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MORNING TONIC

(Grace M. Brown.) It is not my concern if you are harsh or unjust to me; it is only my affair that I am kind and just to you.

UNCLE WALT MASON

BEATING DOWN PRICES.

By Walt Mason. I called on Rumbelow & Ratz, who deal in fancy Thomas cats, shipped from France and Spain; I noticed when I stepped within that both the partners ceased to grin, as though they had a pain.

Emperor Yoshi Hito having been crowned we will now continue to proceed.

And they are now designating the days as those of fussy footwear for females.

From Venizelos to Zaimis to Skouloudis does not appear a long way.

"Let George do it," is no longer a popular remark in dense old Lannon.

Two more days to complete the campaign to lift \$25,000 of debt from the Raleigh Y. M. C. A.

It certainly does not look as if the Allies are going to get Greece in time for use with Turkey for Thanksgiving Day.

It's a neck and neck race between the number of new cabinets for Greece and the number of new capitals for Serbia.

A woman in Illinois has been sent to jail for refusing to talk. It may be that she is waiting so as to get the last word.

Have you aided the movement to lift the debt from the Raleigh Y. M. C. A.? If not, today is the day to get in.

The Teutonic forces are not so much concerned as to where all roads lead just so they grab the line that leads to Constantinople.

Carranza is known to most positively object to the Villanous course being pursued by one of his more or less highly esteemed fellow countrymen.

It is good news to the many friends of Congressman R. L. Doughten to learn that he is steadily improving after his recent illness and is now on the road to good health.

Representative Mann announces that he does not favor "a short-stop or a two-spot" as the Republican nominee for president.

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HOLD ALL TO THE LAW.

The sinking of the Italian liner Ancona by an Austrian submarine, if under the circumstances as now reported furnishes another argument in favor of "preparedness" on the part of the United States.

In the matter of the shipping of war munitions by this country, our position has been challenged by Austria. If its submarines have transgressed international law in the sinking of the Ancona there is given to us a concrete case in which the demand can be made upon Austria to disavow the act of its submarine commander and to make proper reparation with a promise not to further engage in any such practices.

It is not known that the Ancona was in violation of the rules of sea warfare, whether it showed fight or attempted to escape. At any rate, the death list shows that there was not provision made to care for the lives of those aboard that vessel.

Until this country is in possession of an authentic report of the sinking of the Italian liner, it is not to be expected that our government will act. If it finds the issue such as to demand this we feel fully assured that President Wilson will call Austria to terms in as firm a manner as was done with Germany.

The firmness which President Wilson has exhibited in the demands upon Germany show that he will look after any illegal conditions brought about in the sinking of the Ancona. This country can feel well assured that in so far as it is possible President Wilson will give every endeavor of which he is capable to the protection of American lives.

It is shown that Austria has broken the law of nations and sacrificed American lives then he will hold to a "strict accountability" that country, because of the sinking of the Ancona.

"BIG BROTHERING" BOYS.

It is a fine thing for any community to look after the welfare of its boys. On the tomorrow these boys of today are to be the men in charge of affairs, and it is well to do things for their help.

That is the mission of the Y. M. C. A. and it has a high function to perform. Of course it has to call upon the people of a city to take care of it, and the obligation to do this is a thing which we should not attempt to escape.

Right now in Raleigh we have arrived at a point when it is incumbent upon our people that we take care of a debt on the Y. M. C. A. of this city. For this there is \$25,000 called for, and there should be a generous response, for an institution with debt hanging over it is handicapped.

Of the six days campaign to raise the money needed to wipe off the debt there are two days now left. Thus far there has been pledged \$18,100 and the spirit which has been shown in subscribing this amount gives assurance that the needed \$25,000 will be forthcoming by Friday at noon.

But why stop at this? Upwards of \$40,000 is needed to wipe out the entire debt of the Y. M. C. A. Raleigh can easily make its offering \$50,000 and give the Y. M. C. A. such an impetus that it will be enabled to do a greater work.

The men of this city will be engaged in a fine work when they increase their work in "big brothering" boys. That is a great thing in which to engage and the opportunity to do this for the boys of Raleigh is at hand. The two days more of the campaign should show that the people of this city know how to do the "big brother" act in the most splendid way.

NO TARIFF DEFEAT.

Republicans who are contending that the victory of McCall in his election as Governor of Massachusetts was a rebuke to the Democrats for their tariff for revenue only, have certainly not examined the figures, for they tell a far different story.

