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Cloudy and cooler to night and Wednesday. Probably showers. Moderate to fresh winds.

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Milling Company's Progress Makes Interesting Story

More Than Twenty-five Years Ago It Began As Rice Cleaning Establishment In Little Frame Building, Now Operates Ginning And Milling Plant On Large Scale

More than twenty-five years ago the Elizabeth City Milling Company began its operation as a rice cleaning establishment in a little frame building at the old Lambert Landing under the ownership and management of George Beveridge and Willis N. Gregory, now of Norfolk, and manager of the Eastern Oil Company with mills at Edenton, Hertford, Elizabeth City and Norfolk.

For a number of years it struggled along in this capacity while the men at its head endeavored by dogged perseverance to instill into the minds of the farmers of this section that this was a rice growing country. It may be that rice could be profitably grown in the low lands of Northeastern North Carolina, but it seems that experimentation large enough in scope to ascertain if it can or cannot be grown economically here has never been made.

Conditions at that time were very much as they are today. Innovations were hard to start. New and improved methods were looked upon by the farmer with skepticism and with the usual complacency that comes with inherited ideas, people were sticking closely to established lines of production.

Seeing the futility of attempting to break through the crust of adherence to old principals, the milling company after five or six years of more or less success in rice cleaning, installed a cotton gin. Cotton was then as now one of the leading money crops of the section, and the cotton gin from the first became an assured success.

The cotton gin of those days was very little different from the cotton gin of today except in the matter of capacity. It was a machine intended to take cotton lint from the cotton seed and the best cotton gin was the one that would produce the greatest relative amount of lint and the milling company put in the best gin that it could buy. After a successful operation for a few years as a cotton ginning company, it was decided to put in other branches of the milling industry and feed and meal grinders were installed. From that time on the milling company has gradually and consistently grown.

In the fall of 1915 it was decided by Mr. Beveridge that the business was larger than its building. In the meantime Mr. Beveridge had bought out the interest of Mr. Gregory and had taken in as partners Warren Pinner and Robert F. Fearing.

Certain refinements had come into construction of ginning and grinding machines. Each year a larger acreage was being cultivated in cotton.

Not only was the acreage increasing, but by using more intelligence in crop production, the farmer was producing more cotton than in previous years. These conditions the milling company was called upon to meet. A site was accordingly purchased and the substantial building now occupied was erected on Front street at the foot of Lawrence.

In this building were installed the latest type of cotton ginning machinery, driven by 50 horse power, high tension motors. The new gins worked with almost human intelligence.

To this company belongs the credit of installing the high voltage electric motors in Elizabeth City. Many small motors of the power house were in use previous to the present installation at the milling company's plant but there were no motors using high tension current.

It may be well to explain that there are certain advantages attained in high tension motors, chief of which is low cost of operation. Current is taken directly from the lines as it is generated in the power house at 2200 volts. In the low voltage motors, it is necessary to step this current down by a principle of electric induction and through a transformer to the voltage corresponding to the rating of the motor. There is, of course, in this process, a heavy loss of current for various technical reasons and all these losses are eliminated by using the high potential motor.

The feed and meal business had grown to such an extent that when the new gins were installed, it was believed necessary to put in meal and feed grinders, large enough to take care of a greatly increasing demand. Later it was found that the installation

Would Add To Treaty

Paris, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—The British government has suggested to France and Italy immediate calling of a preliminary conference in London, at which experts would prepare economic and financial clauses to the Turkish peace treaty. The Italian government accepted, and will appoint delegates.

Makes New Record In Art Of Flying

Mount Clemens, Mich., Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Aeronautical engineers, army and navy experts, came here a week ago for surprises, but none expected to see a human being plunge through space at the rate of nearly four hundred feet a second. Lieutenant R. L. Maughan traveled one kilometer at the rate of 248.5 miles per hour, establishing a new record.

Would Standardize Religion For World

St. Louis, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Uniform world religion could be established by an all denominational church returning to forms, ritual and dogma of the Apostolic times, is the opinion of members of the New Testament Congress, an organization composed of members of the Disciples of Christ, it was expressed at a symposium here today.

Return From Greenville

M. P. Jennings and A. B. Combs returned Sunday from Greenville, where they attended the conference of high school principals. C. N. Williams, principal of Poplar Branch High School; Prof. Hunter of Currituck High School and Prof. Fickett of Shiloh High School also returned from this conference Sunday and passed through the city on their way home.

MRS. HALL AND BROTHER ARE FURTHER EXAMINED

New Brunswick, N. J., Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Mrs. Frances Hall and her eccentric brother, Willie Stevens, were brought to the court house today by detectives for further examination by authorities investigating the murder of Rev. Edward Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Mills.

