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THE BIG COUNTY FAIR.

GROWING INTEREST MANIFESTED

The Fair Officials Highly Pleased With the Results

In many instances the Granville County Fair surpassed all previous efforts this year. There were between 6,000 and 8,000 people on the streets each of the two days. The fact that there was not a single accident during the two days from vehicles, automobiles, etc., speaks well for the way in which the crowd observed the traffic laws. There was a slight accident at the Fair grounds Wednesday during the trial test of horses, in which one of the jockeys was shaken up, but that was not severe enough to attract general attention and cause any hindrance. The town and the Fair grounds was well policed, but they had nothing to do but join in the festivities. All the stores in Oxford closed on Thursday from 11 to 3 o'clock and swelled the crowd at the Fair.

The floats, representing the business activity of Oxford, attracted general attention. They were gotten up in good shape, and some of them were very handsome, especially the ones laden with pretty girls.

Those who heard the principal address, delivered by Col. French at the Fair grounds Wednesday, were highly pleased. He spoke on agriculture and live stock, and an old farmer friend nudged us in the side and said: "He has a happy faculty of hitting the nail on the head."

The best way to size up the Granville County Fair is to see it, and in a quiet moment reflect over what you have seen. Everybody saw the specimens of drawings, needle work, arts and crafts and hundreds of articles wrought by the school children of the county, but few are aware that these children had only a couple of weeks in which to prepare and submit their work. This is one of the most encouraging features of the Fair and it speaks well for the children and those who are guiding them.

There were forty varieties of canned, preserved and pickled vegetables in one exhibit. We dare say that if this exhibit was placed on the shelves of a grocery store for sale it would lay old man "Heinz and his 57 varieties" in the shade.

We have looked in upon numerous State poultry shows, but we have not as yet seen finer fowls than those exhibited at the Granville County Fair. There must be something in the air and water of old Granville that imports luster to the feathered tribe.

The beautiful pheasants of Tom Pace were admired by all who saw them and the imported Bantams were remarkably pretty—genuine importation shown by President Caldwell. Messrs. James Stegall and Russell Bowden, who so admirably managed this department, informs us that there were 103 entries with 634 birds, which speaks volumes for Granville.

We admire a hog when he belongs to the hog family. There were at least a dozen different breeds on exhibition, and so closely they matched in weight and beauty it would be hard to tell which thrives the best in Granville. The sheep and the cattle, too, were fine.

There were some very trim horses on exhibition, but the good old family horse, built on a solid foundation, predominated. There seems to be no limit as to size, style and beauty of Granville county stock if bred and reared on scientific principles.

If the farm exhibits were not as full this year as last, it is because the farmers were too busy to devote themselves to the task. But if there was any perceptible difference in volume it was made up in improved varieties. There was a decided improvement in the tobacco exhibit this year.

The most interesting and instructive

SHORT LOCAL PICK-UPS

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

About People and Things That Are of Interest to Our Readers.

Three cheers for the County Fair and its officers!

We had ideal weather for our County Fair, and everybody seemed to enjoy it.

The handsome new home of Will Long has been completed, and will move in soon.

Tell your neighbor about Public Ledger. We want him to become a subscriber.

The Public Ledger brings good results to its advertisers as it has over 10,000 readers.

Ring up Granville and inquire the reason of all this prosperity, with still more coming.

The Oxford Philatheas will celebrate their anniversary at the Orpheum Theater Sunday night.

The Methodist parsonage is in the hands of the painters and is receiving a white coat of paint.

Some people tell others their troubles and that's the way a lot of gossip gets started on its rounds.

A. A. Hicks has made some improvements to the interior of his nice colonial home on College street.

We are please to note that our merchants are enjoying a fine trade as Oxford is daily full of shoppers.

Owing to being a member of the Legislature Judge Graham will no longer serve as a Town Commissioner.

As we go to press today, Friday, Oxford is enjoying another large break of tobacco and continues to sell high.

Get good streets if you want to see everything improve in Oxford. By the way what has become of the street bonds?

It is a pleasure to us to learn that only two arrest were made during the fair, which were on account of disorderly conduct.

Have some township pride and help your township candidate win the wagon and harness prize offered by the Public Ledger.

We know you are on the lookout for bargains therefore we call your attention to the Doomed Sale advertisement of Nassef & Co. on another page.

On Wednesday of the fair Roy Morris and Willie Lee Currin were accidentally run into and thrown from the buggy and bruised up, the buggy being damaged.