SAVOYARD'S LETTER

A PIPE DREAM.

Of all the crazy visions even the present war has produced, the wildest and most destructive of human history, the "pipe dream" herein is the latest. It would appear that the belligerent powers over yonder have nothing in particular in the way of malice against one another. Our Uncle Samuel is the man they are after, and his lands, tenements, and hereditaments, goods and chattels, rights and privileges, are to become the spoil of embittered Europe.

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"With all the people of the State I deeply regret your severe misfortune. For many years you have been identified with the government of North Carolina. There is no public servant who enjoys the respect and confidence of our citizenship more than yourself. By years of integrity and faithful service you have always been recognized as a man who placed the doing of good work above money consideration. I hope that your loss is covered by insurance, and that your business will be renewed with increased vigor and usefulness."

A JUST COMPLAINT.

Raleigh is possessed of a most handsome and convenient postoffice. The recent improvement in the Federal building have been such as to give this city an edifice of which it may well feel proud.

But a postoffice is meant to be of convenience to the people as well as a place of comfort to Federal employees. In this connection the Merchants' Association of this city has called attention to a seemingly little matter, in reality an important one.

This matter is that with many openings for the receipt of various classes of mail there is no lettering of these to give information concerning which are to be used. This is a matter which not alone inconveniences the public, but a matter also which must necessarily interfere with the rapid handling of mail.

For months after the new building was put into service there were some pen and ink notices on paper pasted above the openings, but these soon became dirty and torn, disreputable in appearance. Long ago the openings should have been properly labeled. We do not know whose duty it is to attend to this, but it is certainly the duty of some one, and we trust that the inconvenience to the public will not be allowed to continue.

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of Catawba county. Raleigh buys hundreds of pounds of butter every day from that county and Catawba also ships a great quantity of farm as well as dairy products.

"Wake is tied to cotton and the amount system. The latter is the most distasteful thing that could happen to a county or a section. It means that a few thrive and the many are largely at the mercy of the few. We have not got rid of the tenant system before we get a high degree of prosperity."

"I doubt if any one agency in North Carolina, not even the educational department itself, is doing as much to advance the cause of the pupil as the well-known Order is doing," said Mr. H. B. Varner, of Lexington, in speaking about the great rally for education held last Friday at Lexington under the auspices of the well-known secret order.

"You would be surprised to know to what a great extent printing is being taught in the schools of the United States," said Mr. Charles S. Mills, efficiency engineer and designer of the printing supply houses that is seeking the business of the News and Observer in connection with the refurbishing of the plant destroyed by last Saturday's fire.

"There is no doubt in the world that familiarity with type-setting tends to improve spelling and grammar. It has been found in numerous instances after careful tests that pupils who have been through the printing school make better grammarians, better spellers and better English scholars than those who have had the training of the printing press."

"The teaching of printing in the schools is a custom that is bound to spread for it is practical to the highest degree. There is always a demand for competent printers, provided he is sober and conscientious in his work."

"Mr. Miller's immediate work is in siding in the design of printing houses. Errors are common except at great expense by correctors, who often made in the designing of printing offices, he says. It is much better to avoid these errors in the beginning than to correct them afterwards, he points out."

BUSINESS BOOMING

SAYS MR. LITCHFORD

"Business is picking up wonderfully," declared Mr. Henry Litchford of Richmond, vice-president of the Old Dominion Trust Company, who was in Raleigh yesterday returning to Richmond from Florida.

"I have lately been in Augusta and there on the market on that day was a hundred and seventy-eight thousand bales of cotton." And Mr. Litchford is optimistic about the price of cotton. In spite of the fact that it has dropped off a bit, he is reassuring in his prediction that the staple will get to 12 1/2-3 cents.

"When I told the tenant on my place near Raleigh that I was going to plant my cotton this year he was astounded at the idea that the man could run a farm without cotton. But he did, and was surprised to find what splendid results came from diversifying."

PREMISES MUST BE SAFE FOR PATRONS

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Live On 25 Cents Daily. (Special to The News and Observer.) Boone, Mo., Nov. 29.—A recent experiment conducted by Miss S. H. Henshaw, of the Domestic Science Department of the Appalachian Training School, in supplying meals for herself and eleven girls resulted in showing that the actual cost of food for a well-balanced ration, the girls preparing the meals, was slightly less than 25 cents per day for each person, or for each person per week a little over \$1.66 being almost exactly \$4.41 per month.

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