

# THE MEBANE LEADER.

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

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## PERSONAL AND LOCAL BRIEFS

### PEOPLE WHO COME AND GO

Items of interest Gathered by Our Reporter

Mr. W. E. Ham and Mr. A. M. Cook went up to Greensboro Friday.

Mr. T. B. Pettigrew and Mr. G. L. Johnson left for Washington D. C. Friday.

Miss Mable Ellis of Burlington spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. H. E. Wilkinson.

Your sluring criticism is often the accurate measure of your own little envious soul. That is all.

There was a measuring party at Mr. Henry Nicholson last week. They took in eight dollars. The party was in the interest of the Protestant church.

Miss Mary Cooper left Saturday morning for Winston-Salem after spending a day or so in Mebane at the home of Mrs. L. S. Straughn's.

The good citizens is helping his home neighbor when he can, the bad one is hurting him, when ever he gets the opportunity.

Francis E. Willard Memorial service, at 3 P. M., at M. E. church, conducted by the W. C. T. U. of Mebane with an address by Rev. Hurley. Music to suit the occasion. Public cordially invited.

The Y. M. C. Association of Mebane will meet next Sunday evening at two o'clock instead of three as heretofore. The change of hour is in the interest of the Y. W. Christian Temperance Union.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Davidson on Lambert street a marriage was solemnized when their daughter Ruth was married to Mr. Samuel White Hodge of Mebane.

Mayor John Shaw went up to Greensboro Saturday morning, returning on the twelve o'clock train Saturday night. We presume that Mr. Shaw went there to look after some of the boys riding the goat or climbing Jacobs ladder.

### A Card of Thanks

We wish to express to the good people of Mebane through the Leader our sincere thanks for their many acts of kindness rendered our sister during her sickness.

Sincerely,  
G. E. and A. L. Pickard.

### Orchard Demonstration Institute

A practical demonstration of pruning and spraying will be given in the orchard of J. T. Dick, K. D. No. 4, Mebane, one mile south of Mebane Friday, March 15, 1912 at 10 a. m.

The object of this meeting is to bring together those interested in fruit-growing, and to demonstrate modern methods of pruning and spraying fruit-trees, encouraging the growing of good crops of fruit, and to combat insect pests and diseases.

The North Carolina State Department of Agriculture will send O. M. Clark, Assistant Horticulturist, and S. C. Clapp, Orchard Inspector, suitably equipped with implements and apparatus, to conduct these demonstrations.

All persons interested are urged to come and see this work done. Be on hand promptly at 10 a. m.

W. A. Graham, Commissioner of Agriculture.

### Clean Up Day

The people of Mebane should bear in mind that Saturday March 30th is to be observed as clean up day in Mebane. There is no man, woman, or child but what may take a part in this work and render help. We should be glad to see the Civic spirit of improvement manifested by our people. There is plenty of room for it.

### List of Letters

Remaining unclaimed at this office for the week ending Mar. 9, 1912

1 P. C. for Mr. W. T. Anderson  
1 Letter for Mr. Z. B. Cates  
1 Letter for Mr. Walter Hunter  
1 P. C. for Mrs. J. W. Holt  
1 P. C. for Miss Eliza Jones  
1 Letter for Mr. J. A. Smith  
1 P. C. for William Warren  
1 P. C. for Daisy Wilson  
1 P. C. for Mary Bell Wilson  
1 P. C. for Annie Wilson  
1 Letter for Mr. D. M. Walker  
1 Letter for Mrs. Sarah

These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter Office Mar. 23, 1912, if in calling for the above please say "advertised" giving date of ad. list. Respectfully,  
S. Arthur White, P. M.

### Not an Agreeable Task.

To suffer excruciating pain from an acute attack of inflammatory rheumatism, and try to publish a paper in connection with its multitudinous duties, is by no means an agreeable task, and yet that is what the Editor of this paper has had to do for the past six weeks.

