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HON. C. M. STEDMAN WILL BE A CANDIDATE

Comes Out As a Candidate to Preserve Harmony in the Party.

The Greensboro Daily Record says: "Hon. Charles M. Stedman, of the Fifth North Carolina district, is a candidate for re-election. The fact simplifies political matters in this Congressional district for various reasons.

"Major Stedman will hardly be opposed for the office by any one within his party as long as he is able to perform the duties of it and is willing to retain it. Should he drop the mantle, however, there be those in plenty ready to offer their shoulders for its infolding.

"The retirement of the major would be the signal for a number of Democratic aspirants to rise up listening to the call to serve the people. In fact, without a vast amount of careful adjustment of ambitions there might be a district split over the matter; a division which would give the Republicans a chance. Major Stedman is the standard bearer upon which his party can place its greatest reliance in the district."

The Public Ledger has the utmost confidence in Mayor Stedman's ability to represent the district, but there is no mistaking the fact that a large number of voters who supported him in previous elections prefer a younger and more progressive representative. The approaching campaign in this district will be a very strenuous one. The Major is a good campaigner, but as to whether he has the physical stamina to wage the campaign is the question that agitates the mind of the voters of the district.

It is poor policy for Major Stedman to enter the race merely to preserve harmony in the party. If the Democratic machine in the Fifth District would go to smash by virtue of Major Stedman's declining to make the race, the Public Ledger feels that the sooner the machine is wiped from the face of the earth the better it will be for the party.

The Public Ledger is not knitting Major Stedman. If we can put him over again all is well and good, but it is going to take the strongest Democrat in the district to land the job.

MARRIAGE AT OXFORD

Miss Elizabeth Shotwell Becomes the Bride of Robert E. Shotwell.

Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. G. Shotwell, was solemnized a wedding beautiful in its simplicity when Miss Elizabeth Shotwell became the bride of Robert E. Shotwell, of Henderson.

The marriage was performed by Rev. R. H. Broom, of Hookerton, a former pastor of the bride, before an improvised altar of ferns and long leaf pine. As the strains of the Bridal Chorus from "Lohengrin" announced the wedding party, the doors of the library were opened and found them assembled in tableaux.

Miss Mary Shotwell, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Her gown was apricot georgette and she carried Onphelia roses. The bride wore a dark blue tricot suit with hat and gloves to match and her flowers were orchids.

Proceeding and during the ceremony a musical program was rendered by Mrs. J. T. Parham.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Shotwell left amid the congratulations of friends for Jacksonville, Fla., and other southern points.

The groom is a prominent young business man of Henderson, being the traveling representative of the Seaboard Wholesale Grocery company. At home after Feb. 15th, 95 Asylum street, Oxford.

PRETTY BELGIUM BRIDE GUEST OF RELATIVES HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Stokes, of Lynchburg, S. C., are the guests of Mr. Stokes, the jeweler. Mrs. Stokes is the bride of only a few months. While Mr. Stokes was serving with the American Expeditionary forces they met for the first time in Belgium. Friendship ripened into love and adoration, and after Mr. Stokes returned to this country and was mustered out of service, he returned to Belgium where the marriage ceremony was performed.

Mrs. Stokes is a charming personality, speaks good English and is pleased with everything American.

MISS IDA LANIER DIED LAST FRIDAY

The Remains Were Taken to Durham For Interment.

Miss Ida Lanier, 29 years old, died at her home in West Oxford last Friday afternoon at 6:20 o'clock, following a short illness caused by influenza.

Her remains were taken to her former home in East Durham Saturday, where she had lived up to a few months ago and where she was well and popularly known.

The funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon by Rev. C. G. Smith, pastor of Edmont Baptist Church.

Nearly 375,000 of the half million Austro-Hungarian prisoners of war taken by the Russians have perished in Siberia from smallpox and typhus.

LAND, LABOR AND THE FARM INCOME

High Prices Will Take a Tumble Some Day.

The Wallace Farmer, which is published at Davenport, Iowa, says that the views of many farmers in the corn belt are reflected in the letter of a subscriber who writes: "The labor question is bothering us here. The quality and amount of work get poorer every year in spite of the increased wages. I don't know that it is much inducement for a man to try to do any more than he is able to manage himself, with the help of the neighbors. In spite of this difficulty, land is soaring right up and is selling at prices ranging from \$175 to \$550 an acre. Where are we going to land? Some will land in the county house when prices take a tumble, as they are bound to."

