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GOOD SALES PAST WEEK

AT LOUISBURG TOBACCO WAREHOUSES

Prices Seem Higher and the Better Grades are Selling Well—Much Satisfaction.

It is generally conceded that on Friday a decided advance was noticeable in the prices for tobacco on the local warehouse floors, especially for the better grades.

Come to Louisburg with your tobacco and be among those who are so well pleased.

Bunn High School Notes

Our number is increasing. We have John Chamblee in high school and several other new ones in the grammar grades.

Rumors have been heard of a third high school teacher.

Misses Sallie Wilder, Annie Lee Seymore and Messrs. Scott Winstead and Frank Jones paid Miss Elizabeth Timberlake a flying visit Wednesday afternoon.

One of our boys, Sherrod Gay, has gone to call on Uncle Sam.

Miss Annie Lee Seymore and Mr. J. R. Ballentine attended the wedding of Mr. Willie Ballentine and Miss Xenia Edwards on Thursday of last week.

Mr. C. L. Weathers, who is in school at Wake Forest, was home to spend the week-end with his parents.

Miss Lonie Horton, one of our old girls, left Tuesday morning for Greenville, N. C., where she will attend Eastern Training School this year.

Misses Lillian and Gladys Ballentine, of Middlesex, and Mr. Eugene Ballentine, of Rocky Mount, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Joe Ballentine.

We are going to have a series of meetings in our new Baptist church the last week in October.

Do not forget our Fair! Only two more weeks, the 5th of October, 1917.

This Fair promises to be one of the best Community Fairs in Franklin county. Our people are all very enthusiastic over it.

Our committee on arrangements have not made their announcements yet, but they promise something good.

At 11 o'clock Hon. R. Bruce White will deliver the lecture for us. Following the lecture the Woman's Betterment Association will serve Barbecue and other appetizing eatables.

Our aim is to make this a day of profit as well as pleasure. We want our people to become more awake to the present opportunities offered them.

The Young People's Missionary Society

The Young People's Missionary Society met on Tuesday evening, Sept. 25th, at the home of Mrs. M. C. Pleasants.

There was no program arranged for the evening, but every one present enjoyed the meeting immensely.

One of our former Presidents was present (Mrs. G. R. McGrady, of Raleigh) and led the devotional exercises, she read the 13th Chapter of 1st Corinthians.

Following the devotional exercises Miss Mary Pescud, of Raleigh, made a very interesting talk indeed.

to us on Brazil, the rules and customs of Brazil. The prettiest feature of her whole talk was when she quoted the 23rd Psalm in the Portuguese language.

Those present at the meeting were: Mesdames E. H. Malone, O. J. Hale, M. C. Pleasants, and Misses Lonie Meadows, Julia Barrow, Elizabeth Massenbun, Fannie Lillian Massenbun, Sue Alston, Hodge Alston, Kathleen Egerton, Louise Thomas.

No business to be brought before the Society they adjourned to meet with "somebody" on Tuesday Oct. 2, 1917.

Franklin County Union

The Franklin County Union meeting, which will be held with the Pearce-Ann Baptist church Saturday and Sunday, gives promise of being one of the best held in recent months.

First Bale of New Cotton

The first bale of new cotton was sold on the local market Wednesday by Mr. J. M. Joyner, who lives about three miles west of Louisburg.

It was ginned by Allen Bros. water gin and was bought by Mr. C. T. Stokes at 23 1-2 cents a pound.

Randell's Chapel Revival.

Rev. C. T. Plybon, of Roxboro, will assist the pastor, W. M. Gilmore in a series of meetings at Randell's Chapel, beginning Sunday, 3 P. M.

Meetings during the week daily at 2 and 7:30 P. M.

Rev. Plybon is an unusually strong preacher.

A Big Carnival.

There will be a big carnival at Hickory Rock on Saturday night, October the 6th.

Come and bring your friends, and your money for there will be plenty of amusement, and ice cream to sell.

Be here at seven-thirty, and take it all in. We will keep you laughing.

Bridge Finished.

The street forces, who were given the contract to put a new floor on the bridge across Tar River here have finished the work and now the driveway looks fine.

They are now at work on the street at the south end of the bridge and will, after completing the street to the depot hill, begin laying the asphalt on Main street from the intersection of Main and Nash to the bridge.

They expect to complete Main street to the College before the time for the Franklin County Fair.

