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LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY

THE RAILWAYS ARE SOLVING THE PROBLEM

Mr. T. G. Wood, From the Office of the Industrial Agent of the Southern Railway Will Come to Oxford Next Week.

Mr. T. G. Wood, acting for Mr. M. V. Richards, industrial agent of Southern Railway, advises Mr. A. H. Powell that he will arrive in Oxford next week and will be glad to discuss the live stock industry with him, Dr. Morris, and others.

The live stock industry in the South is a live issue, one in which the big railway companies are taking a lively interest. They are helping to hasten the industry wherever the citizens show an inclination to engage in the business. We trust that Mr. Wood's conference here next week will solve the livestock problem in this section. The proposition of the railways is such as to put it up to the farmers to raise the hogs and cattle

AN EYE ON GRANVILLE

An Ohio Man Wants to Purchase Colonial Home and Broad Acres

We stopped in the other day and asked Mr. A. H. Powell, president of the Granville Real Estate and Trust Company, if there was any prospect of getting a number of farmers from the North and West to settle in Granville county. To our great surprise and joy, Mr. Powell reached into a drawer and took out five letters which he had received during the present month and showed them to us.

There was a similarity of tone in each of the five letters. Each acknowledged that they had recently heard much in praise of Granville county. A gentleman in central Ohio desires to purchase a Colonial home with from two hundred to six hundred acres of land. Mr. Thor, an Iowa farmer, inquired as to the prospect of purchasing a good cattle and hog farm in Granville. A gentleman writes from Stamford, Connecticut, that a party of friends recently passed through Oxford and Granville county and were very favorably impressed with the general lay of the land and climate. This gentleman wants a good farm of 100 acres or more. A farmer writes from Augusta, Maine, that he desires to settle in the Sunny South and asks Mr. Powell as to the general conditions here. Two parties, one from the North and one from the middle West, ask as to the prospects of purchasing poultry farms in this section.

We judge from the tone of these letters, which Mr. Powell kindly placed in our hands to examine, that the eyes of the world is upon us by virtue of recent improvements in Oxford and the fact that we are situated on the National Highway.

NEW BUSINESS IN OXFORD

Sales Agents Will Work the Adjoining Counties

The Farm Home Electric Lighting Company, distributors of Delco-Light plants, "electricity for every farm and every farm home" has this week opened an office in Oxford. They control the sale of Delco-Light plants in Granville, Vance, Franklin and Warren counties.

Mr. C. A. Upchurch is president of the local company. One salesman for each county will be put in the field early in the new year.

For demonstration purposes temporary quarters have been secured at J. Robt. Wood's furniture store. The plant may be seen there next week.

A description of the plant and what it will do is published elsewhere in this paper.

PRESBYTERIAN BAZAAR

To Be Held in the Armory Next Week.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church are arranging to have an elaborate bazaar, to be held on Thursday and Friday, November 23rd and 24th at the Armory.

Come and see the beautiful fancy work and buy your Christmas presents. Special feature for the amusement of the children in the afternoon.

Elaborate dinners and suppers will be served each day. Watch for the menu in the next issue of this paper.

PREVENTION OF INSANITY

Dr. Pendleton, of the State Hospital Will Lecture Here

Dr. A. S. Pendleton of Raleigh, a member of the staff of the State hospital, will give a lecture at the Graduate school building in Oxford on next Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. His subject will be the Prevention of Insanity. There will be no charge for admission and the public is cordially invited to attend.

Premiums Awarded by the Granville County Fair Association

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Agricultural Department

Best bushel corn on ear, Pair Beacon shoes, value \$3.50—C. G. Daniel Oxford—Offered by Long Co.

Second bushel corn on ear, \$2—E. P. Roberts, Stem.

Best peck corn meal, \$1.50—Richard Harris, Oxford, Route 5.

Best half bushel little red wheat, \$2—A. F. Harris, Oxford, Route 6.

Second half bushel little red wheat, \$1.50—J. H. Morris, Route 4.

Best half bushel wheat any variety, \$2—J. H. Daniel, Stem.

Second half bushel wheat, an variety, \$1.50—E. R. Roberts, Stem.

Best 50 stalks, any variety wheat, \$1.50—W. P. Roberts, Stem.

Best half bushel rye, \$2—Carolina Farm Co., Oxford Route 7.

Second half bushel rye, \$1—B. F. Dean, Oxford, Route 4.

Best half bushel oats, \$2—A. M. Daniel, Oxford.

Second half bushel oats, \$1—J. T. Daniel.

Best 50 stalks oats, \$2—P. L. Thomasson, Stem.

Largest pumpkin, \$2—J. P. Hunt.

Best peck onions, \$1 J. B. Stovall.

