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THE HOUSEFIELD DESCRIBES A BEAUTY SPOT IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

He speaks of the mysterious light which is unexplainable. Western North Carolina, wrapped in an atmosphere of awe, frolic and beauty, it is a natural and beautiful playground. New points of interest constantly open, revealing hitherto unsuspected possibilities of amusement and use.

Little Switzerland on the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio Railroad, some twenty miles from Marion Junction, Clinchfield, and nearly four thousand feet up in the air, is about eight miles long and a summer resort. The best conditions are primitive and unspoiled, and the accommodations excellent and reasonable in price. From the piazza of Echo Cottage six parallel mountain ranges may be counted and overlooked, a vast and unspoiled panorama of wooded hills shouldering the clouds. Yet high as it is, the hills stand round about Jerusalem: Mitchell, Clingman, Table Rock with its superb head of sheer granite, Linville, Hawksville and a score more. It seems to the writer as if the situation for beauty is only a bare second from Blowing Rock. The stage-ride from the Railroad station is safe enough with careful and experienced driving, but the climb of near two thousand feet in four miles, with the wayside edged with deep valleys, makes one think of "Bible things" and of proposed amendment of life; but such wholesome thoughts are forgotten when the trail widens a bit. Automobiles make the trip at times, but walking would seem preferable unless we were prepared to liquidate our "title to the skies." The present road might be far worse, but in the near future a State road will take the place of the present trail. Little Switzerland enjoys an ideal situation and climate, and is today more accessible than many another more developed resort in these beautiful mountains. The fogs, dreaded everywhere, seem there to linger down in the valleys, the clouds alone breaking into mist upon the uplands. Clarkson's Knoll is the centre of the scenic wonders of gorgeous sunrise and sunset. Two sunsets, and one sunrise to the credit of the writer; the latter attainment due to a challenge from two dear young ladies from the farther South. A misunderstanding difference about the Point of View, separated us, and the mile climb in the semi-darkness was work. But the wonder of it, with even Turkey Cove and Bear Wallow alive with the sparkling light of the new day!

As a touch of mystery there is the strange and unexplained light which suddenly and frequently springs above the forest on Bowling Mountain in full view of all the valleys and hills. Between eight and nine o'clock at night seems the chosen time of display. The phenomenon has for years defied solution, although carefully investigated by great northern newspapers, and other agencies. The floral display of these mountains is unique, so much deeper in colour, and larger in size. Some dahlias eight inches in diameter, and superb in colouring, so with all blooming things, full of light and glory. A successful summer camp for young girls is carried on near Little Switzerland. The camp is named "As you like it." The handsome swimming pool is filled with cold, shivery mountain water, which is not as the most of us like it. But the happy laughter of the karkid girls clustering before the carved ovals of the splendid fireplace, betokened only health and enjoyment. Little Switzerland, maybe, but a large Paradise, too. H.

CAMPAIN AGAINST VICE

To Be Waged In Oxford By More Than One Hundred Stalwart Citizens. The Public Ledger learns that the Odd Fellows of Oxford have under consideration a plan to improve the morals and safe-guard the homes of the community. The lodge has appointed a committee, whose duty it will be to issue a letter to all members, requesting them to be present at a lodge mass meeting to be held at an early date to consider plans to curtail vice.

The Public Ledger is not advised as to the scope of the campaign other than that it is a moral movement based on the principles of right living, embracing, as it were, a kind word spoken at the right time and in the right place, to put a stop to the vice that kills.

FOR SALE HERE YESTERDAY FOR SALE HER EYESTERDAY

A man arrived here yesterday in a new Ford car which he tried to sell for \$200. The low price created suspicion in the mind of Chief Hobgood, and he at once got in communication with the Secretary of State and asked him to look up No. 73-321. A few minutes later Mr. C. L. Sorrell, of Raleigh, advised Chief Hobgood that the car belonged to him, stating that the number of the motor is 520232. In the mean time the thief cranked his car and left for parts unknown.

YOUR BATTERY SHOULD HAVE WATER ABOUT EVERY TWO WEEKS. STOP AT OXFORD BATTERY CO.

OUR HIGH SCHOOL GROUNDS WILL COMPARE FAVORABLY WITH BEST IN STATE

The Large School Building and Grounds Attract Much Attention and Favorable Comment. Things have been moving along so nicely the average citizen is aware that there has been a change in Oxford. The State Library, the new school building, the Byrum-Hunt Company, contractors, erected the handsome building according to specifications, and the Oxford Woman's Club has done much to beautify the surroundings.

