

# THE MEBANE LEADER.

"AND RIGHT THE DAY MUST WIN, TO DOUBT WOULD BE DISLOYALTY, TO FALTER WOULD BE S. N."

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MEBANE, N. C., THURSDAY, MARCH 21 1912

NO

## PERSONAL AND LOCAL BRIEFS

### PEOPLE WHO COME AND GO

Items of interest Gathered by Our Reporter

Beas Albright was in town Monday shopping.

Miss Vandora Christopher returned home Sunday.

Mr Kitrel of Norfolk was visiting in Mebane last week.

Dr. and Mrs. York spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ned Brannock.

Miss Bell spent Saturday in University with her mother.

Miss Dove Malone of Burlington will spend Friday with Mrs. E. Y. Ferrell.

Mr. Bright went down to Wake Forest Friday to visit his daughter.

Mrs. J. N. Warren and Mrs. W. Y. Malone went to Greensboro Monday.

Mrs. J. G. Ferrell of Durham is spending a few days in Mebane with relatives.

Miss Lula Miles of Route 5 is spending this week in Mebane visiting relatives.

Mr. Clarence Miles of Route 5 spent Sunday here with his brother.

Sorry to note that Mrs. Henry Nicholson is ill, hope she will soon be out again.

Mrs. Floid Isley of Cedar Grove returned from Burlington Thursday.

Miss Vivian Oakley returned to Mebane Thursday after spending a few days in Burlington.

Mrs. B. F. Warren returned to Mebane Sunday after spending two weeks with her mother.

Miss Lillian Rice spent Saturday night with Misses Dellie and Felcie King in Mebane.

Mr. Nelson Miles spent Saturday night and Sunday in Mebane with friends and relatives.

Mrs. Arthur Walker and children of Graham spent Saturday last with Mrs. S. G. Morgan.

Miss Carley Kenion spent Saturday night and Sunday in Mebane with her sister, Mrs. Newman.

Royal Blue Ware is what Mr. W. T. Bobbitt would direct your attention too. He has in stock a fine line of millinery, also a full stock of shoes.

The Misses Forrest of Hillsboro will have their milliner opening the 22nd and 23rd of March and extends a cordial invitation to all to be present and inspect stock.

Miss Alice Bowland of Burlington places an advertisement in this weeks Leader in which she calls attention to her milliner opening March 29, 30.

Misses Hezzo Clifford and Everette King and Robert Minnis of Hillsboro, spent Saturday night and Sunday in Mebane with friends and relatives.

Make all your arrangements so you can be out and assist them on clean-up day. They will be glad to see you then, and know your service can be made very valuable.

Miss Annie L. Forrest, a returned Missionary from Japan will address the congregation at the Methodist Protestant church next Sunday morning and evening. The public is invited to attend these services.

Don't fail to note change of C. H. Dorsett's ad of Greensboro. Mr. Dorsett has on white goods as a special this week at reduced prices, but he carries a full line of nice things for ladies to wear all the time. Don't fail to see him.

It is no credit to a subscriber to keep postponing the settlement of his subscription. When a collector goes out and ask for a settlement it is a small matter to grant it. As we stated it is no credit to delay the settlement of the subscription to your home paper.

Spring is here, and while all nature will soon be clothing its self in the gayest of colors. Ellis-Stone and Co. have already been crowding space with the prettiest things for women wear. Nothing like it been seen, the very prettiest ever. Stores in Greensboro and Durham, you will get treated right in either place.

Holmes-Warren Co. change their advertisement in this weeks Leader. They announce a first class Tailor at their store the 22nd who will take pleasure in measuring you for a handsome spring suit of clothes. Don't fail to see their handsome line of samples. They have suits that will suit you.

Mr. George Ray whose home is near Efland, fell from the train while going to Hillsboro Monday, and fractured his skull. His condition was regarded as serious, but Dr. Thompson who took him to the hospital thinks his case as hopeful.

Mr and Mrs Slack spent one day this week in Greensboro

Mrs E Y Ferrell went to Burlington Tuesday

Mr Paul Philipps spent Sunday in Haw River

Mrs Clark of Burlington is visiting at her father's home, Mr T M Cheek.

