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## COL. RODMAN ELECTED LEGION COMMANDER

The Oxford Boys in Attendance Were United On Col. Bunker, Or Wilmington.

The American Legion meeting in Rocky Mount last week was a hot number. Capt. Wiley C. Rodman, of Washington, N. C. was elected department commander on the sixth ballot. The other candidates were Colonel George S. Bunker of Wilmington, Tom Daniels of New Bern, and Dr. Charles O. Laughinghouse of Greenville.

Rodman was supported by James A. Lockhart, retiring commander, and his following. The following delegation of patriots from the Oxford post were present and they voted first, last and all time for Col. Bunker of Wilmington: A. B. Clements, Luther Davis, Lindsay Taylor, John Hall, Kennon Taylor, J. E. Matthews.

Other officers elected are as follows: Vice commanders, John Oglesby of Concord; Charles Sloan, of Queen; and Henry C. Bourne of Tarboro.

R. E. Denny, state adjutant and finance officer, was re-elected. Chaplain G. T. Bond, of Greensboro, historian Robert B. House, of Raleigh and Judge Advocate George K. Greenman of Goldsboro.

The next meeting will be held in Asheville.

Col. Rodman stands pledged to work for the bonus, the enforcement of law and a larger and more powerful membership of the American Legion in the State and Nation.

## STATE SHOWS BIG GAIN IN AUTOMOBILES

Increase Of Million and Half Dollars In Revenue From Taxes On Gasoline and From Registration Fees.

On the first of July of this year the records show that in North Carolina there were 209,400 motor cars and trucks registered in North Carolina, while on the first of July, 1922 the registration was 162,942, an increase in the year of 46,458 motor vehicles is the remarkable report which is found in the statistics on the registration of motor vehicles in the United States just made public by the Bureau of Public Roads of the United States Department of Agriculture. This big increase in the number of registered motor vehicles in North Carolina is accompanied by a big increase in the registration revenue reported, this having jumped over a million five hundred thousand dollars in the year, while the gasoline tax in North Carolina has increased in the twelve month period a half million dollars.

The revenue from motor vehicles and from gasoline go for road work under the supervision of the State Highway Commission.

## MONUMENT TO STARS AND BARS

To Be Unveiled At Louisburg Tomorrow Morning At 11 O'Clock.

The Daughters of the Confederacy of North Carolina have announced the programme for the unveiling ceremonies of the Memorial to the Stars and Bars to be held in Louisburg at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Governor Morrison will place the memorial in care of Davis Chapter; address of welcome, Mrs. J. E. Malore; response to address of welcome, Mrs. Julian S. Carr; address by Hon. A. W. McLean.

All United Daughters of the Confederacy, all Veterans of the Civil War and invited guests will be served dinner by the Joseph J. Davis Chapter of the U. D. C.

Mrs. W. H. White, Mrs. A. S. Hall, Mrs. Will Landis, Mrs. A. A. Hicks will attend.

## BUY COAL NOW

C. D. Ray & Son have been busy all during the summer looking out for the coal needs of the people of Oxford and the surrounding territory. They have taken pains to stock the best, cleanest and most efficient coal that could be bought. See announcement elsewhere in this paper.

## REAL ESTATE DEAL

Mr. Leo Byrum Buys Factory Site On National Highway.

Mr. Leo Byrum, the contractor, has purchased a factory site in West Oxford fronting 316 feet on the National Highway and extending along the branch a distance of 250 feet.

LOST—One Scotch Collie Dog, color brown and white; medium size; answers to the name "Ted." Finder please return to J. B. MAYES, JR., Hancock Street and receive reward. 9-18-1tc

TOBACCO FARM FOR SALE—HIGH grade tobacco farm for sale; about 100 acres; loamy soil, easily cultivated; clear of wilt. See Dr. E. T. WHITE. 9f-14-2t paid

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

## THE COLD WAVE

The Weather Bureau attributed the cold wave last week to the earthquake and tidal wave which occurred in Japan on September 1 and set in motion the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. The mercury registered 57 here at six o'clock Saturday morning.

## MR. C. L. LEWIS DEAD

Founder Of the Bank Of Stovall.

Mr. Charles L. Lewis, founder of the bank of Stovall died at his home in Stovall last Saturday afternoon, aged 60 years. He had been in declining health for three years.

