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CASH BUYING AND SELLING

A MEANS OF STIMULATING BUSINESS.

Our Four Local Insurance Companies Adopt Safer and Sounder Methods of Transacting Business—All Hands Will Benefit By a Cash System of Transacting Business.

The Public Ledger is of the opinion that if all hands and the bottle washer in Oxford would adopt the cash system it would be the means of stimulating business. It is a well known fact that one can purchase more goods and better goods for cash than can be bought on credit. The merchants who goes north and purchases his stock for spot cash gets a larger discount than the firm that is given ninety days. This will hold good in all lines of business. We dare say that if everybody in Oxford would resolve among themselves to buy and sell for cash there would be no further talk of hard times in this community. We admit that nothing short of a calamity would befall some of our business houses should they fail to extend credit wherever and whenever asked. It is an old custom and they must stand by their guns, else their customers will cross the street and get accommodated. We know of a hustling town in North Carolina as large as Oxford where nearly everybody pays cash for everything they get. There is no friction in that town.

A circular letter sent out and signed by our four local insurance companies throws some light on the credit business. Their letter addressed to the public is as follows:

"The small compensation paid local agents by Fire Insurance Companies for handling their business and the requirements of these companies as to the prompt remittance of balances will not permit of extended credit to the public and at the same time allow the business to remain on a legitimate and profitable basis to the agents.

"Therefore to correct the rapidly growing tendency towards unlimited extension of credit, which unfortunately has become quite general in the insurance business of Oxford, we the undersigned local agents, have found it necessary to adopt the following rule with reference to the payment of premiums, which becomes effective August 1, 1915, viz: "Premiums in full on each and every fire and tornado insurance policy must be paid in cash before the 20th day of the second month following the month in which the policy is issued, after which time if the premium on any policy remains unpaid the agent writing the same shall have no further option as to extension of credit and shall immediately take up said policy."

A GRANVILLE BOY

Rev. Lewis N. Taylor A Strong Preacher.

All who attended the Episcopal church on Sunday morning last were impressed with the beauty and solemnity of the occasion. In the absence of the rector, the service was conducted by the Rev. Lewis N. Taylor formerly of Oxford. The many friends of this young minister are justly proud of the grand success he is making in his chosen profession and the great work he is accomplishing in the churches in which he is laboring. The impressive rendering of the service and the earnest sermon delivered were thoroughly enjoyed by the appreciative congregation.

The Offertory Solo, "Forever With the Lord," was magnificently rendered by the talented vocalist Miss Bert Hutchings of Birmingham, Ala. who is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. C. Pace. The rich, sweet notes of the vocalist filled the edifice and seldom is an Oxford congregation permitted to enjoy such a musical treat as this lovely solo. Miss Hutchings has kindly consented to sing again at the Methodist church on next Sunday morning.

SENDS OUT WARNING

The Sharks Will Get You, If You Don't Look Out.

Owing to the great profits in co-operative creameries and the ease in selling stock in these industries, the State Department of Agriculture is doing a valuable and timely service by advising the public that there are a number of wildcat creamery sharks now selling stock for proposed creameries in various parts of the State and warns people to look out for strangers offering new-fangled stock at temptingly low figures and all kind of alluring promises. The only safe plan in buying stock in a local enterprise is to deal only with people whom you know to be both reliable and responsible in their dealings.

PERSIAN OATS FOR SALE—NICE, clean lot of seed. Oxford Orphan Asylum. Also Alfalfa Hay for sale. 7-18-8t.

THE BIG FREE ATTRACTION

HENRY MYERKOFF COMPANY ENGAGED FOR FAIR

Everything is Moving Along Nicely and the Three Days Event in October Will Eclipse All Previous Attempts—The Hypodrome Wagon.

The Granville County Fair Association has engaged the Henry Myerkoff Company, Inc., New York City, to furnish the amusement feature at the Fair Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 13, 14, and 15th. This is one of the best amusement organizations in the country and their large variety of novel and wholesome features is a splendid drawing card. There is to be a big free act, entitled the "Hypodrome Hay Wagon," which alone is worth the price of admission to the Fair.

But the County Fair is not intended as a place of amusement. There is a sober side to it, and when one has feasted his eyes and sharpened his wits on the fine exhibits he canters his attention to the amusement features.

Secretary Crews is with the Oxford Fire Company at Atlantic City. He will return to Oxford about the middle of next week. On leaving he told us that he would make one or two side trips, while at Atlantic City in the interest of the Granville County Fair. On his return he will at once give his attention to the Fair grounds. "There is a lot of work to be done," says Mr. Crews, "more and better room for hogs, horses and cattle is badly needed. We have the plans for the enlargement in hands, and when we get everything cleaned up the Fair grounds will make a most excellent souvenir picture."

