

# THE MEBANE LEADER.

"And Right The Day Must Win, To Doubt Would be Disloyalty, To Falter Would be Sin."

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## Efland Items.

Misses Maggie and Pearl Tapp visited relatives at Blackwood Sta. last Sunday and returned home Monday.

Misses Maud Brown, Myrtle Perry and Maggie Pickard went up to Burlington Saturday night to spend Sunday with friends.

Miss Bettie Riley spent last week with her brother Mr. Thomas Riley who is very ill in West Hillsboro.

Mr. J. L. Efland has returned from New York and other northern cities where he went on business.

Miss Medie Ray is spending some time with her friend Miss Lettie Thompson.

Mr. F. Horner of Hillsboro spent Saturday night and Sunday with his brother Mr. Gattis Horner.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith and daughter also grand son Master Clyde Smith spent last Sunday with Mr. Smiths daughter Mrs. Dora Roach in West Hillsboro.

Mr. Henry Tapp of Blackwood Sta. came up last Saturday and spent the night with his cousin Mr. Lee Tapp.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Murray has returned from Durham where they went to attend the funeral of Mrs. Murrays sister Mrs. Barry.

Mrs. Mary Thompson widow of the late W. R. Thompson has moved back to her old home near Hobbs x Roads. Mrs. Thompson made many friends during her stay in Efland who all regrets to lose her from their midst.

The Good Roads new Iron Bridge just completed across Eno River three miles east of Efland seems to be quite an attractive, scores of people visited it last Saturday and Sunday from Hillsboro Efland and other places. It seems to be a splendidly constructed bridge and it with the Good Roads is a great improvement to our section of the County.

## "Cancer of Tongue isn't Dangerous."

Cancer of the tongue is not dangerous if operated upon promptly, according to the announcement made by two French surgeons, who base their conclusion on the fact that out of 225 operations 108 cures have been effected. The public is warned that any white excrescences on the tongue should be examined immediately by a surgeon, as they may be the beginning of cancer. —Ex.

Chicago is dissatisfied with its policemen because they are unable to handle the disorderly of their own sex. Still, they couldn't well make a worse job of it than the London policemen have done in handling the militant suffragettes.

## Mexican Land Question

(Chicago Journal.)

One of the most important factors in the Mexican situation is overlooked by nearly all commentators.

Mexico is a land of landlords and peasants. The peasant proprietor or small farmer hardly exists south of the Rio Grande. A few rich families own enormous haciendas—it is no uncommon thing for a single ranch to be larger than the average American country. The great mass of the people are little better than serfs.

Before the Diaz regime, landlordism in Mexico was mitigated by a sort of village communism, in which each settlement owned a considerable tract of land, which was either worked in common or parceled out to the different families of the community. Under the Diaz "registration law," these time-honored holdings were "denounced" by administration pets, and went to swell already overgrown haciendas.

There can be no permanent peace in Mexico while such landlordism prevails; and to give the devil his due—the constitutional party is the only one which seems anxious to effect a wholesale redistribution of the soil. Huerta's aim was quite the opposite, he was playing to the big "interests."

As for life, it is a battle, and a sojourning in a strange land; but the fame that comes after is oblivion.—Marcus Aurelius.

Who soots at the midday sun, though he be sure he shall never hit the mark, yet as sure he is he shall shoot higher than he who aims at a burh.—Sir Philip Sidney.

## Great Wave Kills 1,000.

Over one thousand persons perished last week in the inundation of the towns of Stanitzka and Achtyrkaja by a wave from the Sea of Azov Russia. It struck the towns during a violent hurricane, which swept the province of Kuban. Also 150 persons also were drowned in floods in Yasenaja.

## Barn Burns.

Mr. J. W. Covington had the misfortune to lose his barn and farm implements by fire Saturday evening. He does not know how it caught, but as there is a much traveled pathway in the rear of the barn, he thinks it possible that some one may have dropped a lighted match, or cigarett. He lost a thousand dollars or more, with only a small insurance. Mr. Covington lives about two miles South of Mebane.

## Country Life Club.

Meeting at the Country Life Club at Woodlawn School next Saturday Mar. 21st at 7:30 P M Prof. J. B. Robertson will deliver an address and a spelling contest between the School and the community will furnish all the desired amusement. The public is invited.