### Raise Tobacco.

Mr. Farmer, who lives South of Mebane, we want to say to you—you will make no mistake if you put in several acres of tobacco this year. The time was when your section grew tobacco, and you made money on it, that time has come again. The section surrounding Mebane is going to be a great tobacco growing section. You can help hasten the day when it will be, if you will.

### The Foresters Convention

Held February 21, the following is reported of our townsman, Mr. W. E. White:

"The Mebane gentleman is a big user of lumber, but he favored all that has been done and said and declared that the lumber association of the South will co-operate with the Forestry Association in its efforts to preserve the forests. He has been asked to say so. Mr. White called himself the father of the chair industry in the South and he was greatly interested in seeing the forest preserved."

### Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved brother, John M. Long who has been for two years a faithful and loyal member of Friendship Council No. 51 Daughters of Liberty Therefore be it resolved:

1. That we bow in humble submission to him that doeth all things well.  
2. That we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on our minutes a copy be sent to the bereaved wife and one to the Mebane Leader and Person County Courier for publication

J. H. Miles  
E. W. Wilkerson  
J. M. Rimmer  
G. E. Newman  
Mrs. Wes Whitfield  
Committee.

### Among the Breakers

On Friday night, March 22, at the Graded School Auditorium, a charming and most delightful play will be presented by home talent, "Among the Breakers" is a high class play, sure to please everybody, Mrs. E. A. Crawford is sparing no effort to make this production a great success.

Everybody is cordially invited to come. We promise you a pleasant and interesting entertainment.

Proceeds will go toward the new piano.

Look for notice in next weeks Leader.

### 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 ever 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.

### Underwood Sentiment.

Sentiment in favor of Hon. Oscar Underwood for the Democratic nomination continues to grow. One of the staunchest supporters of the Alabamian is Mr. Morrison Cadwell, Mr. Cadwell was at the University of Virginia with Mr. Underwood and was of the editors of the university magazine, of which Mr. Underwood was business manager. In this way they became closely associated, and Mr. Cadwell never fails to boost the candidacy of his collegemate when the opportunity arises or when he can make it rise. Underwood buttons are the order of the day and many of his admirers adorn the lapels of their coats with a likeness of the majority leader of the House.

### Snails Are Blind

The inference that snails can see has been drawn from opposite observations—some results indicating an avoidance of light, while others seem to show a preference for light. In a more thorough investigation of helix pomatia, the vineyard snail, Prof. Emile Yung of Geneva has now proved that their eyes are absolutely sightless. With 176 specimens he made more than 2,000 observations, and in no case was there the slightest evidence of the perception of light or dark spaces, and obstacles were entirely unperceived.

### Eiland Rid. 1

Mr. Sam Browning and son Charlie, and daughter Viola, and Mrs. T. J. Browning returned home last Monday after spending a few days at Haw River.

Mr. Luther Ferrel of Haw River spent a few days last week at Mr. Will Scotts.

Mr. Ander Parrash spent last Monday at Mr. John Hillers.

Mr. Will Anderson and Mr. W. R. Ward spent last Friday at Mr. J. Stewards.

Mr. Sam Browning and daughter Miss Fannie, spent a few days last week at Mr. Jim Wrights.

Rev. Mr. Hurley filled his regular appointment at Lebanon Sunday.

Cow Bell

### Notice

To parties, who wish to stand examination for R. F. D. Route—will say I have no Blanks for same. They can get these blanks from Civil Service Com. Washington, D. C.,

Respectfully,  
S. Arthur White, P. M.

The south is unquestionably paying too large a fertilizer bill. Not that our people are using too much fertilizer, but that they are not using it altogether intelligently. A paragraph in the Progressive Farmer on this subject offers a very practical suggestion: "Three ways by which the fertilizer bill of the south could be reduced with out all reducing the yields of any crop are: (1) By growing more legumes so as to get nitrogen from the air instead of the fertilizer bag; (2) by filling the soil with humus so as to get phosphoric acid in a cheap instead of a high-priced form, and (3) by taking the trouble to find out what elements of plant food are really needed for the crop and then buying these and these only."

