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THE FAIR ASSOCIATION

DIRECTORS AND STOCKHOLDERS TO MEET

Despite the Fact That the Gate Receipts Were Short, the Fair This Year Was the Best Ever—The Valuable Services of Secretary Eugene Crews.

It has reached our ears that Mr. Eugene Crews has been tendered a flattering position elsewhere and that he is seriously considering the advisability of accepting it.

Mr. Crews accepted the secretaryship of the County Fair one year ago when a much better position was in sight, but he had the utmost confidence in the Fair and he decided to remain in Oxford and work for its success.

No man was ever more attentive to duty than was Mr. Crews, and the fact that the gate receipts this year were short several hundred dollars is not his fault. Mr. Crews had hoped for better things but the people did not respond as is their custom. The Fair was the best we have ever had and it is regrettable that every man in the County did not come and bring his family with him.

There is no doubt in our mind that the threatening weather had something to do with curtailing the gate receipts. Those who did attend were abundantly enthusiastic, which goes to prove that the people of the county are greatly interested in the enterprise.

The Fair Directors met last Saturday in the Commissioner's room at the Court House and there was some very strong testimony offered from all parts of the county and it was the universal feeling of those present that it would be useless to try to continue the Fair if the people do not take a deeper interest in it.

After considerable discussion of vital questions the Directors adjourned to meet in the Court House at 11 o'clock this Saturday and it is hoped that as many stockholders will be present as can well attend. That they intend to sound the sentiments of the community on continuing and enlarging the scope of the Fair there can be little doubt.

The Public Ledger hopes that the deliberations of the joint body will be marked with a spirit of progressiveness. We trust that they will realize that the Fair has been a great benefit to the county and that its failure would be nothing short of a calamity to the county.

With an humble beginning six years ago, we congratulate the Directors on the wonderful success that has attended their efforts to make the Fair a success. The people had to be educated up to its importance, and now that the gate receipts were a few hundred dollars short we feel that the people should come together and make up the difference and continue the Fair.

The Public Ledger again pledges its support in good faith, and we ask that the good people of Granville be given another opportunity to make the Fair what it should be, and we trust that Mr. Eugene Crews will see his way clear to remain as its secretary.

TOWNS WITH PAYROLLS

Affording a Home Market for Produce

(Wall Street Journal)

There is nothing better for a town especially a country town than to put itself on the payroll of the country. Wonders have been done by making a start in the industry which in time became the life of a place, affording a home market for the country produce for miles around, giving occupation to thousands of people within wide radius and making the place a power in the purchase of goods which people consume. One of the best specimens of payroll towns in this country is High Point, N. C. Twenty-five years ago its merchants were buying dogwood timber and hickory blocks to send away to the shuttle industries and the buggy factories of Massachusetts, probably at the rate of a car load or two a week. Now this town sends as much as 10 carloads of finished furniture a day. On a recent Saturday its wood-working industries and others, which make it second to Grand Rapids in the furniture manufacturing, paid to its people \$40,000.

FARMERS TO ATTEND

Railroads Offering Reduced Rates to Durham Convention.

To encourage the farmers of North Carolina to attend the annual convention of the State Farmers' Union in Durham November 16, 17 and 18, all the railroads have announced special rates which will enable the delegates and other visitors to take that trip at a trifle more than the single fare.

BEST TOBACCO MARKET

Our Business Men Should Look to Their Interest

Now that it is conceded on every hand that Oxford is ahead of all the markets in the State for high prices we think it the duty of the business men of Oxford to try and put some life in the old town. Every day looks too much like Sunday. We are confident that if our merchants would show the proper enthusiasm their trade would double.

Tobacco is selling very well in Oxford—much better than it sold last year—and the farmers are feeling more cheerful, but despite the fair prices and the cheerful faces of the farmers, the business men of Oxford don't seem to realize that the "godd old summer time" has gone.

The Public Ledger will offer one of the best solutions obtainable; namely: The farmers know that the prices paid for tobacco in Oxford is higher than on any other market in the State, but the farmers' family does not know that dry goods, groceries and notions are as cheap and as good as they are in the towns where the merchants advertise. Now that it has been successfully proven that the Oxford tobacco market is the best market in the State, let our merchants present a few facts and figures and show the people that the prices for the necessities are no higher here than they are elsewhere. The Public Ledger is not writing this for the sake of an advertisement, but the time has arrived for the business men of Oxford to show the proper enthusiasm. We have got to do more industrial thinking. Business demands it.

