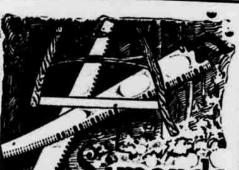


Marion Butler used his office to embarrass the state. North Carolina compromised with South Dakota on some railroad bonds and Rhode Island later returned a batch to the governor of the state. Even if those bonds that South Dakota obtained were valid, and the state had receiv-



ed partial value for them, it was a mighty sorry trick for a senator of the state to use his position to open a way for the collection of all the repudiated bonds and to make it possible to bleed the tax-payers out of honest money.

Senator Overman, the republic of Cuba and all persons concerned in settling this matter so honorably to the state and republic are to be congratulated. Overman did a good year's work.

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