Second peck onions, no premium, B. F. Dean, Oxford.

Best stalk cotton, \$1—Dr. G. T. Sykes, Creedmoor.

Best half bushel speckle velvet beans, \$2—C. G. Mangum, Oxford.

Second half bushel speckle velvet beans, \$1—N. C. Brummitt, Kittrell.

Best half bushel soy beans, \$1.50—P. L. Thomasson, Stem.

Best cane seed, \$1—P. L. Thomasson, Stem.

Best General display of field crops \$50—Simpson & Son, Oxford.

Best beets, 50c—Mrs. J. H. Murray, Oxford.

Best string pepper, 50c—Mrs. D. H. Knott, Oxford, Route 1.

Best string popcorn, 50c—P. L. Thomasson, Stem.

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STOVALL DOINGS

Torchlight Parade, Music and Much Noise

(Correspondence Public Ledger)
Woodrow Wilson's victory and the victory of Democracy in the State was fittingly celebrated here Saturday night by the citizens of our town. The celebration will long be remembered by our townfolks as one of the great events of the history of the town.

Just after dark Capt. Carl Hester mustered his army near the old drug store and began to prepare torchlights while the crowd was gathering. A large farm bell was kindly loaned by one of the merchants; this was fastened securely to a wheelbarrow and the everready and ever present small boy was placed in the wheelbarrow to make some of the necessary noise and he performed his duty well. The Boy Scouts brought out their snare drum and the march began. Such a commotion has never before been reated as that made by the sound of the bell, the drum and the voices of the enthusiastic crowd. The principal streets of the town were paraded and then the crowd sought refreshments at the drug store. Afterwards an orchestra composed of a guitar, a banjo, a violin and a snare drum visited the homes of many of the residents of the town and "all went as merry as a marriage bell" until late in the night. The crowd then went to bed feeling that they had done at least part of their duty as followers of Woodrow and Bickett.

The Rev. Isaac W. Hughes, rector of Holy Innocents' Parish, Henderson, is holding a mission at St. Peter's Episcopal church this week.

Miss Katherine Bailey, of Drakes Branch, Va., has returned home after spending two weeks at the home of Mrs. T. E. Crutcher.

We are glad to hear that Mr. Linney Taylor and family are thinking of moving to our town in the near future. They will be gladly welcomed.

Mrs. Fletcher Norwood is expecting to leave in a day or two for Canada. We regret very much that she has decided to make Canada her future home. Her absence will be sorely felt.

BIG FIRE IN ROXBORO

Post Office and Large Store Burn—Dr. E. J. Tucker Injured

Fire of unknown origin broke out in Roxboro Thursday and destroyed the building occupied by the post office and several stores, and damaged adjoining property, the total loss being estimated at \$50,000.

Dr. E. J. Tucker, whose office was in the structure, was slightly injured when he attempted to save personal property from the flames.

The entire dry goods stock of Morton & Satterfield, also the owners of the building, was destroyed with a loss of about \$15,000.

THE OXFORD MARKET

LARGE AMOUNTS PAID OUT FOR TOBACCO

Only Six Cities Sold More Tobacco In October Than Was Sold Here.

Oxford's tobacco market in October ranked sixth in the entire State in number of pounds sold, according to figures compiled and published by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture. These statistics show that the Oxford market for the month ending October 31 handled 2,500,762 pounds.

Only eleven markets in the State sold more than one million pounds. These were Wilson, 5,707,687; Winston-Salem, 5,567,533; Kinston, 4,316,639; Greenville, 4,130,403; Rocky Mount, 3,737,408; Henderson, 2,515,378; Oxford, 2,500,762; Durham, 1,705,100; Roxboro, 1,477,839; Farmville, 1,073,106; LaGrange, 1,021,805.

Total sales for the month amount to 51,981,738, as against 64,152,000 for October, 1915, a decrease this year of 12,170,262 pounds. The shortage in the yield for this year is believed to be the cause, and not that the crop is not being marketed. It has been asserted by tobacco men in some parts of the State that practically all of the crop will be marketed by the holidays, and that there will be but little left over to be sold during the few months that remain after the warehouses open again after the first of the year.

Oxford stands seventh in number of pounds sold, but in amount paid for the weed Oxford stands about fourth in the State.

HANCOCK--PRUETTE MARRIAGE

FUNCTIONS IN HONOR OF THE POPULAR BRIDE-ELECT

Marriage Ceremony at the Oxford Baptist Church This Friday Evening at 9 O'Clock, Conducted by Rev. L. R. Pruette, Father of the Groom.

