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THE METHODIST REVIVAL

LARGE CONGREGATIONS HEAR DR. STANFORD

Interest Grows in the Revival Services Now in Progress at the Oxford Methodist Church—Dr. Stanford's Sermons Are Very Impressive.

Increased interest is manifested from day to day in the revival services which have been in progress at the Oxford Methodist church for more than a week and which is likely to continue throughout the better part of the present week.

Dr. Stanford, of Hickory, who is assisting Dr. Willis, is one of the most learned theologians and sincere speakers that was ever heard in Oxford. The thrill that he brings to the vast throng that go out to hear him is sensational only so far as the divine truths of the message direct. His modulated voice carries to all parts of the church edifice and his earnest pleadings for the Master's cause naturally draws the repentant to the mercy seat. By virtue of his splendid powers in presenting the Truth many have been led to see the Light. The congregational singing, too, is an impressive feature of the meetings.

The revival is still in progress and the public is cordially invited to attend the meetings.

The services this Tuesday evening will be devoted to a special message to the young men of the community and everyone of them are urged to be present.

IN HONOR OF BRIDE-TO-BE

Engagement of Miss Elizabeth Hancock and Mr. Rowland S. Pruette Announced

On September the first, at the lovely home of General and Mrs. B. S. Royster, Miss Helen Royster gave an elegant luncheon announcing the engagement of her cousin, Miss Elizabeth Hancock, whose marriage to Mr. Rowland Shaw Pruette of Wadesboro is to take place on November 17th, 1916, which will be the twenty-fifth anniversary of her mother's wedding-day.

Miss Royster presided with grace and dignity at the table, which was beautifully laid for fourteen guests. No suggestion of the nature of the occasion was manifested in the appointments for the first four courses, and before the ice course was served, this being in the shape of slippers and bells, the announcement was made in clever rhyme by Miss Royster. This was followed by appropriate wishes and toasts from all present, whereupon the bride-to-be very charmingly expressed her appreciation of these good wishes.

Miss Hancock is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hancock of Oxford, and the granddaughter of President and Mrs. F. P. Hobgood of Oxford College. Her popularity is by no means confined to her home town, her winning personality having won hosts of friends for her throughout the state.

Mr. Pruette is a member of the leading law firm of Wadesboro, and has already won for himself an enviable reputation both as a man and a lawyer.

Those present on this interesting occasion were: Misses Elizabeth Hancock, Helen Royster, Mary Royall and Ethel Hancock, Sallie Webb, Mary Shaw, Lucy Landis, Sophronia Cooper, Estelle White, and Mrs. Arthur Landis, of Oxford; Miss Sarah Seaward, Petersburg; Miss Louise Curdin, of Richmond; Miss Sunshine Hicks, Brooklyn, N. Y.; and Mrs. R. T. Upchurch, Henderson.

ATTENDANCE ON THE INCREASE

Gen. Royster Talks to Large Crowd of Men.

Now that the backbone of Summer has been broken the attendance at the Oxford Baptist Baraca class last Sunday morning was largely attended. It was a great pleasure to the class to have General Royster present after an absence of two Sundays. His remarks on the International Lesson are the greatest of character builders. We don't remember to have heard anything more impressive than his talk last Sunday on "The Duties of Life." The old and young men of the town cannot spend a more profitable hour than in the Baraca class and now is the time to get the habit.

Despise Not the Day of Little Things

WHAT GRIT AND DETERMINATION WILL DO

A few days ago the Public Ledger mentioned the fact that there is a splendid opening in Oxford for some enterprising man to make a nice penny by collecting old rags and waste paper, but it does appear that the humble business of collecting rags and waste paper is regarded in Oxford as being the work of some old witch. Money accumulated by the sale of rags and waste paper is quite as clean as that of any other business and no honorable man despises the day of little things.

