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**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET.**

**Jurors Drawn for August Term Granville County Superior Court.**

The honorable Board of County Commissioners met July 7th with the following members present: J. P. Stedman, chairman; B. I. Breedlove, J. N. Tilley, Z. W. Allen and H. C. Floyd. Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The motion of June 2, 1913, requiring all accounts for lumber, etc., furnished road hands, be approved by the chairman of the road supervisors was this day rescinded and the motion to have the accounts approved by one of the Board of Supervisors was carried.

Miss Mary McGee was ordered put on outside pauper list, at \$1.50 per month, payable to D. P. Wagstaff.

G. L. Allen made return of Brassfield tax list.

R. G. Stem made returns of Dutchville tax list.

Clerk ordered to pay Creedmore Supply Company \$4.00 on coffin of Silas Mitchell.

Mrs. Mary D. Gregory was granted rebate on \$1,200 error in listing solvents credits for 1912.

Moved and second that the request of Britt & Coble, asking for a rebate of the privilege tax, be tabled. All voting to table except B. I. Breedlove.

Gresham Daniel's amount as an outside pauper was increased to \$3 per month.

Annual donation of \$15 was made to the colored Fire Company, No 2.

Ordered that the Stem-Shoofly road be extended to Culbreth.

Ordered that \$10.50 be paid to E. G. Ustry for services rendered at the County Home.

Following Jurors were drawn for the August term Granville County Superior Court:

C. R. Dement, R. A. Norwood, William Wilkerson, C. A. Carroll, C. E. Averett, J. T. Poythress, B. W. Butler, W. T. Yancey, L. P. Day, J. M. Cottrell, John Cash, J. C. Frazier, C. A. Hicks, B. F. Currin, W. O. Dickerson, N. G. Crews, J. G. Smith, R. W. Crews, J. H. Currin, W. H. M. Jenkins, E. G. Crews, L. O. Goss, M. C. Taylor, H. G. Williams, W. Terry, S. W. Parker, E. I. Hill, J. Russell Webb, C. A. Day, C. B. Keller, L. G. Patterson, R. M. Pittard, C. D. Morris, R. L. Hunt, R. A. Davis and J. P. Tunstall.

The following tax levy was made for 1913: State 23 2-3c on each \$100 property; Pension, 4c; school, 25; county, 17; roads, 30 1-3.

Poll tax—General school, \$1.41; special school, .09; support of poor, 38; pensions, 12.

In addition to the above levy a levy of 5c. on each \$100 of property was levied in Oxford and Salem townships for interest and principle of Oxford and Clarksville Railroad bonds.

The following levies were made in the special school district:

Fishing Creek, No. 4, 15c; Fishing Creek, No. 6, 20c; Fishing Creek, No. 7, 20c.

Brassfield No. 1, 10; Brassfield No. 4, 20.

Dutchville No. 1, 30; Dutchville No. 2, 20; Dutchville No. 3, 35; Dutchville No. 4, 15; Dutchville No. 7, 20.

Tally Ho No. 1, 20; Tally Ho No. 2, 30; Tally Ho No. 3, 25; Tally Ho No. 6, 15; Tally Ho No. 7, 15.

Walnut Grove No. 7, 30.

Oak Hill No. 2, 15.

Sassafras Fork No. 2, 13.

Salem, 10.

**Miss White Entertains.**

Miss Hixie White entertained Tuesday evening in honor of her house-guests, Misses Mary Ruth Angle, Greensboro; Katherine Guley, Goldsboro, and Londa Shamburger, Hertford. Misses Estelle White and Carrie Harris served punch. Progressive promenade was an enjoyable feature of the evening. Cream, cake and mints were served.

BESURE and see the fine tobacco crops on the land offered for sale by A. L. BABCOCK.

REMEMBER, gentlemen, that if its roofing, wire, fence, paints, tin shingles, tobacco flues that you want see Davis, the hardware man from Clarksville, before you buy.

FOR SALE at once, my entire stock of White Orpingtons and American Dominiques at lowest prices. J. G. HALL, Jr., Oxford, N. C.

**GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY**

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

Read sale of several tracts of land advertised in another column by A. L. Babcock.

Don't fail to comprehend that a gentleman consists in being generally kind and considerate.

The contractor will soon be ready to commence work on the foundation of Government building.