### Bird's Home Instinct.

Spectators at a fire witnessed an interesting, if tragic, example of the actions of a bird which was guided only by the instinct that its home was in danger. The flames had begun to creep along the edge of the tower and every shingle on the roof was puffing a little jet of flame, when down wheeled a pigeon which had been dislodged from the tower and lit in the midst of the fire and smoke. Picking its way along, utter oblivious to the flames that must have been singing its feathers, the pigeon went straight for its nest. A tongue of flame leaped out and the pigeon soared into the air. Then, as if irresistibly drawn into it, the bird dove into the furnace beneath and disappeared from sight—Pasadena News.

### Big Yield of Tobacco

S. Q. Fuqua, a prominent farmer, near Adairsville, Ky. reports a yield of 21,650 pounds of tobacco on 112 acres of land, and sold for the sum of \$2,470, which means a yield of 1,842 pounds per acre, with a money value of \$211.23 per acre. Many other large yields are reported in South Logan and North Robertson, but so far, Mr. Fuqua leads them all.

### Tait Tells This One

At a dinner party at the White House one evening the conversation turned on the giving of presents and the art of making a gift appropriate.

"That remains me," said President Tait, "of the marvelous astuteness of a young man I know when I was a newspaper reporter in Cincinnati. This fellow was very much in love with a girl who worked in a candy store eight hours every day. They quarreled and in the hope of making peace, he decided to send her a present.

"I sent it to her," he informed me one morning, with an air of pride.

"What was it?" I inquired.

"Two pounds of candy," he said, brightly.—Louisville Times.

### A Commendable Record.

We have a printer that we think deserves a word of commendation. She came to this office three years ago, and with the exception of 6 days spent in a hospital in Greensboro from the effect of over work has never missed a day from her duties, and no one could have been more faithful in discharging them. Not only that but she has been thrifty. Every dollar except the cost of her board and clothing goes in the bank each week to her credit. We doubt there is a printer in North Carolina that has saved as greater percentage from there salary as she has. The lady is from Carthage, and her name is Miss Davidson.

### A Reward.

Mr. S. Arthur White, Post Master, offers a reward for the arrest and conviction of party or parties that broke into the Mebane Post office on the night of Dec. 27, 1911.

S. Arthur White, P. M.

## ACCUSED OF TRYING TO MURDER HUSBAND.

Is Under Arrest on a Charge of Attempt to Murder Eugene H. Grace.

"God knows I am innocent," exclaimed Mrs. Daisy Grace Thursday afternoon after her release on bail pending a hearing on the charge of assault with attempt to murder her young husband, Eugene H. Grace, a prominent building contractor who was mysteriously shot at their handsome Eleventh street home in the exclusive residence section, Atlanta, Ga.

While the doctors at St. Joseph's Infirmary are endeavoring to save the life of the seriously wounded husband, the police are searching for more facts to support their theory that the crime was committed by the wife.

The physicians stated that Grace has but slight chance for recovery. The bullet penetrated the left side, going through the lung and lodging near the spinal cord. Pneumonia already has set in, they stated.

## VICTORY AND DEFEAT.

Blackburn's Political Career Interesting, if Tumultuous.

Friends will learn with sincere regrets of the sudden death in Elizabethton, Tenn., of E. Spencer Blackburn, twice Representative in Congress from the eighth North Carolina district and for several years one of the most interesting figures in Republican politics of the State. The message gave no particulars, stating merely that Mr. Blackburn died suddenly Sunday night at 9 o'clock. It was addressed to a local law firm and came from a Greensboro lawyer at present in Johnson City, Tenn.

The death of E. Spencer Blackburn recalls many incidents in his interesting, if tumultuous, career in North Carolina politics, which began as a Representative from Wilkes in the fusion Legislature of 1895-97, and ended with his successful effort to defeat Spencer B. Adams for State chairman in 1906, after one of the most notable and bitter factional fights the party in this State has experienced. Blackburn's speech on the eve of this fight, when bareheaded and coatless he stood in the balcony of the Guilford hotel and addressed the multitudes upon the street, is vividly recalled to this date, as was his dying effort in the convention hall the following. Adams was elected chairman, and from that time Blackburn's power in the State began to wane.

