



STILL STRUGGLING FOR MASTERY

WITH SNOW ALREADY ANKLE DEEP, LUNG AND THROAT DISEASE ADDS TO THE ORDEALS OF THE SOLDIERS

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CONDENSED WAR NEWS

Soldiers fighting in trenches knee deep in water, and swept by driving rains, is the story which still comes out of West Flanders, where the German troops and the allied forces still battle each other.

That serious encounters have taken place along the Yser canal is indicated in the French official announcement that the Germans have been driven back to the right bank and that the left bank, a small section of which the Germans had held for several days, has been completely evacuated.

To the South of Ypres, the allies also have been successful, repulsing a further offensive movement. This was accomplished, says the French general staff, with heavy losses to the Germans.

On the other hand Berlin claims a slight progress on the right wing, the capture of several hundred French and British in a preliminary encounter, and the taking of a strong force point in the forest of Argonne.

Another proof of the severity of the fighting in that section where the British forces are entrenched, is given in casualty lists just published at London, showing the loss of 56 British officers killed, 108 wounded, and 47 missing.

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Petrograd continues to report successes in East Prussia, and also in the region of Soldau and Neidenburg, where the Russians, however, are meeting with desperate resistance.

In Poland the Austrians are establishing defensive positions, while on the Galician front the Russians are advancing toward the passes over the Carpathians.

Austrian troops invading Serbia have met strong resistance at Valjevo, but along the river Save are making progress.

While the Turkish troops are reported from Constantinople to have occupied Kotura, in the Persian province of Azerbaijan defeating the Russians, an official statement from the British admiralty announces successful operations against the Turkish garrison at Sheikh-Said, on the Strait of Bab-el-Mandeb, at the entrance of the Gulf of Aden, and the occupation of the Turkish forts of Turba by Indian troops, assisted by the cruiser, Duke of Edinburgh.

British cruisers, thought to be the Suffolk, Berwick, and Lancaster, are lying off Colon with the position of passing through the Panama Canal to join the Japanese squadron off the west coast of South America.

DANIEL O'BRIAN
Mrs. Fannie B. Daniel announces marriage of her daughter Clair Reid

Mr. Thomas Beam O'Brian Sunday, November fifteenth, nineteenth hundred and fourteen at Home, Danland Berea, North Carolina

APPRECIATIVE AUDIENCE

The Orpheum Theatre was packed Monday night to witness the presentation of "Peg O' My Heart," an Irish-English farce comedy. The enlightened audience fully appreciated the remarkable skill of the actors and the tone of the play.

The people of Oxford can generally be relied upon to fill a house where merit is guaranteed.

"Peg O' My Heart" is only one of the good things coming to the Orpheum this season. Harris & Crews are remarkable clever in booking good wholesome plays and are as equally careful in their selection of pictures.

FOR BENEFIT OF EVERYONE.

Everything that the Public Ledger attempts to do to help in the upbuilding of the community is for the benefit of everyone within the county of Granville and not for personal gain as we have been working to that end for more than 25 years. If we can still assist in anything that will help boost we are your servant and we also want your co-operation in making the Twice-a-Week Public Ledger bigger and better and something to which you can point with pride as one of the county's best assets.

GRANVILLE SUPERIOR COURT

Judge Frank Daniel's Presiding—Large State Docket of Minor Offenses

The November Term of Granville Superior Court convened in the Court room in Oxford on Monday morning at 10 o'clock with His Honor, Judge Frank Daniels, who had exchanged this week with Judge Rountree, who is on this circuit.

Clerk J. A. Shotwell called the list of jurors drawn and the following list of grand jurors were drawn from a hat by a small boy: I. E. Howard, Foreman, E. F. Beck, Kemp Culbreth, Brock Davis, D. E. Brummitt, J. A. Tunstall, E. R. Slaughter, Lonnie Latta, T. Y. Longmire, L. L. Wilson, T. A. Eggleston, W. E. Stem, J. P. Bradsher, I. H. Evans, Robert Freddy, E. W. Dement, John West, M. A. Currin.

