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THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. SHORT LOCAL PICK-UPS JUST WHERE WE STAND AN HONORED SERVANT MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE. POPULAR PLAY HOUSE.

EDUCATIONAL MATTERS IN THE COUNTY

The Public Ledger is in Favor of Increased Pay for Teachers

It is gratifying to note that the public schools of Granville county are in excellent condition. This is attributed to the pains-taking care of the school officials and the teachers, and if it was sifted down to its final analysis it would be found that they are the bulwark of the county, for all depends upon education. There is not to be found in the county a single teacher who is not "worthy of the hire," and more. Faithful servants all of them, they deserve better pay. It is sometimes easy to endow an institution, but an increase of salary of a teacher is another proposition. With the rapid strides education is making in our county one important fact has been overlooked, namely, that of increasing the pay of the teachers. In the not long ago a teacher could find pleasant and comfortable homes near their school in the country for one-half what it costs them to live at the present time. While there are a few teachers who may have a small income or parents to help them tide over the session, to many an increase of pay would be a God-send. This matter should be thoroughly looked into by the public and the teachers should have all that goes with the high calling. Along with the increase of pay of the school officials should come an increase of pay for the teachers, and the Public Ledger welcomes the day when the true worth of the teacher is recognized in dollars and cents.

Will they Pass Through Here?

As a preliminary step towards the improvement and maintenance of the first through road under the supervision of the United States Government, a scouting party composed of officials of the Office of Public Roads, the American Highway Association and various State Highway Departments will motor from Washington to Atlanta Ga., early in February.

The Office of Public Roads agreed to put three of the ablest engineers of the office in charge of the 850 mile stretch, provided the American Highway Association would secure the co-operation of the local officials in the States which are to be traversed.

In the scouting party, there will be Capt. P. St. J. Wilson, Assistant Director and several engineers from the Office of Public Roads; Mr. Tufts and Mr. Pennybacker; and various state highway officials who will be picked up as the party proceeds. Meetings are being arranged in the various towns along the route at which local officials intend to discuss with the government party the question of turning over the roads and the money that would ordinarily be spent upon them to the supervision of the government engineers, whose duty it will be to expend every dollar to the best advantage of the community affected, eliminating all waste in expenditure of these particular road improvement funds.

The Lyon-Winston Company.

The Long-Winston Company undergoes a slight change in name and management. It is now incorporated under the name of the Lyon-Winston Company, as Z. W. Lyon bought the large holdings of J. G. Gholson, a young progressive business man, becomes general manager. Mr. T. W. Winston remains with the company in the capacity of secretary-treasurer. Mr. Gholson is well known throughout Granville county, and he brings the Lyon-Winston Company an influence that will stand him well. The firm will continue to handle buggies, carriages, wagons, harness, farming implements, groceries, feed stuffs, horses and mules. Mr. D. G. Gholson's announcement elsewhere in this paper.

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

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

We call attention to Shoe Polish advertisement on another page.

Glad to learn that Dr. Ferebee has about recovered from an attack of grip.

The First National Bank has put in new sewer connection to its fine building.

On Wednesday and Thursday Oxford warehouses enjoyed a medium break of tobacco.

Have you heard any more about the Sixth Leaf Tobacco Warehouse in Oxford for the coming season?

Our friend Frank Blalock, of the Long Co., after a slight attack of sickness is again at the seat of custom.

Miss Helen White entertained the 42 club last Wednesday afternoon and dainty refreshment were served.

It would be a mean thing for some idealist to come along and say that "a town is no better than its streets."

We have been having March weather in January and trust when March comes in she will be as quiet as a lamb.

Major Will Landis, who was real sick the first of the week, is out at business again to the pleasure of his host of friends.

You are asked to note the special change in the advertisement of the Granville Real Estate and Trust Co. on another page.

We are pleased to learn that Mrs. N. B. Yancy, who has been very sick, is improving, which will be good news to her friends.

The Britt Printery as usual is right on the job ready to do your job printing. Phone in your orders which will be appreciated.

We deeply regret to learn of the serious illness of our friend Louis Royster at his home in Oak Hill township, and hope he will recover.