Base ball Saturday March 23, 1912 4:00 P. M. Mebane Graded School vs Graham High School Admission 25c. Ladies free.

Mebane needs some small five and six room cottages, and she needs them bad. Houses built for comfort, with fire places that will draw, with walls reasonable high, and rooms reasonable large, not little goods boxes that burn you for a few minutes then if you seek ventilation you soon chill. It wont hurt to make things comfortable then charge a reasonable rent.

Remember the Base ball game Saturday 23rd. The Mebane Graded school and the Graham High school will contest for the honors in Base Ball. Both teams in good condition and a good game expected. Our boys have won three games in succession. Come out and help them win the fourth. Remember it is your own school. Come!

We had a dryer summer last year than ever remembered by the oldest inhabitants, and it was a fine crop year. We have had a more disagreeable winter to follow than ever known by living persons. Not but what some have experienced as colder weather, but take the continuous bad wet cold sleet and snow and it takes rank as the very worst year in history.

Among the Breakers

On Friday night March 22, at the Graded school Auditorium, "Among the Breakers" will be presented by home talent.

A full evenings enjoyment for every body, so come and bring your friends. Doors will be opened at 7:30 P. M. Reserved seats 35c.

Admission adults 25c. children 15c.

Proceeds will go towards the new piano.

Seats on sale at Drug Store.

Col. A. M. Waddell Dead.

The death of Colonel Alfred M. Waddell, one of the state's most distinguished citizens, occurred at 6 o'clock Sunday evening at his home in Wilmington, has cast a gloom over the entire community. He was one of the most prominently and highly esteemed citizen in that city and none knew him but to admire and respect him. He became ill about 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon and grew steadily worse until the end. He was in his usual good health up to that hour and was at his office as usual Saturday.

Governor Mann of Virginia issued a proclamation Monday, offering rewards for the three Allems implicated in the murder of Judge Massie and State Solicitor and Sheriff of Corral county, for their capture and return to the officers of the law.

For Sidney Allen \$1,000, for Sidney Edward \$1,000, for Claul Allen \$800, for Friel Allen \$500, for Wesley Edward \$500.

All You Want is Sand.

Just as soon as practical, steps should be taken to the arrangement of the paving the streets on one or more squares in Mebane. You know how it is when the mud gets churned up in the streets and the poor horses have to strain every muscle to the limit to move even a light load. This condition ought not to exist. It can be overcome and should be. Enterprise will do it.

As we have previously stated a persistent effort with the Southern Railroad company will secure reasonable freight rates on sand, and all you want is sand.

They Will Do It After all.

The Allems, before shooting up the court at Hillsville, Va., in which Judge, Solicitor, Sheriff and others were killed seems to have made their boast that they would never wear stripes, or go to prison. The chances are now absolutely certain that some of them will wear stripes, and others for a brief period will wear wristlets with wire attachments, commonly known as electrodes for an electric hair. The crime of the Allems is one of a most infernal character, diabolic to the extreme. It was not only murder, willful and deliberate, but it was trampling under foot the laws and courts of lands. It was anarchy riding rough shod over one most sacred institution.

FOR altering, repairing, pressing and cleaning, go to A. H. Whitted, up stairs over C. C. Smith's store.

## A Brave and Noble Judge.

Only the day before his death Judge Massie refused to yield to the suggestion of friends that he carry a revolver with him while sitting in the case of Floyd Allen. The judge was fully aware of the desperate nature of Allen and his brothers and other relatives, but said: "Rather than indicate a fear of lawbreakers by sitting on the bench with a weapon in my pocket I prefer to be killed in the administration of justice."

That statement of Judge Massie and the fearless manner in which he imposed sentence on Floyd Allen will do more to advance law and order in the mountain regions of Virginia than all the public speeches which were ever made on the subject. Judge Massie was a martyr to his duty. There was no cowardice in his makeup.

Only cowards and criminals carry weapons.

Clean Up Day.