GRANVILLE CANNING CLUB

Interesting Letter From Mrs. L. W. Capehart

The members of the Granville County Canning Clubs have reported 20,263 cans that have been done by them this season. Of these 15,000 are tomatoes. There were 60 members on the revised enrollment in June, 55 continued the work through the season and 42 reported results. Last year Granville County reported 3,000 cans. An increase of 17,263 cans is great.

We hope that the county will give this home industry liberal patronage. It will be difficult for our girls to dispose of their goods elsewhere as the canning club work is extensively organized throughout the South and in many places the girls of their locality more than supply the demand. We give good full pack, heavy weight, and good quality, and the price is no higher than that usually paid for goods of poorer quality. We appeal to the housekeepers to call for the "Girl's Canning Club Tomatoes, The 4 H. Brand." You can now find them on the shelves of a number of merchants in Oxford. We consider that many of our girls have made records this summer to feel proud of, though, it is impossible to mention all of them here.

The premiums for general record, including yield and profit to acre, exhibit at the county fair, and history of the season's work were awarded as follows:

To girls under 18 years of age: First, Miss Margaret Pendleton, Oxford, \$10. Second, Miss Louie Averett Oxford Route 6, \$6. Third, Miss Clide Hobgood, Oxford Route 1, \$4.

Over 18 years of age: First, Miss Myrtle Overton, Kittrell, Route 2, \$10. Second, Miss Lillie Wilkerson, Stovall, \$6.

Best booklet (history of the season's work) Margaret Pendleton, \$3. Second booklet, Bettie Hobgood, \$2.

The largest yield from 1-10 acre was made by Miss Ruth Parham, Oxford. This was 700 cans, and also a quantity of fruit that was disposed of fresh, making her profit from 1-10 acre \$71.55. The premium for this is a canner, offered by the Farm Canning Machine Co., Meridian, Miss.

The second largest yield was made by Misses Rosa Jane and Bettie Francis Knott, Oxford, Route 2. These girls canned 880 cans from their two tenths of an acre.

Our County exhibit at the State Fair received much attention. There were twenty-eight counties exhibiting. One of the seven premiums offered for exhibit and record, was won by Miss Margaret Pendleton, Oxford. I quote from a letter recently received from Mrs. Charles McKimmon in charge of N. C. Canning Club work, in which she writes about Miss Powell who came from the Washington office to inspect the Canning Club exhibit:—"Miss Powell had a great deal to say about the five counties which we placed side by side (one of these was Granville). She seemed to think the packing remarkable and the exhibits of uniform quality. She was much pleased with your commercial exhibit. I could not help selling every glass of jelly you had. The people just would have it. I shall keep one dozen of the small jars here as an exhibit of beautiful commercial packs."

L. W. CAPEHART, Co. Agt. in Home Dem. Work.

RESULT OF THE ELECTION

ONE REPUBLICAN CHOSEN OVER DEMOCRAT IN CONGRESS

Loss in Massachusetts Offset by Gains in Maryland; Gained State and Lost One, Says Secretary Daniels; Overman Sees Strength for Wilson Daily.

Joseph P. Tumulty, secretary of the President, gave it out that the White House is satisfied with the result of the election in several States Tuesday.

The one Republican, Wm. S. Bennett, of New York, elected to succeed a Democrat in Congress, appealed to the hyphenated German vote, charging the President with being unfair to Germany and thereby helping Great Britain and her allies in the European war.

Friends of the Washington administration see in the election of Mr. Bennett an indication that German-Americans are going to oppose the President for re-election and they are inclined to accept the challenge of Republicans who expect to win as Mr. Bennett did.

The Democrats gained Maryland and lost Massachusetts.

The woman's suffrage in Pennsylvania was defeated by more than 50,000.

Returns indicate that Virginia makes a gain of six new prohibition members of the legislature.

Statewide prohibition was defeated in Ohio by a majority of between 30,000 and 40,000 and five other proposals, including one for rearranging congressional districts were voted down.

The result of the election show that while the Bull Moose have gotten together in some States the Democrats have made large gains from the Progressive ranks. This is true of Massachusetts. The Democratic gubernatorial candidate, Governor Walsh, made a wonderful race. He polled the largest vote ever given a Democrat in the State, while Mr. McCall, the Republican candidate ran way behind the normal Republican vote given party nominees in recent years. The boast of the Republicans in Massachusetts that they would carry the state by from 25,000 to 40,000 majority remains unfulfilled.

BRILLIANT GATHERING

Mrs. A. L. Glasgow Entertains in Honor of Guest

At the invitation of Mrs. Arthur Glasgow a brilliant gathering of Oxford's fair women enjoyed an afternoon party on Wednesday last, at the home of Mrs. C. D. Ray on College street, this being the temporary home of the hostess.

