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WHAT WE NEED

THE ANSWER IS APPARENT TO ANY THINKING MIND

The Wealth and Prosperity of Any Community is Due to Cultivated Brain Power.

That any town needs manufacturing plants that expects to grow and become of much note is evident to anyone who has ever given the subject even a passing thought. What has built up our splendid towns and cities in Western North Carolina. It was not the agricultural interests of the country for the farms in a general way are not to be compared with those of the East. Perhaps a better view of what manufacturing will do for a country or city may be seen by glancing over the rough rugged and barren hills of the New England states. See the great prosperity of that section and ask from whence it came. The answer is apparent to any thinking mind. The wealth and prosperity of New England is due to cultivated brain power which has sought out many inventions and dotted that barren, broken, cold region with towns and cities of immense magnitude and almost incalculable wealth. What is the sole occupation of a large per cent of the people? Manufacturing. They make everything from a knitting needle to a locomotive. Their ingenuity seems to be unlimited. They build mills and factories. That is just what Oxford needs.

There is no reason why we should not exert every possible effort to get capital into our midst to build up our wonderful resources right here in Granville county. Our county is taking the lead in agriculture, schools and many other great achievements. Why not Oxford have some of the hundred enterprises that might be mentioned.

Manufacturing plants have built towns of wonderful progress such as Charlotte, Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Gastonia, High Point, Durham, Asheville, Lexington, Concord, Hickory, and we might name a score or more that have become powerful through the medium of manufacturing more than through any other agency. We have a fine farming section. There is no better to be found in the state. We have climate, water, railroad facilities and some of the best people to be found on earth. We want more. We want to see our streets extended, our trade increased, and the hum of machinery heard on every side. Let us make a desperate effort through our Commercial Club and otherwise to get the mills and the people here and it will then be an easy matter to have improvements of every kind that will cause our hearts to swell with deeper pride over the achievements of our little city.

CORDIAL INVITATION

Henderson Board of Trade Extends Greetings to the Granville Commercial Club

Editor Public Ledger: The writer would like to express again the appreciation of the members of the Henderson Board of Trade, who were so kindly invited and heartily received at the meeting of the Granville Commercial Club on September seventh.

We would also like to extend to you and to the officers and members of the Granville Commercial Club, through your columns, a most cordial invitation to meet with us on Monday night, September 18th, at eight o'clock.

We expect to have with us as speakers, Mr. Bion H. Butler of Southern Pines, and Mr. A. H. Powell of Oxford.

We might add that these meetings of ours are of a more or less informal nature, organized for the betterment of this section, and that the speeches will not be long ones. Refreshments will be served.

Hoping that you and a number of our Oxford friends will be able to be with us, we are, very truly yours, HENDERSON BOARD OF TRADE.

Mrs. D. C. McIver was this week called to Maxton on account of the critical illness of her brother, Mr. J. B. Weatherly. Her bright little son, Chandler Hill, accompanied her to Maxton. They will not return until a change is noted in the condition of Mr. Weatherly.

The Womans Club Departmental Work

MEETING OF THE LITERATURE LIBRARY EXTENSION DEPARTMENT

The Literature and Library Extension Department of the Woman's Club will meet at the home of Mrs. A. H. Powell, Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock. All members are most cordially urged to attend.

As this will be the first meeting of the year for this Department there will be a short business session for the discussion of the following matters.

The Library—Its use to students, to visitors and to subscribers.

Shall we serve tea in Library room on Saturday afternoons?

Plans made and committees appointed for the lunch room at the Fair.

Other entertainments for benefit of library. After this, an interesting program for the afternoon will be as follows:

Roll call. Incidents in the history of our county, town, or the lives of our prominent citizens. Vocal solo.

Part I.

Research: Oxford, Granville County—How and why located. Named after. Settled by whom? Memorials that are. Memorials that should be.

Part II.

Part taken in State and National affairs, as follows: Colonial days. Revolutionary times. Ante-Bellum life. The civil war. Today—Mrs. Furman.

PROVIDENCE BETTERMENT CLUB

Planning For Big Meeting Next Week.

(Correspondence Public Ledger)

The Betterment club of Providence met August 29th with a large attendance. After a business meeting the life and poems of John Charles McNeil were read. He being a native of North Carolina made the afternoon one of real pleasure.

We are planning to study more of our North Carolina great men and women.

Our next meeting will be September 21st, which will be devoted to health. We especially invite every parent and child in the community to attend. There will be several speakers who will tell us something interesting and helpful. L.B.R.

AN URGENT APPEAL

When the King's Daughters Speak it is Time to Act.

The King's Daughters Club have an urgent appeal from the State Secretary to collect clothing for men, women and children for the flood sufferers in Burke county. Also they want groceries, canned goods or any food that will stand shipment. The railroads will ship free. All who have anything they will give for this very great need will please send them to Mrs. E. T. White not later than Wednesday, September 20th.

If impossible to send please notify Mrs. White or Mrs. Chas. G. Elliott and things will be called for.

