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FLORIDA AS SHE IS

(From Public Service.)
"Florida is the chin whiskers of the United States.
"It is six hundred miles long, two hundred miles wide and three feet high
"It is bounded on the north by the Eighteenth Amendment, and on the other side by the three-mile limit.
"Florida is inhabited by the Indians, Americans, White Men and Feedbug Tourists, sometimes called Tincanners—all of whom are real estate agents.
"The Reds live on the Everglades, THE BLACKS LIVE ON THE WHITES, and the Tourists and Tincanners live on the Municipal Camp Grounds.
"Florida's principal sources of income are hotels, fruits, alligator skins, tourists, and the best press agents east of California.
"But the one outstanding feature of Florida is its fruit, orange raising coming first, of course.
"Raising oranges in Florida is a cinch. All that is required is enough money to live on while raising oranges.
"The next Florida fruit in importance is the grapefruit. A grapefruit is a cross between a lemon, a dose of iodine and a pumpkin. It has the color and disposition of a blonde ticket seller at a moving picture theatre. They are usually eaten at breakfast thus giving the double advantage of a meal and the morning shower bath at the same time.
"The tangerine is a distant cousin of the orange. It wears a lose and careless Mother Hubbard style wrapper, is easier to disrobe than the orange, but is of a more dry, withered and disappointing disposition when un-dressed.
"The kumquat is the only thing in Florida that acts up to its name—it looks and tastes the way it sounds.
"By the middle of October, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Iowa and Ohio start moving to Florida, for
"Tis a land of Golden Sunshine, Where the sweetest breezes blow,
Sweet with a thousand perfumes, O'er the Gulf of Mexico.
Five hundred of the perfumes originate in Mexico, the balance in Cuba, Bimini and Bahamas.

Stewardship Conference for Hoke County, Antioch Church, Monday Feb. 15, 10:30 A. M.

The pastor and several ladies from each church are expected to attend. We wish this to be the best stewardship conference we have ever held in the county. We ask the hearty co-operation of all those interested in the work of the church.

SPEAKERS:

Rev. W. M. Fairley: Back of the Budget—God;
Rev. J. B. Black: Assembly's Causes.
Rev. G. F. Kirkpatrick: Local Home Missions;
Rev. G. W. Hanna: Educational Institutions;
Mr. J. B. Spillman: How to Raise the Budget.
Round Table Discussion.
L. A. McLAURIN, Sec. Stewardship Fay. Pres.

Fiddlers' Convention.

There will be an old Fiddlers' Convention at Rockfish on next Friday night.

There never comes a year that there is not a larger number of people who buy all they get on credit. And credit is costly.

MAXIMILLAN DAVID BETHUNE.

The news of the tragic death of little Max, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Luke Bethune, was published in The Journal last week. The funeral was conducted by the pastor of the family, Rev. W. M. Fairley, D. D., assisted by Rev. R. G. Matheson of Jackson Springs, in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends on Wednesday afternoon at 6. We have never seen a sadder occasion. The interment was made in Raeford cemetery, and the floral tribute was the largest and most beautiful we have ever seen. The stores and other businesses closed during the funeral.
At this time we have a knowledge of the people of Raeford we never had before, and perhaps never would have had but for the fact that the occasion gave them opportunity to demonstrate their true characters. They could not have done more. They were kindness personified and in action. Travel the wide world over, and their genuine Christ-like sympathy and spirit of helpfulness will never be excelled. Words cannot express what we feel in our hearts today. On this occasion language indeed limps. It fails us.

Max and I were chums in the truest sense of that word. Were we to meet every hour, the greeting was equally cordial as if we had been apart for a longer period of time. No matter about the time the cordiality of the greeting was the same. The strongest and most tender of earth-ties have been riven. He was my solace and comfort in my declining years. We had planned by the hour what we would do when he became "a drate big man." Our plans are thwarted. That little life which gave most hope and comfort was snapped out. He took years off my head. He brought me back to the prime of life. I was living my life over again with him. There is no spirit of rebellion in my heart against this sad dispensation of Providence. Some time I will understand why Max had to leave me and go on ahead a little way. There was something that he had to do, perhaps, to make ready for my coming. And when I come, I know now the welcome that awaits me. Max will not forget.

