

Southern Cotton Oil Leading Business In Perquimans County

Eleventh In a Series of "Reviewing Hertford Businesses"; C. P. Morris Manager

The local plant of the huge Southern Cotton Oil Company is one of eight such plants owned and operated by the company in the eastern section of the State.

The products of the plant, including SCO-CO Fertilizers of all kinds for specified uses, are sold largely throughout Eastern North Carolina.

During each year the company pays out to the farmers of several counties it serves hundreds of thousands of dollars for farm products which it converts into other products, and during the running season provides regular and profitable employment to citizens of Hertford up to more than a hundred people.

In addition to fertilizer and cotton seed products, the plant operates a cotton gin during the ginning season, and buys large quantities of cotton seed and soy beans, maintaining a market for these products for local growers the year around.

The Southern Cotton Oil Company came to this section in 1935, at which time it purchased the plant and equipment of the Eastern Cotton Oil Company, and now covers approximately 22 acres of ground on which are located ten buildings.

Mr. C. P. Morris, formerly connected with the Eastern organization, was made manager of that company in 1934, and was appointed manager of this plant when purchase was made by the Southern Cotton Oil Company in 1935. Mr. Morris has lived in Hertford for the past 22 years and is active in the social, civic and commercial life of the town.

The SCO-CO brands of fertilizers mentioned above are for all kinds of specified uses, and are intended for cotton, tobacco, grain, and all other crops grown in this territory requiring the use of a particular formula of fertilizer.

Little Nicanor Girl Suffers Severe Burns

Bettie Lou Eason, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Tom Eason, of Nicanor, was treated in the office of Dr. I. A. Ward last week for severe burns.

Dr. Ward said he understood the little girl was standing in a nightgown near a heater when the garment caught fire. She suffered burns on her back and neck.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

A PLEA FOR JUSTICE

International Sunday School Lesson
for April 7, 1940

Golden Text: "Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish justice in the gate."—Amos 5:15.

Lesson Text: Amos 5:1, 10-15, 21-24

With this lesson, we begin a new series—a study of the messages of the prophets. Through the consideration of the Old Testament prophets, it is hoped that we might discover their meaning and value for our times. About twenty-six centuries ago Amos wrote one of the earliest books on prophecy. It was just about a century after the time of Elijah.

Amos was a shepherd and farmer, living at Tekoa, a little village six miles south of Bethlehem. He was not trained as a prophet and belongs to that select company of great men in the Bible who were humble workers. Amos cared for a special variety of sheep and was also a dresser of sycamore trees, which bore a small fig. This was pinched to hasten its ripening. Hence, Amos was a fig pincher.

The Book of Amos is not very long but it is our first literary monument of its kind. The Book, as Rev. George L. Petrie says, "has not the charm of poetry, but it has the fascinating power of oratory; an oratory, not of the schools, but of nature; not ornate, but rugged. The illustrations of the Book are objects of nature and scenes familiar to plainest country life. Of all the prophetic Books, this is the one which the plain, unlettered laborer on the farm, in the field or forest, may most easily read."

The author was an able writer, however, Professor Bernhard Duhn says: "Amos spoke with unpolished plainness. But he can handle his language with a master's skill; every sentence is full of meaning, and every word strikes the mark. This reforming soul belongs among the classic writers of Israelite literature."

Although Amos lived in the country he understood the life of his age. He saw the wickedness of the cities when he carried his products to market, and many other evils, as Rev. Bernard C. Clausen enumerates: "Unscrupulous judges condemned the innocent for paltry bribes. The rich grasped the small possessions of the poor. Prices were fraudulently increased and measures were fraudulently diminished, and bad grain was sold as good. The most shameful licentiousness was practiced. Idolatry, with its bestial immoralities, was rampant. Everywhere Amos saw

wasteful luxury and extravagance, the more disgraceful in contrast with the wretched poverty of the people among whom he lived."

Amos spoke for social justice and he uttered a plea which the world has not heeded yet. He tells those who have become rich by taking advantage of their fellowmen that although they build fine houses, they shall not dwell in them. He condemns without fear the social evils of his day. "The passion of Amos' soul is for the establishment of social justice," says Prof. J. E. McFadden, "and his denunciations and threats fall upon the heads of those who frustrate that, whether by incidental cruelty, or, as here, by deliberate violation of the principles of equity in the courts of justice. The worst of offenders were those who poisoned justice at its source, those who by their venal decisions made it a bitter thing for the poor man when it ought to have been sweet, and who laid righteousness prostrate upon the ground when she ought to have been erect and smiling."