Monday proved a good day for subscribers as 24 new ones were added to our already large list.

We see that other towns are moving to secure better depot facilities and why cannot Oxford do the same thing?

When you lose your temper and can take it easy by saying "tut! tut!" you can be included among the philosopher.

Isn't it funny that "having a good time" means a stunt that will give you a headache and keep you broke for a week.

Those who bury the hatchet should be sure that the handle does not stick out so it can be used when the occasion demands.

The Carriers Contest will close on July 31 at 6 o'clock p. m., and you had better get busy and help your carrier win a prize.

We understand that an official of one of the railroads in this State refers to the people who want just freight rates as "anarchists."

Frank Furman, who has been one of the pleasant clerk at Lyon Drug Store, has retired and is succeeded by the affable and manly John Stedman, Jr.

James Mangum, is not only a good janitor but a good farmer as well, as he laid on our table the first of the week a number of cotton blooms.

The Flat River Association will meet next Tuesday with Poplar Creek Church, and as it is close by the Oxford people should attend in large numbers.

Now if the Town Commissioners would plow up the old holey macadam on Main, College and Hillsboro streets and relay it, it would prove a great benefit to Oxford.

Rumor has it that there is an another ice plant in Oxford, and trust it will not drift into a short weight one, but we are frank to say that we do not need another ice plant.

We did not expect the Board of County Commissioners to relieve us of the special tax when we made application, but to put them on record as a special privilege board.

The Public Ledger highly appreciates the kind expressions of many of our farmer friends in renewing their subscription to the old reliable advocate of the rights of the people.

We ask the Warehousemen, auctioneers and buyers not to forget to send us in their photographs provided they do not mind having their picture grace the columns of the Tobacco Edition of the Public Ledger.

Running into a rocking chair on a dark night in the sitting room is our idea of being up against it. When the sharp end of the rocker gets in its work, it lands one right under the ankle bone just as if it had eyes to pick out the spot.

Looking forward, as far as we see, our way is a way of pleasantness and trust our path will be one of peace, and friends, we thank you from the depths of our heart for your support of the Public Ledger, any may we continue to merit it.

If you have a thing to say, Go and advertise; If you'd teach a better way, Go and advertise; If you have some goods to sell, If you have a story to tell, If the world's wisdom you'd swell, Go and advertise.

**A Noble People.**

No place on the globe will you find as big-hearted, generous and noble people as reside in this old town even if every one is anxious to run things to suit himself, and they are not much on dress parade. They do not wear silk stockings and silk hats, but they have hearts as big and warm as ever pulsated in human breast.

**Methodist Picnic.**

The Methodist Sunday school went out to Providence Wednesday with well filled baskets and had a good time. The trip was made in wagons and the little people made things merry with their cheerful voices. Eating, drinks and games made the day only too short.

**Mr. Brown Receives Token.**

As an appreciation of their friendship and good will the clerks of the Oxford Postoffice and the free delivery carriers of the town presented a fountain pen to Mr. J. W. Brown, the retiring postmaster. Mr. Brown is now resting a few days at Chase City preparatory to taking a traveling position.

**Prizes for Oxford College.**

Of all the schools of the State represented at the summer school now in progress at Chapel Hill is a source of pleasure to note that the bright girls who have attended Oxford College captured the second prize for their "stunt" given on the lawn last week. With Mrs. J. A. Beam's prize poem this makes two prizes for Oxford College.

**Eli Tippet Dead.**

The Durham Sun of Wednesday contains the following: Mr. Eli Tippet died last evening at 8 o'clock after an extended illness with pellagra. Mr. Tippet was 62 years of age and is survived by a widow and three children. The body will be shipped to Dickerson tomorrow, the old home of Mr. Tippet, where the funeral services will take place. The interment will take place at the family burying grounds.

**Lewis-Daniel.**

The following card has been received by friends: Mrs. Nathaniel Beverly Daniel invites you to be present at the marriage of her daughter, Bailey, to Mr. Richard Meriwether Lewis on Tuesday afternoon, the twenty second of July, at one o'clock, "Tranquility," near Oxford, North Carolina.

