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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Much Routine Business of Importance Engage their Attention.

The Board of County Commissioners met on Monday last with the following members present: Messrs. J. P. Stedman, Chairman; Z. W. Allen, J. N. Tilley, B. I. Breedlove, and H. C. Floyd.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved after making a correction on the "County Home Bill."

Those persons desiring to pay in lieu of working the road were allowed until the first of May to pay, provided they are not warned in to work before that date; then they must work or pay at the time of being warned in.

R. C. Cheatham was permanently exempt from road duty on account of the loss of one of his arms.

Harry Hicks, Salem township, was granted rebates for 1912 poll tax.

Miss Annie Newton was granted permission to enter the County Home.

Messrs. H. C. Floyd and Z. W. Allen were appointed to lay out the road in Brassfield township, known as the Youngville-Creedmoor road.

Geo. Barnett, Oak Hill township, was permanently exempt from poll tax and granted rebate for 1912 tax.

Walter Walters was exempt from road duty for year 1913.

G. W. Elliott was exempt from road duty for year 1913.

C. M. Estes was exempt from road duty for year 1913.

Willie Morton was exempt from poll tax and road duty permanently.

J. P. Allgood was exempt from road duty for year 1913.

Ordered that the chair appoint a committee to investigate the advisability of locating a road known as the Tar River Hester road. Same committee will investigate the Hester and Wilton road as to changes or relocation.

Roxana Harris and children were granted permission to enter the County Home.

Ordered that a committee be appointed to visit the convict camp and surrounding work and to make such changes as they see fit.

Ordered that Alex Harris and Eddie Harris be put on the outside pauper list.

Ordered that A. L. Babcock, Nat Hobgood and Pete Puckett complete laying out the road from Lewis Station to Mt. Creek road, and that there be no cost to county for said road.

Ordered that R. C. Smith be exempt from road duty for one year.

W. M. Bullock, Oxford township, was rebated for 1912 poll tax.

The following list takers were elected:

Fishing Creek--C. R. Gordon.
Brassfield--G. L. Allen.
Dutchville--R. G. Stem.
Tally Ho--J. W. Crews.
Walnut Grove--Wm. Thorp.
Oak Hill--Ballard Norwood.
Sassafras Fork--S. J. Currin.
Salem--L. G. Breedlove.
Oxford--A. C. Parham.

Ordered that the list takers receive \$3 per day for their services.

Card of Thanks.

Since Mr. Bullock left home to be treated for is health so many of our kind neighbors and friends have remembered me in different and helpful ways it would take me some time to thank them personally, therefore I desire to thank them through the Public Ledger. I beg to say that each and every gift is fully appreciated, and in addition will ask the prayers of these kind people for Mr. Bullock. I hope such a cloud of darkness may never shadow your lives.

MRS. W. M. BULLOCK.

On the Honor Roll of Banks.

Deposit one dollar, ten dollars, twenty-five dollars--any amount, in the savings department of the National Bank of Granville and the sum begins to grow, and will continue to grow, whether you ever add another penny to it. Compound interest gets busy at once. Add something to your account every week or month and you will be amazed at the results in a short time. When a bank's surplus equals its capital the bank is on the honor roll of banks of the United States. Both the National Bank of Granville and the Oxford Savings Bank and Trust Company are on the honor roll of banks.

DR. C. D. H. FORT, Dentist, can be found in his office over the Post Office from 8 to 6 o'clock every day.

SHORT LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

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

April succeeded in borrowing 12 days of March weather.

Bank statements are on deck and you are asked to read them.

Send in your subscription and help your carrier win a prize.

Mr. Henry Hunt, who was sick several days, is himself again.

The Bank Statements will be published in Wednesday's edition.

Col. Cut Herring is letting the public know that he is abroad in the land.

We regret to learn that Miss Scott continues critically ill at her home on King street.

Look and see if your name is printed in Sheriff Wheeler's delinquent tax list on another page.

Wonder if it is not possible to get the Seaboard authorities to give Oxford better depot facilities?

We hear a great deal about the "good old days", but most everybody is satisfied that these are better days.

