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GRACE WHALEY INQUIRY.
 According to the reports from Washington in yesterday's News and Courier, the committee investigating the case of Congressman Whaley had rather an unpleasant experience with Mayor Grace, who, expressed himself in a manner to be called down; at one time during the hearing, a question of veracity arose between Mayor Grace and Chairman Post; the Mayor suggested the matter of whose word was to be believed could be settled outside of the committee room. According to the reported testimony Mayor Grace admitted his side spent lots of money, more than \$40,000 had his side won he would not have submitted a protest, but his protest was based on his dislike for Mr. Whaley. No where in the investigation does it show that Mr. Hughes, the opponent of Mr. Whaley, is having anything to do with the protest, and our information is, he does not approve of it, and deprecates its having ever been started.

The special election held last spring was indeed the most strenuous ever known in this country, but we do not believe there will ever be another like it, both sides went the limit to win, and neither side has a moral right to blame the other. But if the present exposure will put a stop to repeating the methods of that election, possibly it will do good, and make it possible for a man to be a candidate for congress who is not possessed of a barrel of money.

This morning's dispatches from Washington announce that the committee by a vote of 7 to 2 dismissed Mayor Grace's charges, but there will be a minority report.

CANNOT JAIL FOR DEBT.
 The acting Governor of North Carolina has refused to honor a requisition from the Governor of South Carolina for a party charged with obtaining money under false pretense. The North Carolina Executive bases his refusal on the ground that the prosecution was brought for the purpose of collecting a debt. It is a well known fact that a person cannot be jailed for debt, nevertheless, there are many serving sentences for no greater crime, than they did not pay a debt. It is a common practice among those who do certain kinds of time business to exact a written instrument from the purchaser or borrower, setting forth security known to the taker of the paper the security does not exist, and when the time for payment arrives, recourse to the criminal law is the result. No doubt the North Carolina Governor had evidence convincing him of this condition which influenced him to refuse his permission to turn the party charged, over to the South Carolina authorities.

If it was proposed to change our constitution so the legislature can enact laws which will jail for debt, there would be a terrific howl, and justly so, yet, some of those who would howl the loudest, resort to the criminal machinery to collect ordinary debts from an element that cannot afford to resist, or make the issue in the courts. The result is, there is great injustice often done, and blackmail is encouraged.

Notwithstanding that food stuffs are coming into this country from foreign countries since our tariff legislation, we have not yet seen or felt any perceptible lowering of the cost of living, if there is any difference at all, it is on the side of higher prices for everything, and too, the necessities of life are being handled so as to make them as expensive as possible. It will take time, of course, to know whether or not the reduction in the tariff is going to help the consumer or the producer, but now when the masses are struggling to fill their larders for the holidays, it takes a whole lot of money to get a small amount of stuff.

TILLMAN NOW AN ARISTOCRAT.
 It has been said by a close observer "wealth and position puts a bluish tinge in the blood," and we are beginning to think there is a whole lot in the observation. About twenty three years ago, Benjamin Ryan Tillman, seedy, dishevelled, and thin, went over this State posing as one of the down-trodden and common people. He denounced aristocracy, and preached a doctrine that fanned into flame the prejudices of the masses, the scars from which are not altogether healed, but characteristic of all agitators, he alone reaped benefit from the revolution he created. He started out by declaring that he wanted nothing but a trusteeship in Clemson college, nevertheless, he had the people so intensely aroused they made him governor, and his political star ascended higher and higher, until now he occupies a conspicuous place in the nation. But, however, Benjamin Ryan Tillman is never spoken of these days as one of the common people, on the contrary, according to a writer in an English magazine Tillman is an aristocrat of aristocrats.

We have had some hot and disagreeable fights in this State but the political row in Mississippi makes ours appear significant. Lieutenant-Governor Bilbo, a candidate for governor with State Senator Hobbs are on trial charged with receiving and soliciting bribes. These men are of a faction adverse to Governor Brewer, and it is a case of dog eat dog. In South Carolina the political rows have never amounted to anything more than a war of words and boasts, but when the contest has come on, everything usually quieted down, except in the case of the election in the First Congressional District where the fight has been continued, not by the successful candidate's opponent, but by an individual who has nothing to gain should he be able to convince the congress that the representative from this district secured his election by corrupt methods.

It is becoming more evident every day that President Wilson has adopted a let-em-fight-it-out policy towards Mexico. As long as American citizens are unmolested, and their property is not destroyed or damaged Huerta, Villa and Caranza will be permitted to continue their savage warfare. Huerta claims he can put a million men in the field, and the Constitutionalists claim they have clipped Huerta's wings and that he must give up soon. The reports from Mexico reminds us very much of the claims made by either side before a primary election.

Some of the citizens of the section contemplating moving into Sumter county have asked us to urge the voters against the proposition. We regard this matter as one for individual consideration, and do not feel it to be a part of our duty, either as a newspaper or a citizen, to interfere one way or another. Those who insisting upon annexing a part of this county to another, we presume have considered every phase of the subject and know exactly what the result will be; they are cognizant of the fact that Clarendon has a bonded indebtedness which was made a few years ago, and which is a lien on all the property in the county, if any portion of Clarendon decides to annex itself with some other county the bonded tax will be collected the same as it is now. In other words the bonded debt cannot be shifted, but remains against the property within the area when the bonds were issued.

Conditions are now ripe for the readjustment of political differences and if the conservative men of the State will come together, we believe the campaign of the coming summer can be conducted upon saner lines. The contest for the United States senate cannot be conducted as has been the case with former contests, the people realize there is a difference between selecting state officers and representatives to the national lawmaking body, and many who heretofore have been allied with a faction are heartily tired of the strife; they realize the harmful effects of an acrimoniously conducted campaign, and they also realize the harm the division such as we have been having is doing towards retarding community spirit, therefore if the patriotism of the people can be appealed to we believe there is a better time ahead.

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	" 18.00	" 12.00		" 9.00
	" 13.50	" 9.00		" 7.50
	" 10.00	" 6.65		" 5.00
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