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## CHURCH MANNERS ARE SLACK IN SOME PLACES

Owing to the fact that there has been bad behavior in some of the recent revivals in the county, the following editorial from the Smithfield Herald is appropriate:

"Good manners are all the time important but where can they be better shown than at church? Whether we are much interested or not we should use good manners through respect to those who are interested and through respect for religion. When you go to church you should go into the house promptly when the hour for service arrives. Your presence will be worth much more if you are on hand when the service begins. Always go into the church. Some young people and occasionally others besides the young people have a habit of standing around or sitting in buggies or automobiles when the service is going on in the church. This shows up badly for the people who do this and for the community where it is done. Better not go to church than stay around and laugh and talk during the service. When you go into the church be very careful not to say or do anything to disturb the congregation or the preacher. Give attention to what is going on in the house. The preacher and the congregation will appreciate a good listener. Avoid any display on the outside of the church. No where does modesty come in better than around church. Do not sit in other people's buggies or automobiles without their permission. It looks bad to see a crowd go to a vehicle and load it down without getting the consent of the owner. Some are inclined to take possession of any vehicle they see without ever considering whether this suits the owner or not. Remember such vehicles are not public property."

## FAMOUS GRANVILLE COUNTY CHICKENS AND EGGS

There Used To Be Thousands of Chickens and Eggs Shipped Away From Oxford.

"Do you know that Oxford was a great shipping point for chickens and eggs not many years ago?" remarked an old citizen.

"I remember," continued the old gentleman, "when you could see dozens of coops of chicken and egg crates piled up on the streets here ready to be shipped to Richmond, Norfolk or Raleigh, but in more recent years I have not seen a coop of chicken or a crate of eggs on the streets of Oxford for a month at a time."

The only way to account for the scarcity of chicken and eggs on the Oxford market is that the farmers themselves consume them. There are as many chickens and eggs produced in the county as there were years ago, but in those days the farmers marketed their chicken and eggs and ate fat-sides and "blind roosters."

Thirty years ago the Yarbrough House in Raleigh announced daily on its bill of fare:

Fried Chicken (Choice Granville Cockerel)

The only place to find "Choice Granville County Cockerel" on the bill of fare these days is on the table of the old aristocratic Granville farmers, or those of his town friends who are fortunate enough to stand in with him.

## ANNOUNCE AERIAL ROUTE FOR FIRST WORLD DERBY

New York, Aug. 1.—A route has been mapped out for the first aerial derby around the world—for which no date has been announced—by a special joint commission of the Aero Club of America, and the Aerial League of America, which recently returned from a tour of the world.

The tentative route of the round-the-world derby follows:

New York to Seattle to Yokohama, to Shanghai, to Bankok, Siam, to Karachi, India; to Calcutta and Delhi to Basdad, to Rome, to the Irish coast, to London, New Foundland and New York. The total distance is 22,297 miles.

## HOME GROWN WATERMELONS ON THE LOCAL MARKET

They Are Too High for the Average Man to Feast On.

There were quite a number of fine home grown melons on the local market last Saturday for the first time this season. They cost too much for the ordinary man to tackle.

Sheriff Hunt is a lover of the juicy melon. He walked up to a wagon and "thumped" a couple of fine specimens and asked what they were worth.

"One dollar," answered the farmer.

"Here's your dollar," said Sheriff Hunt as he laid the dollar down in the wagon and placed a melon under each arm and started toward the court house.

"Hold on there," said the farmer, "those melons are worth one dollar each."

## FORMER GOVERNOR HANLY KILLED IN AUTO WRECK

Demmon, O., Aug. 1.—J. Frank Hanly, former governor of Indiana and candidate for President on the Prohibition ticket in 1916, and Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Baker, of Kilgore, Ohio, were killed six miles from here early today when a Pennsylvania freight train struck the automobile in which the party were driving to Kilgore.