Blackburn first came into public prominence in 1895, when he went to the State Legislature from Wilkes. He went back to the session of 1897 and the next year was appointed by McKinley to be assistant district attorney. His next step up the political ladder was Washington, he going there as the Representative from the eighth, defeating J. C. Buxton. He went back for a second term, this time defeating W. C. Newlands. While serving the second term Blackburn married a Washington society belle and rather than carry her to the wilds of the eighth district established a residence in Greensboro, the fifth district. The next campaign was the beginning of his downfall in this State R. N. Hackett defeating him, mainly because his residence was outside his district. After losing the State chairmanship, Blackburn went to Oklahoma and mired in politics, going to Elizabethton about three years ago.

## A Troublesome Cat.

Mrs. Casey (sitting up in bed)—Moik, did yez put out the cat?  
Mr. Casey—O! did.  
Mrs. Casey—O! don't believe it!  
Mr. Casey—Well, if yez think O! m' a liar, get up and put 'er out yerself.—Exchange.

## New List of "Don't's" For Wellesley Girls.

Wellesley College has a list of up-to-the-minute don'ts. Here are some of them:  
"Don't flirt with the handsome fellow, his wife may not like it."  
"Don't retire with undrawn curtains. The rubber industry is flourishing in other places than South America."  
"Don't chew candy or anything else while on the village streets. If you must chew, try the rag."  
"Don't be a freak. The squirrels have enough nuts to attend to now."  
"Don't kiss each other in the public highway. Its awful to see a woman doing a man's work."  
"Don't study too hard. Folks may think you are preparing to earn your own living.

## Governor Kitchin and Congressmen

In his Raleigh speech Governor Kitchin in excommunicated Senator Simmons from the Democratic party, citing as principal counts in bill of indictment the Senator's votes against free lumber and Canadian reciprocity. If we remember aright, Senator Overman and six of the seven then Democratic Representatives from the state also voted against free lumber and that only Governor Kitchin's brother voted for it. If our memory is not at fault again, Representatives Doughton, Webb, and Gudgeon voted against Canadian reciprocity along with Senator Simmons. With the exception of Representative Thomas, who was not a graduate, all of the house members who voted against free lumber as Senator Simmons did have been re-nominated and re-elected. They and the three members who voted against Canadian reciprocity as did Senator Simmons are all candidates for renomination this year. If Senator Simmons is not a Democrat because of his vote against free lumber, neither are Senator Overman and Representatives Small, Pou, Godwin, Page and Webb, for they also voted against free lumber. If Senator Simmons is not a Democrat because of his vote against Canadian reciprocity neither are Representative Doughton, Webb and Gudgeon, for they voted against Canadian reciprocity.—Newton Enterprise

## An Old Time Fight Recalled.

Both Taft and Roosevelt continue to assert that they want a decent campaign, while at the same time their managers are throwing the harpoon right and left. Roosevelt's manager says Taft's manager has been making charges and he comes back with something a little stronger. By the way how long has it been since you have seen republican candidates for the presidency lambasting each other? The present fight bids fair to resemble the tussle between Adams and Blackburn for the state chairmanship a few years ago—Adams being Taft and Blackburn Roosevelt; that is to say such tactics were repulsive to Adams, but he had to fight back and in doing so won.—Greensboro Record.

## The Dead Sea.

(Wide World Magazine.)  
In shape the Dead Sea resembles an elongated oval, some forty-seven miles wide at its greatest breadth. One of the most remarkable facts about it is that its surface lies 1,300 feet below that of the Mediterranean, and as it is some 1,310 feet deep in places, it means that its greatest depth reaches a point no less than 2,600 feet below the waters of the Mediterranean. It is famed for the saltiness and bitterness of its waters, which are extremely dense, containing twenty-three per cent of solid matter and being, bulk for bulk, heavier than the human body. How dense the water is may be realized from the following facts: In a ton of water from the Caspian sea there are eleven pounds of salts; in the Baltic eighteen pounds; in the Black Sea, twenty-six pounds; in the Atlantic, thirty-one pounds; in the English channel seventy-two pounds in the Red Sea, ninety-three pounds, and in the Dead Sea, 187 pounds.

