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Morning Tonic

(William Paley.) It is not for youth alone that the great Parent of creations hath provided. Happiness is found with the purring cat no less than with the playful kitten...

Uncle Walt Mason

IT'S April, the sunny, so hand me 'my lyre! The month for my money, the month I admire. The breezes are tender that sigh o'er the lawns, and folks of each gender are dancing with glee...

Other towns are having no end of excitement over the matter of the rights of the jitney bus, while Raleigh has nary a jitney bus to quarrel about.

The plant of the American Bridge Company at Gary, Ind., has resumed operations. This is only one of many instances, illustrative of the fact that industry is getting back into full swing again.

Billy Sunday watched a baseball game in New York the other day, and that he still has a good deal of old-fashioned human nature in him was shown by the fact that early in the game he got to complaining at the umpire's decisions.

The effort of Mr. Roosevelt's attorneys in the Barnes suit to show who the Colonel is seemed just a bit out of place. Everybody in this country knows who Col. Roosevelt is. What else is newspaper and magazine advertising for?

The Pittsburg Post well says that almost any one can be an optimist these days. This country at this particular time could hardly keep itself from prospering. It is the safest sort of a bet to predict a period of business and industrial activity.

Ten thousand Protestant churches in England last Sunday observed King's Pledge Sunday, their members taking the pledge to abstain from intoxicants during the remainder of the war. The King of England has set a splendid example for his people and the incident is of prime interest as showing how the movement for temperance is spreading rapidly over the whole world.

Tomorrow at the City Auditorium and lasting for Friday and Saturday there will be an exhibit of the work of the Raleigh Public Schools that should prove of great interest to the people of Raleigh, and any visitors who may chance to be in the city. Raleigh schools are doing a fine work and the showing as made by Raleigh pupils will be one calculated to make the Capital City proud of its school system and convinced of the wise expenditure of the public funds so far as they are applied to the school system.

The opening of the baseball season in Raleigh will always have a peculiar significance to the News and Observer, for two years ago, on the day that the league season began in Raleigh, the big fire which destroyed the News and Observer building and the greater part of its plant occurred. Needless to say that around this office on the day when the wizards of the diamond open their activities for the summer, all hands are on the alert to guard against the hoodoo which the day has for the News and Observer.

The favor of Roosevelt is not always the kind that is wanted. For instance, note what became of Roosevelt's favor towards Taft. In this matter the New York World says: "The report that Col. Roosevelt may support Elihu Root for President must have chilled all the marrow in Mr. Root's bones. Knowing the experience of 'My Dear Will,' the prospect of becoming 'My Dear Elihu,' would naturally saturate Mr. Root through and through with apprehension. We take little stock in these rumors about the Colonel's political intentions, but if anything were needed to clinch Mr. Root's determination not to be a candidate for President, the smaller gift of favor from the Oyster Bay Creek would be enough to send him racing madly in the direction of obscurity."

THE UNIVERSITY AND ITS NEW PRESIDENT.

The exercises at Chapel Hill yesterday mark an epoch in the State's history. Not only was there the largest gathering of distinguished men ever seen in North Carolina, not only was there inducted into office the youngest president the University has ever had, but especially was there an exhibition of the finest spirit of co-operation and comradeship. No such appealing interest has ever before been manifested on the Hill.

The conservatism of the old order and the progressivism of the younger faith were mingled in like proportion throughout the day's doings. This augurs well for the University. If the spirit of yesterday is any indication, the institution is destined at once to go forward by leaps and bounds under the guidance of its vigorous new president. The University will come out into the broad light of a bigger day, will push ahead without losing one of its ancient traditions, will become more and more a part of the warp and woof of the Commonwealth. The University must keep pace with the new progress of the State and the State must properly value and support the University. Such are the lessons of April 21, 1915.

