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AN AGED MAN FOUND ON THE SIDE OF THE ROAD STIFF WITH COLD

Revived by a Cup of Hot Coffee and Brought To the Court-House. Some Good Samaritan, whose name is not known to the Public Ledger, who was driving along the Oxford-Henderson road early last Saturday morning found an aged man in a clump of brush near Harrisburg bridge. It was a bitter cold morning and the old man's long beard was covered with ice and frost, and when awakened could not speak above a whisper.

The Good Samaritan lifted him tenderly to his car and brought him to the sheriff's office and placed him in a chair in front of the fire and departed. Sheriff Hunt was busy at the time and did not notice who it was that brought the old man into his office. The warm air soon revived the aged man and he looked about the room and the men gathered about him in strange silence, and when he recovered from his numbness he said his name is Andrew Reid, of Philadelphia, and that he is 80 years of age; that he came by boat from Philadelphia to Norfolk and paid his railroad fare from Norfolk to Henderson; that he landed in Henderson last Friday night with only five cents in his pocket. He said that he is on his way to Spray, N. C., to make his home with his daughter the balance of his life. He said he had twelve matches in his pocket when he left Henderson and that he struck all of them while trying to kindle a fire at the side of the road near Oxford. He said he was born in North Carolina and was exempted from military duty during the War Between the States on account of physical disability. With a little financial help from citizens, the old man left Oxford on the train.

SARAH BERNHARDT SELECTS PLACE FOR HER TOMB

The Remains of the Great Artist Will Rest On a Wild Rocky Islet in the Bay of Biscay.

It is said to think that the Divine Sarah, who has charmed the entire world with her voice for more than six years, will be laid to rest in a lonely spot on the rugged west coast of France overlooking the turbulent Atlantic ocean. The associated press tells us that the immortal Sarah has selected for her tomb a wild rocky islet in the Bay of Biscay, which the French Government has consented to sell to her at the nominal price of \$100, and on which she plans to build a magnificent tomb, crowned with a statue of herself in white marble from the Carrara quarries. "I shall be my own sculptor," she says, and at the age of 76 she is confident that she will have many years in which to complete the work.

VERY MEANEST MAN FOUND

Glad That He Is Not a Tar Heel.

The meanest man on earth has been discovered this time, sure. He lives at Mount Vernon, Va. The driver of a stalled automobile hailed a passing truck driver for assistance. The truck driver found the trouble was a loose connection, fixed it and proceeded to crank the engine. The engine "backfired," breaking the truck driver's arm. "Too bad," said the rescued motorist, as he gayly speeded down the road. Unable to crank the engine of his truck, with a broken arm, the injured man had to walk to Mount Vernon, to get help and medical attention. All the beatheans don't live in India.—Capber's Weekly.

HIGH POINTERS WILL ERECT THOUSAND HOMES

Campaign To That End Will Be Launched In the Immediate Future.

(High Point Enterprise.) Committees are at work on plans for a campaign to be launched here soon looking towards the construction of 1,000 homes in High Point in an effort to solve the housing problem that is now confronting local citizens. Business and professional men of the city are behind the movement and they are behind it with sufficient enthusiasm and determination to make it a success, it is declared.

ARMED BANDITS MAKE \$80,000 WHISKEY HAUL

Three Truck and Three Touring Cars Hauled It Away.

A special from Tyrane, Ky., says: Whiskey valued at more than \$80,000 was removed from the T. B. Riply distillery, near here, last Thursday night by a band of 20 armed men, who held up the superintendent and three guards.

Ten barrels and 194 cases of bottled-in-bond whiskey were removed by the bandits who used three touring cars and three trucks to haul the liquor away.

Why Not Smile? An efficiency expert has discovered that it takes sixty-five muscles of the face to produce a frown, while only thirteen muscles are required to make a smile. Why waste energy in frowning, when it is five times as easy to smile?

Your battery should have water about every two weeks. Stop at Oxford Battery Co.