Mr. Lewis founded the Bank of Stovall in 1907 and had been cashier until two years ago when he resigned on account of bad health. He is survived by his widow, who was Miss Ella Gregory, daughter of the late Archie Gregory and by two children, Mrs. Pittman of Atlanta and A. G. Lewis of Richmond.

The funeral was conducted from the home on Sunday afternoon, by Rev. A. M. Earle, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of which Mr. Lewis was an elder. Mr. Lewis was one of the best known residents of Granville county and a prosperous citizen.

The pallbearers were: Active—C. L. Emory, C. F. Hester, R. H. Butler, J. W. Dean, L. S. Puckett, J. P. Davis, H. Carr, G. A. Wilson. Honorary—D. A. Burwell, B. W. Butler, H. M. Gillis, R. C. Puckett, Dr. Taylor, H. Gregory, W. C. Allen, R. H. O'Brien, W. C. Donnell, W. L. Taylor, F. H. Gregory, F. W. Weldon, W. G. O'Brien, J. G. Harris, W. T. Yancey, Dr. E. T. White, A. A. Hicks, G. Wilson, J. A. Taylor, Boyd Taylor.

## MEETING YOUR OBLIGATIONS LIKE A MAN

Almost Every House Owner and Merchant Was Once Poor Himself.

(From the Writings of the Late John Wanamaker)

You cannot pay a dollar of debts with a sad face. A pound of melancholy and a ton of promises will not alter conditions in any matters of fact between the landlord and his tenant. But as almost every house owner or merchant was once poor himself, his sympathies will go out.

Do not slink away or avoid whoever you owe, but, like a man, see him yourself and tell him what you can do and ten times out of twelve he will believe and encourage you.

## JUDGE HORTON RULES TENANTS NOT BOUND

Greenville, Sept. 16.—The Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association lost three cases in the Superior court when Judge J. Lloyd Horton, signed a judgment dissolving the temporary restraining orders against Ed. Bowen, D. F. Dixon and Andrew Turner. This means that tenants can sell their tobacco on the auction market without penalties against the landlords.

The court held that the association had no control over tenant crops when the tenant did not belong to the organization, and when the landlord pooled his crop with the association no right existed to collect five cents a pound liquidated damages from tenants.

## "OUT OF THE SHADOWS"

Free Picture at the Orpheum Tomorrow Afternoon.

Dr. R. O. Porter, of the United States Department of Agriculture, who is making bovine tubercular tests in Granville, invites all who drink milk and eat meat to come to the Orpheum Theatre tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock and see the free picture entitled "Out of the Shadows." This is a very interesting picture and shows how tests are made. No charge for admission.

## SAFETY FIRST

Every Parent Can Do Three Things Towards the Protection of the Child's Life.

(Health Bulletin)

First—Have the child immunized against diphtheria by having administered three doses of toxin-antitoxin.

Second—Take no chances on typhoid fever. Inoculation with anti-typhoid vaccine is safe and sure.

Third—Protect against smallpox by vaccination.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

The Orpheum Theatre wishes to announce that "Singed Wings," advertised for Wednesday and Thursday of this week, should be Wednesday and Thursday of next week, September 26-27. Jack Holt in "Nobody's Money" will be the feature Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

## CO-OPS WILL OPEN HERE TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 17.—The Tobacco Growers Co-operative Association will open its 50 markets in the bright belt of North Carolina and Virginia on Tuesday, October 9, according to the announcement of T. C. Watkins, director of warehouses for the Association.

(Signed) FRISSELL

## AS ONE WOMAN SEES IT

A Few Do the Thinking, But Many Must Indorse the Thought To Make It Worth While.

The usefulness of the Parent-Teacher's Association is being discussed by noted educators in Philadelphia. The Press of that city quotes Mrs. Sarah D. Lowrie in part as follows:

"Sooner or later I suppose each of us learns by first-hand experience that the things that get done in this world are planned by a few persons at some kind of an informal confab, generally with no speeches and, indeed, generally with very few words.

"That is where political bosses come in, where Ambassadors come in, and that is the way Presidents are nominated and one suspects—the way the disputes between labor and capital are first made and then tentatively settled. Big meetings are useful chiefly, I suppose, to confirm the decisions of a few.