The Grounds. A most complete and carefully planned athletic field is being laid out including running track, a field for baseball, football and hockey, tennis, basketball, and tether ball courts and a community playground containing many pieces of the most approved playground equipment. That the aesthetic side is not forgotten is shown by the terraced setting of the High School, the location and character of the walks and the proposed planting.

Realizing that the usefulness and beauty of even the most carefully planned high school might be destroyed by improper location of the building and unstudied arrangement of grounds, the first step of the Building Commission was to secure the services of a landscape architect, Charles F. Gillette, of Richmond, who has made the plans which are now being executed. In accordance with his advice it was decided to place the proposed building on an eminence overlooking the seven-acre grounds instead of facing it on the street as was originally proposed.

A Splendid View. The wisdom of this step became evident as soon as the building was erected and is becoming more clearly demonstrated as the plans for the grounds are being carried toward completion. From the terrace which affords a formal setting for the high school a splendid view may be had down the hill toward the athletic field. The field, encircled by a six-lap running track, provides for baseball, football, hockey, and the various track events. To the left of the athletic field on the banks of a winding brook are located the tennis and tether ball courts. Nearer the High School on the left is the girl's basketball court. Immediately to the right of the building is the Community playground containing a giant slide, an American coaster, outdoor gymnasium, horizontal ladder, swings, kindergarten slide, and sandbox with space left for a swimming pool to be built in the near future.

Beautiful With Native Plants. All walks have been specially planned with regard to the convenience of the students and the elimination of useless construction. In the informal planting special care has been used in planning for the use of the loveliest of the native North Carolina plant material since the High School is to be distinctively North Carolina. Even in the formal planting around the building the nativ cedars and rhododendrons are used almost exclusively.

MAKING "HOME BREW" ILLEGAL

Non-Intoxicating Fruit Juice May Be Manufactured Tax Free. Warning that the making of intoxicating "home brew" is illegal was issued by Prohibition Commissioner Hayes. Numerous inquiries have been received recently, he said, concerning the home manufacture of fruit juices growing out of reports that a head of the household was entitled to make 200 gallons of wine a year under permit.

The prohibition unit's attitude on the home brew question was defined by Mr. Haynes as follows: "Non-intoxicating fruit juice can be made in the home. Intoxicating wine, home brew and distilled spirits may not be made. Two hundred gallons of non-intoxicating fruit juice may be manufactured tax free by the head of a family registering with a collector of internal revenue."

THIEVES ABOUND AT APEX

Robbers Get \$16,000 In Cigarettes This Year. Sixteen thousand dollars worth of cigarettes have been stolen from freight cars at Apex during the last year, according to testimony developed in the Wake county courthouse in the trial of James Little, sentenced to two and a half years for stealing cigarettes. The figures were given by the railroad agent at Apex, which is the transfer point for shipment of cigarettes manufactured in Durham. Cigarettes from the Durham plants are transported over the Durham & Southern to Apex and then routed to their destination. An organized gang, according to authorities are responsible for the depredations.

WILLIE ELLINGTON GETS FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD

Found Stolen Car Parked On Old Oxford-Henderson Road. It was Willie Ellington instead of Detective Hutchins who found the stolen car on the old Oxford-Henderson road a few nights ago. The car was taken from in front of the Exchange Hotel by John Cutts, for the return of which the owner offered a reward of \$50. The reward was paid to Willie Ellington.

WHY SHOULD THERE BE A DIFFERENCE IN THE PRICE OF TOBACCO?

The Price Is High On the Eastern Markets and Low In the Bright Belt. (S) g to newspaper reports Goldsboro, Greenville, Smithfield and other eastern markets are selling a lot of tobacco as high as \$1.00 per pound. Not long ago tobacco in this section brought \$1.00 per pound and only 50 cents on the eastern markets. The tables have turned and the eastern tobacco growers are living in the lap of luxury. The drought, of course, accounts for the difference in the price. The Smithfield Herald asks:

"Who buys the tobacco which the farmers carry to the different markets? It is not the warehousemen. They may buy a few piles now and then but could not be expected to take any considerable quantity of it. In fact the less tobacco warehousemen buy the more attention they can give to the managing of their special line of work in conducting the warehouses. The tobacco cannot be bought by the merchants of the towns where it is carried. Much as they would like to see it bring good prices they cannot buy it. Who really buys it? It is bought by representatives of the big tobacco concerns of the world. These big concerns get men as buyers who are judges of tobacco and have had experience in handling it. Both the buyers and the big tobacco companies want tobacco and are ready to take it on any market when it is offered for sale. This being the case why should one warehouse or one tobacco market have any considerable advantage over another warehouse or over another tobacco market? Will some one please tell us where any great advantage could come in? Tobacco is sold on its grade just like cotton, and the buyers pay for it according to its grade. Every farmer should try to have the highest grade tobacco possible."

