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Bickett.

Speaking for the dead generations of your Union county ancestry, for the present inbred loyalty and manhood inherited from the truest type of the common people whose devotion and sacrifice have made this country a past and present benediction to mankind, for the men and women now here who will never go back upon that inheritance, for a citizenship to whom the language of the disloyal and the slacker is an unknown tongue, for those whose strain of patriotism runs back unbroken to the mother of Andrew Jackson, we are proud of you. You are what we would have you to be. You are doing the work we would have you to do. More strength to your faithful arm.

**The Truth About Mr. Bryan.**

The announcement that Mr. Bryan is to speak in Monroe April 23, revives the now famous question, "Why did Bryan resign from the cabinet?" Many solutions, from the imputation of selfish motives on down to the insinuation that he was kicked out by President Wilson, have been made. Those who understood Mr. Bryan, however, long ago came to the conclusion that in resigning from the cabinet the Great Commoner did a patriotic, as well as commendable act. At the time of his resignation, it will be remembered, this country was charged with the war spirit. Carranzaites were menacing the American border, and war with Mexico, however undesirable, was eminent. Sensing the drift and thought of the country, Mr. Bryan decided that drastic action of some sort was necessary to change the drift of thought. After deliberation, he supplied this action by astounding the country with his resignation. In an instant war talk ceased, and everybody commenced discussing Bryan's action. In a few weeks, after the subject of his resignation had sufficiently occupied the attention of the newspapers and the people, the war spirit had so cooled that hostilities with Mexico were averted.

Recent investigations of German propaganda in this country and in Mexico bear out the above statements. Germany deliberately attempted to cause war between the United States and Mexico in order to divert the immense stores of ammunition we were shipping to the allies to our own use against the latter country, and also to shunt the rapid trend towards American intervention in European affairs on the side of the allies. Bryan's resignation, probably more than any other cause, thwarted this German attempt towards blinding us to the real issue which confronted the world.

Bryan, at the time, may not have had knowledge of this German propaganda, but he did know that war with Mexico would not enhance the glory of this nation. Like thousands of other loyal Americans, Mr. Bryan opposed war with Germany. More than likely this attitude was taken before the country really understood the German menace to civilization, and no condemnation should be heaped on his head for opposing war; especially, in view of the fact that he has been supporting the administration wholeheartedly since war was declared.

**Duty is No Burden.**

"No strong man ever prays that his burden may be less but that his strength may be greater."

Union county must do its duty. Our first war for liberty was for liberty for ourselves alone. This war is for continued liberty for ourselves and for freedom for mankind. There is less room for a slacker now than there was in 1776. Duty is no burden, it is a glorification, an exaltation of the world which Robert E. Lee said was the sublimest in the language.

The present duty is to buy bonds.

Don't blame our old friend, the ground-hog, for bad weather. His prophecy, you know, only held good for forty days.

Governor Bickett is the same old "Walt" his fellow-citizens knew thirty years ago when he was just one of the many Mr. Plain Citizens.

Chairman Morrow has side-tracked his War Savings stamps and Thrift stamps for a few days in order to give Liberty Bonds the right of way, speaking in railroad terms.

**Only One Thing Before the People.**

If you were to wake up at night and find your house on fire and the roof falling in you would have only one thought—how to get yourself and family out with their lives. You would not stop to settle any questions of taste in dress or plans for the future.

The military madness of Germany has set the world on fire and its sole aim is to destroy every government and people and agency and principle that stands in its way.

We cannot mistake its policy for its every deed since the war began shows that a deep laid scheme of forty years of plotting was deliberately planned long before the friends who conceived them had the opportunity of bringing on war. Not a woman has been ravished, not a baby been killed, not a church destroyed, not an old man and woman turned from their homes to starve, not a strip of country made more desolate than Sahara, nor a village raised to the ground and its foundations torn up, that was not justified in written documents in German literature long before the war broke out. Not even the long range shelling of Paris, the murder thereby of seventy-five women worshipping in a church on Good Friday, nor the wrecking of a maternity hospital by the same gun, was left unjustified.

