

THE MEBANE LEADER.

"AND RIGHT THE DAY MUST WIN, TO DOUBT WOULD BE DISLOYALTY, TO FALTER WOULD BE SIN."

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PERSONAL AND LOCAL BRIEFS

PEOPLE WHO COME AND GO

Items of interest Gathered by Our Reporter

Mrs. Henry McCauley is very ill.
Mr. Felix Graves went over to Danville Saturday.
Mr. Tingen went to Durham Monday.
Mr. Henry Morgan of Raleigh was in Mebane Monday.
Mr. Charlie Lasley came in town Sunday from a trip South.
Messrs. Joe Vincent and Arthur Scott took a trip West last week.
Mr. West Warren has been suffering severely from an ulcerated jaw.
Miss Richardson of Mt. Pleasant is visiting her sister Mrs. H. B. Slack.
Mr. A. B. Joyner of Greensboro and Miss Ruth Reinhardt were married the 15. of February.
Maybe you think it pays to beat the newspaper man, but don't forget he has a memory.
Don't forget Washington's Birthday party at the Mayor's hall Friday night. Nice course of refreshments served free.
Durham has decided to build a big warehouse to cost eight thousand dollars. It is to be a 138 by 18 feet.
Do you want a Phonograph and record of superior make? if so, call on Mr. L. T. Johnson, see ad in this issue.
Miss Earl Ward and Mr. Will Sharp of Carr, were married in Durham Wednesday and spent Thursday in Mebane with Mrs. J. N. Warren.
Mr. Henry Scott, a prominent farmer of the Prospect Hill settlement was in Mebane Tuesday and renewed his subscription to the Leader, thank you Mr. Scott.
The Thursday after-noon Club will meet this week with Miss Fanny Mebane, and as this will be a business meeting, all of the members are requested to attend.
The attention of our readers is directed to an advertisement of Mr. W. T. Bobbitt, a recent comer to our town. Mr. Bobbitt has a nice stock of general merchandise, and sells goods right and will treat you fair. Don't fail to call on Mr. Bobbitt.
Mr. A. M. Cook and Mr. W. E. Ham received this week their patent from the patent office at Washington, for a truck to load and unload baggage on and off trains. Its a device for which much is claimed in saving labor, and avoiding inconvenience, in loading baggage.
Of course, we can not help a man being born a crank, and since he does not mind the affliction, it might not be so bad if he would wear a sign around his neck warning people of his trouble, but to stumble on one unaware under the impression that you had found a gentleman is not altogether agreeable. The thing should be labeled.

Republican Paper Talked

It is being reported that the Morehead Butler Republicans are contemplating the starting of a morning paper in Raleigh, and it is said that strong efforts will be made to secure The Associated Press dispatches. If there is anything tangible in the report, the Raleigh men say they know nothing about it, though they admit the probability.
Washington's Birthday Party.
The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church will give a Washingtons Birthday party in the Mayor's Hall Friday evening from 7:30 to 10. Everybody is cordially invited to come, and, by the way—
A penny please bring for every year you are old, and ashamed don't be for it will never be told.
The proceeds are to go for the benefit of the Parsonage.

List of Letters

Remaining unclaimed at this office for the week ending Feb 17, 1912
1 Letter for Mr. T. J. Carter
1 Letter for Mrs. Emma Evans
1 Letter for Mr. William Leggons
1 Letter for Mr. Prie Love
1 P. C. for Miss Ollie Love
1 Letter for Mrs. Mary McCaddams
1 Letter for Miss Estella Sumner
1 Letter for Mrs. Kattie Towson
1 P. C. for Miss Bettie Tilly
Lead Letter Office Mar. 2, 1912, if not called for before.
In calling for the above please say "Advertised" giving date of ad. list.
Respectfully,
S. Arthur White, P. M.

