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## NEWS SHOCKS FAMILY.

### MURDERED MAN WIDELY KNOWN

#### He Was Fifty-nine Years Old and Was Born in Ireland

The Roanoke World-News of January 1st, says:

"William M. Sullivan, who was murdered near Oxford, N. C., Tuesday is widely known in Roanoke. He lived at 410 Sixth street, S. E. He was fifty-nine years old, and was born in County Cork, Ireland. When eighteen years old he came to this country and located in Greensboro, N. C., where he lived for six years when he removed to Roanoke which had been his home up to the time of his death. He has been a traveling optician for the past twenty years covering a territory carrying him through the States of Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

"Mr. Sullivan had been away from home since June last, but had written to his wife Christmas Eve from Boynton, Va., sending her money and telling her that he would be with his family New Year's day. In the letter Mr. Sullivan said he was getting too old to travel about the country, as he had been doing, and that he expected to quit soon. His letter breathed affection and solicitation for his family, and the news of his death was a great shock to his wife who was confined to her bed last night with grief.

"Mr. Sullivan left a widow and six children. The children are: Mrs. J. W. Smith, Roanoke; Mrs. Richard Gorman, Lynchburg; Mrs. John Wade, Roanoke; Mrs. W. M. Dunington, Jacksonville, Fla.; Miss Minnie Sullivan, Roanoke, and Mr. Joseph Sullivan, Roanoke. All of the children are with their mother.

There is something dark and revolting about this tragedy and to stone should be left unturned to bring to light the mystery surrounding it.

#### Of Interest to Oxford People

The following item, of interest to Oxford people, appeared in the Sunday Times Dispatch:

The new Baptist church at Accomac, which has just been opened for worship, was built at a cost of \$15,000. It is of Gothic architecture, after the old English style of the sixteenth century. The building, besides the main auditorium, contains a baptistry and robing room. It is heated by steam and lighted by electricity. The Sunday school room is situated in a wing, and has three large classrooms entering into it. The windows in the church are nearly all memorial, including one to the late Judge B. T. Gunter, Sr. A marble tablet adorns the walls of the church, showing the affection of the members for their pastor and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Dunaway. The inscription reads:

In recognition of the valuable services of Rev. A. B. Dunaway and Mrs. E. J. Dunaway in and about the erection of this building, October, 1913.

#### Had to Cut Horse Loose.

Dr. Thomas drove out into the country Saturday morning accompanied by Roy Royster to see a patient, and in attempting to ford King Creek below the Coloredphan Asylum he came very near drowning his horse. Dr. Thomas jumped into the water and his horse loose from the buggy he swam out. The doctor and companion waded out and soon the buggy on dry land.

#### Minor Warehouse Sold.

J. Webb, the excellent booker at the Banner Warehouse, purchased the Minor Warehouse from S. W. Minor and J. F. Gows, price paid was \$14,000. It will have associated with him experienced warehouseman and open up the Minor Warehouse next season, giving Oxford large leaf warehouses.

## SHORT LOCAL PICK-UPS

### GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

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

Mr. and Mrs. Will Fleming will occupy the Elmore cottage on Gilliam street.

John W. Hunt, who has been sick some time, is able to be out on the streets again.

To be a booster every day during 1914 should be the resolve of every true Oxonian.

We ask you to read the administrator's notice of O. W. Eakes on another page.

The next stop is the Poultry Show. Are you getting ready to make an exhibit?

The friends of Dr. Ferebee will be sorry to learn that he is confined at home with the grippe.

Some people are so small in calibre that it is a wonder they don't dry up and blow away.

The friends of Deputy Sheriff Murray will be sorry to learn that he continues right sick.

The attention of our readers is called to the Executor's notice of Z. W. Lyon in another part of this paper.

The Women's Civic Club will meet in the Commercial Club Rooms this Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Gooch Mill property was sold at public auction Monday in front of Court House and was bought by our young friend Otho Daniel for \$5,460.

On Friday night some body appropriated the new bicycle of Elgie Rainey, out on Raleigh Road, to his own use, and has not been heard from since.

Don't forget to send in your orders for job printing which will be promptly and satisfactorily executed at the lowest prices by the Britt Printery.

Superintendent Eugene Moss informs us that the nice home at the Experiment Farm is about completed and he will move in about the first of February.

If you want to hear something good go to the Orpheum Theatre Friday night and hear DeKoven Quartette, which comes to Oxford highly recommended.

