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SECRETARY BRYAN RESIGNS

Man Who Did so Much to Bring About Nomination of Mr. Wilson Breaks With President Over The German Note

Washington, June 8.)

William Jennings Bryan, three times Democratic candidate for the Presidency of the United States and author of nearly 30 peace treaties with the principal nations of the world, resigned today as secretary of state as a dramatic sequal to his disagreement with President Wilson over the government's policy toward Germany.

The resignation was accepted by the President. The cabinet then approved the response which had been prepared to the German reply to the Lusitania note. Acting Secretary Robert Lansing will sign the document and it will be cabled to Berlin.

Secretary Bryan will return to private life tomorrow, when his resignation takes effect. It was learned that he intends to continue his political support of the President.

Rather than sign the document which he believed might possibly draw the United States into war, Mr Bryan submitted his resignation in a letter declaring that "the issue involved is of such moment that to remain a member of the cabinet would be as unfair to you as it would be to the cause which is nearest my heart, namely, the prevention of war."

Bryan's Letter of Resignation

"My dear Mr. President:

"It is with sincere regret that I have reached the conclusion that I should return to you the commission of secretary of state with which you honored me at the beginning of your administration.

"Obedient to your sense of duty and actuated by the highest motives you have prepared for transmission to the German government a note in which I cannot join without violating what I deem to be an boligation to my country and the issue involved is of such moment that to remain a member of the cabinet would be as unfair to you as it would be to the cause which is nearest my heart, namely, the prevention of war.

"I, therefore, respectfully tender my resignation, to take effect when the note is sent, unless you prefer an earlier hour. Alike desirous of reaching a peaceful solution of the problems arising out of the use of submarines against merchantmen, we find ourselves differing irreconciliably as to the methods which should be employed.

"It falls to your lot to speak officially for the nation; I consider it to be none the less my duty to endeavor as a private citizen to promote the end which you have in view by means which you do not feel at liberty to use.

"In severing the estimate and pleasant relations which have existed between us during the past two years, permit me to acknowledge the profound satisfaction which it has given me to be associated with you in the important work which has come before the state department, and to thank you for the courtesies extended.

"With the heartiest good wishes for your personal welfare and for the success of your administration, I am, my dear Mr. President, very truly yours,

(Signed) "W. J. BRYAN."

Wilson Accepts the Resignation

"My dear Mr. Bryan:

"I accept your resignation only because you insist upon its acceptance; and I acept it with much more than deep regret, with a feeling of personal sorrow. Our two years of close association have been very delightful to me. Our judgments have accorded in practically every matter of official duty and of public policy until now; your support of the work and purposes of the administration has been generous anl loyal beyond praise; your devotion to the duties of your great office and your eagerness to take advantage of every great opportunity for service it offered has been an example to the rest of us; you have earned our affectionate admiration and friendship. Even now we are not separated in the object we seek, but only in the method by which we seek it.

"It is for these reasons my feeling about your retirement from the secretaryship of state goes so much deeper than regret. I sincerely deplore it. Our objeects are the same and we ought to pursue them together. I yield to your desire only because I must and wish to bid you Godspeed in the parting. We shall continue to work for the same causes even when we do not work in the same way.

"With affectionate regard. Sincerely yours,

"WOODROW WILSON."

COMMISSIONERS MEET

THE ROADS OF THE COUNTY CONSIDERED.

To Make Complete Settlement With Treasurer on the Twenty-seventh of June.

The honorable Board of County Commissioners met on Monday last with the following members present:

B. I. Breedlove, Chairman; J. L. Peed, H. C. Floyd, R. S. Hart, Z. W. Allen.

B. T. Hicks was appointed a committee of one to have the Buckhorn road properly machined; each team of two mules and driver not to cost over $3.00 a day, and the work not to exceed one day.

The Board accepted the location in the road as made by Commissioner Floyd, the road known as the Wilton and Tingen cross road.

Mrs. Alice Pearce was placed on the outside pauper list.

Frank Taylor, colored, was placed on the outside pauper list.

