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THIRTY GALLONS OF BOOZE CAPTURED.

Sheriff Hobgood Determined to Use Search and Seizure Law Freely.

On Friday night last Sheriff Crawford Hobgood received the intelligence by "grape vine telegraph" that a wagon load of "booze" was on its way to Oxford. The Sheriff called to his assistance Mr. I. H. Hobgood and the two posted themselves and kept a close lookout for the wagon, which arrived in Oxford late in the night and drove down Goshen street to Cherry street and on out to the Fair Grounds and back through town and on out to Raleigh street, where about thirty gallons of liquor were secreted into the crib of Henry Meadows, a colored man. About the break of day Saturday morning Mr. I. H. Hobgood went out to the house of Meadows and captured the liquor and turned it over to the proper authorities. Meadows was hauled up and bound over to court.

It would seem that the violators of the search and seizure law do not fully realize what they are up against, but they can rest assured that Sheriff Hobgood is determined to do all in his power to enforce the law, and when he calls to his assistance such men as Mr. I. H. Hobgood they have very little chance to escape the clutches of the law. All that is necessary is to catch a few of the violators and make an example out of them and then the evil will end.

Caught Large Jack.

J. H. Bowling, of Tar River, was in town Saturday and informed us that he caught the day before a Jack fish in Tar River with a small hook and line that weighed 4lbs and measured 7 1-2 inches around. He has set out his crop of tobacco and commenced to weed it out.

Pretty Squirrels.

On Sunday morning last, when no dogs were around, two pretty squirrels were seen playing about the old Lanier home at the corner of Gilliam and High streets. They crossed the street and enjoyed a romp on Mr. Lassiter's lawn, and each securing a nut about the size of a thimble scampered back across the street with the nuts in their mouths, and after carefully planting them in the ground they gleefully ran up a tree. Their actions got the best of our curiosity and we went to the identical spot where they hid the nuts and the most diligent search failed to locate their hidden wealth. From their friendly disposition we judge the squirrels are the escaped pets of some one.

Asleep in Jesus.

Bessie, the twenty-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Cheatham, who resides on Route 3, died on April 28th after about a week's illness. She was a bright and lovable bud of promise, and popular with all who knew her, and the deep sympathy of neighbors go out to the bereaved family in the loss of their dear little daughter. The burial took place at Rehoboth Church on the 29th, and the services were conducted by Rev. Bethea, and witnessed by many friends and neighbors.

The family requests us to return their sincere thanks to their neighbors and friends for the many kindnesses shown them during the sickness and death of their sweet little daughter.

Lee Meadows Making Good.

Our young friend and baseball enthusiast, Lee Meadows, who is now pitching for the Durham team, is gaining an enviable reputation in the baseball world. It is not infrequently that his name appears in black type at the head of column on the sporting page of the State dailies. In speaking of the game played at Charlotte last Thursday the Observer says:

"Meadows had the locals going from the time play was called to the last, and had them whiffing at his offerings like a school boy hitting at hornets. He fed them on curves, straight ones and fast ones, mixing in now and then a slow one that had the locals going and guessing. He was master of the situation and gloried in his triumph. The puny efforts of the Hornets to sting his offerings tickled the giggled twirler, and several times he had to stop and have a good laugh when one would almost break his back trying to lam the lard out of the ball."

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

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

Well, we had frost on the 12th of May.

One of the aged colored inmates of the County Home died Sunday night.

Some nice improvements are contemplated at the Fair Ground this summer.

Kit Hester who has been quite sick at his home on Route 2, we are glad to learn, is getting better.

The Graded School commencement will take place on the 20th and 21st with entertaining programs each day.

Clean up day should be made a part of each working day and there will be no necessity for taking it by "fits and starts."

His Satantic majesty probably knew what he was doing when he invented politics as it puts the devil in so many people.

Rid your premises of any rubbish, old paper, tin cans, and refuse of any kind that may have accumulated during the winter.

There was a man in our town, And he was very wise, He helped to keep the typhoid down By swatting all the flies.

There is no town of any size in North Carolina which is not better, cleaner, more fit to live in by reason of the Women's Civic Clubs.

Don't miss the Organ Recital at the Methodist Church on Thursday night as you will be delightfully entertained by some of our fine vocalists.

During the day some men spend all they have and the next day it is deposited in the bank by some fellow who reaches out for every cent he can get.

The Board of County Commissioners have decided to sell the balance of County Home tract of land and buy another one to locate the County Home on.

Some people are always urging that part of our burdens be shifted to posterity, but it should be remembered that posterity will have burdens of its own.

Married men repent at leisure. But every time a married woman sits down to repent one of the children starts to yelling and she has to postpone repentance indefinitely.

