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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. J. C. Carden of Cedar Grove called at the Leader office Tuesday morning and settled for his subscription to the Leader. Mr. Carden reports good crops in his section.

Messrs. Floyd and Henry Scott left Tuesday for the State University.

Miss Roxey Vaughn spent Tuesday in Burlington.

Miss Sue Oakley of Roxboro is visiting her cousin Mrs. J. F. Compton on Holt Street.

Mr. J. S. Clarke left Monday for Baltimore to buy his fall stock.

Mrs. T. J. Carter was operated on at Rex Hospital Raleigh Monday and is improving to the delight of her many friends.

Mebane Graded School Opened Monday

The Mebane Graded School opened Monday with 202 pupils present. Prof. Fred Deese is superintendent and his able corps of assistants are Misses Bell, Watkins, Steele, Hoover, Henderson and Shellem. All of whom are College graduates and have had special training for the various grades which they will teach. The school enrollment is much larger this session, as the census recently taken of the Mebane graded school shows it to have more children of school age.

Battle Between Mebane and Swepsonville Saturday September 11

When the champions of the Alamance league get together in Graham Saturday of this week there seems to be every reason in the world to believe that the attendance records for the 1915 series will be shattered. This year more interest has been taken in ball and more interest is being shown in the series to take place in Graham Saturday of this week than ever. The people are literally crazy about baseball. So hot are the Mebane "fans" that a man dare not come here the afternoon of a game if he seeks to talk business. There is no use. We hope every citizen will be seen with a large badge displayed on his lapel with "On to Graham written boldly on it. The folks in this town are talking of the trip and there's plenty of ways for them to reach Graham. There will be an excursion run from Mebane leaving about one o'clock P. M. The brand of baseball to be played promises to be the prettiest ever played. The teams are better, there is more rivalry, there is more pep, there will be more fight. These two teams are fighting for supremacy.

Still Climbing

Mebane has pushed her self up until today she stands at the top of twenty five tobacco markets in North Carolina, with a proper effort this years sales ought to push her away up in the list. Mebane has the natural advantages, give her the natural push and she will get there.

A Moon Light School

Prof. Fred Deese, Prof. Walter Crawford and Mr. J. T. Carter, have arranged to open a moon light school in the Graded School building. They will teach three nights out of the week, and all who wish may attend. There will be no charges for attendance. Its an opportunity for any one and especially those who have not had opportunities before.

School Opens Shortly

Don't fail to have your childrens eyes examined and have glasses fitted to help them in their school work. Dr. S. Rapport will be at Mebane, at Dr. Hurdle's Dental Office Wed. Sept. 15th.

Third Annual Meeting

The third annual meeting of the Alumni Society of Cedar Grove opened Tuesday morning in the academy on Tuesday, August 31st. On account of bad weather, only twelve of the members and seven guests were present. After refreshments were served, a delightful programme was rendered which was enjoyed by every one present. The meeting was then called to order and the business of the society taken up. As required by the Constitution, the election of new officers was held. Mr. R. D. Hughes of Cedar Grove was elected President, Miss Luna Compton of Cedar Grove, V. President, Miss Maude Vaughan of Cedar Grove, Sec., and Treas., and Mrs. H. Lewis, Misses Jessie and Luna Compton were made committee of arrangement for the next meeting.

Among those present were: Misses Annie L. Hughes, Alice Hughes, Annie H. Hughes, Luna Compton, Ruth Wells, Maude Vaughan, Mrs. F. Pittard, Mrs. H. Lewis, Mrs. Mary Hughes Mrs. A. A. Ellis, Messrs R. D. and S. W. Hughes, Cooper Compton, and Wm Taylor of Cedar Grove; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Walker of Hillsboro; Miss Lettie Smith of High Point; Miss Jean Blue and Maude Faucette of Efland.

Efland Items

Mr. Jessie Baity of Norlina spent a few days last week with his parents and left Saturday for Winston-Salem to visit his brother Mr. O. L. Baity and family before returning to his work. Mr. Baity is a clever young man and his friends are glad to hear of his success.