County Attorney Hicks and chairman B. I. Breedlove were designated as a committee to make complete setlement with the Treasurer by the 27th instant ,and settlement must be to that date.

S. M. Wheeler was authorized to place two new seats in the closet in rear of the court house.

The chairman of the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Public Schools were before the Board, requesting that the school bond election be withdrawn, the Board thereby declaring the said election withdrawn.

The road beginning in front of W. F. Wheeler's, crossing his land and intersecting the Creedmoor road was declared a public road.

Will Walters was appointed a committee of one to make final setlement with Sheriff Hobgood for 1914 taxes.

I. H. Teabon was exempt permanently from poll tax, and Ellis was exempt from road duty.

A CREAMERY IN SIGHT

Mr. Calton, of Caltolina Farm, the Moving Spirit.

We had the pleasure of conversing with Mr. Calton, of the Caltolina Farm, a few days ago. Caltoline Farm lays just over the Granville line in Person county, directly on the proposed railway line from Oxford to Roxboro. Mr. Calton, is originally from Shelby, Cleveland county He not only represents considerable wealth, but he has a superabundance of energy and there is to be a good large hustling town at Caltolina Farm. Mr. Calton says so and what he says will come true if money and energy will bring things to pass.

Oxford is the closest railroad point to Caltolina Farm, and Mr. Calton receives his freight and does all of his trading in Oxford. Therefore it is a duty and a pleasure to keep an eye on him. "There must be a good hustling town between Oxford and Roxboro," says Mr. Calton, "and the fertile hills around Caltolina Farm is the ideal spot."

Mr. Calton's idea is to cut his large holdings into small farms and stock them with thoroughbred cattle. He says that he has never seen land better adopted to grass. "There is enough natural grass on the Caltolina Farm to feed one thousand herd of cattle the whole year through," says Mr. Calton, "and we must have a creamery." We believe in Mr. Calton and we believe in his mission. We shall tell something about Mr. Calton's plans in the near future.

ADAMS-HOFFMAN

Popular Young Oxford Lady to Wed.

Mrs. W. A. Adams announces the engagement of her daughter, Ethel Shelburne, to Ralph M. Hoffman of Boston, Mass. The wedding to take place the last of July.

The bride-to-be is a very accomplished young lady of attractive personality and pleasing manners.

The groom is a popular and successful young man of Boston.

Miss Helen H. Salls has returned from Rocky Mount, where she is teacher of English Literature in the High school.

Miss Hilliard Complimented

(Memphis Commercial Appeal)

Miss Elizabeth Hilliard, of Oxford N. C., was beautifully complimented last evening by the members of the Civic League of Germantown, who entertained in her honor with a brilliant reception in the home of Mr. Roy Feilding. Though a happy occasion, the evening was tinged with regret, as the affair had been planned as a farewell compliment to Miss Hilliard, who expects to leave on Thursday for her home in North Carolina.

Miss Hilliard has been a teacher in the High School in Germantown for the past five years, and during that time has endeared herself to the entire community. Two years ago Miss Hilliard founded the Civic League, the object of whose members was to make Germantown a "city beautiful." Her work along this line proved so successful that other small towns have taken Germantown as an example for work in improving their own communities.

Miss Hilliard has given her services for one day each week as a teacher of basketry at the Girls' Friendly Society in this city, and also organized a class in Germantown. The beautiful baskets made by the members of the Civic League in Germantown were filled with crimson roses, which beautifully adorned the rooms thrown open to the guests last evening, and the delicious refreshments were also served on trays made by these ladies.

Miss Hilliard's hundreds of friends in Germantown and neighboring communities were present at the reception and were given a cordial welcome by the officers of the Civic League.

A beautiful feature of the evening was the presentation of a handsome engraved silver belt buckle as a parting gift to Miss Hilliard from the members of the league.

BOOST THE OLD TOWN

NICE FRONT FOR [illegible] MANY AN OLD [illegible]

The Best Poem in the English Language was Written in a Country Churchyard.

Don't be the man who put off in city.

Building good houses builds a good town.

Save a little money and save a lot of worry.

Good roads lead not only to town, but to money.

