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THE STANDPAT TICKET.

The Name of Dr. I. H. Davis Is Mentioned for Mayor. Strong Ticket.

EDITORS OF THE PUBLIC LEDGER:

There has been more or less abuse of the old way of doing things in Oxford. I have lived here a great many years and during all this time it has been my pleasure to be in close touch and discuss the community welfare with men who are well established in their convictions and safe town government, and I am thoroughly convinced that they know what is best for our town. I am opposed to giving up any of the old policies which have prevailed and found good, and to dash headlong into things which are in the experimental stage. Oxford is growing right along, and under a stand-pat administration our town will continue to grow, but if you incur a debt with a debt property is sure to decrease in value. The people who are always talking about mills and factories and large pay-rolls don't stop long enough to think what it would mean to our social welfare. As matters now stand every man in Oxford who behaves himself is respected, more or less, but when you lay the bars down and invite diversified industries to come in you also invite all classes of people, and among them will be many foreigners, who have different religious views from us, and therefore would differ in many ways from the customs that have prevailed here for many years, and which is now responsible for our steady growth and prosperity. That the traditions of our town may be kept in tact I offer a ticket which, to my mind, would give us much prestige and stamp us as a community well grounded in our convictions and not to be shaken by all these new fads about doubling up the offices and appointing one man to lord it over the community. In making up a ticket I have in view such men as would be willing to give the town their best thought and energy, and they are men not to be shaken by the wind, like a reed on the lowlands. After mature consideration, and with the help of a mutual friend or two, I beg leave to present the following ticket on the Standpat platform:

For Mayor, Dr. I. H. Davis; for Commissioners, Messrs. L. B. Turner, John Webb, J. D. Brooks, R. B. Hines, C. H. Parham, A. Willford and Dudley Fuller.

Scratch the opinions of these men on all questions of the town and you will find them stand-patters on all questions which have made us the envy of some of the towns which have gone headlong in debt, to their sorrow, and which is eating at their vitals night and day. Trade is moderately good here the year round; the people are well-fed and clothed; the town is not ready for a "boom," and in my opinion the men composing the Standpat ticket, with Dr. Davis in the chair, will be able to hold the lid of the kettle down a while longer.

I place the names of Messrs. Hines and Willford on the ticket advisedly. They are experienced men and would be a kind of a balance-wheel, and I trust that none of the old Board will feel slighted in my choice, as no offense is intended. STANDPATER

Statement of Citizens Bank.

The statement of the Citizens Bank of Creedmoor found elsewhere in this paper, makes a very creditable showing. This bank is steadily growing, a condition made possible only by a large number of satisfied depositors. It is a safe plan to do business with this bank and grow with it. It has done more, no doubt, to build up and sustain the Creedmoor section than any other one thing.

Closing Out Sale.

For fifteen days, commencing February 22d and closing March 8th, the large stock of dry good of S. Nassef & Company will be sold at greatly reduced prices, and in order to dispatch the sale they advertise for four lady clerks to assist during the continuance of the sale. Everything in stock is included in this remarkable clearance sale, and all they ask is for you to call and inspect the stock. See the full page advertisement of this firm elsewhere in this paper and be convinced of the low price for which the stock is offered for sale.

Watkins Whistles.

Mr. Ed Dickerson's family is quite sick. He himself improves slowly, and his son Jesse has double pneumonia.

The new road is all the talk; the right of way has been cleared and graded to the west end.

When the county builds the bridge on the new road and everything is in readiness for travel you will see tobacco roll into Oxford alright then.

Rahobath public school closed Monday. Miss Jessie Pool, the excellent teacher, has done good work along practical lines. She has established a betterment society, and has secured an acre of land in sight of the school house to plant in cotton for the education of the children.

SHORT LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

About People and Things That Are of Interest to Our Readers.

The Street force is still working on Gilliam street.

Farmers and gardeners are getting ready for planting time.

It is said more people die from over-rest than from overwork.

Have you heard anything about the new charter for Oxford?

Have you called on Mr. J. S. Bradsher at the Union Bank?

Hafos just naturally cluster around a man with a big bank account.

How do you like the stand-pat ticket mentioned in another column?

The people of town and county will rejoice when the epidemic of measles is over.

There is no better measure of the worth of a man than the uplift he gives to humanity.

One reason why there are so many bachelors is because there are so many particular girls.

The man who attends strictly to his own business seldom has a headache the next morning.

The many friends of Mrs. Mattie Parham will regret to learn that she continues quite sick.

We are much pleased to learn that Dr. R. H. Marsh, who has been sick several days, is convalescent.