NEGROES IN SKIN GAME

Telegraphs To Oxford For Money and Gets It. (News and Observer)

Alleged to have secured \$110 from E. F. Williams, an old negro of Wilmington, by use of a variation of the well-known "pocketbook game," three negroes were yesterday arrested by local police. The alleged "flim-flammers" gave their names as Alex McKeaven, Henry Gladeye and Joe Donald and claimed to hail from Miami, Fla., Georgetown, S. C., and Cleveland, Ohio. The negroes were well dressed and the similarity of their attire led the police to believe that they must have recently robbed a clothing store, but search disclosed only four dollars among the three of them. The police are on searching for the "cashier."

The Wilmington negro was completely taken in by the trick, expending all of the cash he had on his person, telegraphing to Oxford for \$83 and to Wilmington for \$250. He received funds from both sources, but the Wilmington remittance arrived after the banks had closed and so was saved. The pocketbook which was picked up by one of the trio while another was engaging the victim in conversation contained \$2,000 in bogus bills of large denomination and the visiting negro's scruples vanished in the presence of so much "money."

THE KU KLUX MIGHT AS WELL DISBAND

No Organization Can Exist That Has Names Like These. A recent Ku Klux Klan proclamation is addressed to "all Genii, Grand Dragons and Hydras of Realms, Grand Goblines and Kieagles of Domains, Grand Titans and Furies of Provinces, Giants, Exalted Cyclops and Terrors of Cantons." Isn't it a little strange that normal American citizens, as some must be who belong to the K. K. K. do not get disgusted by this kind of rot?—Raleigh News and Observer.

HUNDREDS APPLY FOR WORK AS MISSIONARIES

More than 1,200 girls and women recently applied for appointments as foreign missionaries, according to Miss Mabelle Rae McVeigh, candidate secretary of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. Ages of applicants. Miss McVeigh said, range from 14 to 45. "Probably one reason for the astonishing increase in the number of applicants," Miss McVeigh said, is the fact that war has made the world seem smaller, so that foreign lands no longer seem as distant as they formerly did."

MR. ZERO PLANS TO SIT ON WHITE HOUSE STEPS

Camping Very Close To the Door Of the Administration. Washington, Sept. 29.—Urban Ledoux, the "Mr Zero," who conducted auctions of unemployed men in Boston, came to Washington this week with the announced intention of "sitting on the White House steps," until President Harding publishes the list of "100 per cent profiteers," of the world war.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Winston, Mrs. John B. Booth, Mr. W. W. Devin spent Sunday in Warrenton.

REV. R. C. CRAVEN, PASTOR OF OXFORD METHODIST CHURCH, DEAD

Lifeless Body Found In the Woods One Mile North of Oxford. The community was shocked and grieved this morning by the discovery of the lifeless body of Rev. R. C. Craven, pastor of the Oxford Methodist Church, in the woods one mile north of town, with a pistol by his side and a bullet hole in his head. Mr. Craven had been noticed to have been for sometime under mental strain and had been in consultation with his physician about his extremely nervous condition which must have caused the deed. No minister ever lived in Oxford who had more universal love, respect and confidence of so many people regardless of denomination. He was a public-spirited man; his interest was not only confined to the members of his own church but he took an active interest in all affairs of this community, especially in connection with school work, the Oxford Orphanage and Boy Scout Movement.

Dr. Craven left home about five o'clock Thursday evening, and failing to return home a squad of men went in search and found his body at 3 o'clock this morning. Funeral at Dunn tomorrow.

NEARLY SEVEN MILLION POUNDS OF TOBACCO SIGNED UP IN GRANVILLE COUNTY

Editor Public Ledger: I notice in the Public Ledger of Tuesday, Sept. 27 that you say the cooperative marketing association will probably have 5,500,000 pounds signed up by the end of the drive, October 15. I should like to correct this statement as we do not want to mislead any one, nor do we want to intentionally leave the wrong impression. I know you did not intend to do this either; therefore I want to give you the right figures. Granville county has already signed up 6,800,000 pounds tobacco based on 1920 production. Nearly seven million pounds, with over 1000 members. The farmers are signing at the rate of one million pounds a week in Granville county. Person county signed three million pounds week before last, and Surry county signed over two million pounds the same week. E. G. MOSS.