Be a live one and the town will never be a dead one.

A nice front porch has prevented many an old maid.

Why should the town mouse dogs and not kickers?

When someone plans to help the town, plan to help the plan.

The best plans a man can have for the future are house plans.

A good way to make the town better is to begin with the home town.

A town is like a speculator; it isn't much good unless it is pushed.

Don't spend all your time telling what you could do if you had some time.

Be like a ball player. The thing he is always working for is home.

Be one of the leaders of the town, if you can; but, anyway keep up.

If you think a cow can't laugh for joy, let somebody sell you a good silo.

Don't be a grouch. Everybody in this town wishes you well, even the doctor.

Let's not be trying to stop something all of the time. Let's start something.

A good town will do more to keep the boys at home than good advice.

A town is like a girl. It's wonderful what a little fixing up will do for her.

Opportunity knocks once at every man's door; better be at home when the lady calls.

The world owes every man a living; but the street corner is a poor collection agency.

Don't look for soft snaps; the hard snaps are the ones that have the ginger in them.

Don't spend so much time talking war that you haven't time to talk business.

If you would like to see somebody working for you, put a little money in the bank.

It improves the soil to plow a little pepper into it. So with a town.

If you spend all your money at home, some other fellow will spend your money.

Many a young man has left his home town in search for him at home.

Plaster your house and everybody will follow your example. Lath and the world laths with you.

You've got to be a citizen in order to vote; but you've got to do a good deal more than vote to be a citizen.

If you will consider the men in this town who are well off you will find that most of them made their money here.

The big things were not all done in the big towns. The greatest poem in the English language was written in a country churchyard.

There is only one better man than the man who gets behind and pushes, in an effort to improve the town, and that's the man who goes ahead and pulls.

OUR RURAL CLUBS

Out of These Clubs Will Come Men Whose Voices Will Be Heard Throughout the Nation.

The organization of county societies, clubs and community associations throughout Granville is a movement of far reaching importance. It means more than the mere gathering of a few citizens for social pleasure. It marks an advanced step in our intellectual development. For the first time since we have been a nation North Carolina, composed largely of a rural population, is coming into her own.

Whenever there is a gathering of state or national interest where the deliberations of men decide matters of grave import the individual units in such a gathering must be men of a world wide point of view. They must bring profound knowledge and wide experience in public affairs to bear upon the matter in question.

The Civil War left this State in abject poverty. A sparsely settled population, decimated by the tolls of war, without schools and without money, forced to toil for a bare subsistance while menaced by negro domination upheld by northern bayonets, the sons of North Carolina could give little time to education or to intellectual development.

All of this is changed. We now have good schools and almost universal education. Two railroads run the length of the county. The rural delivery, telephone and improved roads bring every section into intimate communication with the outside world. Best of all we have a liberty loving people, a people devoted to self government and capable of living in peace and harmony under its ministrations. The produce of the soil now yields something more than a mere existance, and men have leisure to study, to meditate and to commnicate with their fellow men.

The country club means the freer interchange of ideas. It teaches men how to give expression to their ideas, how to give and take and how to use the knowledge obtained from others. It lifts the community spirit out of narrowness and puts it in touch with world movements. It sends men back to their homes to read and to think. Out of these clubs will come men whose voices will be heard throughout the nation.

BENJ. K. HAYS

At the Fairy Tale Ball in Newport the guests wore more than $12,000,000 in jewels, the costumes cost $60,000, the dinner $5,000 and the vaudeville another $5,000. Now Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, who gave the ball, is dead. In the end, what are a few millions more or less?

MR. FORRESTER TALKS

COMMUNITY CO-OPERATION IS HIS THEME

No Man is Big Enough to Accomplish Big Things All Alone, Says Forrester.

Mr. J. C. Forrester, secretary of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce addressed the Granville Commercial Club Friday night on the very important subject of "Community Co-operation."

The speaker explained that no one man was big enough to accomplish a big thing by himself. As an instance he cited the railroads and the telegraph systems as an example of cooperation.