It strikes us that the Gas pipe hands should be required to fill up good the ditches dug to put pipes in, as it impedes travel.

Another bright-eyed girl has arrived at the home of Mr. Thomas S. Waller on Broad street, and mother and child are doing well.

When a man is simply stubborn he thinks it is because he is game. Others mistake stubbornness for the courage of their convictions.

There was a small crowd of colored people in town Wednesday in attendance upon the 9th of April Emancipation celebration.

Inquiries of the farmers in town Monday elicited the information that tobacco plants are growing and there will be an abundance of them if the flies can be kept down.

A contemporary starts something by observing: "If a pretty Miss misses a kiss what's amiss?" It would be amiss to kiss a Miss, but if a Miss should miss a kiss it might be because some saucy Mister missed her.

A man who lives in harmony with all law is the only true freeman. He it is who lives in peace with God and his own soul. True liberty is complete freedom from all lawless desires.

Happy is the man who keeps his heart young by cultivating the society of the dear boys and girls. We have in mind two old men who seem to enjoy the company of youths and children more than that of persons of maturer years.

Wish we'd clean up heart and soul And make brush fires of the whole Rubbish heap within life's gate Of bad feeling, envy, hate, Selfishness and pride and greed-- Burn 'em all up, yes indeed, So the flame would leap so high It almost touched the bending sky.

Mrs. Robt Hackney and children, who have been residents of Oxford for several years, bade their friends good-bye a few days ago and left to again take up their residence in Durham. Mr. R. L. Hamilton and family will occupy the Hays cottage on College Street vacated by Mrs. Hackney.

The man who is making the hammer play a tattoo, who is keeping the saw busy, and who is laying bricks, is the man who is largely helping to make a larger Oxford. The man who furnishes the money and the man who does the work are the men who build a town. Capital commands muscle and muscle commands capital.

The cigarette is credited by an exchange with making the following calculations: I am not much of a mathematician, but I can add to a youth's nervous trouble; I can subtract from his physical energy; I can multiply his aches and pains; I can divide his mental powers; I can take interest from his work, and discount his chances for success.

The burned part of Oxford Buggy Company's Factory has been repaired and Superintendent Frank Taylor and Secretary Ira Howard are quite happy over being able to again commence to supply the demand for their buggies. But for the heroic victory of Oxford's brave firemen over the flames they would have been unable to resume business for several months.

Your attention is called to the tax sale of R. B. Hines in another column.

Mrs. T. C. Harris, who accidentally fell and hurt herself, has entirely recovered.

The article in last issue headed "A Correction," should have been signed J. N. Tilley instead of "J. M. Tilley."

Mayor Brummitt is the owner of the most attractive puppy in town, being pure white and of a kindly disposition.

The Rev. Mr. Horsfield will hold services in St. Pauls Church, Goshen, Sunday next, at 3.30 p. m.. All are cordially invited to attend the service.

Are you doing anything to help your favorite Carrier win a Public Ledger prize? If you are not get busy after you read the votes on another page.

Read the change in the advertisement of Upchurch & Currin on another page. They discuss a cold question just now, but you will be sure to enjoy it later.

The difference--Henderson has voted one hundred thousand dollars worth of bonds for streets improvements, while Oxford will only vote for ten thousand dollars for street purposes.

It would prove a good thing for those who ride if the ridges in the streets left from putting in sewerage and gas pipes were leveled with the street, and holes left for same reason filled up.

On Wednesday night about 9:30 o'clock a single room house in what is known as "Camtown" was discovered on fire and when the alarm was turned in the whole roof was in flames. Of course the firemen were on hand in a jiffy and put it out.

Mr. J. M. Morris, of Wilton section, was in Oxford Thursday, and rumor has it that he is soon to become a benedict and has tendered his resignation as an honorary member of the Oxford Bachelor's Club in view of this happy event.

Young lady do you desire to wear the handsome Cold Brooch to be presented to the young lady who secures the largest number of votes for any single mail carrier, if so get right down to work. The prize ball is in motion as more than 30 subscribers have voluntarily come in this week.