He seeks to make the religion of Israel a sincere one. Speaking for Jehovah he tells them to, "seek good and not evil," and, with emphasis, "hate the evil and love the good." As for the formal religious ceremonies he points out that these mean nothing unless the people live righteously. Outward, formal worship will not be accepted by God and he appeals to his hearers to "let justice roll down as waters and righteousness as a mighty stream." The preaching of Amos was not appreciated by the king and the priests of Israel and they sent Amos back home where he wrote his immortal little book.

"The writings of Amos are immortal words," says J. E. McFadden; "they express in imperishable form the essence of religion, the simple demands of God upon men. The justice, the righteousness for which Amos here pleads, is a social thing; it is tender regard for the poor, hatred of the evil conditions that have devastated their lives; it is the spirit which yearns and works for the removal of those conditions; it is, in a word, respect for personality, fair play as between man and man. Let justice, in that sense, run through society, unimpeded by avarice or selfishness or cruelty, let it roll on without let or hindrance like the waves of the sea."

WIND BRINGS DUCKS

Kane, Ill.—It's an ill wind that blows nobody good, so they say. The tornado which struck this town recently brought its advantages to two Kane families. Each picked up a wild duck in their yards and had roast duck for dinner.

Who Knows?

- How long was M. Daladier Premier of France?
- When did Germany secure the Sudeten lands of Czechoslovakia?
- What is the name of the famous mountain pass that divides Italy and the Austrian part of Germany?
- What is meant by "parity" for farmers?
- Will the submarine Squalus, which sank last May, be recommissioned?
- How long did the Spanish Civil War last?
- When did the present war between Japan and China begin?
- How can a citizen secure fish from the Government Bureau of Fisheries for stocking a stream or lake?
- How many agents are employed by the Federal Bureau of Investigations?
- How much money did the two major parties spend in the 1938 election?

THE ANSWERS

- Nearly two years; he formed his government April 10, 1938.
- September 30, 1938.
- Brenner Pass.
- To give farmers the relative purchasing power they had in 1910-14.
- Yes; renamed the Sailfish.
- From July, 1936, to March 28, 1939.
- In July, 1937.
- Write your Senator or Congressman.
- About 1,000 to investigate and arrest and about 1,000 to perform clerical duties, chiefly in Washington.
- Democrats, \$5,651,000; Republicans, \$8,893,000.

CROSS ROADS NEWS

Mrs. J. G. Perry and Mrs. P. G. Perry, of Rocky Hock, and Mrs. E. N. Elliott visited Mrs. W. H. Winborne Sunday afternoon.

Miss Dorothy Lee Savage has returned home after a few days' visit at Mars Hill.

Miss Lois Savage has returned to Knoxville, Tenn., to resume her teaching after being with her father, J. L. Savage, for a few days.

Thomas Corporew spent Sunday in Edenton with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mansfield.

Miss Frances Evans, of Jackson, spent the week-end with Mrs. Z. W. Evans.

Robert Winborne, of Suffolk, Va., spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. W. H. Winborne.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Corporew and William Pierce, of St. Brides, Va., and Clifton Corporew, of Newport News, Va., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Corporew.

Mrs. George Byrum and Mrs. H. C. Goodwin visited Mrs. Z. W. Evans and Mrs. B. W. Evans Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mansfield, of Edenton, and Thomas Corporew visited Mr. and Mrs. Louis Corporew Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Evans and sons visited Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Elliott Sunday evening.

Mrs. W. H. Winborne and Miss Esther Elliott visited Mrs. W. D. Welch Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. W. G. Shaw and daughter, of Wagram, are visiting Mrs. Shaw's mother, Mrs. W. H. Winborne.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hollowell and son visited Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Furry, at Center Hill, Sunday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Byrum and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hollowell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Leary, Mr. and

Mrs. C. J. Hollowell and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hollowell Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Leary visited Mr. and Mrs. Steve Leary, in Greenhall, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hollowell and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hollowell, in Greenhall.

Miss Esther Elliott and Mrs. E. N. Elliott spent Wednesday with Mrs. Lindsay Evans.

Miss Sarah Winborne, a student at W. C. U. N. C., Greensboro, is spending the spring holidays with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Winborne.