JACKSON-WILLIAMS

The marriage of Miss Marjorie Audrey Williams and Mr. Gathler Lee Jackson took place Thursday, October 12 at 2 o'clock in Washington, D. C., with Rev. Ellis C. Primm, pastor of the Second Baptist church, officiating.

The ring ceremony was used and witnessed by only a few relatives and friends.

The bride is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Williams of the Newland section, and has been making her home in Washington for some time.

The groom is a successful young farmer of this County, being the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jackson on Body Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson will be at home after October 22 in Norfolk, Virginia.

ESCAPES THE JAIL

Los Angeles, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Herbert Wilson, former evangelist, convicted of the murder of Herbert Cox during an attempted jail break several months ago, today escaped from the county jail with two other prisoners.

Polish Chess Prodigy In International Tournament



At the first table Samuel Rzeschewski, the boy wonder, and Edward Lasker, five times Western chess champion and winner of the tournament at the Masters' Tournament at the Chess Club International. Lasker won, but the 10-year-old boy gave him a hard battle.

Dirigible Is Burned

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—The army dirigible C.2, which recently completed its transcontinental flight and had reached San Antonio on its way back to Washington, was completely destroyed by fire while preparing for a flight over the city today. Several members of the crew were hurt, one seriously.

Resigns As Pastor Salem Baptist Church

Rev. E. L. Cole last Sunday tendered his resignation as pastor of Salem Baptist church, at Weaverville, and the congregation regretfully accepted it. Mr. and Mrs. Cole are leaving this week for their new home in Fayetteville, Tennessee, a city of 4,000 people. They are making the change on account of Mr. Cole's health, believing that the higher altitude of the new field will be beneficial.

RAILWAYS TEACH FIRE PREVENTION

Washington, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Widespread instruction in fire prevention among the general public is the purpose of the convening here today of the annual three-day meeting of the Railway Fire Prevention Association.

In the year 1921, fire in the United States caused a property loss of \$485,000,000, killed nearly 15,000 persons and injured more than 16,000 others. Of these casualties, 83 per cent were suffered by mothers, children and invalids.

These figures are published by the association to show the need of increased campaigns against carelessness where fire is possible. Nearly 90 per cent of these losses of life and property are due to carelessness and lack of proper education as to existing hazards, according to the association.

The meeting is the culmination of Fire Prevention Week recently designated by President Harding. The campaign of the association this year will be actively supported by various insurance activities and by the United States Chamber of Commerce and many local chambers. Railroad officers and employees have given active co-operation in the observance of Fire Prevention Week.

WILL MEET WEDNESDAY

The Hollywood Cemetery Society will meet Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of Mrs. George Ward on West Main street.

A good attendance is desired and the collectors especially are asked to be present.

QUEEN RETURNS TO STOCKHOLM

Stockholm, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, together with her Prince Consort and several members of her court has left for home after a visit of state to King Gustaf V and Queen Victoria of Sweden, the occasion being especially memorable as the first time in history that a Swedish king had met a ruler of the Netherlands in Stockholm.

Queen Wilhelmina was welcomed at the railway station by the entire Swedish Royal family, including the King and Queen, the Crown Prince, Princes Wilhelm and Bernadotte, and Prince Eugene, the King's brother. Others present at the arrival were Premier Hjalmar Branting and the ranking officers in the army and navy. The Swedish populace filled the streets between the station and the Royal Castle and ignored the drenching rain while they craned their necks to get a glimpse of the gala carriages. Not for years has there been so much enthusiasm among the crowds, and those who were lucky enough to witness the first meeting of the Dutch and Swedish rulers were impressed with the cordiality shown in the greetings.

In the formal addresses exchanged in French by Queen Wilhelmina and King Gustaf at the Royal Castle, the historical aspects of the occasion and the solidarity of the two nations in their common ideals were stressed. The visit lasted three days and, besides state dinners and receptions, included musical entertainments and visits to the National Museum, and to Riddarholm Church, which contains the remains of Gustavus Adolphus and Charles XII.

Democrats Name Auditor And Coroner

The Democratic nomination for County Auditor went to C. C. Pritchard, when the Democratic executive committee met at the court house on October 14th.

Upon motion of J. B. Leigh, J. J. Morris was appointed from the chair to cast the vote of the committee unanimously, for the nomination of Mr. Pritchard for auditor, and Dr. I. Fearing, coroner. Neither of the candidates had any opposition.

INSURANCE MEN MEET AT CHICAGO

Chicago, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—The fifty-first annual meeting of the Fire Underwriters Association of the Northwest will be held here tomorrow and Thursday.

Francis R. Stoddard, Jr., New York superintendent of insurance, John B. Morton of Philadelphia, president of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, James L. Case of Norwich, Conn., president of the National Association of Insurance Agents and Edgar Guest, Michigan poet, will address the meeting.

Major R. W. Schroeder of the army air service, will speak on altitude flying.