Get a good proposition and prepare it with force, said the speaker, and if there is not enough capital in the community to launch the enterprise seek the capital elsewhere; it is not necessary to use a base drum if the proposition was inviting. Mr. Forrester, who is one of the best informed men in the country on city building, laid much stress on co-operation. The surest and the quickest way in a community like Granville, he said, is to thoroughly unite town and county; every farmer who trades in Oxford increases taxable values in Granville. Mr. Forrester comes from Greensboro, and in paying his respects to the commission form of government, of which we hear so much, he stated that that form of government does not reduce the taxes, but you simply get more value for the money expended.

Mr. Forrester complimented Oxford on its good appearance and splendid surroundings. He stated that our schools and churches stood us well; these, he said, with our civic beauty and a perfect sanitary condition was a great drawing card; that these are the features that attract capital, but he stated as a general proposition that there are very few solvent concerns looking for new locations.

Mr. Forrester gave it as his opinion that the town people gave the farmer too much free advise and not enough sociability.

Mr. Forrester stated as a positive fact that one bushel of corn in Granville county was worth as much as two bushels in Iowa, and that fully as much corn could be produced to the acre in Granville as is produced per acre in the so-called corn states.

He stated that it is hard to convince a northern or a western man that the climate of the South is inviting; that they are afraid of race riots. These conditions, he said, must be overcome by advertising or education.

Club Notes

The club amended its constitution so as to admit residents outside of a radius of one mile.

The club endorsed the proposition to tour the county in automobiles and get in close touch with the people and the conditions.

Mr. Bert Taylor, Chairman of the committee to organize a silver cornet band, reported progress.

On motion, the Club voted the use of the Commercial Club rooms to the Flat River Association, which will meet in Oxford July 13th.

THE OXFORD CATS

They Roam the Streets and Set Up Awful Squalls in Backyards.

In Oxford as in every other city or town or hamlet there are cats in profusion and of many kinds. During the day they are quiescent and are not to be seen but as soon as the old town assumes a look of peace after the late callers have gone to their homes and all is calm and serene then come forth—cats. They roam the streets, they set up awful squalls in backyards to disturb the slumbers of those who have earned a night of rest after a day of toil.

Cats toil not neither do they have to be bothered with the petty problem of making a living. While the sun shines and the world is at work they bask themselves on front porches and rest in the yards in order to be able to prowl and seek what they may devour after a self-respecting world is seeking repose.

We have great respect for the cat that sleeps in the barn, the cat that catches rats, the cat that is friendly and respectable, but the hoard of cats that rise up in their might at the mid-night hour and rend the air with their pitiful squalls—never.

Of all the cats in the world, the Oxford cats take the plum for vanity. Not long since we walked briskly down Hillsboro street and saw two cats in the middle of the street just preparing to engage in what seemed to be a fight to the finish and we stopped to see the fur fly. The cats raised an awful squall and rent the air with their shrieks. It seemed that a fight was imminent but when the crucial test came they reminded us of some men we know who make a great noise wherever they think anybody is around and speedily become quiet as lambs when the opportunity for a grandstand play is over.

THE RALEIGH CREAMERY

Turns Out Eight-Hundred Pounds of Butter.

The creamery opened in Raleigh May 11 and being operated by the use of the dairy equipment in the agricultural building of the A. &. M. college, is paning out most satisfactorily, according to a statement just made by the management in the News and Observer. It opened under the special auspices of the Raleigh chamber of commerce. The business done during the three weeks of May amounted to $225 in the value of products. Now routes for the gathering up of the cream for the operation of the creamery are being extended into Nash county. The creamery turned out 800 pounds of butter which was sold on the Richmond and Norfolk markets.

Mr. R. L. Furgeson, editor of the Black Mountain Eagle, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Leak Peace, this week.

THE LIST OF PREMIUMS

THE THREE DAY'S EVENT IN OCTOBER.

Each of the Three Days this Year Are to Be Made Big Feature Days.

The premium list of the sixth annual Granville County Fair has reached our desk and it is a neat pamphlet of 40 pages, from the press of the Oxford Arphanage.

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Announcement.

