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President Wilson said the other day in a speech that he was in a fighting mood. Well, he has a right to be in a fighting mood about now.

There are some gentlemen who are under the delusion that the power of a nation comes from the top. It does not. It comes from the bottom. And that is another time President Wilson rang the bell, in a speech the other day. He was not talking about the primary, but it may be that some gentlemen who oppose the primary are under that delusion.

In a speech at the New York Press Club banquet Friday night President Wilson made it plain that he would not countenance war with Mexico until there was no other method of settling the border troubles. That is what the country expected from the President. And that is another sight better than going to war first and then finding that war might have been avoided.

In an address before the North Carolina Dentists' Association at Asheville last week Dr. A. E. Smith of Chicago is quoted as saying "the time is coming when the dentists who inflict pain on their patients will be looked upon in the same manner as the man who does improper bridge work today." We are in favor of it. Only we hope the dentists will not only be frowned upon but will be publicly executed as horrible warnings, and that the day is not far distant.

Addressing the North Carolina Bar Association at Wrightsville Beach last week Mr. J. C. Buxton of Winston-Salem declared that unless requirements for lawyers' to secure license in this State are raised the time will come when it will be impossible to maintain the present high standing of the judiciary; for any ignorant shyster with nerve and a sense of the proper time to offer may be elevated to the bench if the present tendency continues. He would have an examining board of lawyers and would do away with printing the questions asked on examination: the questions, he thinks, should be destroyed after they have served their purpose. Power to Mr. Buxton in his preachment that the standard should be raised! It is passing strange how some fellows get by and secure license to practice law.

The Laurinburg Exchange came out with a special edition of 20 pages last week, celebrating the 24th birthday of the paper and the 16th birthday of Scotland County. The issue contained a great deal of information and history about Laurinburg and Scotland county and is a credit to the paper and to the county. We congratulate Editor J. P. Wiggins upon the success of his effort. Having had experience in getting out a special edition, we know something of the difficulties. With this issue Mr. Mac Cameron, who had been connected with the editorial and business end of The Exchange for four years, severs his connection with that paper, on which he has done good work, to go to Henderson to work for the Gold Leaf Pub. Co., which publishes two papers, The Semi-weekly Gold Leaf and The Daily Dispatch. Mr. O. L. Moore of Mooresboro, Cleveland county, succeeds Mr. Cameron on The Exchange.

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A PERPETUAL VISITOR The beautiful poem on "Opportunity" by Ingalls, quoted by our correspondent "W. V. B." elsewhere in this issue, is not to be taken too seriously. It will do for a man in "the lean and slippared pantaloons" stage to quote morosely and pessimistically and dyspeptically, but it has nothing to do with youth and vigor and strength. One ought to read this poem but all means and admire its dignified and stately lines, but when a youth is led to it to admire its beauties it ought always to be explained that it is false. Opportunity, instead of being a thing of a single visit is the most persistent visitor that ever happened. If you don't accept her the first time, she comes and comes again; she will all but knock you down; and she will follow you almost to the grave. So, young man, don't, for love of grace, quote Ingalls on "Opportunity" except to admire as one of the finest things in the English language and to lament that such noble lines were written about a false doctrine. Every time the sun rises it rises on a day that has never been spent; so don't go pottering about with the pessimistic notion that Opportunity comes but once and fret yourself for fear you'll be asleep when she comes, or feasting, or playing baseball. Grab hold of Opportunity a million times a day and be ready to grab hold of her a million times tomorrow.

The North Carolina Bar Association at its annual meeting at Wrightsville Beach last week went on record as favoring increasing the number of Superior Court judges to 32, the number recommended by the commission appointed by Gov. Craig some time ago, and reducing the number of recorders' court. The legislative and reform committee of the association, of which committee Mr. A. W. McLean of Lumberton is chairman, recommended that the number of judges be increased, and that the number of recorders' courts be decreased, but did not go so far as the commission, that is, it did not say how many more judges there should be nor just how many recorders' courts there should be. The commission recommended that the recorders' courts be cut to fifteen, these to be in the principal cities. There are a good many people who think that if the judges would work as hard as most folks have to work there would be no need of more judges, but The Robesonian believes that emergency judges would serve a good purpose. The recorders' courts are in favor in Robeson after having been tried in this county for several years.

