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Shooting Frolick.

Last Sunday evening Sheriff Thompson received a telephone message that there had been a shooting frolic at a negro church near Ceffo. He, with deputies and others proceeded to the scene of action, but ere they arrived the smoke of battle had all cleared and no one seemed to know anything about it. However, it was learned that two negroes had been shot, but not seriously. It appears that a certain negro had imbibed too freely of mean liquor and was out for fun. He called on two of the negroes present to dance and when they refused he proceeded to fire into their feet.

Tobacco Sales.

There are daily sales at all of the warehouses, though the offerings are light and the quality poor, with prices low of course, for this class of tobacco never sells high. While it is our opinion that prices are not going to be high, for conditions are all against high prices, still, we believe that prices will be just as good, and all things considered it will be decidedly to the interest of our farmers to sell on the home market. We do not look for heavy sales for some time yet, as many farmers have not finished cutting and curing, and very few have any stripped and ready for market.

Locates Here.

Dr. B. A. Thaxton, who has been practicing medicine in Marshville, N. C., for the past six months, has decided to locate in Roxboro. Dr. Thaxton was graduated from Wake Forest College, also Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, and has taken post graduate work in the Kansas City General Hospital, giving special attention to surgery. His many friends will be glad to hear of his decision to locate here.

Tuesday October

5th at Roxboro.

Dr. N. Rosenstein, the Optometrist of Durham, will be in Roxboro Tuesday, October 5th, stopping at the Hotel Jones, for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses. If you need the service of a Specialist, be sure and see Dr. Rosenstein.

All In Readiness.

Everything is in fine shape for the fair, and when you come you will be surprised at what the President, Mr. Joe H. Carver, and the Secretary, Mr. C. C. Cunningham, have accomplished. Ample buildings, fine race track and splendid stalls for all of the cattle which will be entered. It will be worth your while to spend these days in Roxboro attending the FAIR, for it will be educational, instructive and pleasant. Come, and bring all of the family.

Teachers Association.

The first session of the Teachers Association was held here last Saturday. There was a large crowd in attendance and the enthusiasm was great. Superintendent Beam says he is sanguinely expecting the best years work ever done by the teachers this year. As a rule the teachers are enthused over the Moonlight Schools and it is hoped there will be a school of this kind in every district in the County during the month of November.

New Department Store.

A new Department store to be run under the name of "Raiff" will open in the remodeled store room of Mr. A. R. Foushee on Main Street.

These gentlemen are owners of stores in different parts of the State and are putting in an up-to-date line of goods. They will open for business Friday morning.

House Burned.

On last Saturday morning the dwelling belonging to Mr. P. C. Boardman, near Helena, was destroyed by fire. The building was being repaired but it is not known how the fire originated. The fire was so hot that it was almost impossible to save any of the furniture, which was stored in the house at the time. The house and furniture was partly covered by insurance.

Important Notice.

From this time and on, no one from outside the corporate limits of the town of Roxboro can be admitted to the eighth grade (first year of the high school), as the classes in that room are already full.—A. B. Stalvey, Supt.

GREAT OFFENSIVE OF THE ALLIES AGAINST TEUTONS CONTINUES

Berlin Maintains That by Means of Counter Attacks the Allies' Drives Have Been Checked, Does Not Claim to Regain Ground.

London, Sept. 27.—The great offensive of the French and British forces against both sides of the elbow joint of the German positions on the western front has not slackened, but General Joffre's afternoon bulletin reported no new outstanding success.

The British official statement told briefly of heavy losses inflicted on the Germans northwest of Hulluch, where heavy German counter attacks were carried out during the day.

Berlin maintains that by means of counter attacks, the allies' drives have been checked with heavy loss, but as the Germans make no claim of having recovered the ground taken from them the indications are that the allied gains on Saturday and Sunday have been generally maintained, and at some points, improved, and that the fighting has reached the stage of vicious attacks and counter attacks which may persist for weeks.

It is estimated that the prisoners captured by the allies during the Rush will reach a total of more than 23,000, but this is offset to some extent by the German claims that nearly 7,000 French and British fell into their hands.

Further news of the great battle is awaited in England with an eagerness not equalled since the critical days when the Germans fell back from the gates of Paris. In the meantime the public is warned to expect heavy losses and that the Germans, already 2,000,000 strong from the coast to the Swiss frontier, may throw reinforcements into the line for a struggle, the like of which even this bloody war has not yet seen.

Optimists are also reminded that the Germans are likely to put the most dependence on their second and third line defenses, relying upon machine guns and comparatively few men to hold the front line, which means that a difficult task is before the allies.

The fighting in the eastern theater has brought no important change, but England regards the position of the Russian armies as improving daily, which strengthens the hope here that Germany dare not weaken her 700 mile front in order to fill the gaps in the west.

The Bulgarian situation remains obscure, resting as it did last week, on the oft-repeated assurance of Sofia that the country intends merely to maintain an armed neutrality.

Chest of Silver To

Be Given Away.

A clever guessing contest is being held by The Newells on Alvin Silver. You will notice the picture in their ad appearing on another page in this issue. The best answer to this picture given by parties in this community will receive a handsome chest of Alvin Silver. To the best guess of the U. S. a handsome \$250.00 chest will be awarded. See the Newells and make your guess.

Bad Eyes Bring Bad Health.

Eyestrain in many cases is the main cause of headaches, nervousness, inability, neurasthenia, brain fag, sleeplessness, despondency and many other diseases.

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1915 Wheat Crop.

