

COTTON—ROCKINGHAM
Today, Mar. 11th.
Good Middling.....00.00
Strict Middling.....39.25
Middling.....38.25
Lower grades.....23 up

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On Trail of Prisoner.

Sheriff McDonald received a telegram Tuesday from A. A. Wendell, Sheriff of Norfolk county, stating that he had a man named C. C. Moore in custody, and asking that identification and charges be sent. A deputy from the Sheriff's office will go to Norfolk Friday morning.

Two prisoners—Fred Butler and C. C. Moore—broke jail, or rather walked out, Feb. 28th. They were held for breaking into Stephenson-Belk and A. W. Porter's stores.

It is to be hoped that the man held in Norfolk is the one wanted here. Nothing has been heard as to Butler.

Superior Court.

The March term of Superior court for trial of civil cases will convene next Monday, 11th, with Judge Thomas B. Finley, presiding. The calendar of cases can be seen elsewhere in this issue. The next criminal term will begin April 5th. The other terms of court will be May 24th and June 14th, both for trial of civil cases only.

The following is the list of jurors for the March 15th term as drawn Feb. 2nd.

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| U S Webb | J A Andrews |
| J A Allred | F W Maurice |
| T L Becknell | E O Jordan |
| S W Odom | David S. Rice |
| D W Bethune | W T Collins |
| N M Kirkland | James Robinson |
| J R Morrison | Robt A Wilson |
| L H McIntosh | J D Patterson |
| L L Odom | E L Pressnell |
| H C Watson | J Alfred Covington |
| H M Baucum | B F Thomas |
| E E Privett | D M McKinnon |

Worth While Advertising.

In the Saturday Evening Post of March 20th will appear a double page advertisement of Hammermill Bond paper. Look for it and then follow that impulse—come to the Post-Dispatch office and have your stationery needs supplied.

Dockery-Allen Co., will, effective the 15th, go out of the retail ice business, having sold same to J. W. Thomas. They will continue to manufacture ice and sell it in bulk at their plant. See their quarter-page announcement on page six.

Stockholders Meet.

The stockholders of the Richmond County Savings Bank met Wednesday, and re-elected the old officers; they are: President, W. L. Parsons; Vice President, William Entwistle; Cashier, W. L. Scales; Asst. Cashier, Miss Octavia Scales.

C. C. W.

Sibert Howell waived examination before Squire Steele Wednesday morning, and was bound over to April 5th term under \$100 bond for carrying a concealed weapon. He is charged with having a pistol in his pocket in the Greek cafe Tuesday night.

Meshaw vs. Woodard.

John Woodard was given a hearing before Squire Steele Monday charged with the theft of \$11.50 from Bill Meshaw. He was bound to April 5th term of court under \$50 which J. W. Jenkins furnished. Both young men work at Hannah Pickett mill.

Library at Drug Store.

"Brockmann's", the Charlotte book store, has installed a circulating library at Fox's drug store. It consists of popular books of fiction, and are rented at two cents per day per book—a minimum charge of 10c being made for each book. Look the list over at Fox's.

BUILD A BUILDING.

\$20,000 FIRE

Cotton Gin of W. E. Crosland Burned Tuesday Night. \$20,000 Loss. \$9,500 Insurance.

The cotton gin belonging to William E. Crosland, in Wolf Pit township, was destroyed by fire Tuesday about 9 o'clock, with all its contents, consisting of 31 bales of cotton, 40 tons of fertilizer, 800 bushels of seed cotton and a tractor. The total loss is estimated at \$20,000 with \$9,500 insurance.

Fortunately, what little wind there was blew from the residence and so no nearby buildings were endangered. It is not known how the fire originated.

Marriage Licenses.

