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Comparative Deposits

It is interesting to note, especially in a time like the present when one hears much of financial depression, that the Bank of Martin County and the Farmers and Merchants, of Williamston, have combined deposits amounting to \$358,113.27. The four other institutions in the county have deposits amounting to \$163,770.30, divided as follows: Jamesville \$35,458.67, Hamilton \$26,605.95, Oak City \$31,928.40, Robersonville \$69,777.30, and the whole amount deposited in six banks is \$521,883.59.

There is no safer proof of a people's material condition than the statements of the bank in which their funds are deposited. Martin County can hold its own with any, and is sound, sane and sure financially.

It will be seen that the Williamston banks hold twice as much in deposits as the other four in the county. This emphasizes the fact that buyers of tobacco, cotton and peanuts have funds in plenty and the farmers can find here a safe market. Thus far the sales on the tobacco floors have demonstrated the Gibraltar-like firmness of the Williamston market.

A Correction

In the special issue of Sept. 23rd, a mistake in the surplus fund of the Bank of Martin County was inadvertently made. This was done in the rush to get up copy and was not noted in the proof. The amount of surplus and profits should have been \$40,000 instead of \$35,000. One of the primary objects of the issue was to let the world know that the Williamston banks are on the soundest of financial foundations, and the error is regrettable, as it was the intention to give the true facts as to the wealth of the splendid institutions.

Will Buy Cotton

In a letter sent to its customers, Percival S. Hill, President of The American Tobacco Company, makes the following offer: "We will purchase, at 10c a pound, as many pounds of good middling cotton from each of our customers in the below named states, as the aggregate number of pounds of Red J. and Penn's Natural Leaf plug tobaccos, Bull Durham and Tuxedo smoking tobaccos, and Sovereign Cigarettes (counting each thousand of Sovereign Cigarettes as equal to five pounds of tobacco), shipped direct to such customer from Sept. 29, 1914, to Nov. 30, 1914."

This letter was sent to dealers in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas, so that the beneficial effects of this plan will be far reaching.

Mr. Hill gave out the following statement: "It is our plan to render uniform help to our customers in all cotton growing sections. The brands on which we make this cotton buying offer have such a large sale throughout these sections, that we estimate 10,000 bales of cotton can be bought by our Company under this plan. By offering to buy cotton from its Southern customers the Company feels it is rendering a service to the territory which deals largely with it, and is also making a sound financial investment."

Mrs. Harry Waldo and little daughter are visiting relatives in town.

LOCAL

Full moon tomorrow at 11:59 in the evening.

The open season for squirrels began on Thursday. Now it's away to the woods they'll go with guns and shells galore.

STRAYED.—A pale red heifer coming two years old unmarked with short crimples horns been gone about two weeks. S. E. Hardison.

Rev. J. T. Stanford is holding a meeting at Holly Spring this week.

Everybody in town should attend some church service on Sunday, and pray for peace.

Last Friday was one of the worst days of the year. However, it did not keep a Bertie farmer from bringing his tobacco here. He erected an awning over the wagon and drove in without damaging the weed.

Big sales continue on the market here, and prices fine.

LOST.—On the street, one white robe from child's carriage. Large open-work medallion in center of same. Reward if returned to Mrs. A. R. Dunning.

I have one blaze face black sow in my possession. Owner can get same by applying to C. W. Keith.

Delavan's comet is visible every night just after sunset, and can be found in the vicinity of the Big Dipper.

Bertie farmers were on the tobacco market yesterday.

Sunday is the day to pray especially for peace. The churches here should be filled with people. It would be better to have a joint meeting in the afternoon in the largest church in the town, where all could come together in prayer.

To Wed Next Week

Two weddings among Williamston people will be solemnized on the 7th of October, and are interesting to a large number of friends here and elsewhere. The first, that of Miss Susie Purvis and Mr. Leslie Fowden, will take place at eight o'clock a. m., at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius H. Purvis, nine miles from Williamston on the Hamilton Road. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. Morrison Bethea, rector of the Episcopal Churches in the county. The bride will wear a handsome plum colored cloth travelling suit with hat and gloves to match; the attendants to be: Mr. Louis C. Bennett, best man, Miss Mildred Purvis, maid of honor, Misses Anna Beth Purvis and Hannah Vic Fowden, bridesmaids.

At nine o'clock on the evening of the 7th, in St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Edenton, Miss Annie Fagan will wed Mr. Romulus Biggs, Dr. R. B. Drane, rector, officiating. Miss Fagan will wear white bridal satin and veil and be attended by her maids of honor, Misses Julia Bond and Charlotte Fagan, and Misses Irene Smith and Penelope Biggs, as bridesmaids. Dr. James S. Rhodes, of Williamston, will attend the groom. The two couples will leave for a tour North and later be at home in Williamston. Many people here will attend both marriages.