Some one got short on holiday money last Friday night and entered the Southern Railway office and broke open the cash drawer and relieved the company of about \$4.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Hobgood and children, who have been living in Vance county for 6 years, have returned to Granville and are living at the Roy Wright place on Route 6.

Old Aunt Lucinda Lewis, an old ex-slave that used to belong to Col. Roger Gregory, died Sunday at her home in Browntown. She was a kind old soul and held in high esteem by all who knew her.

On behalf of the ten colored prisoners in jail we tender to Will J. Long their many, many thanks for a nice box of good things sent them Christmas by James Mangum, the worthy janitor of the Court House.

The many friends of Thos. Howard, the kindly floor manager at the Owen warehouse who suffered a stroke of paralysis a few days ago, will deeply regret to learn that he is not expected to live many hours.

We are pleased to learn that the Ideal Manufacturing Company, one of our prosperous enterprises, continues to increase its output in horse, cattle and chicken powders and celebrated dust down, which has no equal on the market.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fisher, of Richmond, who some months ago located near town, left Thursday for Amelia county, Va., where they will make their home. We regret to lose this nice young couple and our best wishes go with them.

## THE EXCHANGE HOTEL.

### THE JOVIAL PROPRIETOR "AT HOME"

#### The Guests Enjoy a Bountiful Spread at the Modern Hostelry

As is his custom at this season of the year, when his shoats have been dressed and his larder is full of the good things of this life, Lonnie Smith, the jovial proprietor of the Exchange Hotel, is wanting to gather a number of his friends about him to enjoy a hearty meal, having as its basis crackling bread, the richest meats and Java coffee. Those who were fortunate enough to receive an invitation to dine with Mr. Smith ate sparingly at the noon meal Saturday so as to be able to do justice at the evening meal at the Exchange Hotel. The guests began to gather in the parlors at 6:30 and supper was announced at 7:15. Seated at the table were: Messrs. Lonnie Smith, Col. H. G. Cooper, Gen. B. S. Royster, Judge Graham, Senator A. A. Hicks, Col. Ballou, John Webb, Dr. E. T. White, Hilman Cannady, S. W. Parker, C. W. Bryan, C. H. Landis, J. Robt. Wood, D. A. Coble, Peter L. Yates, of Greensboro, and R. L. Green, of Shelby. Mr. John Webb asked the blessing. The supper was a revelation of good things, such as the Exchange is famous for, and it was thoroughly enjoyed by every one. From the dining room the guests were invited to the parlors where they enjoyed a smoke and told stories. Owing to a previous engagement General Royster could not remain throughout the evening. The combination of wit, wisdom and practical ideas of Col. Cooper makes him a most delightful after-dinner speaker. He believes in distributing flowers among the living, and surveying the rotundity of the host with a critical eye, extending his arms as if encircling the water tank, he paid a glowing tribute to the Exchange Hotel as a place to dine.

Col. Ballou referred to the hotel back in the days when the log burnt on the hearth and the rooms were lighted by oil lamps, and congratulated Mr. Smith on the proportions of the hotel at the present time and the excellent accommodations.

Judge Graham spoke of the important part the Exchange Hotel plays in the life of the town and county, as it is here where the visitor gets his first impression.

On behalf of the guests Senator Hicks voiced their sentiments for the pleasure of the evening.

While all the nice things were being said about Mr. Smith and the Exchange Hotel it occurred to us that if Mr. Smith wanted to build a skyscraper the stock would have been easily secured on the spot.

#### Post Office Shows Increase

The annual report made out by the officials of the Oxford post office shows an increase of \$1,076.28 in receipts during 1913, the time included in the report being from December 31, 1912, to December 31, 1913. During the months intervening during these dates the total receipts were \$14,219.43. For 1912 the figures were \$13,143.15. The fact that the parcel post came into vogue during 1913 is largely responsible for the increase.

#### Left for Richmond.

Capt. and Mrs. Charles Elmore and two sweet children, who have made their home in Oxford for a number of years, bade their many Oxford friends farewell Thursday and left for their new home in the city of Richmond followed by the best wishes of our people.

#### Marriage Announcement.

The following invitation has been issued: Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hight request the pleasure of your presence at their home to the marriage of their daughter, Carrie Belle, to Mr. Isham Davis on Wednesday, January 14th, 1914, at 3 o'clock, p. m. Friends and relatives invited.