## It Sounds Like Rot

We will not be for either Roosevelt or Taft, whoever gets the republican nomination, and it is none of our business who the republican party nominates, but we don't mind saying that all this talk of Roosevelt betraying Taft sounds like rot to us. As Roosevelt is the man who made Taft why it could just as reasonably be charged that Taft betrayed Roosevelt, because as a debt of gratitude he should stand out of the way when Roosevelt wants the job.—Wilmington Dispatch.

## Some mourner.

Down in Georgia a negro, who had his life insured for several hundred dollars, died and left the money to his widow. She immediately bought herself a very elaborate mourning outfit. Showing her purchases to her friend, she was very particular in going into detail as to prices and all incidental particulars. Her friend was very much impressed, and remarked:  
"Them sho is fine cles, but, befo' Heaven, what is you goin' to do wid all dis black underwear?"  
The bereaved one sighed:  
"Chile when I mourns I mourns".  
—Harper's Magazine.

Lend me thy fillet. Love!  
I would no longer see:  
Cover mine eyelids close awhile,  
And make me blind like thee.

Then might I pass her sunny face,  
And know not it was fair;  
Then might I hear her voice, nor guess  
Her stary eyes were there.  
—Anonymous

## BRANDED AS SOCIALISTS. ARE YOU DOING YOUR DUTY IN THE LEADER CONTEST.

Names Of Roosevelt and Bryan Linked With The McNamara Brothers.

Former President Roosevelt, W. J. Bryan, and Representative Victor Berger of Wisconsin, Socialist, were branded in a speech in the House by Representative by Dies of Texas Democrat, as being "among the foremost enemies of free government in America."

Mr. Dies insisted that both Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Bryan were Socialists, and he coupled their names with those of Mr. Berger and the McNamara brothers.

"Mr. Berger is over there," said Mr. Dies, pointing dramatically in the direction of the House office building where the Lawrence, Mass., strike inquiry was proceeding "preening himself as the great friend of labor. It is high time that the country should know just what Mr. Berger stands for. I am not now appealing to any district or to any party but to my colleagues here to recognize the peril of Socialism."

### TAKES SHOT AT BERGER.

The legislative activities of the Wisconsin Socialist member had been reviewed by Mr. Dies. These, he said, among other things included abolition of the veto power of the President and both the Supreme Court and the Senate and two measures which, Mr. Dies charged, were intended "to save from the clutches of the law the McNamara brothers and others who afterward might find themselves similarly in the toils of the law."

"Mr. Berger, I may say yields to no man, living or dead, in his desire to disrupt the constitution and destroy the liberties of the people under a representative democracy. In his desire for a re-enactment of chaos Mr. Berger is as earnest if not as voracious as the lion tamer who roars from the peaks of Segamore Hill.

### ROOSEVELT VS. BRYAN

Contrasting Colonel Roosevelt and Mr. Bryan the latter, said Mr. Dies, openly advocated Socialist doctrine while the former President professed to be opposed to Socialism.

"Mr. Roosevelt seeks to walk in the path the Caesars trod," he said. "Mr. Bryan will be content with a million new subscribers for his paper, Roosevelt wants to emulate the bad example of Diaz of Mexico and break down the constitutional barriers against presidential succession. Mr. Bryan gives aid and encouragement to Roosevelt, as against the Democratic party and for the principles of Democracy, as written in the constitution, he offers no word of encouragement."

Mr. Dies, charged that Mr. Bryan endorsed Colonel Roosevelt's policies while condemning Speaker Clark, Governor Harmon of Ohio, and Representative Underwood, majority leader of the House.

