

**VISITS HISTORIC SCENS IN GEORGIA**

(R. L. Isabell in Lenoir News-Topic)

Ten days ago the writer arrived in Brunswick, Ga., a beautiful city of some 15,000, situated on the north side of Oglethorpe bay and flanked on the east by the picturesque islands of St. Simon and Jekyll, between which may be seen the broad Atlantic some ten miles away. The bay leading to the city has a depth and breadth sufficient to amply accommodate largest vessels under their own steam. Jekyll island is six miles in length and three in breadth and is owned by the Jekyll Island Club, a group of America's richest men whose membership, it is said, represents one-seventh of the wealth of the world. Only those whose wealth are in keeping with this syndicate of wealth and their servants are allowed to dwell on the island.

St. Simon, lying to the north and separated by the inlet connecting Oglethorpe bay with the ocean, is much larger in area and richer in historic lore. On it is located Georgia's oldest English ruin, the remains of the fort erected by Oglethorpe at Frederica. It was built in 1736 on a bluff that commands the water approaches of the bay on the west side of the island. An old cannon about half consumed by rust, lies in one corner of the fort, the muzzle now used as the habitat of that too easily insulted hymenopterous insect familiarly known as the wasp, more dreadful now than the gun. A town was built just behind the fort and grew to be of great importance in the colony. In 1740 it had a population of 1,000 and a regiment of English regulars, with Oglethorpe as its general. Charles Wesley, that sweet singer of Israel, and his illustrious brother, John Wesley, both preached at Frederica in 1736-37. The congregation which they organized was the beginning of what is now Christ church, Frederica, and the present building stands on the site of the building in which they labored. This church is nestled beneath majestic live oaks beautifully festooned with long hanging moss, keeping vigil over this sacred spot where slumber in costly marble-marked tombs those who beheld the scenes of the colony in its departed glory.

Only yesterday the writer stood by the decaying body of the tree under which the sainted Wesleys stood in their early manhood—28 and 32—190 years ago, and sang and preached the gospel of Christ in the wilds of a new world. These servants of God have departed, but not without ineffaceable footprints on the sands of time.

The first settlers on this island planned to raise silkworms and engage in viticulture. Some of the mulberry trees, grown to great size, stand in perfect preservation on the banks of Frederica river within what was once the confines of the fort and are a constant reminder of an industry which once held sway.

The first Sea Island cotton grown in America was grown on this island in 1785 from seeds from the Ba-

hamas.

Shortly after the Spaniards introduced horses on the American continent by bringing them to their settlements in Florida, they were brought to St. Simon island by missionaries, and the descendants of these horses are to be found on the island today in great numbers. They are known as "march tackies" and are easily identified by their long manes and tails, which often drag the ground.

On June 28, 1742, the Spaniards landed 5,000 soldiers on the south end of the island, and Gen. Oglethorpe with 700 men fell upon them in the early morning of July 7 while they were breakfasting and the battle of Bloody March was fought, which resulted in a brilliant victory for the English and forever stayed the tide of Spanish invasion. Oglethorpe returned to England one year later and after a long life of heroic deeds and enviable achievement passed away at the age of 97. It is said he was offered a commander's place in the English army during the Revolution, but refused it, stating that he knew the colonies and that they could never be subdued by force.

Beautiful roads traverse the island and many are seeking this semi-tropical place for both a winter and summer retreat where they may get the ocean breezes and drink pure water from the many overflowing artesian wells.

**WHO WON THE WAR? IS YET A LIVE QUESTION**

Washington, March 30.—Derogatory remarks at home and abroad concerning America's effort in the great war drew sharp fire today in the senate from Senator Reed, Republican, of Pennsylvania, himself a war veteran, and Senator Johnson, Republican, of California.

Replying directly to a statement by Senator Edge, Republican, New Jersey, that the Allies "were fighting our war" until the United States was able to get its force into shape, Senator Reed declared the Allies were fighting their own war and that American Expeditionary forces finally turned the scales.

Senator Johnson was both vigorous and caustic and referred apparently to recent remarks on the debt situation by Winston Churchill, chancellor of the exchequer of Great Britain. He declared he resented the remarks of "men across the sea speaking of our attitude during the war, stating that this country devoted itself merely to making money."

**A Public Benefactor**

Valet—"What shall I do with this old clothing, sir?"

Philanthropist—"Give it to the Near East Relief."

Valet—"And these old books and magazines?"

