

THE MEBANE LEADER.

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

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Miss Pattie Mc Adam who has been visiting her father returned to Greensboro Tuesday morning.

Warehouses to Close

The two Warehouses in Mebane the Piedmont and Planters will close this tobacco season on March 31st. Farmers having tobacco for sale, we respectfully ask that they sell within this month. The Mebane Tobacco Board of Trade.

The Bingham School Wins Over the Graded School in Two Games of Tennis

Last Tuesday was one week ago the Bingham school won a game from the graded school in a score of 9 to 12. Last Friday another game was played, this game being on the graded school court, which resulted in the graded school losing three sets, or a score of 12 to 18. Prof Deese and Mr. B. Compton played for the graded school, while Capt. Harris and McSwain played for Bingham.

John Mebane Dead

John Mebane one of Meban's prominent young men died at the home of his father-in-law Mr. Alex Patton Sunday morning at 8 o'clock. He had been suffering with lung trouble for some time but had improved and his friends were encouraged about his condition, but he grew worse last week and his relatives felt he could not recover. The remains were brought here Monday and the funeral was conducted from Presbyterian Church by the pastor Rev. F. M. Hawley assisted by Rev. Goodman of the Hawfield Church.

There was a large congregation of relatives and friends present and the floral tributes were beautiful. Mr. Mebane was the son of the late Yancey Mebane of this place and was 47 years of age. Surviving him are his wife four sisters and five brothers.

Out of town relatives at the funeral were Mrs. Tom Tarpley and daughter Bettie of Spartanburg S. C. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Mebane of Yanceyville Mr. Walter Mebane and sister of Burlington Mr. and Mrs. Jim Patton of Durham Mr. Bob Dickerson of Spencer and Mr. George Holt of Winston N. C.

Kipling says that what the world needs is more music, but less of that kind which passes for music would help some.

Go to Rimmers for all kind of can goods, fresh supply.

Give Him a Fair Show

Judge Frank Carter is entitled to an investigation, as well as a fair investigation. Every day that the tongue of scurrility continues to wag, every day the buzzard wings of detraction continue to shadow his name, that much more wrong will be done him. Give him a fair show at the earliest, he is justly entitled to it.

Rebuild Belgian Towns.

The Overseas News agency says a new association, called the Union des Villes, has been formed in Brussels to rebuild Belgian towns. It is headed by prominent Belgians. The German government general has promised the association full facilities for carrying out its work.

Cotton Prices Break One Dollar Bale in New York

Cotton broke 19 points or nearly \$1 a bale in New York. Receipts of authentic news of the allies' plans to place a virtual blockade against shipments of all commodities to German ports. October contracts sold off from 905 to 886. It was feared that the check in cotton shipments to Germany would weaken the spot market as well.

Go to Rimmers for seed potatoes, Irish Cobbler, Red Bliss, and Early Rose.

Stingy

Mrs. Gordon was spending some time at Palm Beach, and during her stay she wrote her husband, saying: "Dear Will: I enclose the hotel bill." Will wrote back: "I enclose the check, but please don't buy any more hotels at that price. They are robbing you."—Kansas City Post.

Shot in a Card Game.

(From The Jefferson Record) Last Sunday morning near Grayson postoffice, Ashe County where Dr. Jake Hopkins and William Brooks were playing cards, Brooks became angry about something that occurred and shot Doctor Hopkins in the hands and in the breast just above the heart. Dr. Hopkins is now seriously ill and is confined to bed. Brooks was brought to town Monday by Sheriff McMillan and lodged in jail.

Changes Hands

The Hotel McAdoo has a new manager Mr. J. R. Clements formerly with the Guilford, succeeds Mr. M. W. Stone as manager of the McAdoo Hotel at Greensboro. Mr. Clements has leased the hotel for five years. The Greensboro News says of Mr. Clements he is one of the most likable young hotel men who has ever been in this city. He has made friends for the Guilford by the score, and he will carry with him to the McAdoo the best wishes of scores of the traveling fraternity who have learned to like the young gentleman since he has been at the Guilford.

Timely Help.

Mr. Ed Bridges, a young man from Sanford who was employed by the White Furniture Co. in their shops, was recently taken with an acute attack of pneumonia for some days his condition was bad and it seemed impossible to secure a trained nurse to watch at his bedside in this emergency. Mrs. J. S. White volunteered to render such assistance as she could, she was with him two nights and the last night was the critically period, his heart and temperature reached an alarming stage, it was then Mrs. White's heroic and energetic handling of the case that Mr. Bridges over the emergency and since that time he has been rapidly improving. Mrs. White's service was invaluable to his physician, Dr. J. Mel Thompson.

