



## Watch us Grow.

Ten more subscribers were added to our list the past week. That's right friends, keep right on subscribing to the Oxford Banner, as the "old man" greatly appreciates your encouragement and patronage. It would be a great thing if each one of our subscribers would get us a new subscriber, thus putting the Semi-Weekly Oxford Banner in double the number of homes in Granville.

## Invited To Come Back Home.

The Fair Association is anxious to get the names and addresses of old Granville county citizens who have moved to other counties or states. A special invitation will be extended to them to come back to the county in October to visit their relatives and friends and see the County Fair. Incidentally we hope to prove to them that Granville is a good place to move back to. Many of these men went away and settled on farms in other sections under the impression that Granville was a good place to move from. They are seeing their mistake now, some of them are, and the tide has started back. Already news has come from many places of the intention of these men of returning this fall and others will follow. Let us get them all back to the Fair and let them see that their old county is moving right forward in the ranks of the progressives and that they can do nothing better than come back and cast their lot again with the old folks at home.

Please send these addresses as soon as possible as a complete list is desired in order to get the invitation early enough for them to make their plans to come. There is no better time of the year to have a home coming week and many will come with the expectation of seeing old friends and acquaintances from other sections.

It would also be a good plan to write a few letters to your friends urging them to come.

H. P. WEBB, Secretary

## Should Support His Town.

"Why should I support my own town, its schools, its churches, its every public enterprise and business? is a question every one should put to himself and honestly consider. The result would be beneficial both to the individual and the town. Here are a few of the many reasons he would be sure to find.

The town is his home and a man's first duty is to his community home as well as to his domestic home. Again local patriotism demands it. Love for pride in one's town is the duty as it should ever be the joy of every citizen, and his patriotism should find constant expression in furthering its interests. His town affords him the protection of its government and laws and guards his property against fire and other losses.

A man should trade in his town. Its business men are courteous, willing and progressive, their stock of goods are large and varied, and if there is something one wants which they do not carry they are always ready to secure it. Unlike catalogue houses, the home merchants help to pay the taxes of a town, they contribute to its churches, improvements. Without the business men the town would stagnate and property decrease in value.

The schools of a town should provide ample and satisfactory educational advantages for the children of the town. No town can hope to prosper, or attract other people to make it their home which does not provide good school facilities. Progressive men, those who make things come to pass, are not going to move to such a town, and the town, its property owners and its future suffer accordingly. Its churches should meet and satisfy its religious needs and conserve the moral and spiritual interests of the community.

Its newspapers keep him informed on local matters, enlarge his knowledge, help him in business, minister to his enjoyment and that of his family, and promote every wise effort put forth to help the best interest of the town.

GENERAL ROYSTER has an eye to business, as during his stay at Morehead City has H. H. Callis repainting his buggy.

CALLIS is the man to make your old buggy look new.

## LOCAL SHORTGRAFTS.



Our slogan is: Onward Oxford.

Are you a booster? If so get busy.

Keep the Oxford boomlet buzzing in your hat, and get busy.

Little Miss Elizabeth Niles is very happy now as she has a nice pony to ride and drive around town.

Mr. M. C. Calvert has added to and greatly improved the interior of the old Devin home, which he now owns.

The walls of the Long-Winston Co's large store, on College street, continue to climb higher with each day's work.

All the world loves a lover, but not when he's holding a busy telephone for a ten minute talk with his turtle dove.

If you need anything done in the plumbing line consult Osborn & Mason for prices. See advertisement on another page.

Owing to unavoidable circumstances the picnic of the Presbyterian Sunday School has been postponed to a date in the future.

Tommy—Pop, what do we mean by the crust of society? Tommy's Pop—The crust of society, my son, is composed of those who have the dough.

Man ever falls from heights above, Since Father Adam set the pace, He falls in debt or falls in love, And either makes him fall from grace.

