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

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Base Ball Saturday

On Saturday, March 20th, the Bingham Baseball Team will play the boys from Whitsett Institute. This game promises to be an interesting one, and we hope that all will be out to see it.

The game will be played on the Mebane High School ground.

We are never made so ridiculous by the qualities that we have, as by those we affect to have.—Rohrbough.

I'd rather then that crowds should sigh for me, than from kindred eyes the trickling tear should steal.—White.

Refrain from these men, and let them alone; for if this counsel of this work be of men, come to naught; but if it be of God, ye can not overthrow it; lest haply ye be found even to fight against God.—The Acts, v.38,39.

The use of traveling is to regulate imagination by reality, and instead of thinking how things may be, to see them as they are.—Johnson.

We must repeat the oft repeated saying, that it is unworthy a religious man to view an irregular one either with alarm or aversion, or with any other feeling than regret and hope and brotherly commiseration.—Carlyle.

Efland Items

Mrs R. D. Bain of Hillsboro and Miss Maud Faucett teacher in the Eno Graded school near Hillsboro spent last Wednesday with relatives near Efland.

Mr. and Mrs. Foust Tapp of the Ridge neighborhood visited relatives near Efland Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Bun F. Riley and sons Master Frank and Gene of Hillsboro came out Sunday to visit his brother Mr. A. T. Riley.

Mr. Harry Fitzpatrick of Salisbury N. C. came down last Friday evening and spent the night with his parents and left Saturday afternoon for Asheville and other towns in the "Land of the Sky" to spend a few days vacation.

Mrs. Jack Price who has been on an extended trip to relatives in Winston Salem and Greensboro has returned to spend some time with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith near Efland.

Mr. J. B. Baitly who has been on the sick list for the past few days is able to be out again.

Mr. J. L. Efland made a business trip to New York and other northern cities and returned a few days ago.

Miss Annie Jordan spent Sunday afternoon out in the country with her friend Miss Cora Cecil.

Mr. Robert Riley Post Master spent Sunday at home with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Riley.

Mr. John Labberton of Pittsburg Penn. spent last Friday night with his grand parents Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Efland.

Mrs. Sharpe of Madison is visiting her daughter Mrs. Joe Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brown visited Mrs. Brown's mother Mrs. Mary Thompson near X Roads last Saturday and Sunday.

Proof.

It was the rush hour in cafeteria, one of these quick lunch places where you help yourself and grab a chair and use the arm of the chair as a table, says the Cincinnati Enquirer. A rushed feeder grabbed a slice of pie and chopped out a chair. Then he remembered that he needed coffee and he dashed over to the service counter. When he returned with his coffee his chair was occupied by another hurried diner.

"Excuse me," said the first man, "but that is my chair."

"How do you know it is your chair?" demanded the occupant in a surly tone.

"Because I can prove it," stated the first man.

"How can you prove it?" asked the occupant.

"By the seat of your pants," was the reply. "You are sitting on my pie."

Tomatoes Provide New Industry. Extracting the oil from tomato seeds has become a considerable industry in Italy.

Mrs R. V. James

Mrs R. V. James widow of the Jasper James died at the home of her daughter M. Luther Straughan Monday night at 10:30 o'clock. About two months ago she fell and broke her hip and all hopes for her recovery were abandoned at that time. However she rallied and was getting on nicely until two weeks ago she contracted a severe cold which proved fatal. She was deeply beloved by all who knew her. A devout christian and a member of the Baptist church.

She is survived by two children Mr. Will James of Caswell and Mrs. Luther Straughan of Mebane. Funeral services were held from the home and she was buried in the old family burying ground in Caswell county Wednesday afternoon.

Store Breaking

Last Thursday Night Tillman's Store of Burlington was broken in to and robbed of quite a quantity of goods. The robbery occurred at about four o'clock in the morning, four o'clock that evening, a quantity of the stolen plunder was found in the home of Roxey McGees a colored woman, Roxey was arrested but afterwards released. In the mean time the officers got on the track of the thieves and trailed them quite a distance, but finally lost them. Friday night a number of thieves broke in to Mr. Geo McAdams store at Cheek Crossing stole about seventy five dollars worth of goods shoes, clothing etc. None of the thieves have been apprehended, although there is a careful look out for them. It seems a pity that honest men should be the prey to such thieving scamps.

Be Sure You Have Money in The Bank Before Writing Your Check. No More Overdrafts.