**On Historic Ground.**

Miss Francis Abbott and her little brother, Julian, are spending some time with relatives at Appomattox, Va. Julian is the bright little boy who came to our rescue immediately after the close of the Graded School and delivered the Public Ledger to our town subscribers up to the time of his departure for historic Appomattox. Julian is as good as he is bright and he consented to drop the Public Ledger a letter from the town made famous by the cessation of hostilities.

**Family Reunion.**

One of the most pleasant social events of the season was a family reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Lane, near Franklinton, July 9th. Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Bartholomew and children were present from Middlesex, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Rice and brother, R. B. Rice, from Spring Hope, and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lane and children who live near the old home. These in addition to the resident family, made a happy gathering. Mr. and Mrs. Lane were the recipients of many remembrances from relatives and friends, and the day was delightfully spent.

**The Farmer's Picnic.**

Interest centers around the Farmer's Institute and basket picnic which will be held at the Granville County Test Farm July 24. It is believed that the occasion will prove to be of such interest as to make it an annual event, in which every farmer, merchant and business man in the county will feel a special interest, and from year to year as more work is done on the farm that every man may find something peculiarly adapted to his particular case some experiment that he is specially interested in.

As previously stated the speeches of the parties who have consented to come will not be long enough to become tiresome as there is going to be a demonstration of Tile Drainage conducted on the farm in the afternoon. This will be done by an expert and as every farmer in the county no doubt has some of his best land growing briars and weeds because it is not properly drained, this should be a very interesting subject. The cost of the tiling, the methods of laying and the difficulties will be discussed.

I HAVE twenty decorated forty-two-piece dinner sets for sale at \$3.00 per set. J. J. MEDFORD. 3t

**Flat River Association.**

The following is the order of business for Flat River Association, Poplar Creek church, July 15:

Tuesday—10 to 10:45—Introductory Sermon; 10:45 to 11—Organization; 11 to 11:30—Biblical Recorder; 11:30 to 12:30—Sunday school; 12:30 to 2—Recess; 2 to 2:15—Miscellaneous; 2:15 to 3—Orphanage; 3 to 4—Education, General and Ministerial; 4 to 4:30—Temperance and Prayer Meetings.

Wednesday—9 to 9:20—Devotional Exercises; 9:20 to 9:50—Roll Call and Consultation of members; 9:50 to 12—Missions, State, Home and Foreign; 2 to 2:10, Miscellaneous; 2:10 to 3 State of churches; 3 to 3:30—Ministerial Relief; 3:30 to 4—Obituaries.

Woman's Missionary Union for Tuesday. Morning Session—10 o'clock. 1—Devotional Exercises; 2—Welcome, Mr. Capps; 3—Response, Mrs. Sneed; 4—Roll Call of Societies; 5—Report of Vice President; 6—Needs and Plans, Miss Kelly, Enlistment Junior Societies; 7—Mission Study, Mrs. Weather-spoon; 8—Appointment of Committees; 9—State Missions, Mrs. Shaw; 10—Discussion Personal Service in our Association, led by Mrs. Amis; 11 Prayer.

Afternoon Session. 1—Devotional Exercises, Mrs. Harris. 2—The Jubilate Year, Miss Barrus. 3—What Our Association is Doing for Foreign Missions; What we should do. 4—Our Part in the Enlargement and Maintenance of the Training School, Mr. S. C. Lyon. 5—Report of Committees. 6—Home Mission Task, Miss Kelly. 7—Closing Devotions, led by Mrs. Knott.

Mrs. John Webb, Vice President, Mrs. W. T. Harris, Second Vice President, Mrs. C. D. Ray, Secretary.

**Board of Education Meets.**

The Board of Education met Monday July 7th in regular quarterly session, all members being present. Messrs. C. M. Lawrence and J. W. Whitfield appeared before the Board and asked for an additional appropriation for the Brassfield school in order to keep an assistant teacher. They stated that they would guarantee a certain amount themselves if the Board of Education would help them. They also asked that they be allowed to elect the committee for their district. The matter will be referred to the State Superintendent.

R. V. Blackwell and others from Oak Hill township asked for a new school district. The Board appointed a committee to investigate the needs and report to a subsequent meeting.

The committee of Oak Hill No. 3 composed of R. I. Mulchi and W. L. Clark presented the needs of a building for the colored race in their district. They stated that there was no building and that it was necessary for them to have one in order to have a school. The Board agreed to appropriate \$100 provided the patrons of the district would contribute enough to complete the building.

