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TOBACCO MARKET OPENS

LOUISBURG PEOPLE ARE VERY ENTHUSIASTIC.

Good Lot of the Golden Weed On all the Floors and Good Prices Prevailed—General Satisfaction.

The Louisburg Tobacco Market opened yesterday, according to the announcements previously made, in the shape of a very early morning sale. From early morning till late in the day droves of wagons carrying the golden weed could be seen winding their way to the several warehouses. On the floors of each of the warehouses could be seen a large lot of tobacco—almost equal to a mid-season break. And where the prices for the tobacco did not seem over high they were generally exceeded by the best judges of the weed to be good and as much as could be expected for the grades that were offered for sale. It was easily noticed that the piles that were brought up pretty good and clean growing "heads" to see who should have first sale the selling commenced at Hart's Warehouse where a large number of both farmers and citizens witnessed it. These sales continued till one o'clock, when time was taken for dinner. Immediately after dinner hour was over the sale commenced at the farmers' Warehouse and continued several hours. As at the sale a large crowd was present and general satisfaction prevailed.

The Farmers warehouse, under the management of Messrs. S. S. Meadows and J. N. Harris, two of our pioneer warehousemen made a good show at the start. These two gentlemen are well known all through this and adjoining counties and have proven themselves worthy to the tobacco farmers. They have with them Messrs. W. D. Jackson, book-keeper, Walter Faribow, of Wester, assistant book-keeper and floor manager and E. L. Jones, solicitor. Neither of these need any commendations on our part as they are well known by all of the tobacco growers who have frequented our market in the past several years.

At Hart's Warehouse under Messrs. W. H. Waddell and J. R. Collier two of our most popular and efficient tobacco warehousemen, was also a sale of golden weed was spread upon the floor of this well known warehouse. Here too the farmers always feel a warm welcome and as in the past were all satisfied with the result of the days sale. These gentlemen have with them this year the same force, Messrs. W. E. Uzzell, book-keeper, W. D. Fuller, assistant book-keeper and floor manager, with the addition of Mr. "Swap" Harrison, a friend to the farmer, as solicitor.

There were no sales at the River-House Warehouse yesterday owing to the arrangements for its running this season not being yet perfected. We understand that this well known warehouse will open under competent management in a few days, of which due announcement will be made.

Messrs. C. E. Johnson and B. T. Bailey will do the auctioneering for the market this year. Our people know Mr. Johnson, as an auctioneer, and to say where he turns up a pile of tobacco it has reached top price, will be endorsed by all. Mr. Bailey, too is one of the leading auctioneers of this whole section, and while he has only served this market one year, he had made many and among our tobacco farmers. From now on there will be regular sales on this market every day of the week with the exception of Sundays. And with our efficient and clever set of tobaccoists in charge there will be left no reason for any one to seek another market

on which to sell his tobacco. If you have never tried this market do so and then you will be in position to appreciate the value of our remarks. The buyers present on the floors yesterday were Messrs. Thomas D. Tyack, for the American Tobacco Company, C. B. Cheatham, for the Imperial Tobacco Company, J. B. Thomas, and S. J. Parham, Independent buyers. The visiting buyers present on the opening were Messrs. J. B. Massenburg and G. M. Perry, of Youngsville.

Base-Ball.

Louisburg vs Roanoke Rapids Thursday and Friday Aug. 12 and 13. Admission 15c and 25c. Let everybody come out and encourage our boys with their presence and the cash which the treasury needs badly, a fine exhibition of ball is promised. Batteries; for Louisburg Thursday, Fitzgerald and Turner, Friday Hedgpeth and Surles. Come out and see the great southpaw shoot them across.

Below we give the score by innings in the two games with Spring Hope. In the first game we were fairly beaten but the boys think that with a little better order on the grounds, and a little less dust in the Umpires eyes we should have scored two or possibly 3 runs.

1st Game.

R H E
Spring Hope 000 301 00*—4 4 4
Louisburg 000 000 000—0 5 3

Batteries, Balance and Jordan, Fitzgerald and Surles.
Struck out by Balance 11, Fitzgerald 6.

2nd Game.

