

PERSONALS AND LOCAL BRIEFS

PEOPLE WHO COME AND GO.

ITEMS OF INTEREST GATHERED BY OUR REPORTER

Join the Civic League. There is something in that.

Mr. and Mrs. Will James visited Mrs. L. S. Straughn last week.

Mrs. S. G. Morgan spent a day in Durham the past week.

Mrs. H. C. Nicholson and Miss Jennie White went down to Durham Monday.

Mrs. John Holmes returned Monday from Lexington where she visited her mother.

Mr. W. Loyd of Chapel Hill visited his daughter, Mrs. L. A. Crawford Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Newlin of Burlington spent Friday with their daughter, Mrs. E. Y. Ferrell.

Miss Mary Patten and Clara Warren spent Saturday and Sunday at Graham with Miss Annie Cooper.

Mr. M. A. Glassbook, a clever gentleman well known in Mebane spent the past week in Mebane.

Miss Lenora Walker who has spent several months visiting relatives in Virginia returned to Mebane Saturday.

Mrs. S. A. White wife of our Post-Master was operated upon for appendicitis at Orlando, Fla., Saturday. A letter from her reports her condition satisfactory.

Services will be conducted at the Mebane Baptist church on Sunday next March 23rd morning and evening by the pastor, Dr. J. D. Hufham.

Mr. Felix Graves is offering a nice farm three miles from town, containing ninety acres of good land. Better see it if you want to make a good investment.

The municipal pot is beginning to boil. The question is asked who will be good men to nominate for town officers. The job does not carry any pay, but it ought to carry some independence.

President Wilson has called a special session of Congress to convene at noon April 7. The principal object of this call was to keep party promises, revise the tariff downward.

If Dr. Friedrich Friedman who it is alleged has discovered a serum that is effectual in killing tuberculosis germs is denied the privilege of treating patients except those that are furnished by the government.

J. J. Mazur of Burlington places an advertisement in this week Leader. Mr. Mazur has just returned from the North where he purchased a large, and desirable stock of dry goods, notions, etc., Don't fail to see Mr. Mazur when in Burlington.

The Nelson Dry Goods Company changes their advertisement in this week Leader directing attention to some very desirable ladies spring dress goods. They carry a nice, a clean up to date line of shoes, dress goods etc.

Put your money in the bank, its a safe place for it, and there is none safer than the Commercial Farmers Bank of Mebane. Clever people operate it. It is to your interest.

WHAT WE NEED

I see in last weeks Leader where some one has suggested Mr. Patton as a good man for Alderman, I agree with "Voter" and want to say that Crockett Fitch would make an other good Alderman. We need a board composed of independent progressive men, and the citizens of this town owe it to themselves to try to get them.

AN OTHER VOTER.

MR. BOBBITT LEAVES.

Mr. W. T. Bobbitt and family left here Wednesday for Chase City, Virginia where they will make their future home. Mr. Bobbitt had bought a residence here, and a store and had been engaged in the mercantile business. Mrs. Bobbitt however seemed dissatisfied, and wanted to get back to her old home, and in deference to her wishes Mr. Bobbitt decided to move back. Mr. Bobbitt made a good citizen and his leaving is regretted.

HONOR ROLL

The following is a list of subscribers who have paid their subscription since our last issue:

G. S. Ray
L. G. Brooks
H. G. Latham
Arthur Scott
W. W. Corbett
Clay King
Col. McCauley
Orin Tate
Walter Pritchard
J. A. Florence
George W. Mebane

There are a number of other names that ought to be in this list, and why?

REDUCED RATES AT THE MCADOO.

The proprietors of the McAduo hotel at Greensboro are strictly in the list of progressive. Recently they have reduced their day rates to \$2, while trying in every way to add to the comfort and convenience of their guest. They have just taken out the front entrance to the office, and put in a glass front extending to the street, or on a parallel with the front of the building. This will give ten feet additional room to the office with decidedly more light and a much better view to the street. They will add other improvements, in the way of painting, and repapering their rooms, putting on new locks etc. There are other hotels in the State that have increased their rates without expending a dime for additional comforts.

The increase of business at the McAduo will more than compensate for the reduction in their rates. Success to the McAduo. They are splendid people who are operating the hotel.

