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A MODEL SPINNING MILL

ROXBORO COTTON MILL DOUBLES ITS CAPACITY

In Company With the President and Secretary and Treasurer We Visited This Splendid Mill.

On last Thursday evening we accepted an invitation from Mr. J. A. Long, president, and Mr. R. L. Harris, secretary and treasurer, and went over the Roxboro Cotton Mill. They are just completing and installing the new machinery. In the addition, which gives about double the output of the old mill. The dimension of the building now is five hundred feet in length and seventy five feet wide, two floors.

We doubt if there is a more modern mill in all particulars than this mill, in fact it might well be called the model mill. Everything is system, from the time a bale of cotton is cut open until it comes out in the finished product it never travels over the same route, but moves continuously forward in its journey to completion. No lost motion, but everything working to its proper end. This mill has a wide reputation for its product, which is a fine grade of yarn, and if there is a market for yarns at all the Roxboro gets a goodly portion of it.

Not only the mill and machinery, but everything connected with the mill is of the model order. The Company provides houses for its hands which is creditable to any town, and at such prices as would make a real estate man go crazy. They also furnish a nine months graded school with teachers who are intensely interested not only in the education of the boys and girls, but in the general sanitary condition of everything on the hill.

Truly the lines of these operatives have fallen in good hands.

FAMILY REUNION.

On Sunday August 26th the family of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Harris all gathered at his old home place near Leasburg for a family reunion. This being the 79th birthday of Mr. Harris made it a most fitting day.

Mr. Harris was born on August 26, 1844. He served throughout the Civil War. In 1886 he was married to Miss Anna Thomas Brooks. To this union there were born seven children all of whom are living and were present on this occasion. They are as follows: G. E. Harris, Roxboro, N. C., Mrs. Lou Snipes, Richmond, Va., Mrs. N. A. Wrenn, Danville, Va., A. J. Harris, Roxboro, N. C., Dolan Harris, Durham, N. C., Mrs. Stanfield Royster, Caswell Co., Mrs. Ivey Pleasants, Leasburg, N. C. A most bountiful dinner was served from a long table out on the lawn. After dinner there was a watermelon feast which was greatly enjoyed by all.

Mr. Harris received many nice and useful presents.

The photographer was on hand and made pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Harris and the seven children, then a group was made of children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. One was also made of the four generations.

There were 51 grandchildren and 27 great grandchildren.

All left wishing Mr. Harris many more birthdays and reunions like this.

MISS WHITE SUFFERS

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.

Miss Helen White, daughter of Rev. R. E. White, came near having a very serious accident Monday. She was doing a little whitewashing in the parsonage when in some manner some of the whitewash got in one of her eyes. Fortunately a physician was near and rushed in and removed the whitewash from the eye, otherwise she would probably have suffered a very serious injury.

MR. DANIEL BRINGS

CANTALOUPE.

In the last issue of The Courier Mr. J. B. Daniel advertised he would deliver cantaloupes in Roxboro every morning, and on his round he left an amount at this office. They were delicious and we return thanks for his thoughtfulness.

TOBACCO MARKET OPENED IN THE EAST.

Four Auction Houses Sold 350,000 Pounds At An Average of 23 to 25 Cents.

Wilson, N. C., Aug. 28.—The tobacco board here tonight announced that 439,000 pounds of tobacco had been sold here today, at an average price of 21 1-2 cents.

Raleigh, Aug. 28.—Auction warehouses in the eastern Carolina bright leaf tobacco belt opened today for 1923-24 season.

Reports received here tonight from various markets indicate that the common grades of tobacco were in greatest demand, with the unofficial average price ranging from 19 to 25c per pound.

While official figures have not been compiled, the sales on the Wilson market are estimated at 450,000, the unofficial average price being slightly more than 20c per pound for the lower grades, which seemed to be in better demand.

The four auction houses at Kinston sold 350,000 pounds of the golden weed at an estimated average price of 23 to 25c. The common grades sold higher than in years, it was said, and warehousemen declare the farmers seemed well pleased with opening prices.

At Greenville, 247,747 pounds were sold at an average of 19.85. The offerings were said to have consisted of primings and very common grades.

STAG SUPPER.

Last Friday night Mr. W. G. Miller, proprietor of the Jones Hotel, gave a supper to a party of stags as follows: Drs. E. J. Tucker and J. H. Hughes, R. P. Burns, E. G. Long, H. J. Whit, Richard Bullock and J. W. Noell. After the party had done justice to the sumptuous repast they repaired to the ladies parlor where they enjoyed a game of bridge for a couple of hours.

MOTORED OVER FROM GRAHAM.