As Judge Daniels was suffering from the effects of a deep cold, and recognizing the fact that he had an intelligent grand jury before him, he did not enter into a regular charge but talked about 5 minutes as to the duties of grand jurors, as they were the guardians of the peace and dignity of the State.

Judge Daniels is numbered among the able jurists of the State and has presided over our court before and with satisfaction to the bar and people, and we are glad to have him with us this week.

Solicitor Gattis who has just been re-elected for another term was on hand and the State docket was taken up, and the Court entered upon its week's work.

Clerk-elect Cam Hunt is at the Clerk's desk taking lessons in regard to the running of the Court.

Up to this Tuesday morning the following cases have been disposed of on the Criminal docket:

State vs Andrew Yancey, a. w. d. v. guilty; fined \$10 and cost.

State vs R. W. White, gambling, guilty; judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs Jeff Satterwhite, Jr., and Shepard Wilkerson, cruelty to animals, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs E. L. Beasley, over speeding, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs William Chavis, retailing, guilty.

State vs Haywood Marrow, gambling, not guilty.

State vs Tom Harris, gambling, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost. Turner Branch, gambling, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs Edward Jones, gambling, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs James Wimbish, gambling, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs George Lassiter, gambling, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs Thos. Cook, assault, guilty, \$10 fine and cost.

State vs Waller Black, gambling, not guilty.

State vs Claud Harris, gambling, plead guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs Lee Harris, assault, guilty, 4 months on Person county roads.

State vs Bennie Littlejohn, assault, guilty, \$10 fine and cost.

State vs Arthur Chavis, gambling, plead guilty, \$10 fine and cost.

THANKSGIVING SPECIAL SALE

Landis & Easton announces elsewhere in the Public Ledger some attractive prices for Thanksgiving. The sale includes towels, handkerchiefs, ladies coat suits and cloaks, shoes, blankets, raincoats, dress goods and silks, rugs and druggets, hosiery, hats, pants, underwear, clothing, sweaters, shirts, suit cases and grip sacks. The stock is complete in every particular and you are sure to find what you want.

EVERYTHING IS RIGHT

It is reported from Oxford that Mrs. Caleb Osborn will be a candidate for the post office, asking to fill out her dead husband's unexpired term. There are fifteen other applicants, but each one of them should get out of the way for the deserving widow. Major Stedman should appoint Mrs. Osborn without consulting anybody. It is due her, and a more graceful act could not be recorded.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

About People and Things That Are of Interest to The Public Ledger Readers

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

We Escaped—Yes, we escaped the income tax. And the income escaped us.

Corn Shuckings—From what we can learn corn shuckings for the past ten days has been claiming the attention of the farmers.

Close at Hand—Thanksgiving Day is close at hand and turkeys are marching to slaughter to help celebrate the day.

Gloomy Sunday—There was a down pour of rain all Saturday night and all day Sunday, causing the people to stay in doors.

At Salem Sunday—Mr. John W. Hester will deliver an address at Salem church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Civic Club Meets—The Woman's Civic Club will meet this Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, in the Granville Commercial Club rooms.

Box Party—There will be a box party at Corinth school Saturday night, 21th of November. The public is cordially invited.

On Mechanical Drawing—Miss Bettie Mae Cheatham, of Browning school, Route 3, won blue ribbon on Mechanical drawing at the State Fair.

Fun at Bullock—There will be a very interesting entertainment at Bullock school house on November 19th and you are cordially invited to attend.

It's a Girl—A daughter was born unto Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gulick in New York City on the 14th instant and they are receiving the congratulations of their friends.

Farm For Sale—We call attention to the advertisement of Mr. M. A. Griffin, of Wendell, in another part of this paper, who has farms for sale.

Make Good Statement—The National Bank of Granville and the Oxford Savings Bank publish a most excellent statement in another part of this paper, which you are invited to read.

Man With the Dollar—We are not looking for a crow to hand us over \$40, but we are looking for the man who is behind on his subscription to the Public Ledger to come in and settle up.

Bright and Cheerful—Mr. J. I. Gordon, of Route 2, was on our streets Saturday with a genial smile on his face, and an elastic step, but we do not know whether he is on the carpet or not girls.