SOME BAD LUCK

Vincent and Warren stock dealers seem to be square up against it, this spring. Not long ago they brought in a car load of horses, and soon after their arrival a number were taken sick, and before the trouble was over they had lost five of their finest. This week they expected a car load of horses, and lo when they arrived they were all mules. The transformation had been effected when they were let out of the car and fed at some point on the route. Messrs. Vincent and Warren have been trying to locate their car load of horses. They succeeded in locating them at a small town and got them in 7

THE MILLINERY OPENING OF MORGAN & BASON.

The principal day announced for the Millinery openings in this section, was unusually disagreeable, Saturday was what might be termed a rainy day, too bad for the ladies to turn out, however this did not hinder the milliners from making an unusual attractive display.

We happened at Burlington Saturday and paid a visit to the Morgan and Bason millinery parlors. These ladies had transformed their store in to a bower of exquisite beauty. Tastefully displayed on all sides were some of the prettiest creation of millinery art. It was as if the room had been touched by the wand of one of the magicians in Arabian Nights. It seemed a pity that so many ladies were denied the pleasure of seeing the display on account of the very inclement weather, however the hats will keep, and retain their original beauty.

DEATH AT ST. LUKE'S HOME

Miss Thompson of Mebane Died Last Night, Aged 73.

The Raleigh Times says: March 16th. The funeral of Miss Apeia Thompson of Mebane who died at St. Luke's Home last night at 7 o'clock, at the age of 73, was held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Dr. W. McC. White, the interment being in the City Cemetery. Miss Thompson had been an inmate of the home for about eight years. Two weeks ago she suffered a fall in her room and broke her hip, never recovering from the shock.

AT MORROW & BASONS

Owing to the very inclement weather the past week, Misses Morrow and Bason of Burlington will continue their opening to Friday and Saturday March 21 and 22, at which time and for the next ten days they will give demonstration, in hair dressing. Ladies who wish their hair arranged in the latest styles should see these demonstrations.

STATE FAIR

1913 FIFTY-THIRD 1913
Great North Carolina
State Fair
will be held at
RALEIGH, N. C.
From October 20 to 25, 1913.

TO THE UNKNOWN DEAD.

Why are you reading this little paragraph? You are reading it because you are afraid you might miss something. This little paragraph is in honor of the unknown dead, and in honor of the unknown dead, you know, are the merchants who don't advertise. They believe that ads., seldom are read. They think every one knows where their places of business are, and they peacefully sleep."-EX.

KING OF GREECE ASSASSINATED

King George of Greece was assassinated while walking in the streets of Saloniki Tuesday afternoon. The assassin was a Greek of low mental type who gave his name as Aleko Schidas. He shot the King through the heart.

HILLSBORO ITEMS.

Miss Estelle Brown is visiting in town.

Miss Mary Whitaker of Gibsonville is visiting her sister Mrs. V. L. Kenin.

Miss Ida Lloyd spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother.

HILLSBORO HIGH SCHOOL.

HONOR ROLL.

First Grade: Norfleet Watkins, Mildred Ward.
Fifth Grade: Lydia Jordan, Mary Jones, Herman Brown.
Sixth Grade: Lucy Parker, Hugh Brown.
Seventh Grade: Bryan Roberts, Neil Browning.
Eighth Grade: Loretta McBroom, Octavia Wilson, Charlie Davies.
Ninth Grade: Bess Dunn, Helen Hogan.
Tenth Grade: Ellen Jones, W. W. Rogers, Principal.

ORANGE GROVE ITEMS.

I guess no one is growling about the dry weather now.

Miss Lula Roberson one of the teachers in the Orange Grove School has accepted a position as matron in a Norfolk Hospital and her place in the school has been taken by Miss Alma Lloyd. Miss Roberson has the very best wishes of her host of friends in her new work.

The Farmers Union gave another enjoyable oyster supper last Saturday night, but owing to the rainy weather less than half of the membership were present.

The Orange Grove Dramatic Club will not give "Tompin's Hired Man" Easter as previously published, but will give it later, they want to make this one of the best plays ever given at this place and they need more time in which to practice.