## Destruction by the Militants in Many Ways and Many Places.

Militant suffragettes began the active campaign of violence in 1912, though there had been sporadic outbreaks ever since 1908. Some of the deeds that earned them the name of arsonettes previous to the slaying of the "Rokeby Venus" of Velasquez yesterday are: Innumerable shop windows in the West End of London, costing thousands of pounds, smashed. Acids poured into mail boxes, destroying letters and packages. Bomb placed in the office of Mr. McKenna, the Home Minister. Orchids and other valuable plants destroyed in Kew Botanical Gardens. Lloyd-George's county house burned and practically destroyed.

Attempt to fire the Theatre Royal in Dublin; a hatchet thrown at Premier Asquith which hit John E. Redmond. King George's horse stopped during the running of the Derby by a woman, who died from her injuries. Refreshment pavilion in the Regent's Park burned.

Set fire to the house of Lewis Vernon Harcourt and attempted to dynamite it. Case in Jewel Room in the Tower broken.

Many railway stations and other houses burned, doing damage estimated by the London Times at \$3,500,000 for 1913 alone.

Bomb placed under the Bishops Throne in St. Paul's Cathedral and bombs found in other places. Famous pictures damaged at Manchester.

Tied the levers of railroad signals in the hope of causing train wrecks. Tried to burn the British Museum. St. Anne's Church in Liverpool burned.

Bomb exploded in St. Johns Church, Westminster. Parish Church at Penn burned. Church at Hatcham, value \$75,000 burned.

Church at Bowley Regis destroyed by fire with a loss of \$30,000. Lady Whites house burned. St. Judes Hamstead Heath burned. Kibble Crystal Palace in Glasgow Botanical Gardens wrecked by bomb. Scofield House, near Liverpool, burned with a loss of \$400,000.

Fire started in Dulwich College, London.

Wrecked office of the London Standard.

Sent red pepper and snuff to members of the Cabinet by the mails, Premier Asquith attacked by women armed with dog whips.

Lord Wardale, an aged peer, whipped in mistake for the Prime Minister. Mines placed in Holloway prison in an attempt to blow up the jail.

Timber and adjoining property to the value of \$400,000 burned at Devonport. Many attempts to force an entrance to Buckingham Palace or to stop the King while he was driving in London. Constant rioting at street meetings outside the Houser of Parliament and residences of the Ministers.

## Intervention.

An Arizona citizen declares that if the United States does not intervene in Mexico they will be fighting for the next forty years. This may be true, and it is also true that if the United States does intervene in Mexico they will be fighting the next forty years the only difference being that in event of intervention we will be engaged in the fighting and our own blood will run deep and long with Mexican blood. If the selfish interest like Hearst represents were eliminated there would be no danger for intervention. American dollars is the only American interest demanding intervention, and American lives should always come before American dollars.—Salisbury Post.

## Hillsboro News

Miss Annie Cheshive, daughter of Bishop Cheshive is visiting the Misses Webb, at Hillsboro.

Miss Gertrude Newman and Miss Octavia Wilson of Hillsboro spent Saturday in Durham visiting Mrs. W. P. McDade.

Mr. J. P. Dark and Mr. Alex Anderson spent Sunday afternoon in Hillsboro.

Mr. Hal Parrish spent Sunday in Hillsboro.

Mr. John Christmas, mayor of Hillsboro left Tuesday for New York City where he will visit his daughter, Mrs. M. W. Atkinson.

Mrs. Jean Thompson, an authoress of Yonkers, New York, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Wall at their home in Hillsboro.

Mr. Brummitt, of Excelsior Springs Missouri, came to Hillsboro last week to be with her husband, Mr. H. L. Brummitt.

Miss Josephine Parris, a teacher in the Salem Female Academy spent Sunday of last week with her mother, Mrs. D. C. Parris.

Presiding Elder North preached in the Hillsboro M. P. Church Sunday night.

Miss Eulalia E. Bower an experienced truller, who has studied the business and styles in New York City and Baltimore has arrived in Hillsboro to be in the Misses Ferrest, milliner, during this season.