As for President Graham, it is just to say that he takes his place under most favorable auspices. That he will assume the responsibilities wisely and well all the State believes. Graham is a man who has forged to the front by sheer brains. Every ounce of his grey matter he has used for the highest purposes. He has an abundance of uncommonly good moral and mental sense. More than all, he has a hold on the students and alumni, their hearts and heads, such as is rarely seen in the days of larger institutions. Edward Kidder Graham will be known as one of those college presidents who possess the unusual combination of excellent executive attainments, clear-sighted vision, and the ability to inspire confidence, hope and courage. All is well with the University of North Carolina with President Edward Kidder Graham in charge.

ON TO THE GAME!

Today is "play day" in the Carolina League. In three cities of the league there will be heard this afternoon the anxiously awaited call of "Play Ball." And the cheers of many thousands will tell that the boys are off!

Raleigh can well afford to take an afternoon off and go out to play and to entertain itself. The opening ball game should attract a great crowd to the Raleigh Athletic Park this afternoon to give the home team a big send off in its initial game with Durham. Our people can increase the enthusiasm of the team which wears the Raleigh colors by showing that Raleigh is in the game with it.

There should be such a crowd in attendance this afternoon as will win for Raleigh the Lyon Trophy Cup. Our people can win this with just a little determination on their part. The thing to do today is to talk ball and be at the ball park to help swell the numbers of the big crowd which will be there to see the start for the pennant. And we can be certain that the boys will play better ball if there is a great overflow from the grandstand and bleachers.

Just a word of caution now! There is going to be rooting today and on other days, of course. Let it be clean rooting. There is nothing to be gained by fans or players in the "baiting" of the umpire. Raleigh wants clean and straight baseball played by its team, and Raleigh should set the pace by its conduct in grandstand and on bleachers. Let us back-up the team all right, but let it be the right kind of backing which we give.

"PLAY BALL!"

RALEIGH FIRST.

On the third day of May the voters of this city are to elect three Commissioners. These three men will be in full charge of the affairs of Raleigh for two years.

The present Commissioners have led their competitors in the primary, and the test of this as a victory will come on the day of election. The consideration which should move the men of this city who pay the taxes is as to the business fitness of the opposing candidates.

That Raleigh has been run into debt in the past two years is shown by the figures. That bonds have been issued without the votes of the people is a thing known. That there has been a lack of business methods as to the new market house and the water works plant is to be seen on an examination of the matters relating to them, that bonds have been sold at private sale instead of in the open competitive market is no secret, as well as the fact that contracts have been let without competition.

That is the record of the present Board of City Commissioners. It has been made by them, and the fact that the city has gone into debt means that the taxpayers will have to pay the bills. If the present board is re-elected, and affairs are conducted for the next two years as in the past two the taxpayers may as well get ready to pay the "freight." The present administration has not measured up to the needs of the situation in Raleigh. The need of this city is that there be a board elected which will conduct the affairs of Raleigh as any great business is conducted. Until the best business methods prevail in the affairs of Raleigh this city must continue to expect to go into debt, and be called upon to issue more bonds.

On the third day of May the voters of Raleigh will have the opportunity of selecting the road which they desire that Raleigh follow.

A WORD OF WELCOME.

Raleigh gives a hearty welcome to the delegates to the annual Barons-Philathes Convention, which meets tonight in opening session at the Tabernacle Baptist church.

The Barons and Philathes have as their slogan "We Do Things," and in a practical workaday age like the present era, that slogan is one which necessarily has a wide appeal. It is one of the stock criticisms of Christianity that it is tinkling cymbal and sounding brass instead of the prompt, courageous and decisive action which suggests the presence of red blood in the veins and iron in the backbone. Accordingly when a Christian organization comes along and lays stress on results it fits into the spirit of the time and commands immediate and respectful consideration.

The dream of Mr. Marshall A. Hudson, the founder of the organized class movement, was to enlist the splendid energies of youth in the

cause of Christ and none can say that his dream has not been in large measure fulfilled. Truly it is a great and far-reaching movement whose representatives will be so large in the public eye in Raleigh this week.

It is fortunate for Raleigh that this great convention is to be held here and Raleigh hopes that the stay of the hundreds of young visitors in the Capital City will be one satisfying and helpful in every way.

