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THURSDAY EVENING, JANUARY 6, 1916

Nobody can blame the Commoner for entering a protest when his mileage claim was not approved by the court in New York before which he was summoned to appear.

We see by the press dispatches from Petersburg, Indiana, that the famous mule, Maud, is dead at the age of 42. Glad to know that the old problem of "How old is Maud?" has been settled at last.

Word comes from El Paso, Texas, that General Villa has been killed. We apprehend, however, that General Carranza will have to have a death certificate signed by a most reputable officer before we will believe the report.

The reports that the British authorities at Saloniki are offering rewards for information of the presence of German submarines in the Aegean Sea, are but to make one laugh! The authorities should be referred to the Lloyd's or some other ship mortuary agency.

The esteemed Greensboro Record expatiates on an anonymous communication, which it has received, and from the tone of which it concludes that the writer was a woman, and that she was mad. We venture the guess that if the first conclusion of the Record is correct that the author of the note will have the last word.

Brother Gonzales of the esteemed Columbia State responds to our words of congratulation on the occasion of John Barleycorn's departure and particularly to our proffered sympathy extended him and his associate, Sparks. "Man, we're dee-lighted." We hope we are not due any apologies for drawing the wrong conclusions.

A contemporary speaks of the terrible record for brutality and bloodthirstiness the Christian nations are making with their submarine warfare. It should be kept in mind that the principles of Christianity are not exemplified in the tactics of war, but the spirit of barbarism, which unfortunately hasn't yet given place to the teachings of the Man of Galilee.

The New Bern Sun-Journal remarks that because of the contribution of pecans made by some fair readers to Editor Britton, "the News and Observer may be expected to come out good and strong for the suffrage movement pretty soon." Man alive! don't you know that the cause of the Suff. has been championed for lo! these many moons by Britton? Why, it is even said of him that he has been a suffragette ever since he got married.

Hickory Daily Record:  
"Persons who are not reading daily newspapers these days miss a great deal. Many years from now thousands of pages of history will be written on the events served hot by papers like the Record."  
Well, we are somewhat surprised that Sam would admit so freely that he is printing "history."

RIGHT, AND NOT MIGHT, SHOULD PREVAIL.

The New York Herald is insisting upon the United States "confessing its shame or vindicating its rights" in the submarine controversy. The Herald thinks that the notes regarding the Lusitania, the Arabic, the Ancona, et cetera, should either be withdrawn or satisfactory replies insisted upon. The Herald doesn't suggest how it would proceed if James Gordon Bennett was at the helm instead of Woodrow Wilson; it doesn't mention how many soldiers it has in training eagerly awaiting the first call to arms; but it simply undertakes to show that the diplomacy of Mr. Wilson has been to no avail. The Herald will probably admit that as much pressure has been brought to bear in the notes as language will convey and that everything possible has been done so far as diplomacy is concerned to secure proper regard for the lives of Americans on the high seas.

The truth is nobody is satisfied with the results so far attained. The Administration officials themselves are far from being pleased with the outcome and the apparent disregard of promises made by the Teutonic powers. The people of the country haven't yet reached the point of asking Mr. Wilson to discontinue his diplomatic efforts and resort to force; they are still confident that Mr. Wilson knows what he is doing, and that he can be depended on to handle the situation to the best advantage. The talk of using force brings up a terrible and serious question, and the cost must be weighed most carefully before the gauntlet is thrown down. The United States has not suffered any loss of dignity because of her patience in endeavoring to convince the belligerents of the errors of their way. The results of a diplomatic victory will be far outreaching any that could be hoped for through force, because the principle of right and not might would prevail. And it should prevail.

"IMMEDIATE ACTION" IS CERTAINLY NEEDED.

Commissioner Wood was quoted in The Free Press Tuesday as favoring the immediate calling of elections for the issuance of township bonds for good roads. The record of the Board of Commissioners on the good roads question would hardly lead one to think that they favored any sort of bond issues for roads. They certainly have succeeded in sitting on the county issue, and in the meantime the roads throughout the county are said to be getting worse and worse. We agree with Mr. Wood in the "immediate action" part of his suggestion. Something ought to be done to give the county passable thoroughfares which will enable the good people of the Kinston trading zone to come here to market their crops and make their purchases rather than drive them to other more accessible points.

Six candidates for the congressional honors in Mississippi fought it out chiefly on Mr. Wilson's preparedness plan. Without knowing the successful aspirant's position on the question, it is safe to predict that he will come to Washington all bloated up and under the impression that he has the solution sewed up in his noodle.

Our remarks about Mr. Taft's fitness for the place on the Supreme Bench were hardly written before the news came from Washington that Associate Justice William R. Allen of the North Carolina Supreme Court was being mentioned, and that the North Carolina representatives in Congress would do what they could to secure his appointment. While we have nothing to retract from our Taft Article, we would not be so remiss as to fail to back the distinguished Tar Heel jurist if there is a ghost of a chance of his being seriously considered.