List of Letters

The following is a list of letters remaining in the Postoffice at Louisburg, N. C., not called for Sept. 28, 1917.

W. Clements, Mr. Alexander Dunston, Mrs. Lulia Patterson, Mr. Joseph Spivey, Mrs. Carrie Willoughby, Miss Jessie Yarborough.

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please state that they saw them advertised.

R. H. DAVIS, Postmaster.

Mr. Henry Page, Food Administrator of North Carolina will have an interesting and instructive exhibit.

A new building has been erected for the display of Woman's Work. The Canning Clubs of the State will have a cooperative exhibit.

Also there will be exhibits of Home Economics work showing a modern country kitchen, modern city kitchen, demonstrations of making cottage cream and cheeses of all kinds, demonstrations of perfect laundry work and weaving, basketry booth, modern child's nursery, home sewing booth, home conveniences booth, etc.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO REGISTRANTS. Office of the District Board for Eastern District of N. C. September 21, 1917. The following men, called for military service by the Local Board for Franklin County have been duly passed upon by the proper Local and District Board and are hereby certified as selected for military service and are not exempted or discharged: White 19 337—Chas. Andrew Clifton, Route 1, Mapleville, N. C. 27 596—Tolly Faulkner, Alert, N. C. 81 1847—Jas. Ivey White, Route 2, Youngsville, N. C. 172 1334—Solly Bennett Pridgen, Louisburg, N. C. 60 43—Albert Green Ayscue, Alert, N. C. 252 1543—Morton Alfonso Rudd, Route 3, Louisburg, N. C. 129 983—Vannie Bill Jeans, Route 2, Wakefield, N. C. 62 1548—George Washington Renn, Mapleville, N. C. 105 513—Robert Henry Evans, Route 2, Louisburg, N. C. 158 905—Grover Harrison, Franklinton, N. C. 122 1419—Walter Haywood Parrish, Wakefield, N. C. 171 620—David L. Foster, Route 6, Henderson, N. C. 221 623—Jonk K. Foster, Route 6, Henderson, N. C. 446 622—Henry P. Finch, Louisburg, N. C. 228 335—Clyde Franklin Collier, Louisburg, N. C. 112 223—Poynon James Brown, Louisburg, N. C. 382 822—John Wesley Holloway, Route 1, Franklinton, N. C. 430 212—John Taylor Barnette, Route 1, Louisburg, N. C. 428 336—Preston Troy Clifton, Route 3, Louisburg, N. C. 83 140—Sidney Burnette, Route 1, Alert, N. C. 101 1395—Jarvis Wesley Perry, Route 1, Wakefield, N. C. 237 1764—Kinchen Tant, Route 1, Louisburg, N. C. 29 536—Elliott L. Egerton, Louisburg, N. C. Colored 116 390—Friday Davis, Jr., Route 1, Mapleville, N. C. 73 1045—Frank Kelly, Route 2, Louisburg, N. C. 95 739—Owen Hayes, Route 2, Franklinton, N. C. 213 741—Junius Henderson, Franklinton, N. C. 137 194—Percy Hammond Blount, Louisburg, N. C. 74 1031—Elmas Vann Kearney, Franklinton, N. C. 447 585—James Foster, Kearney, N. C. 110 1955—Moody Williams, Louisburg, N. C. 155 982—John Johnson, Route 4, Louisburg, N. C. 258 112—Arthur Blackall, Route 3, Franklinton, N. C. 332 642—Robert Gilliam, Route 1, Louisburg, N. C. 289 1102—Charlie Lanford, Route 3, Franklinton, N. C. 352 974—Baldy Johnson, Route 4, Louisburg, N. C. 354 320—Ezekiel Clemmons, Route 1, Wakefield, N. C. The District Board for Eastern District of North Carolina By John D. Lanston, Chairman. By E. R. Pace, Secretary Date of posting this notice at office of this Local Board, Sept. 24, 1917 Date of posting verified and certified correct. Wm. H. Ruffin, Chairman A. S. Joyner, Secretary