The tragic death of Dr. J. M. Falson, former Congressman from the Third District, will carry sorrow to many. He was an upright, courageous and patriotic son of North Carolina. His record in Congress was honorable and creditable. Illness had impaired his strength of mind and body.

Spirit of the Press

At Fells And Home.

New York World. A suffragist leader boasts that in addition to going to the polls on election day she got breakfast, luncheon and dinner for the family, testified in a lawsuit, went to the bank, read the papers, organized a Bible class and performed numerous minor duties at home and abroad. This is a good evidence as has been presented of a woman's ability to vote without neglecting her household duties. Yet it is open to the fatal objection that the schedule of the day's activities makes absolutely no allowance of time for a bridge party, a tango tea or other of the normal interests of the sex.

Why Shouldn't An Ex-President Behave?

New York World. Col. Roosevelt, it seems is a mere retailer of gossip and scandal. Having been President of the United States, when he hears something discreditable to his successor in that high office he is at liberty to repeat it with the added authority of his own great name and position. A Senate committee has been trying to get the ex-President to go to Washington to give his reasons for stating in an article bearing his signature that President Wilson and members of his Cabinet favored ship purchase in the interest of foreign owners who had ships to sell, meaning, of course, that they were in collusion with the North German Lloyd and the Hamburg-American companies. It develops, however, that Col. Roosevelt has no knowledge on the subject. He was only a phonograph. Why shouldn't an ex-President behave himself?

Savoyard's Letter

A PENNSYLVANIA REFORMER.

IT IS told in Gath and whispered in Pennsylvania; it is published in Askeon and soon it will be proclaimed everywhere, that the present Governor of Pennsylvania is a reformer. They go so far as to say that he has the "Old Guard" of Pennsylvania Republicans "backed against the wall" and that the man actually has some respect for the Ten Commandments. They even say Martin G. Brumbaugh is the Woodrow Wilson of Pennsylvania! They are talking about him for the Presidency!

But the party of Great Moral Ideas has always been shy of your reformer. The latest instance of that kind is the case of Mr. Justice Hughes, who was banished from politics as a punishment for his independence and purity. How different is the treatment meted to Democratic reformers, such as Tilden, Cleveland, and Wilson—all rewarded with election to the Presidency of the United States by the Democratic party.

It is doubtful if Governor Brumbaugh as a reformer is in President Wilson's class. In 1910 Boss Jim Smith was seeking a candidate for Governor of New Jersey who could carry the State and re-establish the political supremacy of the Democratic party in that traditional Democratic State. He selected Woodrow Wilson, who accepted the nomination under the express stipulation that Boss Smith should not be a candidate for United States Senator if the Democrats secure control of the State legislature. The Democratic victory was signal and complete; but like all bosses of all parties, Mr. Smith refused to stand hitherto and announced himself a candidate for Senator. Then Governor Wilson asserted himself and brought about the defeat of the boss and the election of another Democrat to the Senatorship. With characteristic mendacity and hypocrisy the Republicans love to dwell on the "duplicitous" and "ingratitude" of Wilson in his dealings with Boss Smith; but the people of New Jersey and of the country understand. The boss broke faith and the Governor saw to it that he did not profit by his perfidy. That was all.

But how is it in Pennsylvania, just over the line? Brumbaugh is Governor, all right, chosen to that dignity by Boss Penrose. So far from rebuking the boss, he ran on the same ticket with him, and as usufruct of the expenditure of bond funds of more than \$1,000,000 in that one State election campaign Boss Penrose is Senator and will be chairman of the Finance Committee that will gorge the tariff with profligacy if the Republicans are entrusted with power next year. Reformer Wilson sent Boss Smith to private life; Reformer Brumbaugh sent Boss Penrose to the Senate. That is the difference between Democratic reform in New Jersey and Republican reform in Pennsylvania.

Just now the Republican cry is a "business administration." Penrose first proclaimed it; Root echoes it. All of 'em, including Cannon and Cummins, Fairbanks and Borah, Lodge and Brewster—the whole pack, Tray, Blanche and Sweetheart, insist on a business regime. And such a business! More than a century ago Talleyrand defined it thus: "Business means somebody else's property."