Editor Leader: I believe that every citizen of our town wants to see a cleaner and better town. I note that our city Fathers have wisely appointed Saturday March 30th as a general "clean-up" day. I understand that all of the Factories will close down for that day, and that every citizen of the town is urged to lend his assistance that day, and if they will do this we will be surprised at what we can do, however to do much, we should organize and plan for this work. I suggest that our citizens and especially the ladies meet at the town hall over Holmes-Warren store on next Saturday afternoon March 23rd at 3 o'clock. I know that the good ladies of our town will pardon me the liberty, but I suggest that Mrs. F. I. White, Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Kee, Mrs. J. S. Cheek and Mrs. W. A. Murray as a committee. To meet before Saturday and arrange a programme and plans to organize and prosecute this work. I can assure these ladies that every man in Mebane stand ready to render all help and assistance possible.

W. E. White.

Orange Grove Items

The Farmer's Union enjoyed another of their delightful oyster suppers Saturday night. They consumed nearly four gallons of oysters. Now, can you guess the number of members?

Orange Grove boys made a creditable showing at Mebane last Saturday when they were defeated by the Graded school team by the score of 3 to 2. All the regular team didn't go or there might be a different story to tell.

The Orange Grove commencement will begin on Saturday night April 6th with exercises by the primary and intermediate grades. Sunday the annual sermon by Dr. Smith of Chapel Hill Baptist church. Monday 8th and Monday night will be taken up with the contests by the young ladies and gentlemen for the reciters and declaimers medals, and the annual lecture. At night the drama, "Among the Breakers" will be given. This play was given at this place about ten years ago and the people will be glad to know that it will be again presented.

Misses Helen and Thelma Reynolds spent Saturday night and Sunday with their parents.

Mr. A. A. Perry is building an addition to his home, which he hopes to have completed soon.

Misses Nannie and Gracie Lloyd spent Saturday night with Miss Recie Crawford.

Mrs. J. J. Crawford and daughter Miss Orpah spent Saturday night and Sunday with relatives in Chapel Hill.

Mr. Will Pickard of Durham, and an old student of Orange Grove spent a few days with his parents last week.

Cedar Grove Items.

Cedar Grove items have been snowed under for some time.

Mr. C. F. Oakley spent last week in town, we are always glad to have him around.

Recorders court was held last Thursday morning, one man was caught playing d, and was sentenced to the woods to chop one day.

We have one rogue in town but haven't been arrested yet.

S. W. Huges and Gaston Mitchell champion draft players.

Mr. C. F. Oakley has been practicing riding on his motor cycle in the house.

Mr. W. D. Wilson went to Etland last Friday a week, he joined the bird gang while he was gone.

Lots of talk in town over the good roads but I had rather see them than to hear tell of them.

We had a speaking in town Saturday night on good roads it was very good.

Miss Hobbie Skirt.

## Millinery Opening.

Morrow-Bason and Green of Burlington cordially invite you to their spring Millinery opening, beginning Thursday night March 28th at 8 o'clock and continuing through Friday and Saturday 29th and 30th. Let every body come and have a good time

Mebane Wins Opener.

In a 12 inning game of baseball here Saturday evening, the Mebane high school won from the Orange Grove school by the score of 3 to 2. The batteries for Mebane were Thompson, J. and Smith; for Orange Grove, Carroll and Cates. The features of the game were the pitching of Thompson for Mebane, who struck out 14 men, and the batting of Carroll for Orange Grove.

COURT OFFICIALS SLAIN

Judge, Solicitor and Sheriff Falls Dead Under Outlaws' Murderous Fusillade.

A troop of mountain outlaws rode down out of the Blue Ridge last Thursday to Carroll county court house Hillsville Va. assassinated the judge upon the bench, the prosecutor before the bar and the sheriff at the door in less time than it takes to tell it, while sentence was being pronounced upon Floyd Allen, one of their number.

When the crack of the rifles died away only one member of the human fabric of the court—Dexter Goad, the clerk—was alive and he had been wounded.

Three jurors, Fowler, Faddis and Kane were seriously wounded, and A. T. Howlett, Bruce Marshall and Stuart Worrell, bystanders were more or less seriously wounded. Floyd Allen, the prisoner at the bar, was shot several times, probably not fatally, Sidney Allen, his brother, who killed Judge Massie, was wounded, but left town with his friends.