O. H. Day, of Durham county, sold a load of tobacco Wednesday with Will Fleming at \$12.50, 26, 20.50, 32.50, 50, 27.50 and 20.50

Your attention is called to sale land advertised in another column by Herbert Lyon, Commissioner, with Hick & Stem as attorneys.

Polly of the Circus, one of the best things on the road, is coming to the Orpheum Theater soon, so watch out for the date, and don't miss it.

Graham Smith, one of the good men of Tar River, was accidentally thrown off a load of wood a few days ago, skinning his face in several places.

Wonder if the question of the physical connection of the two railroads running into Oxford has died out? It would prove a great benefit to our business interests.

The Public Ledger would be glad to have a correspondent from Corinth, Tar River and Providence sections, and hope some of the young ladies will get their pencils and tablets together and get busy.

The people of Oxford will be glad to learn that they are not out of reach of the pleasant Capt. Charles Elmore as he is running on the local passenger train on the Raleigh Division of the Seaboard Road.

"Here's your Mule" and horses, too! Where? At Horner Bros. Co, and you are invited to call and examine them before you buy, as they are sound and all right. Read what this reliable firm has to say on another page.

Mrs. Will Landis, who always proves a charming hostess, delightfully entertained a number of her friends Saturday afternoon last in honor of her pleasant sister, Miss Francis, of Baltimore, and choice refreshments were served.

A QUESTION ASKED AND ANSWERED

There Must Be No Hard and Fast Line Drawn Between Town and Country

The question was recently asked us why the Public Ledger swings its influence to county rather than to the town.

The fact is, we have never felt that there was any need of drawing a fast line between the town and county for the reason that we are all of the same flesh and blood and what concerns the town concerns the county. The prosperity of both town and county must go hand in hand to make a complete whole. We have in the corporate limits of Oxford only four hundred subscribers, while in the county we count our subscribers by the thousands and it is the province of the Public Ledger to induce these people to come to Oxford with their tobacco and do their trading here. The success of every man in Oxford depends upon that one fact, hence the Public Ledger is known as the farmer's friend, while in reality it is the friend of both town and county. The editors of the Public Ledger have lived too near the soil to not see what an influence the farming element exerts upon the town. You may build a wall around Granville county and we would continue to exist, but when you erect a wall around Oxford we will perish from the face of the earth.

As in the past, the Public Ledger will be found on the right side of every issue that pertains to the upbuilding of both town and county.

Instead of erecting a boundary line between the people of the town and the county the Public Ledger would be the very first to batter down such a wall if one existed.

The hearty support we are receiving from the good people of Granville leads us to believe that we have a tender place in their hearts, and we shall still further endeavor to merit the confidence imposed in us, and also greatly appreciate the many recent compliments paid the Twice-a-week Public Ledger, which encourages us to redouble our efforts in furnishing our patrons with the best county papers in the State.

An Honor to His Name

We had the pleasure of meeting on tobacco breaks Wednesday J. O. Daniel, of Route 4, and son of our late beloved friend, Capt. George Daniel. He owns the old home place and may he maintain it with the honor and dignity of his beloved forefathers.

Directors Meet

The Board of Directors of the Southern Wheel Company held their annual meeting on Thursday and re-elected all the old officers. The Board was very much pleased with the report of General Manager H. M. Shaw, as it proved that the business was in a prosperous condition.

Box Party

On Saturday night, January 17, there was a most enjoyable "box party" given at Tar River school in Tally Ho township. There was a large crowd in attendance and all had a good time. The receipts amounted to \$35, which will be used for the library and repairs on building.

Sermon on Missions

Rev. P. H. Fontaine, the zealous pastor of Mountain Creek Baptist Church, occupied his pulpit last Sunday morning and gave the large congregation the benefit of a very strong and well delivered sermon on missions with telling effect, as a collection of \$100 was taken up after the sermon to help sustain a missionary in a foreign field.

FOR RENT—My country home, plenty good land, good houses, one mile from Oxford. Apply to J. C. Davis. 2t pd.

