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### THE NEW COUNTY OFFICERS

#### Granville County Is to Be Congratulated on the New Officers.

In the selection of all the officers the county is fortunate in having men of recognized ability, and that they will keep the county affairs in an intelligent, business-like manner goes without saying. It is a situation that calls for earnest congratulation, in the conviction that we have as good a set of officers as is to be found in the State. The new board of County Commissioners are good solid business men. They have managed their own private affairs well, and this argues that they will bring the same business sagacity into the affairs of the county. Dr. J. P. Stedman, the new chairman, is a man of splendid qualifications, and the business of the county will be well attended to. The retiring officers did much to commend them, and in passing out they have the thanks of the people of the county. And it is not often that a Board can thus retire with the plaudits of a whole county. At best, it is almost impossible to serve acceptably to every one, for the one will accuse them of being "penny wise and pound foolish," "over careful" or something else, but it can be truly said of both the old and new officers that they are men of earnest convictions. To the new officer the Public Ledger extends good wishes and bid them God's speed in their earnest efforts to build up the county.

Could we but realize it, the county is but a big business enterprise in which we are all partners; consequently, whatever is good for county is good for us all, country man and town alike; whatever builds up one section helps the whole, and whatever drags back one part retards us all. When you hit the town the county gets a black eye; and when you hold back the country the towns stand still. Good roads will help the country, therefore, they will help everybody in it no matter what his business and no matter where he lives unless it is in the poorhouse and they will not even hurt the paupers.

#### Sign of Prosperity.

Nothing reveals the strength and stability of a community as does the resources of a bank, and the people have a way of associating the strength and durability of the National Bank of Granville with the Rock of Gibraltar. The statement of this old banking institution, elsewhere in this paper, furnishes interesting statistics. The combined statement of the National Bank of Granville and the Oxford Saving Bank and Trust Company is a revelation of strength and security, of which the depositors and the public is justly proud.

#### Mark Down Sale.

The mark down sale at Landis & Easton is of especial interest to purchasers at this season when everybody is on the hunt for something nice. Every tailor made suit in the house is marked down at a big reduction, and the Landis & Easton guarantee goes with every sale. It would be well for shoppers to remember that Christmas is only three weeks off, and that Landis & Easton extend every convenience and comfort to out of town customers to make their headquarters at their store. Their Christmas furs are beautiful; their millinery is all that the feminine heart could wish; rugs, druggets, lace curtains, shoes, towels and linens are included in the mark down sale. Read their advertisement elsewhere in this paper.

#### Afternoon Tea.

Wednesday afternoon from 4 to 6 Mrs. Richard C. M. Calvert very charmingly entertained a number of her friends to meet her sister, Mrs. P. G. Mumford, of New York.

This interesting home was even more attractive than usual when added to the charm of curios from many countries, lovely carnations, evergreens, and handsomely gowned women were in evidence.

Master Creigh Calvert received the cards at the door and very gallantly ushered the guests into the hall, where they were cordially greeted by Mrs. W. A. Devia, who presented them to the hostess, the guest of honor, and Mrs. J. A. Niles, who most graciously received.

They were then conducted by Mrs. Josiah Cannady from the parlor to the dining room, where elegant refreshments were served by Mrs. A. L. Capehart, Miss Susan Graham and Mrs. W. H. Hunt, the latter presiding at the punch bowl.

Memories of the pleasant occasion will undoubtedly linger with each guest.

NUTS, English Walnuts, Nigger Toes, Almonds and Pecans. We have a big lot of nuts, candies and fruits. We can supply your Christmas wants.

J. G. HALL

CUSTER'S last fight. One of the greatest pictures ever seen will be at Opera House Friday night and Saturday matinee.

FOR RENT, a three-room cottage near Peace's store on Raleigh street. Apply to Mrs. A. S. Pace. 1tpd

### Local Wavelets.

#### Events of Interest Gathered Here and There.

Did you say Oxford's name was nud? Have you sealed your letters with a Christmas Seal?

There isn't much good in the man who can see no good in others.

Mr. Eugene Crews has accepted a position with the Hamilton Drug Co.

The Wilson pie counter smile is one that won't come off until the slice is handed out.