Vacancies in a few of the committees were filled.

Dr. Morris representing the committee appointed to confer with L. C. Brogden in regard to the appointment of a lady to act as rural supervisor of schools made a report to the Board. The committee after a careful consideration of the proposition made by Mr. Brogden signed the contract with him which entitles the county to \$250 from the Peabody fund for this purpose. The report also showed that Miss Mary Shotwell had been selected for this work.

It was decided to build a new school house at Culbreth and the site for the building was selected.

The present superintendent, J. F. Webb, was re-elected for a term of two years and his salary increased to \$1,500 a year. This is the only increase that has been made in the salary of the office for eight years and the Board of Education went on record as unanimously favoring this addition in view of the increased cost of living and the more complex and difficult nature of the work.

**Deserved Promotion.**

F. Parker Thornton, who came to Oxford from Richmond a few months ago in the capacity of soliciting agent for the Carolina Light and Power Company, has been promoted to a more responsible position with the company and he leaves Monday to enter upon his new position at Raleigh.

DAVIS, the hardware man, pays the freight on all flues you buy.

**SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW.**

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

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

W. R. Garner, of Creedmoor was in Oxford Thursday.

H. P. Blackley, of Wilton section, was in Oxford Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Cannady are enjoying the sea breeze at Atlantic City.

Billy Williams and four nice sons, of Oak Hill section, were in Oxford Wednesday.

Misses Dixie and Foy Hester, of Route 1, returned Thursday from Chapel Hill.

J. T. Grissom, one of the fine farmers of the Wilton section, was in town Thursday.

Mrs. John Gooch has returned from Clinton accompanied by her mother, Mrs. C. M. Carroll.

Judge Robinson, of Goldsboro, was in Oxford Wednesday, Thursday and Friday on legal business.

Miss Elma Wardurton, of Rockingham, and Mrs. I. E. King, of Greensboro, are visiting Miss Hettie Lyon.

M. P. Chamblee has returned from Westbrook Sanatarium, Richmond, and reports Mrs. Chamblee improving.

Dr. W. W. Spratley Jr., and Miss Carrie Rennie, of Richmond, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Meadows.

Miss Hettie Lyon has returned from an extended visit to Nashville, Tenn., and points of interest in the Southland.

Miss Mary Shotwell as soon as she returned from Savannah Ga., left for Chapel Hill to equip herself for her important duties.

Rev. and Mrs. S. K. Phillips, Misses Edna White and Mary Webb were in Chapel Hill Thursday, Mr. John Brown taking them over in his nice automobile.

**At the Opera House.**

The King-Morris-Jones Company, who are holding the boards at the Opera House, played to a full house Thursday night. There will be a change of program this Friday and Saturday nights.

**Fine Cow.**

A fine cow imported by B. M. Caldwell arrived in Oxford this Friday morning and caused much favorable comment. The cow is of the Holstein breed, large and compact. Doubtless Mr. Caldwell will have the cow on exhibition at the County Fair.

**Funeral of Mrs. R. T. Crews.**

The funeral of Mrs. R. T. Crews last Tuesday evening, conducted from the home of the deceased by Rev. L. H. Joyner and Dr. A. P. Tyler, was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends of the noble woman. The active pall-bearers were: Will Landis, John Haskins, Jim Renn, T. W. Winston, Stephenson Daniel, Frank Lyon, S. P. Abernathy, Elijah Currin, Honorary: W. H. Hunt, Dr. T. L. Booth, Charlie Bryan, Dr. E. T. White, Dr. N. C. Daniel, W. A. Parham, W. T. Yancey and E. B. Mangum. The interment was in Elmwood Cemetery conducted by Upchurch & Currin.

**Rural Carriers Contest.**

Turn in every available vote for your Carrier now as the number of votes for each subscriber positively will not be increased during the life of this contest.