HINTS TO REDUCE MOTION PICTURE HAZARD

- 1. Material reduction of the fire hazard in the motion picture industry is expected to result from the publication of bulletins under the direction of the Committee on Fire Prevention Regulations and Insurance of the National Association of the Motion Picture Industry, Inc. Bulletin Number 1, which has just been issued, points out that insurance rates on films and buildings where film is used are regulated by the losses and the hazardous conditions now common to the industry. It then sets forth, under the attractive heading "Ten Kinds of Fire Insurance That Won't Cost a Cent of Premiums" the following suggestions for prevention: 1. Keep plenty of water handy. (a) In an automatic sprinkler system suitable to your conditions; (b) In convenient buckets; (c) In faucets with an inch and a quarter hose and nozzle attached. (d) Have fire extinguishers, which everybody is shown how to use; (e) Keep sand pails handy. Sand will stop a small fire quickly and will not damage the stock. 2. Keep film in containers when not actually in use. The time loss in replacing it is nothing. Naked film is the one condition that guarantees that a little fire will get beyond control in a few seconds. 3. Throw film scraps into self-closing metal cans, never into open waste baskets. 4. Keep the cutting rooms, etc., well swept. The tiny pieces of film that fly about make the dust as dangerous as so much gunpowder. 5. Have a professional electrician do all your wiring, in accordance with every city ordinance, no matter how "unreasonable" it seems. Have the light globes caged—a broken globe may make only one spark, but that can ignite \$1,000 worth of film. Handle no film by any artificial light but electricity. 6. Box your radiators and steam pipes. The film that touches a hot pipe and crinkles up might just as easily have burst into flame. 7. Enforce the "no smoking" rule. Give the boys a smoking room if they need it, and make the boss and his guests who are looking over the place leave their cigars, cigarettes and pipes outside, as they would if they stepped into a theater for a glimpse of the picture. 8. Banish the "strike anywhere" match. Furnish boxes of safety matches free, if necessary. But don't have anything that will light except when it is intended to. 9. Keep only enough cement, gasoline and kerosene on hand for the day's work. They are all highly inflammable, and should be stored where they can do no harm. 10. Appoint one man or woman as fire monitor, and let him know it is all his job is worth to fall to call down the boss, the cutter, or the office boy for any carelessness. The bulletin is being distributed to all the affected interests in the business. The committee is composed of J. L. Lasky, Charles M. Biscay and H. Elliott.

The Better Babies Contest will be held in the beautiful new annex built especially for the comfort of the children and the convenience of the doctors and nurses examining them.

There will be educational exhibits by the State Board of Health, State Department of Agriculture, State Highway Commission, The State A. and E. College, Animal Husbandry Division of the United States Agricultural Department, the North Carolina Experiment Station, etc.

The new Woman's Building will be dedicated on Wednesday with appropriate exercises. Miss Jaenette Rankin, the only woman member of Congress will address the people at the Fair Grounds, immediately after the dedication of the Woman's Building.

A great string of fast horses will be on the race track and the free attractions will be new, novel and entertaining. The Fair will have the finest Midway ever shown in North Carolina. This will be strictly high class with no gambling of any sort nor any immoral shows. Over one

thousand feet of space on the Midway has already been sold to one company. The Fair is the best place in the world for instruction and entertainment.

Up-to-Date Prospective Guest—This is a very pretty town and I think I'll stay several days. What's the death rate here? Hotel Clerk—We don't take any dead ones here. Try the morgue.

Go to friends for advice; To women for pity; To strangers for charity; To relatives for nothing.

Spanish Proverb "I don't see how our candidate can be defeated."

"Why so optimistic?" "He has idealists to write his speeches for him and practical politicians to direct his campaign."

Wife (at breakfast) "Could I have a little money for shopping today, dear?" Husband. "Certainly. Would you rather have an old five or a new one?" Wife. "A new one of course."

Husband. "Here's the new one—and I'm four dollars to the good!"

CLOSE MARGIN OF PROFIT IN OPERATION OF RAILWAY

Large Amount of Capital Risked For Very Small Returns

OF VITAL INTEREST TO PUBLIC

Investors Will Not Provide Money for Improvements Unless They Are Assured a Reasonable Profit on Their Investment

Atlanta, Ga.—(Special).—The close margin of profit for a railroad under present conditions is strikingly shown by figures submitted by President Harrison in the annual report of Southern Railway Company for the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1916.

In the most prosperous year of the Company's history the net operating income (\$21,004,006.09) represented only 5.31 per cent on the investment (\$395,722,785.06) in the railroad and equipment which produced it.

"It may perhaps be said," said Mr. Harrison, "that there is no industry except a railroad in which so large a capital is risked for such a return in its most successful year."

At a time when the newspapers daily are printing articles in regard to increasing railroad gross earnings, as indicating a rising tide of general prosperity, it is well to bear in mind the very small return on money invested in railroad property.