Misses Sallie and Pearl Efland spent Thursday in Durham on a shopping expedition.

Mr. George Freeland engineer on the Southern Railway was in Efland Monday for a short time on business.

Mr. Clyde Mayes of Salisbury who holds a responsible position with the Southern Power Co. has returned to his work after a short stay at home.

Mrs. R. F. Mittain and daughter Miss Maie Ida of Greensboro spent a few days last week with friends in Efland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Murray have returned from a pleasant visit of ten days to relatives near Asheville N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Studebaker spent Saturday in Hillsboro.

Misses Maude Brown and Myrtle Perry went up to Burlington Saturday morning to visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Hynum spent Monday in Hillsboro.

There will be a Lawn Party on the lawn of the new Baptist church in Efland Saturday night Sept. 11. Public are cordially invited to attend.

On Sunday August 29 Mr. Thomas Tapp spent a most enjoyable birthday about 10.30 a. m. Sunday his married children, two daughters Mrs. John Thompson of Oaks and Mrs. Kobah Teer of the N. Sharon neighborhood and one son Mr. Willie Tapp of Efland each with their husbands and wife and children drove up with boxes loaded with good things to eat. When each one had displayed their parts, two tables were literally groaning with something good to eat. Mr. Tapp had reached his 55th mile post, and it was a most enjoyable event to him and his good wife. His children nine living were all present except one Miss Maggie who lives with her grand mother in Chatham was not present owing to the inclement weather. We all wish Mr. Tapp many more happy birthdays like the above mentioned. "Patz"

Mebane Wednesday September 15th

Dr. S. Rapport, of Durham, will be at Mebane, at Dr. Hurdle's Dental Office Wed, Sept. 15th, for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses. Eye-strain and headache relieved by our correctly fitting glasses.

They Don't

They don't want anything to do with you unless they can do you. This is evidently the prevailing way. It matters not what the character of your transaction may be, unless you are a born trader with eyes as keen as a hawk, you will soon, or late awaken to the fact that, the other fellow has done you, and the chances are he has done you bad. Leave a loop hole to misconstrue your trade and see if it is not done, see if you are not asked to pay more than you originally understood.

New Editor of The Times.

On September 1, Robert R. Gray will become editor-in-chief of The Raleigh Times.

Mr. Gray's reputation as a writer is so well known in this community that he hardly needs an introduction. He is a native of Raleigh, although for the past ten years his work has called him elsewhere.

For the past two years Mr. Gray has done editorial work on the Columbia State, attaining recognition in the South Carolina capital as a writer of exceptional brilliance. Prior to that time he was connected with the Munsey publications, doing work at different times for Munsey's Magazine, The Washington Times, and the Baltimore News.

Mr. Gray's first newspaper experience was attained in Raleigh on the staff of the News and Observer. He was later called to Wilmington as editor of the Star, and later went to Richmond to edit the Virginian. It was while he was in Richmond that he was appointed editor of Munsey's Magazine.

Mr. Gray and his family have already moved to Raleigh and he will take up his duties with The Times at once.

The Kentucky courts are now handing out five year sentences to convicted night riders. If they had begun to do that several years ago, night riding in Kentucky would most probably have long since become conspicuous only by its absence.

Steamer Struck with Torpedo by German Submarine--Lives Lost

The Allan line steamer Heaperian, with 350 passengers and a crew of 300, bound from Liverpool for Montreal, was attacked without warning by a German submarine off the Irish coast at dusk Saturday evening. Although the torpedo found its mark, the vessel remained afloat, and, according to a statement issued by the company, 27 lives were lost.

No submarine was seen, and possibly it was too dark to observe the wake of a torpedo, but all the passengers and crew who arrived at Queenstown in rescue steamers today agreed the attack was made by a German underwater boat, basing their opinion on the force of the shock and the great volume of water thrown into the air.

The force of the explosion was tremendous, and of the passengers landed at Queenstown, many of them scantily clad, about 20 were injured.