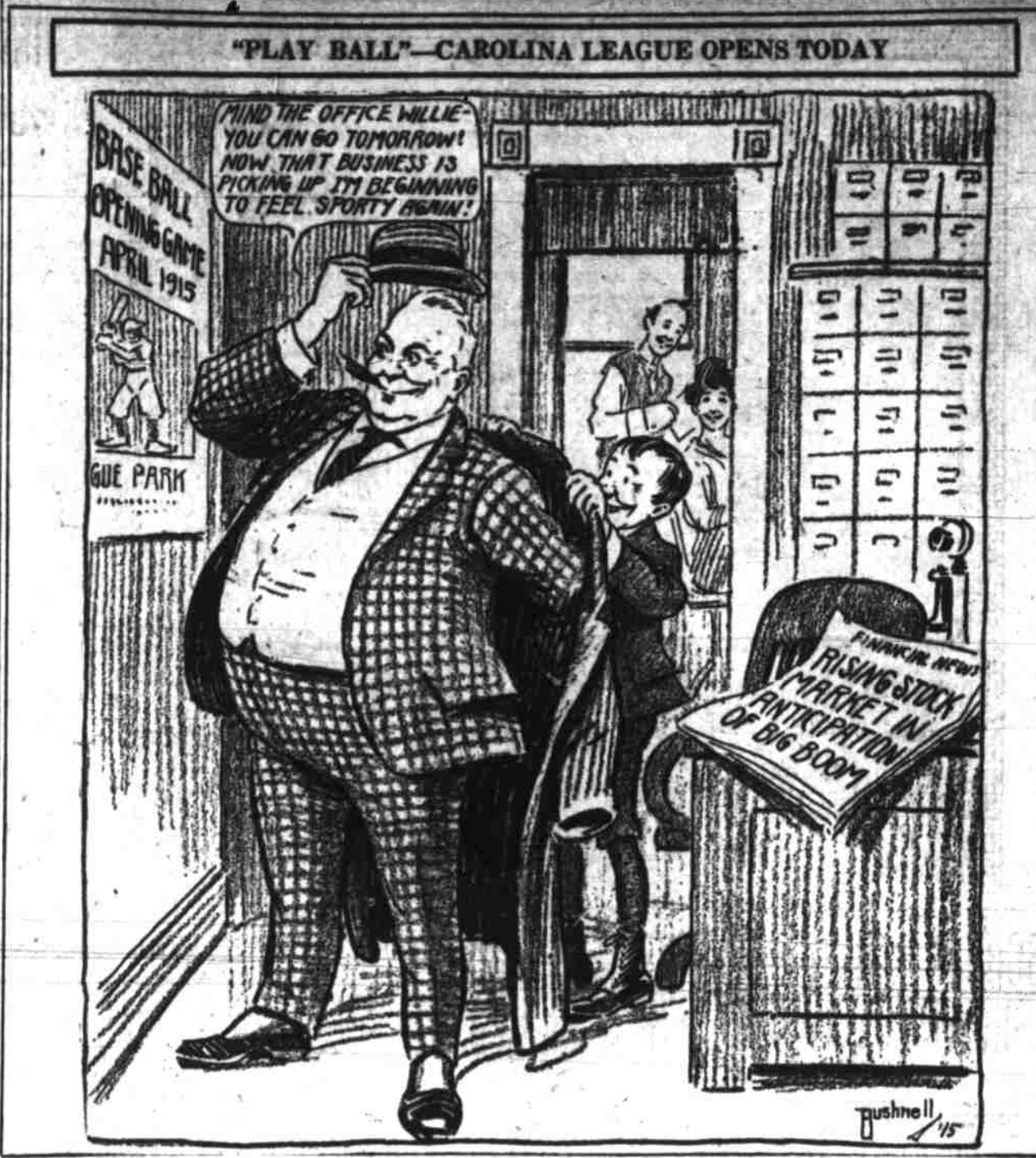
The Pullman Car Company is the child of "business," according to the Republican idea of Aldrich, Penrose, Cannon, Root, Knox and the entire layout of that party. Here is what it is: Since 1877 that concern has paid annual dividends of 8 per cent. In addition it declared an extra dividend of 20 per cent. Now here comes the enormity—the "business" as defined by Talleyrand—"other people's property"—as follows, viz.: Since 1877 that remorseless monopoly has declared stock dividends of 50 per cent, of 25 per cent, and of 20 per cent.