The following is the standing of the contestants up to Friday at noon:

Carrier No. 1 Oxford	6,700
Carrier No. 2 Oxford	40,000
Carrier No. 3 Oxford	27,300
Carrier No. 4 Oxford	21,200
Carrier No. 5 Oxford	16,000
Carrier No. 7 Oxford	15,500
Carrier No. 2 Virgilia	11,500
Carrier No. 2 Northside	11,400
Carrier No. 1 Hester	40,700
Carrier No. 1 Stem	20,100
Carrier No. 2 Stem	13,200
Carrier No. 3 Stem	11,400
Carrier No. 1 Creedmoor	12,600
Carrier No. 2 Creedmoor	11,300
Carrier No. 1 Franklinton	11,900

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HOLD MEETING.**

**A Nice Legal Battle--New Light at Front and Releigh Streets is Urged.**

All one has to do these warm nights to be convinced that the Town Commissioners earn their money is to visit their monthly meeting in the Mayor's office. On Tuesday night last there were more than fifty matters, both large and small, claiming their attention, and each item was given the same careful consideration as a question of equity in the court of last resort.

One of the prettiest little legal battles we have heard in a long time sprang up between Hon. W. A. Devin, who appeared for the Southern Express Company, and Judge Graham. Capt. Devin asked that the tax on the Southern Express Company be fixed at \$20 per year, and in order to substantiate his claim he produced the Acts of the General Assembly and cited a long list of authorities. It appeared that the town charter which was enacted early in March last, authorized the Board to tax the Express Company \$100 per year, and later in the session the Legislature passed the Machinery or some other Act, placing the tax at \$20. Mayor Stem leaned back in his chair and crossed his legs and the sparring for points began. Judge Graham cited the fact that the Southern Express Company brought in large quantities of whiskey and that we should be allowed to tax them more than \$20, and urged Capt. Devin to have the clause repealed at the extra session of the Legislature this fall.

The question of mad dogs in the community was taken up by the Board and they concurred in the opinion that it is the part of wisdom to muzzle all dogs, and Mayor Stem was requested to draft an ordinance to that effect.

The question of placing the rock crusher at a quarry near Oxford, looking to a cheaper supply of stone, was debated. Messrs. Couch and Thornton, of the Carolina Power and Light Company, were present and assured the Board that their Company would extend the line to the quarry if the business would justify the outlay.

Representatives of the two colored Fire Companies were present and stated that the Colored Firemen's Tournament would be held in Concord this summer, and asked the Board to assist them in attending the meeting. The Board donated \$60 to each of the companies.

J. B. Powell appeared before the Board and urged that a light be placed at the intersection of Front and Raleigh streets. Mr. Powell cited many narrow escapes of pedestrians and vehicles in that vicinity and his request was referred to the Light Committee.

During the heavy rain and electric storm Thursday night a flash of lightning came near striking the post-office building. The only damage done was to spring a leak in the roof.

ALL KINDS of fresh turnip seed, prize winner, all varieties at Lyon Drug Store.

DON'T forget Davis has everything in the farm implement and machine line you want, as well as flues and everything a farmer needs.

WARNING—I hereby warn all people not to harbor or hire John Thorp, colored, who has left my employment without cause. B. T. THOMASSON. 1t pd.

**Valuable Land for Sale.**

ON MONDAY, AUGUST 4TH, 1913, I will offer for sale at the Court House door in Oxford, N. C., for cash, certain tracts of lands described below, all of which have plenty of wood for plantation purposes, are well watered and are situated on new county road leading from Lewis Station to Mountain Creek road and about 6 miles from Oxford and 1-1/2 miles from Lewis Station. Tract No. 1.—This tract contains 61-1/2 acres of good grain and tobacco land, a portion of which is partially cleared, and is situated on north side of said new road. Tract No. 2.—This tract situated on north side of said new road, contains 53-1/2 acres good tobacco and grain land of which about 8 acres are cleared and a portion partially cleared. On it there is a large 3 room log house. Tract No. 3.—This tract situated on north side of said new road, containing 33 acres extra fine tobacco and grain land, of which about 4 acres are cleared and 20 acres partially cleared. On this land there is a three room log house. Tract No. 4.—This is my home tract and contains 63 acres very fine tobacco and grain land situated on south side of said new road, of which about 30 acres are cleared and 15 acres partially cleared. On this tract there are one 9 room dwelling house, one ten room, one corn crib, two 5 room tobacco barns, two pack houses and strip room, a splendid well of water and two pastures enclosed with wire. A plat of the above land may be seen posted in the Court House. I shall be pleased to show over the land with any party interested in the same. Said tracts will be sold separately and as a whole. A. L. BABCOCK.