The civilized world knows that German literature abounded in such stuff but it was not taken seriously, and would never have been unless the policy had been actually carried out. The human mind has never before conceived such wholesale devilishness. What has been done in Northern France and Belgium, and under German tutelage by the Turks, would be done to any country upon which the German hand might fall. Only one thing could save any such country and that would be the abject surrender to German servitude and Junker exploitation.

Because England first stood in the path of German plans and would not sell the balance of mankind into slavery by staying out of the war, German vengeance has burst with hellish fury upon that nation.

And now, since it appears that the United States is the final agency which must rescue mankind and without whose armies and navies the German devil would yet stride the world, all the pent up fury will burst upon us and the hymn of hate will be directed this country. Like England, we could have bought temporary safety by selling the balance of mankind. But we refused to sell the dearest thing that civilization has yet given us, and there is no turning back. We must win or perish. The die is cast. There is no looking back.

The man or woman who quibbles now and splits hairs and distracts with non essentials, or fails to do his duty is not worthy of the blessings of freedom. The South is loyal and true, but it is not yet awake. We are particularly fortunate in that we have no foreign element to contend with. Those sections of the country which have large foreign elements are now being tried in the fire. But loyalty is uppermost. Such sections have greater burdens than we. We can and are sending our sons with unspeakable loyalty, but we are not yet giving our money as we should. The South is profiting legitimately by the war and is fully able to do all and more than is asked of it.

The sole duty of every American now is to do his part in the gigantic struggle for righteousness and that justice and peace may not be driven from the earth. The principle means of doing it now is in buying the bonds and stamps offered by the government. Let this county do its share at once. What is done must be quickly done to be most effective. This county is almost wholly rural. The rural sections as a rule have not yet done what they should. The country is looking to us. The dying men and women of our Allies are looking to us. And finally, brethren, we are looking to ourselves, and our children will in the future be looking back at us to see how we bore ourselves this day.

**Lemmonds for State Senate.**

It has been suggested by some of the leaders of the Democratic party in North Carolina, that at this time it would be unseemly for the partisan faction in politics to wage a bitter campaign. This does not apply, however, to the peculiar conditions surrounding the selection of a democratic candidate for the State Senate in this district. In the first place election at the Democratic primary insures election, as there is a safe Democratic majority in the four counties composing the district, namely Union, Stanly, Davidson and Anson. According to precedent Union county will be allowed to name the senator.

Under present war conditions, it behooves us to go slow in the selection of this man. It is a duty we owe ourselves, our party and our country, to select a man of intelligence and ability, and one who will support the government in Washington without quibble or hesitation. We need a man who has been consistent in his politics, steadfast in his support of the administration of President Wilson, and who happily combines in his personality, seriousness with optimism, sternness tempered with that sense of the fitness of things and with a mind trained to think clearly and along logical lines. Such a man is Mr. W. O. Lemmond. We need his services at this time.—Democrats.

**Wants**

One cent a word each insertion.

**TWO GRADE** Holstein heifer calves for sale. Three quarters pure bred. One is nearly black. The other is more white than black. The dames are giving 42 and 40 pounds of milk daily respectively. The sire is a registered Holstein bull. His two nearest dams average over 27 lbs. of butter in 7 days. Herd is free of disease. Price \$25.00 each. Also have a registered Holstein bull calf for sale. Price \$100.00.—M. A. Mahoney, Mitchell, Va., Claremont Stock Farm.

**CABBAGE PLANTS** for sale—Millions of stocky field-grown cabbage plants, Jersey and Charleston Wakefields, Succession and Flat Dutch. Express \$1.50 per 1000; \$1.25 in 5000 lots. Parcel post paid, 500 for \$1.25; 1000 for \$2. Porto Rico and Nancy Hall potato plants, by express \$2.50 per 1000; parcel post paid 500 for \$1.75; 1000 for \$3.—E. E. Parker Plant Co., Tifton, Ga.

**FOR SALE**—King's Improved cotton seed, foddler, peas, and some nice pigs.—H. L. Price, Monroe R. 5.

**WANTED**—Twenty-five more girls in our sewing rooms. Nice clean work. We learn you how to sew, and pay you while you are learning. You can do your bit by helping to make clothes for the soldier boys. Come quick, or write the Southern Manufacturing Company, Chester, South Carolina.