John L. Rodgers and family with Mr. and Mrs. G. P. McNaughton are at home from a visit to Elkland, Pa.

September Tobacco Sales

The Williamston Tobacco Market opened on September 2nd, and at the close of business on the 30th, the amount sold by the Roanoke, Dixie and Farmers Warehouses was ONE MILLION, FIVE THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY - THREE POUNDS. The stability of the market, the number of strong buyers, the interest and industry of the warehousemen in the advancement of the market to first place among those in Eastern Carolina, has given a greater impetus to the sales this season and the farmers of Bertie, Beaufort and Martin have found here the very best prices to be obtained. The banks with their splendid resources are behind the market--this fact being one of the strong arguments why Williamston IS THE PLACE TO SELL YOUR TOBACCO. Farmers have realized this, and so the sales have been large during the first month.

Court News Continued

Jno. Briley and Guilford Cherry Briley fined \$15 and one-half cost, Cherry \$25 and one-half cost. John Teel. Retailing. Dft. comes into court and pleads guilty. Charged with cost and placed under bond of \$100 for appearance.

T. W. Thomas. Retailing. Nol pros with leave.

Val Teel. Retailing. Nol pros with leave.

Merrick Slade. Retailing. Guilty. Charged with cost and placed under \$100 bond for appearance at next term.

R. A. Wynn. Retailing. Pleads guilty. Sentenced to jail for 10 mos. to be under the care of the County Supt. of Health, and upon his recommendation shall be taken to County Home.

Peter Clemons. A. D. W. Guilty. Fined \$15 and cost.

Peter Clemons. C. C. W. Guilty. Judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

Chas. Purvis. A. D. W. Guilty. Charged with cost and required to pay Bill Hollis \$25 for injuries and \$15 to Dr. J. W. Williams for medical attention.

Notice

A public examination for white school teachers will be held at the Court House in Williamston, Thursday, October 8th, and for colored teachers on Friday the 9th. A. J. Manning, County Supt.

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ADMISSION 10 CENTS

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Billie (Single) Clifford

IN

"Believe Me"

With Lady Orchestra

Oct. 14th

North Carolina

The following from the Washington City Star, was sent us by Mr. Charles Hassell, whose pride in his native State never wanes. In the letter accompanying same he says: "Just think of North Carolina being ahead of New York in national affairs!"

"If the democrats control the next Congress, the Old North state will be very much in the picture and take an important part in shaping important legislation."

The new floor leader of the House will probably be Mr. Kitchin, now a member of ways and means. He holds the southern view of the tariff--revenue the principal object, and protection, as rapidly as possible, cut out. He was prominent last year in the Underwood revision, and is prominent now in the discussion of the war tax. He made his debut as a national legislator in the Fifty-seventh Congress, and hence has had considerable experience in congressional affairs. As Mr. Underwood's successor he will have much to say about any tariff legislation the next House may consider.

Any such measure passed by the House will when it reaches the Senate be referred to the finance committee, over which Mr. Simmons presides. He is another son of the Old North state who has distinguished himself in Washington. He, too, looks to the southern view of the tariff, although last year he voted for many alterations in the work done by the House under Mr. Underwood's supervision. He and Mr. Kitchin are probably in close accord on the subject.

In the cabinet sits another son of North Carolina, and his democracy is of the old brand. He has always been regular, with his heart in his regularity. He not only supported Mr. Bryan in the latter's three races for the presidency, but believed in the doctrines Mr. Bryan was advocating. There is no member of the cabinet more comfortable personally or politically in Mr. Bryan's company than the Secretary of the Navy.

This prominence in national affairs is no new experience for the state. She has not built large cities, or increased her population at a rapid rate, but she has had steady development, and has always sent to Congress men worthy of their commission. The period is recent when two most popular members of the Senate were Mr. Vance and Mr. Ran-

PERSONAL

A. O. Gaylord was here from Plymouth Tuesday.

Jesse Price, Chief Clerk at the postoffice, went to Washington last week to take the examination for Inspector.

Roland Robertson spent Tuesday in Rocky Mount.

Harry A. Biggs, Joe D. Thrower, Titus Critcher and Pearl Perry went to Rocky Mount Monday afternoon.

Miss Essie Peel went to Tarboro Monday afternoon.

Miss Josie Robertson, Mary King Ellison, William Ellison, W. H. Gurkin and J. B. Hopkins went to Rocky Mount Tuesday.