The Merchants' Association of Oxford might follow the example of Salisbury Association, who have stepped in to aid in the enforcement of the law prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to boys under 17 years age.

The Fair is numbered with the thing that were, and the next big thing for Oxford is the Methodist Conference in December, and our people have commenced to make preparation for the entertainment of this fine body.

R. T. Blackwell says there is a man in Oak Hill township, who after eating a hearty supper, again took his seat at the table and eat 7 dozen eggs, and was seen the next morning about sun rise in his orchard eating apples.

When you hear of some occurrence STEP RIGHT IN—We will greet you with a "howdy" and a grin;

For we like to print the news And 'twill save our only shoes If we don't have to chase items in.

Lookout ye taxpayers as Sheriff Crawford Hobgood has received the taxbook and calls on you to meet him at his appointments and settle your taxes with no per cent off. Don't forget this matter and get your receipt and be free of the Sheriff. Read his appointments elsewhere.

THE MARSHALLS' BALL.

YOUNG PEOPLE ENJOY THE FESTIVITIES

Fair Visitors Remain Over in Oxford for the Occasion

One of the popular features connected with the Granville County Fair is the Marshall's Ball, which according to an old established custom comes off on the evening of the closing day of the Fair. Long before the festivities began the floor of the Armory is polished, the hall decorated with bunting and made ready for the occasion. It is an event that brings together the very best element of old Granville, marked for its chivalry. The hall was comfortably filled last Thursday night with young people who participated in the joys of the annual event. The ladies all wore handsome gowns.

Several young men from the University and a number of out-of-town visitors were present. Only the stately dances were indulged, with none of the latter-day touches added.

Mr. Eugene Crews led the dance. Refreshing punch was served during the entire evening by Mrs. Will Landis, assisted by Misses Martha Ferebee and Nette Gregory.

A pleasing feature of the occasion was the presentation of a handsome watch to the Chief Marshall, Mr. Jonah Veasey, by Mr. Hester in behalf of the marshalls, after which the marshalls presented their rosettes to their partners and at the conclusion of the dance all presented with beautiful coin purses as souvenirs of the occasion.

Chaperones were: Mr. and Mrs. Will Landis, Mr. and Mrs. Veasey, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Robards, Capt. and Mrs. Chas. Elmore, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Brummitt. Messrs. Beverly Royster, Frank Hancock, Outlaw Hunt, James Taylor attended the dance accompanied by several of their college friends from Chapel Hill.

The couples present were: Miss May White and Mr. William Mitchell; Miss Margaret Capehart and Mr. Willie Alston; Miss Sallie Burwell and Mr. Skinner; Miss Parish and Mr. Tom Howell; Miss Genevieve Cooper and Mr. Jerry Zollicoffer; Miss Martha Ferebee and Mr. Lee Taylor; Miss Lakel and Mr. Willie Fuller; Miss Marie Burwell and Mr. James Taylor; Miss Estelle White and Mr. Billie Landis; Miss Currin and Mr. Walter Crews; Miss Imogene Cannady and Mr. Wood; Miss Crittendon and Mr. Baldy Williams; Miss Lizzie Jones and Mr. Jones; Miss Belle Thorpe and Mr. Richard T. Gregory; Miss Marie Starke and Mr. Ben Thorpe; Miss Annie Gregory and Mr. Taylor Jackson; Miss Annie Davis and Mr. Caldwell; Miss Olive King and Mr. Pearson Harris; Miss Susan Webb and Mr. Will Adams; Miss Gant and Mr. Frank Hancock; Miss Annie Bryan and Dr. Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Parham.

Popular Young Couple Wed

The pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Eakes, in Fishing Creek township, was the scene of a beautiful wedding Tuesday morning, October 14th, when their attractive daughter Miss Sula, became the bride of Mr. Robert Lee Overton, a popular farmer of that section, Rev. Wallace Hartsell performing the ceremony. Miss Lilla Eakes, sister of the bride, played the wedding march, Miss Ethel Overton was maid of honor and Mr. Fred Phipps was best man.

After receiving the congratulations of the large number of friends who witnessed the ceremony the happy couple left for Clay where they took the train for a northern trip followed by the best wishes of a host of friends. The home was tastefully decorated and the presents were numerous and useful.

WANTED SALESLADIES—Apply at once at Cohn & Sons dry goods department.