"You may have the model school-house and even an inspiring teacher and yet not have a progressive school, because the parents do not co-operate with the teachers. A rural population that belittles education or that thwarts it can nullify the school's influence and stultify the best of teachers.

"What the parent-teacher associations are primarily for is to act as confirmation boards of the Board of Education's plans and expenditures.

"It is for them to help the Board of Education in fitting the children for life. The parents must co-operate by upholding the value of the education, by keeping the children steadily at the work of getting an education, by taking the teacher's point of view with justice as the only criterion and all sentimentality and partisanship left out."

## THE BOY'S BEST FRIEND

The Teacher Who Sees Only His Good Points.

What makes a bad boy bad? There is no such animal, according to Miss Jeanne B. Elwell. After teaching in the public schools of Xenia, Ohio for nearly fifty years, she says:

"I've had to deal with misunderstood boys and misplaced boys, but I can't recall one that might properly be called bad."

She thinks that the greatest mistake our schools make is in teaching that school is only a preparation for later life.

"Why, school is life," she told Mr. Kelly, "every day more abundant life; meeting, competing with one's fellows, responding to the impulse for initiative, the joy of work well done. Whenever a school is conducted only for the good the learning will be in after years, it is a failure. The days that make the child happy are the ones that make him wise."

## OFF TO SCHOOL

More Than Eight Hundred Children of School Age in Granville.

Most of the schools of the county have already opened, and by the first of October 8,500 Granville boys and girls will take up their studies.

We would remind our young friends that birds and bees do not have to study in little books and neither do the ants go to school to be lectured daily about shoes and ships and sealing wax and cabbages and kings. But then ants and bees and such like creatures are content to be as they are and to live a very simple sort of life.

The education that you get in school is intended to help you hold your own in the complicated order of modern society. The study of histories will have to be revised. Geography is likely to be shifting sand for some years to come. Many children will think of these things with only half their minds and give the other half to dreaming of next summer. But knowledge is one of the requirements of citizenship and it is really worth having. You cannot be even safe without it nowadays.

## MR. LEX LANIER HERE

Mr. Lex Lanier, prominent attorney of Washington, D. C. is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Chewning and brother, Mr. T. Lanier. Many friends are always pleased to welcome this very pleasant gentleman back to the old home town.

## DEMPSEY KNOCKS OUT LUIS ANGEL FIRPO

Jack Battered Through Ropes In Sensational Battle Of Eleven Knockdowns.

The Dempsey-Firpo bout at the Polo Grounds in New York last Friday night was the greatest fistic battle on record, according to newspaper reports.

Jack Dempsey still is possessor of the diadem, but it was only after a grueling fracas—short though it was—that the American was able to dispose of the invading enemy, Luis Angel Firpo, from far-off Argentine.

Length of fight—3 minutes 57 seconds.

Attendance—85,000.

Receipts—\$1,200,000.

Knockdowns—Eleven.

Dempsey down—Twice, both in first round.

Dempsey knocked through ropes for count of four. Crawled back groggy and was lucky to last out the round.

Firpo down—Seven times in first, twice in second, last for full count.

Knockout punches—Left and right to Jaw 57 seconds after start of second round.

Dempsey receives approximately \$450,000.

Firpo receives approximately \$150,000.

Tex Rickard gets about \$600,000, less expenses.

## FRANCISCO VILLA LEFT BIG ESTATE

Was One of the Greatest Landholders of the Republic.

Mexico City, Sept. 12.—Had not the bullets of unknown assassins cut short the life of Francisco Villa at Parral on July 30, the former bandit leader bade fair to become one of the greatest landholders of the republic. In addition to the huge ranch at Canutillo, Durango, which the government ceded to Villa and his followers, another rich property the Puebloito hacienda, south of Ojinega on the banks of the river Conchos in Chihuahua, had been added to his holdings by the government.

Villa was also on the point of being given control of the San Isidro ranch, situated in the Jimenez district of Chihuahua, and the Carrtena property, in northern Durango.

## OUR TOBACCO MARKET

Read the Announcement Of the Oxford Tobacco Board Of Trade In This Paper.