Pine Knot Items

Mrs. Neulen Smith and little son, are ill with pneumonia, hope they will soon recover.
Messrs Dronnie Roundtree and John Hawkins made a flying trip to Efland Saturday.
The box party at Breezes school house Wednesday night was a success. Mrs. Jim Wright is on the sick list.
Miss Annie Smith was called from her work at Durham Saturday on account of her mother and brother being sick.
Mr. H. C. McDade are suffering a great deal with a rising in his head, this makes the third time he has suffered with it since Christmas.
Miss Lottie Roundtree and brother were pleasant callers at W. L. McDades Sunday.
Mr. Jim Merrice and family visited at Mr. John Workmans Sunday.
Mr. Ed Walker has been on the sick list for several days.
Well Mr. Editor guess I had better ring off for this time, and give some one else the line.
Touch-me-not.

GOV. AYCOCK SOON TO SPEAK

Former Governor Charles B. Aycock will soon get into the speech-making game and he will deliver his first message from Raleigh. It will not be in the nature of an attack, but will be a Democratic speech, and is designed to arouse his followers throughout the state to the fact that he is not dropped out of the running. Governor Aycocks he very much better than it has been in years, and it is thought by his friends that a little excitement would do him good. He will afford his followers the opportunity of rallying to his support by a sound, democratic speech.

Death of Little Altha.

Altha, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wilkerson fell asleep in the arms of Jesus at two o'clock Monday A. M. Feb. 19th 1912, age nine months and twenty seven days.
All that devoted parents and kind friends could do was of no avail God in his wise providence saw she was too tender a flower for this earth and took her to himself, where there will be no more suffering for little Altha. Dear Parents and brothers let this be our consoling thought. We would not bring her back into sorrow and sin if we could, but we can so live that we may join her in the heavenly home.
The home is empty, your hearts are sad but may she be the guiding star to lead father, mother and brothers home at last.
After a short service in the home led by Rev. Goodman the little casket was tenderly carried to the cemetery followed by sympathizing friends.
May God comfort the bereaved ones.
A friend

A Communication



The Bingham Lodge No. 272 will be held at their Lodge room Saturday night February 24th. All brothers in good standing invited to attend.
Shakespear Harris, Sect.

A Judge of Suicide

United States Senator Gore is reported to have received a dispatch from Mr. Bryan, now looking after his cabbages and potatoes on his farm in Texas, saying: "Think it would be suicidal to nominate Harmon or anyone else favored by Wall Street." Mr. Bryan seems to be a little daffy about Wall Street, but he ought to know by this time what party suicide is: the Democrats of the country having three times committed hari-kari by nominating him for President, and if the Convention at Baltimore do not keep its eyes open it will find itself face to face with the same suicide question again. No candidate for the Presidential nomination has ever been named, we believe, who is so free from Wall Street affiliations as Mr. Bryan and naturally Mr. Bryan would appear to be the logical candidate. —Charlotte Observer.

all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can,
As long as ever you can.
—John Wesley.

A Valentine Party

At the elegant home of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Cooper of Carr, was the scene of a most enjoyable Valentine party on Wednesday evening between the hours of eight and eleven o'clock given by Mr. and Mrs. Cooper. The party was given in honor of a few friends. The guest were received by Mrs. Cooper assisted by her cousin Mrs. Maud Garrison, they were ushered into the beautiful decorated parlor. The first game of the evening was an bow and arrow shooting contest, the next was a dummy courtship which was very amusing, the next was pinning arrows on a small heart while being blindfolded, this was won by Mrs. Garrison and Ed Workman, next was the crowing contest. The guest were then invited to the dining room where delicious refreshments were served. The last contest was the thimble and the ring which was cut from the cake, Mr. Luther Carthet won the thimble and Miss Vera McAdams won the ring. At eleven o'clock the guest departed for their homes feeling very grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Cooper for having contributed so much to an evening of pleasure for the invited guest.