THE PASSING OF AN OLD-TIME SLAVE

George Washington Perry, a Faithful Old Darkey, Falls Upon Sleep

George Washington Perry, one of the good old-time darkeys of the community, died on Tuesday last. A slave in ante-bellum days, he remained faithful, polite and obliging till the end. He was perhaps seventy-five years of age, and for the past few years he gained a livelihood by doing little jobs for those who called upon him. He had been complaining of not feeling well for some time, and his utterances did not fall upon deaf ears, for he had been faithful in the employ of Mr. D. C. Hunt, who called in a physician and it was found that he was suffering from blood poison. It was deemed advisable to amputate his arm, and Mr. Hunt, ever ready to mitigate suffering, accompanied him to a hospital in Durham and like the good Samaritan, he left his patient there, remarking "that whatsoever thou doest I will pay thee." Owing to the weakened condition of the poor old faithful servant, he succumbed to the operation. Thus passed away an old landmark. His remains were placed to rest in the colored people's burying ground east of town, and as a mark of esteem for the departed a wreath of flowers were placed upon his grave.

Local and Personal Items

C. L. Bowling, of Tar River, was in Oxford Wednesday.

Mrs. W. T. Crews and Miss Virginia Rose, of Bluefield, West Va., spent the week-end with their sister, Mrs. J. R. Sneed on Broad street.

As we go to press this Friday morning our four warehouses have good breaks of tobacco and the weed is selling as high as \$50 per hundred.

The attention of our farmers is directed to the advertisement of the Old Buck Guano on another page, as it ranks among the best fertilizers made.

Misses Annie and Lottie Johnson of the Oxford College and Miss Mary White spent the week-end with Misses Pattie and Elise Hobgood near Buffalo.

The nice new residence of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Breedlove on Cherry Hill, which has been in the hands of the painters, is completed and they will soon commence house-keeping.

T. J. Brummitt and son Nat, of Fishing Creek township, were on tobacco breaks Wednesday and sold a load of tobacco at Owen warehouse for \$18.50, 24.50, 27.50, 50, 25 and 20.

The Bank of Stern is another one of Granville's prosperous financial institutions and is safely and conservatively managed by W. R. Mangum, the cashier, as will be seen by the excellent statement published on another page.

FOR SALE—1-2-3-4 shares or 10 shares in a lump. Union Bank Stock, earned 5 per cent first year. No reasonable offer refused. W. L. Peace.

WANTED—A young white single man to farm with me on shares or work for wages. A good opportunity. R. C. Smith, Route 7, Oxford. 2t pd.

FOR farm wagons and farmer's implements we have them—the good kind. The Chattanooga level running plow satisfies. Prices right. Long-Winston Co.

DON'T TRIFLE WITH your eyes. When your eyes need attention you cannot afford to wait until you are about to go blind. The best and safest way for your eyes is to see an eye specialist of reputation. Don't try to experiment. Dr. N. Rosenstein will be at Oxford, Tuesday, January 27th and also at Creedmoor Wednesday January 28th. 1t.

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW

Personal Items About Oxford Folks and Their Friends in General.

S. R. Howard, of Route 4, was in town Thursday.

Charles Knott, of Route 1, was in town Thursday.

Ed Pruitt, of Route 1, was in town Thursday.

R. C. Smith, of Route 7, was in town Wednesday.

W. C. Dixon, of Route 4, was in town Thursday.

J. H. Renn, of Route 6, was in Oxford Wednesday.

Joe Newton, of Berea section, was in town Thursday.

Elijah Pittard of Route 2, was in Oxford Thursday.

S. H. Mize, of Hester section, was in town Thursday.

B. K. Daniel, of Route 6, was in town Wednesday.

Filmore Adcock, of Route 5, was in Oxford Wednesday.

W. B. Newton, of Route 6, was a town visitor Thursday.

R. B. Thomas, of West Granville, was on our streets Thursday.

J. B. Hobgood and son, of Berea, were in Oxford Wednesday.

J. T. Bobbitt, of Route 2, was on our streets Wednesday.

J. W. Bullock, of Creedmoor, was a town visitor Wednesday.

L. B. Parham, of Route 7, was an Oxford visitor Wednesday.

R. T. Blackwell, of Cornwall, was a town visitor Wednesday.

J. M. Currin, of Route 7, was on the tobacco market Thursday.

Mrs. W. L. Ragland, of Route 1, was an Oxford visitor Thursday.

Watson Currin, of Virginia, was on the tobacco market Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Knott, of Route 2, were on our streets Thursday.