Philanthropist—"The Salvation Army."

Valet—"And shall I throw away these old pen points?"

Philanthropist—"No. Give 'em to the postoffice department."—Life.

Ink on old Egyptian and Roman papyrus consisted of a lampblack pig-

**NEWS OF INTEREST ABOUT ROMINGER**

Rominger, March 31.—Nearly every farmer in this section is busily engaged in plowing this week.

Mrs. Ward, wife of Mr. J. A. Ward, died last week. She was very highly respected by all who knew her.

Mr. Wiley Harmon, an aged and respected citizen of the Beech Creek section, died last week.

Mr. Fred Rominger and Mrs. Nettie Trivett went to the hospital at Banner Elk last week, where they will undergo treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Trivett announce the birth of a son.

Mr. Carl Trivett made a short business trip to Hickory recently.

Rev. Mr. McGill filled his regular appointment at Piney Creek Methodist church last Sunday.

**A Good Reason**

"Yessar, dat hoss ob mine am de fastest hoss in de world! He can run a mile a minute if it warn't fo' one thing"

"And what am de one fmg'?"

"De time am too shorf fo de longness ob de distance."

**MOVING PICTURES ON FOREST FIRES**

Next week the county forest warden, E. D. Cook, and District Forester H. M. Sebring will show moving pictures on forestry and forest fires in the eastern part of Watauga county. The pictures will bring before the people's eyes the value of forests and why they should be protected from forest fires. Many of the pictures are taken out west and show many beautiful mountain scenes, both before and after the forest fire had burned.

The following is a schedule of the shows that will be given:

Bamboo consolidated school, April 7, at 7:30 p. m.

Elk consolidated school, April 8, 7:30 p. m.

Deep Gap consolidated school, April 9, at 7:30 p. m.

Everybody is invited to attend as the pictures are free—no admission will be charged. The pictures will be both interesting and educational.

**A One-Cent Sale is where an item is bought at the regular price and another one given for one cent more. There is one at the Boone Drug Co. this week only.**

**A Best Seller**

He had been looking over the Christmas cards on the counter for some time, when the saleswoman suggested: "Here's a lovely sentiment. 'To the only girl I ever loved.'"

"That's fine," he said, brightening. "I'll take five—no, six of those, please."—Western Christian Advocate.

**To the Republicans of the Seventeenth Judicial District:**

A convention of the Republican delegates from the counties composing the Seventeenth Judicial District, is hereby called to meet at Taylorsville North Carolina on Saturday the 17th of April 1926, at one o'clock p. m., at the court house for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the office of Solicitor for said district, and transacting such other business as may come before the convention. By order of the committee.

JOHN R. JONES, Chairman.

WADE REAVIS, Secy. (adv.)

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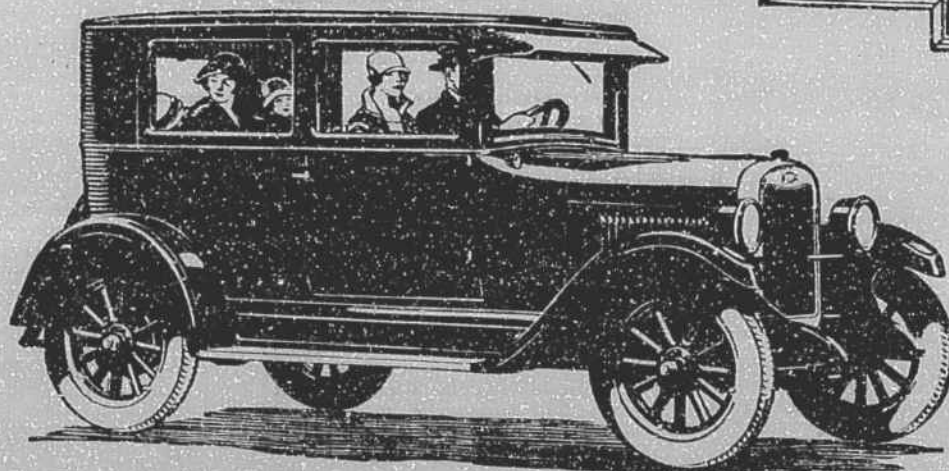
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We heartily appreciate the support and patronage our friends have given us in the past, and want to do all that we can to further their interest in the future, but in view of the financial condition existing in this section, feel that it is best to take this step. We hope that our customers will see the need for this, and will co-operate with us in carrying out the plan.

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