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TOP OF THE MORNING.

"T'woud be sweet when I reach the end of the way, Where a strict account must be given."

To know that sometimes, tho' I knew not when, I had led lost wanderers to heaven. —By S. F. W.

Advertise, but never advertise your troubles.

Now you have to mit your friends instead of minting them.

Of course, "mountain air is intoxicating," but there is no way of getting it by express.

Dr. Gregory asserts that Harry Thaw is "fit for trial." Maybe that's about all Harry is fit for.

Eloquence has brought on many a fight but we have no recollection that it ever stopped one.

By cracky, it's been bone dry a long time with fellows who have not had a bone to spare for interstate traffic.

General Maude can't get close enough to the fleeing Turks to give them a good imitation of the regular Maude's kick.

Don't worry about the Stars and Stripes. Devotion to it counts more than applause, yet demonstrations are always in order.

Since potatoes are selling at jewelry prices, it's no longer a native slur for South Carolinians to call each other "small potatoes and few in a hill."

Maybe they don't like to be called traitors and scoundrels but if they are any ways sensitive they'd better stuff cotton in their ears and not read the newspapers.

The Jacksonville Times-Union says: "Strange, the head of the family must foot the bill." Maybe that's the reason she's always calling for more money and then some.

Senator LaFollette has had an idea of being president, but his course in politics indicates that he'd have no showing for the position of dog pelter—outside his own state, at any rate.

The European conflict has sifted down to only one issue, so far as America is concerned. Upon that issue all Americans will stand when it is once joined, as it probably will be unless America's unalterable position is respected upon the high seas.

The Woodmen of the World in the State are going to establish an orphanage and Goldsboro and New Bern are candidates for its location. Judge Henry R. Bryan, of the latter city, has offered the Woodmen a desirable tract of land, free of all cost, if they will locate the institution there.

Philadelphia experienced a great deal of excitement a few days ago, because a pair of horses ran away with a wagon and smashed into a trolley car. All of this is alleged to have been brought about by a man who tried to whistle "Under the Old Apple Tree." Just suppose what a lively stir would be created if some whistler would suddenly light in on "Dixie."

Congress can delegate its power, when ever it so desires, and that is all President Wilson is asking it to do. He has not asked it to surrender its power. Congress is asked to put a certain trust in the hands of the President and he has proved himself worthy of its during the last two years or more. If Congress prefers to tie the President's hands, then Congress will have to exercise its own power without giving the windjammers a chance to array their conversation against the power possessed by the people's representatives.

NEW COMERS ARE COMING

Many new comers are locating in this portion of Nation's Garden Spot and they are only pioneers who will blaze the way for others. This section is to be congratulated that a fine class of Northerners and Westerners are coming here in accordance with the idea of building up the outside as a means of building up the inside, countered by the motive of building up the outside from the inside—a two-fold constructive development factor of easily recognizable potentiality.

The Star likes to hear of the incoming of new comers and while we can't keep track of all of them we get next to some of them now and then. They are coming into the various counties in Wilmington's tributary territory and soon they will be completely identified with us in developing this marvelously resourceful region of Eastern North Carolina. We salute the new comers, for they are the very kind most readily affiliable and assimilable with our own people. They come to us across merely invisible lines separating the states of a common country and they come into the midst of compatriots whose ethics and ideals easily adjust themselves on the same identical line. It is a matter of satisfaction that this class of new comers augments the development forces here and that they bring new energies and new capital without bringing aught else but the same Americanism as that of their Tar Heel neighbors.

Yesterday the "building up the inside from the outside" sanctum of The Star had a pleasant call from Messrs. S. Sterling and A. F. Riggan, two intelligent and sturdy young Pennsylvanians who have decided to locate within the grand domain over which Governor Bickett holds eloquent and constructive sway—"the constructive Governor," if you please. The splendid county of Columbus had the good fortune of clinching them, for they have bought a farm at New Berlin from Mr. R. C. Applewhite, the tract embracing 60 acres cleared and ready for agricultural purposes.

With Messrs. Sterling and Riggan that means diversified farming, for they have learned through The Star about our soil potentiality and the crop versatility of this incomparable section. They are going to study up on the crop variety opportunity that The Star so often proclaims, and they are going to prove out the forage growing and stock raising adaptabilities of the Cape Fear country. They got wind of it in Philadelphia and they have acted wisely in locating near Wilmington where they will get the benefit of the livestock and dairying market to be created by the two packing houses and a modern creamery located in Wilmington. Their farm will be located within a quarter of a mile of New Berlin on the Atlantic Coast Line—the North and South railway which gives all this country rapid refrigerator transportation to Northern centers embracing some 30,000,000 consumers.