TOBACCO MARKET WILL CLOSE DOWN FOR THE HOLIDAYS NEXT FRIDAY

The Public Ledger would remind the farmers that the Oxford tobacco market will close down for the holidays next Friday, to be reopened Tuesday, January 3d.

The buyers and warehousemen are hoping that the farmers will not crowd the market this week as there will be plenty of time after Christmas to place it upon the market.

The buyers expect the prices to be the same as now, or higher, after Christmas. A well informed tobaccoist remarked the other day that it is not good policy for a farmer to rush the market when the crop is short.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO FOR CHRISTMAS

A Few Timely Suggestions From Mr. A. A. Hicks.

Let us join in and make it a big one for everybody; not "for me and my wife, my son John and his wife—us four and no more," but for every one. It would take a great deal to make some people happy for Christmas, because they are looking for it in the wrong way and in the wrong place, but there are a thousand ways that one can bring happiness to others. A book, a handkerchief, a box of paper, a small knife, a ball, a scarf, a doll and many other things would delight many; a word of greeting or commendation, or encouragement would aid its thousands, while only a smile or a single rosebud would bring to many hungry souls the daintily-tinted and full ripe fruit of complete happiness. Then why do we dear out with a stinting hand that which costs us so little and is so full of blessings to others?

There was hardly even a time when people were more needy than now. Last year we all tried to get rich and made a great effort—made a great crop, but the cost of production was so high and prices so low that we failed to realize any profit, and thousands of people were ruined. This year we tried to regain what we had lost, and owing to poor seasons we failed again. A few favored ones made good crops, but many who made an honest effort failed to make anything, and some of us are very poor; there never were so many people wanting to borrow money and never so little to lend, but if we will be helpful and divide our little with those who have less, we shall all have a joyous Christmas.

Then let us begin the New Year with a new determination, by the help of the Lord, to act wisely and with generosity, and to aid all we can in building up in our community a feeling of brotherly love and sincere devotion to our God and our Country. A. A. HICKS.

THE STATE TAKES CARE OF OXFORD-HENDERSON ROAD

It Not To Be a Hard-Surface Road.

The Henderson Dispatch says: Letters have been written asking that the engineer be sent here at once, and that contracts for hard-surface roadway be let as soon as possible. The Commission is to be asked probably at its next meeting. It is said, to build the hard-surface road between Henderson and the Franklin county line at once. Provision has already been made for the Henderson-Oxford highway.

GENERAL JULIAN S. CARR MAY HAVE OPPOSITION

Samuel H. Rogers, formerly director of the census, and campaign manager for Senator Simmons, will be a candidate for Congressman-at-large, according to reports coming from close friends of the former director of the census.

It is pointed out that General Carr is a candidate and will be a hard man to beat. Indeed there are many of the best informed politicians who are confident that no man can beat General Carr.

WHAT \$15 DID IN 100 YEARS

On August 5, 1819, Dr. John Sullivan Thorne opened an account with a bank in New York City, depositing \$5. A year later he added \$10. No other deposit was made. Today the bank book, now showing accumulated interest and principal, totals \$2,000.60. It is held in trust pending the settlement of the estate of Samuel S. Haskett, a recluse.

DR. J. D. HARTE HITS THE NAIL ON THE HEAD

In his sermon last Sunday morning, Dr. J. D. Harte, pastor of the Oxford Baptist Church, remarked in the course of his sermon that he gave his sister a doll many years ago as a Christmas present, and the doll is still in use. "I was thinking of giving a 13-year old girl a doll this Christmas," he said, "but I am advised that it is useless at this day and time to give a doll to a girl over five or six years of age, because girls of 13 are thinking about diamonds and other things."

CHRISTMAS TREE COMMITTEE—See us before buying your FRUITS, CANDIES, RAISINS, NUTS ETC. TAYLOR BROS.