Death of Mrs. James Day

The friends of this good lady will be pained to learn of her death, which occurred at the home of her daughter at Fremont, after a short illness. She made her home in Weldon, but was taken sick while visiting her daughter. She formerly made her home in Oxford and is very kindly remembered by our good people. She was a member of the Baptist church and possessed many fine traits of character, and was an exceedingly kind neighbor. She leaves behind four sons and two daughters to mourn her passing away.

She was the sister of Mrs. Yancey of Oxford, and reared in the Berea neighborhood.

Her remains reached Oxford on Thursday and her funeral was conducted from the Baptist church in the afternoon by Rev. G. T. Lumpkin assisted by Rev. J. G. Blalock, her pastor, of Weldon, who paid a tribute to her good works and Christian virtues.

The interment was in the family plot in Elmwood cemetery.

THE SACRED GROUNDS

Commissioner Usry Doing a Noble Work.

God's acre on Hillsboro street, near the center of town, is now being nicely cleaned up. The work is in the hands of Commissioner Usry, chairman of the Cemetery Committee and he is doing a good job. Strangers have often remarked on the dilapidated appearance of the old cemetery, and now that the sacred ground where rests the remains of the honored founders and builders of Oxford, a ray of light and hope comes to dispel the gloom that was cast by its dishevel appearance.

We are glad this noonday that Commissioner Usry, though a busy man, finds time to beautify the cemeteries. Over on the west side, at Elmwood, he has also worked wonders with the scythe and the pruning knife. Well defined shady walkways in the city of the dead, their beauty enhanced by the merry song birds, brings a sense of pleasure and comfort to the living.

TOBACCO SHOWS UP WELL

Nearly Half Million Pounds Sold on Four Eastern Markets Tuesday. Nearly half million pounds of tobacco were sold on four markets of Eastern North Carolina Tuesday, the day set for the opening. The breaks in the various markets ranged from 60,000 in Wilson and Greenville to more than 200,000 in Rocky Mount. Smithfield sold 70,000 pounds.

The price seemed to be about the same on all of the markets, the average ranging from eight to ten cents. Some quantities of the yellow weed brought as low as two cents per pound, but this was of the lower grade, while the best prices ranged beyond twenty cents.

Reports indicate a most optimistic spirit among farmers and warehousemen as well as buyers.

Master Samuel Burton Midyette, returned to his home in Jackson, on Thursday after a pleasant visit to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Shaw.

STORM'S HEAVY DEATH TOLL

MORE THAN A HUNDRED DEAD AND FIVE HUNDRED HOUSES RUINED.

Thousand Feet of Causeway Washed Away by Tidal Wave and Island is Covered With Wreckage—Wind Reaches 92 Miles an Hour During Storm's Height.

We gather from the Associated Press reports that fourteen lives were lost in the terrific storm which swept the city of Galveston, Texas, Monday and Tuesday. The seawall saved the city, though the loss is nearly as heavy as the great storm in 1900.

The heaviest loss of life was at Virginia Point, opposite Galveston. Total property damage may exceed \$30,000,000.

According to information available Thursday evening, the deaths were recorded as follows:

Virginia Point 30; Texas City 18; Galveston 14; Morgan's Point 11; Hitchcock 7; La Porte 7; Port Arthur 4; Lynchburg 3; Sylvan Beach 3; Seabrook 3; Houston 2.

Property loss estimates, vague except in a few instances, were as follows:

Galveston \$15,000,000 or more; Houston \$2,000,000; Texas City \$400,000; Port Arthur \$200,000; Seabrook \$100,000; Sabine \$100,000; Sabine Pass \$100,000; Kemah \$50,000.

In addition there was enormous loss to cotton growers in the storm belt, some estimates stating that 25 per cent of the crop of central Texas was destroyed, and placing the loss at "millions of dollars." The oil fields also suffered severely.

The most pressing need of Galveston, Texas City, and other coast towns, which faced the full sweep of the wind, is drinking water. Galveston's supply was brought from several miles inland and the mains were broken by the waves and storm tossed vessels.

Four United States soldiers were drowned in Galveston and ten were lost at Texas City. The Fort Crockett and Texas City camp were wiped out, and the army transports McClellan and Poe damaged.

THE OXFORD BOY SCOUTS

Twenty-one Members Enrolled at Present Time.

The Boy Scouts is now a living, breathing organization in Oxford. They start off with twenty-one members. Mr. Eugene Crews is the Scout Master. The first sixteen boys to join were divided into two patrols, "The Silver Fox," and the "Eagles."