Society in Oxford and throughout the State is interested in the approaching marriage of Miss Elizabeth Hancock, the talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hancock and grand-daughter of President Hobgood, of Oxford College, to Mr. Rowland Pruette, a prominent young attorney of Wadesboro. The ceremony will be performed at the Oxford Baptist church this Friday evening at 9 o'clock, Rev. L. R. Pruette, father of the groom officiating.

Rev. L. R. Pruette, Mrs. Pruette and Shaw Pruette have arrived in Oxford. Mr. Shaw Pruette will be best man, Miss Mary Pruette a bridesmaid.

In Honor of Bride-Elect

Miss Lucy Landis gave a linen shower last Friday afternoon in honor of Miss Elizabeth Hancock. The house was adorned in roses and other cut-flowers. After a game of auction bridge the guests were invited into the dining room where they were served with three courses by Misses Mary Landis and Nina Cooper. The table was beautifully decorated in candles and ribbon and above the table was suspended a large bell. The ribbons were drawn and numerous packages of dainty linen articles fell in front of the guest-of-honor. Those present were: Misses Elizabeth and Ethel Hancock, Dorothy Royster, Mary Webb, Martha Parker Brinkley, Estelle and Hixie White, Mary Fisher Hunt and Helen Royster. Mesdames Howerton, Thomas, Ray and Ferebee.

Miss Mary Webb Entertains

Tuesday afternoon of this week Miss Mary Webb entertained in honor of Miss Elizabeth Hancock, bride-elect. The home was beautifully decorated in chrysanthemums and potted plants.

Miss Webb and Miss Hancock received the guests, Miss Hancock attired in rose taffeta with gold trimmings and hat and shoes to match. Eight tables were placed for Rook, the places being marked by cards, handpainted in cupids and wedding cakes. After the game a salad course was served. The following guests were present: Misses Elizabeth, Mary Royall and Ethel Hancock, Lucy Landis, Marie Burwell, Josephine Brown, May and Estelle White, Sadie and Isabel Parham, Berte Hutchings, Mona Horsfield, Helen, Edna and Hixie White, Annie Crews, Nett and Jeanette Gregory, Hattie and Lucy Webb; Mesdames Paschal of Richmond, Outlaw of Elizabeth City, Taylor of Stovall; L. C. Taylor, Nelson Ferebee, R. M. Ray, Lewellyn, Brummitt, Jamieson, Hines, Howerton, Arthur Landis, D. K. Taylor, J. G. Davidson.

Entertains Bridal Party

Mrs. B. S. Royster entertained the bridal party after the rehearsal Thursday evening.

CRIMINAL CASES CHAVIS TO PEN

COURT TAKES UP THE CIVIL CALENDAR

Superior Court has concluded the trial of criminal cases and as we go to press the civil calendar has been entered upon. Quite a number of criminal cases were on the docket, but some were continued and some reached a conclusion without requiring as much time as had been expected. Most of the cases were of minor importance and of only local interest. Some of the cases disposed of are mentioned below.

In the case against William Epps for larceny there was a verdict of not guilty. George Downey was bound over to court for an affray but failed to appear and his bond was declared forfeited. The case against Ephraim Mangum for selling whiskey was continued and a capias ordered to issue for him. John Ragland was convicted of the larceny of a pistol. Punishment had not been imposed when this was written. Otho Wilkerson and George Sidney were convicted of an affray.

Robert Richardson, an old and hardened offender, was before the court for having liquor to sell. The jury convicted him but recommended the mercy of the court. Judgment was suspended on payment of costs with the further requirement that defendant should appear at court for the space of two years and show good behavior. Ollie White for larceny drew the same kind of sentence. In the case against Cleve and Becky Mitchell the grand jury failed to find a true bill. In the case against Jack Norwood for setting fire to house, the grand jury reached the same conclusion.

For an assault Jesse Tanner was fined \$10.00 and costs. For larceny Silas Burwell had judgment suspended on payment of costs and payment of value of corn to Mr. H. H. Hicks, prosecuting witness. This was case where corn had been stolen. Ben

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STRONG DRAMA

"Beverly of Graustark" at the Orpheum Next Week

Geo. Barr McCutcheon's "Beverly of Graustark" will be the attraction at the Orpheum Theatre on Wednesday night, November 22nd. Beverly has proven to be the most popular book of this noted writer and the play has proven a vast success; on its last visit to the town of Oxford Beverly was voted one of the season's successes.

The cast is headed by Dorothy De Ecker, who was the original of Chas. Dana Gibson's famous Gibson Girl. As we are only children grown up, a play of this kind is relished by young and old of both sexes. The play comes here well recommended. Seats can be secured at Lyon's Drug Store in advance.