Whether or not every one shares this farmer's troubled outlook on present conditions, it can not be denied that he has some grounds for his views. The three big subjects of the day are the cost of labor, the price of land, and the cost of living. At present there is a tremendous urge behind projects to raise wages still higher, another strong tendency toward higher prices for land, and a popular clamor of unusual vigor for lowered food prices.

With labor high, rent or taxes high and farm products the subject of a price-lowering campaign, the farmer may well bestir himself to look after his own interests.

WAKE FOREST COLLEGE TO THE FRONT

Oxford Boy Granted License To Practice Law.

Fifty-eight men of Wake Forest College applied to the State Board of Examiners of North Carolina on Monday, January 26, for license to practice law, 43 of whom made a passing grade.

Wake Forest College sent twenty-six men to Raleigh for the examination and of this number twenty-five made passing grades. Professors Gully, Timberlake and White, of the Law Faculty, are to be congratulated for the splendid showing made by these students.

Mr. Carl Howell Ragland of Oxford, was among the successful candidates. In addition to Mr. Ragland the following Oxford boys are now in attendance at Wake Forest College. In the academic school—Neilson N. Harte and Travis Chambliss. In the medical school George N. Thomas.

LONG TRIP FOR THE FAVORED FEW

In a few more weeks the pre-convention campaign for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency will be in full swing. Already the people in some sections are beginning to talk of whom they will send as delegates to the National Convention which meets in San Francisco in June. Eight years ago our countyman, Judge Graham, was elected as a delegate to the Baltimore convention which selected Woodrow Wilson as the party's standard bearer.

Lucky indeed is the man who will be chosen from this district to the San Francisco convention. This will be a nice trip and to be named as a delegate will be no empty honor.

OXFORD SHOULD HAVE AN APARTMENT HOUSE

A Number of Traveling Men Would Like to Bring Their Families to Oxford.

Raleigh's latest residential building is an apartment house known as the "Chaswell Apartments." The building will provide 36 apartments of three and four rooms each. Rocky Mount is planning a similar house at an expenditure of \$400,000. A feature of this apartment will be a public diningroom run on the European plan.

Oxford has not yet grown to the proportions of the above named cities but the need for an apartment house on a smaller scale has been felt here for sometime past. It has been pointed out that a number of traveling men would bring their families here if suitable quarters could be found.

RURAL SCHOOL TEACHERS The Drain on the Country Schools Is Poor Policy.

Superintendents of city schools have always felt at liberty when they needed a teacher, to make a raid on the nearby rural schools and lure away the country teachers by higher salaries. You couldn't blame the teacher for leaving, but some school authorities are seeing that this drain on the county schools is poor public policy.

The school superintendent of a Pennsylvania city said a few days ago at a teachers' convention, that rural teachers ought to be paid even more than city teachers, so they would stay in the country where they are most needed. It would of course take state and national aid to help the country schools pay this level of salaries. But if the experienced teachers could be kept in the country schools they would be leaders of community progress, and help raise rural life to new levels of progress.

MOTION FOR RESUMING DEBATE ON FLOOR OF SENATE TO BE MADE

According to Notice By Senator Walsh the Motion Will Be Made On February 10 Proceedings of Treaty Fight From the Beginning Have Been Published in a Volume of 3,000 Pages.

(Washington Special)
Notice was served by Senator Walsh, of Montana, one of the Democratic members of the disbanded bipartisan committee, that on Tuesday February 10, a motion would be made to resume consideration of the treaty in the open senate. He spoke for the Democratic senate leader, Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, who was all sent.

The announcement developed no debate. A little later, however, the senate was given a concrete reminder of the amount of oratory it already has expended on the treaty. Senator Smoot, Republican, of Utah, exhibited a 3,000 page volume containing 7,000,000 words on the subject spoke in the senate last summer and fall.

GOVERNMENT'S BIG LOSER FROM TRAIN OPERATION

Washington, Feb. 1.—Operation of the railroads, pullman lines, express companies and waterways, unified under federal control, has cost the nation approximately \$700,000,000.

Figures made public by the railroad administration revealed a net loss of \$594,200,000 from railroad operation alone in the two year period. Statistics gathered from official sources as to operating costs of the pullman lines and waterways and express companies while operated by the government, show the addition of \$100,000,000 to the transportation costs.

THE COUNTRY CHILDREN VS. THE TOWN CHILDREN

Some folks argue that city children are brighter than those from the country. They argue that the city youngsters have their wits sharpened by constant contact with others.

City children do acquire from the life of the streets in which they have to play, a certain saucy quickness. They learn slang first, and can talk back faster to older people.