Yet another new comer to whom welcome is extended is Mr. Hill who has looked over the promised land and picked out a choice spot of it in the resourceful county of Pender, cleaved by the North and South railway which adds the necessary traffic facilities to this section's numberless advantages. Mr. Hill comes from the good state of Ohio to the Good Old North State, and he has moved down with his family and settled them upon 845 acres of land, known as the "Shaw place," near Lane's Ferry on the Northeast river. He is now receiving his cattle, horses and agricultural equipment by the carload. He has been down and carefully investigated the adaptabilities that convince him that this can be made a great livestock country. We understand that he will make cattle and hog raising a specialty, although that spells the diversified farm industry of which Pender county is so exceptionally capable. North Carolina welcomes men like Mr. Hill.

While Eastern North Carolina counties are anxious for publicity, The Star suggests that a good way to get it is through satisfied new comers. By cooperating with them in every possible manner and giving them the glad hand, as well as the helping hand on occasions, they are sure to score success. Success for them means a powerful inducement for others, for the pioneers are but leading the way for more opportunity seekers. We understand that Mr. Hill expects to locate several Ohio families in his neighborhood later on.

THE NATION'S DUTY

Americans imbued with the spirit and genius of their government and who inherently vision the destiny of this free and independent Republic, fully understand that it has a national prestige that it must safeguard and preserve inviolate at all times and under all circumstances. The citizen to the manner born has no difficulty in comprehending this, but we have a cosmopolitan population which seems to confuse the point of view at times. After due process of time the melting-pot fuses and assimilates the elements which finally get the American spirit.

Whether a portion of our mixed population can readily get the American view or not, it will prevail and especially will it do so in the matter of protecting all the sea rights of the United States. This has been done in every instance since 1776, notably in 1812 when a war was fought with Great Britain on that issue and again in 1798-1799 when a state of war existed between the United States and France concerning "privateer" molestation of

this country's merchant marine. America is not merely following a precedent in demanding respect for the flag and her commerce and the lives of her people who travel the seas but a great national principle is involved in the one matter of protecting inalienable and international rights as well. Pride of nation, if nothing else, would impel us to go to war if necessary to decide that issue as it was on two notable occasions joined to the length of war. America is not hunting for a fight, but it is impelled by every national obligation to resent all manner of encroachments upon her clear maritime rights, either as the Nation sees them for herself or as conceded by international convention at The Hague. It is a world principle, too, and we cannot afford to ignore it as a nation of brave people.

Regretful as war may be, there is no other course to pursue when the aggressive is taken by any nation after all the arts of diplomacy have been exhausted. Former Senator John L. McLaurin, of South Carolina, pretty clearly states the case in an interview in the New York Post of March 1. While a visitor in New York he told a Post representative that "armed neutrality is correct in theory but that when it came to practice, it meant war with Germany." He added emphatically that the United States must protect her ships on the high seas or forever abdicate her position as a first class power. He said further:

"What Europe does not understand is that we are not a distinct race, like the English, French, Germans, or Italians. New York is typical of the nation. Standing in a theatre last night, I heard people talking in several different languages. The South is the only truly American section. The rest of the nation is still in the melting-pot. President Wilson, in view of this fact, has been wise in his idea that the United States occupy a position of armed neutrality is correct in theory, but when it comes to practice it means war with Germany, because she is the only nation sinking our ships and destroying American lives."

"Restrictions in commercial intercourse and confiscation of ships and cargoes, under Great Britain's embargo on exports to Germany, is a very different proposition from blowing up the Lusitania or the Laconia. Nobody wants war; but if the United States allows her ships and citizens to go upon the high seas she must protect them or forever abdicate her position as a first-class power."

"We ought to do one of the two things: either admit our inability to protect our commerce and forbid a ship or an American citizen to leave these shores or prepare an army and navy commensurate with the position of the United States. This notwithstanding, it is now stern war or a backdown. We need rapid-fire guns, instead of rapid-fire typewriters. There is no room in this country for any man who is not loyal to the Stars and Stripes."

The issue is one which America cannot avoid if it continues to be thrust upon her. The only possible way that war can be averted is for Germany to recognize the principle for which President Wilson contends and to which the great masses of American people are overwhelmingly committed by national aspiration and precedent.

President Wilson has repeatedly asserted this right of the United States and there is no backing away from that issue after amicable protests are ignored and Americans are put to the test.

PROMOTING FIG CULTURE

The Charleston chamber of commerce, according to the Post, is engaged in promoting fig culture in the section around Charleston. Smyrna figs and caprifig cuttings are being distributed among the farmers and even in the city, and the promotion work will be carried out upon a careful and systematic basis. The cuttings have been sent to the chamber's agricultural secretary, Mr. Niven, by Mr. G. P. Rixford, physiologist of the bureau of plant industry of the United States Department of Agriculture, the latter of whom is in charge of some of the field work of the government station at San Francisco.