Miss Elma Shoffner of Burlington is visiting her sister Mrs. Olander Cole.

Mr. William Thompson and Miss Fannie Kiley were married last Saturday.

Mr. Compton and Miss Vesta Vaughn of Cedar Grove were married at the M P Parsonage here last week, Rev J M Ormand performed the ceremony.

## School News

There are now nine Tomato Clubs in Alamance County These clubs have enrollment of 105 members. It is hoped that 125 girls will be enrolled before planting time.

The Ossipee School had a box party Saturday night and made \$43.00. The school had a measuring party a week ago and made \$6.00. This school is working for first prize in the improvement contest. The grounds are being leveled and grass will be sown. Nice trees have been planted and other improvement made.

Union Ridge, Mahan and Glencoe Schools closed last Friday, each school had prepared an entertainment for the close of school.

The Hawfields people are preparing to paint the interior of their school building, and to build a wood house. This school has lately had an addition to its enrollment. Mrs. Jane S. McKinnon of Raleigh is sending her son to this school.

The people of the Spring School are building a porch to their house and they expect to paint the exterior of their entire building within the next few weeks.

The Progressive Farmer is offering some prizes to the Progressive Farmer boy in the Corn Club. To every Progressive Farmer boy who makes over 50 bushels of corn on an acre in 1914 they will give a little button. "A Progressive Farmer Boy who got there—Over 50 Bushels Corn Per Acre." A special certificate and a copy of editor Poe's illustrated book at travels around the world will be given as a prize to the boy in each county who makes the best yield in that county.

## Parcel Post Forces Express Company to Liquidate Business.

Directors of the United States Express company have voted unanimously to liquidate its affairs and dissolve it in the shortest possible time. The resolution under which this action was recommended reads: "Resolved, that pursuant to the power and authority conferred on the board of directors of the United States Express company by its articles of association, the board unanimously declared that it is for the best interests of the company that the company be dissolved as soon as may be without awaiting the expiration of its term of existence; and that its business and affairs be settled up and finally adjusted as promptly as may be done. The president is directed to inform the shareholders of the company of said action of the board."

A committee on liquidation, which embraces the representatives of the leading interests in the company, including Charles A. Peabody, president of the Mutual Life Insurance company and the chief financial adviser of the Harriman estate; William A. Read, ex-Senator W. Murray Crane, and Haley Giske, vice president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company, was appointed to undertake the work of dissolution.

Persons familiar with the company's affairs declare that the return to the shareholders will be between \$90 and \$100 a share.

## KEEP THE SIDE-WALKS CLEAN.

### Don't Cost Much And Would Mean Much to The Looks of Our Town.

Mr. Editor:— I ask that you publish this article clipped from Burlington News. I want these same conditions apply to Meban? I ask that our Mayor and town officers take a walk over the town, notice the streets, some of them used for wood yards, and the gutters are used for piling the rubbish. Lets clean up.

For a Clean Town. One of the matters taken up by the Chamber of Commerce at their recent meeting was that of keeping the sidewalks clean.

No place in the State has less attention paid to this matter than Burlington, and we propose to go after this matter. We walked up street last Saturday morning and our attention was called to a pile of dry goods boxes piled up in front of the postoffice, absolutely obstructing the sidewalk. In a dozen places along the different main and principal streets of the city goods boxes are piled on the sidewalk, and in other places fish and other things are placed on the side of the pavement, presenting a bad and dirty appearance.

We have an ordinance that will prevent this, and we want this ordinance enforced. We have officers whose sworn duty it is to see that the streets are kept clear of these obstructions and we want them to get busy.

We should have enough town pride to see that our streets are kept free from these obstructions. Nothing detracts so much from the appearance of a town as dirty streets, blocked sidewalks, fish stands along the pavements, and we are going after these things until they are cleaned.

We can't ask people to come to Burlington to locate when they can find these conditions. People from other cities are not used to this kind of business. We can never have a decent looking town so long as these things are allowed. Now let's all co-operate together and assist in keeping things in shape. Let's have just a little bit of town pride. Let's clean up a little, and look respectable.