Some of our young people will attend a picnic at Oconeechee Easter Monday as there will be "nothing doing" at Orange Grove unless it is planned later.

Mr. Vance Cates spent a day or two in Burlington last week.

The rain has interfered with the entertainment to be given at the close of Rock Hill School at which Mr. Hersey Cates is teacher. We understand the entertainment will be given the first of the week.

Many will be interested to learn that Mr. Charley Carroll formerly of Orange Grove, but who has been the coach for the Whitsett baseball team for the past two years has left Whitsett to again take a position with the Birmingham team. Mr. R. L. Howard of Mebane, another Orange Grove boy, we understand will play with Greensboro this season.

MEBANE GRADED SCHOOL

Honor Roll For February Attendance.

- 1st. GRADE:
Julia Long,
Mary A Morgan,
Alta Allen,
Grace Cheek,
Leiter Lambert,
Howard Hunt,
Vernon Walker,
Glenn Miles,
Franklin Lambert
Homer Fitch
Murray Nicholson
Bingham Wilson
Arlington Wilson
- 2nd. GRADE:
Ruth Crawford
Margie Allen
Edgar Farrell
Jack Long
Robert Wilkinson
- 3rd. GRADE:
Alma Fearrington
Hughes Wilkinson
Alfred Mebane
Pink Royster
- 4th. GRADE:
Bernice Fitch
Harlee Jobe,
Lewis Nicholson
Russell Walker
Theron Wilkerson
Thado Smith
Corinna Jobe
Sallie Thornton
- SCHOLARSHIP
- 5TH GRADE
Bryan Hunt
Pauline Lambeth
Clayds Amick
- 6TH GRADE
Sybil Walker
- 7TH GRADE
Mary Rimmer
Helen Warren
Billie Batton
Lottie Satterfield
Felcie King
- 8TH GRADE
Haywood Jobe
Edgar McCauley
Clara Warren.

Dr. S. B. Terrentine has been selected as the new president of Greensboro female college, succeeding Mr. Robertson. Dr. Terrentine is a strong man, morally and mentally.

TONY NOTES.

Messrs. Willie Florence and Walter Vaughn and Misses Mollie Florence and Dorcie Vaughn all visited Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Dailey Sunday.

Mrs. Mollie Smith visited near Baynes store last week, she returned home Sunday and reports a pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Fitch visited her parents one day last week, her little sister Theima came home with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Warren visited her parents Monday and Tuesday her sister Miss Mammie returned home with her and will spend this week with her.

Mrs. A. A. Hooper visited Mrs. J. B. Stanfield recently.

Maesters. Claude Harrelson, Charlie Vaughn, Grady and Ivron Hooper visited Clyde and Oscar Stanfield Sunday.

Misses Bess Motley, Pearl and Nina Warren and Mr. Bennie Norris were the guest of Verna and Ruth Bowland Sunday.

Mrs. Arthur Warren and sister Miss Mammie Miles visited her aunt Mrs. U. L. Hooper Thursday.

Mrs. U. L. Hooper, Mrs. I. T. Murray and Mrs. Brice Harrelson were the guest of Mrs. John Oakley recently.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Fitch visited Mr. and Mrs. Rogers of near Carr Sunday.

Mr. Sidney Stanfield called on Miss Mammie Norris Sunday afternoon.

Messrs. Sidney Stanfield, Jimmie Florence and Misses Shellie and Estelle McAdams attended services at Cedar Grove Sunday, something must not suit Sidney for he came home by two o'clock and that is something strange for him to come home before bedtime we hope it wont last long old boy for we know you haven't always looked as blue as you did Sunday, cheer up and go back next Sunday and it will be alright.

Mrs. Mollie Smith and Miss Mammie Miles called on Mrs. T. N. Smith recently.

Mr. John Smith called on Miss Ida Pinnix Sunday they attended services at Hebron.

Mr. Arthur Fitch called on his best girl Sunday.

Mrs. Allen Warren and Mrs. Walter Warren visited Mrs. J. B. Stanfield Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Vaughn visited Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Murray Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Miles and children visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stanfield Sunday.

Our carrier was off of his route two days last week, went to Hillsboro on business hope he had a nice time.

Brown Eyes.