There were no American passengers aboard, so far as the American consul could learn, but two members of the crew were American citizens, and they both were saved. About 30 wounded Canadian soldiers going home to recuperate, were aboard. Most of the other passengers were Canadians or English.

Worth Noticing

Government statistics show that out of nearly 100,000,000 population in the United States, only about twelve and one-half millions are engaged in agricultural pursuits. This means that one person must supply the food consumed by eight people. In fact by carefully sifting out and assorting the population it is found that one person must actually feed ten--must supply the food for ten people.

And the singular part of it is this; The farmers who feed the folks are about the only ones not organized. The only ones not co-operating, not working together.

The business world in all its many departments is quite thoroughly organized. The labor world is organized--everybody and every calling has its organization, and the farmers is underneath--at the bottom--underneath all--the first to feed the world--the last to organize effectively for securing rights, recognitions and recompense, for the money, muscle and mental ability involved in his calling, his business, for farming is a business--a very busy kind of business. Everybody, every business, every organization gets a lick at the producer of soil products, and the producer can't "lick back" because he is not organized, has no big stick to lick back with.

France is prohibiting the export of more than \$10 in coin carried by travelers. It is suggested that to prevent hoarding the Government might announce that a new series of coins will be issued after the war and that those now current will be demonetized. Frugal governments have turned a pretty penny by this procedure more than once, but as a war measure its announcement in advance would be unique.

SIDNA ALLEN'S ESTATE SOLD UNDER HAMMER AT HILLSVILLE

With the sale at public auction at Hillsville, Carroll County, Va., of the Sidna Allen estate, practically the last vestige of the property accumulations that were once the property of the Hillsville Allens had passed from the people bearing that name. The Sidna Allen estate consisted of a handsome mountain mansion and tracts of mountain land aggregating 400 acres, valued at upwards of \$50,000. Sold under the hammer, it did not bring much in excess of the indebtedness protected under the deed of trust. The amount due in court fees, attorneys, claims and for agreed judgments for damages on account of the men killed, was about \$15,000.

One-third of this was for Judge N. P. Oglesby and Robert P. Bruce, the men who defended the Allens. Judge Oglesby, whose home is in Bristol, was the chief of counsel for these men. He attended the sale at Hillsville.

The only member of the Allen family still holding an interest in those properties is the wife of Sidna Allen. She is protected in a homestead privilege during the term of imprisonment of her husband, who was sent up for 35 years.

The Allens were once well-to-do, but the r sway in Carroll County was soon over, following the court house tragedy. Floyd Allen, an older brother of Sidna Allen, and Floyd's son, Claude the latter 20 years old, died in the electric chair for their part in the crime. Sidna Allen, although recognized as the ringleader, made his escape following the tragedy, and when he was later captured in Des Moines, Ia., and brought back to Virginia, sentiment had so changed, owing to the modified tone of the Virginia press, that the jury that tried Sidna Allen would not give him the death penalty.

Washington News Letter

The press dispatches from Berlin saying Germany had decided upon a policy in connection with the sinking of the Arabic, in accord with the recent statement of the imperial chancellor, were noted with satisfaction in official circles. But while Washington diplomatic officials are waiting for the report from the German government on the sinking of the Arabic, interest is centered chiefly in reports that there is a difference of opinion between Bethmann-Hollweg, the German Chancellor, and Admiral Von Tirpitz of the admiralty, as to the course to be pursued.

Some of the officials think they can see in Germany's change of policy a larger purpose than the mere maintenance of friendly relations with this government. They believe that Germany, if not actually seeking to pave the way for peace negotiations, is at least preparing herself for the day when such negotiations will be begun. As viewed by those officials and in diplomatic circles here, Germany is moving to rehabilitate herself in the eyes of neutrals, so that when a movement for peace is actually undertaken she may be assured of a larger measure of sympathy and support from neutral powers than would be accorded her now.