## Hillsboro News

Hillsboro, N. C. March 14, A movement for a new bank at Hillsboro is well underway. For some time there has been an agitation for such an institution. This time the movement has taken definite form. The plan is to start with a capital of \$10,000.00. More than that amount of stock has already been applied for. The promoters, however, are anxious to see it as well distributed as possible and are working towards that end. For this reason some who are willing to subscribe to large amounts of stock are taking less in order that the \$10,000.00 may extend over as large a territory and touch as much business as possible.

The Eno Cotton Mill at West Hillsboro has suffered a great loss as the result of an explosion Thursday. The large boiler burst and put the greater part of the machinery out of commission. The accident will probably keep them closed down for a week or more. No one was around the boiler at the time of the explosion and the loss is consequently a property loss only.

The Epworth League enjoyed a very delightful banquet last. Rev. Harry M. North was the guest of honor. The object of the gathering was to discuss ways and means for the publication of a local church paper. Rev. J. M. Ormond, the local Methodist minister, has been working for some time on this idea. He has already published two copies of the paper which is called "The Circuit Rider." A permanent organization of this paper was perfected last night with S. M. Gattis Jr. Editor, Miss Hazel Montgomery asst. editor and Mr. J. C. Rosemond Secretary and treasurer. The paper is to appear once a month and will probably be printed at home.

## Breeding The Fly

(Knoxville Journal and Tribune.) The point is, if you really don't want the fly in your kitchen or sharing your meals with you, don't furnish the mother fly with facilities for breeding her kind. The birthplace of the fly is a collection of filth about the home will be taken as an invitation to the fly and he rapidly accumulating family And she will accept it. And kill her children in any manner you may, others will come, and those killed will form no perceptible break in the endless passing procession.

## Medicine Co. Organized

There has been organized for the manufacturer of Taraxacum in Mebane a company, Mr. B. Frank Mebane of Greensboro, and Mrs. M. B. Scott, of Mebane will be the principal stockholders in the company. Mr. W. G. Mebane of Greensboro, will have charge of the manufacture of the Medicine, which will be purely a vegetable tonic, and digestive medicine. The late Dr. B. F. Mebane was the inventor of the medicine which had a very popular run in this section during his life time and a while afterwards.

## At Mebane Tuesday March 31st.

Dr. S. Rapport of Durham will be at Mebane at the Mebane Hotel, Tuesday March 31st, for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses. If you are in need of glasses for the good of your eyes don't fail to see the DR. on that day.

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This is a spring day after all and all are glad to see it.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Pool are visiting relatives in Greensboro.

Mr. Salem Williams of Hillsboro spent Wednesday with his cousin Mr. S. M. Kimmner

Mr. Clarence Miles and sister Lula, attended church at Mebane.

Mr. S. T. Smith called to see Mr. J. S. Kenion Sunday.

Mr. W. D. Miller of Burlington and Miss Julia Walker spent Sunday with Mr. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Wright of Cedar Grove spent Saturday night and Sunday at Mr. Sid Shambly.

Mr. Charlie Jackson and Miss Alina Browning spent Saturday in Hillsboro.

Mrs. Joe Faucett and little son is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. T. J. Browning.

Mr. Lee Westbrook came down Friday and carried Mr. Dan Shanklin back home with him Saturday. Its a good thing to have a good papa, I know all the boys wish they had one just like Dan.

Mr. Jeff Fowler of Mebane spent Sunday with Mr. T. H. Cheek.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sykes spent Saturday and Sunday in Mebane.

Mr. Nelson Miles spent Sunday in Mebane.

Mr. Robert Jones attended church at Mebane Sunday.

Mr. A. F. Warren and sister called at Mr. Joe Murray Friday night.

Papa's girl.

## IN MEMORIAM.

### Willie Battle Pickard.

On Thursday, February 26th 1914, at the home of her grand parents Mr. and Mrs. Milton Pickard, Teer, N. C., the immortal soul of little Willie Battle Pickard entered into the Paradise of God. She was a child of rare gifts, with a most attractive personality, and a warm heart making friends with every one she came in contact with. To know her, was to love her. If "death loves a shining mark" he found one in this lovely little girl.