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Miss Etta Shanklen has been right rick, but we are glad to say she is improving fast.
Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Browning and Mrs. J. L. Pool called to see Miss Bettie Shanklen one evening.
Miss Annie Murry spent last Friday night with Miss May Richmond.
Miss Mattie Shanklen is sick with pneumonia, we learn she is no better at this writing.
Mr. A. Parrish and sister spent Saturday night and Sunday at Mr. John Miller's.
Mr. A. L. Hall and Miss Emma Aubert, also Mr. A. Aubert called at Mr. John Millers Sunday evening.
Mr. W. H. Miller is on the sick list, we hope him a speedy recoverer.
Mr. Claud Sykes called on Miss Maggie Shanklen Sunday.
Well how are you all getting along with the contest? get to work and win one of the valuable prizes, they are worth working for.
Guess I had better ring off and let some one else have the line.
Papa Girl.

The Money Trust

If there is no money trust an investigation can do no harm, but it might relieve a powerful lot of suspicion. If there is a money trust, an investigation might expose it. Every proposition to investigate causes people to make a noise like they think congress is after them. We never could see why any man should take to a tree unless he felt certain that the dogs were after him.—Wilmington Star.

One Government Enough

The arrest of some forty labor-leaders and others in connection with the dynamite cases is the long-expected sequel of the McFamara trial and confessions in Los Angeles. That it will lead to the fullest judicial determination of the facts and to the punishment of guilt whatever it is found to exist is the general expectation.
No one is more anxious to see these cases cleared up, we believe, than the average man of the rank and file in the labor unions. Certainly no one should have a deeper interest in wishing justice to be done. The accused have the full right to be considered innocent until or unless proved guilty; but there will be this time less heated and foolish talk about "conspiracies," "planted" dynamite and the "kidnaping" of innocent men. With few exceptions the people will wait confidently to see a fair and impartial trial of the facts.—New York World.

For a Southern Man.

(From The Wilson Times)
When a Wilson county man wants an office and we feel he is qualified we are for the Wilson county man. When a North Carolinian wants an office and we feel he is qualified we are for the North Carolinian.
When a Southern man wants an office and we know he is simply qualified we are for the Southern man.
The South to man should be for Underwood, for Underwood has not only been the nurse that has reared the toddling Democratic infant during the past few years, but has watched it battle for itself. Now why not accord him the honors?

Getting in Bad.

(From The Raleigh Times)
We were fearful for Varner's safety when he announced himself for Underwood. Now we know he has laid himself open to the charge of being a tool of the "special interests" for his latest performance is the purchase of an automobile.

JOHN ROSS REPRIEVED.

Sticks to Confession.

Reprived by Governor Kitchin until April 12, John Ross, the Cleveland county negro sentenced to die in the electric chair for the murder of Mr. and Mrs. John Dixon, on the night of December 18th, declared in his cell to Sheriff Wilkins, of Cleveland county, that his original confession was true in every particular. Ross at this time did not know that he was to live nearly two months longer, and when he was approached in his cell by the Cleveland county sheriff, he said frankly that he killed Mr. John Dixon and that Frank Gladden, a white man, killed Mrs. Dixon. Gladden was acquitted at the trial in January of the murder of Mr. Dixon, and was not tried for the murder of Mrs. Dixon.
The fact was developed that Frank Gladden the white man, was tried with Ross for the murder of only Mr. Dixon, and not for Mrs. Dixon. The officers may in such an event try him for her murder and use Ross as a witness against him.

GREAT YEAR FOR DIAMONDS

Gem Importations for 1911 Were Over \$40,000,000 Through New York.

(From The New York Sun)
That the high cost of living has little effect upon the passion of the American public for diamonds and other gems is shown by the big importations at the port of New York during 1911 and the receipts at the Custom House in January. According to figures compiled by Examiner W. B. Treadwell at the Public Stores, the value of the January gem imports reached \$3,113,050, as against \$3,060,470 a year ago. The reports indicate that the precious stone and pearl trade in New York has found the demand for certain to have in no way decreased since the holiday.
Of the gems imported during January the value of the cut precious stones and pearls brought into this country through the port of New York is reported as 2,298,506, as compared with \$2,219,261 in January, 1911, while the value of the uncut gems, principally diamonds, is placed at \$814,544. In the last twelve years the importation of gems during January has exceeded the present values in only two years.