We are personally acquainted with a young farmer who rented an eight-acre farm a few years ago. He borrowed \$600 from a local bank to buy stock. He paid strict attention to business. He was very industrious which is the same thing as saying he was thrifty. In six years he owned \$6,700 worth of stock and machinery and made an \$8,000 payment on a \$30,000 farm.

A Connecticut newsboy did just as well with a smaller start. It took him six years to save \$100. Remember, a newsboy handles pennies, not dollars. This money he invested in a lot on the edge of the city. The war came on, and his profits increased so that, in a year or so, he was able to pay off the mortgage on his lot. A few months ago he received an offer of \$20,000 for this lot, because it was needed by a munition plant. Luck, you say? Well, perhaps; but how about the original \$100 that he saved penny by penny and the money that he earned and saved with which to pay off the mortgage?

It's often the little saving that develops into a good investment. A ten-year-old boy was given 10 cents in planting time two years ago. He bought a package of cucumber seed with it and raised a nice patch of that vegetable for the local market which brought him \$6 in money. With \$5 of this money he purchased a ewe lamb and cared for it. Last spring the mother sheep had two little lambs, so now the boy has three sheep for his investment. The mother sheep is worth \$10 and the lambs \$5 each, making a total of \$20 he has earned with his 10-cent investment in a year and a half. Besides, he sold the wool of the mother sheep for \$2.45, with which he has opened a bank account. Now this boy has learned his lesson on thrift, and he knows it's not luck, but that money makes money when it's wisely expended.

Georgia is bringing up a population of capitalists through its pig clubs. The enrollment of members of the pig clubs for this year has reached more than 2,500. The first year 977 joined, the second year 1,468, and this year 2,500. In order to be eligible as a member of a pig club in Georgia a boy must own a pure-bred pig, and he must feed and care for it in the manner outlined in a course of instructions. There are now seventy-two county pig clubs. Of twenty counties that have been organized for three years, sixteen are now producing their own meat supply, and several are shipping their surplus to other markets. Community curing houses and icing plants have been established in various points and the boys bank their pig money.

WILL OPEN STUDIO HERE

A Young Lady of Rare Musical Talent

It is a pleasure to note that Miss Hutchings, the talented sister of Mrs. W. G. Pace, will open a studio and remain in Oxford. She has made many friends in Oxford during her visit, the guest of her sister.

The office building of the late Col. L. C. Edwards on College street is being made ready for the reception of her class on Monday, September 11th.

Miss Hutchings is a pupil of the celebrated William Nelson Burriett, New York City, and she has an experience of seven years as teacher of voice in the large Southern cities. She is noted in solo and concert work and is a favorite in Birmingham and New Orleans. Her coming to Oxford lends prestige to the music talent of the community.

TOBACCO BREAK

WAREHOUSE FLOORS COVERED WITH GOLDEN LEAVES

One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Pounds Sold—Head Men of the Big Companies Are Here.

Tobacco began to roll in late Monday evening and at the crack of day on Tuesday morning great streams of wagons were seen on every avenue leading to Oxford, and still they come. By ten o'clock, when the merry voice of the auctioneer was heard for the first time this season there were no less than 150,000 pounds on the floors of the five warehouses.

Those in a position to know whereof they speak tell us that the quality of tobacco offered is of a better grade, taken as a whole, than was anticipated on opening date. The sales had not actually begun at the hour we go to press, but the five hundred or more farmers present wear a smile of expectancy. That living prices will prevail there seems to be no doubt.

CHEAP WATER RATE

Oxford Has the Lowest Rate of Any City in the State

We wish to call down the esteemed Asheville Times on its published statement about having the cheapest water rate in the State. It says: "Asheville with her almost natural gravity system, continues to stand first in the low rate column of the State. Following the changing of rates by the Queen City's board of water commissioners, Charlotte after September 1, will rank second. Asheville furnishes water consumers 7,500 gallons at the rate of \$1.50 and Charlotte under her new rate will furnish 6,750 gallons of water at the rate of \$1.50. Charlotte under her old rate is now furnishing only 4,500 gallons for \$1.50. Greensboro, Durham, New Bern and Wilson each with a rate of 6,000 gallons for \$1.50, rank next. Asheville's city water department is said to be one of the best paying city utilities in the South."