Considerably interest has been aroused among the bankers of the state over the order just issued by Comptroller of Currency John Skelton Williams, requiring that the banks discontinue the practice of honoring overdrafts. The order which has been received by the First National Bank of the city reads as follows: Order of the comptroller. Washington, Jan. 28 1915. To the Board of Directors: Gentlemen: The granting by some banks of accommodation in the form of overdrafts is objectionable and can not be countenanced by this office. This practice should cease entirely. To facilitate the compliance of this result, the subject has been taken up by this office with banking departments of various states, and these authorities have generally agreed that to take the necessary action to secure the effective co-operation of state banks in attaining the end desired. You are requested to adopt a resolution directing that no officer or employe of your bank shall pay or charge to the account of any depositor when there are not sufficient funds on deposit to the credit of the drawer of the check to the meet the same.

Please forward a certified copy of this resolution to this office as soon as it has been adopted. Let the resolution show the names of the directors present at the meeting.

Please acknowledge receipt without delay.

Respectfully,
JOHN SKELTON WILLIAMS,
Comptroller.

Easy to Escape

It is sometimes said by people and by newspapers that crime is not lessened by capital punishment. In Great Britain, when a man takes the life of another, they get his goat and homicide is about one-eighth as frequent as in this country. Truth is execution for murder in this country is a rare thing. There is too much gamble about it—too much chance to escape punishment of any kind.—Greensboro Record.

If the average community in this land was half as zealous in enforcing the law as in applying the "unwritten" law, deeds of violence in these United States would soon become as conspicuous by their absence as they now are by their presence.

Washington News Letter

For two years President Wilson has managed to keep the United States out of a war of Mexican intervention though last spring the actual clash seemed to have been precipitate at Vera Cruz. Once more the situation has approached a crisis. Gen. Carranza has been informed in a note sent from the United States government that unless there is an improvement in conditions with respect to foreigners and their interests in Mexican territory under his control such steps as may be necessary will be taken by the American government to obtain the desired protection.

The sending of a United States cruiser to Vera Cruz at this time is to be accepted as indications that this latest demand may have the effect of enraging Carranza or the American-hating population of Mexico City.

The President and his advisers maintaining secrecy as to the exact nature of the latest developments, but that the developments are of great importance can not be doubted. Increasing restiveness on the part of some of the European powers suggested the possibility that this government has arrived at some understanding with them that may lead to more definite and vigorous action than we have yet seen, in the event Carranza can not otherwise be brought to terms.

The longest, windiest and most expensive Congress in the history of the nation came to an end on March 4. Twenty million words embalmed in the Congressional Record and almost two years of continuous session, is the record of the Sixty-third Congress.

About \$120 a word is what it cost the people of the United States in actual appropriations, the record of this session alone being about \$1,120,000,000.

Two of the appropriation bills failed in the last hour. That was the penalty paid by the administration for taking up the time of Congress with the hopeless effort to pass the ship purchase bill and then attempting to force through the money measures in the final hours of the session. The postal service bill and the Indian appropriation bill were the two that failed to pass. To avoid an extra session the Democratic leaders resorted to the extraordinary expedient of continuing, by joint resolution, the appropriations of last year for the postal and Indian services.

It is not for youth alone that the great Parent of creations hath provided Happiness is found with the purring cat no less than with the playful kitten; in the armchair of dozing age, as well as in either the sprightliness of the dance or the animation of the chase. To novelty, to acuteness of sensation, to hope, to ardor of pursuit, succeed what is, in no inconsiderable degree, an equivalent for them all—perception of ease. Herein is the exact difference between the young and the old. The young are not happy but when enjoying pleasure; the old are happy when free from pain.—William Paley.

The new liquor law in South Carolina allows delivery to each citizen of a gallon of John Barleycorn per month; the latest statute in North Carolina restricts the per capita supply to a half gallon for the same period. Whereupon our reprehensible acquaintance remarks that the birth-State of Andrew Jackson is just twice as good a place to live in as the State to which Joseph Cannon owes nativity.

Men, who are rogues individuals, are in the mass very honorable people.—Montesquieu.

Dreams He's In Coffin; Makes Will And Dies.

A remarkable case of a dream coming true and a wish being gratified as a result of his dream vision happened when Patrie Joseph Graham of Butte Mont., died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Mary Weldon. The strange story of Graham was disclosed when Attorney Louis E. Haven appeared at the courthouse to record a will written by Graham a few hours prior to his death.

Mr. Graham, who had been ill for several weeks, took a nap shortly before supper and dreamed that he saw himself laid out in a casket. So impressed was Graham that after supper he summoned Attorney Haven to his office and related his experience, insisting that the lawyer draw up a will. The attorney laughed and in an effort to ease Graham's mind suggested there was no need of hurry, but this client was obdurate and the will was drawn up, Graham leaving his property to his sister.