If a man is a growler it doesn't make any difference if everybody rushes him to the limit.

Sheriff Wheeler is making rapid progress in rebuilding the burnt part of the Banner warehouse.

The prices received for all grades of tobacco on the Oxford market are smile givers. Try it.

Old Col. Bump is still in a raised condition on the sidewalks and streets with more on the way.

In swinging the circle for Christmas presents be sure and call at the store of the Hamilton Drug Co.

If you want to buy your Christmas presents early consult the advertising columns of the Public Ledger.

When a man is fired with enthusiasm for his town and his county he becomes a red hot booster.

Our devil is getting quite musical of late as he has got to singing: "Sweet Marie is the girl for me," etc.

Our young friend Joe Pittman is the happiest man in town over the arrival of a ten pound girl at his home.

Rev. F. T. Horsfield will hold service in St. Paul's church, Goshen, Sunday next at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Official figures show that the gallant Major Stedman was re-elected to Congress by a majority of 5,080 over Mr. Curry.

Messrs. J. F. Meadows, E. E. Fuller and W. W. Brummitt have been drawn as jurors in the United States Court at Raleigh.

According to a scientist, all men will be baldheaded in 500 years. It's a cinch if Oxford's baldheaded bachelors will live until then.

A number of our people are troubled with roots in their sewerage pipes and are taking out terra cotta pipe and putting in iron ones.

We know of no better reputation our new Board of County Commissioners can attain than to become known as "The Good Roads Board."

Exercise and air are conducive to good health and the man or woman who indulges freely in both is almost certain to escape the sickness of the season.

It is not news to say that "sweet sixteen" is the same as it always was if not a little more so in Oxford from the number of lassies that grace our streets daily.

Faith dreamed a dream—  
It'er came true;  
But that is the way  
Most day-dreams do.

While North Carolina made 51,000,000 bushels of corn this year, it reminds us to say that our people continue to be very much attached to old Virginia corn.

Our large hearted new sheriff, Mr. Crawford Hobgood, informs us that he will retain the excellent services of Mr. Conrad Walters and Deputy Sheriff Rufus Blackley, of Wilton.

We hope our friend McNinch will bear from Santa Claus in a bountiful manner to compensate him for the bad treatment he received at the hands of Roswell during the campaign.

When you see an opportunity beat the other fellow to it. Don't wait for him to seize it. Seize it for yourself. If you can't manage it by yourself call on the "curbstone groucher" to assist you.

A small tenement house on corner of Penn Avenue and New College street is being transformed into a neat cottage by the real estate combination. It is a good thing as people are here nearly every day looking for houses to rent.

Dr. C. L. Rapier, of the Chair of Political Economy of the State University, will address the students and patrons of the Oxford Graded School this Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Auditorium. The public is cordially invited.

It is said the Tobacco Trust is continuing to rob the tobacco growers of our State, but it certainly don't look like it from the very high averages the farmers have received and are still receiving for the weed on the ever reliable Oxford market.

Oxford had a large break of tobacco yesterday.

Mrs. Cornelia Jones, who has been sick some days, is much better.

You are specially asked to read the change in the advertisement of the Carolina Power & Light Co. on another page.

We are pleased to learn that Mr. "Pi" Cheatham, who lost his arm some days ago in a corn shredder, is getting along nicely.

Messrs. Mangum & Watkins are still giving away \$10 bills to farmers who sell tobacco on the Johnson warehouse floor where prices are always high.

Mr. Cortez Wright, who did such telling work during the Senatorial campaign for Senator Simmons, is now at his post of duty in Washington City, and receiving the warm congratulations of his many friends.

On and after the 15th of December the Registration and Money Order Window at the Postoffice will be kept open from 8 o'clock in the morning to 5 o'clock in the afternoon for the accommodation of the public.

The Citizens Bank of Creedmoor comes to the front again with an excellent statement, showing that it continues to prosper in one of the best communities in the State. Read the statement of this reliable bank and extend it your patronage.

Mr. J. K. Daniel, the chippy President of the Shake Rag Bachelor's Club, who has not proved a success in marrying, is a winner on raising porkers. He killed 4 last week that tipped the beam at 1,076 pounds, and has a good supply of hominy to go with it.

