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THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGN

MR. OVERMAN FIRES OPENING GUN IN ATTACK ON MR. ROOT

He Says if People Want Peace They Will Elect Wilson, if They Want War, a Republican.—Marion Butler and Bob McNeill, of Washington, Will be the Ringmasters.

The opening gun of the attacks which the Democratic leaders have planned on the recent speech of former Senator Elihu Root, of New York, before the New York Republicans, criticizing the foreign policy of President Wilson, was fired in Washington Saturday by Senator Overman in an interview with the Associated Press and a vigorous speech delivered by Senator James Hamilton Lewis of Illinois, in the senate. The statements of Senators Overman and Lewis will be followed by speeches from Senator Stone, of Missouri, and other Democratic chieftains.

In the opinion of Senator Overman both Roosevelt and Root want the United States to go to war with both Mexico and Germany, therefore it is his belief that the tone of the main questions in the coming campaign will be whether this country shall remain at peace with all the world or whether we shall engage in the conflict now raging in nearly all of Europe.

In the opinion of Mr. Overman the people want peace. If so they will reelect Woodrow Wilson President and return to the Congress a Democratic majority in both houses. If they want war they will elect a Republican to the White House and send a Republican majority to Congress.

Judging from former President Theodore Roosevelt's statements and the statements of other Republican leaders, especially the great speech former Senator Root in New York a few days ago, the Republicans are for war, both with Mexico and Germany," said Senator Overman. "Therefore the slogan during this year's campaign will be Democracy for peace and Republicans for war, looking at it from developments up to date.

The Republican Ringmasters
Red Buck Bryant, Washington correspondent of the News and Observer says the political pot is beginning to simmer and North Carolina is furnishing tagots to get the fire going.

North Carolina Republicans are about to be put through a two-ring circus. Ex-Senator Marion Butler, of Washington, and Robert H. McNeill, attorneys of Washington, are to be the ringmasters.

Ex-Senator Butler and Mr. McNeill know what a nice looking, well-behaved delegation at Chicago may mean. If at the proper moment Tar Heel Republicans could deliver the wallop that would put one candidate out and another in, with Republican success, pie would come thick and toothsome.

Standpatters Sure to Win

The news that comes from the West to Washington is that neither Colonel Roosevelt nor Justice Hughes has a shadow of a chance for the Chicago nomination. The stand-pat Republicans will get it, and E. C. Duncan, of North Carolina, and Alvah H. Martin, of Virginia are helping along the elimination and the stand-pat movement. That Root, Weeks, McCall, Burton, or somebody else of that school will get the Republican nomination is the prediction made by newspaper men who have just returned from the Middle West."

The Big Four

"The Big Four from North Carolina to Chicago will likely be: John M. Morehead, of Charlotte; E. C. Duncan, of Raleigh; J. J. Britt, Representative in Congress from the Tenth district, and Jeter C. Pritchard (if he will have it.) Mr. Butler will go in from the Third district if his faction there wins.

THERE'S MILLIONS IN IT

Mr. J. A. Taylor Hits Upon a Good Scheme

We believe that Mr. J. A. Taylor's suggestion that the College street parkway be planted to pecan trees is a good one. The pecan tree is graceful and it makes a fine shade. Set out at intervals of twenty feet there would be something like two hundred trees. Two hundred bearing pecan trees in Texas are worth annually \$1,500 to the owner. Fifteen hundred dollars would pay the interest on \$25,000. Now let us see, the property owners have ten years in which to pay for the paving. That's just like getting money from home—fifteen hundred dollars a year. In the language of Mullberry Sellers "There's Millions in it."

MISS SHOTWELL BUSY

The Schools of the County Getting Ready for Commencement

Miss Mary G. Shotwell, supervisor of Schools is very busy in visiting the school and assisting the teachers and pupils in the work for the County Commencement.

PLANT FLOWER GARDENS NOW

MRS. R. G. LASSITER SETS FORTH A WISE PLAN

The Garden Mart And a Word in Reference to Planting Chrysanthemums.

Great results were seen last year from the flowers distributed at the Garden Mart, but it is to be hoped that there will be more flowers planted in Oxford this Spring than were ever before.

Let us begin now to make plans. It is wise to send in your orders as early as possible so that you will get the very best plants. The florist or nurserymen will reserve them for you and ship at the proper time for planting.

If you wait until time to plant before sending your order by that time all the best plants will have been sold and you will get only inferior ones.