## IS EXPECTING GOOD PRICES FOR TOBACCO

The prices paid for tobacco on the opening sales in South Carolina and Georgia were much better than was anticipated by tobacconists generally, which leads the Southern Tobacco Journal to comment as follows: So far as our reports extend, the average on South Carolina markets was around 21 cents. In Georgia reports tell us that the average was around 30 cents. The difference in the average in South Carolina and Georgia was of course caused by the difference in the quality of the offerings. So far as we can now remember, these prices on the opening sales were higher than at any previous year. However, heretofore the first offerings on the opening sales consisted almost entirely of the first curings, which consisted of common, dirty stuff that was undesirable, and which, of course, brought the general averages down. This season farmers have been advised that there will be but very little demand for such tobacco, and in consequence the first offerings were of better quality than usual.

## The Outlook Promising.

At any rate, the prices on the opening sales would indicate that there will continue to be demand for desirable bright grades throughout the season. Coming down to a question of supply and demand, there are no good reasons why prices should not be good. We do not believe that tobacco is going to sell as high as last season, but we do believe it will sell for good prices. There seems to be but one trouble confronting the tobacco trade, and that is the condition of the money market. Banks everywhere are calling in loans, and buyers of manufactured tobacco are often forced to close up accounts before further purchases can be made. And then the demand for export types—that is to say, the common stuff that is used in some of the foreign countries—is curtailed for the present on account of the financial condition of affairs "over there." We are forced to believe that in the near future a relief will come to these embarrassing situations. Tobacco is one of the great money staples of the United States. It is a necessity and the banking institutions can not afford to see this great industry suffer for the lack of temporary help.

## Watch The Market.

It must be remembered that during the last five years there has been no increase in the world's tobacco production, and in the face of this fact there has been during that time a marvelous increase in consumption. The world wants tobacco, and a good portion of it wants our United States grown tobaccos. Just as long as tobacco sells for good prices, if there should be a slump in prices, we advise farmers to sell, but after the sales get good under way, we advise slow selling. There is a world demand for tobacco, and a demand that is all the time growing; and we repeat there is no good argument against low prices for the coming crop, and if there are old stocks on hand they must and will sell for good prices as soon as the financial clouds roll by.

## The Demand Is Strong

The Winston-Salem Sentinel states that Charles Norfleet, of the firm of M. W. Norfleet & Co., has received reports from a number of the South Carolina tobacco markets and these reports are most encouraging. Mr. Norfleet states that several markets claim that the prices are about twice as high as they were on the opening days last year, which indicates that the demand this year will be exceedingly strong, and that means high prices for the crop. Of course there may be a change during the next six weeks, or by the time the crop in this section begins to move, but the indications at this time are most encouraging for a strong demand for all types of smoking grades.

## SANFORD DEFEATED OXFORD IN A FAST GAME OF BALL

Although the score was 14 to 6 in favor of Sanford in a fast game of ball at Horner Park Monday afternoon, the local sports will not admit the superiority of the Sanford team. They attribute the defeat to the fact that the arm of an imported pitcher went back on him.

The Oxford team will have a high-class pitcher for the game this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The teams are evenly matched and in three innings yesterday the ball never touched the ground. There are several professional ball players on the two teams and every once in a while the spectator gets a genuine thrill.

## BIG TENT SHOW COMING.

Rhody-Royal Circus Will Be Here Saturday, August 14.

Mr. Sam J. Banks, advance agent of the big Rhody-Royal Circus, was in Oxford last Friday to make arrangements for the exhibition here on Saturday, August 14.

Mr. Banks is an old Philadelphia newspaper man and a very clever gentleman. He states that his show is up-to-date in every particular.

—Your battery should have water about every two weeks. Stop at Willard Service Station.

## THE COX SLOGAN IS "PEACE PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY"

"Peace, Progress, Prosperity" is to be the Democratic campaign slogan. It takes the place of that which the Democrats used in 1916: "He kept us out of war." Orders have been placed for two million posters to carry the slogan.