White Man and Two Negroes Perhaps Fatally Shot at Four Oaks A white man named Johnson and two negroes, Dave and Clarence Maynor, were all perhaps fatally wounded in a shooting scrape at Four Oaks, Johnston county, Friday. Reports state that the negroes met at the station house the white man, with whom they had had a difficulty the day before, and after a few remarks Johnson opened fire on them with a Winchester rifle. The negroes returned the fire with pistols. It is said that 23 shots were fired in half a minute. When the smoke of battle cleared away all the men were down, one of them shot through both thighs and another through the back, the ball lodging just under the skin of the stomach. The white man was shot through the hips and lower part of the abdomen. It is thought that all three will die, if indeed they are not dead before this gets in print. The negroes were taken to the Highsmith hospital at Fayetteville. The white man was left at home, too dangerously wounded to be moved.

Convict Made Bold Dash and Escaped From Chain Gang Lenzo Braddy, colored, escaped from chain gang No. 1, which is located about two miles south of town, Saturday morning just before daybreak. When a guard opened a cage to let out another convict to feed the stock Lenzo dashed out of the cage and made his escape. The guard took five shots at the negro as he faded into darkness, but to no avail. Deputy A. H. Prevatt took the county's bloodhound to the scene and trailed the negro for several miles. Braddy took to the swamp and the dog had to swim much of the time while he was chasing the negro. There being so much water on the route the fleeing negro went, the dog gave out before he reached the fugitive.

Braddy was sent to the gang by the recorder at Maxton for 14 months for disposing of mortgaged property and had served about 4 months of his sentence. The negro is so bald that he has not a single hair on his head. Just one year ago Saturday, July 1, two convicts escaped from this same gang.

Death of an Infant Mary Ellen, 24-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Boone, who live on route 1 from Lumberton, died Friday night at 8 o'clock of colitis.

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Representative H. L. Godwin, renominated for sixth term in Sixth district primary Saturday.

USING OPPORTUNITIES

Dormant Powers Which Might be Made Useful—Grasp Opportunities To the Editor of The Robesonian: "I mused while the fire burned," said David long ago. Tonight we sit pondering over the sorrows of the past, the glories of the future. Our mind pauses as we pass the golden opportunities that have come and sped away into the depths of fleeting time. Have you ever stopped to consider that there are in thousands of our people today dormant powers, which if brought into play might place you in our country's palmy days of fame. Lowell said, "There are infinite powers lying dormant in man here and there, powers which could be but catch a glimpse of would ender his life on this planet with greater splendor and impart to it a redoubled interest."

Every day we see men who have entered the December of life little realizing what they might have accomplished, had they brought out the best that was in them. The reason men don't accomplish more is because they don't try. In my mind's eye I see the picture of an old man whose locks of gold have faded into silver and as he sits with folded hands the dim of life is sinking over the Western horizon and as he reflects over the by-gone days he is happy to know that a mark has been made in the world, upon the hearts of men, that he and his surroundings are living in comfort all because when opportunity came with an extended hand and bade him arise and follow, he obeyed the command. On the other hand, we see the old man whose locks are as the snow, as he sits in the evening of life scarred by the weathering effects of the erosion of time. He endures the discomforts of life all because he did not do as opportunity bade.

Nature has fashioned us all of the same clay and the difference between a purple robe bordered with ermine and a cotton tunic represents the difference in effort, just as it was fifty or one hundred or a thousand years ago. The ancestors of the European kings learned how to command. The forefathers of the peasant made no effort and had to obey. We are all engaged in the same struggle for livelihood that was imposed upon old father Adam when he was ejected from Eden. We battle under the same sky the same old conditions that were hoary with centuries when the Pharaohs builded the first Pymaid in the valley of the Nile.

As the leaves of the tree differ one from another only in detail, so men's lives differ in petty incidents. Opportunity and ambition bid you try. Wisdom counsels you to choose wisely, Perseverance bids you journey onward and not be turned out by the side of the road.

