

SOME TOBACCO TALK

THE NATIONS AT WAR ARE NOT RAISING ANY TOBACCO THIS YEAR

Normally Austria-Hungary Produces 170,000,000 Pounds a Year, Belgium 20,000,000 Pounds, France 40,000,000 Pounds, Germany 65,000,000 and Italy 20,000,000 Pounds.

The opening of the markets at Kinston, Greenville, Wilson and other places in Eastern Carolina on August 15th, will be watched with considerable interest. The opening date of the Oxford market has not as yet been settled, but a majority of the tobacco men figure it out that anywhere from the fifth to the tenth of September is the proper time.

The question just now uppermost in the mind of the average tobacco raiser, however, is not so much the date of the opening of the market as the size of the crop and the price the weed will bring when it is put on the market.

The Southern Tobacco Journal, one of the best authorities, speaks as follows:

"The is, as usual at this season of the year, much speculation among tobacco men as to the probable size of the growing crop, its condition and the prices for the coming tobacco year. Tobacco is one of the most peculiar and sensitive plants that grows. It is a dry-weather product, and can not stand too much rain. Tobacco this year was planted late on account of the scarcity of plants and the dry weather that prevailed at planting time. Since the crop was planted unusually heavy and continuous rains have fallen. Like all growths, tobacco responded to the seasons, and it has grown rapidly, until much of it is ready for topping, and in some sections a few primings have been gathered. But as well as tobacco looks on the hill, and as healthy as it appears to be, we must

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SOLDIERS' AID ASSOCIATION

President Issues a Public Letter and Call

To the Citizens of Oxford:

Shortly after our Granville Grays departed for their encampment, I called a mass meeting at the Court House to discuss plans for the comfort of those left behind, whose sole means of dependence had been taken in response to the President's call for troops. The result of this mass meeting was the organization of the Soldiers' Aid Association. Pledges of definite amounts were made, to be paid each month as long as needed. Two responsible committees are receiving the funds and dispersing them.

This is not a "so-called" charity league. It is the spontaneous expression of a real love. These boys have taken our place in the army and we are taking their place at home, and intend to provide for their dependent loved ones just as they did while here.

I am making this public notice in order that those who have had no opportunity to make a subscription, may do so. We have already found four channels for the regular expression of our patriotism and love in this matter, and if you wish to join us, pay your subscription to Mr. B. W. Parham, Treasurer or Mr. J. S. King, Chairman of the Finance Committee, and do so at once.

We do not know how long our boys will have to be away nor what day a war cloud may break over our country nor what unfortunate circumstances may overtake their loved ones at home. For these reasons we want a good sum always on hand to minister to every need.

Faithfully yours,
W. Z. MITCHELL,
Acting Mayor and President Soldiers' Aid Association.

Sale of Real Estate.

For the purpose of making a speedy settlement of the estate of the late R. T. Crews, some splendid land is offered for sale. The home place of the late R. T. Crews out beyond Tar River is included in the sale. A splendid building lot on Williamsboro street, in the town of Oxford, is also offered for sale. The property is fully described elsewhere in this paper and lucky is the party who gets it.

Artists Describe the Three Newest Coins

EMBLEMS OF UNITY AND SYMBOLIC OF STRENGTH AND PREPAREDNESS

Adolph Alexander Weinman, designer of the new United States fifty and ten cent pieces, was born in Karlsruhe, Baden, Germany, Dec. 11, 1870. He obtained his education in Germany and in this country. Speaking of the designs, Mr. Weinman says:

"The half dollar bears an impression emblematic of Liberty, with an inscription of the word 'Liberty' and the year of the coinage. The same applies to the obverse of the dime.

"Upon the reverse there is the figure or representation of an eagle, with this inscription, 'United States of America.'

"The character of the subject for the reverse of the dime has not been mentioned in this law on coinage.

"In my design for the half dollar I have represented Liberty in a full length female figure enveloped in the folds of the stars and stripes, progressing in full stride toward the glorious dawn of a new day, carrying branches of laurel and of oak, symbolical of civic and of military glory. Her right hand is extended in bestowal of the spirit of liberty upon the 'land of the free and the home of the brave.'