Misses Kate Mebane, and Sue Noell of Graham, and Miss Catherine Norcross of Atlanta, Mrs. Smith of Charlotte Courthouse, Va., and Mr. Bunn Mebane of Richmond, Va., motored here from Graham Monday and spent the day visiting relatives. Mr. Mebane, father of Mrs. J. L. McCrary, and Mrs. Smith remained and will spend some time visiting Mrs. McCrary.

COMMISSIONERS WILL PAY RAILROAD FARE.

The Board of County Commissioners will pay the railroad fare of any old Confederate soldier who wishes to attend the reunion in Winston-Salem from September 4th to 6th. Any who are contemplating this trip will please notify Col. John H. Burch, Commander, so that arrangements may be made for the trip.

NEXT SUNDAY AT THE METHODIST CHURCH.

Next Monday being Labor Day the occasion will be appropriately observed at the Edgar Long Memorial in the evening service. The Pastor will preach a sermon suitable to the labor question. The public is cordially invited, especially those who labor. J. B. Hurley, pastor.

MR. JAMES C. YANCEY IMPROVING.

Mr. C. A. Harris has just returned from a stay in Asheville and he brings the good news that Mr. James C. Yancey, the popular assistant cashier of the Peoples Bank, is rapidly improving. Mr. Yancey has been in Asheville for several weeks and his stay has wonderfully improved his health.

THANKS ARE DUE MR. MARION CARVER.

Last Friday our good friend Mr. Marion Carver presented us with a fine watermelon. He says prospects for tobacco are very bright, in fact it is doing up remarkably well. Mr. Carver is one of the good farmers who lives at home and whether tobacco sells high or low his family will have their own smokehouse and corn crib on the premises.

PITMAN LOSSES VS COOPERATIVE

HIS CONTRACT WILL STAND

Court Rules in Favor of the Co-operatives and Assesses Costs Against the Defendant.

Greenville, Aug. 25.—A verdict in favor of the plaintiff, G. H. Pittman, in his suit against the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative association, as to his signing the contract of the association, but in favor of the association on the fraud issue, was returned here this afternoon by a jury after two hours deliberation.

Judge Lloyd Horton immediately ruled that the verdict was contradictory, and the case must be decided solely on the fraud issue. He thereupon set aside the verdict insofar as it was in favor of Pittman, ruled in favor of the association and ordered judgment in the amount of costs of trial entered against Pittman.

Much more than the verdict of the jury in the Pittman case is at stake in today's victory of the organized tobacco farmers, as more than a hundred similar suits by farmers of eastern Carolina have been instituted, and the vindication of the methods and management of the big co-operative.

Judge Horton gave the case to the jury today on two counts, namely, as to whether the tobacco association had signed up 50 per cent of the tobacco growers of the Carolina and Virginia by January, 1922, and secondly, as to whether the contract of the plaintiff had been fraudulently obtained. The jury, in vindicating the association of the charges of fraud, gave its opinion that the association had not obtained 50 per cent of the tobacco producers in the three states by January, 1922. Judge Horton set aside this verdict, however, doing so on a point of law.

The plaintiff gave notice of an appeal to the supreme court, where the case will come up next February, although the association has already won on the point of constitutionality, which was submitted to the supreme court some months ago, and its members are confident that Judge Horton's judgment today will be sustained.

LAW ENFORCEMENT DIALOGUE.

Rev. Arthur Kale and R. L. Davis, Jr., will hold a law enforcement dialogue in the Sunday School room at the Edgar Long Memorial Church on Thursday, September 6th, at 7:30 P. M. These young men have been constantly going since July 1st and many complimentary things have been said about them. Mrs. N. Buckner, General Secretary of the Barasa-Philathea Convention, says:

"It was a pleasure to help the boys out in Asheville, and we feel that much good was accomplished. They gave us a fine dialogue. The audience was splendid. They are fine boys. Everybody was enthusiastic and complimentary over the meeting. Col. Fred Olds, of Raleigh, was present and heard the boys, and has spoken of it in the highest terms several times since."

The public is cordially invited to hear this dialogue.

COMING SEPTEMBER 14th.

The marriage of the Midgets or Tom Thumb Wedding. A novel home talent play that delights everybody. Over 60 bright, beautiful children of Roxboro from 3 to 10 years of age will give a complete imitation of a "Society Wedding". A director is coming to train the children and will furnish beautiful costumes for the wedding. You cannot afford to miss this cyclone of mirth, 100 laughs in 100 minutes.

REV. C. T. PLYBORN RESIGNS PASTORATE.