That is Aldrichism, that is Penroseism, that is Republicanism. If the people crave another gorge of it they will restore the Republican party to power in 1916.

When that gigantic man Bismarck took control of the railroads of Germany he determined that his country should not be infested with a class of multimillionaires—Vanderbilts, Goulds, Harrimans, Pullmans—spawn of watered stock. He insisted on honest, economic and effective management, on adequate dividends, and when the net earnings exceeded a liberal profit he reduced freights and any surplus left over went into the Imperial treasury.

If our people had copied him there would never have been a railroan problem in this country, never an outcry against the roads, never an useless line constructed; but we allowed the magnates to issue additional stocks based on net earnings, which was nothing in the world but extortion; the twin-brother of theft and even more odious than theft.

The Republican party bought the Presidency in 1896, in 1908, and in 1912. Nobody of ordinary candor and average intelligence, denies



THE SPEECH THAT "MADE" ROSCOE CONKLING.

THE late William D. Kelley, who rejoiced at the nickname which was given to him early in his long service in Congress, "Pig-Iron Kelley," due to his strong advocacy of the principle of protection, was also with greater dignity, although no greater satisfaction to himself, called, in the last years of his service in that body, "The Father of the House."

He had the distinction of having served longer consecutively than any other member of the House in the last two or three terms of his service in that body. Judge Kelley was himself a speaker who was able to command attention, although he was no orator. The charm which he infused in his speeches was due to his intense earnestness, absolute sincerity, and to a singularly felicitous way he had of making exposition of dry subjects, particularly those which related to the tariff. Judge Kelley was a great admirer of real oratory and he was one of the best critics in either House of Congress. I once asked Judge Kelley to tell me what he thought were some of the best speeches delivered in Congress in his day. He replied that there were too many excellent speeches to speak of any as being the best, but he could tell me of one which made as profound an impression upon him, purely from the point of view of oratory and of superb use of the English language, as any one which he ever heard delivered.

"Roscoe Conkling, I think, was a little past 30 years of age when he entered Congress," said the Judge. "Like myself, he was a new member in the first Congress, which met after the inauguration of President Lincoln. Physically he was a man who was certain to attract attention, but his mannerism was a misfortune, since a man who is going to make headway in the House of Representatives, in addition to ability must possess a temperament, real or assumed, which brings personal popularity. Conkling lacked that, yet he more than made that defect good by the first long speech which he delivered. Senator E. D. Bakker, of Oregon, who was in command of Federal troops at Balls Bluff, on the Potomac, was surprised and surrounded by the Confederates and his command was practically annihilated, in the fall of 1861.

"Conkling, in support of a resolution which he had offered calling for an investigation, delivered a speech. I have read Macaulay and I have read Kingslake, but I have never read a description of the tragedy at Balls Bluff. I was particularly struck by his superb command of the English language and wondered where on young a man as Conkling got that style. His picture was Homeric in its clearness, its vividness and its sincerity. He possessed a beautiful voice especially adapted for such an address as he was delivering. The House is a pretty turbulent body, but it was not long after Conkling began before absolute quiet prevailed and the House had paid to Conkling the rare tribute of listening as one man to him.

"The impression, this speech made in the House speedily extended throughout the country. The speech was widely published. It made Conkling, and from that day to the present time he has been one of the conspicuous persons in our American life."

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Tomorrow Dr. Edwards will tell of "A Business Man Who Knew His Shakespeare."

Racy of the Soil

Plowed Up \$500.