## TENNESSEE IS SURE TO RATIFY THE AMENDMENT

View of Brown Davis, Member of Legislature in That State—Declares the House Will Vote For It Two to One and Senate Almost Solidly.

Raleigh, Aug. 1.—Brown Davis, of Nashville, member of the lower house in Tennessee, from DeKalb county, declared that there is no doubt but that his state will ratify the Susan Anthony suffrage amendment. He is in North Carolina inspecting oil lands near Wilmington and will return to Nashville to be present at the opening of the special session August 9.

The general assembly was called by Governor Roberts, said Mr. Davis, for the primary purpose of adjusting the tax levy. We passed a revaluation act at the last regular session, which raised the assessments from 25 per cent to 100 per cent. At the special session we will fix a tax rate, which will be probably, around 60 cents on the \$100 valuation.

"There is in my mind no question but that the legislature will ratify the equal suffrage amendment. We have already granted municipal and presidential suffrage to our women. I believe there will not be a dozen senators who will vote against ratification and the lower house will adopt it two to one."

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

E. T. White and wife to John W. Floyd 1-4 interest in certain tract land in Oxford \$5 and other considerations.

C. D. Rey and wife to Jake Gupton 1 lot in Oxford N. C. \$1100.

O. B. Allen and wife to Sam Lawrence 8 9-10 acres \$10 and other considerations.

Georgia H. Poole to Lexie Tyler a certain parcel of land \$500.

J. E. King and wife to Louis Woodlief 50 acres more or less, \$500 and other considerations.

E. B. Howard and wife to F. W. Hancock, Jr., and wife to Ernest Foster and Sandy Clement 137 acres Talley Ho Township, \$5,000 and other valuable considerations.

W. H. Little and wife to Thomas Moore 4 certain tracts of land in Granville Co., \$1205.

Julius Mangum to George C. Lassiter certain lot in town Oxford \$750

B. S. Royster, Com., to J. L. Vaughan 101 acres more or less \$4750.

H. G. Williams and wife to Edna Flood certain lot in town Oxford \$1,000.

G. H. Dove and wife to Sidney T. Taylor and wife 103 50-100 acres, Dutchville Township \$5000 and other valuable considerations.

I. W. Mangum and wife and others to I. W. Mangum and S. H. Prichard 1 lot in town Oxford \$8,000.

R. W. Harris and wife to S. V. Morton 21 acres \$665.

Noah Gooch and wife to R. H. Gooch undivided 1-2 interest 64 acres, \$400.

## STEM NEWS ITEMS

—Mr. W. S. Gooch is the champion farmer of our community. Although making farming a secondary business, his principal occupation being life insurance, yet he has the finest small crop of tobacco and corn we have seen and we doubt if there is more stuff to the acre to be found in the county. There is not a stalk of wilt in his tobacco, no disease and apparently as perfect as could be grown, and would make a fine photographic picture. Other crops such as watermelons, tomatoes, butterbeans and all kinds of vegetables are grown in profusion and the squire has done all the work himself not having hired days work this year.

—Miss Janie E. Jones, who holds a position in Robinsonville, N. C. is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James S. Jones. She leaves in a few days for Baltimore and New York to purchase millinery.

—Nathan Lyon, colored, who was found near Ledge Rock railroad trestle about three weeks ago, stricken with paralysis, does not improve and was taken to the Durham hospital Monday.

—Miss Myrtle Peed, who has been visiting in Washington, is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. James S. Jones. She leaves in a few days for Baltimore and New York.

—Mr. M. H. Bragg, manager of Stem Mercantile Co., is having a well drilled at his residence near the Methodist church.

—Rev. and Mrs. B. H. Black returned last week from Lake Landing where Mrs. Black has been visiting relatives for several weeks.

—Mr. Jeff Daniel Here.

Mr. Jeff Daniel, a former register of deeds of Granville county, who moved to Texas several years ago and made good in the Lone Star State, is spending a few days in Oxford and county. He is the same Jolly Jeff of old and is receiving a cordial welcome by his many friends throughout the town and county.

