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#### A GOOD POINT

Dr. Joyner in his address here Friday evening at the dedication of the new high school laid special emphasis on discipline in the home and school. Parents alone know how difficult it is to obtain obedience and sometimes it seems as if the effort were wasted.

But discipline is important. An unruly boy may come round later in life, after it is too late for him to secure an education, and he may make a good citizen, but the records show that a big proportion of unruly boys never amount to anything. It is important therefore that obedience to authority at home and at school be instilled in children if they are to derive the most benefit from their op-

By helpful cooperation between teacher and parents, good results will be obtained. Parents want their children to make useful men and women; there is not a parent in North Carolina who does not want his children to have better opportunities than he himself had. That's mother and fath-

At the beginning of this new school parents become better acquainted, that the start made last year at the South school, where undoubtedly much helpfulness resulted, be continued, and that a similar association be formed in each of the other schools.

Let everybody work together for the benefit of the community.

#### STILL ANOTHER

Another piece of German treachery has been exposed by Secretary Lansing. This time the American legation at Bucharest in August, 1916, was imposed upon, but happily the outrage was discovered by Secretary Andrew of the American legation, and the horrible plot foiled.

legation bombs and dead microbes ingly given so that the first quota for the purpose of blowing up Ru-could be filled out of the first batchfor the purpose of blowing up Rumania and poisoning the water and people. This was done under protection of the United States, whose representatives had agreed to look after German interests in Ru-

Mr. Lansing probably will have an exposure every day or two. Already is now proposed. The war department he has shown what the German minister at Buenos Aires wanted to do to Argentine ships, using Sweden as the medium of sending the instruc- ble to collect statistics of industry in tions; what von Eckhardt proposed in order to calculate the exemptions ne-Mexico City: how Bernstorff was en-Mexico City; how Bernstorff was endeavoring to bribe congressmen keep the United States from protecting its fundamental rights.

The American public is looking for

#### CAN'T BE TRUSTED .

Emperor William of Germany is a peace loving man, now that his armies are losing the booty which he thought they would win. He wasn't a peace loving man over three years ago when the Austrian government sent a 48-hour ultimatum to little Serbia, knowing that Russia would not suffer Austria to impose on this country. Emperor William, the records show, spent most of his reign in trickery or in rattling the sabre. If he had been a man of peace, he would have prevented the brutal Austrian ultimatum or at least he would have informed Austria that Germany would not fight its battles.

have committed the worst crimes that have ever darkened so-called civilization, and the world, as the president's reply to the pope says, can place no dependence on them.

They cannot be trusted-these wilful murderers of millions of men, women and children.

Chancellor Michaelis hand-picked a committee from the reichstag, and these gents are the German people to whom the Berlin peace note refers.

"Resting at the foot of the Blue Ridge," writes Dr. T. M. Jordan in "Resting at the foot of the Blue the State Journal. It's Dobson, isn't 

#### IN LIGHT OF HISTORY

Persons who are about to lose hope of Russia's doing anything in this war, especially since the resignation of General Alexieff as chief of staff, H. Farabee \_\_\_\_\_ of General Alexieff as chief of staff, C. Miller \_\_\_\_\_ Manager can find parallels in French history for almost anything that might happen in democratic Russia, including the dismissal of all officers of the old re-Subscribers desiring the address of gime. It will be recalled that the their paper changed, will please state French army was stripped of its comin their communication both OLD and manders during the revolution, thous-NEW addresses.

To insure efficient delivery, complaints should be made to the Submy, and mere nonenities being placscription Department promptly. City ed in command. Well, good resulted subscribers should call 167 regarding after a time. Napoleon once asserted that every French private carried in his knapsack the baton of a One yer.7 -----54.00 marshal, and while this cannot be Six months \_\_\_\_\_ 2.00 as literally true of the Russians, it One Month \_\_\_\_\_ .40 is a fact that there are many men Due week \_\_\_\_\_\_ .10 of intelligence and patriotism in the - army who can command men. The Entered as second class matter Sep- Russian situation is not hopeless.

Rev. J. H. Bennett, pastor of Centenary Methodist church at Greensboro, has been suspended on the charge of immoral conduct, and he has entitled to the use for republication left that city after admitting his of all news credited to it or not guilt to the officers of the church. credited in this paper and also the lead-local news published herein. ing ministers in the Western conference, and his conduct is a source of sorrow to everybody in the state.

> Kingdon Gould, son of George J. Gould, is now a member of the national army, the rich young man with a new wife being the first called. He put in a plea for exemption and newspapers everywhere discussed his

Congressman Heflin of Alabama intimates strongly that some of those pro-Germans in congress were not working for nothing, and they should be turned round so the public can inspect them, even if they haven't been guilty of a great crime.

The fair begins tomorrow, regardless. Let's be there.

Fare you well, fair.

Come to the fair.

MAKING THE DRAFT SELECTIVE

Springfield Republican.

There seems to be no ground for objecting to the proposal of the war department to proceed at once with the physical examination of the 7,000,000 registered men who have not been drafted, concerning which year, when so much is at stake, the the opinion of the states has been Record would urge that teachers and asked. Such consultation is in itself eminently correct, since one of the things to be aimed at is the avoidance of friction, and when the procedure has once been established it is well not to change it without making sure that the change is acceptable.

Such a modification as is proposed would at all events have in its favor the fact that it is meant to emprasize the selective feature of the draft, of which the country has shown approval. No great objection has been made to the method first adopted, which practically amounted to fixing priority in service by lot. This was simple, intelligible and fair, and the country has been ready to abide by it, yet with a certain vague disappointment that more has not been made of the principle of intelligent selection. The case of the married men in particular at once revealed a weakness in the system. It was apparently the view of the war depart-The Germans had shipped to the ment that exemptions should be spares of drafted men. But the country had supposed that the first army was to be made out of the fit men who could best go first, and that if the need continued those provisionally exempted could go later.

Such flexibility can more easily be given to the system if the examination of registered men proceed as will know better where it stands when it has full figures of the number of men physically fit for service and simultaneously it will be possias many men under training as can be handled at present it will be possible to analyze the whole situation more deliberately and thus to work out tentative principles of selection which will mobilize the whole strength of the nation in the most orderly and

efficient manner. The essential first thing was to get army organization started promptly with an adequate supply of recruits for a beginning, and this sufficient justifies the method thus far adopted, in which the chief stress is put on the draft number. But if this is the first word in selective conscription, it is by no means the last, and the plan for going on with the examinations point toward possible im-provements. Incidentally it would have the considerable advantage of definitely eliminating those who cannot pass the physical tests and leaving them free to arrange their lives accordingly.

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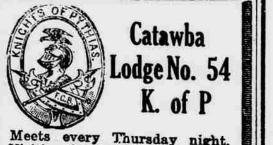
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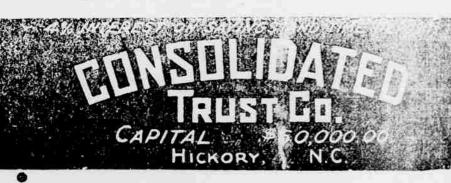
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