**LOST**—On the streets of Monroe a small purse containing between \$3 and \$4 in a \$1 bill and the balance in small change. Reward for return to The Journal office.—Lura Williams.

**LOST**—A colored Merschaum pipe, somewhere between T. C. Lee's residence and the graded school. Return to Journal office and be rewarded.—W. L. Earnhardt.

**R. M. SHANNON,** (Graduate Shenandoah School of Music, 1917.)

I am planning to locate in Monroe as a piano teacher, giving lessons in the home. Rates reasonable. All interested will please leave their names with Mr. J. T. Holloway and I will call to see them after April 20.

**NOTICE.**

I will on Monday, May 6, 1918, at noon at the court house door in Monroe, N. C., sell to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy the taxes due the City of Monroe and unpaid, the following described real estate, to-wit:

- WHITE—1917**  
 W. J. Heath, 1 lot ..... \$41.50  
 D. F. Shepherd, 1 lot ..... \$22.00  
 T. H. Simpson, 1 lot ..... \$24.67  
 Bert E. Bennett, 1 lot ..... \$ .88  
 Mrs. Jane Boyte, 1 lot ..... \$ .50  
 Cathey Bros., 1 lot ..... \$15.40  
 W. H. Perry, 1 lot ..... \$ 3.50  
 C. B. Williams, 1 lot ..... \$ 8.80
- COLORED—1917**  
 Rev. J. A. Barber, 1 lot ..... \$13.20  
 Rev. W. K. Bennett, -lot ..... \$ 5.50  
 J. L. Brewer, 1 lot ..... \$ 5.50  
 Josephene Greggs, 1 lot ..... \$16.70  
 Jane Horn, 1 lot ..... \$ 5.50  
 Fulton Knotts, 1 lot ..... \$13.00  
 Helen Langstor, 1 lot ..... \$11.00  
 Alex Massey, 1 lot ..... \$ 3.84  
 Ella Starnes, 1 lot ..... \$ 7.12  
 Jim Mitchell & Wife, 1 lot ..... \$ 9.70
- WHITE—1916**  
 W. J. Heath, 1 lot ..... \$16.81  
 D. F. Shepherd, 1 lot ..... \$16.50  
 Monroe Mfg. Co., 1 lot ..... \$74.78
- WHITE—1915**  
 Monroe Mfg. Co., 1 lot ..... \$72.75
- WHITE—1914**  
 Monroe Mfg. Co., 1 lot ..... \$52.50  
 This April 9th, 1918.  
 T. L. CROWELL,  
 City Tax Collector.

**Market for Everything at the Trail.**

We buy anything from a pin hook to a gatling gun. Bring us your corn, chickens, eggs, hay, and everything else on down to and including butter-milk. Will pay in trade or give you the highest cash market price.

Plenty of seed peas in stock, including whippoorwills and white lady, price \$3.25 per bushel.

Specialty of heavy stock. We carry no frills or fancy stuff. Everything just plain hog and hominy with us. We work six days in the week and go to church on Sunday. See us before you buy or sell.

Red oats or white clipper, price \$1.20 the bushel, or \$5 per bag.

We are selling flour at \$3 for 50-pound sack.

Meat from 27 to 30 cents per pound.

Mule feed \$3.25 per sack.

Fifteen per cent mill feed \$2.75 per sack.

We carry big stock of Elba cotton seed meal.

See us and save money.

**C. L. KENDALL COMPANY,**  
 Indian Trail, N. C.

(The Best Town on the Seaboard.)

**Correct.**

"A scientist claims that the fly is responsible for the tired feeling we call laziness," said Old Fogey.

"Well," replied the Grouch, "on the other hand, the tired feeling we call laziness is responsible for the fly."

The fact that prayer is no assurance that it won't be closed with a flight.

**W. H. BELK & BRO.**

**Notions Are Complete.**

**LADIES' NEW NECKWEAR, COLLARS, TIES, ETC.**  
 Beautiful new Collars in Georgette Crepe de Chene, Organadies, etc.  
 48c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50.

