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

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Mr. W. W. Corbett was a business visitor in Greensboro Tuesday.

The Civic Association will sell ice cream and cake on the 3rd of July.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Morgan and Mrs. Ralph Vincent were visitors in Durham Sunday.

Messrs I. D. Ham, Joe Hurdle and Felix Smith were visitors in Burlington Sunday.

Mrs. J. M. Thompson and son spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scott in Graham.

Miss Grace Stanford of Durham and Mrs. M. A. Nicholson of Graham visited Miss Barbara Shaw last week.

Mrs. R. T. Liston of Montebello, Ala., wife of a former pastor of the Presbyterian church at this place, is visiting Mrs. H. E. Wilkinson.

The Arctic Ice Cream Co. have 1000 gallons of the Purety ice cream for sale for the 3, and 4th of July. Write to Arctic Ice Cream Co., 112 East Market St. Greensboro, N. C.

You have not bought that suit of clothes, that hat, or pair of shoes, well now is the time and J. S. Clark's is the place. See his advertisement in this issue, and be sure and give him a call, he will treat you right.

Mr. P. Nelson and wife spent a week down at Lake View, Moore Co., camping out with 20 girls and boys which were chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Nelson. They all took the trip in automobiles and had a delightful time. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson returned to Mebane.

Subscription is Due

Send us that dollar and get on the honor roll, we have missed your name long enough. Your subscription is due to the Leader.

Never Disappoint

Mebane has never disappointed you in a 4th of July celebration, she went do it this time. The only difference is because the 4th comes on Sunday she will have to invite you on Saturday the third, a good day to get off from home. Come and see us that day.

Eighteen Thousand Wagon Spokes

Thompson and Dillard who operates a saw mill about nine miles south of here, are shipping from this point this week 18,000 wagon spokes. They are being shipped to George E. Nissen wagon works Winston-Salem, N. C.

Have Your Pictures Taken

Come to Mebane Saturday and have your pictures made over H. E. Wilkinson Co. Store.

Did Not Sign His Name

Some party who takes issue with us in reference to our protest against trading with the mail order houses, writes a letter to us but fails to sign it, speaking in commendatory terms of the mail order houses. We can not blame the man for failing to sign his communication. Perhaps he does not want to be known as personally recommending these trade order stores in preference to our home merchants, no more than we would want to recommend that the people of this section buy their eggs and other produce from the farmers of Virginia

3, or 4th of July Dinner.

Go to Jobs' Cafe to get your Barbicue, Brunswick stew, fresh fish, beef steak, and in fact anything nice to eat. Ale on ice, Cantaloupe, and Bannanas. Don't stay hungry, we can feed you.

Jobs Bros. Cafe

Children's Day Exercises.

Exercises, consisting of songs and recitations will be given by the Sunday School of the Presbyterian church Sunday night July 4th. Everybody cordially invited. Below is the program.

Good Evening—Stephen White
Song "March Along"—School
Address of Welcome—Miss Jobe's class
Song "Shine"—School
If We Try—Primary
Recitation Do Your Best—
Mary Belle McAdams
Daisies At The Cross—
Mrs. Jim Cheek's Class
Ready To Leave—Edgar Farrell
and Robert Wilkinson
A Child's Gift—Lucile James
Singing Praises—Primary
Recitation—"Give of Your Best"—
Mrs. Harris' class
Vocal Duet—Alice and Clara Albright
Recitation—Frances James
Recitation—"Keep Sunny"—
Mary Allen Morgan
Song—"Like The Flowers"—School
"Snares"—Mr Morgan's Class
Why Did Our Father Make The
Flowers—Primary
Collection
Song "O Children's Day Farwell"—
School.

Absolute Foolishness

To illustrate the absolute foolishness of this trade order house business. We will refer to a transaction right at home. The Mebane Bedding Co. make one of the best spiral bed springs sold, it is perfect. Well a man living a short distance from Mebane saw an advertisement from a mail order house offering the best bed spring and so impressed was the man at the description of it, he ordered one, and to when it came it was one of the springs made by the Mebane Bedding Co. It had been bought from some wholesale dealer by a Chicago house, and reshipped back to Mebane. The Mebane Bedding Company want sell their goods to any mail order house, so it must have gotten it in the way we have named. Now the springs received here was bent and in bad condition. Why could not the party wanting the springs have gone to the Home Furniture Co. or to L. T. Johnston of Mebane and bought the same spring for less money and in better condition, well they could and the only reason they did not is because our people are eternally hunting a gold brick, and usually get a block of gilded brass.