The two bright children of Capt. C. D. Elmore, who have been wrestling with the measles, are getting better.

Our people are much pleased with the Free Delivery and the carriers are rapidly catching on to their routes.

It is said it is easy to preach, but not so easy to teach, and the teacher must know a lot more than he teaches.

Mrs. A. A. Chapman, who has been numbered with the sick, has recovered to the pleasure of her family and her neighbors.

A few stray loads of tobacco continues to roll in daily and it is said all in the county will be marketed by the 14th of March.

A fine son has been born unto Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Yancey and we join their many friends in extending congratulations.

The Public Ledger deeply regret to learn that Miss Burdette Jovner is very ill with pneumonia at Maxton where she is teaching school.

We cannot understand why some people will allow their stock to run at large and worry their neighbors after being requested to keep them up.

Wonder if the present town government will do anything towards enclosing Elmwood Cemetery and stop it from being a regular thoroughfare?

The man who wins is man who works, who neither labor nor trouble shirks, who uses his hands, his head, his eyes; The man who wins is the man who tries.

Mr. Henry Duke received a telegram Thursday morning from Goldsboro announcing the death of his brother and left on next train to attend the funeral.

After a man has fooled around a few years and failed to hit the nail of success on the head he breaks into the chronic knocker class and becomes a regular "rag chewer."

The many friends of Mr. John Buchanan will be sorry to learn that he had to be operated upon for appendicitis the first of the week in Durham. We hope this fine young man is doing well under the circumstances.

The State of Kansas is going into the publishing business on school books. An act passed a few days ago by the General Assembly of that State provides that the State shall publish its own school books and furnish them to the school pupils at cost.

Lookout ye dispensers of sow-paw! The Legislature of this State has reinforced the Webb liquor bill by passing a search and seizure act, authorizing an officer to enter any place where he has reason to believe there is more liquor than the law allows and seize it.

The Presbyterian Philatheas will have a measuring party at the home of Mrs. W. I. Howell on Raleigh street, Friday, February 28, from 4 to 10.

"Oid and young, short and tall, Come along, folks, we measure all."

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH, Dr. N. Rosenstein, of Durham, will be at Oxford Tuesday, February 25th, stopping at the Exchange Hotel for the purpose of examining eyes and fitting glasses. If you are in need of glasses for your eyes and headache don't fail to see Dr. Rosenstein as his charges are very moderate in all cases.

TWO NEW 4-Room Cottages near the Furniture Factory for Rent. Apply to Mrs. W. H. Butt.

American Composers.

The members of the Woman's Civic Club are cordially invited to attend a musical to be given at the home of Mrs. John Webb Wednesday, February twenty-sixth, at half-past three o'clock. The afternoon will be devoted to American composers MUSIC COMMITTEE, WOMAN'S CIVIC CLUB.

Goes to Turkey.

Mr. Randolph Currin, who has been buying tobacco in Henderson for the Export Co., was in Oxford Thursday telling his relatives and friends goodbye as his company has selected him to represent it in Turkey. Mr. Currin is a grandson of the late J. M. Currin and is a most excellent and capable young man and will prove a valuable representative of his company. Our best wishes go with him to his new home.

Good Way to Settle It.

Now wouldn't we have lively time voting for postmaster for Oxford under the following bill: A bill which has been reported to the United States Senate will allow communities to vote for candidates for the postoffice, where the salary involved is more than \$300. A great many candidates for such offices would not like to have to go up against an election, as their "pull" might not be so strong as it is under the old system.

Booklet to Advertise Oxford.

We who live here know that Oxford is the best town of its size in North Carolina, but we want to impress upon the outside world that "Oxford Offers Opportunities." There is a movement on of particular merit and capable of resulting in lasting good—to issue an attractive booklet about Oxford, setting forth our resources and natural advantages. Doubtless only a few of our citizens know that Oxford has the lowest death rate of any town in the United States. It is easy to see that such a booklet would, if properly circulated, advertise the town and cause a material increase in business.

That we are particular fortunate in having an abundance of excellent material for this undertaking is a just cause for congratulation. Brief sketches of our industrial organizations, a good write up of the tobacco market, with a short history of educational institutions, and the orphan asylum, interspersed with pictures of our principal streets and buildings, would unquestionably make a showing credible to a town much larger than Oxford.

This proposition is being agitated by the New Industries Committee of the Granville Commercial Club, and should receive the earnest co-operation of every public spirited citizen. The plan is to have 4,000 copies of this booklet printed, devote 20 pages to advertising matter, and allot a certain number of copies to each advertiser. Mr. A. H. Powell started this movement while he was President of the Club and he figured there were fifty six firms and individual who should take space in the booklet, and this will cover the costs of publication and mailing.