JUDGE HUNT WILL RECEIVE SOLDIERS' PENSION MONEY THIS WEEK

He Will Pay Out Between Five and Six Thousand Dollars To Old Soldiers and Widows.

As a Christmas present from the State for the Confederate soldiers and their widows, Judge D. C. Hunt, clerk of the court, will hand them more than \$5000 between now and Christmas. He expects the money to arrive tomorrow or next day, and he hopes to place it in the hands of the old patriots and their widows before Christmas Eve.

There are about 60 veterans and 60 widows in Granville. Eight have died during the year, and each will get more this year under the new appropriation than formerly.

This will be the semi-annual distribution of the million dollars in pensions voted by the old soldiers at the last session of the general Legislature, and will constitute the largest pensions ever paid by the State to these old heroes and their widows.

The law divides the pensioners into four classes, according to their disabilities. The yearly basis on which the pension will be paid one-half of the amount during the present month of December, according to their classes, is as follows:

First Class \$150
Second Class \$135
Third Class \$120
Fourth Class \$100

In the first class there are thirty-four soldiers and thirty-eight widows who will get a total of \$10,800 for the year or half this amount in December.

In the second class there are eighty-eight old soldiers who will get one half of the year's appropriation of \$11,880.

In the third class there are 158 old soldiers who will get one half of \$18,960.

The fourth class is by far the largest. In this case there are 4,831 old soldiers and 4,988 widows of old soldiers, for whom there is a yearly appropriation of \$981,900. One half of this amount will be distributed this month.

Nearly half of those on the pension lists this year are widows of Confederate veterans. Checks will be mailed to the clerks of court of every county for 5,111 old soldiers and for 5,026 widows of old soldiers.

REWARD FOR STOLEN CAR

Two Thieves Drive Away In Capt. Bowling's Car.

Last Friday night about 9 o'clock two strangers were seen hanging around the monument at the head of Main street. A few minutes later the Ford car belonging to Capt. Bowling, of the police force, was missing from in front of the Long Company's store where he parked it early in the evening. At the time the car was stolen Capt. Bowling was passing through the alley alongside of the First National Bank and in rear of the Main street stores.

Chief Hobgood of the police force describes the car as follows and offers a reward of \$25 for its return:

"Stolen, one 5-passenger 1921, model Ford; State license 62042; motor number 4410240; glass broken in motor meter; dent in rear end of body; hold in top on left hand side of glass in rear end curtain; car has cut-out and electric horn and new Firestone tires all around.

TO RAISE ENDOWMENT FUND

Echo Of the Recent Meeting Of the State Federation Of Women's Clubs.

Miss Nell Battle Lewis, of the News and Observer staff, speaking of the many things accomplished at the recent meeting of State club women in Rocky Mount, a full account of which appeared in the News and Observer last Sunday, among other things said:

"At the convention of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs held last June at Wrightsville it was voted to increase the Endowment Fund of the Federation to \$10,000. At the meeting in Rocky Mount, the Council approved the plan of Mrs. A. H. Powell, of Oxford, chairman of finance, that the Council request each club to pay fifty cents per member towards this amount, and explain how much money is needed to carry on the work and to be simply a request, and not an assessment."

OXFORD LODGE OF ODD FELLOWS ELECT OFFICERS

Will Be Installed At First Meeting To Be Held In January.

Officers for the first term of the year 1922, a period of six months, were elected last Tuesday night by the members of Oxford Lodge, No. 103, I. O. O. F. They will be installed and take over the affairs of the lodge at the first meeting in January.

The election resulted in the choice of J. E. Pittard as noble grand, being advanced from vice-grand; A. R. Arrington was elected vice-grand; Charles G. Powell, recording secretary; C. E. Coble, financial secretary; J. B. Powell was re-elected treasurer after serving for several years in that capacity. All other officers will be appointed.

THE HARD SURFACE OF THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY WILL BE EIGHTEEN FEET WIDE

Weather Permitting, the R. G. Lassiter Company Will Begin Laying Hard Surface In Few Days.

