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LAYMEN MEET PASTOR AND DISCUSS CHURCH WORK.

A Movement to Make this Old World a Better Place in Which to Live.

A movement to enlist the men of his church more firmly in Gospel truths was recently announced by Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon, pastor of the Oxford Baptist church, and it was a testimonial of President Hobgood's true greatness to tender the use of the dining hall of Oxford College for the initial meeting of the men of the church to discuss those great truths of the Scriptures which busy men sometimes forget.

Every thing was in readiness for the meeting on Tuesday evening last and more than fifty men of the church gathered at the College and at the appointed hour President Hobgood invited them to the banquet table. The table, entwined with asparagus fern, was in the shape of a cross and great clusters of beautiful red roses adorned each arm. This life is "not for bread alone," but we cannot refrain from saying something about the supper and those who served it. The Domestic Science Class constitutes one of the chief glories of the College and the menu they served depicted the highest ideals of American womanhood; six of the most resplendent jewels that ever sparkled in the institution's coronet of loveliness served the menu—Misses Irene Parker, Eugenia Woody, Marian Creath, Mamie Royster, Grace Short, Allie Hadley. The menu:

- I grape fruit
II broiled shad, broiled tomatoes, maitre d'hotel potatoes, rolls, coffee
III ham croquettes, creamed peas in timbales, hot biscuit
IV vanilla cream with crushed strawberries.

The real object of the banquet was to make this old world of ours a better and brighter place in which to live. Dr. Weatherspoon acted as toast-master and limited the speeches to ten minutes. Mr. F. W. Hancock responded to "Our Orphanage" and he presented the cause of the motherless and fatherless ones in a most convincing and engaging manner. Messrs. Bland, Kennedy and L. Thomas, in short talks, also pleaded the cause of the children.

Messrs. B. F. Taylor, J. Robt. Wood, W. A. McFarland and T. S. Waller made short talk on the cause of consecrated work.

Capt. W. A. Devin responded to "Foreign Missions." Having made the most extended tours through Biblical literature Capt. Devin made one of the most fluent and brilliant talks on Foreign Missions we ever heard. Life and love and duty took on a new meaning as he reminded us of our stewardship.

Gen. B. S. Royster responded to "Men and the Church." The bedrock of the church, he said, is "love." He urged a faithful attendance upon the service of the church, which widens our benevolence and make the current of our peculiar affections swift and deep; he argued that it was the inner-conciousness of a surety in God and a certainty of evil that call out the best in man. General Royster spoke for ten minutes and he did not tell the one-hundredth part of the Scriptural truths that find lodgment in his heart.

Mr. D. G. Brummitt responded to "Men's Place in the Church." Mr. Brummitt pointed out in a most eloquent manner that a man's place is not a child's place; that a man's place is not a woman's place, but the specific duty of the man.

Dr. Weatherspoon was visibly affected by the earnestness of the laymen and said he wanted to get right down among the men and work with them.

WANTED—One hundred and fifty acres, more or less, suitable for a County Home. Let bids be made by 17th day of May. Address Board County Commissioners Oxford, N.C.

INDIAN Runner Duck Eggs for sale, by Roy Burch, Route 1, Oxford. Price per setting, one dozen, \$1.00.

WHITE AFRICAN Guinea Eggs for sale at \$1 for 12, by Mrs. Henry A. McGhee at Carolina Lodge.

SEND YOUR order for Cow Peas as I can ship on short notice. A. S. Huske, Fayetteville, N. C.

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

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

A new cottage is going up out on Raleigh road.

The cooing stops with the honey moon, but boys the billing goes on forever.

All of our splendid schools are now very busy preparing for commencements.

You are asked to read the advertisement of the Lyon Drug Co. in another column.

The office of Dr. Sam Cannady has been greatly improved by the addition of two windows.

In the merry month of May the girls and boys enjoy gipsy teas at picturesque Cannady's mill.

The mint julip season is at hand and the Oxford Ice Co. makes the finest ice in the world to make one with.