The Gastonia Gazette says: Mrs. W. G. Pace and little son, Greenville T. Pace, of Oxford, are the guests of Mrs. D. A. Garrison. Mrs. Pace is well remembered here as Miss Marie Hutchins, she having made her home before marriage with Dr. and Mrs. Garrison.

Mr. Otis Eakes, who came to Oxford last spring and established a laundry, returned to Durham recently, leaving his brother in charge, had the misfortune to fall into a hot gasoline tank at Durham last week, and died from the effect of the burns on Tuesday.

Your attention is called to the fine statement made by the First National Bank of Oxford in another column, which is a record breaker. Start a savings account now with this bank for a Christmas gift to your boy or girl and encourage them to add to it during the coming year.

No matter where you are going it will pay you to stop at the Lyon Drug store and take a look at the beautiful and attractive line of Christmas and holiday goods now on display. Do your trading early so you can get the pick of the articles. Read Lyon's advertisement on another page.

The new Board of County Commissioners put in 3 hard days work this week. Of course the new members, who are very anxious to make a record on the first go-round, had to be initiated while the old members looked on with complacency having passed over the rocky road of trying to suit the people.

From now on the subscription price of the Public Ledger will be \$1.50 per year; six months 75 cents and three month 50 cents. If those who we have just sent statements to will respond at once will get the Twice-a-week Public Ledger another year for one dollar. In case you do not want the paper any longer please notify us at once.

Every red cross seal you use during the Christmas holidays counts 1 cent towards the great work of stamping out tuberculosis, the greatest enemy to the human race, and for the maintenance of hospitals for the work. Put one on every letter and package you mail or send out. Don't fail to aid in this work.

#### School Honor Roll.

The following is the honor roll of Salem public school for November:

First Grade—Blanch Woody, Emma Parham, Ben Averett, Walter Woody.

Second Grade—Meeta Woody.

Third Grade—Booth Crews, Allene Averett.

Fourth Grade—Sam Critcher, N. G. Crews.

Fifth Grade—Lena Hart, Ruth Woody.

Sixth Grade—Sudie Crews, Casper Critcher, Daniel Crews, Lena Dement, Clarent Jones.

Seventh Grade—Marie Adelia Crews.

Eighth Grade—Eugenia Crews.

Teachers—Miss Mammie Parham and Dixie Hester.

#### Three Stem Items.

The home of Mr. L. A. Bullock, of Route 2, was gladdened by the arrival of a son Sunday night.

Mrs. Freddie Daniel and children, of Durham, returned home Sunday from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Aiken, of Route 2.

The people of this section will learn with much regret that Rev. M. D. Giles will not come back to the Granville Circuit, but is sent to Golson Circuit in Fayetteville District. He will be succeeded by Rev. M. D. Hix.

#### Route Four Routings.

Glad to see Mr. Bennie Currin out again after a slight illness.

Mr. Norman Hobgood is completing his new home on this route.

Mrs. Lee Frazier and son, Mr. Ovett, were Oxford recently Saturday.

Miss Cora Nelson, of Oxford Graded School, spent the week end with parents.

Mr. Belcher, of Woodliff Mill section, spent Sunday with Messrs. Oscar and Clyde Loyd.

Mr. Fred Currin and sister, Miss Julia, visited their sister, Mrs. Dick Watkins, near Oxford Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Mulchi and two little ones, of Virgilina, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Kinton last week. XENOPHON.

#### Northside Nuggets.

Mrs. Angier Finger spent Monday in Oxford.

Mr. Ralph Currin is the owner of a new Maxwell car.

Mr. Claud Cash, of Route 2, killed a fine hog last week.

Mr. Payler, of Creedmoor, was a visitor in our village last week.

Mr. Richard Aiken, of Fuquay, was the guest of Mr. Jesse Lyon Saturday night.

Miss Carrie Tom Farthing spent Thanksgiving at home, to the delight of her friends.

Misses Lily Holloway and Clyde Morris, of Durham, spent the week end with relatives near here.

Little Elizabeth Daniel, of Raleigh, is visiting her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. T. Thomasson, of Route 2.