## FREIGHT RATES THIRD HIGHER. PASSENGER FARES A FIFTH. PULLMAN CHARGES HALF

New Rates to Continue in Force Until March 1, 1922, to Offset Wage Advances.

The increased charges on freight alone were estimated as equalling a levy of \$12 per capita per annum for every man, woman and child in the country, basing the nation's population at 105,000,000 for 1920 recently made by the census bureau.

(Washington Special)

Authority for the railroads of the country to increase their revenues by approximately one billion and a half dollars was granted Saturday by the interstate commerce commission. Freight rates will be advanced about one-third, passenger fares one-fifth and Pullman charges one-half. Coastwise and inland steamship lines and electric railway companies also were granted permission to increase their freight rates in proportion to the increases granted to the railroads serving the same territory. Effective January 1.

The new rates, which are to continue in force until March 1, 1922, will become effective upon five days' notice by the carriers to the commission and the public, and they must be in operation before January 1. Since the government guarantee expires September 1, the carriers are expected to bend every effort to put the advances into effect by that date.

## To Offset Wage Advance.

Increases granted by the commission are designed to offset the \$600,000,000 wage advance awarded by the railroad labor board and to provide the 6 per cent net income on the aggregate value of the railroad properties as permitted under the transportation act. The aggregate value of all of the railroads was estimated by the commission at \$18,000,000,000, as against a book value of \$20,040,000,000 given by the carriers.

## Freight Rates Vary.

The 20 per cent increase in passenger fares, excess baggage charges and milk transportation rates, and the 50 per cent surcharge on Pullman fares authorized by the commission, will be general the country over. Freight rate increases will vary according to territory, with 40 per cent in the east, 25 per cent in the south, 35 per cent in the west—that is, from the Mississippi river to the Rocky mountains—and 25 per cent in the Mountain-Pacific territory, from the east of the Rockies to the Pacific coast, not including Alaska.

## Revenues Estimated.

From figures submitted to the commission by the carriers when their applications for the increases were made, it was unofficially estimated that the apportionment of the advances would work out at about \$1,285,300,000 on freight; \$43,600,000 on Pullman; \$4,500,000 on milk and \$1,400,000 excess baggage charges.

On the same calculations the eastern roads would get the greater part of the total increase, receiving approximately \$873,930,000 as compared with 559,000 for the western lines, including those in the mountain-Pacific territory and \$135,298,000 for the southern carriers.

## NORTH CAROLINA SYSTEM OF MODERN HIGHWAYS

Mass Meeting to Be Held in Raleigh Next Tuesday.

For the first time in the history of the Old North State the people are thoroughly aroused in the proposition to build good roads throughout the state.

A big parade, headed by the Gastonia Drum Corps and the High Point Cornet Band, will be a feature of the mass meeting in Raleigh next Tuesday. The morning session will be presided over by Col. Kirkpatrick; Hon. W. A. McGirt will preside at the afternoon session and Gen. Carr will preside at the evening session.

## PERSONAL LOANS OF VILLA WILL BE PAID

Eagle Pass, Texas, Aug. 1.—Personal loans obtained by Francisco Villa, bandit leader who recently surrendered to the Mexican provisional government, will be paid by the government, it was learned unofficially. The loans amount to \$40,000 Mexican. Villa is said to have given receipts for all loans he obtained, and these will be refunded upon presentation of the papers to the government by claimants.

## FIND BIGGEST TREE IN NORTH CAROLINA

Prof. A. J. Hutchins, principal of the Asheville high school, tells of two great trees in North Carolina. He says that a popular at the foot of Mt. Mitchell in Yancey county measures thirty-four feet in circumference, and takes six full grown men touching hands to girdle it. On Reems creek, Buncombe county, he told of another poplar that measures 29 feet in circumference, and adds that both trees, because of their great size, have been spared by the lumber companies owning the timber in their neighborhoods.—Asheville Citizen.