AUTOMOBILE TAXES

Granville County Receives its Share for the Past Year.

County Treasurer Robards is in receipt of a check for \$980.40 from State Treasurer Lacy, which represents Granville's part of the automobile taxes for the past year. The money is for the road fund. The check is the largest Granville ever received as a part of the automobile tax. Last year the amount was \$854.00.

Manly Boys

That the present head of the Oxford Graded School is the right man in the right place there can be no doubt. He has gone straight to the hearts of the children and there is not a boy in town that would not fight for him at the drop of a hat. We thought all the time that all any fair-minded Oxford boy wanted was a square deal. Prof. Phillips is going to see that every boy gets it, or know the reason why.

Real Estate Changes Hands
Mr. Pearson Harris has purchased from Mr. Jack Haskins his nice bungalow on Front street and will occupy it at an early date.

MADAM X IS COMING!

TOBACCO SALES

FARMERS PLEASSED WITH GOOD PRICES AND FINE SERVICE

Volume and Price Increase as the Season Advances—Farmers From Adjoining Counties Are Selling on the Oxford Market.

Tobacco sales on the Oxford market so far continue to be of a very pleasing character, and never fail to please those who are interested in the markets advancement. The sales, it is said, are much better than during opening week, and a source of much pleasure to the farmers and the warehousemen.

Owing to the fact that tobacco sold so low last year every effort is being made to give the farmers the very highest prices possible, and, both the warehousemen and buyers are doing everything in their power to keep them somewhat higher than the average of this section of the state. So far, this has been accomplished, and it is thought that it will continue throughout the entire season.

The number of pounds sold daily on the Oxford market averages 80,000. Some days it is above this amount but never under it. The tobacco men anticipate increased sales next week and the week following. This is derived from the fact that the farmers have about finished housing their tobacco.

The local tobacco men are working hard to make this season one of the greatest in the entire history of the market, and it is now thought this will be accomplished. Larger numbers of farmers from the adjoining counties have found their way to the Oxford market this year than in former years. Many of them bring a load to test the market and go home pleased. Thus, the fame of the Oxford market spreads over a large area outside of Granville and it is entirely possible that ten million pounds will be sold this year on the Oxford market.

STOVALL HOSPITALITY

The Capital of North Granville In High Favor.

Delegates returning from the Seventh Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary of the Flat River Association held in Stovall last Tuesday and Wednesday, speak in glowing terms of the hospitality of the good people of the capital of North Granville.

The meeting, we learn, was most enthusiastic and beneficial. Forty Societies were represented, and the long program from beginning to end was an inspiration for greater things.

Resolutions were adopted thanking the good people of Stovall for the genuine hospitality showered upon the delegates. Knott's Grove Church, three miles south of Oxford, was named as the place for holding the meeting next year.

JUDGING CONTEST

Secretary Knott Addresses a Word to Boys and Girls

Secretary Knott, of the Granville County Fair, desires the Public Ledger to state that all boys and girls wishing to take part in the judging contest at the Fair will please send in their names or see him at the Granville County Club. He desires to place in the hands of the applicants such literature as will enable them to handle the work more intelligently.

DOCUMENTARY STAMP LAW

Stamps Not Necessary on Deeds, Mortgages and Promissory Notes

Commissioner of Internal Revenue Osborn is dealing with the many new features of internal revenue taxation in temporary instructions to collectors and all federal or state officials who act in conjunction with the internal revenue commissioner's office. Notifications have been sent out this week to several thousand officials in all parts of the country giving the main features of the new law. All officials who have been charged with the duty of enforcing the documentary stamp law have been informed that the new law has been repealed and that from and after midnight last Friday no stamps have been necessary on deeds, mortgages, express and freight receipts, promissory notes and all similar documents.

The 1916 books are now open. Call at office and settle. 13-3t
S. C. HOBGOOD, Sheriff.

Organize Wilson and Bickett Club

IT IS UP TO SENATOR A. A. HICKS TO MAKE THE MAJORITY AS LARGE AS POSSIBLE

The Public Ledger would suggest that Senator A. A. Hicks, Chairman of the County Executive Committee, organize the county into one mighty Wilson and Bickett club.

Of course, Senator Hicks knows that Granville will go Democratic by a large majority, but, nevertheless, club work would count for much on election day.

We have heard it said "in union there is strength." This saying is just as true in political work as it is in any other line of activity. If Senator Hicks and his co-workers in every section of the county can get all the Democrats to the polls in November there is no doubt as to the size of the majority that will be rolled up against the Republican ticket. It will be even beyond the fondest expectations of the most optimistic leader. The Democrats are in the county. They have stayed at home in past elections but they are not yet Republicans. Organization will do the work for election day.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR

Mr. Dewit Parker, of Alabama, Visits Oxford.

Many years ago—just how long is not stated—a little boy by the name of Dewit Parker entered the Oxford Orphan Asylum. On leaving the orphanage some years later he made his home with the family of the late A. H. A. Williams. At the advent of the Oxford-Henderson railroad, Mr. Parker became its first telegraph operator, the office being located on Main street near the present stand of Landis & Easton.