If some men we know could do what they think they could do the world would be turned bottom side up, and all the balance of us would fall off into space on a gravity scale.

California will allow black men to come there and own land but objects to the yellow man. In other words negroes are welcome, but a yellow man is not. A distinction that is hard to understand.

We are glad the town election is over. We are satisfied and hope each member of the Board of Commissioners will qualify, as we feel sure that Oxford will continue to go forward under their management.

The election in Browntown was a quiet affair and Mayor Sid Daniel was continued in office without a dissenting vote. No kicking is done in that balliwick because everybody has to work in front of their own door.

People who produce and do not know where to sell what they produce, are in as bad fix as a merchant who buys goods to sell and does not sell them because he does not let people know what he has to sell.

The Graduating Recital of Miss Marie Medford will take place on Monday evening, May 19th, 8:30 p. m. in College Chapel. She will be assisted by Miss Elizabeth Hancock. The public is cordially invited to be present.

If Oxford was large enough to support a daily paper we would try it again as we now have ample facilities which have recently been put in at considerable expense to meet the growing demands of our business.

No matter how warm we get over anything, it is just as well to remember that the best thing to do is stop criticizing each other, bury our prejudices and make Oxford busier, bigger and better. In unity there is great strength.

Our farmers are anxiously looking for rain.

Truth is undoubtedly the best argument.

H. S. Williams, of Route 4, was in town Tuesday.

A. G. Cheatham, of Route 3, was in town Saturday.

A large number of farmers have watered and set out tobacco.

We are glad to see out again on the streets John R. Hall if he is on crutches.

Read Administratrix Notice of Annie B. Adams in another part of this paper.

We call attention to Executrix notice of Mary R. de Lacroix on the 4th page.

Pleased to learn that Mrs. J. C. Davis has returned home much improved in health.

You are asked to read the sale of land advertised on another page by A. A. Hicks, trustee.

The foundation for the erection of the Princess Theatre on Hillsboro street is nearly completed.

The strawberry festival at home of Miss Jeanette Biggs Saturday afternoon was a success and much enjoyed.

We call attention to the sale of Laundry machinery advertised on the 4th page by A. A. Hicks, Commissioner.

The King's Daughters are requested to meet at the home of Mrs. C. G. Elliott this Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock.

Everybody should realize the fact Oxford is the prettiest town in the best portion of the best State in the Union.

George Parham, of Route 5, was in town Monday afternoon and informed us that the frost that morning bit his tobacco plants.

James Floyd has had repainted what is known as "Cozart Row" on New College street, along with the cottage occupied by Joe Turner.

C. D. Currin, of Route 6, was in town Monday and looked quite comfortable as he rode home in a new buggy purchased of Long-Winston Company.

Our good old friend M. Blalock, of Culbreth, was in town Monday and carried home a nice comfortable ladies' buggy as a present for Mrs. Blalock.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gooch and little daughter, of Stem, were Oxford Friday afternoon and returned home in a splendid pheasant bought of Long-Winston Co.

Mrs. A. A. Hicks and sweet little Julia Brent returned from Richmond Saturday and we are glad to learn that Miss Julia Minor continues to improve.

The Wilmington Star says, some of the new skirts worn by the ultra fashionable look like a cross between a pair of pantaloons and an inverted baseball bat.

The cry is still the improvements come! Will Long who purchased the Lassiter lot on Gilliam street will soon build a modern bungalow for solid comfort. We hope his health will continue to improve until he is entirely well.

We learn for the second time the proposed amendment to the confession of faith in connection with the much discussed "elect infant" clause has failed to receive the necessary three-fourths vote of Southern Presbyterian Church.

Death of Good Woman.

The grim monster, death, visited the home of her son, Mr. Frank Currin, near Oxford Sunday night and claimed for his own the gentle spirit of Mrs. Sallie Currin after an illness of about one month. She was 74 years old and a devout member of the Baptist church, and much beloved by a large circle of friends and neighbors. She was the only sister of President F. P. Hobgood, of Oxford College, and leaves besides her son and brother, three daughters, Mrs. Watt Elam, of Buffalo Junction, Va.; Mrs. J. G. Bowling, of Greenville, and Mrs. Phil Royster, of Durham, to mourn her passing away.

The interment took place Monday afternoon at Enon, Dr. R. H. Marsh conducting the service in the presence of a large number of sympathizing friends who had gathered to pay a last tribute of respect to a noble christian woman. The burial was in charge of Upchurch & Currin, undertakers, of Oxford.

The Post Office Building.