BUILDING PROSPECTS

Oxford Jewelry Company Getting Ready to Move

Mr. J. M. Campbell, the contractor, is fitting up the Brown building on Main street, which will be occupied by the Oxford Jewelry Company until their new building adjoining the National Bank of Granville is ready for occupancy.

The site on the corner of Hillsboro and College streets, owned by Messrs. J. G. and A. S. Hall, has been cleared and work on the new building will start as soon as Mr. Leo E. Byrum, the contractor, can marshal the material. Work on the Oxford Jewelry Company's building, adjoining the new Hall building, will be started at an early date, it is said.

CLUB DISCUSSES ART

Miss Sue Hall Entertains Library Extension Workers

The Literature and Library Extension Department of the Woman's Club met with Miss Sue Hall at Mrs. J. G. Hall's residence Wednesday afternoon at 3:30. The subject of the discussion was "Art," the roll was answered to with quotations on Art from poets. Then Miss Hixie White read a paper on architecture. Mrs. J. S. Bradsher gave a paper on the "Rise and fall of Christian Art." After these papers each member showed a copy of their favorite picture and gave its history. Mrs. J. G. Davidson from the college sang two beautiful selections. After which Miss Hall and Mrs. Hall served sandwiches and tea. H.W.

Men and Boys!

Things are not so high at Horner Bros. Company's store. See their announcement on third page of this paper.

Style, Quality and Service

Those pretty Sunshine coats or suits announced by Perkinson-Green Company elsewhere in this paper.

THE NEXT CONGRESS

CONTROL OF CONGRESS MAY FALL TO LONE NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT

The Result in the Tenth Will Determine Whether Champ Clark Will Be Chosen Speaker Another Term and Claude Kitchin Majority Leader.

WASHINGTON — With Republicans and Democrats both claiming the House by a narrow vote, hundreds of House employees who hold office by the grace of the Democratic regime are on the anxious seat.

So close is the division of the House between Republicans and Democrats that the two are about evenly divided. Though both sides profess to have won, the official count in close districts will have to be awaited.

The Line Up

It is entirely possible that neither Republicans nor Democrats will have a majority. The election of speaker, the decision of contests and practically all important matters, save where a two-thirds vote is required, are settled by a majority of those present.

It may be necessary for each side to pay court to Meyer London, of New York, Socialist; Thomas D. Schall, of Minnesota, Progressive; W. P. Martin, of Louisiana, Progressive-Protectionist, and A. F. Fuller of Massachusetts, Independent.

One Vote Needed

House leaders on both the Democratic and Republican side are vitally interested in the final count of votes in the 10th North Carolina district. This one vote may decide whether the Republicans or Democrats will organize and control the 65th session of the House of Representatives, along with the half million or so in federal patronage which is always controlled by the majority party.

The result in the 10th will determine whether Champ Clark will be chosen speaker for another term and Claude Kitchin majority leader. If the board of elections issues a certificate to Zeb Weaver, certifying that he has been elected to Congress, the Democrats say they will have a majority in the lower branch of Congress. The Republicans claim that Britt has been elected and with his vote they will be able to control with a majority of one.

CHURCH GOING

The Small Attendance is Cause For Deep Concern

The editor of the Public Ledger recently took it upon himself to visit all the churches in Oxford and quite a number in various parts of the county, and in many instances we were astounded to find so few present. In one instance the pastor of a large flock was compelled to request the clerk to notify the deacons to be present at a meeting to be held the following day. It is a matter of deep concern that so few of the children who attend Sunday School remain for preaching. This was very glaring in some places and something should be done to bring about a change. Sunday school teachers and parents should bestir themselves, for, be it remembered that these children in the near future should be the mainstay of the church.

We know that early training means much to a child, and if the parents fail to train them to take an interest in church affairs there is little likelihood that they will do so after they reach the age of maturity. This is a matter the parents should remember and make very effort possible to see that the boys and girls are brought under the influence of the Gospel.

THE MAINSTAYS

They Are Those Who Labor For Better Local Conditions

A great many people fondly imagining that if they are honest, pay their debts, and do not speak disparagingly of other people they are among the mainstays of the town. But such is not always the case. Honesty and a careful mouth are much to be commended, but this town needs more than that. It needs citizens who will go out of their way, to do something for the town, who will labor to better local conditions, who will go their length to bring new industries and new people to our community. Such people as these are in reality the mainstays of a town. And we need a few more mainstays.

Mrs. Osborn Improves

Mrs. Mary H. Osborn, postmistress of Oxford, had a slight stroke of paralysis last week. She is resting nicely and the indications are that she will be out in a few days. Her four sons are at her bedside, Mr. Ed Osborn of Greenville, James Osborn of Florence, S. C., Henry and Roy Osborn.