THE SIX-MONTHS TERM GETS GUN AFTER 25 YEARS.

Archibald Johnson Distributes the Honor For The Measure.

(From Charity and Children.)

The six-months school law was the wisest and most useful piece of legislation that was enacted by the outgoing General Assembly. The bill never would have passed in the world but for the pressure that was brought to bear on the Legislature by the people. It was like pulling eye-teeth for many of the members to vote for it. But from every part of the State the clamor for it came, and the legislators knew full well that it would be unhealthy for them to return to their constituents with a record against the measure. Doctor Joyner made a fine fight for it, and The Progressive Farmer did yeoman service in answer to the demand by the Farmers' Union which spoke its mind, clear and strong six months ago. The Charlotte Observer threw its great influence in favor of the bill, and other papers urged its passage. The News and Observer at the very last spoke boldly for the bill, but for the greater part of the session its silence on the question was profound. However, the man who was most responsible for the arousement of a proper public sentiment in favor of longer terms has not been mentioned. That man is J. F. Spainhour of Morganton. He stood for the public schools two years ago, and endured the jeers and ridicule of many of his fellow members for trying to do exactly what this Legislature has done. And since that time by voice and pen Mr. Spainhour has waged unrelenting warfare in favor of a better chance for the children of the woods. Honor should go to whom honor is due. It was good to have the help of the eleventh-hour men but they are not entitled to the same credit as that other class who did not wait to feel the public pulse, but who had a hand in making the public sentiment that surged upon the Legislature and forced the members into line. Hon. J. F. Spainhour was one of the men who did not wait until the eleventh hour, but who bore the heat and burden of the day.

LIKE THE TITANIC.

Mystery Surrounding Loss of Naronic Solved at Last

Tragic fate, similar to that which sent the Titanic to the bottom of the Atlantic ocean with an appalling loss of life, must have overtaken the Naronic, a newly discovered evidence is authentic.

The 20-year mystery surrounding the loss of the big freighter with 74 souls—on board—has been solved by the finding of a sealed bottle on the beach at Holyoke, near Brinkenhad, England, which contained this hastily scrawled message, still decipherable:

Struck iceberg, sinking fast; mid-ocean; Naronic. Young.

The Naronic left Liverpool February 2, 1893, for New York on her second westward voyage. She was new and of the latest construction—one of the biggest freighters afloat at 1: was before the days of wireless, of course, and from that time to this not a word has been heard from her. Only one or two bits of floats, including a smashed boat, were ever found.

Seafaring men now say that if what befell the Naronic had become known doubtless the Titanic disaster might never have occurred. Some years before the Naronic's loss, the then greyhound of the sea, the Arizona, struck an iceberg and had her bows stove in badly, but she was going slowly and her water-tight compartments held, so she managed to creep into port.

SIMMONS WINS IN DETERMINED FIGHT

Tar Heel Senator Chosen Chairman Of New Finance Committee.

The Democratic forces took charge of the United States Senate last Thursday and elected new officers to preside over that body and paved the way for the reorganization of committees and a new control of legislative affairs. Another session of the Democratic "steering committee," lasting late into the evening, brought the committee lists near to completion. It was expected that a Democratic caucus would prepare all committees for presentation.

The personnel of the Finance Committee, which is to handle all tariff bills, became definitely known Thursday night. As now agreed upon, it is:

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Democrats—Chairman, Senator Simmons, North Carolina; Senators Stone, Missouri; Williams, Mississippi; Johnson, Maine; Shively, Indiana; Gore, Oklahoma; Thomas, Colorado; James, Kentucky; Hughes, New Jersey.

Indian Recognizes His Weapon In U. S. Commissioner's Office.

Philadelphia North American.

Holloworn Bear, the Rosebud Sioux chief, who attended the inauguration of President Wilson, was overjoyed when in the office of the commissioner of Indian Affairs Commissioner Taylor returned to him a handsome hunting rifle which Holloworn Bear surrendered to the government authorities nearly 25 years ago.

In the early '90s some 2000 Rosebud Sioux stirred up a discord in the Mauvais Terres, the "bad lands" of South Dakota. At the end of the uprising the Indians were compelled to surrender all their arms to the government. Holloworn Bear explained that he immediately recognized the firearm through the curious wrapping of rawhide about the stock and butt, his own handiwork.