Still, what the world needs is city children rather than talkers. If the bicycle breaks down, the country boy will quite likely be able to make it run himself. He has constantly been thrown in that way on his own resources. Meanwhile the smart city kid will be taking it to the repair shop and having the bill sent to Dad.

CYCLE THEORY IS GIVEN BY DOCTOR

Recurrence of Influenza Epidemic in Cycle of 33 or 66 Weeks Apart.

Washington, Feb. 1.—Recurrence of influenza epidemics in cycles 33 or 66 weeks apart are discussed in a statement issued tonight by the bureau of census based on a study made by Dr. John Brownlee, an English physician, who advanced the cycle theory.

"It is now exactly 66 weeks since the mortality peak of the epidemic in Chicago," the statement said. The same is true in New York city and Washington. In all three of these places influenza is epidemic.

"This recurrence of the epidemic after 66 weeks certainly strengthens the view that the epidemic of 1889 1890, 1918 and 1920 all have a common etiology."

MR. BARA STIMSON DEAD

Was The Oldest Citizen in This Community.

Mr. Bara J. Stimson, 82 years of age, died at his home on Front Street last Sunday morning. On account of infirmity brought on by age, he kept close to his home for the past few years.

Mr. Stimson was perhaps the oldest citizen of Oxford when the summons came. He retained his faculties up to the last moment.

He was a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, and is survived by a devoted wife and one son, Mr. W. D. Stimson, of Oxford.

The funeral will be conducted from the home this morning at eleven o'clock by Dr. Hornefield.

The pallbearers as announced are: T. B. Rose, Richard Crews, W. H. Hunt, Cam Easton, J. G. Hall. The interment will be in Elmwood cemetery.

AGRICULTURE BILL IS NOW READY

The Sum of \$21,000,000 Decided Upon For Annual Agricultural Appropriation.

(Washington Special)
Carrying \$21,000,000, approximately \$7,000,000 less than the department's estimate, the annual agricultural appropriation bill was ordered favorably reported to the house Saturday by the agricultural committee. The total is \$3,000,000 less than the appropriation for this year.

—Will H. Hays, chairman of the Republican national committee, makes public his announcement to the advisory committee on policies and platforms, consisting of 171 members 19 of whom are women. The North Carolina members are Judge W. P. Bynum and Jno. M. Morehead.

MCADOO AND HOOVER LEADING OTHER CANDIDATES

Bryan Feeling Not Bitter; Some Third Term Men.

W. G. McAdoo, former secretary of the treasury, is somewhat in the lead for the Democratic nomination for the presidency in the approaching Convention at San Francisco according to the summary of a number of leading Metropolitan Newspapers.

A strong following for Herbert Hoover, former United States food administrator, is also evidenced. There is also some opinion favorable to Senator Oscar M. Underwood, of Alabama. It was a notable fact that the sentiment leans largely to a continuation of the policies of the Wilson administration, and in case of the league of nations being a party issue there is much strong sentiment favoring a third term for President Wilson.

While a few politicians are inclined to think that Bryan is trying for the nomination, the majority expressed the opinion that Mr. Bryan simply means to influence the party for what he conscientiously thinks is right, and that he would not try to capture the nomination in San Francisco.

OUR BOASTED ANCESTORS

If We Go Back Far Enough We Will But Into Old Ananias.

A few Sundays ago the International Sunday School Lesson referred to Ananias, a familiar character in Sacred history. Judge Devin was present at the Oxford Baptist Baraca Class and gave the class an insight into the general character of old man Ananias.

Since expounding the lesson to the class, in looking over the records in an eastern county of the state Judge Devin discovered that the paternal grandfather of Virginia Dare, the first white child born on this continent, was named Ananias.

Judge Devin did not impute any wrong to the character of our boasted ancestor Ananias Dare, but he chuckled goodnaturedly at the vision of the two gay old Ananiases stood before him.

SOME OF THE SAYINGS OF EVANGELIST CULPEPPER

Evangelist Burke Culpepper, who is conducting revival services throughout the state is attended with much success. The following is a few pepper pods culled from Dr. Culpepper's pepper box:

"The dance is damning more people than liquor."

"There are some girls who never do a thing but drink coca-cola and prance the streets."

"No town, State, or county is stronger than its women."

"There is many a young husband who has ruined his life because no one told him he was playing the fool."

"I take off my hat to womanly intuition; women has the sixth sense as sure as I am facing you this afternoon."

"If you take the Church of God out of this town, it would be so dirty in five years that a buzzard would not light near it."