R H E
Spring Hope 000 000 000—0 1 9
Louisburg 410 110 30*—10 11 7

Batteries, Avria and *Jordan, Hedgpeth and Surles.
Struck out by Avria 3, Hedgpeth 12.

A glance at the score will show that we lost the first game from failure to bunch hits as we had more hits and less errors than our opponents.

Graded School Opens

Supt. W. R. Mills informs us that the Louisburg Graded Schools will open on Tuesday, August 31st., and that the same force of teachers, who taught last year will be with them again this session. It is important that all children who intend entering should do so the first day. Further announcements will appear in our next issue.

Death of Mr. J. E. Wilder.

After an illness of four weeks J. E. Wilder (Bud) died at the residence of his parents on Monday last at 2:30 o'clock. He was 34 years of age and leaves a father and mother, three sisters and three brothers to mourn his sad death. "Bud," as his friends all called him, was well known and justly popular, both here and in the county, he will be missed not only around the home fireside, but by all who had ever been thrown with him. Large hearted, loyal to his friends and generous to his enemies if he ever had any. The funeral was conducted from his home on Thursday by Rev. L. W. Swope and the interment was in the cemetery. A large concourse of friends followed his remains to its last resting place and laid him tenderly to rest beneath a wilderness of flowers.

Boddie-Smith.

Oxford, N.C. Aug. 11.—Mrs. Luther Starks and Miss Mary Fort left Oxford to-day to attend the marriage of Miss Lucy Smith, of Oxford, to Mr. Sterling Boddie, which will take place tonight at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Alston near Louisburg, where the bride is on her visit her aunt, Mrs. Alston. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Smith, of Oxford, and the groom is a most estimable young man engaged in farming in

Franklin county. Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Smith are also at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alston to attend the wedding—News and Observes.

Mr. Boddie is one of Franklin county's industrious young men and is a brother to Messrs. S. P. and W. W. Boddie, and we extend our congratulations to the happy young couple.

Chamber of Commerce.

Base ball is a fine sensation. But are we fair to ourselves, our families and our town when we allow a summer sport to retard a movement which looks to the upbuilding of the entire community.

On last Monday night in the Court House the organization of the Chamber of Commerce was perfected by the election of the following officers:

J. R. Collier, President.
D. F. McKinne, 1st. V-President.
T. W. Watson, 2nd. V-President.
C. T. Stokes, 3rd V-President.
Dr. A. H. Fleming, Secretary and Treasurer.

The election of a Board of Directors was deferred until tonight, and it is the sincere hope of the officers elected that at the ringing of the Court House bell tonight the citizens of Louisburg will come out and let's all get together and go to work for the common good of the town. With a long pull, a strong pull and a pull all together, boys, we can double our population, increase our holdings and reduce taxes.

Died.

Mr. J. T. C. Johnson died at his residence about four miles west of Louisburg on Monday morning. He was about 70 years old, an upright man and a good neighbor. His remains were interred at Perry's church on Tuesday.

Mrs. Sidney Freeman Strickland, at Wake Forest on Monday last, her remains were brought to her old home near Louisburg and interred on Tuesday.

Grand Picnic and Barbecue.

Posters are being widely circulated advertising the grand picnic and barbecue to be given at Henderson on Friday, August 20th, by the Business Men's Association and citizens to the people of Vance and adjoining counties. Besides dinner there will be speaking by some distinguished person on some subject of public interest. Among the many free attractions for the crowd will be music by a good band, base ball game between strong teams and moving picture shows for the ladies and children. A big time is expected and everybody and their friends are invited to be present. Nothing will be left undone to make this day one to be long remembered in the history of Henderson.

The Utensils Needed in Canning.

Agate, enamel of earthen ware vessels are better than tin or iron. Wooden spoons are better than metal, unless, possibly silver, and cloth sponges should be preferred to wire ones. If it is necessary to use metal, be as quick as possible, and do not leave a metal spoon in a kettle of cooked fruit.

Glass-top jars are best. Pint ones are more economical for the ordinary family. The less lettering there is in a bottle the easier it is to get clean.