Administration officials have let it be known that as soon as the Arabic crisis may be considered as settled, President Wilson will concentrate his attention on the national defense program. Strong pressure is being exacted upon the administration to adopt a conservative course in shaping the national defense policy. It has come to be accepted generally in well informed circles here that the recommendations to be submitted to the President by the secretary of the Navy Daniels and Secretary of War Garrison will call for the expenditure of approximately half a billion dollars.

Among the other numerous problems which now beset the administration, not the least perplexing is that of revenue to provide for the government's expenses, which must inevitably be largely increased if a heavy national defense budget goes through. The President is represented as being in favor of a short term bond issue to raise the necessary funds. It has also been suggested that the President will recommend that the special war tax be continued for another year.

The voice that has perpetrated the libel, silly as atrocious, on the gallant soldiers confronting each other in the trenches that scar the face of Flanders and France--that they have to be drenched with alcohol to keep them up to their duty--is unfortunately that of a woman. Thus we are debarred from stamping it as the bray of a donkey. Only the credulity of utter ignorance could be imposed on by such a story.

MEBANE WINS TWICE FROM SWEPSONVILLE

In the first game of the post-series between the winners of the first and second halves of the Alamance county League, Mebane Saturday afternoon snout out Swepsonville twice by scores of 6 to 0 and 1 to 0.

The league was composed of teams representing Mebane, Swepsonville, Graham, Burlington, Gibsonville and Saxapahaw. Swepsonville was winner of the first half, while Mebane was the leader at the end of the second half.

The first game consisted chiefly of a great exhibition of the art of twirling giving by "Doc" High, of Carolina League fame. While the other fielders watched his work, he held the Swepsonville sluggers to one hit and made 14 of them bite the dust trying to connect with his puzzlers. To be sure of victory, High slammed out a homer as a sideline contribution. Pace who opposed the ex-leaguer, was no terror for the local boys and was found for 14 safeties during the game.

The second contest was a pitchers' duel between Malone and Edwards, the former winning out when his team secured the only run of the contest. Both he and Edwards allowed four hits, while he fanned nine and Edwards whiffed seven.

The game was well attended, a crowd of 800 enthusiastic fans thoroughly enjoyed the exhibitions of the national sport.

Score.	R. H. E.
Swepsonville	0 4 2
Mebane	6 14 0
Batteries:	Pace and Quackenbush; High and Burnett.

SECOND GAME

Score.	R. H. E.
Swepsonville	0 4 2
Mebane	1 4 2
Batteries:	Edwards and Quackenbush; Malone and Burnett.

Wilkes County Peaches.

(From The Wilkes Patriot.)
Wilkes County soil, unsurpassed by any section in the world in the quality, color and flavor of its apples, it is also a producer of the finest peaches that are to be found anywhere. One of the finest varieties now being placed upon the local market is the Elberta, a large luscious, yellow matted beauty that is a delight to the eye a joy forever to the taste. A package received by parcel post last night from our friend, Mr. B. C. Price of Poores Knob contained seven beautiful specimens of this fine peach, which were grown by him in his orchards on Brushy Mountain, near Kirby's Gap three of the largest of which weighed 2 1/4 ounces or just a little less than one-half pound each. Mr. Price tells us that two others of the same variety weighed 11 ounces each. Surely there is no better country on the great round earth than this and if we would but half try we could produce every necessity of life and many of the luxuries right here at home.

Two Men.

If Mr. Bryan is capable of self-criticism, it must be with a chastened spirit that he now reviews the manner of his retirement from the State Department last June.

We have only to compare the attitude of the German Government when it was dealing with Bryan with its position to-day to see that the man of peace at any price was not preventing war but was setting the stage for it. Germany did not need the assurances received from Austrian Ambassador Dumba that Mr. Bryan was not in earnest. When he took office in 1913 he publicly said that he would not have accepted if he thought there was a possibility of war during his tenure. To such a character, wrong, aggression, even outrage, are incidental. It was not until Mr. Bryan ceased to speak for the United States that Germany discovered sincerity and courage as well as determination in the attitude of the Administration at Washington.