## VITAL STATISTICS LAW

### MUST GIVE THE NECESSARY INFORMATION

#### It is Now a Penalty Not to Register the Birth of Children

There seems to be much uncertainty about the enforcement of the new vital statistic law, especially in regard to the registering of births. In every case, the attending physician is required to make a full report of every birth, giving all of the information asked for on the blanks. In cases where there was no physician, the parents of the child, or other person attending, must give the information. Those who fail to do this are subject to a heavy penalty. It does seem that it would require no urging to induce parents to have births properly registered. If you had a thoroughbred calf, or colt, or dog the chances are that you would have it registered—if it cost you nothing—why not have your baby registered? If your baby has not been registered, call on your local registrar and ask for a blank birth certificate. He will be glad to register all births since November 1st.

#### Death of Little Boy.

Willie Hicks, a bright five year boy, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emp Grissom, near Dexter, on Sunday morning, after two weeks illness. The remains were conveyed Monday afternoon to Stovall by Upchurch & Currin and consigned to the tomb.

#### Will Publish Farm Products

The North Carolina Agricultural Station has devised a plan for making known the products which the farmers have to offer for sale. The Farmers' Market Reporter, to be published in Raleigh, is the name of the publication through which the information will be made known. This is simply a news channel for buyers whether they be farmers, general consumers or merchants. Copies of the Farmers' Market Reporter, in which the farm products will be listed, will be furnished you, and all others who may request them.

#### Card of Thanks

The relatives of the late W. T. Lyon wish to sincerely thank all the friends who visited him, sent him flowers, enquired after his welfare, offered any kindness, or in any way manifested an interest in him during his long and painful illness. He was deeply grateful for all acts of kindness and interest shown, and we desire to express our thanks to all those who in any way tried to make his last days bright and comfortable. It was a sore affliction through which he went, but we are grateful for the sympathy shown him while he lived. Z. W. LYON, and Family

#### LOCAL PICK-UPS.

Even if the contest is over we have added 11 new subscribers this year to our list.

The tobacco market is open and the buyers are anxiously awaiting the pleasure of the farmers.

W. T. Currin, of Tar River, during the holidays killed two pigs 13 months old that weighed 477 and 349.

Our old friend Frank Meadows out on Route 6 has become the owner of the 143 acres of county land at \$60.50 per acre.

The excellent farm of the late John Meadows at Culbreth was sold in Oxford Monday, and was bid off by Sam H. Jones for \$6,500.

FOR RENT—Rooms and apartments for housekeeping at the Frances Hillard school building. Phone 49B. 2t.

THE regular annual meeting of stockholders of The National Bank of Granville will be held in their banking room the second Tuesday in January at noon.

W. T. YANCEY, Cashier.

## MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE.

### SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW

#### Personal Items About Oxford Folks and Their Friends in General.

T. B. Hill, of Virgilina, was in Monday.

N. G. Crews, of Dabney, was in town Monday.

R. S. Hart, of Route 7, was in town Saturday.

J. M. Haskins, of Hester, was in town Monday.

Dr. Meadows, of Culbreth, was in town Monday.

Dr. J. A. Morris, of Wilton, was in town Monday.

W. C. O'Brien, of Route 1, was in Oxford Monday.

J. S. Watkins, of Cornwall, was in town Saturday.

W. H. Howard, of Route 4, was in Oxford Monday.

W. R. Nelson, of Route 4, was a town visitor Monday.

J. W. Davis, of Route 6, was a town visitor Monday.

J. K. Daniel, of Berea section, was in town Monday.

W. A. Sherman, of Berea section, was in Oxford Monday.

M. L. Coley, of Green's, was an Oxford visitor Monday.

W. P. Perry, of Hester, was an Oxford visitor Saturday.

Benehan Cameron, of Stagsville, was an Oxford visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Mize, Route 1, were on our streets Monday.

W. T. Puckett, of Walnut Grove township, was in town Monday.

Nat Hobgood and two sons, of Route 7, were in town Monday.

J. M. Clayton, of Fishing Creek township, was in town Saturday.

Louis Daniel and daughter, of Route 1, were in Oxford Monday.

Sam Currin, of Stovall, was among the town visitors Monday.

J. H. Perry, of Creedmoor, was among the Oxford visitors Monday.

Graves Day and A. M. Aiken, of Stem section, were in Oxford Monday.