With the effort that is being put forward for the Oxford Tobacco market this year there is no reason that we can see why Oxford should not receive at least fifteen million pounds this season. Read the announcement elsewhere in this paper of the Oxford Tobacco Board of Trade and the warehouses. Oxford is the best market and is certainly a logical point and trading center.

## SCUPPERNONG GRAPES

Good Crop Of This Delicious Viant In Granville This Year.

Scuppernong grapes are getting ripe and the Public Ledger, as usual every year, will send liberal samples of this most delicious Southern product to a number of friends in Philadelphia. If the grape is picked with care and placed in a wooden box they reach Philadelphia in fine condition. And, oh, my, how the Northern people do enjoy them!

## CANADIAN TOBACCO CROP KILLED BY FROST

Several Granville County Men Are In the Tobacco Area Of Canada.

A message was received here last week to the effect that the Canadian tobacco crop had been killed by frost. It had been previously stated that the crop was unusually late, and fears were expressed that it would be ruined.

There are 25 or 30 Granville county men engaged in handling Canadian tobacco this season. Mr. Cary Parham left here early last spring and planted a large crop of tobacco in Canada. Fears are expressed that he has sustained a heavy loss.

## THE STATE FAIR

To Be Held October 15-19 Inclusive.

Raleigh, 17.—Believing in the old adage that a stitch in time saves nine, Mrs. Edith Vanderbilt, president of the State Fair, which will be held October 15-19 inclusive, announces that all entries for the livestock and poultry divisions must be made by October 1 while entries for other divisions must be in by October 6. All entries should be made to General Manager E. V. Walborn, whose postoffice address is State College Station, Raleigh.

## TUBERCULIN COW TO BE SLAUGHTERED HERE

The Public Is Invited To Witness the Test In Oxford Next Saturday Afternoon At 3 O'Clock.

Dr. R. O. Porter, who is making tuberculosis tests in Granville, announces that one of the animals being tested reacted to the test, indicating tuberculosis.

This animal will be slaughtered in Oxford next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The public is invited to be present and see for themselves the ravages of the disease.

This animal is healthy in all outward appearances, and would not have been detected if the test had not been made.

## CAUGHT WITH THE GOODS ON HIM

Constable E. N. Bragg Captures Two Gallons Of Liquor.

Driving along the public highways near Culbreth early last Monday morning, Constable E. N. Bragg saw a white man emerge from the woods with a sack on his shoulder. The officer engaged the man in conversation and learned from him that he had two gallons of corn liquor in the sack, where it was made and who helped him to make it.

The man, whose name is withheld pending arrest, led Officer Bragg to the still, which the officer demolished and brought the liquor to the sheriff. "The party who had the liquor in his possession is a well known white man, and Officer Bragg can lay his hand on him any time when he wants him to testify against those who are implicated."

## ECHOES OF THE QUAKE

Sixty-six thousand bodies were cremated in Tokio up to September 14, according to the foreign office.

—Since September 10, says the foreign office, 600,000 persons had left the capital by train, but no estimate of the number who departed by foot, by boat or other means.

—In Yokohama up to the 15th, says the foreign office, there were 68,000 houses destroyed out of a total of 93,000.

—It was announced from Washington yesterday that the Red Cross fund for Japanese relief will reach a total of more than \$10,000,000.

## NEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT GENEVA

The New Edifice Will Be Brick Veneer Or Stucco.

The Public Ledger learns that the enterprising members of Geneva Presbyterian Church, Oak Hill township, have perfected plans to build a new church on the present site of the wooden structure. The new building is to be brick veneer or stucco, it is said, and will contain six modern Sunday school rooms and an auditorium capable of seating four or five hundred people.

The congregation at Geneva church is one of the best in the county, and the new building will have a decided tendency to strengthen the Sunday School and the activities of the church.

## LETTER FROM D. N. HUNT

Dear Friends, Relatives and Readers of The Public Ledger:

It is expected of me to give some account of the Court House service of last Sunday. Well, we had a great service and the people were greatly pleased and so expressed themselves. We had song and prayer service before the sermon. Rev. J. D. Harte, Rev. L. L. Hudson, Rev. Mr. Teague and Brother R. T. Blackwell all afforded fervent and beautiful prayers. Brother Hudson was at his best and his splendid sermon pleased and helped a large audience. The large audience was composed mainly of the good people from the country. They were there from Salem, Herman, Tabb's Creek, Corinth, Shady Grove, Providence, Enon, Hester, Mountain Creek, West Oxford, and other churches.