Rev. H. T. Horsfield will hold a service in Saint Paul's Church at Goshen on Sunday at 3:30 p. m. All are welcome.

Yes, Cordelia, we still claim the goat, as grazing is good he is gaining flesh every day under a "long green" diet.

What has become of the old-fashioned woman who made a child wear a flannel on its chest until it lost it in bed?

If nature were not so liberal with ears and noses and so with stingy fore-head and chins we men would be better looking.

Some of the hobble-skirts seen on the streets of Oxford are so tight that the wearers have difficulty in mounting a door step.

We are pleased to learn that the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Webb, who has been sick several days, is much better.

Salisbury's Civic Club is offering prizes for the largest number of flies killed by any one Salisburyite between May 1st and August 1st.

John B. Rowland, quite a nice and gentlemanly operator of Henderson, subbed for Frank Spencer this week who visited friends in the country.

The question now arises: when does the old Board of Town Commissioners become a new board? It must be when they are sworn in the second time.

It would be such a nice thing for those who ride if the Town officials would have sunken place across College street opposite the old Johnson place filled up.

Now wouldn't one of our real plump girls cut a figure walking down the street with an old-fashioned hoop-skirt on singing, "Up in a Balloon Boys?"

Some men fret and fume because they have to pay a tax on their income. Others regret and grieve because they have no income that is big enough to stand a tax.

The many, many thanks of those who ride go out to the Street Commissioner for having the sunken place on College street filled up, along with some other holes.

The question now arises why don't you wake up and help your Carrier out who has stood by you "through thick and thin" and ever willing to accommodate you?

Praise a little where you may, Cheer a little where you can, His the profit who can say That which helps to smooth the way For his weary fellow man.

The farmers South of Oxford enjoyed a fine rain Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning commenced setting out tobacco as they had their land already prepared.

Says the Washington Post: "A wagon wheel passed over a Washington negro's head but the doctors could not find a crack." It must have been in tire of the wheel.

Here's to you, Mayor Thad Stem, and may you "live long and prosper", and may you prove the most progressive, law-enforcing Mayor that has ever had the honor of presiding over our beautiful town.

The Taylor-Cannady Buggy Co. give their faithful and valued employees their annual picnic at Cannady's mill to-day, Saturday, and Mr. Hillman Cannady will do his best to make the boys have a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wright and son have returned from a visit to Elizabeth City and when the improvements to their residence on Broad street are completed will move in town.

Love is a queer feeling that makes a sensible girl long to work for her board and clothes just to get to live in the same house with a big mutt who drinks, chews tobacco and eats new onions and snores.

Some old crossbone says women are slaves to fashion. Lady Duff Gordon says they are nature loving savages. Those of us who know them better look upon them as devotees of artistic creation.

The Great Question.

"What is truth? That is the question which Pontius Pilate asked Christ. Some one has said: 'Truth is God's daughter.' Plato said: 'Truth is God's body and light in His shadow.' 'We should speak the truth, do the truth, live the truth, looking always to the one who sticketh closer than a brother, who said of Himself: I am the way, the truth and the life.'"

Memorial Day.

To day—Saturday—is Memorial Day throughout the Southern States. The name and fame of those sleeping soldiers belong not alone to us, but to the whole world. We are proud of them. The world will never cease to honor great men so long as time calls the roll of her famous sons of Lee, Davis and Jackson and those who followed them will be heard.

Noted Divine to Preach.

On Sunday night at 8 o'clock Rev. Henry J. McEwen of Amsterdam, N. Y., will preach at the Presbyterian church. He is the pastor of a large and aggressive church and Oxford is to be congratulated upon the opportunity it has of hearing Dr. McEwen. The music will be a special feature of the service and the entire public is cordially invited.

To be Congratulated.

The public schools in the country have closed for the summer, and from what we can learn it has been the most successful term in the history of the schools of the county and everybody connected with them are to be warmly congratulated. It will be better still under the six months term, and it would be a grand sight to see every child of school age in Granville gathered under the roof of the school houses that dot the hills of our beloved county.