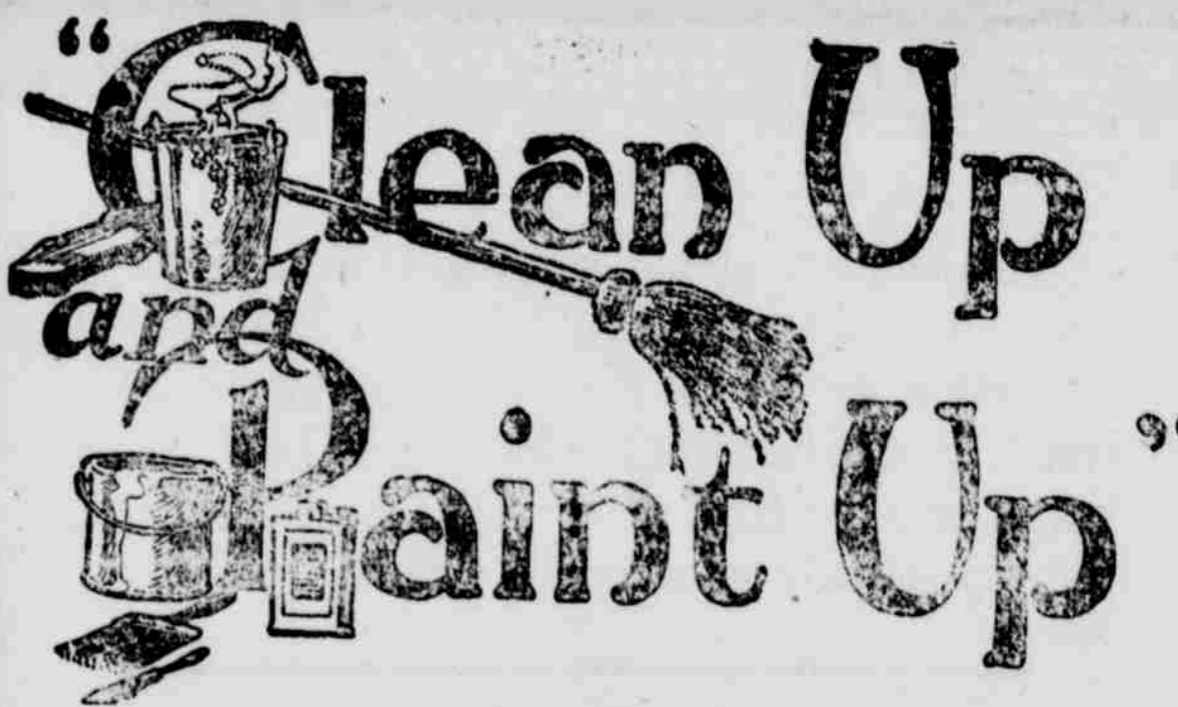
**SILK HOSE AT LAST YEAR'S PRICES.**  
 \$1.50 all Silk Hose, black and white ..... \$1.00.  
 Gordon and Gotham, best Silk Hose made, in the best shades Corovant Pearl Grey, etc., also in out sizes, ..... \$1.45.  
 Ladies' Silk Lisle Thread Hose, black and white ..... 50c, 75c, 85c.  
 Ladies' Mercerized Hose, real good quality ..... 25c and 35c.  
 Ladies' Cotton Hose, black and white ..... 10c pair.

**SPECIAL IN PALMOLIVE SOAP, ETC.**  
 Any 50c article in Palmolive Preparation and 15c cake of Soap for ..... 49c.

**Big New Line of WARNER'S and W. B. CORSETS and BRASSIERS are in,**  
 Consisting of the Newest Styles and Shapes.

**LADIES' GAUZE VESTS** ..... 10c, 15c, 25c, 35c.

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And we can help you do it during the week of the 15th to 20th. See our

**PAINTS, VARNISHES, FURNITURE POLISH**

**AND FLOOR DRESSINGS.**

**BRUSHES, BROOMS AND MOPS.**

**WINDOW AND DOOR SCREENS.**

**HOES — RAKES — SHOVELS**

**SAND and LIME.**

**POULTRY SUPPLIES AND NETTING.**

Come to us with your list of needs for "CLEAN UP WEEK" and see how quickly and reasonably we can fill your order.

**Monroe Hardware Co.**

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