It was noticeable and remarked on that the Oxford people were not there only a few. Every person present received a welcome. The singing, and the whole service was fine. The special selections sung by Choir leader brother Newton, and Capt. Henry Hart and his splendid quartette from Mountain Creek were greatly enjoyed by all of the people. From Mountain Creek we had their able Pastor Bro. Teague, the quartette and the Deacons of the Church. These and all others received a welcome.

It is a good thing to be a Christian, and it is a great thing to meet sometimes and worship together in a Union meeting.

With best wishes to all.

D. N. HUNT.

## CO-OPS WILL MEET TWO TIMES A MONTH

The Extra Meeting Will Be Held On the First Saturday During the Marketing Season.

The monthly meeting of the Granville County Tobacco Growers Association was well attended in the court house last Saturday. Among other things it was decided to hold an extra meeting on the first Saturday of every month during the tobacco season, instead of only one meeting each month. This meeting will be held promptly at 2 o'clock. Each meeting hereafter will be opened with prayer.

It was the sense of the meeting that it was the duty of each loyal member to report any member that sold any tobacco on the open market. J. W. Hester, local attorney for the association, urged that the people stand together and that they report all violations to him and that he would assure them immediate relief.

## LYON G. TYLER WEDS

Born in the White House 72 Years Ago.

Of more than passing interest was the marriage last Thursday of Miss Sue Ruffin, daughter of John Ruffin of Charles City County, Virginia, to Lyon G. Tyler, a son of the late President John Tyler of Williamsburg. A large number of social leaders assembled to witness the ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. William Bayshaw. The groom's son, John Tyler, was his best man, the groomsmen being Gardiner and Alfred Tyler.

The groom was the son of the tenth President of the United States and was born in the White House 72 years ago. Both father and son were president of William and Mary College.

## MRS. LUCY MINOR DEAD

Sister Of Sheriff E. D. Hunt Of Granville.

Mrs. Lucy Hunt Minor died Sunday morning at 9 o'clock at her home in Durham after an illness of five weeks. Her death was not unexpected. She was a daughter of the late W. T. Hunt, and a sister of Sheriff E. D. Hunt of Granville county, but had resided in Durham for 20 years. She was well known throughout her community and was a devout christian woman.

She is survived by several sons and one daughter. Her husband preceded her to the grave several years ago.

The remains were brought to Granville County and were interred in the family plot near Tar River Monday, the ceremony being conducted by Rev. L. H. Joyner, of Stem.

## DEVOE'S FORECAST ON SEPT. WEATHER

On the 18th, heavy rains over the northern states; 19th to 20th, clear and cool; 21st, a storm will form over the Gulf states and travel eastward; 22nd to 23rd, heavy rains over the South Atlantic states. On the 24th the storm will move up the Ohio Valley; 25th to 26th, showers; 27th to 28th, pleasant. The 29th and 30th will be hot and sultry.

## NEW COAL COMPANY

The Oxford Coal Company, a new concern that has started in Oxford this fall is now ready for business. They have a large quantity of coal on hand that is free from trash and slate. Money can be saved by buying at their cash prices. Read their announcement on the last page of this paper.

## COURT HOUSE SERMON

Large Crowd Hear Rev. L. L. Hudson.

The meeting in the court house last Sunday afternoon was well attended. Rev. L. L. Hudson used for his subject "Amas, the Man of the Hour." The song service was also greatly enjoyed.

## GATEWOOD MAN KILLS HIS OWN SMALL SON

Coley Gibson Runs Over Child With Automobile While Emerging From His Garage.

Danville, Sept. 16.—Coley Gibson, of Gatewood N. C., yesterday evening ran over and killed his own five-year-old son while in the act of emerging from the garage close to his home. Gibson intended coming to Danville and was backing his car out, not knowing that the little boy was in the path of the car. He heard a cry and stopped, jumped from the machine to find that one of the rear wheels had passed over his son's body. The little boy died within 20 minutes, having been internally injured. Danville doctors were called but it was seen that the child could not survive. Gibson is reported prostrated by the fatality.