LEGION HEARS SAMUEL GOMPERS

Buddies Also Give Commissioner Landis A Noisy Welcome At Today's Session

New Orleans, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—The American Legion, in national convention here today, heard Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, tell of labor's aims, aspirations and what it believes its rights and duties are.

Mr. Gompers and Kenesaw Mountain Landis, supreme commissioner of baseball, received a noisy welcome from the "Buddies" when they entered the convention hall.

San Francisco was awarded the 1923 convention of the American Legion by acclamation.

"Belgium will never forget what America did," said M. Jeanne, president of the Belgium veterans. "Neither will she ever forget what the Germans did. Germany must pay for the damage inflicted during her occupation, not as vengeance but as simple justice."

OLD COUNTY RECORDS ARE TURNED OVER TO STATE

Colonel Fred Olds of Raleigh was in the city last week going over the old records at the courthouse. He took back with him to Raleigh all the old court of pleas and quarter sessions volumes prior to 1868, where these will be rebound and preserved by the State for their historical interest. They are of practically no value to Pasquotank County.

20 COMMUNISTS ARE ARRAIGNED

St. Joseph, Mich., Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Twenty alleged Communists charged with plotting to overthrow the United States Government by force, were arraigned today in the first test of Michigan's anti-syndicalism law, a wartime measure.

Elect Successor To Senator Watson

Atlanta, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Under cloudy skies, rain falling in several sections, Georgia voters are casting ballots at the special Democratic primary to nominate a successor to the late United States Senator Watson.

Gurney P. Hood, vice president and cashier of the Carolina Banking & Trust Company, is back at his desk after having been kept at home for some days by illness.

Trying For Republic

Campaign Waged In Greece By Prominent Venizelist Bestirs Newspapers

Athens, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—A campaign to make Greece a republic which was launched directly after the return from Paris of the new foreign minister, Nicholas Politiss, a prominent Venizelist, has strongly aroused royalist newspapers.

London, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Former Premier Venizelos of Greece declined today to discuss reports from Athens that a Republican movement is on foot in Greece with the object of making Venizelos president.

He declared that he was irrevocably determined to retire to private life as soon as the Turkish peace treaty is signed.

ARGUE VALIDITY ON LIQUOR RULING

New York, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Whether the mere presence of liquor on foreign vessels comes within the scope of the eighteenth amendment is the real issue in Daugherty's dry ship ruling, the White Star Line counsel argued before Federal Judge Hand today as to the validity of the ruling.

Lieut. Walter Bell Crushed To Death

San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Lieutenant Walter Bell, 27, was crushed to death when his airplane fell five hundred feet near here today.

NOVEMBER JURY LIST

The following jury list was drawn at the last meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for the term of Superior Court, which will convene on Monday, November 6:

First week—P. F. White, J. B. Williams, D. L. Davis, B. L. Baker, H. P. Smith, C. J. Ward, A. C. Bell, C. B. Gaskins, Emmitt Brickhouse, S. T. Cooper, F. F. Garrett, J. B. Fearing, Noah Garrett, Wilson Williams, J. C. Wood, H. A. Willey, A. S. Mann, J. R. Winslow, J. R. Williams, J. N. Whitehurst, G. R. Swindell, C. E. Garrett, J. E. Evans, W. W. Woodley, C. B. Armstrong, W. T. Love, Jr., John Whaley, Joseph E. Lane, E. R. Ferrell, R. E. Spruill, R. R. Keaton, S. W. Hastings, D. R. Kramer, W. J. Copeland, R. M. Sawyer, H. C. Kramer. Second week—J. C. Bembury, J. T. Heath, W. J. Woodley, Sr., E. A. Flora, B. M. White, T. N. White, R. O. Chappell, C. M. Gray, C. J. Corbett, G. A. Twiddy, R. S. Chappell, J. W. Walker, E. M. Jennings, A. M. Haskett, Charles B. Wood, C. B. Ives, M. E. Tuttle, G. W. Copeland, H. E. White, Gilbert Godfrey, Roy S. Henderson, H. E. Hettrick, T. B. Hayman, J. V. Whitehurst.

Freight Hearing Still On

Asheville, Oct. 17 (By The Associated Press)—Testimony relating to North Carolina-Virginia freight rates continued to be introduced today at the Interstate Commerce Commission's hearing on rate classifications in the South.

HERTFORD BRIEFS

Hertford, Oct. 16.—Miss Oneida Brinn of the graded school faculty and Mrs. Willie Cannon White of Edenton left on the noon train for Raleigh to attend the State Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Fritz, Jr., returned home Saturday from Greenville, where he attended the district conference of high school principals.

October 25th has been fixed as the date for the Perquimans County Fair. The premium lists have been distributed and the county is looking forward to a great day in Hertford, where the fair will be held.