R. L. Gill and Robt. Lee, Jr., visited relatives in Chase City this week.

George W. Royster, of Bullock, was in Oxford Wednesday selling tobacco.

J. C. Satterwhite, of Wake county, was an Oxford visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Averette, of Route 6, were Oxford visitors Thursday.

W. R. Adcock and son, of Buchanan, were on our tobacco market Wednesday.

Benton Jones, of Brassfield township, was on our tobacco market Wednesday.

Mrs. T. F. New and son, of Chase City, visited relatives in Oxford the past week.

F. M. Timberlake, of Oak Hill township, was on the tobacco market Thursday.

J. W. Morton, one of the good men of Route 4, was an Oxford visitor Wednesday.

W. C. Breeulove, of Blackstone, Va., was in the county this week visiting relatives.

Wade Smith, Elijah Currin and Graham Smith, of Tar River, were in Oxford Thursday.

Miss Mamie Cash, one of Tally Ho's attractive young ladies, was an Oxford visitor Wednesday.

Yancey Oakley and W. D. Oakley, of Stem section, were among the farmers in Oxford Wednesday.

Mrs. Dan Hines and attractive little son, of Milton, is visiting at the home of R. B. Hines on Raleigh street.

W. H. B. Satterwhite, of Nashville, Tennessee, and J. B. Satterwhite, of Danville, Va., are visiting relatives in Granville.

HARRIS & CREWS MAKING GOOD

All the Pictures Shown at the Orpheum Have an Educational Value

When Harris & Crews launched the new Orpheum Theatre last Spring they promised the public that nothing but good moral first-class shows would be booked for them. In this they have made good, and another source of pleasure to the theatre-going public is that good order is always maintained at the Orpheum, and in their efforts to please the proprietors have met with hearty applause.

Of course, in these days of the "movies," there is a large list of pictures to select from, but Harris & Crews goes over the list very carefully and unless the picture has an educational value attached to it they pass it over. Traveling men, and those of our own citizens who spend a day occasionally in places much larger than Oxford, say that the pictures exhibited at the Orpheum far surpass any they have seen elsewhere as to moral tone and vividness.

The recent three-night's engagement of the Maude Norwood Stock Company at the Orpheum demonstrated the fact that the people of Oxford appreciate a good play at popular prices. Good order and moral pictures and shows is the slogan of Harris & Crews, and in this is found the basis of the phenomenal success of the new play house.

Little Girl Hurt.

Little Francis, the sweet daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hamilton on College street, had the misfortune to fall from a pile of lumber while playing in the rear of their home Thursday morning, sustaining painful bruises, and hope she will soon recover.

There Will Be Sweet Music

Two car loads of high grade pianos will be offered to the people of Oxford at greatly reduced prices. The Gregory Company are headed toward Oxford with the most modern line of pianos and when they get the musical instruments in place all they ask is that you come in and hear them play. We call attention to the half page adv. of the Gregory Company elsewhere in this paper.

The New County Home.

The splendid and beautifully located new County Home is about completed and Contractor Campbell has done his work well. It is said that it is the intention of our excellent Board of Commissioners to invite the able Gen. B. S. Royster to make a speech the day on which the building is transferred to them to which the people of the county will be cordially invited.

An Informal Supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Spencer were at home to a number of their gentlemen friends Thursday evening from eight to eleven, the occasion being an annual opossum supper and good cheer. Miss Lillian Spencer, the attractive daughter of the host and hostess, assisted by her attractive friend Miss Francis Wyatt, received the guests at the front door.

The following was the three-course menu, which was greatly enjoyed:

1. Turkey, opossum, ham, cranberry sauce, potato salad, pickles, coffee.

2. Chicken salad, beaten biscuit, pepper sandwiches, olives.

3. Fruit jello, cake, fruit.

Those present were: Messrs. Sam Watkins, J. M. Farris, Roy Wright, A. A. Williams, G. H. Royster, Capt. Hurst, A. Williford, D. A. Coble.

The evening was pleasantly spent in telling of hunting and trapping game, etc., and coon songs by Messrs. Watkins and Wright.

JUST RECEIVED—Two hundred barrels that famous Magnolia flour, fresh and good at Long-Winston Co.