In ordering your plants and seeds it will be greatly appreciated if you will remember the Garden Mart, and order more than you will need for your own use so that you will have some to contribute or exchange at that time.

Great advantage can be gained by sowing your flower seed now if you have the proper boxes and warm, sunny windows to place them in. If you want strong, healthy plants, do not sow the seed too thickly, and never allow the soil to become dry and hard. Keep them lightly sprinkled and when they are about two inches high transplant to other boxes having the little plants at least one inch apart. When the ground is warm and danger from frost is over, transplant again into permanent places in the yard or garden.

The Chrysanthemum Show

All who wish to have chrysanthemums to exhibit at the Annual Show in the fall should order the plants now. Our Mrs. J. D. Brooks has very kindly offered to send off all orders for chrysanthemums, and to deliver them in good condition.

Smith, the chrysanthemum specialist, considers the second week in April the time to plant in this locality, but if you will give your orders now within the next week to Mrs. Brooks she will have Smith to reserve the plants for you. All orders will be packed separately but sent in one large box, so that a great saving will be made in express charges.

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THE HALL ESTATE

On Main, Hillsboro and College Streets

In the official resolution published in the Public Ledger last Saturday ordering pavements on certain streets in Oxford, the name of Mr. J. G. Hall occurs five times in connection with properties on Main, Hillsboro and College streets. It would appear from reading the resolution that Mr. Hall signed the petition to pave in front of his drug house on Main street and refused to sign the petition to pave in front of the other four properties.

The Public Ledger feels that it is due Mr. Hall to state that he willingly signed the petition to pave in front of his individual property on Main street, but the other four properties mentioned in connection with his name is the property of the Hall estate, and as such he was not authorized to sign. We have it from Mr. J. G. Hall himself that he looks with favor upon the efforts to secure good streets in Oxford and that if he was sole owner of the properties mentioned in the petition he would have readily signed up for the improvement.

The good people of Oxford sometimes forget to look back a few years and view Mr. Hall at a time when he pulled off his coat and rolled back his sleeves and worked for Oxford as few men have done. It is true that he has been very successful, but in his battle to make Oxford a bigger and better town he lost thousands where others lost hundreds, and it is also true that the greatest kickers in town were those who had nothing to invest or nothing to lose.

FLAG AND BIBLE

Hon. D. G. Brummitt on the Program for Speech.

The Junior Order will present a flag and Bible at Pleasant Grove next Friday at 2 o'clock. Hon. D. G. Brummitt, Granville's gifted son, will present the flag and Rev. Martin, of Stem, will present the Bible. The indications are that a large crowd will be present if the weather will permit.

FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS

To the people of Granville County: I hereby announce my candidacy for nomination for the office of Register of Deeds, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary. I will appreciate any and all support. JACK C. HOWARD.

THURSDAY CHORAL CLUB

MISS ADRIANA KUYK, LYRIC SOPRANO

An Exceptionally Fine Program at the Orpheum Theatre Thursday Night Under the Auspices of the Oxford Choral Club.

It is hoped that a packed theatre will welcome the efforts of our Oxford Thursday Choral Club this week at their second concert, when besides their Choral selections, they will in-



MISS ADRIANA KUYK

roduce Miss Adriana Kuyk of Richmond, to Oxford music lovers.

Here is what the Richmond papers say of Miss Kuyk: "She possesses a lyric soprano of great beauty. Her tones are clear and rich and she sings with grace and ease. She sang before a large audience, the waltz song from 'Romeo and Juliet' and although encores had been ruled out, the audiences would not be denied and Miss Kuyk gracefully responded with the 'Provençal Song' by Dell Acqua." She will sing this song in the program at the Orpheum.

Rev. S. K. Phillips, Director of the Club and all its members are trying to give Oxford as good music as other cultured cities of the State enjoy, and they are looking to the public to hold up their hands. This concert will cost the Club at the least \$75, and the result of this performance will largely determine the future of this promising organization. Henderson gave its Club with Miss Kuyk a \$300 house last year and as a result their permanence was assured and this year they are planning a brilliant spring festival.

General admission, 50c; gallery, 35c. Our young people and our civic organizations have it in their power to make these concerts both brilliant and successful. Let's put Oxford on the music-map!