Have you read the advertisement of Landis & Easton's clearance sale on the third page? If not read it and go and buy goods almost at your own price.

The farmers have been compelled to resort to Oxford to get their corn ground during the past week as most of the mills in the country are unable to run.

The county has had a reinforced concrete culvert put in on Raleigh road just outside of the corporation and the bridge across the ditch has been done away with.

If you wish to buy a good farm in Salem township and a nice, comfortable home in Oxford don't fail to read Mr. D. N. Hunt's advertisement in another column.

It will be seen by advertisement on the second page that Taylor Bros., the splendid Main street grocers, seek your trade as they keep fresh line of groceries always on hand.

Mr. Jonah Veasey has gotten tired of riding in a buggy and rolled into town Friday in a nice automobile, which we hope will prove the very thing he needs in his business.

"Sometimes," said Uncle Eben, "de man dat don't do 'nuffin but kick hab a mighty easy time. He kin git so much gratitude fob jes' keepin' still dat he don't have to do no regular work."

Let everybody unite in one solid phalanx and pull for Oxford and Granville county. A cordial invitation is extended the "old moss-back knockers" to fall in line and swell the ranks.

To stop a tear the doctors say  
"Tis sweetest, surest, best,  
To lean down where the pearly drop  
May trickle to your breast,  
And looking up with eyes of love  
Let love's lip do the rest."

The Tar River Academy Farmers' Union will meet on Tuesday afternoon July 18th, at 2:30 o'clock. All members are requested to be present on account of important business.

M. BLALOCK, President.

The Granville Grays left Sunday afternoon for the encampment at Morehead City under the command of Capt. T. G. Stem, who recently returned from the Texas frontier. We hope the boys will have a most delightful time on the seashore.

This life is just a little house  
In which we try to keep  
The dreams that sometimes come to us  
When waking or asleep.  
And if we dust it every day  
With sunshine and with song,  
The sweet dreams never pass away,  
The good ones last so long!

Mr. West Hart, who has been confined at home on account of sickness, is out again.

We are gratified to learn that the approximated increase of tax valuation in Granville county runs up to the large amount of eight hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Miss Eva Minor with some of the musical talent of Oxford, assisted by Mr. Hubert Poteat, of Wake Forest, will give a concert in the Opera House Friday night, July 14. Proceeds will go to the organ fund of Oxford Methodist church.

Some good work in spite of the dry weather has been put in on the Orphan Asylum farm this year under the guiding hand of Mr. R. I. Daniel, as we are informed the corn crop is the best the Asylum has had in years if it can get a little more rain.

Shepard Booth, Elliott Cooper, John Mitchell and John Stedman are anticipating a fine time in the enjoyment of a few days encampment at Cannady's mill. We wish these popular young sportsmen an outing of pleasure and no accidents.

Alarm of Fire was sounded at 11 o'clock Thursday morning and the Fireman responded promptly, but owing to Central giving the name of R. S. Turner instead of L. B. Turner, where the fire was, the Fireman were delayed, and on arriving it was found the wash-room was on fire but had been put out.

## Happy Fishing Party.

It was the good fortune of the editor to join one of the jolliest and most successful fishing parties that ever left Oxford with a net Saturday morning over the Southern Railway for Grassy Creek, five miles this side of Clarksville. Through the kindness of Mr. Cliff Robards, agent at Oxford, the conductor was instructed to put the party off just across the bridge, which consisted of the following persons:

Dr. and Mrs. T. L. Booth and Master Tom, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Smith and four children, Misses Willie Lee and Daisy, and Masters Orin and Frank, Miss Pearl Jones, Judge Graham and son Augustus, Sheriff Sam Wheeler, W. Z. Mitchell, Walter Stradley, W. S. Daniel, Pete Bullock, Jack Bullock, John and Joe Gooch, A. Willford, Joe Turner, Conrad Walters, James Beasley, Tommie Howell, Pete Wood and Masters Linwood and Blount Bryan. Dr. S. H. Cannady, who loves to fish, joined the party later, coming out in his automobile. The following hustlers after fish from Stem were among the happy crowd: John B. Mayes, D. L. Hardee, Elvin Jones, John Mayes, Jr., Fred Adcock, Joe Wheeler and Ernie Walters.