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

KING COAL

Progress Ever Demanding More and More Fuel.

When Germany and France were last at war people in the United States were burning on the average less than one ton of coal in a year. When Gerfield was elected President a decade later, the consumption of coal had risen to a ton and a half for each inhabitant. For every person in the United States more than five and one-half tons of coal, bituminous and anthracite, were burned in 1914. What does that mean? Simply that our matchless industrial progress has eaten up fuel.

It means also that a country that uses little fuel produces small results in material things.

As the demand for fuel grows greater the price mounts higher. Stephen Girard bought 4,500 acres of anthracite land in Schuylkill county at auction and paid \$1 an acre for it.

Harry Thaw's father made a good investment in bituminous. He paid \$105 per acre in 1886 for a Westmoreland tract which has yielded \$3,300 per acre.

Uncle Sam's census taker found that Connellsville coal, which was worth \$50 an acre when Appomattox was put on the map, is now 50 times that value.

In the decade following Sedan, where the Kaiser's grandfather captured Emperor Napoleon II, this country mined \$4 of gold for every \$7 of coal. This year we have mined over \$9 of coal for every dollar of gold.

Is The Law a Criminal?

In order to hold an innocent young man as a witness the Atlanta police department secured his incarceration on a trumped up charge of larceny. They knew he was not guilty, but besmirched his character in order to convict another man charged with stealing an automobile. The boy's mother says her son has never had a blot on his reputation and she is extremely humiliated and sorrowfully distressed.

The police themselves have committed a crime against the federal and state constitutions, not to mention their violation of the youth's individual rights and disgrace which they have heaped upon him for life.

If there is any way to get those police officials in jail, the step certainly ought to be taken, else the mother ought to have a good claim on the city for damages. Many a crime is committed in the name of the law.—Wilmington Star.

Anarchy's Professor And Pupils.

(New York World).

There is more than one defect in the brain-pan of the average anarchist. To be an Anarchist at all argues deficiencies in several directions. To preach anarchy, threaten anarchy and organize in secret for the promotion of anarchy, and then, when an overt act is committed in the name of anarchy, to assert lightly that "it was all a frame-up by the police" in order to discredit anarchy, is a process of reasoning difficult to follow.

Probably nothing shows the contemptible character of anarchy more completely than this habitual pose of its advocates. If the members of these inner circles of murder and destruction were true terrorists they would not whimper in times like these of police persecution. They would glory in terror, and instead of accusing the police they would defy the police.

Anarchy is taught here by a slippery crowd, most of whom are perfectly willing that some young, fool or old crank should follow its precepts, while his instigators assume airs of injury and innocence. The true policy in dealing with this evil is, while running down the dupes, to omit no effort to fasten upon their tutors the greater guilt that properly attaches to them.

Beachy Killed

Lincoln Beachy, the aviator, was killed while making an exhibition flight at the Panama-Pacific Exposition Sunday. At an altitude of about 7,000 feet Beachy began a sharp descent, the wings of his aeroplane collapsed and the machine plunged into San Francisco Bay.

The lone female member of the Colorado State Senate has demanded to be treated like a gentleman. This would seem to put it up to her male colleagues to act the part of "purfick ladies."

Chapel Hill News

Preparations for the inauguration exercises of President Edward K. Graham on April 21 are taking on final shape. The list of speakers for the notable occasion has been arranged. Addresses will be delivered by President Lowell of Harvard University, President Goodnow of Johns Hopkins University, President Alderman of the University of Virginia, and President Finlay of the University of New York.

On behalf of the alumni of the University, George Stephens of Charlotte, member of the class of 1896, will address the distinguished academic assembly. Prof. L. P. McGehee, dean of University Law School, has been chosen as speaker to represent the faculty. The exercise in the forenoon will be presided over by Governor Locke Craig Secretary of Navy Josephus Daniels will preside as toastmaster at the luncheon in Swain Hall when the visiting delegates are entertained.

Among the college presidents who attended the august academic gathering are all those in North Carolina with the exception of one. From outside of the State will come President Alderman of the University of Virginia, President Goodnow of Johns Hopkins University, President Lowell of Harvard University, President Finlay of New York University, President James of University of Illinois, President Hammerschlag of Carnegie Polytechnic Institute, President Lovett of Rice Institute, President Moore of Union Theological Seminary, President Matheson of the Georgia School of Technology, President Murphree of University of Florida, President Smith of Washington and Lee University, President Stevenson of Princeton Theological Seminary, President Soule of Georgia College of Agriculture, President Webb of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, and President Graham of Hampden-Sidney.