During her brief illness all that loving hands could do, was done, but to no avail, God in his wisdom called her to be with him, and to day we think of her as one of the thousands of children around the throne singing praises to the dear Savior, who said, "of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

Willie Battle, daughter of Junius, and Ira Battle Pickard was born at Durham, N. C. March 1st 1911, when she was three months old her mother died, since that time she has been tenderly cared for by her grand parents. The mutual love between them was beautiful to behold, and now, they long for the touch of a vanished hand, and the sound of a voice that is still. On Saturday, February 28th after a brief service at the home of her father at Durham, N. C., she was tenderly laid beside her mother, in Maplewood Cemetery.

To the sorrowing family we extend our heartfelt sympathy, and commend them to the tender care of the all wise Creator, who is able to administer comfort in the time of trouble.

Farewell, dear Willie Battle; we shall meet beyond the River, in the realms of endless glory. Many a loving heart can say,

"Safe in the arms of Jesus, Safe on his gentle breast, There, by His love o'er shaded Sweetly her soul shall rest."

S. B. E.

Every door beared with gold and to golden keys.—Tennyson

## History of Mary's Little Lamb.

I am sitting tonight, December 25th, 1913, in the Baptist parsonage in the town of Sterling, Mass., about forty miles from Boston. Through about a foot of snow I went to the barn and wood shed, which, in part, is made of the old school house to which Mary's lamb followed her one day. The poem, "Mary Had a Little Lamb," is as familiar to many American children as the letters of the Alphabet and I wish to say there was a real Mary Sawyer who owned a lamb and which went with her to school in the house which originally stood about two miles from here, but was later sold, removed and built into the barn above mentioned.

Mary E. Sawyer was born March 22, 1806 and seven years later twin lambs were born to a ewe of her father's flock, but the sheep mother would only own one of the lambs, so Mary took the other and mothered it. Some months later the lamb followed her to school one day; and before the teacher came, some of the boys suggested that Mary put the lamb in her desk, which she did and the lamb went to sleep. But later it waked up and kicked and scrambled out of the desk. This made all the children laugh, and of course the teacher had to put the lamb out, but she did not scold Mary, only laughing with her and the other children. The lamb stayed all day and went home that night never to come back to school again. But fame awaited this little sheep. Some days later a young Harvard student John Rounstone who was a friend of the teacher was visiting in the neighborhood and hearing of the incident, wrote:

Mary had a little lamb,  
Its fleece was white as snow;  
And everywhere that Mary went,  
The lamb was sure to go.

It followed her to school one day,  
Which was against the rule;  
It made the children laugh and play  
To see the lamb in school.

So the teacher turned it out,  
But still it lingered near,  
And waited patiently about  
Till Mary did appear.

Mary's lamb only lived two years and was hooked to death by a cow in her father's barn. The wool of the lamb was spun and knitted into stockings for Mary by her mother, but these stockings were never worn, only being kept for years in memory of the little lamb. And many years later, when the Old South Church in Boston, was about to be sold for debt, Mary who was then a mature woman, with some other women got up a sale for the church benefit. The stockings from the lamb's wool were unravelled and the thread cut into pieces of one yard in length and each piece wound on a card, on which Mary wrote her name, and these were sold for twenty-five cents each. Thus the two pairs of stockings brought two hundred dollars and the Old South Church was saved from the sheriff's hammer. The church was originally built in 1633. In the pulpit George Whitfield delivered some of his stirring messages, and it was also the first place where religious services were held commemorating the Declaration of Independence. I pass this old church nearly every week in Boston and I notice that the old clock keeps good time.

The only living schoolmate of Mary Sawyer is Mr. R. K. Powers, now in his happy old age of 103 years. He is a cousin of Mary and says all the facts about Mary's lamb are true and that he was in school that day and did some of the laughing. Mr. Powers also remembers when LaFayette was in America, and heard him speak to the citizens of Sterling as they gathered around the great patriot on the village commons.

On yesterday, which was Christmas day, Mrs. Young and I visited a Mrs. Abbott who is now ninety-two years of age. She is the next oldest person in this community and she says that all the reported facts about Mary and her lamb are true, for she heard it from the school teacher whom she knew very well in after years.