## N. Y. Herald Says Underwood

The New York Herald, which has not missed its political prophecy in many years, last Sunday carried a picture of Oscar W. Underwood on its front page, together with the following write up:

The chief development in the democratic situation is the sudden growth of the Underwood boom. His friends have been extremely active and he has loomed up as a formidable candidate. It is believed that the same influences that would support Governor Harmon of Ohio, would also support him. States on which the Underwood managers already count are Florida, with 12 delegates; Alabama, with 24; North Carolina, with 24, and Mississippi, with 20' a total of 80, and with a good chance of getting the 24 delegates from Virginia.

### SOUTH WANTS MR. UNDERWOOD

The Underwood situation is a peculiar one. The entire south wants him, but will not back him as a whole for the reason that, in their estimation, a candidate "of the South"—a candidate groomed and presented by the South—would stand no chance of being nominated, but would arouse the solid opposition of the North and the East. A man of wealth himself, and surrounded by wealthy friends, Representative Underwood is plentifully financed, and his managers are going after the nomination well armed. They have within a week been in conference with democratic leaders in New York state and are much encouraged as a result. In fact some of them feel certain that New York's ninety delegates will be cast as a unit for Mr. Underwood.

Does anyone expect to go through life without being misunderstood? We are sometimes misunderstood—and hear of it we are frequently misunderstood—and never know it.  
—Humphrey J. Desmond,

Why is it, some days I do well soliciting subscriptions for the Leader, no trouble to get people to take the paper, and then again I can not do a thing, but upon the whole, I reckon I even up matters as long as I work steady. And that is just it, the person who is waiting for a lucky day to do a thing is just as likely to stumble on an unlucky day, and after a while they begin to think that all are unlucky days. where the trouble is, they have slept away their lucky days.

The persistent, and continuous worker forces fate to release its grasp upon the good fortunes of life, they wont take no, they demand yes and will have it, this is how it is. You will see a lady who has earned a handsome high price automobile in a contest, and you ask her how she did it, and she will tell you by working for it. Getting her friends to help her work for it, and by using every influence to put the machine in her hands. Its the same old story toil and win. The Leader is offering a handsome machine, a high price machine, any one interested can be shown the machine. All the other prizes are valuable and worth working for. Do not relax your efforts.

## 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 place opposite their names:

Miss Lena Phillips	2,000
" Nettie Cole	2,000
" Carrie May	3,000
" Rachel Estlow	2,000
" Gener Harris	4,500
" Helen Warren	4,500
" Elizabeth Cheek	2,000
" Mattie Thompson	2,000
" Sudie Miller	5,000
" Lillian McCracken	2,000
" Delia McAdams	2,000
" Daisy Ray	4,000
" Maggie Fletcher	2,000
" Nettie Oliver.	2,000
Mrs Della Wilkerson	12,900
Miss Vivian Cheek	2,000
" May Carter	2,000
" Ida Lloyd	2,000
" Gladys Scott	2,000
" Luda Roach	2,000
" Georgia Statts	2,000
" Nannie Turner	2,000
" Snodie Cole	2,000
Mrs. Florence Fitzpatrick	5,000
Miss Emma Brewer	2,000
Miss Luna Breeze	2,500

## Fools and Their Bets.

(From the Kansas City Journal)

The story recently printed that a fool, to win a bet, put a billiard ball in his mouth and it took a surgical operation and the removal of five teeth to get it out, reminds Father Beck of a simpleton he once knew whose first name was John. One day John was with some girls who were having fun putting hens' eggs in their mouths, and John declared that he could put a goose egg in his mouth and the girls dared him to do it. John was brave and wouldn't take a dare, and by dint of perseverance he got the goose egg in, but when he tried to take it out it wouldn't come, and when he was threatened with lockjaw the girls got scared and hustled John off to a doctor. The doctor after diagnosing the case, doubled up his fist and with an undercut belted John one on the chin. John was relieved, but the egg never amounted to much as a goose egg afterward. What a sorry to relate, says Father Beck that the experience did not do much good in curing John of the silly habit. He kept on biting off more than he could chew for the remainder of his life.