## LOCAL GAS COMPANY GRANTED INCREASE IN GAS RATE TO \$2.60 PER 1000

The Same Rate Obtains in Oxford And Henderson

An immediate increase in gas rates in Oxford and Henderson per 1000 cubic feet was given out by Corporation Commission in Raleigh Saturday. The increase as requested by the Southern Gas and Improvement Company was granted as a temporary measure.

See statement of the Gas Company elsewhere in this paper.

## FOUND THE WORLD BAKE OF TOBACCO.

Scarcity Almost as Great as That of Food in Many Countries, Says E. H. Davis—English Tax Lessens Demand—Whelan and French Monopoly.

(United States Tobacco Journal)

Edward H. Davis, business manager of the United States Tobacco Journal, returning from Europe said relative to the tobacco situation abroad: "The world is absolutely bare of tobacco. In many countries which I visited the shortage of tobacco products is being felt almost equally as much as was food during the war. In the Regie countries especially, tobacco is virtually on a ration basis. There is much talk in such countries as France, Austria and Italy of turning the tobacco monopoly over to private capital in order to stabilize the industry. The recent additional tax imposed of 50 per cent in England and has caused a considerable falling off in the consumption of tobacco thereby defeating the very purpose of the lawmakers in their desire to produce additional revenue."

It is reported by certain ones closely in touch with the tobacco situation in France that the Whelan interests are making progress toward the acquiring of the French monopoly. It is understood that a proposition has been made to the government that in case the monopoly is taken over that all employees will be war veterans and widows of soldiers which has appealed strongly to the French Government. Then they will open up stores throughout France which will mean the enhancement of real estate values in the various sections of the country. George J. Whelan, R. M. Ellis, of the Tobacco Products Export Co., and T. F. Ryan are in Paris, considering the position.

## LANDSCAPE ARTIST TO VISIT OXFORD NEXT THURSDAY

With a View of Laying Off the Playgrounds.

The playground and community park committee has secured the services of Mr. Charles Gillett, a landscape designer of experience and reputation, to visit Oxford next Thursday with a view to laying off the grounds and planning and devising for the best and wisest development of the property for recreational purposes and for artistic beauty as well.

It may be that there are private parties, or perhaps others interested in landscape development for houses or factory grounds who would like to take advantage of this opportunity to consult with an artist of experience and taste. If so, they may do so by arranging an appointment with the Playground Committee.

## MISTAKES WILL OCCUR

Coffin From France Contained the Body Of Wrong Soldier.

A Knoxville, Tenn., special says: When an overseas coffin was opened Thursday at the home of Mrs. E. S. Underwood, of Kodak, Tenn., it was discovered that it did not contain the body of her son, Corporal Vaughan Underwood, but that of a soldier unknown in this section. The mother is prostrated.

The identification tag on the inside bore the name of Private Thomas S. Rodgers, and army serial number 3,522,752, which differs from that of the late Corporal Underwood.

## BIG LIQUOR HAUL MADE IN FRANKLIN COUNTY

The destruction of three large "moonshine stills," the pouring out of 1,500 gallons of beer and the arrest of four persons, one of them a woman, resulted from raids conducted last Wednesday night by United States Deputy Marshal G. W. Bartholomew and other Federal officers in the Red Bird section of Franklin county.

## BICKETT BUSY WITH MESSAGE

Will Recommend Ratification of the Suffrage Amendment.

(Raleigh News and Observer)

Governor Bickett is engaged in writing his message to the special session of the general assembly. He will have it ready by the opening date, which is next Tuesday, August 10.

The governor said today that he would do as he had announced, recommend the ratification of the federal suffrage amendment. A part of his message will deal with this subject, but the bulk of it will be devoted to tax measures.

—Prof. and Mrs. F. P. Hobgood are on their annual visit to Buffalo Springs. They will be there for a week.

## DEMOCRATIC WAR CHEST OPEN TO CONTRIBUTIONS OF ANY SIZE

"Peace, Progress Prosperity," Three-Word Slogan That Makes George White "Cox Sure" of Victory in November.