Shortly after our arrival the ladies commenced to make preparation for cooking dinner on the bank of the creek, while the men went to the mill and donned their fishing clothes. In a short time about 20 men led by Sam Wheeler, Judge Graham and John B. Mayes, the veteran fishermen, were seining for fish just below the dam, and from there seined on down the creek making good hauls, and the ladies soon had a colored man cleaning nice white perch, chubs, red horses and cat fish and frying them for dinner, baking bread and boiling coffee.

About a half mile down the creek the game fishermen were joined by Drs. S. H. Cannady and T. L. Booth about the time the real fun began. The "boys" struck "it rich" near the bank among a lot of brush where they captured several large carp at one haul amid cheers. One would sing out: "I've got a whopper between my legs!" Sheriff Wheeler then exclaimed: "Look out I'm going to dive for him; jump on top of me and hold me under the water so I can get him!" His head soon bobbed up above the water, putting you in mind of a large paupus from the amount of water he blew from his mouth, holding by the gills an eighteen pound Carp. About this time another man would yell out: "Close up, there is another big one in here as he come very near knocking me down." Almost by the time he got the words out of his mouth another one sung out: "I've got a whale," and Sheriff Wheeler, the diver, was right on the spot, and as he disappeared beneath the water exclaimed: "Jump right on me and hold me down and let me pull him up!" In about a minute he came up with another 18 pound Carp amid loud cheers.

Several smaller carp, weighing from 8 to 12 pounds, were pulled in along with chubs, jacks, white perch and cats. It was a scene worth standing on the bank and viewing and joining the fish heroes in their triumphant yells that awoke the echoes of that part of old Grassy Creek.

About one o'clock the plucky fisherman stopped for dinner, and after a short walk gathered near the bridge and the whole party enjoyed a splendid fish dinner, which had been nicely prepared by the ladies, who enjoy the reputation being fine cooks. It proved a royal feast with plenty to spare.

After talking over the great fun of the morning the fisherman went back down the creek and were soon catching more fish, among them more Carp, the largest one weighing 17 pounds.

When six arrived time was called, and the jolly fishermen retired from the water after having a glorious time catching so many large fish.

About 6:30 the happy party gathered around the ladies again under the trees and partook of a choice fish supper, after which we all climbed the hill to the railroad track ready for the trip home. While waiting for the train the surplus buckets of fish were divided up among the party. In all about 230 pounds of fish were caught, 112 pounds being carp.

We did not have long to wait for the train and were soon aboard on our way home with happy hearts. The "old man" enjoyed it so well he would like to go again.

About 5 o'clock we quickly thought that the happy day was about to be marred by a distressing accident, but to our joy was averted. Mr. Joe Turner had little Miss Daisy Smith in the creek, about waist deep, trying to learn her how to swim when all at once he went in a hole and said in trying to get back caught one of his pant legs on a broken limb in bottom of creek which only allowed him to just stick his nose out of the water. Here the struggle commenced, he trying to keep not only the little girl's head above the water but his own. Daisy sung out, and attracted the attention of those on the bank. While Messrs. Jack Bullock and Walter Stradley were getting the boat off to go to the rescue, Master Orin Smith swam out and kept his sister afloat until the boat arrived, which was brave act.

They were soon rescued amid the fast hearts of the dear mother and the others on the bank, and all present were happy to greet safely on the bank. It was a close call as Mr. Turner was about exhausted with his battle to keep the little girl and himself above the water. He turned right purple in the face, but kept battling with his arms until the boat reached him.