The contract to build the Oxford postoffice has been let to a firm in Pennsylvania, who were the lowest bidders. The site has been cleared and on inquires to reach here from Washington it is thought that work will begin on the structure within the next few weeks.

Will Need a Park.

Oxford is already beginning to feel the need of a public park for the use of the dear babies and children. As the town grows this need will be felt more and more and eventually the town will acquire property at large expense for public parks and playgrounds.

Cleaning up Elmwood.

The people of Oxford will be greatly pleased to know that Elmwood Cemetery has been nicely cleaned up, and trust the good work will go on until the sacred "City of the Dead" is enclosed with a good wire fence and becomes the most beautiful spot around Oxford.

"Backsliding of Miss Mindy"

The "Backsliding of Miss Mindy," given last Saturday evening by the Junior class of Oxford College under the direction of Mrs. Woodall was one of the brightest little comedies ever given there. The audience was kept in a roar of laughter from the first act. N.

Just the Thing to Do.

The Danbury Reporter strikes the keynote when it says: The farmer who makes his stuff at home is independent. He can smile at hard times, hoot at low tobacco and snap his finger at money stringencies. He can lie down at night knowing that he is following the line of farming which means safety and success.

The Dust Nuisance.

We have had quite a dry spell in Oxford and great clouds of dust follows in the wake of vehicles. Not only is it impossible for the good housewives to keep the houses free from dust but the health of the people of Oxford is involved. The sick cannot even have fresh air; when the sash is raised one is nearly choked with dust. A health bulletin or a campaign against the white plague or flies seem but mockery when we are forced daily to breathe nothing but germs.

Oxford College.

The commencement invitations are being sent out. The senior class is the largest in the history of the College, numbering 22. Drs. Mercer, of Rocky Mount and Young of Richmond, are to preach the sermons on Sunday May 25. Professor Sledd, of the chair of English of Wake Forest College, will make the address before the literary societies on Tuesday, May 27. The class exercises occur on Monday, May 26, and the graduating exercises on Tuesday. On this date, also will be given the annual concert and the art exhibit. The alumnae banquet will be served on Monday evening. Many visitors are expecting to attend.

The Organ Recital.

"All the Methodism of Mount Airy gathered at Central Methodist church on last Friday evening to be present at the recital given in honor of the new pipe organ which has just been installed. Prof. Claude A. Robeson, of Greensboro Female College, presided at the organ, assisted by Miss Minnie Haynes and a well selected choir. Prof. Robeson is a master musician and the beautiful tones which he produced held the audience from start to finish."—Mt. Airy correspondent in Charlotte Observer.

He will be at the Methodist church in Oxford Thursday evening. Go out and hear him.

Answered the Last Roll Call.

One more of the old heroes of the civil war has answered the last roll call of His Master and we trust he is forever at rest in the heavenly home. Mr. Marion Dixon, who lives out on Route 4, went out into the woods Saturday to shoot crows, and not returning to the house as soon was expected some of the family went to look for him, and found him lying unconscious on the ground within a short distance of the house. He was carried to the house a short time before he passed away he regaining consciousness. He was a member of Goshen Chapel Christian Church, and much esteemed by all who knew him. The funeral and burial will take place this Tuesday afternoon at his home.

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.

Personal Items About Oxford Folks and Their Friends In General.

Nat Jones, of Route 1, was in town Monday.

Irvine Mangum was in Creedmoor Monday.

Ed Tunstall, of Route 2, was in town Saturday.

Jeff Averett, of Route 1, was in town Monday.

J. W. Currin, of Route 2, was in town Monday.

Ike Breedlove, of Salem, was in town Monday.

W. T. Crews, of Route 2, was in Oxford Saturday.

R. T. Crews, of Tar River, was in town Saturday.

Ben Phipps, of Route 2, was in Oxford Saturday.

Peter Pruitt, of Route 4, was in Oxford Monday.

A. M. Cash, of Route 5, was in town Saturday.

Macon Hobgood of Route 1, was in town Saturday.

W. P. Hobgood, of Route 1, was in Oxford Saturday.

Robt. Brummitt, of Route 2, was a town visitor Monday.

Robt. W. Lassiter was in Washington City Saturday.

Miss Annie Taylor is on a visit to relatives in Wilson.

Henry Dixon, of Knap of Reeds, was on our streets Monday.

Fred Phipps and sister, of Route 1, were in town Saturday.

A. A. Hicks was in Stovall Monday morning on legal business.

J. W. Wilson, of Brassfield township, was in Oxford Monday.

Thomas Bobitt, of Dickerson section, was a town visitor Monday.