In advertising in this booklet the people should remember that while there might not be any immediate or direct benefit enuring to them by reason of the nature of their business it would eventually prove a permanent and material impetus to business in general. You can't do more business unless you have more people; you can't make more money unless there is more money in circulation. The detail of working up this booklet requires considerable time, and while the committee hope to see everybody it will mean quite a saving in time if the citizens will voluntarily write the committee and state how much advertising space each will want or in what way each will support the publication of this booklet; don't put it off until next week, write today. What we need for a "Bigger, busier, better town" is to increase the payroll. Let everybody work to boost this proposition and by live advertising put Oxford on the map.

AT OXFORD FEBRUARY 25TH.

Don't fail to see Dr. Rosenstein at the Exchange Hotel next Tuesday, February 25th so call and consult him about your eyes. He is a specialist in the science of Optometry and can diagnose any case of defective vision with unerring accuracy and fit glasses that will conquer it completely. His method is safe, certain, drugless and perfect results are obtained in every instance. Have your eyes examined and glasses fitted. If you need glasses he will tell you, if not he will tell you what else you should do. His charges are very reasonable.

Call and see the most complete line of plumbing fixtures ever shown in Oxford. Phone 282. Mason Plumbing Company.

FOR RENT—A three room cottage in South Oxford, on Raleigh street near store, at \$4 per month. Apply to Grocery Store, Raleigh street, Oxford, N. C.

No Plumbing or electrical job to large or to small for us. Prompt attention paid to the small as well as the large ones. Phone 282. Mason Plumbing Co.

THAT DWELLING ROOF—Tin shingles are the best covering I have them. The price is right. C. D. Ray.

Advanced Spring Styles.

Landis & Easton announce the arrival of the new and wanted things for early spring wear. The creations are much prettier this season than ever, and there seem to be a slight decline in the price of the new spring goods. Landis & Easton carries a complete stock of just such articles as are wanted by men, women and children. It is always a pleasure to go to this store and see the new and latest creations, and the clerks take great pleasure in showing the goods, whether you buy or not. See the adv. of this firm elsewhere in this paper.

The Dog Tax.

I have noticed with interest the discussion about the 'dog tax.' What we farmers and landholders want is a law to protect our sheep and game from the dogs. Most anybody can scratch up a dollar to pay tax on a dog, and will do it, and even the urchin who owns "a yaller dog" will do likewise, and then turn them loose on sheep and game. The proper law is like the one in Denmark, where all dogs are muffed when not on their owners' premises or accompanied by their owner. Until such a law is enacted and enforced in North Carolina we will have no protection to sheep and game, and the loss of human life by hydrophobia should also be considered. A TAX PAYER.

Notice to Subscribers.

If the Public Ledger is coming to you and you don't want it, have the courage to say so. Do not wait until we have sent the paper to you, perhaps six months or longer, and then notify us to stop it. The postal regulations authorize us to stop the paper at the expiration of one year, and these usually come in and settle up their accounts with the paper, and those who order us to discontinue the paper after enjoying it for a few months should be as considerate and come in and settle.

Some subscribers will take out a paper and read it regularly but as soon as they receive a dun they immediately say that they never subscribed for it and will not pay for it. The law in regard to taking newspapers is as follows:

"Anyone taking a paper from the post office is liable for it until he has filed a notice with the postmaster refusing to take it any longer, a copy of which notice will be filed by the postmaster. Up to that time all parties getting papers from the office are due to pay for them."

We want to square up all arrears with our subscribers and the amounts due us will be greatly appreciated. Either send us a check or call and settle.

A Moving Time.

The site for the new postoffice is being cleared for the handsome new postal building which will soon adorn the square. Much interest centers around the removal of the large building formerly occupied by Mrs. Gooch as a boarding house, which will be rolled to a lot on Littlejohn street, facing the rear end of the Seaboard freight shed, and the little brick office of Dr. S. H. Cannady to a small lot on Main street adjoining the Baptist church. The great task of removing the building is engineered by ex-Sheriff Sam Wheeler and a force of men, who have excavated around the foundations of the buildings, preparatory to placing the skids beneath them and rolling them away. The first story of the large building is of brick and the smaller structure is entirely brick, and Mr. Wheeler proposes to pick these building up, chimneys and all, and setting them down on specially prepared foundations some distance away without even cracking the plastering. Such things have been accomplished, but there are a lot of people in Oxford "from Missouri" and want to be shown.