## Complimentary Reception.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Parker gave a hospitable reception Friday evening complimentary to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hunt. The home was attractively adorned and presented a beautiful scene made lovely by choicest roses and sweetest flowers amid ferns and evergreens.

At the front door the guests were received cordially by Miss Flora Hunt welcomed in the hall by Mr. and Mrs. William Landis and passed into the parlor where the reception party composed of Mr. and Mrs. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hunt, Dr. and Mrs. George Carr, of Durham. In the library Mr. and Mrs. Cam Easton and Mrs. J. C. Davis and Mrs. J. B. Powell received and passed the guest to the dining room presided over by Mrs. Cam Hunt, assisted by Misses Nette Gregory, May White, May Carbutt and Mrs. D. C. Hunt in serving the delicacies of choice and excellent variety.

The punch bowl was a pleasing attraction where Miss Jennie Francis and Miss Florence Carbutt served the fragrant beverage.

All present enjoyed the delightful entertainment which was pronounced by all one of the most enjoyable parties of the season, made especially agreeable by the cordial hospitality of Mrs. Parker and her guests of honor.

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

T. LANIER.

TAYLOR BROS. have just received another lot of those Fancy Smoked Beef Tongues. Have you tried them?

Stop borrowing your neighbors paper and subscribe for yourself.

## THOSE WHO TRAVEL.



Mr. Joe Baird is spending a few days in Richmond.

Mr. Ben Hunt, of Route 3, spent Saturday in town.

Mr. Len Gooch, of Route 1, was on our streets Saturday.

Mr. Ed. Cottrell, of Stovall, was on our streets Saturday.

Mr. Will Landis spent Monday in Richmond on business.

James Taylor left Monday for a weeks stay at Morehead.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Daniel, of Route 1, were in town Saturday.

Mr. Wesley Thorpe, of Satterwhite, spent Saturday in Oxford.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mulchi, of Virgilina, Va., spent Saturday in Oxford.

Marsh Callis and sister left Sunday to visit relatives in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Kimball, of Hargrove, spent Saturday in Oxford.

Mr. Clarence Breedlove, of Salem section, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Burnett, of Route 6, were in town Saturday.

Mrs. B. K. Hays returned Tuesday from a visit to Buffalo Springs Va.

Mr. and Mrs. John Woody, of Salem section, were town visitors Saturday.

Mr. Jim Wrenn, of Route 3, was among the visitors in town Saturday.

Mr. Frank Blalock is enjoying the wild waves at Ocean View this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dickerson, of Kittrell, were town visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Greenway, of Route 3, were town visitors Saturday.

Mrs. R. P. Taylor returned home Friday after a pleasant month at Panacea.

Mrs. Z. W. Lyon returned Saturday from a very pleasant stay at Wrightsville.

Mrs. J. S. Brown has returned home after a pleasant visit to Wrightsville Beach.

Mr. Lee Taylor returned Monday from a pleasant visit to Panacea Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kinton, of Cornwall, were among the visitors in town Saturday.

Misses Hattie Hicks and Hallie Dickerson, of Dickerson, were in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. Will Lassiter left for Fredricksburg, Va., Sunday where he will make his home.

Gen B. S. Royster and family left Monday for Morehead City to spend some time.

Mr. B. K. Lassiter left Monday for Morehead City to enjoy a short summer outing.

Miss Annie Lou Phipps, of Route 1, spent Saturday with her sister, Mrs. W. B. Currin.

Mrs. C. D. Osborn returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Mann, in Raleigh on Friday.

Messrs. Otho and Marsh Daniel, of Route 1, were among the visitors in Oxford Saturday.

Messrs. Lige Currin, Albert Crews and Leroy Crews, of Tar River, were Oxford visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Ed Adkinson spent several days during the past week with her sisters, who live in Virginia.

Mr. J. G. Hall returned to Oxford Saturday evening after a prolonged and beneficial visit at Panacea.

