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Advertise Oxford.

Those who are interested in the upbuilding of Oxford as a trading center and manufacturing town should seriously take into consideration the question of advertising...

A Slogan for Oxford.

Taking into account the many movements among the citizens of Oxford looking to the expansion and development of the town of Oxford...

Entertains Art Class.

Monday evening was made pleasant in the social life of the young people by a delightful party at the home of Col. and Mrs. Henry G. Cooper...

LOCAL SHORTGRAFTS.



Fix up that turnip patch, and make it rich with manure. July 1st has come and the mosquito promptly presented his bill. Be vaccinated as there are two cases of smallpox at Tally Ho.

Now is the time for civic spirit to come to the front and let us all pull together for the upbuilding of Oxford.

When it comes to job printing the Britt Printery is prepared to take care of your needs. Prices reasonable. Ask for samples of work.

The old home place of the late Wm. Blackwell, near Wilton, was sold in front of the Court House door Monday and was bid off by Mr. Abner Newton at \$4,500.

Now that Oxford is "getting up steam," and a "full head" at that, it seems that it is time for us to have a Slogan, a Rally Cry that will bring every Oxford citizen forward to do his best for his town.

Don't hesitate to greet the stranger when he comes to Oxford with a hearty "good morning." He may not respond sentimentally, but in his heart he will appreciate it, and think better of the town in which you live.

Mr. Henry Gray, who resides near Moriah, last Friday afternoon lost his barn and stables by fire, along with all his wheat and feed. The origin of the fire is not known.

Mr. W. A. Daniel, the most excellent Superintendent of the County Home, sowed 16 bushels of wheat and threshed out 270 bushels. He is a good farmer and one among best superintendents the county ever had.

The postal receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1911, at the Oxford Postoffice amounted to \$12,169.31, a gain over the previous year of \$228.98. This is a splendid showing for Oxford and a great credit to Postmaster J. W. Brown and his efficient assistants.

The Oxford Banner hopes that the Booster Club will see to it at once that our attractive town is properly advertised, that its advantages are put before the public and let every one know and see that "Oxford is still Growing."

We learn from the Franklin Times that Miss Frances A. Mitchell died at the home of her brother, J. L. Mitchell, near Franklinton, last Sunday morning. She was 83 years old and was born in Granville county.

Oxford's fine military company, the Granville Grays under command of Capt. T. G. Stem, are looking forward with pleasurable anticipations to the encampment of the Third Regiment, which begins at Morehead City, on the 10th.

The dry weather of the past month is having its effect on the town's water supply, and it is necessary that a halt be called on water waste. The average consumer wastes considerable water and in the aggregate it amounts to thousands of gallons daily.

Wake up! If every business man in town would earnestly set himself to work developing his business in every direction possible, keep it up for a few years, the result might be thoroughly surprising both to himself and to every body else.

Miss Ordrey Fuller, daughter of George Fuller, of Granville county, was taken to St. Luke's Hospital, at Richmond, last Thursday, where a successful operation was performed on Saturday. Reports up to this writing were that she was doing nicely and will return home in about two weeks.

The County Farmers Union met in the Court House Monday about 12 o'clock and continued in session until about 4 p.m. The attendance was good and a large amount of business in the interest of the Union was transacted. We hope the Union will prove of lasting benefit to the farmers of this and other communities.

Dice Hearts Party.

Miss Londa Shamburger delightfully entertained Friday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Margaret Goodwin, of Siler City. The guests were met at the door by the hostess and the guest of honor, and were served to refreshing frappe. The evening was spent in an interesting game of dice Hearts, after which delicious refreshments of ices and cake were served.

Meeting of Veterans.

Between 30 and 40 Confederate Veterans met in the Court House Monday about 11 o'clock with Commander A. W. Graham presiding. After discussing attending the State meeting at Wilmington in August about thirty enrolled their names for the trip. Judge Graham was again elected Commander of Maurice Smith Camp, and Mr. Milton Blalock, of Culbreth, Adjutant.

Captured a 'Possum.

Mr. C. H. Parham a few nights ago heard quite a commotion out in his back yard by his dog, and he investigated the cause of the noise. He found that his bird dog had something up in the corner of the fence and was having quite a lot of fun jumping at it. In looking close down in the corner of the fence he discovered a large fat opossum and captured him. The "grinner" made a royal dish and the family greatly enjoyed the feast.

GREELEY HARRIS' restaurant will be closed until the 15th of July, as he has gone to Asbury Park to visit relatives.

Still Growing Friends.

The Oxford Banner continues to grow in spite of the dry weather. During the past week 25 new subscribers have enlisted under our banner for a year. That's right friends, help the "Old Man" build up a first-class Semi-Weekly paper in the county. Now, how many good people in Oxford and Granville county, who are already subscribers to the Oxford Banner, are willing to encourage our efforts by each one getting us a new subscriber at once?