Efland Items

Mr. and Mrs. John Miller and children at near Mebane spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Pratt near Efland.

Mr. Cad Williams of Chapel Hill came up Saturday afternoon to visit his daughter, Mrs. Neville North of Efland.

Mrs. Amelia Gordon of Hillsboro, is visiting her daughter Mrs. J. J. Brown Mrs. J. B. Bailey and sister, Mrs. Jack Price spent last Friday in Hillsboro with Mrs. Claud Bivins.

Misses Mary and Cora Strayhorn accompanied by messrs Tate and Holt from near Cedar Grove attended the Lawn Party at Efland Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Robah Teer of the New Sharon section visited Mrs. Teer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Tapp Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrette's sister of Chapel Hill visited Mrs. J. R. Riley Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. W. S. Tapp and Mrs. Fitzpatrick spent last Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Joe Sykes in the X Roads neighborhood.

Mrs. Mary S. Oakley of Burlington came down Sunday and visited at Mr. Jack Smith's.

Misses Dameron Tate and Miles of Burlington, visited Misses Maude and Mary Brown Saturday night and attended the Lawn Party.

Misses Maggie Pickard and Myrtle Perry of Burlington visited Miss Mattie Shanklin Saturday night and Sunday.

Mrs. N. C. Harris of Square Springs have returned to her home after a pleasant visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Efland.

Miss Pearl Efland and nephew, Johnnie Forrest went down to Oxford Monday on the excursion.

We noticed that money has again taken the place of justice in the Frank case. Just think that the Governor of Georgia would allow money to sway him in order to commute Frank's death sentence. When all fair minded people know that scoundrel should be hanged.

"Pat"

Tin Shop

I have opened up a tin shop in Mebane, tin work and roofing. Will make a specialty of roofing, and painting roofs. All work guaranteed.

R. M. Kinion and Bro.

DOUBLE WEDDING

Jobe-Lineberry-Anderson-Lineberry.

Burlington was the scene of a beautiful and interesting double wedding Wednesday evening of last week at 8:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Lineberry on Ireland street when her daughter, Miss Berta and Mr. J. Edwin Jobe of Mebane and Miss Mamie and Mr. Monroe Andrews were united in holy wedlock. Entering the parlor to the strains of the wedding march rendered by Mrs. Fannie Sheppard.

Came Miss Lena Lineberry dressed in white with Mr. Lacy Jobe, brother and sister of the bride and groom to be.

Miss Beta Elkins dressed in pale blue crepe de chine with Mr. John Andrews, Miss Bertha Horne dressed in lace voile over blue satin with Mr. Carl Andrews. Next entered were the brides and grooms, J. Edwin Jobe with Berta Lineberry, and Monroe Andrews with Mamie Lineberry. The brides were dressed in white messaline trimmed in gold lace and pearls.

Each bride was married by her pastor, Rev. M. W. Buck of the Baptist church officiating for Andrews-Lineberry and Rev. Geo. L. Curry of the Methodist Protestant church performing the ceremony for Jobe-Lineberry.

Immediately after the ceremony delicious refreshments consisting of cream and cake were served in the dining room by Miss Dessie Miles who wore shadow lace. The decorations for the occasion were green and white.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrews will make their home in Burlington where Mr. Andrews holds a position with the Piedmont Electric Railway Company. Mr. and Mrs. Jobe will live in Mebane where Mr. Jobe holds a responsible position with the United States Government.

The out of town guests were: Miss Beta Elkins, Siler City, Miss Etelker West, Durham; Miss Lesse Jobe, Mebane, Miss Leonora Jobe, Mebane, Mr. Lacy Jobe, Mebane, Mr. Paul Jobe, Durham, Mr. James Foust, Mebane; John Andrews and brother, Siler City, Brook Brooks, Siler City, and Mrs. Angie Johnson of Greensboro, Flossie Stone, Mt Spring

A and M College

In this time of industrial opportunity, it is gratifying to see what a firm grasp the men trained at the Agricultural and Mechanical College are taking on the industrial life of the State. These men not only know how to do things, but they are doing them with credit to themselves and to their college. They are making over old farms and dairies. Many of them are directing cotton mills. On our railroads and highways you find them with transcript and rod. They are sought by men who need draughtsmen and machinists. Young men who are ambitious and determined to make headway in life are in increasing numbers making their way to this busy institute. The fall announcement in this paper will interest scores of young men.