Sheriff Webb's deputy, with county people, are guarding Floyd Allen. OUTLAWS HAVE GOOD START.

The outlaws with a good day's start, are up in the mountain bush with citizen posse, little organized, making a semblance of a pursuit. Sheriffs and deputies from neighboring counties cannot reach there before the next morning. A special train from Roanoke brought twenty detectives to Galax, the nearest railroad station, nine miles away. It will be midnight before these can get over the mountain roads, hub-deep in spring mud. It probably will be daylight before forces can be assembled.

Governor Mann has offered a \$3,000 reward for the capture of the assassins and holds State troops under arms for orders at Lynchburg and Roanoke.

THE MAD STONE.

Some Sensible Advice About a well Known Fake.

Just a word about that master fake, the "mad stone," if a man wants to risk his life, after he has been bitten by a rabid animal, fooling with a little old porous stone that has no more virtue than has a slate rock, why that is a matter between him and his own folly, but to see a little child who has been bitten by a rabid dog or other rabid animal taken to the "mad stone" and denied sensible treatment, that is pathetic beyond the power of words to express it. "But the mad stone stuck," says the fellow who believes in it. Yes it stuck to the wound, that "mad stone" did, stuck for a long time, and so would many another porous stone have done had an application of them been made to the wound. And the owner of the stone "stuck" the father of the child for a five dollar bill, too, and right there is where some law is needed, for if a man was to let his child die of any disease, except hydrophobia, and did nothing more for its cure than putting some old relic of a rock or stick to its body the law would handle him for neglect, and would hold him responsible for the death of his child. The man with the "mad stone" fake has been allowed to get easy money too long.—Monroe Enquire.

Subtle Logic.

Bridget and Pat were seated in a hammock, reading an article on "The Law of Compensation"

"Just fancy!" exclaimed Bridget, "accordin' to this, whin a mon loses wan av 'is sinces, another gets more developed. For instance, a blind mon gets more sinse av hearin' an' tuch an'—"

"Sure, an' it's quite true," interrupted Pat. "O'iv'e noticed it myself. When a mon has one leg shorter than the other, begorra the other's longer."

—From Norman E. Mack's National Monthly.

## WILL BEAUTIFY DURHAM

Ladies of Civic League Make Preparations to Begin Systematic Campaign.

The Durham civic league is making preparations to begin the work of beautifying the city and bettering the health conditions. A celebrated landscape architect of Hartford, Conn., has been employed by the league to draw a plan for a city beautiful. This plan will be carried out as far as possible by the league. Grass plots will be established around all of the public buildings of the city; flowers will be planted on the vacant lots and unused spots about the city, which serve as dumping grounds for refuse; a number of small parks with shrubbery, flowers and green grass will be established.

Special efforts will be made by the ladies to free the city of flies and mosquitoes during the summer months. This breeding places of these pests will be eliminated as far as possible along with the breeding places of other disease-producing germs. A strenuous effort will be made by the league to have the telephone, telegraph and light wires in the main section of the city placed under ground.

The ladies of the civic league will be assisted in their work by the civic committee composed of the most prominent citizens and which was formed several weeks ago.

NEARLY TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND MINERS GO ON STRIKE MARCH 31.

Negotiations Ended In a Deadlock.

The United Mine Workers of America and the committee of 10 anthracite coal operators ended negotiations at New York Saturday in a deadlock. Both sides declare they are standing firm—the miners for their demands of 20 per cent increase in wages, recognition of the union, a shorter work day and other concessions; the operators for a three year renewal of the present agreement which terminates at midnight March 31. Unless an agreement is reached by that date, it is estimated 180,000 hard coal miners in Pennsylvania will cease work.

Orphan Children's Concert.

We have the pleasing information that the Singing Class from the Oxford Orphanage will bring a tour of the State Monday, March 18, 1912.

We understand, on account of the growing demands for visits from the Class, already many most cordial invitations having been received from Masonic Lodges in North Carolina, the management of the Institution has deemed it wise to divide the tour into three trips, in order to give the children of the Class a rest between each trip.