Rev. C. T. Plyborn, who has been pastor of Lakewood Baptist church, Durham, for the past eighteen months, has tendered his resignation, same to take effect November first. Mr. Plyborn has had a wonderfully successful pastorate at Lakewood and his congregation were loathe to accept his resignation.

PINCHOT CALLS FOR AN AGREEMENT

Insists That Public Interest Is Paramount, and That Production Must Not Cease.

Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 27 (United Press).—Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania today served notice on the anthracite miners and operators that their differences must be settled and the threatened coal strike averted.

Unless this is done, he told them, the state of Pennsylvania would use every means to protect the public's interest.

Samuel D. Warriner, chairman of the anthracite operators' delegation, immediately accepted Pinchot's offer. Philip Murray, first vice-president of the United Mine Workers, acting leader in the absence of John L. Lewis, also formally agreed.

Pinchot did not advance any plan for breaking the existing deadlock between the two parties. He only asked that they agree to confer with him privately—the miners this afternoon and the operators tomorrow morning.

The governor, speaking to the four representatives of the miners and four of the operators in the big gold reception room of the capitol, stressed the need of the miners.

The rights of the miners to a fair wage must be accepted, he pointed out. The rights of the operators to a fair profit cannot be violated.

"But the general public is a party to this controversy," he said. "And its rights as well as the rights of the other two parties must be represented and recognized."

HON. M. L. SHIPMAN VISITS ROXBORO.

Hon. M. L. Shipman, Labor Commissioner, visited Roxboro last Saturday, and expressed surprise at finding such a hustling, wide awake town. But he assured us it would not be his last visit.

ELDER HERNDON TO BE AT WARRENS GROVE.

Elder J. A. Herndon will preach at Warrens Grove on the first Sunday in September at 3 P. M. All are cordially invited to hear him.

PRESBYTERIAN SERVICES.

Next Sunday at the usual hours, 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. A cordial invitation is extended to all. W. O. Sample, Pastor.

Mrs. A. E. Horn of High Shoals, Ga., who was called home to nurse her mother, Mrs. J. M. Slaughter, left Wednesday for the mountains taking her mother with her. Mrs. Horn was for ten years superintendent of Athens, Ga., hospital. We feel sure Mrs. Slaughter will be well cared for.

Mr. Herbert Barnett, who has been spending the summer here with his parents, left last night for New York.

3 PERSONS KILLED AND BIG PROPERTY DAMAGE IN INDIANA.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 27.—Three persons are dead and property damage estimated at more than \$100,000 was done last night and early today by a heavy rain storm, accompanied by lightning, throughout the state.

Robert White of Madison, Indiana, and Miss Jessie Wells of Indianapolis, were killed at Madison when lightning struck a ledge of rock under which they sought refuge from the storm. George L. Novinger, of Garrett, Ind., engineer of a Baltimore and Ohio passenger train was killed when his train was derailed because of a washout near Gary, Ind. Y. Miller, fireman of the train, was thrown from the cab and escaped injury.

Telephone and telegraph wires were down and many bridges were washed out by the heavy rains near Valparaiso. Several buildings on the J. W. Doud dairy farm were blown down and damage was estimated at \$40,000.

If you want all the County news read the Courier. Person County's strongest advocate.

MECHANICAL REFRIGERATION

MOORE BROTHERS SANITARY PLANT

Modern Refrigeration Plant, the Equal of Any City Plant.

If you have never been through a modern refrigeration plant you want to go and visit the Moore Brothers Sanitary Market and see just how it is done. All meats are kept in this plant in a sanitary up to date manner and the patrons are assured that they will always get the best. In this plant everything is frozen with cold air and is not dependent on ice, which leaves the matter in a damp sweat, but is kept in a dry sanitary condition. They have two apartments, one where the atmosphere is always below freezing and the other where it is best only to keep the contents cool. Last fall they placed a dressed turkey in the refrigerator and kept it for four months and when taken out it was as nice and fresh as the day it was placed in the refrigerator. This was simply a test, and the test proved entirely satisfactory.

Of course, this plant is a very expensive proposition but the proprietors, Moore Brothers, say nothing is too good for their customers and expensive fixtures does not frighten them, for they have found out that Roxboro wants the best, and here they get it. You will find no more complete plant in any city than they have, and their continued patronage has proven to them they made no mistake when they invested their money in this plant.