And all who knew him loved him, for he loved everybody, and often so stated, and he meant it. Nothing but the sweetest of disposition was his always. He busily spread sunshine during his whole little life, so all who knew him loved him. They could not help it.

I have written as though the loss is peculiarly my own, while I realize that the stroke has fallen with equal severity upon each member of the family, and the more poignant grief is that of the child's parents, our readers will understand, but I am the voice giving expression to a great grief that oppresses us. It's a sore trial we are passing through.

This is the first break in the editor's own family circle. The hearts of his parents, his grand parents, his aunts and uncles and perhaps more than all his two devoted little sisters, especially the older, who realizes her loss, crushed and bleeding, for to us all he was exceedingly precious, and while we are suffering untold heart anguish, we mourn not as those who have no hope. We cannot bring him back, but through God's grace we will go to him, and we trust the circle will be reunited.

Loyalty Week, Fayetteville Presbytery February 8-14.

The aim for this week and those following to April is to raise the full budget for church causes. If we are loyal to the Kingdom we can and will.

NOTE NEEDS AND CONDITIONS

Foreign Missions with over 500 workers in the field, needs over \$1,500,000 to conduct the work. We have failed them by failing to give but one third—leaving about \$1,000,000 behind. This is not loyalty to the Kingdom.

Home Missions Causes are suffering in about the same proportion. Assembly's cause expecting from the people over \$700,000 has collected less than \$250,000. This is not loyalty to the Kingdom.

Synodical Home Missions needs \$30,000 more than collected to come out even in this great work in our own State which boasts so much of its prosperity.

Other causes like Christian Education, Bible cause and our Orphan Home are in distress because the Church has failed to do what was reasonably expected.

Our own Presbyterian Home Mission cause of Fayetteville Presbytery, suffers, too.

Last year the churches were apportioned \$12,000 and we needed it. We were working ten mission groups and appropriated about \$10,000 for this work with some work done by young candidates for ministry during summer. We collected about \$8,000. This year we called for the same amount as last, and up to Jan. 10 collected about \$2,750 and used \$9,000 to pay workers to April 1 and have a small balance for summer months when money comes slowly. We are trying to plan wisely for work most needy. Next year we will have twelve groups in our Home Mission field and are still calling for little more than \$10,000, but we are not in this reaching all work needed to be done. From all the members of Christ's Kingdom we need help. Loyal to Him who gave His life for you will stir you up to a sense of your responsibility to His church, and to His command, "Go preach my Gospel to every creature."

PRESBYTERIES COMMITTEE.

A Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our thanks to our friends, our neighbors, for their kindness during our late bereavement, the death of our father, Mr. N. F. Johnson. Our neighbors were especially kind and helpful. We thank you. A. F. Johnson and Family.

Co-operative Poultry Car for Raeford Feb. 18th.

Mr. V. W. Lewis, Live Stock Marketing Agent for the N. C. Division of Markets and L. B. Brandon, County Farm Agent, have arranged to have a Co-operative Poultry Car in Raeford Feb. 18th.

The following cash prices will be paid for poultry at car door
Colored Hens, 23¢ per lb.
Layhorn Hens, 20¢ per lb.
Turkeys, 29¢ per lb.
Cocks, 10¢ per lb.
Ducks, 21¢ per lb.
Geese, 14¢ per lb.
Stags, 14¢ per lb.
Guineas, 40¢ each.

Call out the non producers and market; then invest in a few settings of pure bred eggs for hatching. Why not increase poultry in Hoke county? The Division of Markets has shown the way to market poultry.

Short Items.

Mr. E. L. Peale was confined to his room by sickness the first of the week.

Farmers started everything in the way of farm work they could Monday morning.

Passing town ordinances does no good; it's the enforcement of the law that helps.

We are glad to see Mr. E. M. Baker on the street again after a week's illness in bed.

Mr. Roy Diamond returned the first of the week from a visit to his parents in Florida.