"The design for the reverse of the half dollar shows the American eagle perched high upon a mountain crag, his wings unfolded, fearless in spirit and conscious of his power. Springing from a rift in the rock is a sapling of mountain pine, symbolic of America.

"The design for the dime, owing to the sameness of the coin, has been held quite simple. The obverse shows a head of Liberty with a winged cap. The head is firm and simple in form the profile forceful.

"The reverse shows a design of a bundle of staffs with battle ax, the

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TO SCHOOL PATRONS

All School Children Should Be Vaccinated Before School Opens

The school law requires every child to be vaccinated against small pox before entering school. I take this means of notifying the patrons that this law must be observed. I also ask and urge those who have children not already vaccinated to have it done at once. If this is done, the child will be ready to enter school and attend regularly. If you wait until school opens, the child may have to lose several days just at the most important stage of work. Please attend to this at once. School opens the first Monday in September.

G. B. PHILLIPS, Supt.

JUDGE GRAHAM IN OXFORD

Attending the One Week's Term of Granville County Court

Judge Graham arrived from New York city Saturday and will remain in Oxford during the entire week. The Judge has taken on considerable flesh and has begun to resemble, in averdupoise, the typical New York bond holder, the very class that he is holding in check. His many friends are glad to see the Judge enjoying robust health.

Judge Graham, who is in close touch with conditions, states that President Wilson is gaining strength every day. He meets well informed men every day from all parts of the United States and they are of the decided opinion that President Wilson will sweep the country.

Judge Graham says that he sleeps more in four hours at home than he can in eight hours in New York city.

SAM FRAZIER NOT CRAZY

Returns From the Criminal Insane Asylum.

Sheriff Hobgood, Officers I. H. Hobgood and Hutchins went to Raleigh last week and brought back Sam Frazier, who was adjudged non-composmentis at the last term of Granville county court and sent to the Criminal Insane Asylum. After a thorough examination the medical experts pronounce Sam sane and of sound mind. Sam is now in the custody of the county and will stand trial this week.

Mr. S. R. Oakley of Timberlake, was an Oxford visitor Tuesday.

THE DEUTCHLAND

IS WAITING FOR A CARGO OF YELLOW GOLD

The Amount and Source Could Not Be Learned—No Sign of Bremen, Sister Ship of Deutschland, Has Been Observed, Though Undersea Craft is Now Several Days Overdue.

BALTIMORE—Asked Monday when the German merchant submarine Deutschland would sail on her return voyage to Germany, Paul G. L. Hilken, member of the Eastern Forwarding Company, the boat's American agency, said she would start "just as soon as we can get her ready, and that will not be much longer."

From a source regarded as most reliable it was ascertained that the Eastern Forwarding Company has successfully closed its negotiations for a cargo of gold to go back to Germany.

It was said the gold will be put aboard and that the boat will then be ready to leave. Nothing could be learned as to the amount, or from whom it was obtained, except that it was "through negotiations with one of the largest American banking institutions."

Bremen is Still Missing

NORFOLK—Persons who maintained a vigil for the Bremen, sister ship of the giant German submarine Deutschland, for the past forty-eight hours, were keenly disappointed at the failure of the submersible to put in an appearance at Cape Henry. They insisted that she probably had been slightly delayed, possibly by the presence of the Allied warships just outside the Capes, and that she might be expected to dash into safety at any moment, but simultaneously admitted their surprise that the vessel had not come in.

The feeling that the Bremen is not near the Capes appeared to have spread to the Allied warships. Only one of them was in sight, and she was cruising far off the coast.

COURT IS IN SESSION

Judge Frank Daniels, of Goldsboro, Presiding.

As soon as Judge Daniels and Solicitor Gattis arrived Monday morning the court got right down to business. The docket is comparatively light, there being nothing of more than ordinary interest to interest the general public. Judge Daniel runs a smooth, easy business court, and with the able assistance of Solicitor Gattis it begins to look this early in the week that the docket will be exhausted before Saturday morning.