Fell off of Wagon—Our little friend, Master Jack Cobb, accidentally fell off of the Express wagon Saturday and hurt himself right badly, but we are glad to know that he is coming around all right.

Resigned Clerkship—Mr. R. W. Brown, who has served Uncle Sam faithfully for several years, has resigned his position in the postoffice, in order to devote all his time to his growing business.

Tobacco Selling Well—In spite of the cold wave as we go to press this Tuesday morning, our five excellent warehouses have good breaks of tobacco and we "carry the news to Mary" that the highest averages are reaped on the reliable Oxford market.

Trinity Glee Club—This most excellent Club will sing at the Lyon Memorial Building on Friday night under the auspices of the Philathea Class. Will commence at 8 o'clock and you are cordially invited to attend.

The Johnson Warehouse—We feel sure that what is said about selling tobacco will be of interest to the farmer therefore we ask him to be sure and read what Mangum & Watkins has to say in another part of this album of song.

Bids Oxford Adieu—Mr. Albright, the pleasant agent of the Kitchen Cabinet Co., who made Oxford his headquarters for several months, bade his friends goodbye Saturday and left for Atlanta. We hope he will find it to his interest to come this way again.

Look at Your Label—Listen! If you are behind in your subscription please send in a check, money, or money order and get in the Paid in Advance Class, as after the first of December the price will be at the regular rate of \$1.50. Attend to the matter today.

From Old Virginia—Mr. Geo. W. Gould, of Union Level, Va., sold a couple of loads of tobacco on the Oxford market Monday and was highly pleased with the checks he received. This is only one of the large number of satisfied tobacco growers who find their way to the Oxford market from over in Virginia.

PERSONAL ITEMS ABOUT FOLKS AND THEIR FRIENDS WHO TRAVEL HERE AND THERE

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW

Mr. Thos. Hunt, of Stem section, was in town Saturday.

Mr. H. H. Knott, of Stovall, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. Rufus Blackley, of Wilton, was in town Saturday.

Mr. R. T. Critcher, of Route 1, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. R. R. Strother, of Wilton section, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. J. W. Moss, of Route 3, was in Oxford Saturday.

Road Supt. Butler, of Stovall, was an Oxford visitor Saturday.

Mr. W. L. Umstead, of Knap of Reeds, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. A. S. Carrington, of Stem section, was on our streets Saturday.

Mr. L. Y. Gordon, of Tar River, was in town Monday.

Mr. E. W. Parrott, of Route 1, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. Zack Allen, of Providence, was among the Oxford visitors Monday.

Mr. J. H. Waller and son, of Weldon, are visiting relatives in Oxford.

Mr. R. T. Blackwell, of Cornwall, was in town Monday.

Mr. Joe Jackson, of Northside, was an Oxford visitor Monday.

Mr. D. Y. Hunt, of Route 3, was in town Monday.

Mr. Walter Gooch, of Hester, was on our tobacco market Monday.

Miss Bettie Lyon is visiting friends in Rockingham.

Mr. D. A. Coble spent the week end in Statesville, shaking hands with his old friends.

Mr. Yancey Oakley, of Culbreth section, was an Oxford visitor Saturday.

Mr. Goodrich Wilson, of Stovall section, was numbered with the Oxford visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Howard and children, of the Howard Nursery, were on our streets Saturday.

Mrs. R. H. Lewis and children returned Saturday from a visit to relatives in Fayetteville.

Messrs. J. C. Peace and J. A. Davis, of Route 3, were on our streets Monday.

Messrs. J. H. and G. W. Raggan, of Route 4, were in Oxford Monday selling tobacco.

Mr. J. D. Grimsley, of Snow Hill, is visiting his sister, Mrs. T. L. Booth, on College street.

We were glad to meet in Oxford Monday our old friend, H. T. Beasley, of Apex.

Mr. J. W. Adcock, of Richmond, was in Oxford Saturday returning from a visit to relatives in Northern Granville.