The general public was not aware that the State had figured on making the road-bed of the National Highway between Durham and the Virginia line only sixteen feet wide. When Capt. Thomas Blair began grading the five miles north of Oxford two weeks ago, everything pointed to a 16-foot road bed.

This didn't look good to the Granville County Road Commission, composed of Col. W. B. Ballou, chairman; Dr. E. T. White and Mr. John G. Morton, and they hastened to Raleigh and laid the matter before Commissioner Frank Page. They talked with him about the soil and other conditions in this section, and Mr. Page at once ordered the width of the road changed from 16 to 18 feet.

Capt. Thomas Blair, under the direction of the R. G. Lassiter Company, is making the dirt fly on the five mile project north of Oxford. The road has not as yet been closed to the public, and there is likelihood that it will not be closed before Christmas.

Mr. R. G. Lassiter informs the Public Ledger that he hopes to begin laying hard surface at an early date, probably before Christmas if the weather will permit. They will begin to lay the hard surface at a point on the Dalacroix place and work back to the corporate limits, said Mr. Lassiter.

A railway siding has been installed on the Hubert Turner place, one mile north of the corporate limits, which affords the construction company easy access to the Highway for a distance of more than two miles.

A BIG SUNDAY SCHOOL

With a Lady Assistant Superintendent To Look After Little Tots.

The greatest known church builder is the Sunday School, and around at the Oxford Baptist Church every Sunday morning you will find as much enthusiasm to the square inch as anywhere in the State; you will find little tots, middle-aged and aged people to the number of more than 400 in the Sunday school rooms, all making a joyful sound.

Somebody is responsible for the large attendance and the big noise. Mr. W. A. McFarland superintends the whole business, and he has as his valuable lady assistant superintendent Miss Ione Yancey, who looks after the little people. The dominating power that is handed down from on high is the hearty handshake and the good feeling that runs riot throughout the building. Just what would happen if they had a larger and a more modern Sunday school plant, the angels only know.

The officers elected for the coming year are as follows:

W. A. McFarland, superintendent; Miss Ione Yancey, assistant superintendent; A. H. Waller, secretary; Vernon Taylor, treasurer; R. M. Curran supervisor; H. J. Council, librarian; Miss Isabel Parham, assistant librarian; Mrs. E. B. Howard, pianist; assistant pianists, Misses Dorothy Parham, Alma McFarland and Bernice Usry.

WOULD FIX LIMIT OF COUNTY SCHOOL TAX AT THIRTY-NINE CENTS

Measure Offered By Representative Matthews To Clarify Situation. (News and Observer)

Thirty-nine cents is set as the limit to which counties may go in levying taxes for the schools in a measure introduced in the House of Representatives Saturday by Matthews of Bertie, to answer assaults that have been made upon the administration of the schools and to clarify the general educational situation. The bill stipulates that no mandamus will lie against the county commissioners to force that body to levy a tax in excess of the 39-cent limit.

All tax levies that have been directed by the State Department of Education for the present year, of whatever rate, are validated in the provisions of the bill, and counties that have resisted the mandate of the Department to levy above 39 cents are directed to levy up to 39 cents. Three counties in the State have held out against the State Board, and out of this opposition grew the litigation on which the Supreme Court handed down its decision during the past week.

HAVE YOU SEEN THE BIG MARINE GUARDS ON TRAINS?

They Are Fine Fellows And Are Ready To Shoot.

At the request of Postmaster General Hays, the Government has placed marine guards on all through trains and at other important points to shoot kill or capture mail robbers. While in Henderson the other day we saw a through train of the Seaboard pull in at the station, and before the train stopped two marine guards, heavily armed, jumped off the mail car and watched the mail trucks as they were being loaded and unloaded.

We are here to tell all robbers that the United States Mail Marines look like "sudden death."