The following institutions have signified their intention of sending delegates: Cornell University, Northwestern University, University of Pennsylvania, Rochester University, Lafayette College, Dartmouth College, LeLand Stanford University, Baylor University, Smith College, Columbia University, University of Missouri, Stevens Institute of Technology, Vanderbilt University, Trinity College (Conn.), Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of Pittsburg, Teachers College of New York, Harvard College, Wofford College, Purdue University, Bryn Mawr College, United States Military Academy, Medical College of South Carolina, Mt Holyoke College, Rutgers College, University of Alabama, St. Johns College, University of Arkansas, George Washington University.

The learned societies of America will be well represented at the inaugural exercises.

The Memphis News-Scimitar doesn't want Tennessee to make an exhibit at San Francisco because "she had nothing except what she is anxious to conceal." Isn't this rather hard on Col. George Marcellus Bailey, native of North Carolina, resident of Texas, and until a few months ago democratic member of the staff of a republican Governor of the home State of the News-Scimitar? To exhibit George at San Francisco would be to ensure for Tennessee an exhibit distinctly sui generis—the cynosure of all eyes and possibly the envy of all other commonwealths in the American Union.

A Misreading

(Washington Star.)

Dr. Fritz Metzler of the University of Heidelberg said to a heckler in the course of a neutrality lecture in Denver:

"My good friend, you misread me. Purposely you misread me, my good friend. You are as bad as the Wife who was disgruntled.

"To this wife who was disgruntled young bride said, over their afternoon coffee and coffee cakes:

"I am so sad. Gustav is away on a business trip. This is the first time since our marriage that I have been left alone."

"Oh well don't worry," sneered the other, "it won't be the last."

For bargains for cash go to J. M. Rimmers or call, phone no 78 Fourth Street.—Mebane N. C.

Get the Facts Straight.

Some of the newspapers, either because they have not read the act or wish to prejudice the uninformed against it—we prefer to believe the former—try to make it appear, or at least leave the impression, that the rural segregation measure, proposed by the Farmers' Union, would prevent a farmer renting land to negroes. It does nothing of the sort.

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

Surface Politeness And Other Manners

(Christian Science Monitor.)

In response to a remark that the politeness of the French was "all on the surface," James McNeill Whistler once said, "And a very good place for it to be." The influence of a recent European visitor to the United States to the effect that Americans, especially in the big cities, are sacrificing politeness to "efficiency," is at least worthy of consideration. A few years ago the dignified and honored president of a university in the South was asked "What are your ideals in education?" The head of the excellent institution arose from his chair and, pointing reverently to a life size painting of Robert E. Lee which hung on the wall of his office, exclaimed "Southern educational ideal? To make great gentlemen, gentlemen like Robert E. Lee." He went on to speak of the impression made upon him in the years when he had sat in the lecture room of the distinguished educator and general of the South at Washington and Lee University. And this impression evidently was not so much that of the instructor as of the gentleman.

In these busy days of severe competition and increased activity when the nation is making even more insistent demands on the schools to turn out quickly technicians and specialists, it seems perhaps a far cry to politeness and the fostering of gentle manhood, but no one who has traveled widely and observed in America has failed to find persons in authoritative places expounding by example and precept the permanent values association with attention to this subject. It is not, however, an uncommon experience, in some sections of the country, to find men speaking of "gentlemen" in a way not intended to be complimentary.

Real Sex Equality

(Buffalo Express.)

"We want suffrage for peace," declares an advocate of suffrage and sufferer from war. But would we get it? Are not the women of the warring countries just as keen for war as the men? In England are not the women the most active recruiting sergeants? Even in the neutral country do not the women divide as sharply on lines of racial sympathy as their husbands and brothers?

Why can't this question of the ballot be discussed on its merits, without pretense that women's hearts and minds differ radically in their workings from the like organs in masculine frames? Women should have the ballot—if they should have it—because they are human beings and taxpayers and workers, not because they belong to a supposedly superior sex. Those who would give women the ballot as a means of reforming society either don't know what they are talking about or are not talking about what they know. Intellectually and morally, women are neither better nor worse than men. If this be treason, we're glad of it.

The Europea Way.

Discussing fire-waste in this country which averages about a quarter of a million dollars a year or approximately five hundred dollars a minute, a Boston authority said: In France if you have a fire and it damages your neighbor's property, you pay his damages. In Germany, if you have a fire, the first caller is a policeman, and he takes you to jail. There you have to prove that you are not responsible, through negligence, or any act, otherwise you have to pay the damages and the cost of the work of the fire department." Va. Pilot.