Mr. Alex Fleming and little daughter, Hazel, of Raleigh, were the guests of his sons at this place the past week.

#### Oak Hill Oracles.

It is getting along toward Christmas and the people in this section are planning to have a good time.

We are glad to know that the Oxford tobacco market maintains high averages for which it is noted, and hope it will continue to do so, as there is a quantity in this section yet to be sold.

It would seem that Oxford is now a city the way the thieves and robbers are carrying on—setting fire to one part of the town in order to rob the other part. Everybody sympathizes with Judge Graham and Mr. W. Z. Mitchell in their heavy losses by fire.

We are bothered with droves of hogs that are raised east of this place and are permitted to run at large and devour what they can find. It is against the law to let stock run at large, and every man is supposed to keep his stock under rail or wire, as the law directs.

Some few people in this neck of the woods will trot down to Oxford and ask the County Commissioners to give them the contract to build or open a road to Oak Hill, then open it up so as to pass their own doors instead of running it, as it should be run. It is nothing but right that if the road is built for the accommodation of a few instead of the many then the choice few should keep the road in repair. CLAW HAMMER.

NOTICE TO HOUSEKEEPERS OF OXFORD AND GRANVILLE CO.

Having just received a Modern Slicing Machine we are now prepared to slice Bacon, Boiled Hams, Dried smoked Beef, Spiced Beef and German Sausage in those nice thin wafer slices that everyone likes so well. It looks better, cooks better, tastes better and besides you get more. Give us a sample order and be convinced.

TAYLOR BROS.,  
The Sanitary Grocers.  
Phone 115

A KODAK will please your girl Christmas. J. G. HALL.

CUSTER'S last fight—the 3 reel feature Friday night and Saturday matinee 10 cents.

SPECTACLES LOST—At the Opera House or on College street Friday night Nov. 22d, pair rimless gold-framed spectacles in case. Finder please leave at Oxford Jewelry store at get reward. pd

DON'T fail to see Custer's last fight. Opera House Friday night Dec. 6 from 7:30 to 10. Matinee, Saturday at 3.

CELEBRATION OF EMANCIPATION OXFORD, N. C., Dec 2, 1912.

We, the colored citizens of Granville county, celebrated the 7th day of April, 1912, as the proper day for the celebration of negro freedom. Everything was carried out nicely, Rev. A. P. Eaton, of Henderson, preaching a wonderful sermon that was beneficial to all who heard it. Owing to the success of the day the officers have decided to continue to celebrate the 9th day of April ever year in Oxford. All are welcome to take part in the celebration. G. W. PERRY, Captain.

FOR SALE—Forty-five horse power 4 passenger gentleman's Roadster; good condition, cheap at Crenshaw ga. age.

### Personal Notes.

#### Coming and Going of friends and Strangers.

Mr. Len Knott, of Enon, was in town Friday.

Mr. McBragg, of Stem, was in town Thursday.

Mr. H. A. Stem, of Stem, was in town Friday.

Mr. A. Davis, of Route 3, was on our streets Friday.

Mr. Nat Faucett, of Wilton, was in town Thursday.

Mr. J. P. Mize, of Route 1, was in town Friday.

Mr. W. J. Currin, of Route 7, was in town Thursday.

Mr. J. M. Moss, of Route 3, was in town Thursday.

Mr. Len Gooch, of Route 1, was in town Thursday.

Mr. Frank West, of Route 4, was a town visitor Friday.

Mr. D. G. Bullock, of Stem, was in Oxford Thursday.

Mr. J. P. Bradsher, of Shady Grove, was in town Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tillotson, Route 1, were in town Friday.

Mr. J. W. Currin, of Route 4, was on our streets Thursday.

Mr. George Parham, of Route 5, was in Oxford Wednesday.

Mr. D. Currin, of Route 6, was on the tobacco breaks Thursday.

Mr. J. M. Carrington, of Cornwall section, was in Oxford Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Clement, of Culbreth, were in town Friday.

Mr. Graham Royster, of Buchanan, was our streets Wednesday.

Mr. J. J. All-to-the-good, of Route 7, was a town visitor Thursday.

Mr. J. T. Cozart, of Route 3, was in Oxford Wednesday on business.