(Washington Special)

The Democratic party's campaign war chest is open to contributions of any amount, George White, chairman of the National Committee, announced here today. Party leaders, Mr. White said, "will examine the source rather than the amounts of all contributions."

The new national chairman referred to Illinois, Indiana and Ohio as "the battle ground" of the campaign but he indicated that as the campaign plans developed, Governor Cox would carry the fight direct to the people and would visit a majority of the states.

Discussing campaign contributions Mr. White said the restrictions which had been proposed as to the size of the gifts were so easily circumvented as to make them useless and that the National Committee therefore would content itself with a scrutiny of all contributions in order that no obligations on the candidate would be entailed by the acceptance of campaign funds.

Democratic leaders, Mr. White said, are seeking to have the Senate committee investigating campaign expenses continue its operations. He added that it was particularly desired to bring to light the contributions to Republican State committees, but that thus far a way to accomplish this had not been found.

## MISTRIAL ORDERED IN T. R. LANIER DIVORCE CASE

The Jury Remained Together For a Night and a Day.

Superior Court adjourned Saturday. The criminal cases were disposed of by Wednesday noon and afterwards a few civil cases were tried.

The most interesting of these was the action of J. R. Lanier Vs. Mrs. Sallie Lanier for divorce. The cause alleged was separation and desertion for ten years. The case was vigorously contested, Mr. Hancock, Mr. Brummitt and Gen. Royster appearing for the plaintiff and Mr. T. M. Pittman of Henderson for the defendant. The jury remained together for a night and a day, but were unable to agree and a mistrial was ordered.

A few other cases were tried and judgments were taken in some uncontested actions. Practically all of the cases of importance go over to the November term of court. The lawyers say that the civil calendar is becoming quite crowded and there is considerable discussion of the necessity for a special term of court.

Some of the criminal cases were continued and therefore will come up in November. Only a few contested matters were tried. For forgery Bridges and Bullock were each sent to the roads for two years. Most of the other cases were trivial in importance and fines were generally imposed.

## THE PENALTY OF BEING A MAKER OF LAWS

Required to Write Many Letters and Pay the Postage.

Mr. D. G. Brummitt, Granville county's able and popular representative, was busy with his typewriter all day last Monday. There lay upon his desk more than one hundred letters requesting his influence for this or that boy for page during the special session of the Legislature which convenes next Tuesday.

Representatives are not only required to answer letters, but they must also pay the postage.

## OXFORD LADY WEDS IN CLARKSBURG, WEST VA.

A telegram was received by relatives in Oxford announcing the marriage of Mrs. Lela Crews Bryan and Mr. George Moore, of Clarksburg, West Va., on July 29th.

Mrs. Moore is a sister of Messrs. Elbert, Walter and Robert Crews, of Oxford, and is a most charming lady. She has made her home in Clarksburg for several years. Mr. and Mrs. Moore will make their home in Clarksburg, W. Va.

## MR. EDWARDS BELIEVES THE AMENDMENT WILL BE ADOPTED

Mr. C. B. Edwards, of Raleigh, and one of the best posted men of the State, spent the week-end in Oxford, the guest of Mr. M. P. Chamblee and other relatives. After having had his ear to the ground for some time and noting every leaf that is fanned by the political breeze, Mr. Edwards arrives at the conclusion that the North Carolina Legislature, which convenes in extraordinary session next Tuesday, will adopt the suffrage amendment by a small majority.

## LOCAL FIREMEN GO TO ATLANTIC CITY FOR A WEEK

The following members of the Oxford Fire Department motored to Henderson last Sunday night and took the midnight express for Atlantic City where they will spend a week:

Messrs. J. R. Wood, John A. Williams, Lee Taylor, Carl Ellington, John Ellington, Pete Wood, J. T. Sizemore, E. E. Sizemore, Bun Sizemore and Mr. Williams fine little son.