Mrs. Carraway, who has been the guest of her aunt, Mrs. T. L. Booth, returned to her home in Snow Hill Monday.

Mrs. A. H. Powell and Mrs. John A. Niles returned a few days ago from a pleasant visit to Mrs. Geo. W. Hobbs at Rutherford, N. J.

PIERIAN LITERARY SOCIETY

The Pierian Literary Society of the Oxford High School held its weekly meeting in the Auditorium of the Oxford Graded School on Friday, November 13.

The President read a chapter from the Bible followed by the Lord's Prayer in concert. Roll was called and the minutes of the last meeting read.

The subject for the afternoon was a debate, "Resolved, That Thomas Edison is greater than Benjamin Franklin."

Affirmative—Miss Nina Cooper and Miss Frances Mitchell.

Negative—Miss Ruth Parham and Miss Edith Howell.

The judges were Misses Helen Clement, Lorene Peed and Agnes Cannady. After deciding the matter over Miss Lorene Peed announced that the affirmative won.

The Society adjourned to meet Friday, November 20th.

DISTURBED BY FIRE

The family of Mr. E. G. Couch, who moved from Oxford to Goldsboro some time ago, where Mr. Couch is local manager of the Carolina Power and Light Company, had a close call last Saturday night. They were awakened by a sense of suffocation, and upon examination it was discovered that their home was on fire.

Fortunately they made their escape without injury and the greater part of their furniture was saved.

Trade at Home—Keep Granville's money in the county. Trade at home. Help the man who helps you. Put your money in home banks. This is advice and it is worth while.

OUR OLD TEMPLE OF JUSTICE

THE VAULTS IN OUR COURT HOUSE ARE ALMOST TOO SMALL TO CONTAIN THE ACCUMULATION OF VALUABLE DOCUMENTS

THINK OF IT, YOUNG MEN

Young men, have you ever thought about it? Three of our smart and talented young ladies have in the last two weeks taken the marriage vow and departed to adorn homes elsewhere. It was a swing around the circle, so to speak, the first of the three taking place at the Presbyterian church, the second one at the Baptist church and the third one at the Methodist church. Remember that "faint heart ne'er won fair lady," nor does the old adage that "there are as good fish in the sea as was ever caught" always hold good.

SOME TWILIGHT SLEEPERS

The "Twilight Sleep" idea is a beautiful one. Anything that tends to reduce pain and suffering is to be welcomed. But twilight sleep is nothing new in this part of the country. We know of some towns that are in a chronic state of twilight slumber and they will never "come to." Some of our own citizens, day to day in a never-ending twilight slumber. And looking over our list mentioning no names, go about from of delinquent subscribers makes us rise to inquire what the doctors use to bring their twilight sleepers out of the trance? Send us the formula, for there are a few subjects on that list whom we like to awaken. Did we call them twilight sleepers? Suffering cats! The deepest, blackest, midnight could not begin to equal the darkness and depth of their slumbers.

PARENTS DAY

Parents Day was held at the Graded School on last Friday morning and proved quite an interesting event. The teachers sent out invitations to all parents and urged that they come. Some 50 or more came and many of them seemed to think they had learned from observation of the work how to co-operate better with the teacher and remedy some of the backwardness of their children.

The meeting was very informal and the regular work was carried out. Some written work of every pupil was put on exhibition, so his or her parent could see just what was being done. The good thing about Parents Day is that it brought all together to see and discuss freely the problem confronting both parent and teacher and were mutually helpful. This is a move in the right direction as the most excellent superintendent and fine faculty need the co-operation of parents.

A WORD FOR THE ORPHAN

This would be a cold, bleak world if there were no sentiment in it. And it would be an aimless, pusillanimous sort of existence that did not rest upon sound business principles. Sentiment is the great driving force in the world to day. It is the mainspring that makes possible and insures the happy homes, and it does credit to every heart that cherishes it.