The cause of peace will not make much headway unless it is based upon right and justice. To be merely a non-resistant is not to promote peace. To be not only a non-resistant but a patroller also is to invite insult and assault. A few weeks more of Bryan in the State Department would have increased German arrogance to a point at which an accommodation would have been impossible. Results have shown that when he ran away from an issue regarded by him as certain to lead to war, he in fact opened the way for men of sterner stuff to establish an honorable peace.

In the negotiations of late the true Germany has been face to face with the true America. It was necessary to set aside Mr. Bryan before any-

body in Berlin could summon the vigor to suppress the military party which held him and his country in contempt. Mr. Bryan was more than an embarrassment to the Government and people of the United States. By his trifling with a momentous question he was leading Germany itself into new perils. The United States was misrepresented. Germany was deceived. Out of such a situation mischiefs incalculable were likely to spring.--New York World.

When Soldiers Were Sold

(From Pall Mall Gazette.)
The discovery made by The Echo Paris that attempts are on foot in Switzerland to buy recruits for the Kaiser's forces, recalls the day when German princes used to swell their revenues by selling soldiers. The most successful of these royal traffickers in human flesh and blood was Frederick 11, Elector of Hesse-Cassel, from whom 5,000 troops were hired to fight against Bonnie Prince Charlie in 1745. Thirty years later 12,000 Hessians were sent to fight in America, the sun paid Frederick by the British government for their services being 4,400,000 pounds. This transaction inspired a masterpiece of corrosive invective.--Mirabeau's "Avis aux Hessois."

First French Republic

(From the Indianapolis New.)

The most memorable day in modern French history next to the fall of the Bastille, celebrated on July 14, is the 10th of August, 1792, the day which saw the abolition of the ancient monarchy of France in the person of the unfortunate Louis XVI, and the beginning of the first republic. It was a terrible day and inaugurated the French revolution with all its horrors. It was at the end of July, 1792, that the manifesto announcing the plans of Prussia and Austria reached Paris. The people were furious at the threats embodied in the manifesto. Danton, with the lionlike head, the terrible frowning brow, gave out the fearful words, "we must strike or be stricken."

The day of horror began at 6 o'clock in the morning. Of all the troops of the king, only the Swiss guard remained faithful. These defended the palace and killed and wounded more than a thousand of the mob. An onlooker of the horrors of the day was a young man named Napoleon Bonaparte who afterward declared that the Swiss guard would have won the day had they been better commanded. The Swiss guards perished almost to a man. The mob had not yet tasted so much blood as to be rabid against the liver of woman. One account says: "Madame Campan, the Princess of Tarente and a few other ladies were saved from slaughter by a band of men whose hands were still gory, and who said, 'Respite to the woman! Do not dishonor the nation!' They were escorted safely to a private house; but they had to walk over several dead bodies, to see murder going on around them to find their dresses trailing in pools of blood, and to see a band of hideous woman carrying the head of Mandat (commandant of the national guard) on a pike."

The month of August is also notable in French history as the birth month of Napoleon Bonaparte, born in Ajaccio, on the Island of Corsica, on August 15, 1769. The first of May in the same year gave birth to the Duke of Wellington, who vanquished the Emperor at Waterloo. Sir Walter Scott, born August 15, 1771, wrote the "Life of Napoleon," viewing the great man from a standpoint altogether British.

Poem On The Garden Gate

A young lady entered the editor's room with an air of great determination "I have a poem," she began, "well," exclaimed the editor, with a look that was intended to frighten her away.

"I have written a poem," she went on calmly, "on 'The Dear Old Garden Gate' and"--

"Oh," interrupted the editor, with a look that was intended to frighten her away, "you don't know how relieved I am! A poem written on the garden gate, eh? I was afraid that it was written on paper and that you wanted me to publish it. If I should ever happen to be passing your house I'll stop and read it!"--New York American.