Go to Rimmers for Meat, Meal Flour Lard and Mollasses.

A Charge In The darkness

(O. C. A. Child in New York Times.)

Out of the trenches lively, lads!
Steady, steady there, number two!
Step like your feet were tiger's pads—
Crawl when crawling's the thing to do!

Column left, through the sunken road!
Keep in touch as you move by feel!
Empty rifles—no need to load—
Night work's close work, stick to steel!

Wait for shadows and watch the clouds,
When it's moonshine, down you go!
Quiet, quiet, as men in shrouds,
Cats-a-prowl in the dark go slow.

Curse you, there, did you have to fall?
Damn your feet and your blind-bat eyes!
Caught in the open, caught—that's all!
Searchlights! Slaughter—we ment surprise!

Sharpnel fire a bit too low—
Gets us, through, on the ricochet!
Open order and in we go,
Steel, cold steel, and we'll make 'em pay.

God above, not there to win?
Left, while men go on to die!
Take them in, sergeant, take them in!
Go on, follow good luck—good-by!

Belgium Honors America

In all the clash and tumult of the war, America is quick to catch a word from Belgium. Innocent past a doubt and wronged beyond the power of words to describe, the gallant, hopeless little nation makes an appeal to the American heart and has been made the recipient of the most efficient and generous outpouring of international relief which the history of such endeavors records.

On Washington's Birthday the city authorities of Louvain resolved that, in token of their "ardent gratitude" to the Republic, "in the new parts of the city, as they rise out of the ruins, three streets or squares shall receive the illustrious names President Wilson, Washington and American Nation."

The Burgomaster and Aldermen of Louvain could not give voice to what was in their minds. In and occupied nation there is no freedom of speech. The resolution is but couched in brief and formal words. But it will be understood And no honor that the greatest city or nation in its high noon of prosperity might confer could more deeply touch the American people than will this tribute from wrecked Louvain.—N. Y. World.

Undertaker's Philoophy.

A Birmingham undertaker, asked if business and industrial depression affected his business, replied: "Sure, it does. You see in hard times the people economize. They eat plainer food and less of it and consequently do not get sick. Then again, not having any money they don't call in the doctor in the event of sickness, and—they get worse! So you can plainly see how it affects me." There's a touch of philosophy in what the undertaker says. If we live plainly we live better, healthier and happier lives.—Montgomery Advertiser.

One Race of Men.

Expansion and combination must go on until all nations or combinations of nations have become absorbed into one complete whole, according to Alfred W. Lawson—a solidified people as large as the earth itself, a great and glorious unification of all the races, to which boundaries between different countries will mean no more than the boundaries between the different states mean to the American citizen today, and when race prejudice and patriotism will cease to exist entirely. Progress and expansion must go on, notwithstanding that the average human being has some sort of a dull feeling that this must all end in the year of 1914.

Modern Solomon.

A Georgia magistrate was perplexed by the conflicting claims of two negro women for a baby, each contending that she was the mother of it. The Judge remembered Solomon, and, drawing a bowie knife from his boot, declared that he would give half to each. The women were shocked, but had no doubt of the authority and purpose of the Judge to make the proposed compromise. "Don't do that, boss," they both screamed, in unison, "you can keep it yourself."—Case and Comment.

Poor Hen.

A couple of Pennsylvania farmers, a man and wife, drove from their farm to the nearest railway. The man, small and scared, sat meekly beside his wife, who filled two-thirds of the seat, and only spoke to command. Finally the station was reached. The woman hustled in, settled her numerous bundles, and sat down. Looking over her goods and chattels, she suddenly missed something, and looking about, discovered that her husband had remained outside on the platform. She rapped sharply on the window. "Hen!" she called, pointing to the bench beside her. "Come set."

What Does Companionship Mean to You?

"I hate to be alone," said a woman the other day. "I want somebody around."

Her remark was a gage thrown down as to the meaning of companionship. It set me to thinking. I been to wonder what is the idea of companionship that most of us entertain?

From this remark the others she subsequently made, her idea of companionship was to have somebody about. She wanted somebody to talk to. She wanted to hear somebody moving in the house. She didn't care much what they talked about or what they did. It was the dead stillness of a house with nobody in it but herself that appalled her.

That was her idea of companionship—just somebody about.

"Of course, I would rather they would be pleasant," she admitted, "and not have a bad temper. But I'd rather put up with that than live alone."

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