NEW SEABOARD AIR LINE SCHEDULE WENT INTO EFFECT LAST SUNDAY

New Train North and South Inaugurated On the Mail Line—Slight Change On Oxford-Henderson Branch.

A new schedule of the main line of the Seaboard Air Line was inaugurated last Sunday, including the operation of an entirely new train.

The new train passes Henderson going north shortly after midnight, and sooner than No. 2, northbound at 1 a. m. has been getting to Henderson, Nos. 1 and 2 are made fast through trains and will no longer make stops at Henderson, these being the only trains on the line of any all-year-around service that will not make a stop at Henderson. They do not accommodate passengers at all between Richmond and Columbia. The new service shortens the time between New York City and Florida points by an hour and a half.

There are also slight changes of the day trains on the main line. The changes on the Oxford-Henderson branch is very slight.

There is no change in the schedule of the Durham train which leaves here at 7.50 a. m.

The train which left here for Henderson at 12.15 p. m. now leaves 14 minutes earlier, at 12.01.

The train that left here at 3.20 p. m. for Durham now leaves 20 minutes earlier, at 3.00.

There is no change in the evening train for Henderson, which leaves here at 5.15.

The night train from Henderson and Durham arrives here on the same old schedule at 8.25.

The train from Henderson which arrived at 4.00 p. m. now arrives 20 minutes earlier, at 3.40.

The train that arrived from Durham at 1.00 p. m. now arrives at 12.40.

There is no change in the morning train from Henderson, which arrives at 7.45.

See change of schedule elsewhere in this paper.

RESIDENCE OF MR. E. L. MIZE AT STEM BURNED

The Family Had Barely Time To Escape.

At 3 o'clock last Sunday morning Mr. E. L. Mize, who lives near the corporate limits of Stem, was awakened by the smoke to find that his residence was being consumed by a roaring blaze. With presence of mind he aroused his family and led them to safety. They did not have time to gather up their clothing and they stood around the burning building thinly clad until kind neighbors came to their rescue. The building and furnishings was a total loss. The fire is of unknown origin, but it is supposed to have been caused by a defective flue.

Mr. Mize is a hard-working man and much sympathy goes out to him and his family.

SENATOR LODGE LAYS DRAFT OF TREATY BEFORE MEET

Four Nations Bind Themselves To Respect Rights Of The Others in the Pacific.

The Anglo-Japanese alliance, long regarded with apprehension by the American people, passed into history when spokesmen of both nations at the Arms Conference in Washington last Saturday accepted in its stead a new four-power agreement for preservation of peace in the Pacific, to which the United States and France became parties.—Associated Press.

MR. H. H. HICKS KILLS FOUR FINE SHOATS

A Good Guess As To Their Aggregate Weight.

Mr. H. H. Hicks, one of the best farmers in Granville, whose home place on Oxford Route 3, is always as neat as a pin and inviting to the eye as you pass that way, killed four 11-months old shoats last Friday morning. Strange to relate that three of the pigs weighed 340 each after being dressed, and from each of the three was taken 100 pounds of lard.

The fourth pig of the same litter weighed exactly 300 pounds. Mr. Hicks stated that all four of the shoats were fed the same rations all the time, and he was at loss to know why the fourth pig should be exactly 40 pounds lighter than the other shoats.

Before dressing the shoats Mr. Hicks guessed within ten pounds of the aggregate weight of the four porkers. If the smaller shoat had weighed ten pounds more he would have hit it on the dot.

WILTON SCHOOL ENTERTAINS INMATES AT COUNTY HOME

We learn from Mr. Sam Daniel, the able and courteous superintendent of the County Home for Infirm, that the principal, teachers and pupils of Wilton school, to the number of 30 or more, drove up to the Home on Thanksgiving Day with a load of good things to eat, which was greatly enjoyed by the inmates, as was also the entertainment that followed the bountiful spread.

Faith Restored.