We herewith submit the sixth annual premium list of the Granville County Fair,the most liberal premium list offered by any Fair of its class in the South. Already during its brief existence the Granville Agricultural Association has paid out ot the farmers of Granville County over $5,000 in prizes besides other articles of value.

We approach the sixth fair held by our association with greater confidence and expectation than ever before. We have added several new departments this year and in response to a continued demand have decided to have a thre day fair and with the active help of our friends we hope to make this the best fair of the six.

Begin and prepare and exhibit, boost the fair all the time, come and let's make each day of the three a feature day.

This year we are going to make an exhibit of the Blue Ribbon winners at our fair (with their permission), take same to Raleigh Fair as exhibit from Granville County, and show the State what a grand old county Granville is.

E. T. CREWS,
Secretary for the Association

Get a Copy.

The Fair will be held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 13, 14 and 15, 1915. Secretary Crews is sending the premium list broadcas tand it is important that every body in Granville county secure a copy and consult the handsome list of premiums.

Major W. A. Graham, Commissioner of Agriculture and Dr. B. W. Kilgore, of Raleigh, visited the Test Farm Saturday.

FISH IN THE STREAMS

SHAD IN THE TAR AND ROANOKE RIVERS.

One of the Most Important Pieces of Legislation of the Recent Legislature.

Old citizens tell us that good large shad used to frequent the waters of Tar River as high up as where the Providence bridge, in Granville, spars the stream. We are told that fine shad were plentiifu in Dan river above Clarksville some twenty odd years ago.

The passing by the Legislature of new regulations governing the fishing industry of eastern North Carolina was a matter that did not attract much public attention, yet Governor Craig regarded it as one of the most important pieces of legsilation of the entire session. The experience of the next few years is going to prove this to be the case. The practical disappearance of the shad from the up-country waters is a case in point. The shad industry has been killed by the obstruction of the lower river stretches by nets and traps, and these are to the shad what the trap is to the partridge.

Wherever there is a river or considerable stream, all the communities bordering on it are concerned, but their interests are not the same as are those of the sounders and the people living on streams near the ocean. Down on the coast, for instance they get the first chance at shad, while the interior gets none if they catch all the fish by some of the methods used on the sounds and lower stretches of the rivers. How far up the Cape Fear, the Neuse, the Roanoke and the Tar Rivers is there any considerable catch of shad or other migratory fish these latter years?" Less than a dozen years ago, shad fishing near Weldon was a profitable business. In the recent past, a shad became a rare object as far up the Roanoke as Clarksville. The shad industry in the two rivers touching Granville has been destroyed.

Under the new fishery laws, this industry is going to be restored. This particular result may be taken as an incident of the wholesome benefit the laws will be to the State at large through the protection of the eastern waterways.

St. John's Day—Thursday, June 24th is the one day of the year when all the good people of Granville and the surrounding counties should forget their cares and worries and come together for a good time and enjoy seeing friends of long years and meeting new ones. Much profit as well as pleasure is had by the annual gatherings that brings the best element of the county together.

Caldwell's Pond—Local sports tell us that they are catching some fine fish out of Caldwell's pond.

SHAKE RAG SHAKE LETTER

(Correspondence of the Public Ledger)

Columbus Allsop is on a trade for two more dawgs, to take up the surplus fleas at his house this summer.

The artificial cherries on Miss Flutie Belcher's hat have caused quite a stir among the jaybirds of this section the past week.

The Old Miser is getting closer each day. He would not even loan Dock Hocks lard enough to grease his watch.

Several from this place will go to Tickville next third Sunday to witness the unveiling of the town pump.

Hereafter, all who have their shoes half-soled by Luke Mathewsla will have to remove them from their feet while the work is going on.

Poke Eazley is spending the week at the postoffice watching the dirt-daubers build nests on the rafters. This is the only job work Poke ever witnessed without suggesting a better way to do it.

A roach crawled into Poke Eazley's right ear Monday night when he was not listening and its arrival out the left ear is loked forward to with much anxiety by Poke.

Ellick Hellwanger made a trip to Bowling Mountain this week. He heard somebody over there had said something about him, but when he got there they all denied it.