The first of these trips will be through the Northeastern portion of the State. The second will cover a portion of the Piedmont and Western, and the third trip will take the Class through a portion of the Piedmont and Southeastern section. The Class never gives a concert in a town except by invitations and the dates are fixed considerably in advance of the entertainments which must be very necessary in such a continuous tour.

The Class is composed of ten girls and four boys, the teacher and gentleman in charge.

Our people have learned to look forward and expect an entertainment of unusual attractiveness and excellence, given by the bright and well-trained girls and boys of this noble Institution. The concerts last year were largely attended and reports of a delightful and most enjoyable hour spent at the concert exercises were received. Besides the pleasure, no cause appeals to us more strongly than the cause of the orphan child.

Binder for the Roads.

The absolute necessity of treating the macadam roads with the binder is demonstrated on the Yorkville road out of Charlotte. In Charlotte the macadam streets are as muddy as the old-time dirt roads. Just outside the city, but within Charlotte township the road is treated with tarvira. Hence for some distance in the country the bituminous binder is used. The tarvira is a rather thin preparation and is inclined to wear into holes, but these are easy of repair. The bituminous binder is heavier and holds the surface of the road like a rubber blanket. There is no mud on either stretch of these roads that have been treated with the binder, while the untreated macadam is full of mud and ruts. The bituminous bound road, furthermore, makes as pretty a drive way as an asphalt street.—Charlotte Chronicle.

## HANDS IN RESIGNATION.

On Account of Friction, Dr. Harvey W. Wiley Quits Bureau of Chemistry.

Dr. Harvey W. Wiley left the laboratories of the bureau of chemistry at Washington Friday night, where, for nearly twenty-nine years he had been chief chemist, no longer a government official, but determined to champion the cause of pure food from the ranks of the people.

Friction with his superiors and irreconcilable differences of opinion as to the enforcement of the pure food and drugs act were the reasons given by Dr. Wiley for handing his resignation to Secretary Wilson of the Department of Agriculture.

LONG CONFERENCE WITH SECRETARY WILSON.

Dr. Wiley's resignation came as a dramatic climax Secretary Wilson in the latter's private office. The Secretary would make no statement of the case otherwise than that Dr. Wiley had handed in his resignation.

Dr. Wiley will devote the remainder of his life, according to a statement issued by him, to the "promotion of principles of civic righteousness and industrial integrity which underlie the food and drugs act, in the hope that it may be administered in the interest of the people at large instead of that of a comparatively few mercenary manufacturers and dealers."

Peary's Smallness

If further evidence were needed that Commander Peary, alleged discoverer of the North pole, is an extremely little fellow, full of noise and conceit, and a sort of all round fore-flasher, he has just furnished such additional evidence. Instead of congratulating Amundsen on his attainment of the south pole. Peary used the press in an effort to show that even if Amundsen had reached the south pole, he had faced no such difficulties as he, "Peary," had in his mythical march north. Peary has demonstrated his smallness about every time he has opened his mouth.—Charlotte News.

The Press Convention.

The executive committee of the North Carolina Press association will meet in Raleigh next Wednesday to fix the time and place for the coming annual convention. It is understood that several invitations will be presented and urged before the committee. It is well to remember that the hands of the committee are partially tied by a resolution adopted by the last convention at Lenoir, accepting the invitation to meet at the Atlantic hotel, Morehead City, conditioned on the success of the committee in making suitable rates with the management. Failing in that, the committee, as we understand it, will be as liberty to consider other invitations.—Greensboro News.

What They Deserve.

(From the Rock Hill Record.)

Those South Carolina towns where editors are attacked and printing offices are burned should be left to their fate without newspapers. Without newspapers not one of them would ever have been conspicuous on the map; without newspapers all of them would be forgotten by the outside world in six months if you take them away.

There are but few newspapers published in small towns that are ever partially appreciated. There is too much tendency to listen to the pin headed yokels, who appears to have something they want to tell, and because it is about a newspaper there is usual a simpering crowd that is always ready to listen.