Mebane M. E. Church South.

Rev. F. B. Noblitt, Pastor.
Walter Lynch, Supt. S. S.
N. H. Walker, Assist. Supt.

Preaching every 3rd Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and second Sunday night at 7:30 P. M.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30 and a union prayer meeting ever Sunday after noon at 8:00 o'clock conducted by the young men of the town.

Sunday school every Sunday beginning at 9:45 a. m.
Everybody welcome to all these services.

MEBANE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH

Preaching each 2nd and 4th Sunday at 11 a. m. and every Sunday night. Sunday school 9:45. Prayer meeting Thursday night at 7:30.

W. E. Swain, Pastor.
J. L. Amick, Supt. of Sunday School.
The public cordially invited to all these services. Bring a friend with you.

THE QUILL CLUB NEWS SERVICES

Trinity College, Durham, N. C. March 13, 1913. The Trinity College Commencement exercises this year will begin June 1 with the baccalaureate address by President William Preston Few. The commencement sermon will be preached Tuesday morning by the Reverend George P. Eckman D. D. Editor of the New York Christian Advocate. Dr. Eckman is one of the best known preachers in this country. Dr. Eckman was for 15 years pastor of St. Pauls Methodist Church, New York City. At the last General Conference of the Northern Methodist Church he was elected editor of the New York Christian Advocate.

On Wednesday morning, June 4 the commencement address will be delivered by the Rear-Admiral Robert E. Peary of Washington City. Admiral Peary is not only a famous arctic explorer, but he is also a forceful and interesting speaker. He is the author of a number of well known books, and is a member of many scientific societies in this and in foreign countries. Rear-Admiral Peary's trip to North Carolina will no doubt cause a much greater interest in Trinity's commencement than usual. The whole commonwealth will appreciate the visit of such a distinguished man, and Trinity is indeed fortunate in securing him for this occasion.

The Alumni address will be delivered Tuesday afternoon, June 3, at the annual alumni dinner by the Reverend C. C. Woods, D. D., Associate Editor of the St. Louis Christian Advocate. Dr. Woods is one of Trinity's most honored sons, a noted editor and a popular speaker.

It is the policy of Trinity College to secure for commencement speakers, men who have rendered some distinct service. The college congratulates itself that it has been able to secure these distinguished speakers for the next commencement.

Quill Club.

PARCEL POST GROWING.

Business Last Month 40 Per Cent Greater Than January.

Parcel post business last month was almost 40 per cent greater than in January as shown by reports to Postmaster General Burleson, made public. In February 50,000,000 parcel post packages were handled, an increase of 10,000,000 over the previous month; but as February contained three days less than January the real gain in the business was almost 40 per cent.

As in January, the three cities doing the largest parcel post business in February were Chicago, New York and Boston, in the order named. Chicago sent and received 5,167,000 packages; New York 4,102,000, and Boston 1,326,000, most of them in each case being of the sent class.

The reports to the postmaster general indicate that the mails are moving with their usual dispatch, that business in farm products is growing and that merchants seem to be preparing to extend their business into new fields.

MR. LA FOLLETTE, REPUBLICAN.

Senator La Follette, who conferred with President Wilson last evening, calls himself a Republican. He is the Republican who has proved that under the Presidency of Theodore Roosevelt "the trusts increased from 149 to 10,020." He is the Republican who has charged that the panic of 1907 "was manufactured by Wall street interests which bluffed Mr. Roosevelt into approval of the Tennessee Coal and Iron merger." He is the Republican who has said more than once that "Mr Taft as President violated every true principle of his party." He is the Republican who has said over and over again that under the rule of McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft "the financial control of American industry and commerce passed into the hands of fourteen men," whom he named.

A Republican holding these views ought to be able not only to confer with President Wilson but to co-operate with him.—New York World.

WORTH REMEMBERING

Admiral Dewey, who recently celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday, was asked, in Washington, by a financier, how he keeps so young both in looks and spirit, says the Washington Star. "At 45," said the financier, "I look older than you, and I certainly feel older, if your cheerful optimism indicates how old you feel. What is your secret?"

