail brings in similar letters. Everywhere The Caucasian is hailed as the best weekly paper in the State. The contestants tell us they have no difficulty whatever in securing subscriptions. More than half of the number of people interviewed had intended to subscribe to The Caucasian anyway, the rest were glad that an opportunity was afforded to secure such an excellent publication, better than most daily papers, for the price usually charged for country weeklies and at the same time help some deserving young lady win a valuable prize.

To Outside Candidates.

You have until 9 o'clock Wednesday night to mail in your subscriptions so that they will count on the "Booster Week" offer. Any letter mailed before 9 p. m. will count. Ask your postmaster when he changes his date stamp, then be sure you get your letter in on time.

Four Districts.

The piano will be given to the young lady securing the largest vote in the entire territory, but in order to equalize the chances of the several candidates for the eight remaining prizes, the territory has been divided into four districts. A diamond ring and a gold watch will be given in each of these districts.

District No. 1 will comprise Wake County, including the city of Raleigh. District No. 2 will comprise Harnett, Sampson, Johnston, Wilson and Wayne Counties.

District No. 3 will comprise Chatham, Durham, Granville, Franklin and Nash Counties.

District No. 4 will comprise all that territory in which The Caucasian circulates which is not included in the three other districts.

Who May Enter.

This contest is open to all young ladies, either single or married, who live in the territory in which The Caucasian circulates. It is not even necessary that you be a subscriber to The Caucasian.

Call for Letters.

Have you obtained any of the letters that we furnished the contestants to send to their friends? If not, why not? You would indeed be surprised if you only knew how readily your friends will respond.

Now is the time to get them. If you have not already obtained a supply, come in or write for them at once.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Raleigh.

Name	Votes
Miss Daisy Stevens, R. 3	1,000
Miss Alice Banks, R. 3	1,000
Miss Rebecca Stephenson, R. 4	1,000
Miss Nannie Banks, R. 3	1,800
Miss Allie Sorrell, R. 6	1,000
Miss Ethel Sorrell, R. 6	1,000
Miss Annie Cummings	2,400
Miss Ruby Hunnicutt, R. 2	2,000
Miss Mary A. Reddish, R. 1	1,000
Miss Angeline Williamson	1,600

Wake Forest.

Miss Levina Elsie Mangum, R. 1	17,800
Miss Hattie Watkins, R. 3	1,000
Miss Pearl Scarborough, R. 1	1,000
Miss Mamie Duke, R. 3	1,000
Miss Rebecca Patterson, R. 1	1,000

Wendell.

Miss Katie Christman	1,000
Miss Mattie Rhodes	2,400

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Nominate a Candidate.

NOMINATION BLANK—Good for 1,000 Votes.

THE CAUCASIAN PRIZE AND POPULAR CONTEST.

I nominate.....
Address.....
District No.....
Signed.....
Address.....

Only the FIRST nomination blank cast for each candidate will count as 1,000 votes.

CUT THIS OUT.

The Caucasian Prize Voting Contest 100 VOTES

Candidate.....
Address.....
District No.....

This coupon, when neatly trimmed out, name and address, properly filled in brought or sent to the Contest Department of the Caucasian, will count for 100 votes.
The first one of these coupons received for any young lady will place her in nomination, and will count for 1,000 votes.
This coupon not good after September 19th.