This year's crop of wheat is something to be proud of. The 1915 crop of wheat in this County was 48,000 bushels, this year 65,253 bus. an increase of 17,200 bushels in round numbers. These figures were obtained from the threshermen of this County by us. In this County were operated twenty-eight threshing outfits. The quantities threshed by these varies from 150 to 4,990 bushels. These figures are astonishing to some of us. This County having always been considered good for tobacco only. Very naturally after reading the above statements, you will wonder how this came about, some will say that on account of the uncertainty of the price etc. of the tobacco market, some will say the season not having been favorable to tobacco crop, others will say and rightly say that the wheat land are being better prepared. Wheat seeded at the proper time and seed carefully selected. The writer as a late comes into your section wishes to state after careful study and observation that he firmly believes that cultivation and proper seed bed making has done most to bring about this change.

We do not advocate curtailing your crop of tobacco, corn, oats or hay. You should grow wheat a plenty and some to spare on lands that are not needed to grow your good tobacco. When you sow wheat or oats you leave your lands lying in shape that they will insure whether or not you sow to grass. By all means in this section you should sow herds grass with your wheat. Herds grass on good land will yield good and profitable hay crop, for tobacco and corn there is nothing better as a follow.

We are glad to see so much interest taken at this time by the farmer in wheat culture. However, we sincerely hope this fall our farmer friends will not overlook the importance of preparing their wheat land thoroughly. What wheat you sow be careful to prepare every post of your land thoroughly remembering not to work to the end of sowing so many bushels or so many acres but first and last what you do sow put it in right, every time you plow or drag your land you are well paid for the work. Wheat does not require deep seed bed but the oftener you stir the shallow seed bed before seeding the wheat the more wheat you will receive in return for your labor. Wheat land should be plowed once during the year deep. This deep plowing furnish proper drainage beneath the seed bed to prevent wheat from drowning by heavy winter rains.

There is a great complaint some season, among us about wheat not coming up. There may be three good reasons for this namely, sown poor seed not sowing enough and after sowing leaving the land too loose. Wheat berries are very small and if left in loose land where the dry hot air can circulate around it absorb all moisture the small sprouts and roots will perish for want of moisture. The land should be pressed firmly about this small seed that the moisture may be kept in the land also that the small roots may be near moist and well prepared soil.

For Sale!

8 horse power, twin Harley-Davidson Motorcycle, price \$1.25. One Indian, 7-horse power, price \$100.00.—D. W. Ledbetter.

DR. B. A. THAXTON Practicing Physician

Offers his professional service to the people of Roxboro and Person County.

Farmers Union Meeting

Members of the Farmers Union are requested to meet in the Person Union Warehouse on Saturday Oct. 2, at 10 o'clock.—C. B. Brooks, President.

Miss Ella Thompson of Leasburg passed through here last Saturday on her way to Raleigh.

Miss Ruth Ledbetter of Statesville returned to her home last Saturday after a visit to her brother, Mr. D. W. Ledbetter.

Mr. W. K. Medernach, buyer for the Leggett & Meyers Tobacco Co, returned last week and is now on the market.

Mess. Robert Hambrick and Elmer Clayton, students at Trinity College, spent last Sunday here with home folks.

Mr. E. G. Long, the very popular and efficient cashier of the Peoples Bank, is in the hospital at Durham for treatment.

Several good farms have been placed in my hands to sell at prices from one fourth to one half of prices one year ago. \$12.50 per acre up. Write T. L. O'Brian, Sanford, N. C.

The premium list for the Person County Fair will be out in a few days and will be ready for distribution. You want to call for one of these booklets and see what great things they have arranged for you.

"Home Coming Day"

All members and former members of Clement Baptist Church are invited to be present the third Sunday, Oct. 17, 1915. Also all former pastors.

J. M. Williams,
F. J. Hester,
C. F. Harris,
Mrs. F. J. Hester,
Mrs. W. A. Whitfield,
Miss Annie Villines,
Committee.

M. F. HODGES, Pastor.

Quite a number of Roxboro people attended the Fair in Durham last week.

Miss Emily Jones of Milton arrived Saturday and opened her school at Jalong Monday morning.

Mrs. George Craig returned to her home in Wadesboro last Saturday after visiting her sister, Mrs. N. Lunsford.

Rev. N. C. Yearby held revival services over at the cotton mill section last week, and reports very great interest.

Mrs. Joe Swartz, Miss Nellie, Howard and Clyde Swartz have returned from an extensive visit to Virginia.

Mr. Guy Winstead, a very popular young man of the Concord section, is in the hospital in Richmond. He had an operation for appendicitis and we are glad to know is getting along nicely.

Our Millinery Opening Was A Great Success.

Seventy five percent of the hats displayed were sold in the two days and many orders taken. The ladies were never so lavish in their praises of the fine showing made. If you want a stylish, becoming and well made hat at a reasonable price you can't afford to pass our Millinery Department.

New Sport Coats

We sold every one received in our first shipment and immediately wired for more which have already arrived.

Our Sales of Dresses

was a great surprise to us. We had a big stock, but they went so quickly that we found our stock badly broken in just a few days. More are on the way and expected daily. Be sure to see them.

Silks and Woolens

Our stock of silk and woolen piece goods is complete with the wanted styles and the popular and most used trimmings.

Shoes for the Family

The way to get cheap shoes is to buy good ones. We have shoes for every member of the family from the tiny tots to a number 14. And they are good shoes bought direct from the manufacturers. It will pay you to buy shoes here and be sure you are getting the best.

We are after your business with two two long poles, the best goods and the best prices, and we are always pleased to serve you.

Harris & Burns

ROXBORO'S BEST STORE

WE have just gotten in a car of Oliver Chilled Plows, Disc and Spike Harrow's. We want you to see this line, come and let us show you. REMEMBER, we sell the Buck Eye wheat drill.

Long, Bradsher & Co.