Country Ahead of Cities.

In North Carolina last year 73 per cent of the total white rural school population was enrolled in the schools. While of the total white city population only 67 per cent was enrolled. Judging from the reports it appears to be true that in North Carolina those counties which have the largest cities in them, the biggest school population, and the largest school fund, also have a smaller attendance than the average school enrollment and average attendance.

Hand Badly Cut.

The many friends of Geo. Jones, the youngest son of Mrs. E. W. Jones, will deeply regret to learn that he got his right hand caught in a saw at the Furniture Factory Thursday morning cutting off the two first fingers on his right hand and badly lacerating the thumb. He was taken to the office of Drs. Hays and Booth where the wounds were dressed by Dr. Hays, who says he will do his best to save his thumb. We deeply sympathize with George and his dear mother in the accident which has befallen him, with the hope that Dr. Hays will be able to save his thumb.

Rural Route Men to Meet.

The Rural Letter Carriers of Granville, Vance, Warren and Halifax will meet at Norlina May 30th. We insist and urge that every carrier in these counties be present. There are many things of great importance to come before us that day. It is high time for our carriers to wake up and put their shoulders to the wheel and help us in the work. We only have about one-fourth of the carriers in these four counties who are members of our association. This is a poor show and many single counties double our membership. Boys, lets do better.

D. N. Hunt, Oxford, president; Herbert Lyon, Lyon, secretary and treasurer.

Cheer the Living.

When a man or woman is living they have no idea how much is thought of them, and when they pass away the community does not know how they stood till it reads the obituary and realizes that so many really miss them from their midst.

Join the Wise Guys.

The balmy weather of the past week made a fellow wish he could join the guys who loaf and fish. If you're about down and out, Aye, you frown and growl and never smile; You're too full—that is of gloom and doubt. Take a brief respite and join the guys.

Come and Join Us.

You had better join the procession of subscribers that is marching into the Public Ledger office daily and get the paper Twice-a-Week for the low price of \$1 per year, and at the same time help your favorite Carrier win one of the Public Ledger prizes.

Along the Road.

"I walked a mile with Pleasure, She chatted all the way, But left me none the wiser For all she had to say. I walked a mile with Sorrow, And ne'er a word said she; But, oh, things I learned from her When Sorrow walked with me!"

Don't Let it Slip By.

While you have a chance to be happy yourself and to make others happy, don't let it slip by. After you have accumulated reasons for harboring a grudge or contracted a case of sorehead and bound to get even with somebody, it will be too late to make the most of the best part of life.

Organ Recital.

Prof. Claude Roberson, Teacher of Piano and Organ at Greensboro Female College and organist and choir master of the West Market Street Methodist Church, will give an organ recital in the Methodist Church on Thursday night, May 15th, at 8 o'clock, under the auspices of Ladies Aid Society.

Strawberry Festival.

At the home of Miss Jeanette Biggs on Saturday afternoon from 5 to 7 a strawberry festival for the benefit of the Methodist and Episcopal Churches will be given by Mrs. W. G. Pace and Miss Biggs. A most interesting program has been arranged and everybody is invited to come. A silver offering will be received.

"Who's Your Friend?"

That's a question that has puzzled many of us, but in our judgment the best friend a man can have in adversity is an account with First National Bank of Oxford. Take your money to Henry Hunt, he will keep it absolutely safe and allow you 4 per cent. interest on time deposits and you are asked to read advertisement of this bank on 4th page.

Why Not Promote Him.

As I. H. Hobgood has been diligent and faithful in looking after the street work a large number of our people would like to see him promoted by our excellent Board of Town Commissioners to Policeman of the place. He would make a competent, reliable, painstaking officer, and would have time to attend to the street work besides. The best officer Oxford ever had did the same thing, and was not afraid of work.

Double the Home News.