Silver Fox

Henry Shaw Patrol leader; Maurice Parham, assistant patrol leader; George Hunt, scribe; Dick Taylor, bugler; Joe Taylor, Wadsworth Spencer, Hugh Parham, Edward Harris.

The Eagles

Austin Spencer, patrol leader; Jas. B. Powell, assistant patrol leader; William M. Hicks, bugler; Lewis Turner, Roy Grissom, Ernest Raymond Wadsworth, Willie Howell.

The other five members will be assigned to the above patrols at the next meeting, which will probably be held next week.

With Mr. Eugene Crews as Scout Master, and Mr. Geo. W. Hunt as the permanent scribe, we see no reason why there should not be abundant life in the organization. In a town like Oxford, the Boy Scouts can be made to take the place of a Young Men's Christian Association. Among its splendid features may be named the inspiration of self-preservation; the desire to assist others in worthy efforts; the teaching of higher and better ideals of what makes better manhood and womanhood; the living of pure lives for the pleasure of oneself and the pleasure of those whom they come in contact with in everyday life. Parents can safely urge their sons to enroll for membership in this splendid organization.

MRS. JULIAN CARR DEAD.

The End Came at Her Country Home Near Durham.

Nannie Graham Parish Carr, wife of General Julian S. Carr, commander of the N. C. Division of United States Confederate Veterans, died at her country home, Occoneechee, near Durham Wednesday. She is survived by her husband, four sons, Marvin Carr, of New York; Julian S. Carr, Jr., Claiborne Carr, and Austin Heaton Carr, of Durham; and two daughters, Mrs. Lalla Patton, and Mrs. Lida Flowers; both of Kansas City, Captain E. J. Parrish, of Durham, is a brother of Mrs. Carr, and a sister, Mrs. Fannie Halliburton, also survives.

Mr. Earle Hunt has returned from a two weeks stay at Lake Junaluska, his sister, Lula, was with him at the great meetings there and will return from Durham Saturday.

MOB LAW DOWN IN GEORGIA

LEO M. FRANK SWUNG FROM A TREE.

Mob Enters the State Prison and Drags Him by the Heels Down a Long Flight of Stone Steps.

News comes from Milledgeville, Georgia, that twenty-five men entered the State Prison at that place between the sitting and rising of the sun Tuesday morning and took Leo M. Frank by the heels and dragged him down a long pair of stone steps and carried him to Marietta, a distance of 100 miles and hung him to a tree near the grave where sleeps Mary Phagan. Awful!

Only a few weeks ago while Frank was asleep upon his prison couch a fellow-convict slashed his throat. The place had not healed up when the mob on Tuesday morning fastened the rope about his neck. It was a dark foul crime, one that harkens back to the Dark Ages. It was so outrageous in its nature all decent men tremble.

When the news first reached us we tried to fashion in our mind some plan whereby Frank's friends had robbed a grave, then proceeded to the prison and secured Frank and using the body of the dead man as a shield. This was the only channel through which we could see the human hand and brain at work. We could not conceive in our mind any plan that would sink man lower than the wild beasts of the jungle, yet the State of Georgia is branded with the most foul crime of the century.

Frank was sentenced to death on the testimony of an ex-convict. Former Governor Slaton, who commuted his sentence to life imprisonment is now in San Francisco, and Governor Harris has warned him not to return to Georgia if he values his life.

Georgia can never hope to regain its reputation until the last one of the mob is apprehended and brought to the bar of justice.

Stovall News Items

(Correspondence of the Public Ledger)

Camp of Woodmen Organized

A camp of the Woodmen of the World has been organized here and on Friday night a team from the Oxford World will be present to institute this camp. Considerable interest is being manifested in the fraternity and it is starting off with very bright prospects.

Mrs. Bettie Gregory has returned from an extended visit to Oxford.

Mr. C. E. Earl, is attending court in Boydton, this week.

Mrs. J. Brooks Davis, who has been quite ill, is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. H. M. Church, of Middleburg was a visitor to Stovall last week.

Miss Kathryn Butler of Chase City, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hegie.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Faucette, of near Bullock, visited friends and relatives in Stovall, Sunday.

Mr. Carl Hester, agent for the Southern Railway, is taking a two week's vacation.

Mr. N. H. Gillis, has returned from Baltimore, where he purchased his fall stock of goods.

Mr. C. T. Hester and Mr. Tom Barnes motored to Richmond and Petersburg and Ontario, last week.

Miss Susie Alston, of Townsville, is expected to arrive this week to be the guest of Miss Annie Gregory.

Mr. L. G. Puckett, left Monday morning to attend Better Acquaintance Week celebration in Richmond.

Mr. L. H. Pollock, who runs on the Southern train through here spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks here.