Admiral Dewey, with a sympathetic smile, replied: "My general rule is to take a certain quantity of open-air exercise and to attend no banquets; but even more important is the cultivation of a cheerful disposition."

"But," interrupted the financier, "a cheerful disposition is a gift not an acquisition."

"Ah, no," the admiral said. "If we keep our faces toward the sunshine the shadows will always fall behind us."

BURLESON DEVELOPING POST OFFICE PLANS

He Thinks Spirit of Civil Service Was Violated in Putting 40,000 Postmasters in The Classified Service.

Postmaster General Burleson began developing his plan to prescribe a civil service examination for fourth class postmasters last week. He consulted with Civil Service Commissioner John A. McIlhenny, who told him it would be practical to hold examinations that would be true tests of the applicant's ability.

The fourth class postmasters, nearly 40,000 of them, now are in the classified service, having been placed there by executive orders under the Roosevelt and Taft administrations. Postmaster General Burleson said that the spirit of the civil service was violated in putting all these officers into the classified service and that he proposed to place them on a strictly civil service basis.

"Many of those hold positions as fourth class postmasters," said Mr. Burleson, "secured them as a result of pernicious political activity. The Post-office Department should be a business institution, run on scientific business lines. I intend to use the weight of my influence to make it such."

He added that the plan on which he was working was his own; that he had not discussed it with President Wilson.

WORLD'S BIGGEST DIAMOND MINE

(From Tit-Bits.)

Twenty-five miles east of Pretoria is what is known as the Premier Diamond Mine, the biggest in the world, where 15,000 Kaffirs may be seen any day, digging, drilling, and loading trucks of "blue" earth, from which are extracted diamonds to the value of something like 2,000,000 per annum.

The total value of diamonds exported from South Africa in a year is about 8,500,000 sterling, and of this quantity about a quarter are discovered in the Premier Mine, the other two chief mines being the Beers and Jagerfontein.

The Premier Mine was really discovered by Sir Thomas Cullinan, the present chairman, after whom the great Cullinan diamond of 3,025 carats, discovered in the Premier Mine, was named. It may be remembered that this diamond was presented to King George by the Transvaal government, and was cut into eleven flawless stones the largest of which is in the imperial crown.

The Premier Mine possesses an area of 3,500 claims, equal to 80 acres, and at the present time 12,000 loads of treatable "blue," as the diamond-yielding earth is known, are dealt with every year. And such are the resources of the mine that it is calculated that during the next 40 years the present annual output will be easily maintained.

At present the mine is about 350 feet deep, and it is considered practical to work to a depth of 1,500 feet. The quality of the stones discovered is increasing in value with the depth, and in order to encourage honesty among the Kaffirs, a payment of three shillings a carat on all stones found and delivered to the compound manager is paid.

In addition to the 15,000 Kaffirs there are 1,800 whites working in the mine in various capacities. It is wonderfully equipped with electric plant and machinery, and is a fascinating sight after sunset, with "a thousand electric lights twinkling, eight great searchlights concentrating on the crater, piercing the huge cloud of blue blasting, and many thousands of natives rushing down the side of the mine, shouting, and singing merrily, to resume work for the night shift."

WOULD HAVE BEEN NO BLUFF

You need not think that they did not have Simmons' election vow in mind during the recent past when efforts were being made to defeat him for the chairmanship of the Finance Committee. The plan was to carry a page advertisement in several North Carolina papers calling on him to resign. But they would have been saved that trouble and expense, for Senator Simmons' friends were aware of the fact that his defeat would have been immediately followed by his resignation from the Senate. This was perfectly well known in Washington. It is further known that Governor Craig would have reappointed Mr. Simmons. It was not so well known, however, that Simmons would accept the reappointment, for he was in deadly earnest and his resignation would almost certainly have meant the loss to North Carolina of one of the most influential men in Congress, for in no wise would it have been tendered in the nature of a bluff. As it is, all has ended well.—Charlotte Observer.

R. C. Rhode Island Reds and S. C. Black minorca, fine layers, choice settings for eggs \$1.00 per setting of 15.
Mrs. J. W. Nicholson,
Mebane, N. C.

1 mo. Mar. 13.