How does the Public Ledger strike you now as a local newspaper? We are giving our readers double the quantity of home news a week under the twice-a-week plan, and most heartily thank the good people of the county and town for their liberal support. As long as we are at the helm you will find us working for everything that tends towards the upbuilding of our towns, county and State. We will greatly appreciate any local news you may send in.

Oxford Still Progressing.

Things do move in Oxford. Work has commenced on the Elbert Crews home on Gilliam street, and the Hall residence has been moved on the same street fronting the Presbyterian Church. Work has also begun on the Oscar Breedlove home on Cherry street. Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Smith are making improvements at the Exchange Hotel by enlarging and beautifying the dining room, building new kitchen, repainting office and rooms, which will be appreciated by the traveling public.

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Oxford Folks and Their Friends In General.

Wesley Knott, of Enon, was in town Wednesday.

J. F. Puckett, of Route 1, was in town Thursday.

J. B. Riggan, of Route 5, was in town Wednesday.

R. J. Hart, of Route 5, was a town visitor Wednesday.

Miss Rebecca Crews, of Tar River, was in town Thursday.

A. J. Yancey, of Buchanan, was in Oxford Wednesday.

C. H. Cheatham, of Route 3, was in Oxford Thursday.

E. M. Hart, of Route 7, was on our streets Wednesday.

W. H. Averette, of Creedmoor, was in Oxford Thursday.

I. W. Bullock, of Coedmoor, was a town visitor Thursday.

L. L. Tilley, of the Durham bar, attended our court this week.

A. S. Lanier, of Richmond, is on a visit to his mother in Oxford.

Mrs. R. H. Lewis returned Wednesday from a visit to Chapel Hill.

H. M. Lanier, of Baltimore, is visiting T. Lanier on College Street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Whitfield, of Brassfield, were in Oxford Wednesday.

Miss Janie Wilkins, of Turberville, Va., is the guest of Miss Edna White.

"Uncle" Booker Beasley, of Person county, was on our streets Wednesday.

Mrs. Lawrence and Mrs. Julia Meadows, of Wilton, were Oxford visitors Thursday.

T. T. Hicks one of the able lawyers of the Henderson bar, attended our court this week.

Mrs. Crawford Cooper and children, of Fayetteville, are visiting relatives in Oxford.

Misses Helen and Edna White attended the Music Festival in Richmond May 5th and 6th.

Miss Norfleet Hunter returned home Thursday from Clyde, where she has been teaching school.

Mrs. J. A. Taylor and daughter, Mrs. J. C. Robards, have returned from a visit to relatives in Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Graves Day and two daughters, of Stem section, were among the Oxford shoppers Wednesday.

Judge W. S. O'B. Robinson, a distinguished member of the Goldsboro bar, was an Oxford visitor Wednesday.

J. Robt. Wood, the efficient Secretary, attended the meeting of the state Embalmers Association at Durham this week.

Miss Conn, who has been the pleasant guest of Mrs. C. G. Elliott on Hillsboro street, returned to her home in Norfolk Thursday.

Lee Minor and three daughters, Misses Otelia, Katy Lee and Gladys, of Stem section, were among the Oxford shoppers Wednesday.

Take Care of Home.

The time of the year is at hand when every property owner should see that his or her premises is in good, sanitary condition. Such precautions prevent disease, and it should not be necessary for the town to force persons to do their moral duty.

Thankful for Blessings.

Don't forget that you owe a debt for the blessings you enjoy. Pay that debt in good deeds, in beneficent works. That is the way in which you may balance your account and be square with this old world. Because you have a grudge against some one it is a grave sin to try to crush them to earth.

camp in good condition; forage, 33 bales hay; 14 bushels corn; 25 lbs. of meat; water buckets unfit for use; cook room filthy; lunch box unfit for use; a waste of horse feed in stalls and on the road. We find 2 hogs at the convict camp being fed by the county that Chas. Jones claims as his own and we recommend that these be raised and used by the county, we also recommend that enough hogs be kept at the camp to consume the waste.