It is understood that Mr. Easton will spare no expense in remodeling, painting and beautifying the building and grounds on Littlejohn street, which will be turned over to Mrs. Gooch and conducted as an up-to-date and exclusive boarding house. The office of Dr. Cannady, nesting among the trees, and the stately postoffice building will add much to the appearance of the north and west approaches to the square. Further improvements on this square, at the corners of Littlejohn and Gilliam and Spring and Gilliam streets, is under contemplation. It is stated that Mr. Gus Hall will remove his present home in the near future to the rear of his lot, at a point immediately in front of the Presbyterian church, and in the event the Seaboard Railroad decides to remove the freight yard and passenger and freight stations further east, on the north side of their tracks, which is mooted, Mr. Hall will spare no expense in developing the corner property on Littlejohn and Gilliam streets, and while this is in incubation Mr. Hall proposes to erect at the corner of Spring and Gilliam streets a large and handsome residence fronting on these two streets.

PURE BRED White Wyandotte eggs for sale, 75c. per dozen. W. L. PEACE in Union Bank

SEED OATS—I have the Appler, Burt, Black and White spring. L. Thomas.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE

Personal Items About Oxford Folks and Their Friends' In General.

Mr. F. S. Daniel, of Route 1, was in town Thursday.

Mr. Cam Burnett, of Route 5, was in Oxford Thursday.

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

Mr. Will Landis is in New York buying spring goods.

Mr. Badger Roger, Creedmoor, was in town Thursday.

Mr. Will Currin, of Tar River, was in Oxford Thursday.

Mr. John Currin, of Route 7, was in town Wednesday.

Mr. L. W. Parham, of Route 7, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. Coley Gill, of Stovall, was on our streets Wednesday.

Mr. J. S. Eakes, of Route 7, was on our streets Thursday.

Mr. B. T. Harris, of Hester, was on our streets Thursday.

Mr. W. J. Brummitt, of Route 3, was in Oxford Thursday.

Mr. A. M. Cash, of Route 5, was in Oxford Friday morning.

Mr. M. W. Clement, of Grassy Creek, was in town Thursday.

Mr. Geo. Fuller, of Brassfield township, in town Thursday.

Mr. Walter Hobgood, of Route 1, was a town visitor Thursday.

Mr. J. H. King, of Culbreth, was a town visitor Wednesday.

Mr. Frank Blalock is on the Northern markets buying goods.

Mr. R. H. Cheatham, of Route 5, was a town visitor Friday morning.

Mr. Wm. Smith, of Wilson, was in Oxford the first of the week.

Mrs. Martha Cheewing, of Lewis section, was in Oxford Wednesday.

Mr. Fleming Fuller, of Franklinton, was among the Oxford visitors Thursday.

Mr. S. Nassef and family, of Henderson, have become residents of Oxford.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Lassiter attended the funeral of Mrs. Judge Winston in Raleigh Thursday.

Mrs. A. C. Hershey and two sons, of Columbus, Ohio, is visiting Mrs. W. B. C. Hershey on College street.

Mr. James Elliott, of Oak Hill section, was in Oxford Thursday and went out of town leading two fine mules.

Northside Nuggets.

Mastel Ralph Fleming has a case of chicken-pox.

Dr. Sam Booth, of Oxford, was in our village Monday.

Mr. John Currin is confined to his bed with pneumonia.

Miss Goldie Farthing spent the week end with friends at Wake Forest.

Miss Annie Bryan, of Oxford, spent the week end with Miss Ethel Keith.

Mrs. Cora Fleming and daughter, of Lyon, were the guests of Mr. H. G. Aiken Wednesday.

Mrs. John D. Clark and son, Walter, visited her father, Mr. J. Bailey, of Wake county, last week.

Mr. Irvin Beck, who died in Durham last Wednesday, was brought home and buried at his grandfather's place.

Miss Irene Holloway, of Durham, spent several days recently with her brother, Dr. Oscar Holloway, of Route 1.

Mrs. Fannie T. Adcock Dead.

On February 1, near Tar River, the death angel visited the home of Mr. W. A. Adcock and claimed for his victim his beloved wife, Fannie Tell, in the 35th year of her age. She was the daughter of J. J. and M. D. Adcock, and a faithful member of Pleasant Grove Baptist church. She had been feeble for some time, but did not take her bed until two weeks before she was called to her reward. She is survived by husband, five little children, one brother and one sister, Mr. L. E. Adcock and Mrs. J. C. Adcock and a host of friends and relatives. The remains were laid to rest in the old family burying ground near Mr. Frank Tippet's.