Mr. Josh King has returned from a ten days visit at his old home in Halifax county and is much improved in health.

Col. H. G. Cooper returned Saturday from Fayetteville where he had a short but pleasant visit to his brother, Mr. S. W. Cooper.

Mrs. Josephine Ballou and Mrs. Abbott left Saturday for Winston-Salem, where they were called to the bedside of Mr. Dixon, a son-in-law of Mrs. Ballou, who is very ill.

Mr. John Stem, of Stem, was in town Monday.

Mr. A. A. Lyon, of Lyon, was on our streets Monday.

Mrs. Sam Couch, of Chase City, Va., is visiting Mrs. J. F. White.

Miss Lillian Spencer left Monday for Broadnax, Va., to visit relatives.

Mr. W. M. Wood and son, of Adoniram, were Oxford visitors Monday.

Col. W. B. Ballou is attending the meeting of the Carriage Association at Newport News this week.

Miss Frances Abbott and Master Billy Abbott left Tuesday for Appomattox, Va., to spend the summer.

Revs. J. A. Stradley and Mr. Weatherpoon, along with a number of other Oxonians are attending the Flat River Association at Rock Springs church this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clingman, son and daughter, and Mr. A. B. Kimball, of Greensboro, were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Renn on College street Sunday and Monday.

Messrs. Leo and Monroe Warburton, Perry West, Jake Hinson, Stencil Covington, Tom Leak, Henry Wall and Dr. Will Webb, of Rockingham, passed through Oxford in automobiles on Monday en route to Buffalo Springs, Va.

The family of Mr. Sol. W. Cooper have engaged rooms at the Exchange Hotel and will come in a few days to spend the remainder of the summer at this very comfortable and handsomely furnished hotel. The people here will gladly welcome their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hayes left Monday for Chase City, where Mr. Hayes, who has been the efficient assistant cashier at the Southern depot, will be assistant agent at Chase City depot. They have made many friends in Oxford who regret deeply to give them up.

## Equalization Board Meet.

The Board of Equalization met on Monday, July 10th, with all the members and Mr. F. W. Hancock, county assessor, present.

F. W. Hancock, county assessor, read from Machinery Act the law calling this meeting and defining their duties. Townships were taken up in order and complaints heard.

W. S. Cozart made complaint as to valuation of his lands in Tally Ho township. The farm lands of Mr. W. S. Cozart were reduced from 1911 valuation to \$3000.

The list takers of Oxford township were instructed after a unanimous vote in favor of same to list all tobacco and other property that was in said township on the first day of May, that had not been listed.

T. W. Sizemore, of Sassafras Fork township, was granted a reduction of \$200 in valuation of real estate.

The assessment of real estate of W. R. and A. B. Kimball in Fishing Creek township was reduced to \$15,000.

Mrs. L. A. Royster was granted a reduction of \$100 on property at Bullock in Sassafras Fork township.

H. M. Tally was granted a reduction of \$100 on property at Bullock, Sassafras Fork township.

T. G. Currin was granted a reduction of \$500 in valuation of real estate in Fishing Creek township.

J. B. POWELL, Clerk.

At a call meeting of the Board of County Commissioners following adjournment of Board of Equalization with chairman Lassiter, H. C. Floyd and Ralph Currin present: the following business was transacted.

There was ordered held an election to ascertain the wishes of the people as to a special school tax district in Tally Ho township. The rate on property at 30 cents and poll 90 cents. Board adjourned.

J. B. POWELL, Clerk.

## Fun For The People.

The Empire Musical Co., played to a large and very appreciative audience in the Opera House last night. They presented one of the best Musical Comedies of its kind that has been here in some time, "The By Stander." Tonight they will present the "Kidland." A very laughable little play. Plenty of comedy and good singing. Six ladies and four gentlemen. Let everybody come out and have a good time. Adults 25c, children 15c.

REMEMBER that Callis can make your old buggy look like a new one. Send it around.