B. T. Hicks, Foreman.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET ON MONDAY.

Mostly of a Routine Nature. Report of Grand Jury. New Roads, Etc.

The honorable Board of Commissioners of Granville County met on Monday, May 5th, with the following members present: Messrs. J. P. Stedman, Chairman; B. I. Breedlove, H. C. Floyd, Z. W. Allen, J. N. Tilley.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Ordered that the county donate \$50 to the Edwards Hose and Ladder Company.

Haywood Lyon and Violet Royster were ordered placed on the outside pauper list at \$1 per month each.

Joe Hargrove was exempted from poll tax for 1913.

J. N. Tilley was appointed to investigate the soil taken from Lyon's land for public road and report at next meeting.

Moved that the Shoo Fly road by Frank Meadow's house be located and constructed as per survey, and that any damage due Meadows be ascertained by a jury.

W. B. Predy was permanently exempt from road duty and tax on account of loss of an arm.

A road was granted through the lands of Billy Williams and crossing the lands of Robt. Laws, West Adcock, Dave Greenway, Claud Thomas, W. P. Burchet, Ben Adcock and end at Nat Huffs.

Ordered that John Arrington be permanently exempt from poll tax. George Stroud was granted rebate on poll tax.

H. C. Floyd was appointed to investigate the road leading from Wake County line intersecting the Grissom road.

Tom Cole was exempt from road duty for year 1913.

Em Toler, was ordered put on outside pauper list at \$1.00 per month.

H. A. Underwood was elected County road engineer at a salary of \$150 per month, and county to pay transportation over six miles.

Ordered that the county donate not to exceed \$250 for the purpose of treating hook worm in Granville county.

Ordered that the county reimburse H. M. Jenkins in the sum of \$270 for part money spent on the Jenkins road in Brassfield Township.

Ordered that the matter of building the county home be reconsidered. The vote was as follows: J. N. Tilley, H. C. Floyd and Z. W. Allen for; B. I. Breedlove, J. P. Stedman against.

Ordered that the county advertise for 10 days for 150 or 200 acres of land suitable for a county home site.

E. B. Cozart was ordered paid \$15.00 for his soil.

The jury appointed to assess, the damages to the lands of R. T. Moss, taken for a public road, made their report, allowing said Moss \$40.00 per acre for road bed and \$15.00 per acre for soil. There was taken .38 acres soil, .31 acres road bed, which amounted to \$18.10.

To his honor, Judge R. B. Peebles Judge presiding; The grand jury of the May term of Granville County Superior Court, beg leave to report that we have passed on all bills presented us. We wish to thank his Honor Judge Peebles and the honorable Solicitor, for all assistance rendered us. We, through committee, have examined jail and all offices in court house, also county home and convict camp, and the jail we find clean and sanitary; prisoners report well cared for. The Register of Deeds office we find properly kept. We find the office of the Clerk of the Court properly kept, and the county home and convict camp also well kept. We find inmates at county home 26, 6 white females, 5 white males, 8 colored females, 7 colored males; 3 milch cows; 2 calves; 13 hogs; 2 mules; 1 mare and colt; forage 2000 lbs; plenty of clover, 70 bushels of wheat; 300 lbs. of lard; 700 lbs. of bacon; one 2 horse wagon, 1 spring wagon, no good; 1 reaper and binder; 1 mower; one 2 horse plow; three 1-horse plows; 4 cultivators; 300 lbs. of fat back meat; 1 disk harrow; 1 sifting cradle complete; 2 corn planters; 40 bushels of oats; 40 bushels of corn; 15 bags of ship stuff; 5 tons guano.

At the convict camp we found 6 convicts well cared for; 5 road carts; 8 scoops; 10 shovels; 10 picks; 33 axes; 10 mattocks; 10 sets harness; 4 wagons; 4 wheel scoops; 1 road machine; 2 plows; 10 mules in good shape; 1 cage needs paint; 1 cook stove, bad shape; trustys'