"A precious one from us gone,
A voice we loved is still;
A place is vacant in her home
That never can be filled.

"Dearest mother, thou has left us,
Here the loss we deeply feel,
But 'tis God who has bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal." N. L.

Mr. Saw Mill Man, we have on hand a full line of pipe and fittings, valves, packing, oil cups and most anything you can mention. Mason Plumbing Company.

WILL FLEMING FOR MAYOR.

"Progress" Sticks to His Old Ticket With Slight Change.

MESSRS BRITT & COBLE:

As it was my pleasure to place Mr. Ham Powell at the head of a progressive ticket, composed of a set of men who stand for a progressive town administration, and as Mr. Powell has declined to stand for election, to the regrets of a large number of citizens, I beg to state that after a thorough canvass of the situation my mind settles upon Will Fleming as the man to lead us out of the mud and land us high and dry on a foundation that will insure prosperity. A town does not simply grow of itself. There must be some force behind it, and the sooner the people learn this all-important fact the better it is for Oxford. There should be given to our town just as much attention and oversight as is given a private business, and none less than a set of practical business men should be entrusted with the destiny of the town at this crucial moment. The following is the strongest ticket that can be produced, and it stands for progress in every iota:

For Mayor, Will Fleming; Commissioners, W. Z. Mitchell, C. D. Elmore, Hillman Cannady, A. A. Chapman, W. H. Britt, M. P. Chamblee, W. A. Parham.

The above ticket is the same as the Powell ticket, which met with such hearty approval on all sides, except that instead of Powell the name of Will Fleming is inserted for Mayor, and Hillman Cannady is placed on the Board.

These are the men who are ready to get behind the influences that make a town; are ready to take time to shake hands with strangers; are big enough to brag on the business of the town and are always talking up the town in spite of the many drawbacks and disappointments. These men realize that when they are helping the town grow they are helping themselves, are working for their own interests, so to speak, and have no political preferment in view. Let the business men get behind this ticket; let them realize that nothing less than this kind of pride will redeem the wasted years of our existence. With this progressive Board in power we will soon be in a position to inform the world that this particular spot called "Oxford" is the garden spot of all the earth. Oxford has for the making of a great town, but much depends upon the kind of a Mayor and Board we have. If we have a sleepy set in power we'll have a sleepy town; if we have a progressive Board we will have a progressive town. Now is the time to lay a good solid foundation.

Death of Mrs. R. W. Winston.

While suffering from a sudden attack of melancholia, Mrs. Robert Winston, wife of ex-Judge Winston, of Raleigh, rushed through the window of her room on the sixth floor of the Jefferson hospital in Philadelphia Tuesday and fell to death on the pavement below. The tragedy occurred during the temporary absence of her nurse. Mrs. Winston had been under treatment by Dr. Thomas McRae, a distinguished specialist, at this hospital for some weeks. She had been in very poor health for several years and under the stress of physical affliction her nerves became affected, rendering her subject to attacks of melancholia. The people of the entire State, and especially in Oxford, her former home, were greatly shocked and grieved by the news of her death.

Mrs. Winston was Miss Sophronia Horner and was born in Oxford September 24, 1861. She lived in Oxford until 1894 when she moved to Durham with her husband and family, later moving to Raleigh, where Judge Winston and Governor Aycock formed a partnership to practice law.

In the social life of North Carolina, particularly in Oxford, Durham and Raleigh, Mrs. Winston was during all her married life one of the most prominent of North Carolina women.

She was born of a family of educators and church people as widely known as any that North Carolina has had and married into a family of such notables as Judge R. W. Winston, her husband, George T. Winston, retired President of A. & M. College, and F. D. Winston, a celebrated lawyer. She was the daughter of James H. Horner, the founder of Horner school, the sister of Prof. Jerome Horner, the present head of the school; Bishop Junius Horner, of the Western North Carolina diocese; Miss Mary Horner, of Valley Cross; Mrs. A. W. Graham and Mrs. H. G. Cooper, of Oxford; Mrs. W. S. Manning, of Sparta; Mrs. S. C. and Mrs. Robert C. Strong, of Raleigh. Her children are Horner Winston, of Chicago; Robert Winston, of Asheville; Mrs. Webb, of Durham, and Miss Ama Winston.

The funeral over the remains of Mrs. Winston was held from Christ Episcopal church, Raleigh, Thursday afternoon, all the relatives in Oxford, Durham and elsewhere being present to pay loving tribute to her memory. The Public Ledger extends condolence to the bereaved relations of this good and noble woman.