Mebane M. E. Church, South.

Rev. B. T. Hurley, Pastor.
N. H. Walker, Supt. S. S.
Preaching every 3rd Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and at 7:30 P. M.
Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30 and a union prayer meeting every Sunday after noon at 3:00 o'clock conducted by the young men of the town.
Sunday school every Sunday beginning at 9:40 A. M.
Everybody welcome to all these services.

A Birthday Party

Mrs. E. C. Pearson charmingly entertained at a birthday party at her home Friday evening in honor of her niece, Virginia Clark. The guests were received in the hall by Miss Maude Holt and Mr. Frank Cheek, escorted first to the cloak room and then to the parlor where they were presented to Mrs. Pearson and Miss Clark. Mrs. Pearson was gowned in black silk chiffon over gilk with jet trimming and pearl ornaments; Miss Clark in white lingerie over white, and Miss Holt in tan hand embroidered pongee over tan taffety. The home was brightly lighted with candles and artistically decorated with hearts and evergreens. Many games were played and enjoyed the most popular of which was hearts. After these the young men were escorted to the dining room by the ladies where a delicious course of refreshments was served. Leaving the dining room the guests retired to the parlor where a very exciting guessing contest followed. Each guest was blind-folded, given a small piece of paper cut in the shape of a donkey's tail and told to pin to a donkey which was tacked to the window curtain, the prize won awarded to Miss Mary Patton by Mr. Cooper and the consolation to Mr. Cedric Harris by Capt. Spiker.
Those present were: Capt. F. B. Spiker, Miss Smiths Ham, Mr. Glenn Scott, Miss Clara Warren, Mr. Jack Thompson, Miss Sudie Cook, Mr. Earl Shaw, Miss Lottie Satterfield, Mr. Frank Warren, Miss Lois Ham, M. Lee Cooper, Miss Cattie Craig, Mr. Tom Holt, Miss Maud Holt, Mr. Norward Harris, Miss Smith, Mr. Cedric Harris, Miss Mary Patton, Messrs Ham, Marion Nicholson, Shields Cheek, Frank Cheek and Forest Cheek.

DIES ATTACKS BRYAN

Democrats and Republicans Applauded the Texas Congressman's Remarks.

The "evil genius hovering on the flanks of democracy," was the way in which Representative Dies of Texas in the house described William J. Bryan. Mr. Dies was speaking of The Commoner's latest attack upon the democratic membership of the house.
Both democrats and republicans cheered Mr. Dies' declaration that he "neither feared the power nor respected the judgment," of the Nebraska; and his further announcement that democracy, under the leadership of Champ Clark and Oscar W. Underwood was headed towards complete success swept the democratic side of the house into storms of applause.
Mr. Dies' attack upon Mr. Bryan followed the latter's declaration in the last issue of The Commoner that the thirteen democrats who voted against a recent amendment in the house to require publicity of all recommendations to the president on judgeship appointments were "unworthy to represent a democratic constituency."

Why Cotton is going Up.

(From Cotton and Cotton Oil News.)
Cotton has advanced in the last two weeks in the face of heavy ginnings and mammoth crop promises.
This advance is not due to speculative value of the staple. Though the crop now being assembled is the largest ever grown, it follows two short crops and its size is no greater than the enhanced demand of the world.
Spindles are increasing every year while the multitudes who must wear cotton goods are multiplying on the face of the earth.
The increase in consumption is regular and fixed. The production is uncertain and irregular. Hence an unusually large crop following two abnormally small crops is being absorbed naturally and inevitably and prices sustained.

A Poor Reason.