Cricket Hicks, who has been at work in the Calf Ribs community several weeks, has returned home with five dollars in cash. This will somewhat relieve the financial situation around Shakerag, as money was beginning to get very scarce.

Sidney Hocks became intoxicated Saturday evening and tried to drive his yoke of steers into the postoffice, but failed on account of the door being too narrow. There have been many other complaints recently on account of the narrowness of the door at the postoffice.

The Blind Man of the Calf Ribs neighborhood was about to be talked into buying a heating stove from Slim Pickens the other day, but the trade was knocked in the head by some of Slim's enemies, who told the Blinid Man that winter was over.

The examining trial of Rax Barlow charged with detaining the Mail Carrier by offering him a drink of licker, was set down for trial at Rye Straw yesterday, but was continued on account of lack of sufficient evidence to acquit the defendant.

Poke Eazley is making an ideal husband, contrary to the predictions made when he married again last year. He has cleaned off a nice place on the banks of the Tar for her to do family washing, and in order to be ever near her, he has picked out a fishing place right across the stream.

OPENING OF BABY COTTAGE

SPLENDID SPEAKERS LAUNCH A SPLENDID ENTERPRISE

The formal opening of the new Baby Cottage at the Oxford Orphanage was attended Thursday morning with considerable interest. Disappointment was expressed in the inability of Grand Master Hobgood, of Greensboro, not being able to attend on account of business.

The opening address by Gen. B. S. Royster was sublime. He likened the little tots in the Baby Cottage to the birth of Moses, that some of them, too, may become great leaders.

Other speakers were Past Grand Master J. T. Alderman, Dr. G. T. Lumpkin and President F. P. Hobgood. The address of Dr. Lumpkin was beautiful. He used for his theme the Scriptural verse: And a little child shall lead them.

Superintendent R. L. Brown explained that the Baby Cottage was a new and untried feature in Orphan work that lays close to the heart of the Masonic fraternity. The children are taken into the cottage at a tender age and as they become larger they pass out to other cottages of the institution to be educated and trained.

Inspection of Baby Cottage

The cottage is a patern of the old English type, and it sits close to the front of the beautiful grove. It is an airy building with broad porches, which suggests rest and comfort. Supt. Brown drew the plans of the building and the interior is so arranged as to put every part in close touch with the mother of the cottage. There are at present fourteen little tots in the building and they seemed to be very much at home in the large play room under the watchful care of Miss Morton and some of the larger girls of the Orphanage.

The early training and impression formed by these little tots in the cottage is a long step in establishing their character all through life. The cottage comes as a God send in many ways. It will enable the institution to demonstrate to the world more than ever before that early environment counts for so much. What the child loses in parental love is fully and abundantly supplied if the child is committed to the care of the cottage at a tender age.

A DISTINGUISHED LADY

Guest of Mrs. Alfred Salls at "The Oaks."

Miss S. Elizabeth Brown, who has been spending the past four months at "The Oaks" with her friend, Mrs. Alfred Salls, left Monday for Washington, en route for Boston.

Miss Brown is one of the latter city's first teachers, but owing to a nervous breakdown in December, she was obliged to avail herself of a leave of absence for the remainder of the year.

Mrs. Salls much regrets that on account of Miss Brown's condition of health, she was unable to introduce her more generally to Oxford society.

SACRED CANTATA AT ORPHEUM

SUPERB LOCAL TALENT ASSISTED BY PROF. POTEAT.

"Esther," a sacred Cantata by W. B. Bradbury, will be presented at the Orpheum Theatre this Friday evening by superb local talent, assisted by Prof. Poteat, of Wake Forest. This is an effort of the Tuesday Evening Music Club to establish itself in our midst. It is a most worthy undertaking and deserves the earnest and hearty support of the entire community. Rev. S. K. Phillips, a fine tenor, is the director of the organization and Miss Mary E. Webb, a most accomplished musician, is the pianist. Thos taking part in the Cantata "Esther" are:

Sopranos—Mesdames. E. Parham, R. Herring, E. Cannady, W. Adams, Phillips; Misses Royster, A. Crews, E. White, H. Howell, H. Webb, M. R. Hancock, J. Minor.