"Don't work an ox and an ass together; they can't even get up a decent difficulty."

SOME TOBACCO STATISTICS

What Tobacco Production Has Done For This Region in the Last Three Years.

The following tobacco facts applies to this region and the entire nation for the years 1919, 1918, and 1917, respectively:

Acres—554,000; 468,000; 380,000.

Yield per acre—560 lbs.; 705 lbs.; 630 lbs.

Total pounds—310,240,000; 329,940,000; 239,400,000.

Average price Dec. 1—53.6; 35.1; 31.5.

Value Dec. 1—\$166,289,000; \$115,809,000; \$75,41,000.1.

Value per acre—\$300.16; \$247.46; \$198.45.

In the United States the figures show: Acres—1,901,200; 1,647,100; 1,517,800.

Yield per acre—730.8 lbs.; 873.7 lbs.; 823.1 lbs.

Total pounds—1,389,458,000; 1,439,071,000; 1,249,276,000.

Average price Dec. 1—39.0; 28.0; 24.0.

Value, Dec. 1—\$422,547,000; 402,204,000; 300,449,000.

As will be seen, North Carolina's production amounted to nearly one-third of the nation's output. Kentucky, alone exceeded North Carolina's total, and that only by a small margin.

GRANVILLE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT NEXT WEEK

Judge Calvert, of Raleigh, Will Preside.

The February term of Granville County Superior Court will convene next Monday morning for a two week's term.

Hon. J. H. Calvert, one of the strong judges of the state, will preside.

—The discovery of another new star was announced at Cambridge, Mass., by the Harvard College Observatory, the Nova being discovered in the course of examination of plates taken nearly two years ago.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEER NURSES

Please Respond to the Call As Soon As Possible.

An urgent call is issued for volunteer nurses in the influenza epidemic in our midst. Any one who will help is earnestly requested to notify at once Mrs. F. B. Blalock, Chairman Nursing Committee, whose phone is 242 W.

There are quite a number of cases in Oxford that need the watchful care of nurses.

FLU SITUATION IN OXFORD AND COUNTY

Churches, Schools and Places of Amusement Closed.

The flu was making such rapid headway in Oxford and the County, State Board of Health Saturday ordered that the churches, schools and all places of amusements here be closed until the epidemic has subsided.

It was estimated Monday that there were no less than 1,000 cases of flu in the county and the epidemic still spreading. Carriers on the seven rural routes from Oxford report that entire families on their routes have the flu. On Oxford Route 7 there are five cases of measles and flu, and three of the patients have pneumonia and were unable to secure medical attention.

Dr. Watkins, who was spending some time in Florida, reached home yesterday afternoon and within less than one hour after his arrival he was in the thickest of the fight. The return of Dr. Watkins is of tremendous importance. All of our doctors have been on the go night and day for more than one week and they admit that they cannot stand the strain much longer.

The doctors express the hope that mild weather for the next two or three days would greatly improve the situation.

Reports from the Southern portion of the County say that one woman has the flu, the smallpox and pneumonia.

GRANVILLE COUNTY PEOPLE IN THE GOLDEN WEST

On the 29th of last December, Mr. S. P. Pool boarded the train at Virgilina, Fresno, Cal., accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Sallie Sanford, of Durham, who has four children in California. In a letter to the Public Ledger Mr. Pool says that they passed through Atlanta, Montgomery and reached New Orleans just as the bells were sounding the death of the old and the advent of the New Year.

After a stay of twenty hours in New Orleans they resumed the journey via the Southern Pacific, passing through the sulphur mine district of Louisiana, Houston, San Antonio and El Paso, Texas, crossing Devil River, Arizona, 360 feet above the water, and at sunrise on Monday morning, January 6th, they were passing through the orange groves of California, which were laden with precious golden fruit, "which charmed us Carolinians to see so early in January."

Mr. Pool says that Fresno is a beautiful city of 50,000 inhabitants, situated amid the vineyards.

MRS. JOHN W. BROWN DEAD

Funeral From the Residence This Afternoon.

The entire community was grieved Monday morning to learn that Mrs. John W. Brown had passed away at her home on Broad Street just as the sun made its appearance in the eastern sky.

The deceased is survived by a devoted husband and three children, the youngest being only three or four days old.

The funeral will be held from the residence on Broad Street this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, conducted by Dr. R. C. Craven, the beloved pastor of the deceased. The interment will be at Elmwood Cemetery.