Many persons are misled into believing that the railroads are fabulously prosperous by the mere size of the figures in which the earnings of large railroads are expressed, but it should be remembered that an enormous sum of money was required to construct and equip their plants and that the return on each dollar invested is relatively small.

It is manifestly in the interest of the employees of a railroad and of the public served that the railroad secure new capital for additions and improvements to its plant so that it may give better service and offer enlarged employment. However, this can be accomplished only by allowing the railroad to earn an amount on the capital already invested sufficient to promise a return on the additional capital desired.

Governmental agencies may depress rates and enact restrictive legislation which will deprive the man who has already invested in railroads of a fair return on his investment, but no plan has been devised for forcing the man with money in the bank to put it into railroad construction or improvement. Unless the investment appears attractive to him and offers a fair return he will put his money in some enterprise that cannot be affected by governmental agencies.

Every employee of the Southern Railway and every shipper served by it who recognizes his true interest will do what he can to insure such a return on the capital now invested in the Southern Railway as will make the securities of the Company more attractive to investors, so the Company will be able to secure the additional capital needed to carry on a consistently constructive program which will mean increased prosperity for every interest in the territory served by it.—Southern News Bulletin.

THE MOVING PEOPLE.

SOME YOU KNOW, SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Many on Business, Many on Pleasure, Others to be Going, But All Going or Coming.

Col. Henry Perry and Supt. E. M. Rollins, of Henderson, were visitors to Louisburg, Wednesday.

Mrs. Jesse A. Jones of Raleigh, has returned to her home after spending a week at the home of Miss Cooke, Louisburg, N. C.

Mr. Jesse Vaughan of Scotland Neck, arrived in Louisburg Wednesday and will have charge of the Singer Sewing Machine Co. business.

Mr. and Mrs. Carydon S. Jones have returned to their home in Raleigh, after spending the week with Mrs. Jones mother, Mrs. Giles Underhill, near Louisburg.

Mapleville Community Fair. There will be a Community Fair held at Mapleville Academy, Thursday, Oct. 4. The Fair will begin at 1.30 P. M. and continue through the evening.

Various amusements are being planned. Mrs. C. P. Harris will have charge of the needle and fancy work, Miss Anna Wheles, the laundry and kitchen department, Miss Roxie Harris, the flowers, Mr. J. O. Wilson and Mrs. W. E. Uzzell, amusements. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

Red Cross. The ladies of the Red Cross have been attending the tobacco sales the past week, soliciting a bundle or more of tobacco from each farmer and selling same to add to their funds. They have found the farmers ready and willing to assist in this good work and from the several sales have raised quite a neat sum to assist in their work.

Louisburg Sells Bonds. At a special meeting of the Board of Town Commissioners held on Wednesday the \$135,000.00 worth of Bonds were sold. The highest bid, which was accepted, was par with interest. Considering the present unsettled condition of the money market this is regarded as a pretty good sale.

Meeting U. D. C. The Jos. J. Davis Chapter U. D. C. will meet at the home of Mrs. J. E. Malone, Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 2nd, at 3 o'clock. Members are requested to notify the hostess if they will attend.

Mrs. W. E. White, Pres. Mrs. J. L. Palmer, Sec'y.

William Rowe. On August 17, the Death Angel came into our midst and claimed the life of our friend and neighbor, William Rowe.

William Rowe, Jr. was born Oct. 5, 1846 and died Aug. 17, 1917, having reached the ripe old age of seventy years. He was married to Priscilla Tharrington Dec. 1872 and to them were born 9 children. He leaves a devoted wife, and five children, viz: W. E. Rowe, of Louisburg; N. H. Rowe Moulton, S. C.; C. S. Rowe, Mrs. J. W. Ayscue, of Alert; Mrs. R. J. Turner of Henderson, who have our deepest sympathy.

The interment was made in the beautiful little cemetery at Corinth Baptist church, where he had been a member for fifteen years.

Our brother had been a sufferer for 16 months, but bore his sufferings with Christian fortitude, and died trusting in his God.

"How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord! Is laid for your faith in His excellent word! What more can he say, than to you he hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus hath fled!"

A. F. P.

"When do you think it will stop raining?"

"If I answer that question you'll want me to tell you when the war is going to end."

"Are you going to carry a picture of your sweetheart with you when you go to the front?"

"Yes indeed, Seven pictures, each of a different girl."