Including those already sent to Europe, Canada, according to an Ottawa estimate, has recruited from 135,000 to 140,000 men for service in the European war. Thirty-five new regiments have been recently authorized, and enlistment is rapidly going on. And yet Germany is said to have believed that, with England involved in war, Canada and South Africa and the other British colonies would seize the opportunity to break away and assert their independence. The war has destroyed a great many illusions and this is not the least notable of them.

The barbarian who consigned to destruction the Alexandrian Museum of Art and History was proved, as was "The fool who fired the Ephesian Gome" by a desire to make sure that his name would be preserved to posterity through all the ages of time. A like cry for posthumous notoriety must have animated the German general who turned his guns on the University of Louvain and destroyed a library priceless in value, containing volumes and manuscripts never to be replaced. Doubtless he, too, has won an eternity of infamy and has assured the perpetuity of his name by the disgrace attaching to it.

Dr. Harrington's Lecture

It was very much regretted by the officers of the Civic Association that the splendid lecture given by Dr. Harrington, of the United States Public Service, on the 19th. inst. did not receive the proper and well-deserved notice. It was merely an oversight or misunderstanding and not from any lack of appreciation.

Dr. Harrington, with his assistance Dr. Applewhite and others, come up from Hillsboro in his machine and although it was a very warm evening, there were a number of people already assembled for the Health talk. The speaker was introduced by our honorable Mayor Mr. W. S. Crawford, in a few well chosen remarks. Dr. Harrington is a man of pleasing appearance and has his whole heart and soul in the work that he is doing. He did not take an every phase of sanitation but proceeded at once to set the simple story of the work that he and his assistance are doing in Orange County. Orange County is fortunate indeed in being one of the five counties in as many states in which our government is doing work of this kind. Dr. Harrington is anxious to make Orange the banner health county of the whole United States and for earnestness and enthusiasm count for anything we feel sure that he will see his hopes realized.

They are making a house to house canvass telling over and over again the simple truth, as they told it before in Mebane, of how typhoid fever and other diseases can be stamped out. They are working, primarily, to demonstrate the fact that by doing just one thing at a very small cost, the residents of Orange county can rid themselves of typhoid fever. This one thing is to have only sanitary privies and bury all human excrement. Dr. Harrington explained why this is true. "Uncle Sam" is not doing for Alamance what he is doing for Orange, but Dr. Harrington was good enough to step over the line and give us the same instruction that he is giving the people of Orange and there is no reason why Mebane, at least, cannot put his instructions into practice.

Let us begin right now to agitate this important question and not wait till an epidemic of typhoid fever shall appear and make us wish we had taken the simple advice that was given us. We are fortunate in having near to Orange a man who has failed to do some of the spirit that is at work throughout the County in this Health campaign. Dr. L. L. Lumsden, one of Dr. Harrington's assistants, given the ladies of Orange a great deal of credit for this spirit. He says "What I consider perhaps the greatest force we have at work in Orange County is the 'Woman's Sanitation League.' This organization is composed of women and has for its purpose the promotion and advancement of all health measures in the community."

The Mebane people and the ladies of the Civic Association especially are grateful to Dr. Applewhite and Dr. Harrington for their visit to Mebane and we trust that the lecture that they gave us may result in much good to our community.

Hawfields Items

The Christian Endeavor Society met Sunday night and was conducted by Mr. Ernest Turner.

Mrs. Hudson who has been spending several weeks with her father, Mr. R. W. Scott has returned to her home in Raleigh.

Miss Dixie Leach has returned to her home after spending several days with Mrs. J. W. Goodman.

Hawfields and Hopedale played a very interesting game of ball Saturday. The score being 4 and 5 in favor of Hopedale.

X. Y.

Robert Lansing's succession to the Secretaryship of State is in line with justice to him and the public interest. It is no time to follow tradition in keeping this office mortgaged to eminent leadership in partisan politics. Above any other period since the Civil War, what is wanted there now are knowledge of international law, skill in diplomatic conduct, single-minded devotion to official duties. Mr. Lansing has, in a brief but momentous and trying experience, proved his possession of all these qualifications. President Wilson will be generally commended for passing over every consideration in filling the vacancy except demonstrated fitness.

Pay Your Taxes.

The town of Mebane is the most lenient town in North Carolina in the collection of its taxes. We must collect our taxes at once. Those in arrears to the town should see Mr. Clark the tax collector, without delay. If you find that you have to pay extra costs for collection, blame nobody but yourself.

(Signed) W. S. CRAWFORD, Mayor.

Democracy And War

(Philadelphia Record)

The notion that war is a game kings could not play at if the peoples were wise still subsists, and there are simple souls that imagine that millions of men in Europe are shooting at each other for no other reason than that their king command them to.