OUR RESERVED ARMY

Recruiting Of Men and Officers Will Commence About Nov. 1—Will Need 43,467 Officers. Washington, Sept. 29.—Initial steps towards organizing the nation's reserve man power for immediate mobilization in case of an emergency, were announced by the war department. Under the plan outlined by the general staff an organized reserve will be created consisting of three field armies, nine army corps and twenty-seven divisions which with the nine regular army divisions and the 18 national guard divisions, will give the army 54 full divisions in the event of war. The recruiting of the reserve divisions and the command will be under the regular army corps area commanders and it is said that this work will commence about November 1.

FIFTY-FOUR DIVISIONS

81st division, Tennessee and North Carolina and Florida; 87th division, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. We have often wondered why the big mail order houses subscribed for all papers published in small towns. The following from Herman Rosenfeld, advertising manager for Sears Roebuck & Company, is a sufficient explanation: "We have a bureau whose duty it is to read each week the country newspapers from all over the country. There is not a paper of any consequence in our trade territory that our bureau does not get. This bureau looks over these papers and when we find a town where the merchants are not advertising in the local paper we immediately flood that territory with our literature. It always brings results far in excess of the same effort put forth in territory where the local merchants use their local papers."

MR. FRED CURRIN RECOVERS STOLEN CAR

The police in Danville captured a Ford car this week that tallied with the one stolen from Mr. Fred Currin at the show grounds last Friday night. When notified of the capture Mr. Currin went over to Danville, identified the car and brought it back. The thief was not captured.

WEST OXFORD CHURCH

Rev. E. G. Usry, the much beloved former pastor, will preach at West Oxford next Sunday night. The pastor, Rev. C. A. Upchurch, is closing a most successful meeting at Stovall.

CLOSED—OPEN WEDNESDAY

The Hub store will be closed Monday and Tuesday. Will Open Wednesday morning with a big drive on lower prices.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN GIVES THIRTIETH DIVISION CREDIT FOR BREAKING THE LINE

Many Of Us Forget All Too Soon That Our Home Boys Waded Through the Jaws Of Death. Credit for breaking the Hindenburg line is given to the Thirtieth Division by the official history of the different divisions just being published by the War Department. Quotations from the official history are carried in the bulletin issued by the Adjutant General's office. The bulletin quotes the following directly from the official history of the divisions prepared and issued by the War Department.

THIRTIETH DIVISION

From September 24 to October 19, 1918, the division participated in the Somme offensive in the 2nd American Corps operating with the 4th British Army. The outstanding features of this operation were the breaking of the Hindenburg line near Bellcourt, the capture of Bellcourt and Nauray, September 29-30, the attack from Montrehain, October 6-12 in which Brancourt, Fremont, Busigny, Vaux Andigny and Saint Souplet were captured and the Battle of the La Selle river October 17-20, 1918.

TWENTY-SEVENTH DIVISION

"From September 24 to October 20, 1918, the division participated in the Somme offensive north of Saint Quentin, operating in the 2nd American Corps with the 4th British Army against the Hindenburg line. The outstanding features of this operation were the severe fighting in the vicinity of Guillemont Ferme, Quenemont Ferme and Gouy, September 27 and 28, and the battle of the La Selle river, October 17-20, 1918.

"There has been more controversy as to who broke the Hindenburg line during the above operations, at one of the strongest points on the Western front, and the extracts above are quoted from official records for the information of all concerned. Neither the 27th or 30th could have accomplished what they did without the support of the other, the divisions fought side by side throughout the operations in France and we would not for an instant have it appear that we are trying to detract one iota from the glorious record that they made. We were brothers in arms in France fighting for the safety of the world."

BUSINESS LEADERS PREDICT A SPEEDY RETURN TO NORMAL

John Wanamaker, Merchant and Charles E. Bedford Oil Executive, Are Confident. New York, Sept. 29.—The speedy return to normal conditions for business was predicted here by two of the nation's biggest merchants selling direct to the people—Charles E. Bedford, president of the Vacuum Oil Company and John Wanamaker, merchant of New York and Philadelphia. "Business revival week," said Mr. Wanamaker, "I think, will be extended into a business revival of years and years. I have more faith in America today and more expectations for the future than at any time of my sixty years as a merchant."

"There will be plenty of work for all if we show our faith, not by relaxing our efforts, holding back in fear, putting on blue glasses and keeping our money in our pockets, but by making needed improvements, starting to build and rebuild, buying and selling, putting to work our brains and our money—everything we have—for the good of the country."