Opportunity comes to a man but once and its then or never. What could picture opportunity to us more than the noble sonnet of Hon. Jas. J. Ingalls

Opportunity Master of human destinies am I, Fame, Love and fortune on my footsteps wait; Cities and fields I walk; I penetrate Deserts and seas remote, and passing by Hovel and mart and palace, soon or late I knock unbidden once at every gate. If sleeping, wake; if feasting, rise Before I turn away. It is the hour of fate, And they who follow me reach every state Mortals desire, and conquer every foe Save Death; but they who doubt or hesitate, Condemned to failure, penury and woe, Seek me in vain and uselessly implore— I answer not and I return no more. Three hundred and thirty-one years ago Monday the first colony arrived in North Carolina waters which was probably on Neuse river. W. V. B. Gaddysville (Fairmont, R. 1). June 27, 1916.

Mr. Ed Kinlaw of star route from Lumberton was in town Saturday.

BASEBALL: CAPE FEAR LEAGUE

Three Games Here This Week—Lumberton Clinched Hold on First Place Last Week by Winning 4 Straight Games

Reported for The Robesonian. Three games will be played here this week. Fayetteville, which is said to be strengthening up, comes here Wednesday and Thursday. The Raeford game which was postponed last Wednesday on account of rain will be played here Saturday.

Lumberton clinched its hold on first place in the Cape Fear League last week by winning four straight games, three from Raeford and one from Fairmont. The first Raeford game, played here, was an easy victory, but the locals met a team that had been considerably strengthened when they journeyed to Raeford.

The first game at Raeford was won 2 to 0. Barnes bested Murchison in a pretty pitcher's duel. Each allowed five hits, but Murchison gave up three bases on balls, which proved his undoing. He passed Stone in the first inning and hit Love. Correll brought them across with a clashing single after they had advanced a base on a fielder's choice.

Score by innings: R. H. E. Lumberton .. 200 000 000—2 5 1 Raeford 000 000 000—0 5 0 Barnes and Correll; Murchison and McKeithan.

In the second game Currie held Raeford to two hits, while Lumberton bunched their safeties and won 3 to 0. Singleton led off in the seventh with a scratch hit and McNeill followed with a single. Two infield outs advanced the runners, and they scored on Love's single to left centre. Love went to second on the throw in and scored on Correll's single. Correll was caught at second.

Score: R. H. E. Lumberton .. 000 000 300—3 7 2 Raeford 000 000 000—0 2 3 Currie and Correll; Russell and McKeithan.

Lumberton went to Fairmont Saturday and won a game 6 to 1 that had been postponed on three occasions. Smith was hit hard while Fairmont could not solve Barnes' delivery. He deserved a shut-out, but errors let in one run. Love and Proctor fielded sensationally. Correll and Barnes hit over left field fence, while Persons got a double and three singles out of five times up. Jones, umpiring for Fairmont, appeared to be badly off on his decisions, which undoubtedly cost Lumberton two runs.

Score: R. H. E. Lumberton .. 001 000 302—6 10 4 Fairmont 000 000 010—1 5 4 Barnes and Correll; Smith and McCormick.

Troopers of Tenth Cavalry Brought Safely Out of Mexico

El Paso Dispatch, June 29. The twenty-three negro troopers of the Tenth Cavalry, who at Carrizal Villa Ahumada, Chihuahua City and Juarez have been central figures in the Mexican situation, are safely out of Mexico. Survivors of an engagement with a superior force, victims twice of mobs that stoned them, more than once in fear of execution, and, lastly, objects of intercession by the President of the United States, they were brought to the border from Chihuahua City on a special train today and turned over to General Geo. Bell, Jr., commander of the El Paso base.

After 23 years of unsuccessful effort to establish a proprietary news gathering and distributing organization in opposition to the co-operative form of the Associated Press, The New York Sun was sold Friday to Frank A. Munsey, a member of the Associated Press, and beginning today will no longer try to gather its own news and will receive the service of the dominant organization.

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