- Feb. 26—Lee Morrison and Nola Floyd, white.
Feb. 27—Jabe Smith and Sarah Liles, colored.
Feb. 27—Herbert L. Davis and Mrs. Hattie M. Deaton, white.
Feb. 27—Cartland E. Harris and Bertha Louise Leviner, white.
Feb. 28—Alexander Ingram and Sarah McRae, colored.
Feb. 28—Tom Bailey, Jr., and Lena Dumas, colored.
Feb. 28—Will Adams and Jennie LeGrand, colored.
Mar. 1—Cicero Fairley and Katie Pratt, colored.
Mar. 1—Franklin Roy Thomas and Pauline Matthews, white.
Mar. 1—Will Lowry and Annie McLaurin, colored.
March 6—Wm. E. Reed and Stella Webb, white.
March 8—Ernest Quick and Mary A. Mumford, colored.
March 11—Henry Leak and Nicey Morman, colored.

Health Pictures For Colored Folks.

The State Health Department is conducting a vigorous campaign for better health among its colored citizens. To better prosecute the work a health car has been installed as a part of the system. The car is equipped with moving picture machine and slides to show vividly the principles of sanitation and hygiene. Sadie Harris, the colored Rural Supervisor of Schools for Richmond county, informs the Post-Dispatch that this car will spend a week in this county, beginning March 29th, and of course the pictures and health illustrations are free. It is to be hoped the colored people will take full advantage of this chance to become better acquainted with health sanitation.

Sheriff McDonald will return tonight from Rock Hill, S. C., where he went Monday night as a witness in Federal Court in the Whitlock White Slavery case.

The dead body of Mollie Bass, aged 17, was found badly burned in the woods 3 miles east of Old Hundred, in Scotland county, Sunday. Burb Brigman, Lawrence Norton and Martha Ann Quick are in jail at Laurinburg pending an investigation as to their connection with the killing.

Just imagine what Kipling would say if he knew the use to which his beautiful "If" was put. Corpening has a way of telling folks "what's what" in the insurance game. Read his advt on front page.

The musical comedy, "The Love Kiss," at the Rockingham Opera House on Thursday night of next week will begin its performance promptly at 8:15 o'clock.

Call for Democratic Convention on Page Twelve

FLU WAVE PASSING

Big Decrease in Number of New Flu Cases. Only Two Deaths. Total Flu Deaths in County 22.

The influenza epidemic is very much on the wane, and the number of new cases daily is smaller. There were no new cases in Rockingham Tuesday and but one Wednesday. Outside the city, in mills and country, the new cases daily average about 14 now—and this is a decided reduction from the daily average of 40 of a week or more ago.

To date the number of deaths from flu in the county is 22 as compared with 156 during the four months of the 1918-'19 epidemic.

The Red Cross Nurse, Mrs. Byford, was released Monday, and she returned to Iredell county.

The daily report of new cases is on page twelve.

School to Reopen Fully.

All grades of the city schools will open Monday, March 15th. Parents are urged to start pupils without delay, unless there is still influenza in the house.

L. J. BELL, Supt.

County Schools.

The schools of the County now closed on account of Influenza are expected to open Monday March 15, except in those communities where the County Physician decides that it will not be safe.

L. J. BELL, Co. Supt.

City Delivery for Rockingham.

Congressman L. D. Robinson has secured city delivery postal service for Hamlet and Sanford, and the actual service will be in operation before summer.

Of interest to our Rockingham people is the fact that the postal receipts of the Rockingham office are now more than sufficient to have such a delivery service installed here. And upon request of Mr. Robinson, the Postoffice Inspector has been ordered to make investigation with a view of establishing this service.

The postal receipts of Wadesboro and Laurinburg are also large enough for delivery for those towns, and similar action will be taken.

Here's hoping our city will have this service, and that right early.

A Drunken Outfit.