It is business that regulates and promotes the good work that sentiment brings to life, giving strength and success without violating its beauty of conception, and proves true the great wisdom that is its very core. It is business that corroborates the dictations of sentiment that lead to the care for children who are destitute. It tells us that it is not only beautiful to do this but that it is a financial investment that pays a big dividend. It tells us that it is better, it is cheaper, it is more economical, to maintain a child for a few short years at a small expense, than it is to allow it to undergo the ultimately expensive and heart-breaking experience that is the unhappy lot of nearly every homeless, destitute child.

In giving you greetings and wishing you a happy Thanksgiving, may we not ask you to meditate upon the condition of the innumerable orphan children that are crying out in great need? Can you not find a greater interest in the big business of child saving and partially express your thanks for the many good things that have befallen you by helping the orphan?

Came Near Drowning—During the down pour of rain Sunday Mr. Oscar Loyd drove into the creek near the home of Mr. B. F. Dean on Route 4, and came very near losing his horse. He called loudly for help and Mr. W. R. Nelson heard him and hurried to his aid. He managed to get to the buggy and cut the harness so the horse could swim out. Mr. Loyd soon reached the shore along with the horse while the buggy went ashore near the road.

By Virtue of its Admirable Situation Our Court House Can be Made one of the Prettiest Spots in the Grand Old State.

Some how or other we often take a perspective view of our old temple of Justice on the corner of Main and Hillsboro streets and wonder just how a more imposing Court House would look on that elegant site with a clock in the tall tower to mark the time of day. Viewing the edifice from the memories that cluster about it, the distinguished Judges who have presided there, the learned advocates, the impartial decisions and the justice that has been dealt out to the rich and the poor we can safely say that it stands as a proud emblem, but the building itself does not measure up to the culture, dignity, and refinement of old Granville.

Sacred feelings hallow a spire and mediaeval towers stand forth against the sunset sky, but around none of these familiar objects cluster the same thoroughly human associations which make a temple of justice attractive to the sight and memory. But it is when we turn from the historical and scientific to the familiar and personal that we realize the spontaneous interest attached to our Court House. It is a feature of our landscape, the goal of our countrymen and the seat of law. Not a brick shall we condemn in the old edifice.

The Grand Jury at the last term of court recommended some repairs on the Court House. If our memory serves us correctly we believe they stated that the roof was leaking. We have made no inquiries as to whether that and other items of recommendation have been attended to. Surely the blinds and the doors need painting and the brick work needs spotted and the facings to the outer doors are giving away.

A presiding judge not long ago whispered into the ear of a member of the bar that he thought it was remarkably strange that the good people of Granville did not provide a wider and more comfortable place for the judge. The lawyer replied good naturedly that evidently the people never realized that so august a person as he would ever adorn the bench.

We promised at the outset that we would not condemn a single brick in the Court House, but we figure it out that a great improvement can be made and a few brick be saved. Those who have climbed the narrow stairways on either side of the front door to the Court room above, will testify that the builders did not build wisely. These steps are only four feet wide with a sharp bend in them about midway. Only one person at a time can pass up these steps, and should you meet a person on them one or the other must stand aside. The stairs are dark, and not long ago an elderly lady lost her balance and fell headlong into the arms of a stalwart farmer. The first time you should happen to be in the Court House notice the construction of the stairs. They can easily be widened to eight feet, admitting more light and securing a broad landing at the turn of the steps.

It may not be generally known that the vaults for the reception and storing of the records of the county are taxed to their capacity, but such is the case, and something should be done in the near future.

We should like to see the old temple of justice brightened up, enlarged and made comfortable. By virtue of its elegant situation it will be one of the prettiest spots of the State when the good people of the proud old county decide to make it such.

COHN & SON'S SALE

It's in times like these that you need a sale like Cohn & Son's. Promptly Friday morning Cohn & Son's starts a sale that bids fair to be the crowning event of the store's career. A master stroke of merchandising in fact. Their one endeavor now is to sell their up-to-date winter stock as quickly as possible, so they have again cut prices with mighty little regard to profit or even cost.

If you want to save money on your winter outfit make it a point to attend Cohn & Son's sale and tell your friends as you will be doing them a favor. Everything in their immense stocks are now reduced in prices for quick action. Read Cohn & Son's advertisement on last page. It's worth while.