The entertainment was given in honor of Mrs. A. R. Breedlove, of Richmond, friend and house guest of Mrs. Glasgow, who with Mrs. Glasgow Mrs. Ray and the latter's two daughters, Mrs. Annie Lee Lewellyn and Mrs. Marsh Ray, stood in the reception hall to receive their guests.

Mrs. Glasgow wore a gown of dark blue georgette crepe, over taffeta with yellow chrysanthemums, Mrs. Breedlove was gowned in rose charmeuse and satin, with a corsage of pink roses.

Gorgeous dahlies and chrysanthemums adorned the reception hall and parlors on every side, and these with many handsome growing plants made a fair setting for the becomingly gowned women the beauty of the scene being enhanced by numerous electric lights.

Dainty score cards assisted the guests in finding their respective places, where delicious refreshments were served in two courses. Mrs. Glasgow was assisted in serving her guests by Mrs. Lewellyn, and Miss Sallie Webb. After enjoying this hospitality the game of Rook was entered into with lively interest. There were about forty guests. At the conclusion of the game, it was found that Miss Annie Crews had scored the highest point and to her was presented a pair of silk hose. Favors were presented also to the house guest, and to the guest, who after cutting, was the lucky one for the consideration.

Mrs. Breedlove has been the recipient of other social courtesies, since being in Oxford, and has won many admiring friends. F.

Weeping Patriots

"The politicians and professionals," says Everything, "who keep on shedding tears for the farmer will some day be out of a job. The farmer resents this interference. He claims to be intellectually capable of taking care of himself, and if he finds he isn't he'll call in a guardian, and see to it that the guardian called isn't running for office. It is shameful as it is now. These weeping patriots shedding tears for the farmer as though the farmer were an imbecile and had no sense. Glad we are that the farmer is getting wise and will resent this sort of prunes."

MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM

Neat Office and a Strong Vault for Safe-Keeping Records

The Mayor's office and court room in the municipal building is as neat as a pin. A thorough renovation and new furnishings has worked wonders, and it came none too soon. We don't know who did the job, but it is an excellent piece of work. Nor do we know how much it cost, but we do know that the money was well spent.

The old system of holding court in the Mayor's office is a thing of the past. It was simply horrible to get hemmed in there on a hot day and breathe into your lungs forty distinct stinks. No one seemed to have had any respect for the old place, but it is all different now, and those who must spit cannot use the floor for that purpose. Instead of the old hemp floor covering, used more for an absorber than anything else, there is now a thick substance treated with chloride of sulphur, resembling carbonized rubber, used for the floor covering. A lady can now enter the Mayor's office without soiling her skirt, and she will be given a good nice chair to sit in.

To enter the court room the ruff must go through the ally and enter a side door. The court room will accommodate at least one hundred people outside of the bar, and when Mayor Stem takes his seat on the bench it looks like a court room sure enough, and if you listen very closely you will hear a great deal of law mixed with the Gospel.

The Public Ledger is very proud of the present administration and the new municipal office and court room. We feel that the town is in safe hands whether they have much or little funds at their command. Give them more funds and they will make a good showing.

NATIONAL HIGHWAY NOTES

Drives Car From Washington to Clarkesville in One Day

Mr. Frank C. Cain one day last week started from Washington City at 6:20 a. m., arrived in Richmond at 2 p. m., and after spending a couple of hours in the Capitol City started South and reached Clarkesville at 9 p. m. The trip was made in a Ford. Mr. Cain reported some bad places in the Highway near Fredericksburg and between Richmond and Petersburg, but the rest of the road, he said is in fine condition.

C. G. Sanderford, patrolman on the southern end of the National Highway in Granville, is doing some good work on his division. This week he swept the entire road bed from Oxford to the Durham line with a cedar brush broom. It required two horses to draw the broom and it consumed two and one-half days to complete the job. The sweeping process has a tendency to lay the dust and define the roadbed, says Mr. Sanderford.

Travelers coming in from the South say that the National Highway just at present is badly torn up between Durham and Raleigh.

Surl News Notes

(Correspondence of the Public Ledger.) The singing at Mt. Herman church for the past few weeks has been inspiring.

I notice that the mile posts from Oxford to Berea make it more comfortable for the public, as the signs keep them posted as to the distance.

That big pumpkin in the window at the Hamilton Drug Co., reminds one of a big nail keg.

Oxford is selling a lot of tobacco from Person county. I have heard farmers in this section say that the prices in Oxford are higher than they have received elsewhere. A large number who have sold elsewhere verify the statement.