Squire Steele held court Wednesday morning, and before him were two negroes and a white man, all of the Gibson Station section. C. J. Gibson, white, was fined \$50 and costs of \$7.60 for driving a car while drunk, and in another case he was fined \$15 and cost of \$5.30 for being drunk and disorderly on the public highway. Ross McKenzie, colored, was fined \$15 and costs of \$5.30 for being drunk. Mark Nicholson, colored, the third of the trio, was fined \$15 and costs of \$4.05 for being drunk, and in another case he was bound over to April 5th term of Superior court under \$150 cash bond for assault with a knife upon C. J. Gibson. It seems the three, with the white man driving, were drunk and drove from Gibson Station to Blewett Falls Tuesday night. It was while on the river bank that Gibson and Nicholson had a fight, the negro cutting several gashes upon the rear of Gibson's anatomy. The two negroes spent the remainder of Tuesday night in jail, awaiting the hearing of Wednesday morning.

OLIVER—The best and cheapest typewriter on the market, for sale by Felts Printing Company.

DUROC AUCTION SALE

Duroc Auction Sale at Fair Grounds Next Monday. 50 Blooded Animals to Be Sold.

Everything is in readiness for the auction sale of Duroc hogs to be held at the fair grounds at Rockingham next Monday, 15th, at eleven o'clock.

This will be the first semi-annual sale of the Duroc Farms—composed of the stock farms of J. F. Diggs, J. L. Everett, H. C. Wall, Wm. E. Crosland and H. F. Long.

Forty-five bred sows and gilts, and 5 under-year boars will be sold at auction, the sale to be cried by Col. W. D. Scott, of Edison Ga. Breeders and buyers from distant states, as well as adjacent counties, will attend. The animals of the Duroc Farms have a reputation. The herds are headed by Orion Cherry King, Jr., 6th and Col. Orion Cherry King, Jr.—two sons of the famous Orion Cherry King, Jr., who was recently sold for \$16,500.

Lunch will be served the visitors at the Fair Grounds at eleven o'clock Monday morning, and the auction sale begins immediately afterwards. Two wire lanes run from the Hog Building to the Cattle Building, and in this last named building has been erected a high platform on which each animal will be exhibited as the auction progresses. Grandstand seats surround this platform, so that the spectators and buyers can get a clear view of the animals. All in all, the arrangements are on a comprehensive scale.

The 28-page catalogue was printed by the job department of the Post-Dispatch and is quite handsome. The cover is of Russet Antique Hammermill, and paper of India Wedgewood. The design of the cover is in brown and green, with the border representative of our farming section—cotton bales.

Anyone desiring one of these catalogues can get same by calling or writing to the Post-Dispatch.

Triangle Debate.

Rockingham, Carthage and Laurinburg will be pitted against each other in the University State-wide Debating contest this spring, and Hamlet-Monroe-Lumberton will contend against each other.

To Samarcand.

Squire Wm. Little Steele and Policeman Ben Key left Rockingham this afternoon at 3 o'clock, carrying Mrs. George Langley (nee Rosebud Woodard) to Samarcand—the reformatory in Moore county.

The fire truck was called to the residence of J. W. Brigman, on Fifth avenue, Wednesday at 10 o'clock, but the small flame in the kitchen was extinguished without the use of the hose.

COUNTY FAIR DATES

Oct. 27, 28, 29, 30 Dates for Richmond County Fair.

The Richmond County Fair will be held next fall a week earlier than last year. The dates for the next Fair are Oct. 27, 28, 29 and 30—which is just a week after the State Fair is held at Raleigh. This will enable the management to obtain a much better Midway.

The officers of the Fair are Henry C. Wall, president, and A. G. Corpening, secretary and treasurer. Negotiations are on with the Zeideman and Pollie Exposition Shows, of Louisville, and it is probable that this big concern will supply the Midway attractions.

The officers are seriously at work now planning for this next Fair, and it is earnestly hoped that the people of the county will plan their exhibits NOW and all pull together in making this the best Fair yet.

Cotton Market.

Cotton continues to climb. N. Y. futures today closed: March 39.50, May 36.53, July 33.80, Oct. 31.57.

Price at Rham: strict middling 39.25.

The Government report for ginning for entire season will be issued March 20th. It is predicted that the Richmond county figures will show a ginning around 18,750.