The six Western Governors who are crying for "Four more years of Teddy" assign as one reason for their hunger and thirst "The need of a man at the head of the national government who will see that justice is done between man and man." There never is any question of justice when Roosevelt holds the scales in a controversy or clash of interests between his friends and his opponents. During the seven years when he was in power the wheels of justice were clogged by his determination that they should not grind his personal and political favorites. He vetoed the prosecution of Paul Morton, a self-confessed lawbreaker; he refused to authorize proceedings against the Sugar combine, which after his term expired pleaded guilty to wholesale robbery of the Government; he permitted the Steel Trust to violate a plain provision of the Federal code, and said, "We cannot do without the influence of Morgan." He has no more sense of justice than he has respect for the law which is its handmaiden.—Va Pilot.

MAHOGANY IN FURNITURE

More Than 20 Woods Used in Imitation.

(Exchange.)
One of the interesting enigmas of business is how the furniture manufacturers can work up 40,000,000 feet of "mahogany" into furniture every year, when the cut of that wood from the forests does not exceed 18,000,000 feet a year. The Building Age in its current issue gives this explanation:
"It is interesting to note that more than 20 mahogany-like woods are now offered as true mahogany, not to mention a considerable number of woods cunningly stained to imitate that wood. In the present circumstances, therefore, when the demand for mahogany is greater than the supply unusual interest attaches to such woods as cariniana, or Colombian mahogany, which is acknowledged to be to mahogany, but which is so similar to it in color, grain effects and working qualities as to serve for the rarer good.
"The statement is made that while cariniana differs widely in its botanical and anatomical character from true mahogany, its close superficial resemblance to mahogany and its physical properties at once distinguish it as a high-class cabinet wood. When properly seasoned, it does not warp, check or shrink, while much of the lumber is beautifully figured. It works well, takes a filler readily and can be highly polished."

A FIGHT ON FREIGHT REDUCTION

On Furniture Out Of The State.

The furniture dealers of North Carolina have for a long time suffered a discrimination amounting to at least 20 per cent on their manufactured goods. They have sought for some time to have this trouble remedied but without apparent results. Even the North Carolina Corporation commission have declined to assist them in getting relief.
This has placed the manufacturers in a somewhat embarrassing position, especially as it will require quite a sum of money to prosecute their suit to a successful conclusion and they do not feel that they should be called upon to bear the entire burden of expense. Nevertheless, they expect to carry on the investigation to its conclusion, whether with or without the aid of the State officials, Mr. Tate, the chairman, would deem it a great favor, not only to the furniture manufacturers, but to the State, if those commercial bodies or manufacturing organizations of the State, who feels an interest in this vital matter, should see their way clear to send to the Southern Furniture Manufacturers' Association such funds as they feel they would like to contribute to help break down the obstacle against which every business man of the State has had to fight in his effort to compete with outside manufacturers and jobbers.
At a regular meeting of the Southern Furniture Manufacturers' Association at High Point last week, a committee composed of A. E. Tate, High Point; W. E. White, Mebane, and B. F. Huntley, Winston-Salem, was appointed to draft and submit a resolution, which was unanimously adopted, which follows herewith:
CONDEMN COMMISSION.
"That whereas, we, the members of the Southern Furniture Manufacturers' Association, in regular meeting assembled at High Point, N. C. February 14, 1912, have learned through the chairman of our traffic and transportation committee that the North Carolina Corporation Commission, through its secretary, Mr. A. J. Maxwell, has positively declined to assist, either in a financial way or otherwise, in the prosecution of our complaint filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission regarding the iniquitous and discriminatory freight rates now threatening the very existence of the furniture industry in North Carolina;
"And, whereas, it is the unanimous opinion of the members of our association that the Corporation Commission was created for no other purpose than the safeguarding of the life and growth of the industrial development of our state from oppression and discrimination and to see that citizens of North Carolina are given freight rates on an equitable basis with those in effect in other sections of our country.
"Now, therefore, be it resolved that we do most emphatically condemn the very unusual attitude assumed by our Corporation Commission in their refusal to co-operate with us, and call upon all patriotic and loyal citizens of North Carolina, who wish to see this State given as favorable freight rates as other States receive, to join us in filing our protest against the position taken by our Corporation Commission.
"Resolved further, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Corporation Commission and also a copy be given the press for publication.
"Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) A. A. TATE,
(Signed) W. E. WHITE,
(Signed) B. F. HUNTLEY
Committee."