Mrs. A. S. Bush and Miss Louise Bush spent Friday in Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Thos. W. Elliott, Mrs. Lindsey Evans, Mrs. Melton Bateman, Miss Esther Elliott and Mrs. E. N. Elliott visited Mrs. B. M. Hollowell, Sr., Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Esther Elliott has returned to her home in Aulander, after a visit with Mrs. W. H. Winborne and Mrs. E. N. Elliott.

Mrs. Lula Rountree, of Hobbsville, spent Thursday evening with her sister, Mrs. A. S. Bush.

Miss Margaret White Byrum has returned to Louisville College to resume her studies, after spending the spring holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. C. Byrum.

Weldon Hollowell has returned to Wake Forest College after a few days' vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hollowell, Sr.

Miss Elizabeth Forbes spent the week-end with friends in Elizabeth City.

Miss Helen Evans and Miss Sarah Smith, of Manteo, spent Saturday with Mrs. Z. W. Evans.

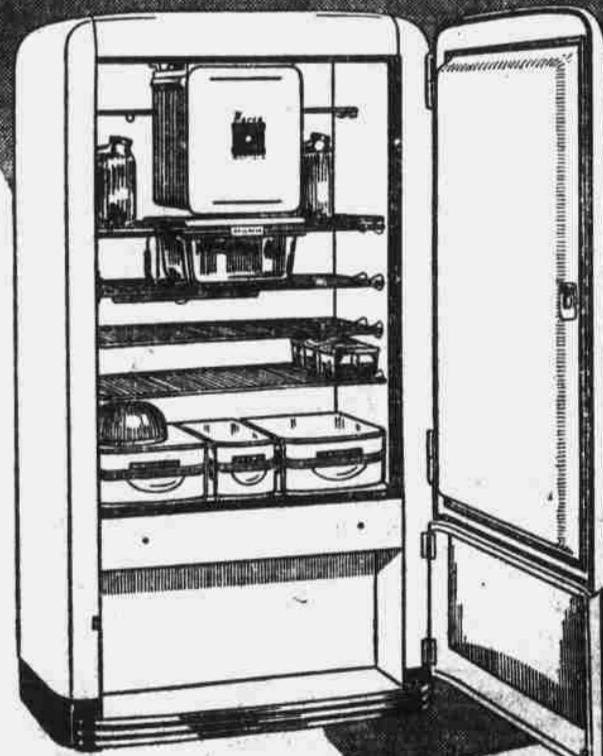
Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Perry during the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Hollowell, Jr., and daughters, Mrs. Lee Leary and children, Mrs. N. J. Copeland and daughter, Doris, and Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Byrum and son.



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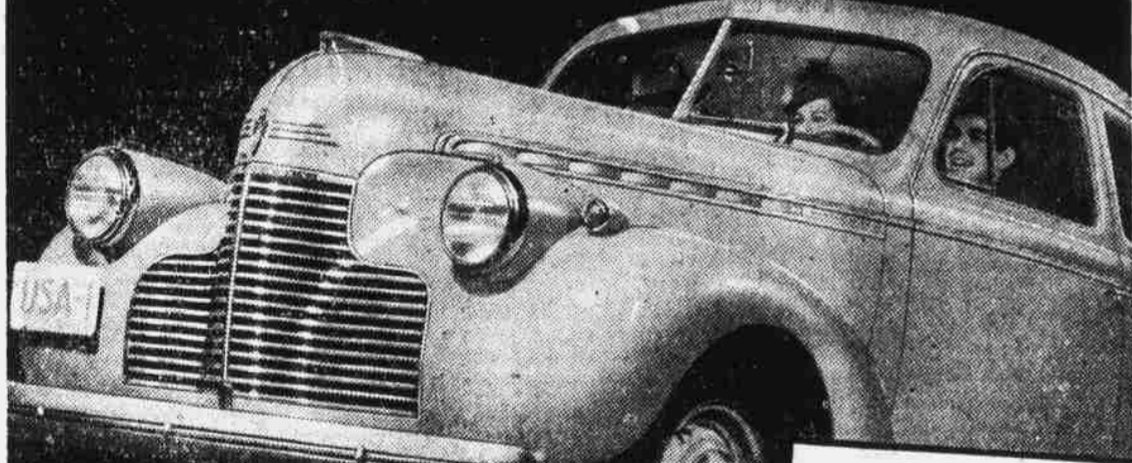
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