An inventor has patented a machine that will do the work of ten men. Now let him patent something that will do the work of 100 women. If some such device is not invented for use in the kitchen 100 men ought to get up early in the morning and do most of the work of 100 women.

So great is the work of the kingdom that only they who are conscious of limitless power imparted from God would dare undertake it. Spiritual service, says a writer, even in its elemental forms, is far beyond mere human capacity. Unless helped from above we labor in vain below. "Except the Lord build the house they labor in vain that build it."

Sale Ober's Tobacco Guano.

In our last issue Horner Bros. Co. reported in their adv. that they had ordered out 1503 tons of Ober's tobacco guano. Since then they have ordered out 183 more tons, making a total so far in this season 1686 tons. This breaks the record, and far exceeds any tonnage ever gotten out before. The quality in the tobacco guano wins such big sales.

Colored Boy Shot.

A number of boys, both black and white, gathered at Parham's old mill on Tuesday last, and in the crowd was a colored boy by the name of Gill Harris. They were all in a playful mood, and Richard R. Gordon, a white boy, drew his gun on the colored youth and unfortunately it exploded, the load taking effect in the boy's face and he expired in a few minutes.

Rumor at first had it that the boy was shot in cold blood, but Coroner W. D. Bryan empaneled a jury and went to the scene of the tragedy and the most thorough investigation led to the conclusion that the killing was purely accidental.

Young Gordon bears the reputation of being a good boy and he regrets that the accident occurred. The colored boy bore a good reputation also.

The following served as jurymen: Messrs. E. C. Harris, R. W. Harris, Arthur Currin, J. W. Dickerson, J. W. Renn.

Stem Stemming.

Mr. W. H. Washington, of Route 1, was in Oxford Monday.

Carroll Dickerson, of Dickerson, is visiting friends in Stem.

M. L. Whitaker purchased a new rubber tired buggy last week.

L. M. Duncan, of Gorman, is visiting relatives in this community.

We regret to learn of the illness of Mrs. D. L. Haskins, of Route 3.

Mr. Ajax Walters was the guest of Mr. R. M. Hester, of Tally Ho, Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Roberts, of Wendell, is visiting Mrs. Ralph Jones on Route 1.

Miss Maggie Hester, of Hester, was the guest of Miss Hallie Jones Tuesday.

Messrs. C. G. Sanford and W. C. Brooks, of Route 1, were in Durham Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Montague, of Tar River, are visiting relatives near Knap of Reeds.

Thomas Blair, of Route 2, and B. F. Goss, of Route 1, were Oxford visitors Tuesday.

W. Meadows, of Oxford Route 6, spent Sunday with B. T. Thomason, of Route 3.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Clements spent the week end with relatives in Oak Hill township.

The farmers are getting down to work in earnest and are preparing for large crops of tobacco.

Messrs. Fred and Frank Sherman, of Moriah, attended the closing exercises of Stem high school.

Mr. J. C. Hopkins, while plowing Monday, was struck by the plow handle, receiving a very painful injury.

Miss Ethel Dickerson, of Dickerson, was the guest of Misses Mabel and Janie Clayton Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Bailey Daniel, of North Granville, who has been on a visit to her sister at Tally Ho, returned home Friday.

Mr. G. T. Walters and family, of Oxford Route 6, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Farabow, of Tally Ho, Sunday.

Miss Carrie Vernon, of Meredith College, is visiting in this community and attending the closing exercises of Stem high school.

Little Miss Helen Haskins, of Route 3, who has been in a hospital in Durham for sometime returned home Friday somewhat improved.

On Monday afternoon a public debate was held in the high school building on the query, "Resolved that capital punishment should be abolished in North Carolina."

Mr. J. T. Smith, of Oxford Route 6, was taken with appendicitis the first of last week and was carried to the Durham hospital Wednesday and underwent an operation.

Mrs. Rosa Holeman, of Oxford, is on a visit to her son, Mr. R. D. Holeman. Mr. R. D. Holeman attended the funeral of his cousin, Mr. Sam Mangum in Durham Sunday.

"Possum Post" is to some extent taking the place of the express company in this community. Practically all the packages sent from the large mail order houses are sent in this way.