Those who held their liberty bonds must be "mighty glad," since they have reached about par, and some even above. It certainly restores faith in the solvency of the old U. S. A.

THE IRISH FREE STATE WILL SOON HAVE A PARLIAMENT AND GOV. GENERAL

Terms On Which Peace Is Based After 750 Years Of Disagreement.

The terms upon which peace is expected at last to be established between Ireland and England after 750 years of continual disagreement and intermittent warfare are, in brief:

The Irish Free State shall have his own Parliament, a Prime Minister responsible to that body and a Governor General appointed by the British Crown.

The members of that Parliament shall take an oath of allegiance to the Constitution of the Irish Free State and swear to "be faithful to his Majesty King George V and his heirs and successors by law."

The people of Ulster shall choose within one month whether to take part in the Parliament of the Irish Free State. If they elect not to participate, the prerogatives and powers now held by the Orange Government and Parliament shall be retained by them and protected by the British Crown. If Ulster decides not to join, a rectification of frontiers is to be undertaken.

The Irish Free State assumes a share of the British national debt and war expenditure, the amount to be determined by negotiation on the basis of relative population.

The Parliament of the Irish Free State shall have complete control of Irish tariffs, financial affairs and ports.

British military forces shall be withdrawn from Ireland.

TO WIND UP MARKETING PLAN IN VANCE COUNTY

After January 1 No More Of Crop Will Be Signed.

(Henderson Dispatch)

Plans for the final wind-up of the cooperative marketing sign-up campaign in Vance county were laid at a mass meeting of farmers held at the court house here last Saturday. Committees were appointed for each township in the county to call upon growers living in their sections, who have not as yet joined in the cooperative plan.

Alfred Plummer, H. B. Hicks and C. E. Fuller were appointed to frame a resolution to be laid before all business men's organizations in Henderson to ascertain their attitude as to the cooperative method of selling tobacco, and this is to be done at once.

Pounds pledged by townships are announced as follows, this being as of December 1:

Dabney, 750,000; Williamsboro, 900,000; Townsville, 850,000; Nutbush, 125,000; Middleburg, 575,000; Sandy Creek, 600,000; Watkins, 750,000; Henderson, 500,000; Kirtrell, 800,000, making a total of 5,850,000 pounds.

MESDAMES WOODALL AND BERNHARDT CHARM WEST OXFORD

The people of West Oxford enjoyed a rare treat in the voice and expression recital given at the school building last Thursday night.

Mrs. Anne Woodall, of Oxford College, gave a number of readings both dramatic and humorous. Mrs. W. W. Barnhardt, contralto, sang half a dozen selections. Our people were unanimous in their request for these two talented ladies to return at some time when more favorable weather will allow more of them to enjoy another such an entertainment.

TWO ENTERTAINMENTS AT OXFORD COLLEGE THIS WEEK

Thursday and Friday Evening—Public Invited.

On Thursday evening of this week the pupils in voice and expression will give a recital. The first part of the program will consist of reading, songs and selections by the chorus and glee club. The second part will be a little play: "The Point in Knuckling Down."

Miss Fannie Brueser will present a number of her pupils Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the auditorium. Voice pupils of Mrs. Woodall will assist.

REV. STEWARD R. OGLESBY UNDERGOES OPERATION

Rev. S. R. Oglesby, pastor of the Oxford Presbyterian Church, was operated on at Brantwood Hospital Monday morning for appendicitis. He is getting along nicely and will soon be home again. His many friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

FAIR GROUNDS BOUGHT BY MR. SAM DANIEL

At the public sale of the Granville county fair grounds yesterday, the property was purchased by Mr. Sam Daniel for \$3,825.

Representative Parham Here.

Representative B. W. Parham spent Sunday at home. He stated that the extra session will come to a close next Saturday.

CHRISTMAS TREE COMMITTEE—

See us before buying your FRUITS, CANDIES, RAISINS, NUTS ETC. TAYLOR BROS.