On leaving Oxford at the age of twenty, Mr. Parker settled in Alabama and took unto himself a wife, the daughter of the Governor of the Commonwealth. He prospered in business and became widely known as a manufacturer of fertilizer.

Mr. Parker's visit to Oxford at this time is two-fold; namely, to enter his pretty daughter at Oxford College and the possibility of establishing a guano manufacturing plant here. Mr. Parker was the guest of Mrs. A. H. A. Williams while in Oxford this week. Mr. E. H. Crenshaw has under advisement the possibility of establishing the plant above referred to.

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT

The Three Big Days and Nights in October.

We learn that the management of the Granville County Fair have decided to throw the gates open at night during the three days of the Fair in order to accommodate the large number of people who cannot attend during the day. This practically means that the gates will be thrown open at an early hour in the morning and remain open until a late hour at night. All the exhibits will be on display at night the same as in the day and the amusement features, excepting a slight change of program from day to day will be the same at night. It is understood that the management of the Fair will make a nominal charge at the gate for the evening, which will embrace the same privileges as those enjoyed throughout the day.

MILLINERY OPENING

Fall's First Display of Exclusive Millinery.

The millinery opening of Landis & Easton, Perkinson-Green and the Long Company, is announced for next Tuesday and Wednesday.

There are many charming hats in this opening assemblage, representing the new season's best style and thought in trimming effect.

They cordially invite the ladies of Oxford and section to come and view this lovely showing of Fall and Winter Millinery.

LECTURE AT BROWNING SCHOOL

Professor C. Branson, of Chapel Hill, is coming.

He will give an interesting lecture at the Browning School Friday afternoon, September 22nd at 2:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited. Prof. Branson is one of the State's most interesting speakers.

PACKING HOUSE

THE QUESTION KEEPS BOBBING UP

Oxford is the Logical Place and it Can Be Had If We Get Busy In Time.

The Armour Company of Chicago let it be known some time ago that they desired to establish a meat packing plant in this section of the State.

The Public Ledger regards Oxford as the logical place for such a plant, and we believe that the citizens of Oxford can capture it if they organize and go after it. We must get busy at once on the proposition if we expect to land the plant. Invite the Armour people to locate a packing house in Oxford and tender them the old market house.

The following paragraph from the Raleigh Times indicates that the Chamber of Commerce at Raleigh has got wind of the intentions of the Armour Company:

"Raleigh is the logical place for a southern Omaha, Kansas City or Chicago of the packing house trade was the conclusion reached by the members of the Chamber of Commerce at their quarterly membership meeting and smoker Tuesday night after hearing General Development Agent Hammer and former President Barr of the Seaboard present the advantages of the section as they saw them.

"Climatic conditions make possible the raising of cattle and hogs at a less cost than in the corn belt states of the north and west. The livestock growers, however, must be shown that there is a good market within easy reach before they will greatly increase their products."

If we understand the proposition correctly, a packing house would require for its support a minimum of 60,000 hogs for six months' working per annum, in hogs alone. Doubtless this number would soon be available in Granville and nearby counties if the plant was located in Oxford and the company would maintain the current Chicago prices.

LEWIS STATION SECTION

Mr. A. L. Strum Keeps Sick—Engagement Announced

(Correspondence Public Ledger)
The farmers in this section are nearly through curing tobacco.

Mr. W. W. Daniel, of Providence, and Miss Minnie Elixson, of Lewis, are to be married Wednesday, October 15. He will take his bride to Durham on their honeymoon.

Mr. J. R. Elixson finished curing tobacco last week.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. A. L. Strum keeps real sick. He is now 80 years old and has been sick three years and not able to work and his two daughters, Misses Lucy and Sarah, are with him and taking good care of him and are making good crops every year.

We regret to learn that Mr. Babcock is going to move away this fall and leave us. His family will be greatly missed in this section.

OXFORD'S BALL PLAYER

Lee Meadows' Record for the Campaign is 13 Victories Against 14 Defeats

(St. Louis Globe-Democrat)
When Lee Meadows, the bespectacled right-hander, went to the pitching hill for Huggins yesterday it was the forty-seventh time this year that he has been used on the firing line. The Cards to date have played 120 games, which shows that Meadows has been mixed up in more than one-third of them. And on almost every occasion he has been called upon he has twirled great ball. His record for the campaign is 13 victories against 14 defeats.

In the nine clashes played with the East Meadows has been used on the hill five times. Aug 19 he went against the Braves and, although allowing three runs in five innings, he was returned the winner. Against the Giants on Aug 22 he replaced Doak after the latter had been injured and walked two batters before he was relieved by Ames. Aug 24 he went against Alexander and was beaten. The next day he hurled the last three frames of an 11-inning game and was the winner, while yesterday he shut out Brooklyn.

The right-hander is one of the main causes why the Cards are only one game out of fifth place today.