MRS. LONIE EVANS DEAD

Interment At Island Creek Church This Afternoon

Mrs. Lonie Evans, aged about 50 years, died at her home in the Hilliard apartments Monday morning. Flu and pneumonia was the cause of her death.

The deceased is survived by a devoted husband and two children of the last union.

After funeral services from the home the remains will be conveyed to Island Creek Church for interment.

GOOD LOAD OF TOBACCO

Sold At the Farmers Warehouse Monday For \$2,000.

To see a big fine load of tobacco on the warehouse floor at this season of the year reminds one of a bolt of lightning from a clear sky.

Mr. E. E. Houghtlin was the gentleman that caused the excitement. He drove in at the Farmers Warehouse Monday morning and spread one load of tobacco on the floor. The buyers were hungry for some good tobacco and the load brought \$2,000.

YOU MIGHT TRY THIS TO PREVENT THE FLU

There Were No Flu and Grip When People Wore Night Caps.

According to a Paris physician, Dr. Louis St. Maurice, in a recent article in the Literary Digest, unprotected craniums at night are responsible for colds, and even for influenza. Years ago, when night caps were universal worn, argues the Paris doctor, no one ever had colds, neither in the head nor in the chest. Literature before the eighteenth century does not reveal a single mention of any such diseases. Moreover, art and literature of the past show that young and old, rich and poor, men and women, all wore night caps until well into the 18th century. Now they are almost unknown. No one wears them. Dr. Maurice continues:

"Investigation proves that a cold in the head is the necessary setting for an attack of influenza. Further investigation shows that in an overwhelming majority of cases a cold is 'caught' during the night, while one is in bed. Wet feet are not responsible for many colds, especially among adults. In fact, while one is moving about, and exercising, no matter how slightly, he is not likely to catch cold. He is when he is absolutely motionless, relaxed, with the body warm under the bedclothes and the head exposed to the cold current of air that comes in from the window and is sucked up the chimney or around corners.

"To cure your cold, tie a woolen wrap around the head, well down on the forehead and over the cranium in back. Leave it there all night. Drink hot lemonade—and perspire all night. In the morning the cold in the head will be gone.

"As a preventive against the Spanish 'flu,' there is not a better precaution than wearing a woolen nightcap. Yes, and even the silk and lace Lou-doir-caps that millai wears nowadays are better than nothing."

DEMOCRATS AROUND RALEIGH HAVE HAD A CHANGE OF HEART

McAdoo's Stock Bounds Upward Since News Came From Washington.

Raleigh, Feb. 2.—Political discussion at the state capital is centering on which of the various candidates for presidential nomination will get the Democratic nomination and sentiment among officials is rather evenly divided between Herbert Hoover and William Gibbs McAdoo, with the latter in the lead so far the present sentiment can be gauged. Until recently little was heard about Mr. McAdoo for the nomination. The former food administrator had it in North Carolina by long odds.

Since the news came out from Washington that a number of the congressional delegations did not warm up the candidacy of Mr. Hoover, there has been more talk of McAdoo. Whether or not there was an actual change in sentiment after the Washington office-holders sent out their suggestion that Mr. Hoover was not a Democratic war-horse cannot be said. It is a fact, however, and an interesting one, that the McAdoo sentiment has taken a good lead over what it was since the Washington statements were given to the press.

WHAT CANNOT BE DONE UNDER THE DRY LAW

Under constitutional prohibition it is unlawful:

To try or sell a drink anywhere except for sacramental or medicinal purposes.

To give or take a drink anywhere except in the home of the man who owns it.

To keep any liquor in storage anywhere but in your own home.

To try to get such reserves out of storage.

To carry a pocket flask.

To have more than two drinking residences—one in the country and one in the city.

To restock your home supply when it runs out.

To manufacture anything above one-half of one per cent in your home.

To move your home supply from one house to another without obtaining a permit. To get this you must prove that you came by the supply before July 1, 1919.

To display any liquor signs or advertisements on your premises.

To buy, sell or use a home still or any other device for making liquor in the home.

To buy or sell any formulas or recipes for home-made liquor.

The Ground Hog
The ground hogs in this section that crawled out of their holes Monday did not see their shadow at the noon hour. This implies that the backbone of winter has been broken here. If the ground hogs on the south side of Tar River, or up in Northern Granville, saw their shadow, they went back for six weeks, and there is that length of bad weather in store for those sections of the county.

Got His Man

Capt. Hutchins, of the revenue department, is spending a few days in Oxford. A moonshiner in Martin County last week peppered him with a load of bird-shot. Hutchins retaliated with a load of buck-shot and the funeral was next day.