Mr. D. C. Hunt, Clerk of the Court, and Mr. Connie Walters, the court-crier and turnkeys are on hand. Many are the compliments that these two popular court officials have received from the bench.

Grand Jury

O. B. Aallen, Creedmoor, Foreman; G. R. Harrison, C. S. Elexson, J. R. Overbey, W. G. McGhee, W. S. Raynor, C. E. Floyd, A. Baker, F. F. Howell, B. T. Blackwell, V. O. Peed, J. G. Franklin, J. M. Campbell, J. M. Haskins, W. M. Cash, B. J. Bragg, G. L. Williamson, S. C. Conor.

Revival at Salem

Dr. L. L. Nash, Conference Evangelist, is holding the meeting this week at Salem. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Dr. Nash is a strong gospel preacher and will be remembered as having held a meeting in Oxford Methodist church several years ago and his old friends will no doubt be glad of an opportunity to hear him again. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

C. A. JONES, Pastor.

Court House Marriage

Last Friday night at 8:45, in the office of the Register of Deeds, Miss Addie Bell Williamson became the charming bride of Mr. F. L. Pittard. The knot was tied by Dr. Marsh in the presence of those who learned of the incident in time to witness the ceremony. The bride and groom are natives of Granville.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Landis, Mrs. C. H. Landis, Miss Anna Landis, Mrs. E. T. Rawlings, Miss Gladys and Mr. George Rawlings enjoyed a birthday dinner Sunday with Mr. Hamlin Cheatham on Route 3.

Mrs. Gooch Wins Share in Big Estate

JUDGE PRICHARD HOLDS WITHOUT EFFECT ANTENUPTIAL CONTRACT ACCEPTING ANNUITY.

(Richmond Times-Dispatch)

Holding the antenuptial contract signed by Mrs. Margret Radcliffe Gooch to be without force or effect, United States Circuit Judge Jeter C. Prichard will cause an order to be entered Monday setting aside the agreement by which her late husband settled upon her an annual income of \$3,000, as long as she remained a widow in lieu of her widow's interest in an estate valued at between \$300,000 and \$350,000.

The trial which has been in progress since Monday, was the most extraordinary that has come before the United States District Court in years. It ended in a sweeping victory for the twenty-four-year-old widow, who by virtue of Judge Prichard's decision, will receive her share of the estate money and equities in real estate valued at more than \$100,000, in stead of a bare \$3,000 annuity, during her widowhood, to which the dead man's relatives sought to restrict her.

As Gooch died interstate, his property went to his first wife, Mrs. Annie Wayne Suhor. Efforts on the part of Mrs. Gooch to have her dower rights realized by appeal to the Circuit Court of Mecklenburg County failed. The court appointed the Old Dominion Trust Company curator of the estate. Since Mrs. Gooch was herself a resident of North Carolina, the case was appealed to the United States District Court, where suit was brought against Mr. and Mrs. Suhor and the Old Dominion Trust Company.

Chief Justice White, of the United States Supreme Court, designated Circuit Judge Prichard to sit for Judge Edmund Waddill, Jr.

Settle Without Litigation.

"I cannot allow the prenuptial contract to stand," announced Judge Prichard, after both sides had rested. "These cases, in my opinion, should preferably be settled out of court between the parties interested, and I would recommend that this be done in this case, instead of allowing the estate to be frittered away in litigation. The contract, however, cannot

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WHY THEY LEFT

Pitty the Overworked and Underpaid School Teachers

"Around two-thirds of the country schools of the United States have new teachers every term," says the University News Letter. "Wholesale changes like this is enough to wreck any business. A letter from a country school teacher, one of the very best in this or any other state, throws light on a main cause of this annual shuffling of schools and teachers. We quote from it because this letter gives us a direct look into conditions that are largely responsible for the largest cause of waste in the use of public school money—the wholesale annual change of country school teachers.