Ivy Moore while walking the railroad track on his way to the school building Tuesday night stumbled and fell, striking his forehead against a cross tie and cutting a gash to the bone.

J. C. Haskins, of Oxford, was in Stem Tuesday looking after the placing of a very nice tombstone at the grave of his father, whose remains were recently brought here from the Betsy Green graveyard and buried in the William Stem burying ground.

On Monday night the closing exercises of Stem high school began with music. For the most improvement in playing medals were given to Misses Annie Day and May Crymes.

Dr. Kilgo and Gov. Craig were not there, but a more practical address was never heard than that delivered Tuesday afternoon by Dr. Morris, county demonstrator. He showed the relative values of studies in the schools; urged the necessity of the Stem high school having agriculture and domestic science taught here next year.

Dr. Morris should have the right hand of every man in Granville county. From the intermediate department recitations were said by Misses Minnie Goss, Emma Moore and May Crymes. From the high school were heard from Misses Mary Harris, Cryna Allen, Mary Cozart, Pearl Thomasson and Grace Malone.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE

Personal Items About Oxford Folks and Their Friends In General.

Mrs. I. H. Davis is visiting relatives in Richmond.

Mr. S. P. Adcock, of Berea, was in Oxford Thursday.

Mr. Pete Pruitt, of Route 4, was in town Friday morning.

Mr. W. H. Hester, of Clarksville, was in Oxford Wednesday.

Mrs. M. B. Hobgood and son, of Enon, were in Oxford Thursday.

Mr. David Parks, of Hillsboro, was an Oxford visitor Wednesday.

The aged Mr. J. A. Peace, of the Fairport section, was in Oxford on Thursday.

Mrs. M. C. Cannady returned on Wednesday from a visit to relatives at Kittrell.

Mr. J. W. Morton, one of the very clever farmers of Route 4, was in town Friday.

Mrs. Will Kimball and Mrs. Paul Means, of Providence, were in Oxford Wednesday.

Dr. T. L. Booth was in Richmond Thursday to see one of his patients who is in a hospital.

It was a pleasure to meet in Oxford Friday our old friend E. T. York, of Grissom.

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Weatherspoon returned Wednesday from a visit to Chattanooga, Tenn.

Mrs. W. C. Tyree, of High Point, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. M. Currin, on High street.

The many friends of the bright Miss Edna Tyer are pleased to see her at home again greatly improved in health.

Mr. W. H. Upchurch spent the last part of the week with Mrs. Upchurch, who is in a Richmond hospital quite ill from the effects of a serious operation, and her many friends wish her a rapid recovery.

The following ladies of Oxford are attending the State Philathea Convention now in session in Charlotte: Miss Hettie Lyon, President, and Misses Gertrude Powell, Lillian Spencer, Addie Wood, Ione Yancey, Fannie Brown and Julia Council.

Presbyterian Notes.

There will be services morning and evening on Sunday at the Presbyterian church. The congregation and community will have the pleasure of hearing two sermons from Rev. R. A. White, pastor of the Henderson Presbyterian church. Mr. Phillips and Mr. White will exchange pulpits on Sunday in order that the Oxford pastor may make the proper train connection to reach Charlotte by Monday afternoon, where he will deliver the evening address before the Baraca-Philathea State Convention on Monday. He will also be out of town next week attending the spring meeting of Albemarle Presbytery at Newbern, but will return in time to occupy his pulpit April 20th. Mr. John Webb expects to accompany the pastor to this meeting of the Presbytery.

Card of Thanks.

Mr. S. M. Wheeler, Chief of the Oxford Fire Department, under date of April 10, writes the Oxford Buggy Company as follows:

"Gentlemen--On behalf of the Edwards Hose and Ladder Company and the Oxford Swift Foot Hose and Reel Company I desire to thank you for the liberal donation of \$35 made these companies by you. I wish to assure you that every member of each of these companies feel most grateful to you, and feel that he is under many obligations to the Oxford Buggy Company. I am sure both companies will enjoy their trips this summer for which in large measure they will be indebted to you."