"MRS. SURRATT INNOCENT"

Nearly 50 years after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln the pen of Benn Pitman, pioneer of stenography who acted as official stenographer at the trial of the conspirators, has revealed facts supporting his belief that Mrs. Mary Surratt, hanged with three other conspirators, was innocent. The statement was written by Pitman before his death a year ago. A portion of Pitman's statement is:
"That Mrs. Surratt was entirely innocent of any prior knowledge of or participating in the assassination of Lincoln is, to my mind, beyond question. My conviction is based on the following facts:
"That as official recorder of the trial as having heard every word of the testimony; as having previous to the trial written down from the lips of the principal witnesses their stories of what they knew or about which, in their employment of apies, they lied, I have had the best opportunity of forming a true opinion as to the guilt or innocence of Mrs. Surratt."

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THE GREAT CONTEST.

"I WILL"

"I will" is the royal edict of man that knows no obstacles. I will has scaled mountains, bridged chasms, and chronicled its feats of greatness upon the passing clouds. It built a St Peters at Rome a Westminster at London, a towering Cathedral at Collogn. I will was the inspiring words from the lips of the great Napoleon that sent the French Eagles in their mighty sweep over the field of Austerlitz driving the Russians and Austrians before them like autumn leaves before a winters blast. I will sent Columbus across the tractless wast of uncharted seas and the light of a mighty continent broke in all of its charming beauty and grandure. I will is the magic spell of a midas, it turns everything it touches into gold, I will builds the path, and paves way for ambition to climb to stary heights in all the fields of higher human endeavor, I will should be your motto, don't permit the suggestion to come that you "cant" but bravely strike out and determined that you will win one of the handsome prizes offered by the Leader in its contest. Aim for the best, pick the automobile, it is a handsome machine, honestly made, if you should not reach that then you can drop in for some of the other valuable prizes. Go to work, the Leader will treat you right. If it is justified it will put an other automobile in before the contest closes. In our last contest we gave a handsome rubber tired buggy that we had not previously promised. We strive to please. 1250 votes for one year old subscription, and 1500 votes for one year new subscription. So get busy.

In The Leader Contest

The following young ladies have been nominated to enter the Leader contest, for the several valuable prizes offered, and are entitled to the votes placed opposite their names:
Miss Lena Phillips 2,000
" Nettie Cole 2,000
" Carrie May 3,000
" Rachel Estlow 2,000
" Gener Harris 3,000
" Helen Warren 4,500
" Elizabeth Cheek 2,000
" Mattie Thompson 5,000
" Sudie Miller 2,000
" Lillian McCracken 2,000
" Delia McAdams 2,000
" Daisy Ray 4,000
" Maggie Fletcher 2,000
" Nettie Oliver 2,000
Mrs Della Wilkerson 9,200
Miss Vivian Cheek 2,000
" May Carter 2,000
" Ida Lloyd 2,000
" Gladys Scott 2,000
" Luda Roach 2,000
" Georgia Stutta 2,000
" Nannie Turner 2,000
" Snodie Cole 2,000
Mrs. Florence Fitzpatrick 3,500
Miss Emma Brewer 2,000

Cause and Effect

North Carolina according to statistice compiled by the Manufacturers Record built more than one thousand miles of good roads in the five years from 1904 to 1909 in the same period Virginia made a gain of only three hundred and two miles
In the decade from 1900 to 1910 North Carolina's population increased more than three hundred thousand in the same period Virginia added only about two hundred thousand to the people resid ing within her borders.—Va. Pilot.
It requires strength and courage to swim against the stream; while any dead fish can float with it.—Smiles.