JUST RECEIVED—Large lot of sound and well broken horses. Call and see them. HORNER BROS. CO.

SATISFIED CUSTOMERS.

MERCHANTS ARE HIGHLY PLEASED

Everybody Purchasing Better Quality and More Goods This Year

The state of trade in Oxford this fall has been very satisfactory to our merchants. Everybody is buying better quality and more goods this fall than ever before. As a general thing, merchants are weather vane, and being aware of the opportunities and the efforts of the farmer to raise large crops this year they accordingly laid in large and elegant stocks of goods. During the Fair and a few days previous, the merchants could hardly secure a sufficient number of clerks to wait on the people. But a Granville county crowd is always good natured and they willingly took their turns to be waited on. It is a very common occurrence to see people from over in Person, Vance, Durham and Mecklenburg counties making good substantial purchases in Oxford. We have heard many of them say that they have been shopping in Oxford for years and are highly pleased with the line of goods carried by our merchants and the prevailing prices of goods.

It is somewhat amusing these days to see people examine goods very carefully and after learning the price of an article ask the clerk if it is high or low tariff goods. We might as well explain here the effect of the recent tariff bill which will be felt for some time. It is a somewhat amusing thing to see people on some articles on and after January 1, 1914; on others, July 1, 1914, but it will be January 1, 1915, before it revolutionizes the dry goods business and not until then can we realize its full benefit.

Good Race Track Needed

It is the opinion of a great many well informed men who visited the Granville County Fair that a race track is of vital importance. Little groups of men were seen standing about the Fair grounds pointing to the adjoining lands and discussing the possibility of annexing a sufficient quantity for a good race track. The most feasible plan advanced was that the ravine on the northwest side of the Fair grounds could be utilized for a race track by putting in a large drainage pipe and leveling up the ground. We realize that the Fair is a training institution and all these things should be added to it as soon as possible. The races and testing the qualities of horses is a popular feature of a fair. Everybody at the Fair fully appreciated the additions that were made this year, and we believe the addition of a few more acres of land for a race track would meet with popular approval.

Rare Opportunity.

You will find one of the most extensive assortments of novelties and staple goods at Landis & Easton's that has ever been exhibited in Oxford. The goods are direct from the northern markets and are the latest designs. You will find the only exclusive shoe parlor in Oxford at Landis & Easton's. This well known firm has made a substantial reduction on ladies and misses winter suits. Their millinery and house furnishings appeal to the prospective purchasers. See Landis & Easton's adv. elsewhere in this paper.

Marriage at Fair Ground.

A marriage of a young couple was an event of interest Wednesday morning at the opening of the Fair. Mr. Edward Oates and Miss Emma, Hughes. The bride and groom were well known here where they were scholars in Oxford Graded School a few sessions ago. They had made arrangements to meet at the Fair and accordingly accompanied by friends and relatives. They met in Floral Hall and were united in marriage by Rev. E. G. Usry. They spent a happy day at the Fair and left for the home of the groom near Oxford.

MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE.

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW

Personal Items About Oxford Folks and Their Friends in General.

J. C. Kittrell, of Henderson, attended our fair.

W. H. Daniel, of Lyon, took in the Fair Thursday.

Roy Royster came in from A. & M. College to attend the fair.

Miss Bell Doggett, of Clarksville, is the guest of Mrs. C. D. Osborn.

M. F. Moore, of Stem, was in attendance upon the Fair Thursday.

H. M. Shaw has returned from a business trip to points in Tennessee.

Postmaster Gary, of Henderson, was in Oxford Thursday on business.

Mrs. John Gooch has returned from an extended to her mother at Clinton.

Dr. G. T. Sikes, of Grissom, was among the happy throng at the fair Thursday.

Mrs. Irvin Mangum and son have returned from a visit to relatives at Richmond.

James Taylor arrived from the University Thursday to attend the Marshall's Ball.

B. R. Tingen, of Tar River section, was in Oxford Thursday and attended the Fair.

Mrs. I. H. Davis and daughter, Margaret, arrived Thursday from a visit to Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bragg and sister, Miss Fannie Bragg, of Seba, were in town Thursday.

Miss Larine Dorsey, of Henderson, attended our fair and was the guest of Mrs. J. T. Britt.

I. E. Harris, the live cashier of the Citizens' Bank at Creedmoor, took in the Fair Thursday.

Miss Elizabeth Hancock, of the Burlington Graded School faculty, spent the week-end at home.