Rutherfordton Sun. While plowing on the farm of Hawkins Boykin, in Johnston county, Richard Brewer uncovered \$500 in coin, nearly all of it gold, which is supposed to have been buried many years. Strange to say, the landowner, according to the report, laid no claim to the money but allowed the finder to keep it.

Here's a Hog Story.

Thomasville Davidonian. E. M. Michael, the man who made the largest yield raising wheat last year has come out with a hog story that can't be beat, and he says his figures can be proven. Mr. Michael gives the following facts about his neighbor, Mr. J. W. Massey's hogs: A Poland China sow three and one-half years old has had five litters of pigs, numbering 68. These pigs were sold at an average of \$4, or a total sum of \$272. Hogs, as well as wheat do well in this neighborhood.

Rabbit and Snow Bird.

Broden School House News in Smithfield Herald. A few days ago Mr. W. G. Oliver, with the aid of his neighbors, was raising his barn. Some dogs roused a rabbit in the woods near by, and the rabbit made his way toward the barn. Mr. Gardner Alford was on the barn and saw the rabbit as he made his dash by, and threw his axe at him and killed him dead, and it seems one good turn deserves another, so during our last April snow the person mentioned above was at Mr. J. R. Creech's and saw a snowbird coming his way. He up with a snow ball and killed him.

Smile and Be Happy

THEY DID. Rat: Here's one of those aeroplanes—I wonder if we can get in it?

OF COURSE. Frog Lover: If you refuse me, I will have to croak.

IN SLOWTOWN. Turtle Announcer: Sam Shall wind the hundred yard dash—Time: four days, three hours and six minutes.

A CALAMITY. Mrs. Apple Worm: Oh! Dear—we moved into a green apple and the children are all sick.

As I Was A-Sayin'

"There is a lot of cotton that has not come out of hiding yet," said Mr. T. C. Ethridge, of New Bern, who has been traveling around through the country and keeping his eyes open.

"I know of one man who has sixteen hundred bales waiting for cotton to go to a figure at which he is willing to sell. And there are many others who have cotton in substantial quantities.

"The placing of cotton on the market has helped business every where. No matter where you go you hear the story that business is picking up and that people are in a hopeful frame of mind. It is the selling of cotton at fairly good prices that is doing the good work."

"I think I will see if I can't arrange a special service for the newspaper men," said Rev. C. P. Wilcox, the rector of St. Saviour's Chapel. "I have a number of friends in the profession and it has struck me that it would be interesting to have a church service with especial reference to the needs and aspirations of these men.

"I held a service for the military not so long ago and it proved quite a success. Indeed it developed the fact that there had not been a service especially for the military in a long time in Raleigh. I enjoyed the occasion immensely and I hope that good was done."

Rev. Mr. Wilcox does not say much about it but, according to all the witnesses, he is doing a very great work among the people living in the vicinity of his church. His taking of a group of young boys, conspicuous principally for mischievousness and general all-around misbehavior, and drilling them into an organization of useful and ambitious lads is one of the many practical achievements that have been placed to his credit by observing admirers.

"There is entirely too much separatism between education and industry," says Dr. J. Y. Joyner, Superintendent of Public Instruction in North Carolina and president of the Southern Conference for Education and Industry, which conference will seek to combine the two forces in a sort of clearing house for ideas.

"A frank and sincere interchange of ideas between school men and business men will, we believe," continues Dr. Joyner, "overcome much of the criticism each makes over the other and benefit both by increasing the practical efficiency of each of these factors in our development. The educator is prone to criticize the business man because he lays so much stress on material things. The business man criticizes the educator because he is inclined to emphasize the purely cultural studies and occupations.

"Economic education should begin at the schools. Moreover the schools should provide a plan whereby the student could continue his education through life. One great difficulty today with country life is that boys and girls are turned loose at an early age with no special training for building up their communities. How this may be remedied and the school brought closer to the farm, the mill, and the home, and courses of study be reconstructed to meet community needs, will be considered at the Chattanooga session.

A camera small enough to be swallowed to photograph the interior of the stomach, has been invented by a Danish surgeon.