When O When.

There are conflicting prophecies as to the time when the European war will end, some say a few weeks, others say two years, of course it is all conjecture, and based upon probable facts. We are hoping that they will get the Germans mutton at the earliest period possible. This war is simple murder, and military maulage, and Germany's Emperor is chiefly responsible.

The most beautiful object in the world, it will be allowed, is a beautiful woman. But who that can analyze his feeling is not sensible that she owes her fascination less to grace of outline and delicacy of color than to a thousand association which, often unperceived by ourselves, connect these qualities with the source of our existence, with the nourishment of our infancy, with the passion of our youth, with the hopes of our age—with elegance, with vivacity, with tenderness, with the strongest natural instincts, with the dearest of social ties.—Macaulay

From lower to the higher next. Not to the top, is nature's text. —Lowell.

If you want to be miserable, think about yourself, about what you want, what you like, what respect people ought to pay you, and what people think of you.—Charles Kingsley.

With coke ovens being fired' orders for the mills increasing steadily and our trade balance breaking records, one doesn't have to stretch a point much these days to talk prosperity.—Pittsburg Post.

A Bird

Peggie—Why do you say he is a bird? Polly—Well, he's chicken-hearted and pigeon-toed, has the habit of an owl, likes to wear a swallow-tail coat and collars with wings, he is always acting the goose, and is a perfect jay.—Julje.

SERIOUS OUTBREAK OF CATTLE DISEASE

In One Herd Near Richmond 126 Affected

Following the discovery of 125 fully developed cases of foot and mouth disease in a herd of 300 dairy cattle on a farm in Henrico County, seven miles north of Richmond, Gov. Henry C. Stuart issued a quarantined proclamation and announced that he would go before the Circuit Court and apply for an injunction against 18 railroads and steamship lines in Virginia to enforce their full compliance with his recent proclamation requiring that no cattle or cattle feed be moved without the proper Federal certificates. Governor Stuart also ordered that within a radius of five miles around the farm where the outbreak has occurred there be no movement of cattle or cattle feed. Special deputies have been sworn in by the sheriff of Henrico County and a virtual blockade has been put into effect.

In Belgium.

Most of the territory of Belgium is occupied by the German army. Many of the people of the kingdom are objects of charity. The invaders are levying a tax of \$8,000,000 a month upon the country. There is reason to believe that they have also commandeered food, cattle and other supplies.

For months past the population has been fed principally by the benevolence of the United States and Great Britain. The British Foreign Office now informs Chairman Hoover of the Relief Commission that until the Germans cease their levies in Belgium, thus diverting charity to the support of their armies in the field, it will make no further contributions for the relief of the destitute.

Nothing these tragic facts, which furnish their own commentary, Mr. Hoover says he can do nothing now but appeal to the mercy of the people in every land. Evidently he does not mean every land. He means such lands as are not engaged in the most brutal of all wars, and in particular he does not mean the land which, no matter how the conflict ends, is to be judged forever by the record that it has made and is making in Belgium.

—N. Y. World

Write your name by kindness, love and mercy on the hearts of the hundreds you come in contact with year after year, and you will never be forgotten.—Alexander.

But Do You Feel It.

The cost of living is said to be decreasing. Some say five per cent in thirty days, and some say more. But you don't feel it. When it is going down you don't holler—it is when it keeps advancing that you yell. However all of us will be glad when you can buy a slab of sow bosom as big as a whetstone for less than \$27.—Every-thing.

A Turkish newspaper recently announced solemnly that Emperor William's harem had been removed to Constantinople. Wonder if it will announce another moving day with the allied fleet knocking at the door?

That darling little duckling who wobbled down the street the other day answered she could not tell when it was coming off till after the war ended.

You can't always tell when a fellow is fit for the bug house, but by a certain nervous twitching you can usually tell when a spinal column is coupled up right, and his thinking apparatus is doing the correct thing.