M. P. Chamblee joined a family reunion at Wakefield Saturday.

W. D. Brooks and W. R. Nelson, of Route 4, were in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Critcher, of Salem section, were in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Breedlove, of Route 5, were on our streets Saturday.

Vassar Mellechampe spent the week end with his mother in High Point.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Harris and son, of Route 3, were in Oxford on Saturday.

M. L. Oakley and J. A. Satterwhite, of Route 6, were in town on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Freeman, of Route 6, were among Oxford visitors Saturday.

R. H. Rogers, a prominent business man of Creedmoor, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Burnett and children, of Route 7, were on our streets Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Currin, of Wilton, were on our streets Saturday afternoon.

A. S. Carrington and daughter, Miss Lucy Pearl, were Oxford visitors Saturday.

Messrs. Andrew Harris and 'Lew' Gooch, of Henderson, were on our streets Saturday.

H. W. Davis and Wm. Davis, of Bullock, were among the Oxford visitors Monday.

E. A. Hunt, of Route 5, was in town Saturday driving young mare of his own raising.

M. F. Long, of Seaboard, visited his brother, Will Long, in Oxford the first of the week.

Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming and attractive daughter, Miss Isabel, have returned from Kinston.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Mangum and child, of Tar River, were among the shoppers in town Monday.

Mrs. Short, of Winston-Salem, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Vassar Mellechampe on College street.

Mrs. George Tillery, of Wilmington, is on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taylor, on Raleigh street.

Leon Hines, J. A. Taylor, J. C. Robards, Willie Howell and R. P. Taylor, who spent Sunday at home took to the road Monday morning.

NEW NAMES BEING ADDED EVERY DAY.

The Popularity of The Public Ledger is Attested By Its Subscription List.

We are frequently asked by subscribers why we do not change the labels on their papers to conform to the date of their settlement. We are glad to see so many interested in the matter, but the fact is we have been so busy booking subscribers we have not been able to change the labels on renewals or print the names of new subscribers. We are sure each subscriber has been duly credited with the proper amount on our subscription books, and as soon as possible we will give this matter the consideration it deserves. The twice-a-week Public Ledger at \$1 a year or 75 cents for six months, if written during the Mail Carrier's Contest, and the new dress of the paper is responsible for the great influx, more than 300 subscribers being added during the past few weeks, hence our inability to change the dates on the labels. We are highly pleased to see so many new names added to our subscription list, and it now goes into a majority of homes in Granville county. We feel that the people appreciate our efforts to build up the town and country and give them a good clean paper.

We have been genuinely interested in the growth and development of the town and county, and have worked always to the end of bettering conditions, inspiring a spirit of progress in the hearts of the people, and with a view to bigger and better things for Granville county.

The present owners of the Public Ledger desire to express their fullest appreciation of the loyal support which has been given the paper by its readers and advertisers. Their recognition of our efforts has been exceedingly gratifying.

Wherein You Are Wrong.

One of the most serious mistakes that a man can make says an exchange, is to refuse to change his position when it is proved to be wrong. It takes courage to acknowledge one's errors, but a great man will not hesitate to do so. After one has taken a stand one should hold the position only so long as he knows he is right.

Woman 118 Years Old.

There is an old colored woman living about three miles north of Sanford who has lived in three centuries. She was born in August, 1795, and has reached the age of 118 years. She has a good memory and is remarkably well preserved for a person of her age. She remembers as far back as the war of 1812 and can tell of many things connected with the early part of last century. This centenarian is still able to do her own washing provided the water is brought to her.—Sanford Express.

The Town Commissioners.

The old board of town Commissioners becomes the new Board at their regular monthly meeting this Tuesday evening. The citizens of Oxford are expecting much of the new administration with Capt. T. G. Stem, Mayor. We must make advances along many different lines, material, moral and social; we must undertake civic improvements of a definite kind. Our streets and sidewalks must be worked with a view of permanency. And in short there are a hundred and one things to do, in the doing of which the new administration will have the hearty support of a united Oxford.

Beautiful Flowers.

Perhaps the flowers were seen at their best in Oxford Sunday. The finest specimens were placed about the church altars, and nearly everybody paid loving homage to "dear mother." The custom is a beautiful one in this land of a bountiful supply. We can scarcely realize in the Southland how much the presence of the flowers add to our joy. A very small flower costs as much as one dollar in New York City sometimes. We saw a lady in Oxford Sunday wearing a beautiful cluster of home-grown white roses that would retail for \$5 each in the metropolis. If all the beautiful flowers in Oxford at this time were transported to New York in all their loveliness and placed in the hands of the little flower girls on Fifth Avenue they would bring a mint of gold.

Fresh cow for sale—Apply to the De Lacroix plantation. It pd.