MYSTERY SOLVED

Mr. Long's Visit to Hagerstown Explained. When Mr. M. R. Long stated to us last week that he had been in Hagerstown, Md., our curiosity was aroused, but he did not seem inclined to want to satisfy our curiosity. However, when we read the following dispatch in the paper Monday morning it was all explained:

Hagerstown, Md., Aug. 26.—With the assertion today of Lee Houser, a 28 year old farmer living near here, that the box he dug up last week on the Brownsville-Weaverton road contained between \$100,000 and \$110,000 in bills, besides approximately \$10,000 in gold coin, speculation grew today as to whether the money is buried by Grover C. Bergdoll, draft dodger, before his flight to Germany. Complicating the situation was the assertion of C. S. Wheeler, a farmer, that he would lay claim to the fortune. Wheeler said his 10 year old son Howard is entitled to the money since he was the first to find it. Wheeler said his son was seated on a bank beside the road when Houser's pick exposed the box containing the money. Wheeler says Houser tore the box from the boy's hands and made off with it.

NOTICE

We were unable to secure print on "Bluebeard's 8th Wife" for Sept. 6-7th, from Charlotte, Atlanta or Washington. But we have secured print direct from New York for play dates, Thursday and Friday, August 30-31st, which makes it the South's Pre-Release showing.

PRINCESS THEATRE

HON. J. W. BAILEY CALLED.

Hon. J. W. Bailey, who is prominently mentioned as a candidate for the nomination for Governor honored us with a call last Friday evening. Mr. Bailey was here on some legal matters. If he should decide to enter the race for Governor he has many strong friends in this County who will give him their hearty support.

Society

A delightful affair of Friday was the Rook party given by Miss Louise Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Thompson, at her home on South Main Street, complimenting Miss Elizabeth McAlister of Wallace, N. C., the house guest of Miss Helen Hurley. Garden flowers in their varying hues were arranged about the hall and living room. Several progressions were played following which a delightful luncheon was served.

Those present on this occasion were: Misses Laura Newton, Louise Stalvey, Annie Walker, Annie Burch, Mary Lee Crowell, Lillian and Bess Sample, Clara Harris, Helen Hurley, Elizabeth McAlister guest of honor, Marion and Isabel deVlaming, Elizabeth Noell, Helen White, Elizabeth Harvie, Sue and Eglantine Merritt, Blanch Coleman, Mary Heister and Edna Bradsher.

Wednesday evening Miss Flora Huff was hostess at her home on Reams avenue, when she entertained at a rook party for her house guest, Miss Allie Centry, of Fayetteville. Ferns and summer flowers were used in decoration, and four tables were arranged for the game. After playing for several progressions the hostess served block cream and cake. The guests were Mesdames R. H. Oakley, John Moore, Roy Cates, Misses Virginia and Helen Wilkerson, Eva Newton, Mary and Mattie Hatchett, Bertha Paylor, Judith Moore, Willie Chambers and Kenneth and Cleith Oakley, Edwin Featherstone, Victor Satterfield, Lawrence and Clyde Hall, and Eldridge Day.

HAWKINS-BASS.

On last Friday, August 24th, in a ceremony of quiet simplicity and charm, Miss Francis Bass and Mr. Guy Hopkins Hawkins were married at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bass, in South Boston, Va., with only close friends and relatives of the two young people. Rev. J. W. Wildman, pastor of the bride, officiated using the ring ceremony.

Just preceding the ceremony Mrs. J. F. Stephens sang "At Dawning." Then followed Mendelssohn's Wedding March. Mrs. Stephens' softly played "To A Wild Rose," by McDowell during the ceremony. The bride came down the stairs on the arm of her only attendant, Mrs. W. C. Pulliam, her matron of honor, and was met by the groom and his best man, Mr. C. H. Vernon of Blanch, N. C., who came in from the living room.

The Bass home was beautifully decorated with ferns, golden rod and potted plants. The color scheme of green and orange being carried out.

Miss Bass, better known to her many friends as "Fay" is loved lovely in her going away suit of blue Poirret twill with grey accessories. She is a young woman of winsome personality and has many friends throughout Virginia and North Carolina. She will be missed, especially at church where she has been organist since she was a little girl. Since her graduation at Turberville High School and Teachers Training School at Farmville, Va., she has given her time to teaching school and piano, and her many friends regret that her marriage takes her away.

Dr. Hawkins is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hawkins, Richmond, Va., and is a promising young business man of that city.

Just after the ceremony a salad and ice course was served, they then left immediately by motor for Danville, Va., where they were met by Mr. and Mrs. Harrol Carter who were married at the same time in Charlotte, Va. They all boarded the train for Washington D. C. After Sept. 10th Mr. and Mrs. Hawkins will be at home in Richmond, Va.

DESTROY TOBACCO.

Greensboro, N. C., Aug. 27.—Under cover of darkness, two unknown persons, armed with corn knives, destroyed about an acre and a half of tobacco, the property of Henley Ballard, a white farmer who resides near Colfax, and who has been actively engaged in opposing bootlegging in this section for some time.