Now, Oxford furnishes 9,000 gallons of filtered water for \$1.50. The water is supplied by an artesian well five hundred feet deep and is absolutely pure. So we think that the Asheville Times should publish to the world that Oxford has not only the best but the cheapest water rate in the State.

THE LUCIOUS BIVALVE

Hon. D. G. Brummitt and The Legal Aspect.

The fact that this is the month of September and that Mr. Marion Taylor, the sanitary groceryman, will soon have in stock the luscious bivalves, brings to mind the old saying that: "It is unseasonable and unwholesome in all months that have not an R in their name to eat an oyster."

Of all the Oxfordtonians whom we know, Representative D. G. Brummitt is the most particular when selecting a raw oyster. He judges an oyster as he would a Rambrandt, and his opinion of an oyster is as solid as his opinion on a legal question, which is 100 per cent sound.

OBJECT TO EMBARGO

Tobacco Planters Get Full Support of Government

Full support of the government was promised by Secretary Lansing to 75 tobacco planters of Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, Kentucky and Tennessee, who were in Washington last week to protest against Great Britain's action in renewing restrictions upon tobacco shipments to neutral countries. A demand that the restrictions be removed probably will be sent by the State Department shortly.

Lay in a Supply of Wood

The fact that the weather is somewhat cooler than it was last week is attributed to the fact that Hughes and Fairbanks are returning from the Pacific slopes. They are expected to create a blizzard in the Southern States in the near future. Better get in a supply of wood and coal before the gold dust twins arrive.

Let Us Go After Meat Packing Plant

ARMOUR WILL LOCATE EITHER IN OXFORD OR HENDERSON

Since the publication of Mr. C. D. Ray's letter in our last issue regarding a meat packing plant for Oxford, the Public Ledger learns through a reliable traveling man, who visits Oxford frequently, that Armour desires to open a meat packing plant in this section, preferably in Henderson or Oxford.

Inasmuch as the old market house is a dead weight on the town, we suggest that the Town Board of Commissioners and the Granville Commercial Club, jointly, take up the proposition with the Armour people.

A meat packing plant located in Oxford would be an incentive to turn Granville and the surrounding counties into cattle producing counties.

OFFICERS TAKE VACATION

Pitch Tent in Northwest Granville and Shoot Squirrels

Sheriff Hobgood, Deputy Connie Walters, Chief Sam Wheeler and Special Officer Hutchins, left Oxford last week with a camping outfit and pitched tent in the northwestern part of the county near the Person County line.

The purpose of the expedition was to slay squirrels and live for a couple of days close to nature.

They pitched their tent in a hickory-nut grove near a cool spring of water and slept on beds of straw covered with quilts.

On the morning of the first day, bright and early, the squirrels in large numbers appeared in the trees about the camp and the hunters soon bagged a sufficient number for a Brunswick stew, but on the second day it was necessary to make an excursion into the woods to find the squirrels. Their principal diet for two days was stewed squirrel. The other supplies they carried with them.

MISS LONG'S REPORT

She Was the Distinguished Guest of Miss Lyon

Miss Lola Long, president of the State Philathea Union, who was the guest of Miss Hettie Lyon recently, while making a tour of the State, inserts an interesting letter in the Philathea Herald, from which we take the following paragraph:

"If any Philathea is ever discouraged and inclined to lessen her efforts let her spend six weeks, as I have spent the last six, and be convinced that a new day has dawned for Philatheas in Dixie. Even though it was the warm vacation season, the attendance was splendid in every class, while the business meetings I had the pleasure of attending were conducted in the most approved manner. It was my great pleasure while visiting Miss Hettie Lyon at her lovely home in Oxford, to visit her well known class in their beautiful room in the splendid Lyon Memorial Hall. This class has been honored in having a picture and description of their room appear in the Ladies Home Journal for September."