We were pleased to see a large number of the good people of Henderson in attendance upon our fair.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cheatham, of Route 3, and Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Cheatham, of Route 5, were in Oxford Thursday.

Dr. R. P. Floyd and daughter, Miss Hattie, of Franklin county, attended our Fair and were the guest of Oxford relatives.

Mrs. W. A. Adcock and two nice daughters, of Knightsdale, who are visiting relatives in the county, attended the Fair Thursday.

Eugene Moss, of Creedmoor section, who accompanied Dr. Bullock to Rochester, Minn., returned home in time to attend the fair.

The genial and bright Cortez Wright arrived Thursday evening and his numerous friends are extending him the glad hand.

Walter Perry, of Tar River, attended the fair Thursday and was in good spirits as he had found his lost pocket book containing \$135.

Major Nat A. Gregory, of Chase City, is spending the week with his brother, Col. R. O. Gregory, an enjoyed his old home county's fair.

Mrs. E. T. Rollins, of Durham, and Mrs. Webb, of Norfolk, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Steed, on Rectory street and took in our fair.

The many friends of Dr. Bullock, of Hester, who underwent a serious operation some days ago, will be glad to know that he continues to improve.

Rev. J. B. Floyd, near Roxboro, visited his sons, J. W. and James Floyd, in Oxford this week and enjoyed our fair where he met many of his old friends.

Our old friend R. W. Adcock, of Alexandria, Va., who is on a visit to relatives in the county, attended our excellent Fair and we were glad to receive a call from him, and congratulated us upon the continued success of the Public Ledger.

THE TRUE CONDITION.

LET THE FARMERS DECIDE FOR THEMSELVES

When They Know a Thing They Know It and Are Governed Accordingly

Loyalty, thou art a jewel! And by this we mean those who fraternize the home market. So far as practical it is the duty of every man in the county to confine his trading to the county in which he lives. Whether buying or selling it is the duty of every man to first examine the home market very minutely before he fully makes up his mind to trade elsewhere. Taking all things into consideration, if upon investigation he should find the price and the quality equal to that elsewhere, conscience should be the arbiter. If upon examination he finds that he can do better elsewhere, it is his duty and privilege to trade elsewhere. There is such a thing as setting a bait for a man, and this is a species of trading in which we would shield our farmer friends. Other tobacco markets may set aside a stipulated sum of money to boost certain grades of tobacco and for advertising purposes. It is the privilege of a farmer to journey to another county to capture some of the "catch money" and no one will blame him.

All that the Public Ledger has claimed for the stability and high averages of the Oxford tobacco market is verified by a number of growers who have sold tobacco elsewhere this season. Let the farmers themselves examine the true conditions and be governed accordingly, and if they find that other markets are paying higher prices for particular grades no one should blame him for taking his tobacco to that market; but all things being equal, the question of county pride can well be left to him.

Hard-Horn Beetles at Work.

In passing along the streets or roadways at this season of the year one will see many little twigs strewn about the ground. On investigation you will find that the twig was almost severed by the gnawing of an insect, leaving enough pulp and pith in the limb to be wrenched from the tree by the first gentle wind. This is the work of the horn-beetle, and they are said to be very numerous in Oxford this fall.

Mr. F. W. Hancock brought two twigs to the Public Ledger office Tuesday, one from a pecan tree in his yard and the other one from an elm tree. He explained to us that the beetle, after encircling the limb sufficiently for it to fall when shaken by the wind, buried themselves beneath the bark of the twig, and by removing the bark on the twigs we were enabled to trace the beetles to their hiding place. From the size of the twigs we expected to see an insect with strong jaws, but in circumference they are no larger than an ordinary pin and about one-fourth of an inch long. Mr. Hancock explained that the best way to exterminate the beetle is to burn the twigs, less they work their way back to the tree.

Special Bargain Sale

The policy of marketing dependable merchandise at the lowest margin profit has built Cohn & Son's business. Now is one of the best time to buy at Cohn & Son's just what you want most economically. You know all Oxford knows from past experience what Cohn & Son's announcement means. You can see at a glance on the last page that Cohn & Sons are offering extraordinary values. You will make no mistake by buying now for future use.

WANTED at once, 1000 pounds old country hams, medium size and well smoked. TAYLOR BROS, The Sanitary Grocers. 3t.

JUST RECEIVED—Large lot of sound and well broken horses. Call and see them. HORNER BROS. COMPANY.

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