Mr. Rixford visited Charleston last fall in company with the horticulturist of the Southern Railway, which is keenly interested in the promotion. After investigating the soil and climate adaptability of the Charleston region, Mr. Rixford expressed confidence that Smyrna figs and caprifigs would do well there. With reference to this special promotion, the Charleston Post says:

"The Smyrna fig is the principal fig of commerce. It is used for a great variety of purposes and is especially well known in all its dried forms. Its quality is considered by most people the finest of all figs. The caprifig is also a fairly good fig. But it is sent along with Smyrna principally because the Smyrna will not grow without the caprifig or wild fig, from which it is pollinated. Moreover, the Smyrna can not be pollinated without the presence of a certain wasp, which carries the pollen from the caprifig to the Smyrna. When the proper time comes, Mr. Niven will ready some of these wasps from California, which they had to be introduced before the Smyrna fig would do well there. Mr. Niven will distribute the cuttings and will watch their growth to see if they adapt themselves well to this climate."

Many varieties of the fig family propagate to perfection around Wilmington. We should say that the Smyrna fig will do the same, since the caprifig grows enormously close to Wilmington. We have noticed a couple grown to a height of 20 feet on Capt. E. D. Williams' place, The Maples, in East Wilmington. These trees produce thousands of small fig-like fruit, but because they never develop into the real article many persons have supposed that they were degenerates or inadequate varieties. Some have been cut down because of that mistake, but they are only the lordly males of the

fig in its original state. All figs are benefited by father caprifig and many fine hybrids are possible when the male species is taken care of.

No one should cut down what is commonly called "freak fig trees," for they belong to the wonderful plant physiology that makes nature so interesting to the botanists and physiologists. The caprifig is literally covered with embryos and one large tree is capable of propagating a considerable orchard of Smyrna. If you have a caprifig, procure some Smyrna cuttings from the government and if the native wasps do not fertilize Smyrna pollen, get the government to send the Asia Minor wasps that can be depended upon.

WHY HELP THE Y. M. C. A.

Why should Wilmington business and professional men contribute to the support of the local Young Men's Christian Association? This is a pertinent question at this time, because a finance campaign is being conducted for the purpose of raising \$6,000, which will be used in paying off debts and to put the association firmly on its feet, so to speak.

To many, the Y. M. C. A. is nothing more nor less than a social organization, viewed much as club. It is true it has its social feature and it is likewise true that this is one of its greatest assets. But it is more than that. It is an organization of young men with a common purpose and a common aim. That aim and purpose is to enable them to render efficient service to their day and generation, to their home and their community, to their country and their God.

The Y. M. C. A. is a human institution and consequently has its weaknesses and its frailties, but nowhere else in Wilmington can be found a place where young men of every creed, of every calling and every class of life can meet together for physical, intellectual and moral development of body, mind and soul. It is the ante room to an ideal and true manhood.

The community's biggest asset is its young men. It is they who must guide its destinies when their elders have gone the way of all the earth. Surely it is worth while to provide a place where they may come together for such noble ends and grow up to the great responsibilities that the future will place upon them.

It is too much to expect that an organization of men on the threshold of life should be expected to be self supporting. As well expect a college or university to be self supporting. Those who have reaped the benefits that have been achieved during past generations should surely be willing to contribute something for the present generation as well as for those that come after.

Only two per cent. of the associations of the country are self supporting. If the membership of the association was composed only of those who have means, of course they should support it, but this cannot be expected of an institution that is open to all, that offers its services freely to the community and whose mission in the world is primarily to help those who could never have the advantages it affords except through its means.

All cannot help but there are many men and women in the community who have means that they can devote to this noble work. They should not hesitate to do so. They should help to make it the most useful institution in the city by giving it not only their financial support but by taking an active interest in its affairs.

Do your part today and help the workers in the finance campaign to realize their goal. If you have already done this or if you have not the means, of course it is not expected that you should do anything, yet if you can, come to their assistance today.

The great majority of American people decided upon what they think is right and it is quite plain that they will fight it out on that line of it takes all summer. The congressional obstructionists ought to have enough sense to know that the American Republic has come to a conclusion and that there is not the slightest possibility of compromise on the course that is ahead for this country. Those whose contrary convictions or obstinacy inspires them to oppose what is clearly the popular will, will call down on their heads condemnation, denunciation and contempt. They won't get a bit of credit for conscientiousness and they certainly are not entitled to credit for plain, every-day common sense. The overwhelming state of mind is antagonistic to their and they but make themselves an impotent buffer between the inevitable and the end of a predetermined set course.