Altos — Mesdames Henderson, Street; Misses L. Webb, E. Howell, A. Brown, E. L. Howell.

Tenors—V. W. Critcher, F. M. Pinnix, A. H. Taylor, W. A. Adams, George Moore, S. K. Phillips.

Basses—G. T. Lumpkin, T. C. Howell, K. L. Street, James White, Jno. R. Hall.

Synopsis.

Esther was a Jewish orphan. She was adopted by her cousin Mordecai, who recognizing her great beauty, had her trained in the highest accomplishments of womanhood. She was chosen by the Persian King, Ahasuerus, to be his queen. She did not disclose her nationality. Haman was the King's Premier and favorite. He hated old Mordecai because he would not bow down to him as the Premier. To get revenge Haman obtained a decree from the King to destroy all Jews in the Kingdom. Mordecai discovered the plot and charged Esther to go even at the peril of her life and ask the salvation of her people. She did so and won the King. Haman had built a gallows on which he had planned to hang Mordecai; but the King ordered that Haman himself be hung thereon. Mordecai then becomes Premier and the people break forth into rejoicing.

THE CANNING CLUB

The Work in Granville is Gratifying Says Mrs. McKimmon.

Mrs. Charles McKimmon, in charge of the girls' canning club and general demonstration work for the rural homes of the state under the auspices of the state board of agriculture, says that nearly all the members of the canning clubs have sold off practically all their products for last season and there are great preparations under way for greatly increased effort in this direction by the farm girls and house wives the coming season. She says the Alamance clubs turned out over 50,000 cans of fruits and vegetables last season, all of which has been sold to consumers. There are many counties in which the activities along the lines of her work are especially gratifying. These include, among others, Alamance, Anson, Moore, Granville, Lee, Vance, Guilford, Edgecombe and Sampson.

BEST EVER HEARD IN OXEORD

REFINED AUDIENCE GREETS THE RENOWNED PIANIST

John Powell, America's greatest pianist has come and gone. A select audience greeted the great master at the Orpheum last Tuesday night. The universal verdict in this community is that he is without a peer. Those who failed to hear him has something to regret. Unlike Rubenstein and the other great pianists, he is a most elegant gentleman, young and handsome. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Powell while in Oxford. We shall always feel that Oxford has been honored by the coming of the renowned John Powell.

AN IMPORTANT DISCOVERY

Mr. Herbert Crews Reduces the Potato Bugs to a Minimum.

Mr. Herbert Crews, one of Granville's most substantial farmers, has made an important discovery. He hit upon the scheme of using a strong tea made of cedar. He gathered short green sprigs and placed them in a pot and boiled them until the essence was extracted from them and late in the evening sprinkled the potato vines liberally with the tea. On going to the patch the following morning there was not a potatoe bug to be found anywhere. This is one of the most inexpensive remedies for the extermination of potato bugs yet discovered.

Communicable Disease.

Editor Public Ledger:

Under date of June 2, regarding "Communicable Disease," you say "The Public Ledger is informed that there is no law, State or local, requiring quarantine or placarding of a house, where whooping cough exists."

If you will refer to the Public Ledger of Feb. 17th, 1915, you will find the following—"The diseases which must be reported to the county Health Officer (and this in writing and within twenty four hours after the presence of the disease is known) are diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles, typhoid fever, whooping cough, tuberculosis and small pox. This report is required not only of the physician in attendance but of the householder where the disease exists. Should any of the above named diseases exist in a home the head thereof will be subject to fine and imprisonment, even though no physician be in attendance, should the disease not be reported."

The law regarding quarantine in whooping cough is too long to publish in full, but it is very strict, and a copy of the same is immediately placed in the hands of the householder when whooping cough is reported. A placard is also placed upon the house.

BENJ. K. HAYS, Health Officer.

Letter Boxes—Assistant Postmaster Critcher is in receipt of a letter from the Post Office Department authorizing him to call for bids for letter boxes in Oxford. There will be ten boxes placed at convenient points throughout the town.