Concerning the Latest Fiasco at Newbern.

It seems almost impossible under our present system to get the criminal law enforced against murderers and it may be that the damage suit will have to be resorted to check homicides in North Carolina. Damage suits are somewhat popular in this State and it may be that one who is willing to kill another and take chances on the criminal law might take second thought if he realized that he would have to face a damage suit.—Statesville Landmark.

Etland Items

Mr. Gene McCadams recently took a flying trip to Jacksonville, Fla. He did not like "The Land of Flowers" as well as he does old Etland N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Lewis left here Tuesday for Oaks, they will make that village their future home.

Mrs. Falitha Boggs who has been confined to her room for several days with gripe and pneumonia is improving some we are glad to know.

## Mebane M. E. Church, South.

Rev. B. T. Hurley, Pastor. N. H. Walker, Supt. S. S. Preaching every 3rd Sunday at 11:00 A. M. and at 7:30 P. M.

Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30 and a union prayer meeting ever Sunday after noon at 3:00 o'clock conducted by the young men of the town.

Sunday school every Sunday beginning at 9:45 a. m.

Everybody welcome to all these services.

MAY BE DOMINANT RACE.

Awakening in China A Notable Ethnological Happening.

(From the Los Angeles Tribune.)

The awakening of China's 400,000,000 to democratic nationality, after centuries of a torpor that has made Oriental lethargy proverbial, fixes the year 1912 as one of the most important in all the history. Viewed both as to ethnology and numbers, its like has paralleled in the records of man. It is so monumental an event that its potential importance will be fully realized only in the perspective that time will provide.

Will the republic endure? If there are in the race the seeds to revitalize it, what will be the affect of the stupendous new homogeneous power on the present racial adjustment? As to the first question the wonderful patience of the Chinese may answer. A people who could wait 300 years for the opportune moment to strike off the shackles of a hated foreign control are likely to give the new form of government time to work out its destiny. There is absent the mercurial character of, let us say the Latin Americans.

There are other attributes of success. China has never lacked individual genius in statecraft and business, even in the years of its slowest national progress. Its Sun Yat Sen and Wu Ting Faugs are types of abundant constructive virility. It has long had in the city of Tokys alone 6,000 Chinese students yearly, and in America and Europe, thousands more, schooling themselves in the modern arts of the East. Within the past decade newspapers have sprung up all over the country, and they have learned their power.

Such a people can probably be counted on to make a success of democracy. And if they succeed, what will they do to other races? That may depend on how the others hold up under the conserving effects of wealth. Luxury is working a visible deterioration in the Caucasian fabric. History is a record of race succeeding race in dominance. Is the Chinaman destined to be the dominant factor in a new cycle of civilization?

A Corrupt Practices Act.

With a corrupt practices act in each State, and a Federal statute to match, limiting the expenditures of each candidate in all elections and making it mandatory that expenses be specified in detail and made public, elections would then be free from corruption.

Laws of this kind strengthened by legalized primaries, the initiative, referendum and recall would not only purge the elections of fraud but they would give the people a better chance to put into the public service more efficient and worthy men.

The manner in which national elections in the past have been carried, as indicated by Senator Culberson in placing before the Senate some pertinent facts as to campaign funds, should move all fair-minded men to give their assent to the passage of drastic measures that will do away with corrupt election funds altogether.

A bare statement of the facts is a sad commentary on our free institutions and our boasted popular government.

In 1896 the Republican campaign fund was \$6,000,000; the Democratic fund, \$700,000.

In 1900 the Republicans again had \$6,000,000.

In 1908 the Republicans collected from 1,330 contributors \$1,665,518, while the Democrats received from 50,000 contributors only \$620,644.

The largest single contribution to the Republican fund was \$110,000, while the largest one to the Democratic fund was only \$5,000.

In 1904 the Republicans had a campaign fund of \$11,000,000, and the Democrats \$900,000. Harriman raised \$260,000 in the campaign, and subsequently said that it controlled 50,000 votes.—Nashville Tennessean.

Last year France produced about forty-five million quintals of wine and sold about twice that quantity in the United States alone.