A FINE Cow fresh in milk for sale by W. R. Walters, Route 1, Hester, N. C.

Following this, certificates were awarded to Misses Grace Malone, Pearl Thomasson, Mary Cozart and Cryna Allen by Prof. Vernon. A conditional certificate was had for Miss Ina Belle Coleman, who was unable to take the examination on account of sickness. Regular diplomas were cut out and certificates for three years' work were given. But the committee, Miss Webb, Mrs. T. G. Stem and Mrs. J. H. Gooch gave Miss Emma Moore the decision for the best recitation in the intermediate department; they gave a decision for the high school recitations.

THE GRANVILLE GRAYS.

The Guard Inspected by Col. Robertson and Capt. Langdon.

Capt. R. C. Langdon, of the regular army, and Col. Thos. R. Robertson, of the North Carolina National Guard on Wednesday last inspected the Granville Grays, consisting of: Capt. T. G. Stem, First Lieut. E. E. Fuller and Second Lieut. J. I. Steagall and thirty-seven enlisted men. The inspection included the Brigade headquarters, and Gen. B. S. Royster, commanding the First North Carolina Brigade, with his aid, Lieut. Henry Osborne, attending the inspection.

Company E made a fine showing. The drill was the best seen in years. The property of the Company, valued at several hundred dollars, was in excellent shape, and so well stored and cared for that the inspectors did not so much as make a suggestion of better methods. So well pleased was Capt. Langdon that he openly asserted that of the two companies in the State that he had inspected, and he has inspected thirty-three, and has only three more to inspect, which stood highest, Company E was one of these, and that in extended order drill, battle formations, the Granville Grays excelled any company he had so far inspected. That our boys made such a good showing should be gratifying to the citizens of the town and county.

After the inspection Gen. Royster took Capt. Langdon, Col. Robertson and Capt. Stem over the town on a most enjoyable automobile ride. The visiting officers were handsomely entertained by General Royster at dinner Wednesday evening.

It is gratifying to the guardsmen of the State and to the people of Oxford and Granville county that Governor Craig has reappointed and retains General Royster on his staff. General Royster has affiliated with the State Guard for twenty-five years and the devotion he has given to the work has been particularly pleasing to the people of the State.

The Recreation Club.

The lovely home of Mrs. J. H. Abbott was thrown open to the Recreation Club on Friday afternoon in honor of Miss Floyd Taylor, the house guest of Miss Josephine Brown. Mrs. J. S. Rogers welcomed the guests at the door and presented them to the hostess and her charming guest. After a very pleasant hour spent in playing dominoes delightful refreshments were served by Misses Francis Abbott and Mary Shaw, and the club adjourned.

Miss Hilliard Heard From.

Editors of the Public Ledger: I am writing to ask space in your paper to inform our Oxford friends that my sister and I, as well as our home, were uninjured in the terrible tornado that swept through Omaha on the evening of Easter day. It seems a miracle that we could have escaped, as we were just on the edge of the path of destruction. I had a distinct view of the storm cloud as it entered the southwest limits of the city, and it seemed to be rushing through toward us, bearing with it a whirling mass of the debris of wrecked houses it had lifted in its trail. I felt that our house might collapse at any moment, but the danger passed so quickly one could hardly realize it before it was gone. The path of the tornado, in many places extending to a breadth of five blocks, crossed the city diagonally from southwest to north east, a distance of five miles; it crossed the Missouri river and carried devastation to the city of Council Bluffs, on the Iowa side of the river. In Omaha alone the storm left in its wake the ruins of seventeen hundred homes valued at over five million dollars. The destruction includes the homes of all classes, from the \$100,000 castle of the millionaire to the humble cottage of the day laborer.

The great wonder is that no more than 150 lives were lost. Many who had sufficient warning took refuge in the cellar, but others were sitting at the tea table when the crash came, and even then escaped with slight injuries. The relief fund contributed by individual citizens has reached \$500,000, and the city government has voted \$1,000,000 for rebuilding purposes.

KATHARINE H. HILLIARD.

SIX ROOM house on Spring street for rent. 2t J. W. HORNER.