Cold frosty mornings and the weather mighty good, was what came to us for several days recently.

Cars passing through town recently were muddier as they could be, so others are having worse roads than we.

It has come to pass that a jury is in demand at Recorder's court at almost every session, and that makes it more expensive.

Mr. E. P. Koonce of Rockfish was in town last Friday, and we learned his son, Hermon, aged 15, was having a serious time with an abscess in his ear.

The Journal is sorry to learn of the continued illness of Mrs. Amanda McMillan, widow of the late Sheriff Rhod McMillan, at her home in McLauchlin township.

At the Baptist Church Sunday, Feb. 14th.

Sunday School 9:45. H. L. Gathin, Supt.

Preaching by the Pastor, Rev. J. E. Hoyle.

Morning subject: Calling Down the Heavenly Fires.

Special Music.

Evening: B. Y. P. U. 6:45.

Worship: 7:15.

Sermon subject: Drifting.

Clippings From The Laurinburg Exchange.

The board of county commissioners Messrs. John Angus Blue, W. G. Buie and John A. McColman, in regular session Monday, voted to sell \$400,000 of county bonds as a loan to the state highway department for the construction of approximately 12 miles of hard surface roads in this county this year. The funds thus derived will be used to supplement a sum of \$108,000 of state funds, and in addition the county will do the grading of the roads from Laurinburg to Wagram, and from a point on route 20 west of Laurinburg to Gibson. Additional mileage on routes 24 and 203 in this county will be of standard soil, or sand and clay construction, with a view of ultimately filling in all the gaps with hard surface. There will be no money spent for oil top, sand asphalt, macadam, or gravel roads.

Robert Lumpkin and Booker T. Williams, negroes, were convicted of murder in the first degree in superior court at Lumberton Tuesday, Feb. 2nd, on a charge of killing Chief of Police Boyd Rogers of Rowland on Dec. 26. Laurinburg people who attended the trial at Lumberton say that the testimony of the slain man's widow was most pathetic and doubtless had a profound effect on the jurors. Chief D. B. Brown and County Policeman R. C. Miller went to Lumberton Wednesday to hear the sentence of death pronounced upon the negroes.

Hoke County Pastors' Association.

On February 8th, at 10:30 A. M., the Ministerial body of Raeford met at the home of the Reverend J. E. Hoyle. Ministers present N. C. Yearby, W. M. Fairley, J. E. Hoyle and A. D. Carswell. Devotional was conducted by Rev. W. M. Fairley, D. D. After some informal discussion it was decided to organize an association, which should be known as the Hoke County Pastors' Association. N. C. Yearby was elected president and A. D. Carswell secretary.

The Association first considered as to how it might render a more efficient service for the Master in and around Raeford. The Association is seeking a closer unity of service among the different denominations, and to strengthen all the Christian people in the work of Christ.

It was argued that all the Sunday evening services in the different churches should be held at 7:15 o'clock until the first Sunday in March. On the 5th Sunday evening in May all denominations in town will meet at the Baptist church and hold a union service.

The next meeting of the Association will be held March 8th, 2 P. M. at the Presbyterian church in Dr. Fairley's study.

A motion to adjourn was made after which the meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. N. C. Yearby.

ROOMERS WANTED AT PRIVATE HOME.

MRS. J. L. PRATT.
FOR SALE—One Washington Machine cost \$40.00 will sell for TEN DOLLARS.
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The Lenox Oil & Paint Co.,
Dept. of Sales
Cleveland, Ohio.

PROGRAM NEW THEATRE RAEFORD, N. C.

Don't forget Thursday and Friday—"40 Winks." If you don't laugh at Raymond Griffith ask for your money back. No advance in price.
Saturday only—Hoot Gibson in "Let 'Em Buck"
Monday and Tuesday—Richard Dix in "A Man Must Live."
Wednesday and Thursday—"Little French Girl."

Money to Loan

If you want to borrow money on your farms, or on city property located in Raeford, apply either to myself or Mr. Henry L. Myrover at my office in Raeford, N. C.

E. S. Smith.

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Gas, Oils, Tires and Batteries at
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