J. T. Hart, of Cornwall section, was among the crowd in town Monday.

Wm. Bryant, near Creedmoor, was among the Oxford visitors on Monday.

Mrs. George Royster, of Bullock, spent the week end with relatives in Oxford.

D. Currin, T. J. Smith and Geo. Royster, of Route 6, were in Oxford Monday.

Dr. J. F. Sanderford and Sam C. Lyon, of Creedmoor, were Oxford visitors Monday.

Mr. Francis, of Baltimore, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Wm. Landis, on Raleigh street.

John Morton and Herbert Faucett, of Bullock, were among the crowd in town Monday.

E. L. Morgan, of Burlington, is visiting his sister, Mrs. L. T. Evans, on College street.

Mrs. Joe Beard and children have returned from a visit to relatives in western part of the State.

Chas. Gregory, after spending the holidays at home left Sunday for Kentucky to buy tobacco.

W. H. Jones and Sam Jones, E. N. Clement and M. Blalock, of Culbreth, were in Oxford Monday.

Master Edward Blackwell spent the holidays with his aunt, Mrs. J. A. T. Shotwell, near Williamsboro.

John Webb, Jr., has returned to Warrenton school and Miss Sallie Webb also returned to Peace Institute.

Marsh Ray returned last Tuesday from Texas and has decided not to go back to the pleasure of his home folks.

## OXFORD POULTRY SHOW

### FEATHERED TRIBE WILL ARRIVE NEXT WEEK

#### The Show Will Be Held in the Armory of the Granville Grays

With a large number of entries already made and inquiries still coming in, the indications are that the Granville County Poultry Show to be held in Oxford next week will be equal to the best poultry show ever held in the State. The entries are by no means confined to North Carolina, as several fine birds will be here from Virginia and South Carolina. The show will continue through Wednesday and Thursday, January 14th and 15th, and many outsiders are expected here during the event. There will be prominent men of the North Carolina branch of the American Poultry Association here. The show will be held in the Armory of the Granville Grays, on the second floor of the Municipal Building.

It has been said that modern poultry shows combine sporting, educational and commercial features and this is very true. With some, the sporting element predominates, as for instance the wealthier fanciers who go into the business for the fun there is in it. The educational is well known and recognized and there are many who enter the poultry business for the diversion there is in it. The commercial is the side that appeals to the majority who are in the business for their livelihood. The latter class achieve the greatest results for the season that they are in it for their "bread and meat," so to speak, and consequently neglect nothing that will promote the cause of their birds. In the show the birds will be arranged according to definite classification, the Plymouth Rocks occupying one section, the Wyandotes another, the Orphingtons still another and so on down the line. One of the most pleasant and profitable hours imaginable is a visit to a well-ordered poultry classified show.

#### About the Dog.

Editors of the Ledger:

In your report of the killing of Buck Kersey there was a slight error, which I wish you would correct. The dog which came to the field where Kersey was at work was not in company with anyone and was the dog of a near neighbor of Kersey's which had been lost. Kersey caught the dog and tied it to a tree and later tied it behind the wagon he was hauling corn with, the Harris boy come up later and tried to release the dog and Kersey, knowing that it was not his dog, objected to his taking the dog away and the Harris boy then stepped back and shot Kersey. This is the way it happened as related at the trial by three witnesses.

Very truly yours,  
HENRY L. KERSEY.

#### In Honor of Miss Glasgow

Miss Lizzie Gooch entertained Thursday night in honor of her guest, Miss Macey Glasgow, of Shelby. The house was attractively decorated in Yuletide effects. The guests had a good time playing progressive games, after which a delicious ice course was served. The guests included Misses Mamie Royster, Jessie Hobgood, Ethel Clement, Louie Mitchell, Miss Foushee, of Roxboro; Mrs. Annie Lee Llewellyn, Mrs. D. A. Coble, Mrs. T. J. Maupin, of Salisbury; Messrs. Frank Blalock, Billie Mitchell, Marsh Ray, Joe Hunt, Aubrey Moore, Marrow Fullerton, Willie Alston, and Joe Gooch, of Thomasville, Ga.

#### Death of Aged Lady.

Mrs. Mary A. Floyd, passed away Sunday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Roger Murray, near Oxford. She was a good and kind christian woman and had reached her 83rd year. She leaves a number of children to mourn her death. The interment took place Monday afternoon in Elmwood Cemetery.