THOSE GLORIOUS GIRLS

WE SUFFER THEIR GOOD WORKS TO GO UNREWARDED

An Unsolicited Testimonial Comes From the Mother of the Editor of One of the Philadelphia Big Newspapers.

Despite the fact that the Granville Canning Club was not successful in marketing their entire output the Public Ledger trusts that Mrs. Capehart and her glorious girls will this summer enter upon the task with renewed efforts. Their product is so far superior to the Northern goods that it is a down right shame that there was no market for the home goods.

To convince ourselves of this fact, we packed up two cans of the goods prepared under the supervision of Mrs. Capehart and sent them to a friend in the suburbs of Philadelphia. The good friend writes back: "We are at a loss to know whether it is the superiority of the vegetables or the skill that makes the product of your beautiful Southern clime surpass that of the North, at any rate we wish to know if you would mind telling us if they are put up for private use only, or would we be privileged to buy them."

There you are, grocerymen, an unsolicited testimonial from the mother of an editor of one of the big Philadelphia daily newspapers. It goes to prove that old Granville is great and glorious. We must encourage Mrs. Capehart in her noble work. If we were up round New York City and Boston we could look back to old Granville and view the glorious canning girls as clear cut diamonds, but here at home we suffer their good works to go unrewarded.

THE STREAMS OF GRANVILLE

THEY SHOULD TEEM WITH THE DELICIOUS FINNY TRIBE

Help Comes From the Department of Agriculture and We Find in Col. R. O. Gregory a Strong Advocate.

For some years the National Government has been emphasizing the shortage of this country's meat supply and is steadily following up a campaign of meat promotion among farmers. Of course, the main meat dependence is beef, pork and mutton, but the government is making systematic efforts to get the farmers interested in raising poultry and fish.

Just now the government is showing to the farmers how easy it is to have an abundant fish supply of their own. The advantage of fish ponds on farms is being called to the attention of the farmers.

The Government's plan seems so plausible to the Public Ledger, we took the question up with Col. R. O. Gregory and got the information we were looking for. He tells us that he maintained a fish pond on his country estate for many years and that it paid for itself many times over. Pike, chubs and two varieties of perch were Col. Gregory's choice fish, but he states that many other members of the finny tribe will thrive in the streams of Granville.

The bureau of fisheries is in charge of the work and it is sending fish experts to the various states. It does not recommend fish raising as a commercial venture, but with a view to providing a food supply for private use. It shows how practical it is to do so, and the bureau will see to it that farmers shall have all the fish they need to stock their ponds with the very best species. Document No. 826 is a valuable bulletin which the bureau will mail to any farmer seeking information.

Nearly every farmer in Granville can have either a natural or artificial pond. If one farmer does not care to have a pond, three or four might combine and have a pond in common. The Government is telling farmers how to construct ponds and propagate fish by the thousands. We have a friend in Amherst county, Virginia—out in the hills about seven miles from Lynchburg, who has a fish pond, orchard, poultry yard combined. His fish pond is his pride, and he raises so many fish that he finds it profitable to market them in Lynchburg and numerous resorts. He feeds his fish regularly and catches them by the hundreds much easier than he can catch his chickens.

The soil survey map of Granville shows forty-two healthy streams, each one well adapted for raising fish. It is commendable to stock the streams with fish, but the most successful plan to maintain a pond is to tap the stream and lead the water to the pond through pipes.

There are several fine streams near Oxford, and we venture to say that any good man who cares to go into the business can "lift" enough fish out of his pond before breakfast to feed every family in Oxford. It is estimated that the sale of fresh fish in Oxford amounts to not less than \$3,000 per year, and the consumption would be thrived that amount if the fish could be had fresh from our own streams.

CHURCH NOTES

Sunday a Fine Day and the Services Were Well Attended

There were no services at the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning last on account of Dr. Phillips attending a meeting in Clarksville, Rev. J. S. Kennison of Stovall filled the pulpit Sunday night.

Dr. G. T. Lumpkin of the Baptist church was in Norfolk Sunday and Dr. Watts of the Sunday School Board filled the pulpit at the morning services. Rev. C. A. Upchurch occupied the pulpit at the evening hour and delivered a fine sermon.

The regular pastor of the Methodist church, Dr. R. H. Willis, filled the pulpit both morning and evening and the services were well attended.

Dr. Horsfield of St. Stephens church preached an eloquent sermon Sunday and everyone present greatly enjoyed it.