The Spirit of Love must work the works and speak the tones of Love, it can not exist and give no sign, or a false sign. It can not be the spirit of Love, and mantle into irritable and selfish patience. It can not be a spirit of Love, and at the same time make self the prominent object. It can not rejoice to lead itself to the happiness of others, and at the same time be seeking its own. It can not be generous, and envious. It can not be sympathizing, and unseemingly; self-forgetful and vane-glorious. It can not delight in the rectitude and purity of other hearts, as the spiritual elements of their peace, and yet unnecessarily suspect them.—I. J. Them.

Chapel Hill Letter

Secretary Frank Graham of the Young Men's Christian Association of the University aptly epitomized the far-reaching consequence of the visit of John R. Mott and his five associates in the International Student Movement when he said: "The Mott Meetings redoubled the force, the activities, and energies of all departments of the Y. M. C. A." Other than his sane and straightforward appeals to grip his immediate hearers, John Mott has the capacity to call students to social and religious service. He left his impress on University students. Responsive to the meetings, 400 students affixed their signature to this pledge: "It is my purpose, pay what it cost, to be a sincere follower of Jesus Christ." Many students were seized with a passion for service, and boys have appealed to the Y. M. C. A. for jobs in community work, leaders of Bible groups, and work in other fields of service in the village and vicinity. President Edward K. Graham's address, "A New Start," was an added impetus to the movement for and religious expansion. His address has been supplemented by talks in Chapel Hill by the various student leaders in the departmental work of the Y. M. C. A.

The stimulating effects of the Mott Meetings rivet attention on the betterment campaign in the rural community around Chapel Hill inaugurated by the Y. M. C. A. a year ago. The work of the Association is divided into twenty distinct departments each under the supervision of a chairman and a committee. The Bible Study department enlisted the services of 399 students, divided into twenty-five groups. These groups conduct Bible classes on Sundays in the dormitories, and three courses have been outlined: "Men of the Old Testament," "Manhood of the Master," and "New Studies in the Acts."

The student teachers in the rural schools, in outlying districts around Chapel Hill, present the lessons of the International Sunday School quarterly. A movement is to be launched to encourage various communities to raise funds for organs in the rural Sunday schools. Neighborhood social gatherings, union picnics, and discussions of rural problems are promoted by the student leaders in charge of the country-side program.

The boys' corn club work under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association has developed into three departments: A corn club of country boys, a debating club of cotton mill boys, a boys' club of village boys and a night school for working negro boys. The operation of two Sunday schools and a course of study in "President Forces in Negro Progress" supplement and night school for negroes.

As the man of pleasure, in a vain attempt to be more happy than any man can be, is often more miserable than most men are, so the skeptic, in a vain attempt to be wise beyond what is permitted to man plunges into a darkness more deplorable, and a blindness more incurable than that of the common herd, whom he despises, and would fain instruct.—Colton.

Children At Work in Gardens.

At the Annual Convention of the American Civic Association in Washington, in December, Mrs. John T. D. Blackburn, of Albany, N. Y., told a most interesting story of "Children at Work in Gardens" in her home city, where, during the past two or three years, thousands of children have been interested to develop flower and vegetable gardens about their homes. At the close of each summer session a Garden Exhibit is held where are displayed the best selection of flowers and vegetables, plants grow in pots from seeds and plants grow in window boxes. Awards are made to the children for the best efforts. Concerning this kind of activity for children, Mrs. Blackburn said: "Gardening gave increased health and knowledge of nature and furnished a continuous interest through the summer, giving a purpose to life. It kept the children at home and off the streets, promoted a common interest in the family and reduced the cost of living."

Hopeless

"Just a word."
"Well?"
"Do you think you could ever learn to love me?"
"No," said the girl, "nor Limberger cheese, 'nor spaghetti."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Rimmers is the place to get your garden seeds of all kind, Ponderosa and Binnet Tomatoes, none better.

When The Trouble is Coming In

If we ever get mixed up in Europe war trouble it will be on account of the fellow who wants to make money out of the difficulty, just the class of concern we mention below.

More than 10,000 auto trucks; valued at \$22,000,000, already shipped-demand for army shoes, harness and saddles brings \$18,000,000 more—big wire factories overworked—\$6,250,000 is paid for hospital supplies—food, including beef, flour and sugar, enriches exports by \$161,000,000.

One billion dollars is a conservative estimate of the value of the trade in arms, ammunition and war supplies between the allies of Europe and the manufacturers in the United States during the first year of war. It has not been possible for American manufacturers to furnish war supplies to Germany because of the interruption of trade relations with that country.