LEARN HISTORY IN THE MAKING

To the Editor of The Star: It was once my privilege to hear Prof. C. Alphonse Smith speak to the senior class of a woman's college on the subject of literature. The thing he told this bunch of girls, which struck me most forcibly, was to keep tab on what happens during their lives and to write about it. He said, of course, deeds had to occur but unless they are chronicled they need not have happened so far as the world is concerned. The only way to make places and events famous is by—song and story. The literary bee struck New England, my impression is, about 1840, and in consequence we are all familiar with Lexington, Concord, Bunker Hill, Paul Revere's ride, etc., but how many of us ever heard of Ninety Six, Eutaw Springs, Guilford Court House or Emily Gieger's ride? The latter were just as big events as the former, but the stories and poetry have not been written and published about them. I am glad to see that our women have gone to work patriotically, as they

have always done when the necessity arose, to be prepared for eventualities, and in this connection I think it would be a good idea for some one who knows to give us some idea of what they did in the stirring days of 1861. Tell us about the cockades they wore and give us all the songs that were rife at that time. The sentiment is the same—Love for one's country.

This generation knows nothing of these songs or tunes. A few days ago three men, each past forty, one a Virginian and the others Carolinians, told me they had never heard "The Bonnie Blue Flag" or seen it in print. This should not be. VETERAN.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Portland Argus says: "The shoe and leather trade hastens to calm the public fears with the announcement that England's recent shutting out of importation of these goods will not lower the price of shoes in this country. This is well, for any drop in the price of anything would be hard on people with weak hearts." So high prices which were attributed to the British demand must not have been due to it since they continue after it is out off.—Jacksonville Times-Union.

"The Twelve Judases," seems to be the most popular form of reference to the men who filibustered the armed ship to its death, but many of the newspapers manifestly have searched around vainly for the words they would apply, words which would fit the case and yet pass the censorship of the Postoffice Department. There may have been some paper which spoke up for LaFollette, Stone and the others, but if so, it has not reached the Observer's ears. The general sentiment of the newspapers of the country is one of unqualified indignation, and the best part of it all is the undoubted fact that these expressions on part of the newspapers reflect the sentiment of the country at large. It has been a long time since we have heard the once familiar expression of "a newspaper roast," but that is what LaFollette and party have been getting, and in connection with it there has been a Benedict Arnold resemblance. Even now we suspect Colonel Roosevelt is searching the records of ancient and profane history—especially the latter—for a word which he may precipitate upon the public by time the present spell of indignation shows signs of being on the wane just in order to revive it in true Rooseveltian style. For that we shall hear from Roosevelt and Taft and Hughes in due time there can be no doubt. It is the finest opportunity the Colonel's cussary has known in many a day to get into action.—Charlotte Observer.

MRS. W. P. CAMPBELL DEAD

Wife of Baptist Pastor at Chadbourn Buried at Burlington. Chadbourn, N. C., March 7.—The many friends of Mrs. W. P. Campbell, wife of the pastor of the Baptist church of this place and Fair Bluff, were shocked and grieved to hear of her death, which occurred Monday at Rocky Mount hospital, where she had been carried for treatment. The remains were taken to Burlington for interment Tuesday.

Mrs. Campbell had been ill for some time, but news of her death came as a shock. She was of a sweet, noble disposition and greatly loved. The grief-stricken relatives have the sincere sympathy of many friends.

MASS MEETING CALLED TO ENDORSE WILSON'S COURSE

Fayetteville, N. C., March 7.—Mayor James D. McNellie today called a meeting of the citizens of Fayetteville for tomorrow afternoon to express their approval of President Wilson's action in asking for authority to protect American rights and to commend the North Carolina senators for their unqualified support of the President.

An Antidote for Uric Acid Poison

(By Dr. L. C. Babcock.) There is a process going on within the body which often poisons us. It is something like the story of the snake being able to kill itself with its own poisons. This is the formation of uric acid in excess within the body. It is a waste product which takes place in the liver. This poisonous uric acid, then passes on to the kidneys, which act as a filter to pass off and excrete this poison. If the kidneys are clogged up, instead of the poison degenerating these organs and causes kidney disease. If it is deposited in the tissues, around the joints of the body, it causes rheumatism or gout.

Consequently, we must do everything to throw off this uric acid poison, and simple methods are best. Flush the kidneys by drinking plenty of water between meals; a pint of hot water, morning and night, is splendid. Take Anuric (double strength) three times a day, for a while, and get the kidneys to working by flushing out this poison. That painful affliction, known as gout, as well as muscular rheumatism, is caused by the uric acid crystals being deposited in the big toes or tissues. The man who uses his brain, perhaps overtaxing his nervous energy, will suffer fits of "blues," depression, headache, sleeplessness, loss of memory, all due to the poison of uric acid. The man who does physical work, using his muscles, occasionally complains of sluggishness, muscular tired feeling, muscular stiffness or aches, neuralgic twinges—symptoms all due to this uric acid accumulation. In every case I advise hot water, and Anuric taken three times daily—a simple and sure remedy, which is to be had at almost every drug store.

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