Rubber rings should be new every year. They become porous and brittle and the sugar in one jar of fruit will usually cost as much as a dozen rings. Dip them in hot water before putting on bottle, but do not allow them to stand it. The fruit should be fresh, firm and not over-ripe. Remove well all bad or bruised places, and cut a good section out with any moldy spot.—Mrs. W. N. Nutt, in Raleigh (N. C.) Progressive Farmer.

THE MOVING PEOPLE.

THEIR MOVEMENTS IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

Those Who Have Visited Louisburg the Past Week—Those Who Have Gone Elsewhere for Business or Pleasure.

J. S. Strickland spent Sunday at Ocean View.

Mr. Geo. W. Ford visited Ocean View last week.

J. R. Collier went to Raleigh Wednesday on business.

Dr. Joel D. Whitaker, of Raleigh, was in town Monday.

Miss Ruth Mitchell, of Oxford, is visiting friends in town.

Miss Sue Webb, of Warrenton, is visiting Mrs. L. E. Sooggin.

Miss Lizzie Jones, of Oxford, is visiting friends in town this week.

Miss Glennie Aycooke returned Tuesday from a visit to Ocean View.

Miss Mary Forte, of Oxford, is visiting the home of Mr. R. P. Taylor.

Messrs. C. T. Stokes, J. L. Palmer and W. P. Hant went to Raleigh Tuesday.

Messrs. Henry and Lewis Jones, of Oxford, are visiting friends in town this week.

J. S. Lancaster and wife returned yesterday from a visit to Ocean View, Va.

Miss Martha Laird Roberson, of Haw River, is visiting Miss Glennie Aycooke.

Mr. E. T. Rudd returned from a trip to Norfolk, Va., one day the past week.

Misses Janline Smith and Ellis Alford returned this week from a visit to Nashville.

Mrs. D. C. High and daughter, Miss Lillian are spending some time at Ocean View.

Mr. Wilson Harris and brother, of Durham, are visiting friends and relatives in and near town.

Mr. J. W. Hollingsworth returned Tuesday from a visit to New York and other northern cities.

Miss Mary Belle Mason left Tuesday for Rocky Mount where she will visit Miss Martha Byrd Spruill.

Editor R. E. Ranson, of the Spring Hope Leader was a pleasant caller at the Times office Wednesday.

Misses Sallie Charles and Elizabeth Cheatham returned home this week after a visit to relatives in Kittrell.

Miss Annie Belle King, who has been visiting Mrs. Numa Turner, at McCullers, returned home one day the past week.

J. A. Timberlake, of Savannah, Ga., stopped over on his way to Richmond and spent a few days the past week with his people near town.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bailey accompanied by William left on Tuesday for their annual summer vacation while away they will take in the exposition at Seattle.

Dr. T. O. Coppedge and bride arrived in town on Tuesday from their bridal tour to several northern cities. They drove to Dr. Coppedge's home about twelve miles east of town the same evening.

Messrs. W. G. and H. L. Thomas, of Raleigh, spent Sunday with their brother, the editor of the Times. They returned home Monday morning and were accompanied by little Louise Thomas, who will spend some time with them.

Miss Mary W. Yarborough, teacher in the Fifth Grade at Louisburg Graded School has returned home from the University of Penn. at which place she has been taking the Teachers summer course. She reports a pleasant and profitable summers work.

Mr. W. M. Sutherland, of Birmingham, Ala., who has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. R. C. Williams, left yesterday to visit his parents at Sutherland, Va. He was accompanied to Virginia by Misses Mary and Beasia Williams, who will visit relatives.

Mrs. Rosamond H. Ragdale, one of our efficient graded school teachers, has returned home from the University of Tenn. at Knoxville. She has been there for several weeks taking the course for teachers, and since her arrival home has had a very flattering offer to go to some place as teacher of English literature, but declined same as old Franklin County was home to her.

A SUGGESTION TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WEALTH OF THE TOWN.

There seems to be more sickness in and around town than usual and we often hear it remarked that there will probably be a great deal of fever and chills this fall. It seems that sickness is being anticipated as a natural consequence after so much rain. This may be true, but results from negligence as well as from natural causes, can be avoided by prompt and timely action.