The widow of Thos. Harris died on the 21st, at a ripe old age. Her people have the sympathy of the entire community.

A large number of people in this section propose to see the "Diamond in the Sky" which will be put on at the Orpheum Theatre next week. Harris & Crews put on nothing but the best pictures.

RETURNED TO WASHINGTON

Senator Simmon's Clerks Call By for Mr. Cortez Wright

Messrs. Joseph F. Tayloe, of Washington, N. C., and Capt. William Linister, of Statesville, enroute to Washington City Thursday, were joined here by Mr. Cortez Wright. These are Senator Simmon's efficient clerks and they are returning to the National Capitol for a strenuous session of Congress.

Pierian Literary Society

The Pierian Literary Society held its weekly meeting on Oct. 29. The subject for the afternoon was Hallowe'en. A story of Hallowe'en was told by Bedford Roundtree, Lelia Currin and Edith Howell. Miss Ruth Howard rendered the music. Mozell Walters told in an interesting way Burns' Hallowe'en story. W.

MINUTES OF THE BOARD

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET IN MONTHLY SESSION

Important Matters Considered—Road Foreman R. A. Jones Reports 251 Miles of Roads Machined.

The honorable Board of County Commissioners met on Monday last with the following members present: Messrs. B. I. Breedlove, chairman; R. S. Hart, J. L. Peed, H. C. Floyd and Z. W. Allen.

Mrs. Sallie Meadows was placed on the outside pauper list.

The clerk was ordered to charge against Mrs. Columbia Bullock, of Brassfield, for the years 1911, 1912 and 1913—\$1,500.00 plus 25 per cent; for 1914 and 1915—\$1,000.00 plus 25 per cent.

Board ordered Larry Hester, colored, exempt from road duty for six months from date.

The road, as located by Commissioner Floyd from Gray Rock to the Vance county line, crossing the lands of Jim Scott and others, was accepted by the Board and the overseer was instructed to proceed to build the road, there being no cost attached to the county for construction work.

The Sheriff presented his bond in the sum of \$20,000 for the collection of taxes for the year 1915, the same being accepted and the chairman ordered the books turned over to the Sheriff upon the completion of the same.

Wesley Y. Thorp was granted rebate on \$6,000 erroneously listed.

C. S. Easton was granted rebate of \$1,650. error in valuation of real estate in Oxford township.

Foreman R. A. Jones reported that since October 1st he had completed the E. C. Harris road. This road is about four miles long and it was completed in about six weeks and 3 days. Continuing Mr. Jones reported that on October 23d he moved the road force to Dutchville and has since been at work on the Will Daniel and Wilkins road, covering about four and one-half miles. This gives a machining to all the machine built roads of 251 miles in the county.

The chairman and the county attorney were instructed to borrow \$2,500 for general county purposes, this money to be paid from the general county fund when the taxes of 1915 are collected.

SPORTSMEN AFIELD

The Open Season for Partridge Shooting Is On.

The open season for partridge shooting in Granville began November 1st. The event was celebrated with local sports going to the field returning with some game.

The Public Ledger would remind the hunters that they should be careful not to trespass on private property. In others words to not hunt on another's land without permission of the owner or occupant. The fact that a man may not have his place with "trespass" notices doesn't give you license to go on it and kill his game birds any more than his chickens. Quails are very useful on a farm, and if an owner wants to give them a chance to increase and multiply he certainly should have that privilege.

MR. EUGENE CREWS RESIGNS

Mr. Ben W. Parham Elected Secretary of the Commercial Club

Mr. Eugene Crews who has been the faithful and able secretary of the Granville Commercial Club for more than a year tendered his resignation as secretary at the regular monthly meeting of the Club Thursday night. It is stated, but not confirmed, that Mr. Crews has been tendered a flattering position in another State.

Mr. Ben W. Parham was elected to the position made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Crews.

General Royster at Winnipeg

Their many friends in Oxford and Granville will be pleased to learn that General and Mrs. B. S. Royster are having a delightful trip. A post-al from the General, dated at Winnipeg, Manitoba, says the weather is cold and bracing up there. They will probably reach the Exposition early next week.

Week of Prayer

The ladies of the Methodist Church will hold their annual week of Prayer in the Lyon Memorial building during the week from the eighth to the thirteenth of November at 3:30 p. m. The ladies of the other congregations are cordially invited to be present.

The Anchor Store

Elsewhere in this issue of the Public Ledger will be found the adv. of the Anchor Store, Henderson's large and handsome dry goods emporium. Style and value is the solid foundation upon which the Anchor Store rests.