That the mother is the truest earthly friend is demonstrated in the long journey of Mrs. Delaney from her home in New York to her son, who has been in jail in New Bern. The young man created some notoriety here a few weeks ago by marrying a chorus girl, and since his departure was jailed on a charge of passing bad checks. The young wife is said to have left for her former home in New York to await the outcome of the troubles of her husband, but the mother came to share them and, if possible, help the son to escape. It would be well for those boys and girls who are prone to leave the straight and narrow path to meditate upon their obligation to mother, and have a care for her. Too often the wayward would feign protect their mothers from sorrow when it is too late; when the deed has been done.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

HEALTH AND EDUCATION.

Hickory Record: "What this country needs more than anything else is a vigorous campaign for health and education. These two things are what North Carolina needs and the health and educational forces should be upheld in the good fight."

"Health and education go hand in hand. A large number of people know little about the laws of health, and they cannot be reached without great effort. When all the people are given an opportunity to attend school and all the children are made to attend regularly, health conditions will improve."

"The physicians are doing a great work, but every agency should be enlisted in the cause."

TIME TO HEAR EVIDENCE.

Raleigh Times: "There are circumstances connected with the sinking of the Persia which seem to negate the idea of submarine attack. The ship sank in five minutes. 'A torpedo, though sure, is not usually so swift in destruction. 'No submarine was observed. 'In light sufficient to fire by periscope, it is difficult to reconcile this fact with the lookout maintained by

a vessel passing in war time through the most dreaded of waters.

"Testimony of survivors as to having seen the 'wake of a torpedo' must be subjected to a scrutiny almost as severe as that due the annual crop of deep sea salts who sight 'sea serpents.'"

"If a German or Austrian submarine did sink the Persia without warning, the time for protests has passed."

"It is because the act would mean war that the duty is so plain not to assume its commission."

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Southbound	Northbound
332.	333.
A. M.	P. M.
7:35 Ar. Kinston	5:00 Lv. Kinston
7:29 Ar. Hines Junction	5:05 Lv. Hines Junction
7:06 Ar. Pools	5:20 Lv. Pools
7:00 Ar. Dawson	5:27 Lv. Dawson
6:47 Ar. Glenfield	5:41 Lv. Glenfield
6:40 Ar. Suggs Sliding	5:50 Lv. Suggs Sliding
6:30 Ar. Snow Hill	6:00 Lv. Snow Hill

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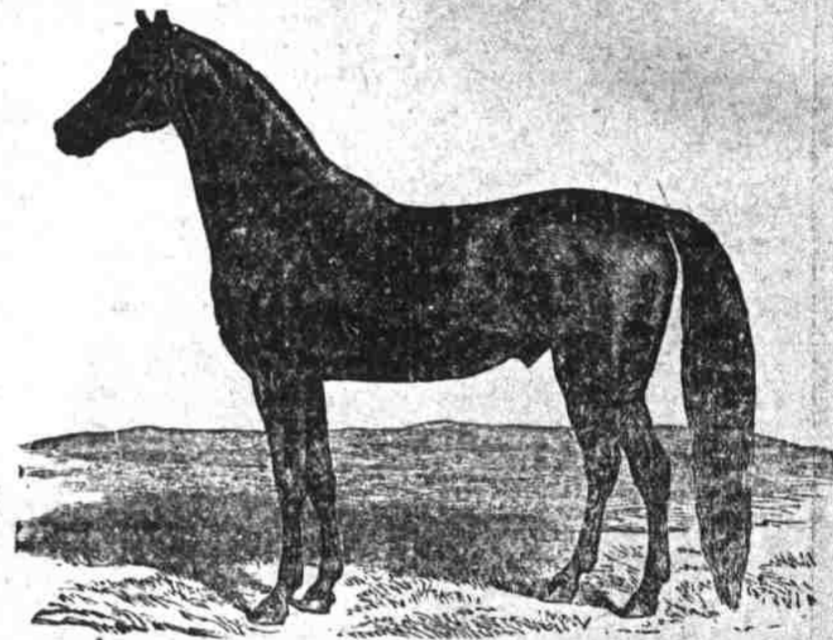
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MY EXTRA MAN FAILED TO SHOW UP TO-DAY, SO I WANT YOU TO HELP OUT WITH THE RUSH—CAN YOU MIX DRINKS?  
NOW YOU'RE SAYIN' SOMETHIN'—I'VE BEEN MIXIN' ME DRINKS FER YEARS!  
GIVE ME A SCHOONER OF CHERMAN BIER AND BE QUICK ABOUT IT!  
GIVE ME A TIPPERARY COCKTAIL IN A HURRY!  
DONNERWETTER!—VAB YOU TRYING TO INSULT ME?  
IS THIS WAN OF YOUR PRACTICAL JOKES, YOU YOUNG SPALPEN?  
TAKE DOT—YOU YOUNG LOAFER!  
TAKE THAT WID TH' COMPLIMENTS OF DINNIS O'RAFFERTY!  
EVIDENTLY DEM GEEZERS DON'T CARE FER MIXED DRINKS!

I'LL MIX TH' DRINKS FER YOUSE GENTS IN JUST A MINUTE!

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