ARBUCKLE HELD TO ANSWER ON CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER

Movie Star Gives Bond For Appearance In Superior Court For Trial At Later Date. San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 28.—The murder complaint against Roscoe C. "Fatty" Arbuckle was reduced to manslaughter today by Police Judge Sylvain J. Lazarus, who held him to answer to the Superior court for trial on the lesser charge growing out of the death of Miss Virginia Rappe following a drinking party in Arbuckle's hotel suite here. "I have decided to make a holding for manslaughter, finding there is enough in the defendant's conduct to warrant his trial on that charge," said Judge Lazarus.

STATE SECURES BIG LOAN

Lowest Rate Of Any Secured During Past Few Months. Raleigh, Sept. 29.—State Treasurer B. R. Lacy today telegraphed Governor Morrison from New York that he had just succeeded in borrowing on the State's account the sum of \$5,000,000 at the interest rate of 5.95, which is declared to be the lowest rate the State has been able to obtain in recent months. State officials are elated over Treasurer Lacy's success in negotiating the loan.

GRANVILLE COUNTY FAIR WILL BE HELD THREE DAYS NEXT WEEK

Parade Headed By Brass Band, Will Start From Court Square At 10 O'clock Each Morning. The gates at the fair grounds will swing open at 10 o'clock next Tuesday morning, the first day of the Granville County Fair, and continue through Wednesday and Thursday, rain or shine. The parade will start from the court house at 10 o'clock each morning.

SEVEN MEN ARE AWAITING THE DEATH CHAIR AT RALEIGH

A List Of the Condemned Men and the Crime Of Which They Were Convicted. Unless commuted by the Governor seven prisoners in the penitentiary will die on the dates designated already, and dates for the electrocution of others will be set later on. The first of these condemned men, Doll Little, of Anson county, was electrocuted yesterday. Little was convicted of murder.

The next electrocution date is October 10, when Frank Henderson, of Madison county, convicted of the murder of his wife, will be killed by the State. Ten days later, on October 20, J. T. Harris, Ridgecrest merchant of Buncombe county, will pay the extreme penalty for the murder of F. W. Moonish, tourist, who visited the Harris store. On the last day of October Harry Caldwell, of Wayne county, will be electrocuted for killing J. Herman Johnson, and ten days later Jesse Foster, also of Wayne, will be electrocuted for his participation in the murder of the same man. Both of these men were convicted at the time the mob conditions at Goldsboro were such that troops had to be sent there to guard the prisoners. W. Y. Westmoreland, of Ireland, convicted of the murder of James Nance, will pay for his crime on November 21. The last of the dates so far set is November 30 when Claud Morehead, of Guilford, convicted of the murder of his wife, will be electrocuted.

OXFORD FOOTBALL TEAM GOES INTO PRACTICE

The Schedule Calls For Several Games With Henderson. The Oxford High School football team will soon be whipped into shape as to handle any eleven that may come against them. Speaking of the schedule games the Henderson Daily Dispatch says: "For the first time in many years the Henderson high school this fall will put out a football team, and work has already begun on practice for schedule that will face the eleven during the coming season. A number of games are to be arranged for, among them being several with Oxford, dates for two of which have already been fixed, one of them scheduled to be played here and the other in Oxford. Both of these are on Fridays.

"Scrimmage work is to be pushed, and the boys who land places are to be put through a grueling training to make them fit for meeting any foe they may have to face on the gridiron this season. They believe they can make better showings against Oxford than the baseball club did during the summer."

The team opens the season today with a game in Durham against the Durham High School. The Oxford squad has been doing hard practice under Coach Livengood and are confident of victory in this first game. Many of last year's team are playing again and they have a good schedule arranged. Prof. G. B. Phillips now principal of the Greensboro High School, started the boys here in football and they are very enthusiastic. Winston Taylor is Captain.

LITTLE SON OF MR. AND MRS. J. B. POWELL DEAD

Oxford was saddened on Thursday morning to learn of the death of little Sholar Powell, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Powell. The little fellow had been sick only a few days and when his condition became serious he was rushed to Watts Hospital in Durham where the end came early Thursday morning. Edward Sholar lovingly called "Sholle" by his loved ones and little playmates was eight years old, a most attractive and lovable boy, the idol of his home. He is survived by his heart-broken parents and four brothers and one sister. The funeral services will be conducted from St. Stephen's Church Friday afternoon at four o'clock and the interment will be in Elmwood Cemetery. The sympathy of the entire town goes out to each member of the bereaved families in their great sorrow in having to part with this promising little loved one.

READY FOR WORK

The Senior High School will begin work in the new High School Building on Monday morning, but there will be no formal opening for the public. Dedication services will be held in a few weeks to which the public will be invited.