Hard Work and Discomfort

"I walk about a mile to school and back again each day. My daily school duties keep me busy as a bee about eight hours or so. My luncheon today was biscuit, fried meat, sweet potatoes, and fried apple pie. I board with a family of eleven who live in a four-room cottage. My daily bath must be taken in a tin basin, which holds about a half-gallon of water. The family wonders why it takes so much water for one woman every day.

"After school I rest in an old-time straight-back chair until supper is announced about 9 o'clock in the evening. The supper room is also the kitchen and pantry. The meal is cold vegetables, biscuit odorous with soda, milk, and butter. I pay \$20 a month for my board.

"About the time I am ready to prepare my day's work, I am called upon to help the children with their language, arithmetic, and geography lessons. No extra pay for this, and no decrease in the charge for board on this account."

New Lumber Man

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Marsh Ray Monday morning a fine little baby boy.

FEDERATION MEETING

THE FIRST OF THE KIND HELD IN THE STATE.

Three Hundred of the Best People of the County Gather at the Fair Grounds and Discuss Live Issues and Enjoy Sumptuous Dinner.

All the Clubs of the County save two, who were detained by religious services in their neighborhood, were largely represented at the federation meeting last Friday.

Mrs. William Kimball, president of the Federation presided with dignity and grace. The meeting was opened with a fervent prayer by Rev. S. K. Phillips, and Mrs. John Webb extended a most cordial greeting. Miss Mary Shotwell, who is the most earnest worker the county has ever had, explained the object of the meeting. Mrs. J. T. Alderman, of Henderson, ex-president of the North Carolina Federation of Clubs, fully explained the value of Club work.

Mrs. W. B. Waddill, of Henderson, State chairman of the Federation of Clubs, talked interestingly of the influence of the boys' and girls' clubs.

About 250 persons attended the meeting, practically every phase of club work being represented, the organizations including the corn, pig, poultry and canning clubs, the women's clubs, the Oxford Commercial club and the home demonstration clubs. Sessions were held in the morning and afternoon, picnic dinner being served on the grounds. Enthusiasm prevailed and it was agreed that hereafter such meetings will be held at Oxford semi-annually.

Mr. Brown, who was one of the speakers, told of the true significance of the club movement. The clubs have become intensely practical and are engaged in truly constructive and helpful work, having emerged from the sphere of mere vision to the realm of real usefulness. Mr. Brown spoke for forty minutes, giving his hearers a clear presentation of the

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JUDGE DEVIN IN DUPLIN

Will Restore Good Government in the Turbulent County

After spending the week-end with his family, Judge Devin left Sunday evening for Keanansville, Duplin county, where he is holding court this week. For the past few months things have looked very dark in Duplin. The law has been brought into disrepute by riots and actual bloodshed. For fear that Judge Devin wouldn't have enough to keep him busy, or perhaps with a view of having things done right, an ugly lynching case in one of the adjoining counties was moved to Duplin so as to bring it under the immediate jurisdiction of Judge Devin.

It will be a hard week's work for Judge Devin, but he will most likely restore order in the turbulent county before he gets through with it.

FORMER PASTOR VISITS OXFORD

Dr. Hardaway Will Preach at the Oxford Baptist Church Next Sunday

Dr. Hardaway, of Newnan, Ga., will arrive in Oxford next Saturday and be the guest of Mr. B. F. Taylor and Mrs. Lucy Powell for two or three days. Dr. Hardaway was the beloved pastor of the Oxford Baptist church for a number of years, and his many friends will be glad to learn that he will spend a few days here. He will fill the pulpit at the Oxford Baptist church next Sunday morning.

MISS KELLEY'S DATES

Will Speak to Women and Young People in Oxford Monday

Miss Sue Kelly will finish her visits to the churches and missionary societies of the Flat River Association on next Monday afternoon when she will speak to the women and young people in the Oxford Baptist church.

She will be at Sharon on Friday afternoon. At Mt. Zion Sunday morning and at Hester's church on Sunday afternoon. At all these meetings she wants all the young people and children as well as the women to be present. Her work is going to be worth a great deal to the great mission cause in our Association.

MRS. JOHN WEBB,
Supt. W. M. U.

Mrs. P. C. Parham, of Route 3, is visiting in Wilson.