Talk It Up.

We have not only a pretty town but a good town. Get out and boost it. Tell outsiders the same thing. Get them to locate here, to invest their money and see what handsome returns they will realize. Show Oxford and the county's advantages and attractions, and also let every farmer help to build up his county town instead of those of other counties. Don't be a knocker, but put your shoulder to the wheel and push. Let your slogan be: "Upward and onward with Oxford!"

In Honor of Two Fair Maidens.

A delightful Hearts Dice party was given last Friday morning by Misses Ruth and Esther Mitchell in honor of Misses Nell Grimsley, of Greensboro and Fannie Sholer, of Chattanooga, Tenn. The guests were cordially welcomed by the hostess and delicious punch was served by Misses Frances Abbit and Elizabeth Hancock. The merry game was enjoyed by many guests, after which choice and tempting refreshments were served. Misses Mitchell displayed in every way their cordial hospitality and were voted by all most charming hostesses.

Out of our Line.

While going the rounds the other day some overly zealous friend very solicitous as to our welfare, sprung the following on us with the injunction not to use big words.

In promulgating your esoteric coginations or articulating your superficial sentimentalities and amicable, philosophical or psychological observations, beware of platitudinous ponderosity.

Let your conversational communications possess a clarified conciseness, a compacted comprehensibility, coallescent consistency, and a concatenated cogency. Eschew all conglomerations of flutulent garrulity, jejune babble ment and affectations. Let your extemporaneous discantings and unpremeditated expatiations have intelligibility, and veracious vivacity, without rhodomontade of thrausional bombast. Schedulously avoid all polysyllabic proclivity pompos prolixity, psittaceous vacuity, ventriloquial verbsity and vaniloquent vapidty.

Give us Signboards.

Granville county is lacking in sign posts. A stranger is hard put to it to find his way about in the country and it should not be so. A few sign posts at the forks of roads and cross roads would make it possible for any one to find his way about the county without any trouble. The law makes it mighty plain as to the persons responsible for this lack of traveling directions. Section 2722 of the Revisal of 1905 says: "Overseers shall cause to be set up, at the forks of their respective roads, a post or posts, with arms pointing the way of each road, with plain and durable directions to the most public places to which they lead, and with the number of miles from that place as near as can be computed; and every overseer who shall after ten day notice after his appointment, neglect to do so and keep same in repair, shall forfeit and pay for every such neglect ten dollars." This is as plain as can be and should be enforced to the letter. Only one county in the state—Buncombe—has carried out the law. The county commissioners should see to it that the overseers have the proper instructions.

Condition Tobacco Crop.

From every section of the North Carolina tobacco belt there comes reports of a very short crop and considerable deterioration going on now in several sections through drought conditions. It is thought to be possible that not more than half an average crop will be grown, and if the seasons from now on are not very favorable the crop may fall to 40 per cent. The Eastern Carolina and South Carolina crop is poor.

THOSE WHO TRAVEL.



Mr. T. C. Rogers, of Wilton, was in town Monday.

Mr. W. B. Belcher, of Route 4, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Meridith Crews, of Route 6, was in town Saturday.

Mr. W. T. Lyon returned from Panacea Springs Friday.

Mr. Thomas Longmire, of Dickerson, was in town Saturday.

Miss Nell Grimsley, of Greensboro, is visiting Mrs. T. L. Booth.

Mr. E. G. Moss, of Creedmoor section, was in Oxford Friday.

Mr. R. L. Brown returned Saturday from a visit to Winston-Salem.

Mr. George Fletcher, of Buchanan section, was in Oxford Monday.

Judge A. W. Graham was in Norfolk Thursday and Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Stem spent the week end with relatives at Stem.

Mr. G. W. Fliott, of Route 3, was among the Oxford visitors Saturday.

Mr. J. W. Adcock, of Route 4, was in town Monday and called on the editor.

Miss Jeannette Biggs spent Saturday with Mrs. J. F. Coleman at Stovall.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Perkinson are spending the week with relatives at Stovall.

Mr. A. A. Hicks attended the meeting of Bar Association at Toxaway last week.

Miss Maud Parham returned home Saturday after a visit to friends in Greensboro.

Rev. W. S. Hester, of Route 6, was on our streets Monday and called to see the editor.

Mr. J. C. Winters, of Stem section, was in Oxford Monday and called on the "old man".

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Curran and son, B. F. Curran, of Route 7, were Oxford visitors Monday.

Mrs. Graham Roberts and son have returned from a protracted visit to Eastern Carolina.

Mr. C. M. Lawrence, of Creedmoor, was in town Monday and called at this office on business.

Miss Dixie Hester, of Route 1, was the guest of Mrs. C. D. Osborn Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Barnette, who has been visiting Miss Annie Bryan returned to her home at Roxboro Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cannady, of Dothan, Ala., are visiting their mother, Mrs. Mary Cannady, on College street.