Mary Sawyer married a gentleman by the name of Tyler and they lived in Somerville, Mass. She died in 1889 and is buried in Mt. Auburn cemetery near Boston, the tomb is beside that of the poet Longfellow. She continued all her life a lover of children and animals and at her death, by her will and that of her husband who had died before her, their home was turned into a playground for the children of Somerville and is so used until this day.—C. C. Young, in the Baptist Chronicle.

## Notice To Tax Payers.

The Commissioners of the town of Mebane have ordered that 1913 tax and any other back tax due the town must be paid by May 1. If not paid by that time they will be collected by due process of law.

Mr. W. C. Clark the town tax collector will be at Neisons store from 1 o'clock till six each Saturday afternoon to receive these taxes. Please take notice.

W. S. Crawford, Mayor.

## News From Oaks.

Oaks, N. C. March 14 1914.

Mr. Editor:—

I was very glad to see in the Leader, that there was one who was taking an interest in the Oaks, Mebane road. This is a very important road to the Oaks section, we had before Fertilizers from Mebane Farmers. It is our nearest R. R. Station. This is a very bad road during winter and spring, and has never been worked as it should be worked. It is 10 miles from Oaks to Mebane, 6 miles in Orange and 4 miles in Alamance. Those of the High Way Commissioners of Orange County have told me that they favored grading this road but that the Commissioners of Alamance would do nothing, that one of the County Commissioners of Alamance had told Mr. McIver that Alamance would do nothing. There is 2 miles of this road in Alamance that is good leaving only 2 miles for Alamance to grade, and this 2 miles would require only a light grade. Now if the people of Thompson and Melville Townships, in Alamance, including the town of Mebane will go to work and get Alamance to agree to grade this 2 miles I feel sure that Orange County will grade that part that lies in Orange. The Oaks section and the Western part of Bingham Township needs and deserves this road, we are entitled to it. Let us know what Alamance will do then we can go to work in Orange, now is the time to act. I hope you will agitate this question.

I think it a good suggestion that the Carriers on Routes No. 2 and 4 from Mebane interest their patrons and urge them to act quick.

Orange.

## Hillsboro News

What came near being a calamity here last night was very narrowly averted by the prompt and effective service of the "bucket brigade." The office of Major Jno. W. Graham was discovered on fire at eleven o'clock. The alarm was at once given and the fire was soon under way. In a few more minutes it would have been beyond control. A large hole had been burnt in the floor and one of the sleepers was blazing. The Major's fine library was saved intact.

The Hillsboro Building and Loan Association opened its B series of stock last Saturday. The Secretary, Mr. C. M. Andrews, reports that they are selling well. The association, which is only about six months old, is making a fine record.

Sheriff Bain has been in Chapel Hill this week on his last tax rounds. He says the collections are very good.

Orange County has been exceptionally fortunate in the administration of her dog law. The Sheriff has had practically no trouble in collecting it. The proceeds from this source will amount to practically \$2000.00, one half of which is to go to the schools and the other to the road fund.

## Conductor Passed The Plate.

It was a street car conductor's duties in the church of which he was a member to take up the collections one day, and, as it happened, his first experience of such duties, says the National Monthly. He was a little nervous as he started down the center aisle, but that soon wore off, and he began to feel almost at home.

There were several children in the first pew. Each put in a penny. The people in the next pew also contributed something each.

A big, gulf fellow sat alone in the third pew. The new collector passed him the plate, but the man shook his head and stuck his hand deep in his pockets.

Thereupon our friend the conductor stopped, put up his hand as if to jerk the bell cord, and said: "Well, you'll have to get off."

## "Siamese Twins" Are Paralyzed by Surgery

The so called "Siamese twins," Madeline and Suanzame Durand, were separated a few days ago by the knife of a surgeon, in the presence of a company of scientists in Paris. Their case has aroused great interest since they were carried to Paris last December and exhibited at the Academia of Medicine.

The operation was performed with special constructed instruments by Dr. Gusave Le Filliatre, assisted by Dr. Risacher and Dr. Victor Lelannary and his wife, who also is a physician. Numerous other surgeons were present.

Moral changes are slow; God's footsteps are sometimes centuries apart.—Edwin Taylor.