A MODEST REQUEST

Promises To Be More Careful in the Future

After enumerating his troubles to the Public Ledger, a subscriber makes the following request:

"I guess you heard that they pulled me. I forgot myself and wouldn't have had it to happen for the world. It don't make so much difference about myself, but just for the sake of my wife and children and other people I wanted to ask if you would do me a little personal favor of leaving it out. You know that I have always been a steady subscriber and I just thought that maybe you could leave this out this time. It won't ever happen again, you can just bet on that, and this is the only time I'll ask you."

Will Don Uniform

Master Junius Cooper, the fine little son of Col. and Mrs. Henry G. Cooper, and for more than two years the very able messenger of the Bank of Granville, will enter Horner's Military school at Charlotte this month and don the cadet uniform. A finer boy never breathed and here's banking on him wherever he goes. A very fine boy, Henry Shaw, Jr., relieves Junius at the National Bank of Granville.

THE SHERIFF'S REPORT

THE COLLECTIONS FOR 1915 TOTAL \$115,169.16

The Amount of Taxes Remaining Uncollected From Insolvents, Deaths and Removed is Only Four-Fifths of One Percent.

Sheriff Hobgood turned over to the County Commissioners Monday his annual settlement of taxes collected in Granville county for the year 1915. His report, which was made in detail, accounts for every cent handled, the total collection being \$115,169.16. This is an increase of \$10,000 over the previous year.

The insolvencies are only four-fifths of one percent. This is the closest collection ever made in Granville county since the dog was taxed, and we believe it is the closest in the State. It is a remarkably record considering the fact that the books were turned over to Sheriff Hobgood forty-six days late, on account of the 10 per cent having to be added on real estate. It speaks well for Sheriff Hobgood and the lawabiding citizenship of the county.

On the insolvent list appears the name of one man who gave in a substantial tax assessment and left the county, the same being uncollectable. If it had not been for this one item the insolvencies would have been considerably less than four-fifths of one per cent on a total collection of \$115,169.16.

SCHOOL OPENED MONDAY

Superintendent Phillips is the Right Man in the Right Place

A large number of parents were on hand at the Oxford Graded School Building early Monday morning to see their children started off in the right direction. The session was opened with prayer and appropriate remarks by Dr. Willis, Gen. B. S. Royster and Dr. Hays. Dr. Hays' remarks were confined to one word uttered several times—"toothbrush, toothbrush."

It is the consensus of opinion that Superintendent Phillips is the right man in the right place. He asks the parents to co-operate with him in bringing about the desired results.

The enrollment this year is larger than it has ever been.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET

No Business of Great Importance Engaged Their Attention.

Only matters of a routine nature came before the County Commissioners in their regular monthly meeting Monday. Bills that were contracted during the month of August were ordered paid. The minutes of the meeting will appear in the next issue of the Public Ledger.

CHAUTAUQUA COMING

Orpheum Theatre Three Days in September

Harris & Crews, managers of the Orpheum Theatre, have booked a magnificent chautauqua for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday—26, 27 and 28th of September. The program as rendered by high class artists, is elaborate.

QUOTES FIGURES

See What Samuel Davis Has to Say in This Paper

You will find scattered throughout this paper several notices of the big hardware establishment of Samuel Davis, the man who pays the freight. Mowers, roofing, ranges, gasoline and oil engines are only a few of the articles he quotes at close figures.

Oxford College

Oxford College has opened and the students from all over the State began to arrive Tuesday. It is a great pleasure to see the pleasant faces of many who were here last session but new faces predominate to some extent.

Arranging Program

Preparations are underway at the Oxford Baptist church to observe "State-Wide Go-to-Sunday School-Day," which is set for the fourth Sunday in September.

Public School Examination

There will be an examination for colored teachers on the 13th day of September. J. F. WEBB, Supt.

Mr. J. A. Dean of Moriah, was in Oxford Saturday.