W. J. Whitaker went to Rocky Mount on business Tuesday.

W. Fountain Lipscomb, of Norfolk, was in town Monday.

Mrs. F. L. Minga left Monday for Petersburg, Va., where she will make her home in the future.

Misses Roebuck, Peel and Taylor of the Spring Green section, have gone to Blackstone College, Va., where they will take a literary course.

Mrs. Arthur Anderson, Mattie Lou and Oscar Anderson went to Rocky Mount Monday afternoon.

J. M. S. Salsbury, of High Point, has been in town this week attending court.

W. L. Sherrod was here from Enfield Tuesday.

J. A. Hobbs is at home from Roanoke, Va.

Friends of Rev. Chas. L. Read were glad to see him here Tuesday, when he came to testify in the Lewis will case. He was pastor of the Methodist Church for four years, and endeared himself to this people irrespective of creeds.

Mrs. Irene Smith went to Hamilton Wednesday to visit relatives.

Dr. John D. Biggs has been in Elizabeth City this week on business.

Messrs. A. Hassen, J. W. Watts, Jas. A. Everett and Maurice Watts motored to Rocky Mount Tuesday to see Ringling's show.

Mrs. and Mrs. J. S. Thomas and Master Scott left Monday for Richmond, Kentucky.

Miss Fannie Biggs Martin returned home from Raleigh on Saturday accompanied by Wheeler Martin Jr.

Mesdames J. G. Staton and F. W. Hoyt went to Norfolk Monday.

Frank F. Fagan spent Sunday here and returned to Rocky Mount on Monday.

Dr. David Tayloe and Miss Newell were here from Washington Tuesday.

Dr. H. F. Clark, of Scotland Neck, spent Tuesday in town.

Drs. Fleming and Long were here Tuesday to testify in the Lewis will case.

som, the former an effective speaker, the latter an effective committeeman and negotiator.

The south is democratic, and will continue so for years to come. Now and then factionism appears but is soon conquered. At one time populism made progress, but not enough to count. At present Mr. Roosevelt is flirting with Louisiana, but there is no prospect of his winning her. Being solid for the democracy, that section is entitled to the influence it exerts in national legislation."

Colored Church Has Rally

(Reported)

The members and friends of the A. M. E. Zion Church, this city, celebrated the re-opening of their church, Sunday Sept. 13th, by having an all day grand rally.

The rally began in the morning in the Sunday School, which raised the amount of \$33, followed later by two able sermons by Presiding Elder S. P. Cook and Rev. N. F. Bailey, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. respectively.

At the conclusion of the day, the collections were found to amount to \$184, this being the largest amount of money ever raised here among the colored people during any one day. The pastor, Rev. A. W. Garrett, is to be congratulated for breaking all previous records as an organizer in the church circles in Williamston.

The Kehukee Association

The 149th annual session of the Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association will begin tomorrow at Conohó, Martin County. Those going by rail will be met at Oak City and taken to the Church. Elder Sylvester Hassell is Moderator of the Association and B. S. Cowing, Clerk. These associations are usually more largely attended than any in East Carolina.

Pray For Peace

The President of the United States has set apart next Sunday, October 4th, as an especial time for the people to assemble at their respective places of worship, and ask that God send peace among the warring nations of Europe. This proclamation shows the spirit of the man who is presiding over the destinies of this Nation—a man who stands for peace in the world and whose good offices are always ready to negotiate for same. The European War is the most terrible in history and it must be by the intervention of a Higher Power that the guns are silenced. God teaches us in His Holy Word that He will hear the petitions of His faithful children. The Churches in Williamston, it is earnestly hoped, will be filled with a praying people on Sunday.

Oak City Items

Miss Dora Bush and daughter, of Portsmouth, are the guests of Mrs. J. J. Long.

Miss Johnson, of Gold Point, is visiting her brother, B. L. Johnson.

J. F. Council, J. T. Bennett and Jerome Edmonson motored to Rocky Mount Tuesday with J. W. Hines.

Mrs. J. H. Etheridge has returned from Sara Leigh Hospital Dr. Sam Burroughs accompanied her.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hines and Miss Mary Hines motored to Williamston Monday.

W. T. Hurst and wife, of Robersonville, were in town Sunday.

Messrs. Ralph, Wilmer and Roy House with the Burnett Brothers motored to Rocky Mt. Tuesday.

H. K. Harrell, Ernest and Norman Harrell, Miss Lizzie Harrell and Mrs. S. E. Hines attended the show at Rocky Mt. Tuesday.

Buy a bale of cotton and help the movement to meet the situation.