During the past six months the allies have brought from the United States \$400,000,000 worth of war supplies. Many of the manufacturers in the United States hold contracts with British, French and Russian Governments which have at least nine months and in some instances two years longer to run.

Elon's New Catalogue Appears, Four Hundred Marks Passed

The 26th annual catalogue of the College made its appearance here yesterday. It is a volume of 202 pages and makes interesting reading. Placed beside the first issue of 1890 containing 24 pages, this book presents a formidable appearance and suggests splendid growth during the intervening years.

The new catalogue shows the College possessed of a plant valued at \$300,000, with income on invested endowment and regular funds, aside from tuition fees, amounting to nearly \$250,000; a faculty of 24 members; 402 students, representing twelve states and two foreign countries. North Carolina contributes 307; Virginia 67; Alabama and South Carolina 4 each; Georgia and Pennsylvania 3 each; Texas 2; Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, New York, and Tennessee, 1 each. Japan also has one representative. The total number of matriculates in the College and special departments amounts up to 613.

The Proper Medicine for Thaw

A bill pending in the Albany Legislature would have settled Thaw's case easy.

Persons tried for murder may not ask acquittal on the ground of insanity if a bill fathered by Senator Simpson became a law in the New York Legislature.

"If my bill had been on the statute books when Harry Thaw was tried," said Simpson, "Thaw would have faced an entirely different situation. The jury would have been asked merely to decide if Thaw killed Stanford White. If it had judged him guilty it would have been up to the court to determine if he was sane when he committed the crime."

The Simpson bill provides for calling alienists and expert witnesses when the prosecutor, the attorney for the defendant of the court shall raise the question of sanity, following conviction. If the court determines the defendant is insane he will be sent to a prison for insane criminals.

"If later he is shown after examination to have recovered his sanity the sentence imposed by the court when the defendant was declared guilty will take effect," explained Mr. Simpson.

ALLIES GAINING

Enemies on the Defensive and Show But Little Strength

The German forces are crumbling fast and now is in such a weakened condition that a determined drive by the allies would carry all before it were opportune at this moment to thus vigorously press the offensive according to military experts here.

The continued gains of the French in Champagne, the faltering defensive offered by the Germans between Souain and the Champagne country and the disastrous outcome of the Kaiser's drive against the Verdun positions are taken to indicate the rapid disintegration of the German strength in this section of the western battlefield.

Rimmers is the place to get Apples, Oranges, Bananas, Cakes, Crackers and Candies.

Washington News Letter.

The sinking of the American merchant vessel Evelyn in German waters, although regarded with seriousness here, is considered a matter outside of those the United States has protested to Germany and Great Britain. Senators said that an exhaustive investigation would be necessary, but that they did not believe, on the facts at hand, that it would lead this country into serious complications with any of the erring powers.

Government officials are practically unanimous in conceding that if the cause of the accident is proved to be a mine there probably will be no grounds for diplomatic action by the United States, as the laying of mines is not prohibited by any international convention now in force. A civil suit, however, by the United States war risk insurance bureau, and the owners of the vessel and cargo is certain to follow upon such evidence as can be gathered through official inquiries now being made.

The gates of the Panama-Pacific international exposition at San Francisco, California, were opened with a spark flashed at the end of 3,000 miles of wire by the pressure of a button touched by the President of the United States. The ceremony took place in the east room of the White House, and was witnessed by members of the cabinet and the California delegation in Congress. Assistant Secretary Roosevelt of the navy Department also was present, as the representative of the government exposition board. Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane went to San Francisco to attend the opening as the official representative of the President.

President Wilson has sent to the Senate his nominations for the Federal Trade Commission, the board that is to regulate the big corporations of the country as the Interstate Commerce Commission has regulated the railroads of the country.

The personnel of the commission is disappointing to some members of Congress, as well as Republicans. Judging from indications the nominations will have a stormy time in the Senate, and many believe that they will fail of confirmation. If this occurs, the President may promptly confer recess appointments, and thus the five will take office and inaugurate the new system of Federal regulations without the indorsement of the Senate.

A record of appropriating over \$40,000,000 a minute was made by the Senate in passing the pension appropriation bill. The bill carried a little more than \$160,000,000. Its consideration took about four minutes. The reading of it took only two minutes. It was passed without a roll-call or a dissenting vote.

Washington's Birthday was celebrated with unusual brilliance by the society folks of the Capital. The greater number of the entertainments of the day directly commemorated the nativity of the first President. Hosts of visitors from out of town appeared at the various memorial ceremonies and enlarged the brilliant and distinguished attendance which paid homage to the memory of the immortal Washington.