New Fox Drug Store.

Our enterprising townsman, L. G. Fox, has added a fourth link to his chain of drug stores—today opening a handsome new one at Aberdeen. Mr. Sandford, registered pharmacist, and Mr. G. A. Charles are in charge.

The other Fox stores are at Rockingham, Hamlet and Biscoe.

For Morrison to Beat.

John J. Parker, Republican candidate for Governor, was in the city Tuesday. Mr. Parker is a fine speaker—just the kind of man that our Cameron Morrison will delight to lock horns with next fall.

\$75,000 Timber Sale.

The Richmond County Land & Development Co., Tuesday sold the timber rights on its 14,000 acre Leak-Everett tract to the Snow Lumber Co., of High Point, for \$75,000 cash.

Plant Food.

You need an especially prepared plant food for your garden, your lawn, your flowers. I have just what you want—the celebrated V. C. plant food, put up in 10 and 25-pound sacks. Let me have your orders.—E. B. Liles, grocer.

TOWN TAXES DUE

Tax Books for 1919 Taxes Now in Chief Covington's Hands. Pay Up. Rate \$1.45 on \$100, and \$3.75 on Poll—Same Rate as 1918.

The tax books for Rockingham for the year 1919 were turned over to Chief S. E. Covington Monday for collection. The rate is the same as for 1918—\$1.45 on the \$100 and \$3.75 on the poll.

This \$1.45 is divided as follows:

- School.....45c
- General fund.....45c
- Sinking fund.....55c

The total amount to be collected is \$26,563.27. The books should have been turned over to the Collector several months ago, but Chief Covington hopes that now he has the books, the people will settle promptly.

School Motor Trucks.

Supt. Bell, with Lum Warner and Merritt Head, Wednesday brought from Raleigh two new school trucks, made by the Wayne Motor Co., of Richmond, Indiana. These trucks are on Ford chassis, with carrying capacity of 20 to 25 pupils, and a speed of 15 miles.

One of these trucks will be placed at the Derby school; it has not yet been decided as to the other truck.

Ford Price Changes.

Effective March 3rd, the price of Fords advanced \$50, and Sedans \$100. Ford roadsters now cost \$625, touring cars \$650, Sedans \$950 (all with self-starters) f. o. b. factory.

Commandery Officers.

The officers elected Tuesday night for Rockingham Commandery, No. 23 K. T., are as follows: Geo. S. Steele, Eminent Commander.

- H. D. Hatch, Generalissimo.
- Jno. N. Hasty, Captain-General.
- Bruce Benton, Prelate.
- Jno. L. Everett, Senior Warden.
- W. T. Reese, Junior Warden.
- W. N. Everett, Treasurer.
- J. B. Williams, Recorder.
- Retiring Eminent Commander, B. T. Payne.

Rev. L. S. Massey, editor of the Methodist Christian Advocate, was knocked down by an auto driven by Martin F. Douglas, at Greensboro, last Friday. His injuries are mostly bruises. EDITORIAL

"EVERY WOMAN"
—at—
STAR THEATRE
Monday and Tuesday
March 15th and 16th
A great feature
Admission 25 and 50c

IF!
(With apologies to no one)

IF you can reach your office on the hour; IF you can dodge that pest they call the "Flu," IF you can think Prohibition without swearing, IF slush, and snow, and ice, mean aught to you, IF you can keep up with the cost of living, IF you can eat, and drink, and buy clothes new—you're not only a man, my son, "you're a WONDER." There's nothing in the world that need phase you—

BUT getting down to brass tacks—we've got to die some time, and it may be in a twinkling. **ARE YOU READY?** Is your life properly insured? Would your loved ones be left in strained circumstances? You should guard against such a possibility. Carry a sufficient amount of insurance. You owe it to those dependent upon you. Let us talk it over with you. Don't put it off. Death doesn't wait.

Richmond Insurance & Realty Company
A. G. Corpening, Sec.-Treas. Office in Hotel Building.