Mr. "T" Alston, of Warrenton, was in Oxford Saturday and Sunday visiting Mr. Luther Stark on College street.

Miss Carrie O'Neal, of Durham and Miss Hallie Moore, of Stem, were the guests of Mrs. S. M. Clark the past week.

Mrs. F. M. Shamburger and daughter, Miss Myrtle, leave today for a month's visit to relatives in Cleveland, Ohio.

Messrs. H. W. Davis, of Bullock, and L. M. Thomas, of Skipwith, Va., were in Oxford Monday and call on the editor.

Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Fitzgerald who have been visiting their sister, Mrs. J. S. Rogers, left for their home in Keyesville Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamlin Cheatham, of Route 3, were in Oxford Sunday afternoon visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ira Howard on Broad street.

Mr. Roger Gant, of Duke, spent a few days in Oxford last week with T. W. Winston, and his many friends were glad to see him.

Miss Londa Shamburger left Monday for Siler City to visit Miss Margaret Goodwin, who has been her guest for the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hicks returned to New York City Tuesday after witnessing the final completion of their handsome and convenient country home.

Miss Fannie Webb is visiting friends in Wadesboro.

Miss Clyde Morris, of Durham, is the guest of Miss Pearl Taylor.

Mrs. D. R. Bonitz and Miss Frances Gregory spent Monday in Raleigh.

Miss Jennie Frances, of Baltimore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. William Landis.

Mr. Cam Hunt returned from Panacea Springs Monday, and we are pleased to learn from him that Mrs. Hunt continues to improve in health.

Mr. W. E. Dorsey, of Route 3, was in town Saturday, and the editor was pleased to learn that he was about to get well of a serious attack of rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bobbitt, of Washington City, visited their grand mother and aunt, Mrs. M. A. Bobbitt, and Mrs. J. G. Hunt on Spring street the first of the week.

Mr. Jonah Veasey, the hustling saw mill man, was in town Saturday and we were much pleased to learn from him that he has orders for all the lumber he will be able to cut in several months.

The editor was much pleased to receive a visit from Mr. M. M. Person, one of Franklin county's nice young men on Friday, who was visiting relatives in Oxford. He said, "I like the Oxford Banner, and here is one dollar, send it to me for one year."

Pension Board Meets.

The Pension Board composed of Dr. S. D. Booth, Milton Blalock and B. I. Breedlove with Mr. J. G. Shotwell as Clerk, met Monday in the Clerk's office and passed upon 14 new applications for State Pension. The death roll for the year number nine, which show, how rapidly the brave and self sacrificing Confederate Veterans are answering the final roll call of the Captain of their Salvation.

The Board adjourned to meet on Monday the 10th.

Old Citizen Gathered to Rest.

Another one of our old citizens has obeyed the summons of the Master and quietly sleeps beneath the sod. Mr. Thomas D. Waller after an illness of more than a month died at the home of his brother, Mr. M. B. Waller, in Durham Saturday morning, where he had gone from Raleigh.

He was the son of late Calvin Waller and leaves behind two brothers, Messrs. S. W. Waller, of Knap of Reeds, and M. B. Waller, of Durham, and other relatives to mourn his death. He was 66 years of age, and was an old Confederate Soldier, being a member of Co. I, 63rd Regiment and was wounded in the leg in battle. He was Adjutant of Maurice Smith Camp of Confederate Veterans. He merchandised at Knap of Reeds about five years and also engaged in farming. Some time after his election as Chairman of Board of Commissioners he became a citizen of Oxford and lived among us for more than 20 years. He served the county faithfully and well for eight years as Chairman of Board of Commissioners, and was the best posted man on county affairs in Granville. He was careful and painstaking in all business entrusted to his care, and made a most excellent magistrate.

He never identified himself with any church, but was an exemplary man, a staunch friend, a sober, peaceful citizen, and is at rest in the Great Beyond. Thus has gone one more Confederate soldier and worthy citizen whose earnest fidelity of purpose and quiet life might be emulated.

The remains were brought from Durham Sunday afternoon and were consigned to the tomb in the Waller graveyard, where four generations are buried, in the presence of a large assemblage of sorrowing relatives and friends. May he rest in sweet peace.

Those who attended the funeral from Oxford were: Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Smith, Sheriff Wheeler, J. E. Howell, Thos. H. Jones, L. Hunter, J. G. Shotwell, J. F. Webb and Thomas S. Waller.

WARNING NOT TO HIRE—Tom Bass having left my employment without cause this is to warn all persons not to hire or harbor said Tom Bass under the penalty of the law.

LAND FOR SALE—I have for sale, sixty-eight acres of land about 2 1-2 miles from Oxford. Prices reasonable. Terms easy. J. T. COLE. T. LANIER.