Our doctors will tell you to fill your wells and use city water. This may be good advice and prove to be one preventative. But why have our wells gotten to be so dangerous since city water is available? Wells in low places, where surface water is allowed to drain in, are dangerous to health and should be condemned. Our city water may be free from germs, but the alum and soda it contains will eat up your stomach so completely that you will not be able to overcome the effects of germs you may get from many other sources which are in close touch to nearly every home in Louisburg.

I could chew, swallow and relish a dozen germs from a well of water rather than swallow one from the vile pig pens and offensive houses that are so near many homes in town, and often near front doors and bed rooms. It is a reflection on any town to boast of city water and electric lights and still allow selfish citizens to keep pig pens at his neighbors door. It is all right for those who own large lots, and keep clean pens, but the average town lot is too small. Every man will build his pen as far from his own nose as possible, and in so doing will put it close to his neighbors and any one elses pig pen stinks worse than your own. Some people have no nose for, or knowledge of their own offences. This matter should be looked after and pigs should be voted out of town. If they could do their own voting they would clear out because, at this season of the year, they are not hogs enough to want to be disagreeable to their neighbors or lie themselves in filthy pens.

Our people should wake up from their lethargy and see that the town is kept clean, the premises should often be inspected and the law enforced. A man can't ride around in a buggy and see into the back yards. It is true he sees more than he seems able to attend to. The high weeds should be cut and carried off, there should be a garbage field and nothing emptied short of it; now, trash is often taken from one part of the town and carried to another. The dying vegetation is dangerous to health. After so many heavy rains the earth is full of moisture and the high weeds and heavy grasses keep the sun's heat from reaching the earth and drying it out and the miasma arising from such sources fills the air with poison. Besides, in these damp and dirty places mosquitoes and flies live and multiply and it is known that they carry about with them disease germs from these places and are one of the chief causes and means for starting

and spreading disease. That part of the town originally intended to be Elm Street should be worked on, this could be made a nice public highway and there are some pretty building lots along here; but, as it is now, it is a reflection on the town, the almost forgotten name should be changed to "Garbage Row," the weeds are horse high and instead of its being made wider and kept improved it is getting narrower and looks like a cow lane with a monument of trash here and there and cart loads of tin cans, showing what wonderful efforts they are making to clean up front street. We people who do not live on Main street have no encouragement to improve our property while the streets are kept in such condition. Baker square could be made very attractive. It was given to the town to add to the attractiveness of that part and to leave a broad space adjacent to the residences and building lots in this section. But little or no attention is paid this part of the town while on account of its height and location it is one of the most desirable home sections. There would be several new houses built facing and near Baker Square if the Commissioners would extend College street and condemn the disreputable negro settlement that now blocks the way. The petition asking that this be done has been written and signed for nearly a year and it seems that the Commissioners cannot or will not hold a meeting long enough to attend to any matter connected with this part of the town. Yet, our tax must be paid while our property is depreciating on account of fire neglect. We are interested, and are willing to spend some money to improve the neighborhood.

There is much for some one to do if we ever hope to be a progressive town. If those in authority are not going to work for the interest of the town just step out and put in men who will hold meetings long enough and large enough to get off of Main street and away from their private enterprises, men who will work and plan and decide upon some method to advance the town and induce people to come here rather than to drive them away. We would not object to high tax if we could see where it goes and our property advanced instead of being allowed to depreciate in value all the while.

Louisburg is an aristocratic old town and the people here are among the best on earth, they are hospitable to strangers and kind and generous in sickness and trouble but it seems that the town is plenty large enough for them. Those in authority seem satisfied with their own business or they are not public spirited enough to start up any new enterprise or to keep the general condition of the town attractive enough to induce others to come. It may be that they are afraid of losing what they have, but it is probable that they are losing a great deal that they might have. We need a few good leaders who naturally like to see their town grow and who have pride enough to keep up with other progressive towns. But we need most of all a few good kickers, not men who just kick to be contentious, but men who are not afraid to sneer and bring to light things that are going wrong. I have respect for a kicking mule that is harnessed up wrong and driven by a selfish man who cares nothing for the animal that he has overburdened—that mule ought to buck right out of harness and turn things over generally.

Mrs. A. L. BATTLE.

A Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors and all those who so kindly rendered us assistance during our recent bereavement, also for the many kind expressions made. Mrs. and Mrs. B. F. WILSON.