But the notion is very much out of date. Of all peoples, we Americans have the least excuse for repeating the empty phrase. We were democrats before we were an independent nation, and we have fought England, Mexico and Spain, not counting our war of independence, and a war of four years between ourselves.

But how is it with Europe? Russia is an absolute monarchy, "tempered by assassination," as a political philosopher described it a century ago. In our own day it has been very slightly modified by a duma, which is a more or less representative body of very limited powers regarding internal affairs. And yet there is considerable evidence that Russia's backing up of Serbia was the work of the people of Russia, rather than the czar and Mr. Sazonoff, and that the hold of the Romanoff family upon the throne would have been endangered if not before an Austrian army.

France has been a republic for nearly 45 years, and several of its presidents and many of its ministers have been drawn from the peasant and small trader classes. England is in some respects more democratic than we are; that is, the government being a committee of parliament drawn chiefly from the house of commons and dependent for its existence upon the majority in that body, is more responsive to public opinions than an American administration is. This is especially true in relation to this war, because the ministry of Mr. Asquith is a Liberal ministry, dependent for its power, not on the aristocratic classes, but on the rank and file of the people, and particularly subservient to organized labor to such an extent that much of its legislation has a distinctly Socialistic color. As to Italy, its government has fairly been pushed into war by the popular demand for so-called compensation.

Not A Leg To Stand On

In attempted justification of her submarine attacks on merchant bottoms, Germany harps on the contention that this method of warfare is a necessary reprisal for Great Britain's efforts to starve the German civilian population by blockade. Even if any such necessity did exist, the contention would not hold, because it altogether fails to make any distinction between the legitimate and the illegitimate in the conduct of war. The starving out of an enemy by means of an effective blockade is recognized by international law as an entirely proper method of action, while the German policy of torpedoing and sinking unarmed vessels, without giving passengers or crews a chance to escape, is distinctly forbidden by the law of nations, to say nothing of the gross violation of the laws of humanity which it constitutes. But the Germans, according to their own statements of the situation, are not confronted by any immediate or near danger of starvation. A Berlin dispatch of a few days ago recites that the German Minister of the Interior has "informed the Prussian Diet that the food problem may be regarded solved, and there may be even carried over consideration reserves into the coming harvest year;" while the newspapers and periodicals carry illustrations showing enormous stores of food laid up for emergencies in various cities within the Empire. The truth is that the German plea of justification has not a leg to stand on, no matter from what standpoint regarded. The warfare on vessels of commerce would avail nothing to relieve the situation even if Germany were confronted with starvation as a result of the British blockade, while the torpedoing merchant ships by the German undoesse boats contributes nothing decisive to the fortunes of war. On the other hand it serves rather to exasperate the temper of the Allies than to cripple their resources, while having the natural and inevitable effect of alienating from Germany the sympathy of the whole civilized world.—Va. Pilot.

Let The Newspapers Do The Work

(From Spartanburg Journal)

The south is not a finished country by any means. It is not like the east, where development has reached a certain pretty well fixed basis and the big problem is to hold what they have and make their institutions more and more profitable. Down in this country towns and cities are developing rapidly and there is constructive work to be done at every turn in the road, his country is developing, working out new problems building and now coming along the road the east traveled fifty years ago. The south is solving social problems; it is working out industrial questions; it is wrestling with great agricultural matters. Indeed, the south as little as the travelers may believe it, is a scene of strenuousness and change. The man who comes in for a day and is out again may not realize this, but it is a fact.

This spirit of restless progress and development is reflected in the newspapers of the section. The newspapers are bearing the burden, as they should by reason of their very nature, but it has often occurred to us that, in many towns where the people want progress and development, they are too much inclined to say let the newspapers do the work. There is scarcely a day in a southern city that some movement is not launched by a company of influential citizens, with the best intentions, that is not absolutely dependent for its success upon the subsequent strenuous support of the newspapers. As soon as the resolutions are duly adopted the meeting adjourns and it is up to the newspapers to do the work.

Now publicity is a marvelous thing. The power of suggestion is a mysterious power. And public achievements brought about after public appreciation is gained through publicity are wonderful but the newspapers cannot do all the work. There must be others on the job.

The pot does not boil until the hot air is applied but unless there is some one present to take the pot off at the proper time, and save its contents, the whole thing ends in hot air. Newspapers alone may create sentiment, appreciation and a public recognition for any worthy cause, but without the intelligent co-operation of the public officials or business men, results are not shown.