Merchants go North

Mr. Will Landis left for the northern market Friday accompanied by his wife, where he will select the new stock of Spring goods for Landis & Easton. Mr. Oscar Breedlove of the Perkinson-Green Co., left Saturday for New York and Baltimore where he will buy a first class stock of Spring goods. Mr. Josh King left Monday for the North where he will spare no efforts to select a large stock of Spring Goods for the Long Co. Mr. Charlie Cohn of the firm of Cohn & Son will return to Oxford sometime this week, he is on the Northern market buying a new stock of Spring Goods.

GRANVILLE COUNTY COURT

JUDGE DEVIN IMPOSED JAIL SENTENCES IN LIQUOR CONVICTIONS.

The Criminal Docket Was Disposed of Saturday Morning—The Civil Calendar is Dwindling.

Superior Court is still in session this being a two weeks term. In the case against Callahan, Wilmerson and Sizemore, which was being tried as we went to press with our last issue, the jury failed to agree. The defendants then entered a plea of nolo contendere and judgment was suspended upon the payment of the costs.

Another liquor case tried was that of Reuben Parker. Reuben was caught with a gallon and a half in his crib and two pints down one of his pants legs and an empty carton or sluck down the other. He claimed that the whiskey was for his own personal use as he had the rheumatics. The jury found him guilty, however. Graham & Son defended him.

Paul Lawson was before the court for breaking and entering the dwelling-house of John Hammie and taking therefrom a watch and tie. He was given eighteen months on the road. Mr. Brummitt appeared for him.

As we surmised in our last issue Judge Devin imposed jail sentences in all liquor convictions. Will Teasley drew ten months on the roads for the liquor and two additional ones for having a gun. Henry Clark for larceny got eighteen months and his accomplice, Walter Black, was given the same. Baldy Kearsey received ten months for having liquor for the purpose of sale, and John Mangum for selling was given eight. Calvin Lyon was given fifteen months in his liquor case and Reuben Parker eight.

Civil Calendar

The civil calendar was entered upon Saturday morning. The first case tried was that of S. V. Morton and S. M. Watkins against A. H. Powell, Commissioner, and the heirs of the late J. M. Currin. The plaintiffs bought a tract of land at the sale of the lands of Mr. Currin conducted by Mr. Powell as Commissioner. The land was advertised to contain 148 acres but upon a survey it was found to contain only about 131 as claimed by Messrs. Morton & Watkins. They contended that Mr. Powell knew of this deficiency before the deed was delivered and sued to recover the difference between the price paid for the land and what they claimed they should have paid for 131 acres, this difference being \$544. The defendants contended that the land was sold as a whole and not by the acreage and the plaintiffs got what they bought. Many interesting points of law were raised in the trial. The jury could not agree and a mistrial was had. Messrs. Hicks & Stem and Graham & Son represented plaintiffs, while Gen. Royster and Mr. A. C. Zellcoffer of Henderson appeared for the defendants.

Monday morning the case of Mrs. Mary A. Nicholson against the Southern Express Co., was begun. In this case Mrs. Nicholson is suing the Express Company for personal injuries sustained by slipping on a plank and falling and injuring herself in the office of the Company while it was being torn up and repaired. The case was tried once before, Judge Rountree granting a non-suit, but this was set aside by the Supreme Court. Graham & Son appear for the plaintiff and Gen. Royster represents the defendant.

POSTMASTERS AS ARMY OFFICER

Senator Smith Introduces a Bill for Regular Army of 250,000

A regular army of 250,000 men, to be trained during active service, both for war and peace are provided in a bill introduced last week by Senator Hoke Smith.

Two years with the colors and four years in the reserve is proposed which, according to Senator Smith, would provide a reserve of 500,000 after it has been in operation five years. Training with colors would include 96 hours a month of scholastic or vocational training. Postmasters would act as recruiting officers and reservists would report to them once a year.

Dr. T. T. Frazier Improves

Dr. Manning, of Durham, was in consultation with Dr. Watkins last week regarding the condition of Dr. T. T. Frazier, who has been confined to his bed for a few weeks. Dr. Watkins advises us that his patient is almost well and that he will be able to attend to his office duties at an early date.

Tuesday, February 29th at Oxford

Dr. N. Rosenstein, the Optometrist of Durham, will be in Oxford Tuesday, February 29th, stopping at the Exchange Hotel for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses. If you need the services of a Specialist, be sure and see Dr. Rosenstein. adv.