President Wilson joined descendants of the heroes of the American Revolution at Memorial Continental Hall in celebrating the 193 birthday anniversary of George Washington. The President spent the afternoon of the day playing golf.

The Point of View

(Southern Woman's Waggazine) A woman missionary in China was taking tea with a mandarin's eight wives. The Chinese ladies examined her clothing, her teeth, her hair, and so on, but her feet especially amazed them.

"Why," cried one, "you can walk and run as well as a man."
"Yes, to be sure," said the missionary. "Can you ride a horse and swim too?"
"Yes."
"Then, you must be as strong as a man."
"I am."
"And you wouldn't let a man beat you—even if he was your husband—would you?"
"Indeed, I wouldn't," the missionary said.

The mandarin's eight wives looked at one another, nodding their heads. Then the oldest said, softly:
"Now I understand why the foreign devil never has more than one wife. He is afraid!"

A married woman who is running for mayor of an Illinois town, is said to be a lawyer, a minister, an editor and a farmer. Let us hope that the husband is on the job and up to the mark as cook and housekeeper. Of a nurse, we take it, there is no need.

When you know a thing, to hold that you know it; and when you do not know a thing, to allow that you do not know it: this is knowledge.—Confucius.

Taft The Patriot.

Distinguished as have been the public services of William Howard Taft, it remained for him as a private citizen to place his countrymen under obligations weightier than any that have yet been acknowledged. In his Washington's Birthday address at Morristown on the duties, perils and rights of neutrality, he spoke not only as a great lawyer but as a great American. Though in office no more, he must have gathered inspiration no less from memories of his own Presidency than from the precepts and examples of the devoted men who preceded him in that high station.

The crisis which is upon us a result of the disregard of neutral rights by belligerents he did not exaggerate. The responsibilities of President Wilson in maintaining national honor, on the one hand, with due regard to the awful consequences to our people of engaging in war, on the other, he recognized most solemnly. That those in authority are acting soberly and with a full sense of their accountability to law, to precedent and to the people, he stoutly asserted.

More than that, Mr. Taft, while noting the fact that partisans of one belligerent or another were assailing the President and awakening discord, expressed the utmost confidence in the essential unity of the American people their devotion to their Government and their ability in case of need to the last man in support of a common flag and a common country, "no matter what their previous views, no matter what their European origin."

These are words that will carry far beyond the limits of the Republic. They have been spoken in due season. They are as full of warning as they are of instruction. They mean that foreign intrigue can have no hope on this continent; that domestic faction shall cease; and that the burden which has fallen upon President Wilson's shoulders must and will be shared by every one of his fellow-citizens who is worthy of the name.

Not since Stephen A. Douglas in 1861 sounded his trumpet-call to the Democracy of the North has a powerful leader of an American minority acquitted himself more nobly.—New York World.

His Future

Down in Georgia a boy running from a pretty girl who was trying to kiss him fell and broke several bones. He ought to have broken his fool neck.—Portland Express.

Later on he'll probably wish he had.—New York Evening Telegram.

After reducing the "civilian population" of Belgium to gaunt destitution and throwing it homeless and naked on the charity of the world, Germany proclaims with small entitlement to sympathy when the maritime supremacy of England threatens a far less measure of suffering to her own civilian population and materially to lessen her capacity to support her armies.

Stubborn labor conquers all things and (so does) want ever urgent in hard times.—Virgil.

Misplaced Admiration

The late W. W. Rockhill, who died in Honolulu, had a deep and intelligent knowledge of the Chinese.

"We Americans," Mr. Rockhill once said in New York, "don't understand the Chinese. We misread an accident in Broadway."
"As this Chinaman was passing beneath a huge electric sign, on which a man was at work the man slipped and fell on the Chinaman's head."
"Well, well," said the Chinaman to himself, admiringly, as he rose from the pavement; "well, well, how will these wonderful Americans advertise next?"—Washington Star.

A man's vanity tells him what is honour, a man's conscience what is justice.—Landon.

Carranza evidently knows which countries he can trifle with, seeing that he has picked Belgium and Spain.

Then I commended mirth because a man hath no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry.—Old Testament.

Honors Were Even. Ethel (tossing her head)—"A kiss! Certainly not! I never kissed a man in my life." Jack—"You've nothing on me; I never did either."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.