The psychological moment of which we have heard so much is that point at which the contents of the pot have been boiled just enough by publicity. Do it then.

In Conservate Massachusetts.

(From the Kansas City Time.)

Many laws that would be called extremely "radical" if passed by the Legislature of conservative old Massachusetts, which has been in session all winter and spring and is just about to adjourn.

The Legislature has empowered the placing on the ballot to be voted on in the next state election three "almost revolutionary" proposed amendments to the state constitution. One is a woman suffrage amendment. The second would give the Legislature full power and authority to impose and levy a tax on incomes. The third, and most radical, would empower the general court to authorize the condemnation of farm lands to be turned over to poor people of the city of Boston to relieve the congestion there and at the same time give the poor a chance to get health and a living in the open air.

Another law enacted provides for the support of destitute parents. It compels a person more than 21 years old to support a parent, if that parent is destitute, and the punishment for violation of this law is a fine of \$200 or a year in jail, or both.

Another law authorizes the incorporation of farm banks, by which ten or more persons of a community may join together in a co-operative bank to lend money to each other or their neighbors on farm lands.

A peculiar law passed requires that mattresses and upholstered goods shall be plainly labeled showing the materials of which they were made, inside and out.

Washington News Letter

That President Wilson has no intention of going outside of his present official family to find a successor to William Jennings Bryan as Secretary of State, seems to be the general impression here. The principal reason is said to be the desire of the President to get a man already in touch with the various international problems facing the administration.

Robert Lansing, Secretary of State in interim, has been given the appointment. Although not resembling Abraham Lincoln in physical appearance to even a remote degree, he has much of the personality of the emancipator. He has the war President's ability always to keep his temper, to speak his mind instantly in simple, homely, but correct English, to withhold information without being troubled or embarrassed and to maintain a serene, judicious mind while around is hurrying and shouting and the whole world seems about to plunge into ruin.

State Department officials do not expect a reply from Germany to the President's recent note on Germany's submarine warfare until about July 10th. This expectation is based, not on any official estimate from Berlin, but on reports which deal the engagements of the Kaiser, who it is understood desires personally to indicate what the reply shall contain.

The War Department has completed estimates of the cost of the first year of Mexican intervention. In the event that President Wilson, in order to restore order south of the Rio Grande, sends an American army into that country. The estimates are for one year and are figured on the basis of an army of 500,000 men. The estimated cost of the intervention for the first year is said to be fully \$500,000,000.

To persons here who are most closely watching the Mexican situation and who have first hand information as to conditions as to leaders there, the brightest spot appears to be the apparent disintegration of the two strong factions headed by Carranza and Villa. A movement, backed by a group of men now exiled from Mexico, and on whom the President believed he could depend when, in his last Mexican pronouncement, he threatened to get behind a man or group of men to restore order, is expected ultimately to re-establish peace.

The story that an American citizen recently offered President Wilson a \$1,200,000 campaign contribution as the price of his permission for the sale of the 335,000 Krag Jorgensen rifles which the War Department refuses to part with during the period of war in Europe, created a stir in Washington generally, although there are a number of high officials here to whom the whole affair has for some time been known. The White House declined to make any comment upon this new phase of the much-talked-about efforts of the last ten months to have the government sell to representatives of the fighting European nations these discarded rifles.

Whatever may be the character of Germany's ultimate reply to the United States, one fact stands out in vindication of the firmness of President Wilson's demands. Since the delivery of the note which Mr. Bryan refused to sign no American ship has been sunk by a German submarine and no American life has been sacrificed.

The fact that the American Consul in Trieste has made sharp protest against the treatment of the Italian population hints that the Milan anti-German riots have been more than balanced in the Austrin port. Being in the majority, the Trieste Italians could take care of themselves; but the men are in the army fighting under compulsion for Austria, and the civil population is unarmed and helpless. War's worst is back of the armies.

We are not sufficiently pessimistic as to the future of the German civilization as to believe that in the years to come the descendants of the commander of the submarine that sank the Lusitania will "point with pride" to the medal recently conferred for the doing of that deed.

Slaton's Outgoing

The closing days of Slaton's Administration as Governor of Georgia were cast in stormy times. He was neither a robber nor a wrecker, nor an official who had administered the affairs of the State unwisely. He had simply exercised clemency where he thought the cause of humanity and justice required it. He did this in the face of a factional mob spirit, while at his back was the sustaining sentiment of the people as a whole. The focus of his unpopularity is small and relatively but as a dot on the map of the boundary.—Charlotte Observer.