BEAUTIFUL MARRIAGE IN ALAMANCE COUNTY

MISS MARGARET KERR SCOTT BECOMES THE BRIDE OF LOUIS MURDOCK SMITH

A beautiful marriage occurred Tuesday afternoon last at 3:30 o'clock in the old, handsome historic Hawfields Presbyterian church near Mebane, when Miss Margaret Kerr Scott became the bride of Louis Murdock Smith, of Raleigh. The marriage was beautiful in its simplicity. The color scheme was yellow and white. The altar was covered with trailing cedar and golden rod. The soft lights from the candles made the scene most impressive. Mrs. George W. Oldham, of Yanceyville, gowned in pink taffeta with lace trimmings, presided at the piano. She rendered Alscock's "Humoresque," afar which Mrs. Charles M. McKinnon, of Raleigh, gowned in blue chiffon with lace trimmings, sweetly sang "To You" and "Macushla." Then entered the bridal party, to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, in the following manner: the ushers, Messrs. Edwin, Floyd Kerr and Henry Scott, brothers of the bride, and the bridesmaids, Misses Mabel Howell, Emma Wise, of Raleigh, Josephine Kerr and Elizabeth Scott, of Haw River, beautifully dressed in gowns of white lace with yellow girdles, wearing hats of black tulle and carrying golden rod and ferns, tied with ribbons of yellow satin. Then came the dame of honor, Mrs. C. B. Hudson, of Raleigh, sister of the bride, exquisitely dressed in maize color voile with trimmings of white net, and hat to match and carrying dahlia and ferns. The ring bearers, little Miss Agnes White Scott attired in a dainty dress of yellow and white, preceded the bride, carrying the ring in a yellow rose.

The bride, entering on the arms of her father, R. W. Scott, wore a handsome suit of blue French serge, with hat and gloves to match, and carried bride's roses. Her only ornament being a brooch of amethyst and pearls, the gift of the groom. Then came the groom, entering from the opposite side accompanied by his best man, Charles E. Johnston, Jr., of Raleigh, met the bride at the altar. Rev. J. W. Goodman, pastor of the bride officiated, assisted by Rev. George W. Oldham, of Yanceyville.

Schubert's "Serenade" was played during the ceremony, and Lohegrin's wedding march as the recessional.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith left immediately for the mountains of western North Carolina.

The bride is a woman of attractive personality, and is greatly loved wherever known. For the past several years she has been field agent in the United States department of agriculture for the home demonstration work headquarters at Raleigh. She was educated at the State Normal in Greensboro.

The groom is a son of W. W. Smith, of Raleigh, and a grandson of the late Judge W. N. H. Smith. For two years after leaving the A. and M. college, he was secretary of the Sandhill Farmers' association at Pinehurst. He is now on his own farm, "Pineview," near Raleigh, where he and bride will be at home to their many friends after September 15.

Beautiful gifts attest the popularity of the young couple--many of them consisting of silver, cut glass, linen, and a complete set of aluminum kitchen ware, given by the members of the North Carolina department of agriculture. Just before the ceremony, many friends were entertained at dinner under the shade of the oaks. A reception was tendered the bridal party on the evening preceding the wedding. Tees were served. The cutting of the bride's cake was much enjoyed, the ring fell to Charles E. Johnston.

The guests attending from a distance were: Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hudson, of Raleigh, Miss Elizabeth Thompson, Mr. Hersey, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. H. Smith, and sons, W. B. Wiac, Mrs. W. F. McGee, Will Biggs, Miss Louise Wright, of Raleigh, Dr. W. E. Walker, of Burlington, Gordon Smith, of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Long, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kerr, of Haw River, Rev. and Mrs. George W. Oldham, of Yanceyville, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Scott, Jr., of Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnston, of Urbana, Ill., Miss Annie Hughes, of Cedar Grove, and Mr. and Mrs. Osborne Smith of Semora.

He who ascends to mountain tops shall find
The loftiest peaks most wrapped in clouds and snow;
He who surpasses or subdues mankind
Must look down on the hate of those below.
--Byron