Mrs. C. H. Cheatham, of Route 3, was on our streets Wednesday.

Mr. J. H. Tillitson, of Route 2, was an Oxford visitor to-day (Friday).

Mr. W. C. Daniel, of Tar River section, was a town visitor Thursday.

Mr. John Terry, of Providence section, was a town visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Crews, of Route 5, were Oxford shoppers Thursday.

Mr. D. T. Winston, of Adoniram, was on the tobacco breaks Wednesday.

Messrs. J. A. Dean and Walter Dean, of Culbreth section, called on the Public Ledger Thursday.

Mrs. P. G. Mumford, of New York, is the pleasant guest of Mrs. R. M. C. Calvert on High street.

Mrs. Rosa Short, of Winston-Salem, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Vassar Millicampe, on College street.

Prof. F. P. Hobgood attended the meeting of the Baptist State Convention at Goldsboro this week.

Mr. Charles H. Morefield, of the Department of Public Roads, Washington, D. C., spent several days last week with his sister, Mrs. J. D. Brooks.

Mrs. N. A. Gee, who has been spending the summer with her son in Henderson, spent several days the past week with her daughters in Oxford. She left Monday to make her home with her son, Mr. C. J. Gee, in Wadesboro.

The many friends of Major Montgomery will regret to learn he is forced to return to the west on account of his health, which we sincerely hope will prove beneficial to him. Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery will leave Oxford the coming week followed by the best wishes of our people.

#### The Newspaper Law.

Here's how one long-suffering newspaper editor complies with the recently enforced publicity law, says the Augusta Chronicle: "The editor desires to extend his thanks (adv.) to his oldtime friend, Bill Jones (adv.) for a half bushel of sweet potatoes (adv.) These potatoes are of the famous pumpkin variety (adv.) for which Bill is noted for miles around (adv.) While Bill claims all the credit (adv.) for raising these famous (adv.) potatoes, we have a feeling that Mrs. Jones' (watchful care had much to do with large crop (adv.)"

SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY. I will offer for sale on Saturday, December 14th, at 12 o'clock at the Amos Clement place, near Culbreth, two horses, two wagons, binder mower, tobacco flues, sticks, feed and farming implements of all kinds. Dec. 7-2t. E. N. CLEMENT.

Some of the charity that begins at home isn't worth making a fuss about.

### TO SETTLE BOND ISSUE.

#### The Question of Better Streets Depends Upon Bond Issue.

Since the Methodist Conference at Fayetteville last week decided to hold their next annual meeting in Oxford next fall the question of mending our streets and sidewalks presents itself. Certainly something should be done to our streets next spring, and the only plausible way is to issue bonds or borrow money for that purpose. We can do neither without legislative enactment, and if we fail to secure the enactment at the next session of the Legislature, which meets in January, it will mean a delay of two more years. Viewed in its true light, the question is somewhat startling. It is a physical impossibility to mend and maintain our streets with a depleted treasury, and talk to whom you please, the consensus of opinion is that something must be done. It being conceded that our streets are in a deplorable condition during the entire twelve months of the year, either too much mud and slush or dust, is to argue that now is the accepted time to take concerted action with a view of permanent improvement. The Town Commissioners doubtless see just how matters stand, and if they should consider the question seriously and decide to call a meeting of the citizens looking to the issuing of bonds their action would no doubt meet the approval of a large number of our citizens.

#### Burglar Enters Store.

Early this (Friday) morning a burglar entered the store of Mayor Sid Daniel, in "Browntown," west Oxford, and demolished the iron safe by means of an ax or sledge-hammer, securing less than five dollars. It is about time that some one put a ball in these scamps. They grow bolder and bolder as the winter advances. Be prepared to receive them.

#### A Good Play.

The popular little comedy entitled, "The Elopement of Ellen," which was presented at the Opera House Thursday evening by Henderson talent, was well staged and reflected credit upon those who carried the most difficult parts. The weather was very inclement, otherwise they would have played to a full house.

The play was given for the benefit of the missions of the Episcopal church, and that alone was deserving, but considered from an artistic standpoint the play was decidedly interesting, the comic scenes, dancing and singing evoking much applause.

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