Mrs. Armistead Capehart of Oxford, demonstrator of the Granville county branch of the Girl's Canning Club, is in the neighborhood this week in the interest of her work.

Mr. Luther C. Wilkerson and Miss Lillie Wilkerson motored to Berea one day this week and brought back with them Mr. J. T. McDonald, a Confederate veteran, who has gone to a Richmond hospital.

Mr. Basil Horsfield, of Oxford, spent the day here last week and through his efforts it may be possible for Stovall to have a wireless telegraph station before very long.

Misses Mollie Hester, Ruth White, Lillie Wilkerson and Ruth Norwood, and Mr. L. Wilkerson, motored to Henderson, one day last week and from there went to the home of Misses Lucy and Bettie Tunstall for a short visit. They report that the crops in this particular section are looking unusually good.

THE PRIMITIVE BAPTISTS

Elder Rowe Preaches Old-Time Religion in the Court House.

Elder Rowe, a Primitive Baptist of Baltimore, preached an excellent sermon in the Court Chamber at the Court House last Tuesday night. He is a pleasant speaker and brought a wholesome message to the large assemblage drawn from the various denominations.

LINK IN NATIONAL HIGHWAY

THE ROUTE THROUGH BRUNSWICK COUNTY WITHDRAWN

The Road Will Pass Through Lunenburg and Nottoway Counties, Lengthening the National Highway Nine Miles Between Oxford and Petersburg.

Because Brunswick county, Va. has failed to co-operate with the Government in the up-keep of the National Highway the route will be changed to Nottoway and Lunenburg counties.

The United States engineers have been over the ground and reported favorably on the proposed change of the route and it is now up to the two counties to sign contracts for the improvement of the roads, which they will do at once. This will make Kenbridge the next stop of any size north of South Hill and will naturally bring the two towns in close touch with each other.

The advantage of the new route is that there will be two railroad crossings instead of seven, no river fords instead of three, will bring in two hotels between South Hill and Petersburg. The towns of Kenbridge and Blackstone promise co-operation to the fullest extent in the improving, marking and up-keep of the highway.

The engineers have insisted upon the completion of the road to the Meherrin and the building of a bridge at once, but as this is contemplated by Lunenburg county there is really no extra expense. The distance is increased by eleven miles but is still three miles shorter than the route through Lawrenceville, and while distance is immaterial to the government, co-operation is essential and Brunswick refused to co-operate unless the road was changed to take in Lawrenceville.

The new route from South Hill will diverge at the Burnt Store, cross the Meherrin at Union Mill (Low Bridge), past Antioch church and on to Kenbridge. After leaving Kenbridge the road is good to Blackstone, Wellsville and on to Petersburg, following the N. & W. Ry.

There was some talk of changing from South Hill to Chase City but as long as South Hill keeps up interest in the Highway it will remain right there.

The relocation of the National Highway in Virginia does not in any way change its location through Granville. The change came about on the part of Brunswick county failing to show the proper interest and should Granville county any time fail to show the proper interest the government would seek another route, possibly from a point in Virginia via Henderson.

THE THREE STEPS

Crop Farming, Live Stock Farming and Agricultural Industries

Now that the farmers of Granville are turning their attention more and more to diversified farming and live stock, the following from the University News Letter, under the caption, "Three Steps Forward," gives some further significant figures, in this connection, that may prove interesting here:

1. Crop Farming—Crops marketed on four wheels; margin of clear profits narrow and accumulated farm wealth small, no matter how valuable the crops, how large the yield per acre, or how high the market prices. Per capita country wealth in North Carolina \$322; in the country-at-large, \$994; in our tobacco counties, from \$191 in the poorest to \$388 in the richest of them!

2. Live Stock Farming—Crops marketed on four legs; margin of profits wider, and accumulated farm wealth greater; Alleghany a live stock county in North Carolina, per capita country wealth \$560, the richest county in per capita country wealth in the State; ditto Williamson county, Tenn., per capita farm wealth \$704; ditto Highland county, Va., per capita country wealth, \$990; ditto Fayette county, Ky., per capita wealth \$2,150; ditto Illinois, a well developed live stock state, per capita country wealth, \$2,655.

3. Agricultural Industries—Creameries, condenseries, cheese factories; the production of bacon, hams, shoulders and the like; margin of profits still wider and accumulated farm wealth still greater; instance, Iowa, all told the best developed State in livestock and animal industries; per capita country wealth, \$3,386.

Death of Mrs. Ann Milliken

Mrs. Ann Milliken, an aged lady died at Creedmoor Thursday the 19th Relatives from Oxford will attend the funeral and burial at the Rev. B. B. Hester home place this Friday at 4 o'clock p. m.

FIVE GOOD FARMS FOR RENT—Apply to T. Lanier. 8-4-tf