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**A HOSPITAL IS NEEDED. SHORT LOCAL PICK-UPS THE BONDS NEGOTIATED OUR COUNTY COURT. MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE. WHOLESOME WARNING.**

**SUFFERING HUMANITY DEMANDS IT**

**The Skill and Science and Site Are Available**

Nearly every day in the year one or more persons are taken from Granville county to a distant hospital. In many instances the trip is so long and tedious that the patient's life is endangered thereby. If the accommodations were nearer at hand more lives would be saved. Many people languish and die in a small room because the hospital is so far away and the cost of reaching it is so great. By all means let us have a neat comfortable hospital—suffering humanity demands it.

There was a time in our recollection when the average man did not look upon the hospital with favor, but in this day of enlightenment it stands as a rock in a weary land. In the dark hour it stands out in bold relief as the one place of safety. Here wisdom and skill is combined to save life. We have this combination, let us have the hospital.

Let us see if a hospital pays in a town the size of Oxford. We will remember the hour when Bostain's Bridge of the Western North Carolina Railroad near Statesville went down, carrying with it more than two hundred people. Dr. Long, then a young man had just returned to his home from Jefferson Hospital with a bright new set of surgical instruments in a case. He was sleeping peacefully in his father's country home overlooking the bridge when the train plunged into the death trap, killing forty-eight people and wounding as many more. Dr. Long rushed to the scene of the accident, with instruments in hand and saved the lives of sixteen people. This was an inspiration to him and to the good people of Statesville. It was the foundation stone of a hospital in Statesville—the Long Sanitarium. Dr. Long is an eminent surgeon, as the medical fraternity will testify. His institution is always crowded and new additions constantly being added. If anything, Oxford is a better field for a hospital than is Statesville.

Not only would a hospital be the means of saving many lives and mitigating suffering, but it would also give us prestige. Situated on one of the hills surrounding Oxford, with our medical corps at the helm, a hospital would shed its mellow light over the State and proclaim our greatness. As Granville county stands second to the head of the health column in the United States statistical report it seems but natural that a hospital located in Oxford would be attended with success from its inception. Suffering humanity demands it.

**Mrs. Kronheimer Dead**  
Mrs. Rosa Kronheimer died at the home of her son, Mr. B. F. Kronheimer, in Durham Friday morning at 1 o'clock. She was 76 years old and had been practically an invalid for the past eight months. Old age and a complication of diseases caused her death.

Mrs. Kronheimer was a native of Germany, and came to this country when she was about thirteen years old. After living in the north for a while the family moved to North Carolina about thirty-five years ago. They lived in Oxford for twenty years and for the past fifteen years Mrs. Kronheimer has lived in Durham.

She is survived by five daughters and three sons. Her husband died fifteen years ago last Friday and he is buried in the family burying ground in Richmond—Durham Herald.

**FOR RENT**—Nice country home with good house, 100 acres of real good land. Ideal place for dairy farm, and 3-4 mile from Oxford. Apply to J. C. Davis.

**GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY**

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

Are you a pusher, a puller or a growler?  
The Spring poet was snowed under by the ground hog.

The cold weather put a stop to building operations in Oxford.

Mrs. R. P. Taylor, who has been numbered with the sick, is better.

Wanted—All of the different factions to unite to help push Oxford along.

How about a Creamery for Granville county? Have you forgotten all about it?

Don't fail to attend the Boston Musical Club at Orpheum Theater Monday night.

Chicken raisers are asked to read the advertisement of Taylor Bros. on the last page.

Dr. Cullum, of Wake Forest, will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist Church next Sunday morning and night.

The addition to the Ice Plant was being pushed forward until the cold wave called a halt for a few days.

The cold wave caused a smile to come over the coal dealer's face that wont wear off until it turns warm.

If you are unable to see any good in your neighbor try anointing your eyes with a little milk of human kindness.

As Oxford and Granville county is constantly furnishing the hospitals a large number of patients it would pay to establish one in Oxford.

If things are not just what you would have in town it's not altogether the other fellow's fault; may be yours in not helping to improve conditions.

All lovers of good music should hear the fine Boston Musical Club at the Orpheum Theater Monday night, as it comes to Oxford highly recommended.

When a girl finds a four-leaf clover it is a sign that she will be married within a year. It is strange that some families do not hire a farm and sow it all over with clover.

The attention of housekeepers is directed to the advertisement of Cannady & Alston in another column. The affable Willie Alston will be glad to fill your orders for groceries.

Miss Kate de Lacroix is quite indisposed with an attack of grip, but hopes to be well enough to start with Mrs. Louis de Lacroix Saturday morning to spend a month in the balmy air of Florida.

The Morning Star welcomes days with longer golden mornings and increasing twilight in the evenings. The gloom of the long winter nights is being chased away by the light of lengthening days. We are glad. Aren't you?

Do away with petty spite. Don't pull apart. Let's pull together for Oxford. There is more in that than anything else. While a few are trying to pull the chestnuts out of the fire, let everybody else pull together for Oxford as there is more in it.

Be sure to see "At the End of the Rainbow" Friday evening at the Orpheum Theater. The play is being rehearsed under the management of the accomplished Miss Jeannette Biggs and promises to be a fine success.

Dr. Benj. K. Hays will represent the State of North Carolina at the meeting of the Council on Education of the American Medical Association, which meets in Chicago on February 25th. Dr. Hays will leave Oxford on next Saturday and be absent about ten days.

**MORE THAN FIVE MILES OF GRANOLITHIC WALKS**

**Contract Awarded to Construction Company and Work Begins April 1.**

Monday last was a most eventful day in the history of Oxford. On the evening of that day Mayor Thad Stem called the Town Commissioners together to consider the question of paving the sidewalks of the town. All the Commissioners were present. Mr. T. S. Clement, representing the Clements Construction Company, of Memphis, Tennessee, appeared before the body and placed a bid to lay 136,000 square feet of sidewalk for \$15,000.

The proposition was thoroughly threshed over by the Commissioners and the contract was awarded to the Clements Construction Company, the said Construction Company taking up the \$10,000 bond issue of Oxford at par value. Of this amount the Commissioners stipulated the amount of \$7,500 for the sidewalks, the other \$2,500 of the \$15,000 contract comes from the assessed value of property. The pavement will be a uniform width of five feet and four inches thick, to cost \$1.05 the square yard. The crossings will be more durable and will cost \$1.20 the square yard. This includes grades and fillings to the depth of one foot.

Mr. Clements, the contractor, will arrive in Oxford with his equipment on the first day of April next. He will place forty hands on the job and rush it to completion. He calculates that it will take about four months to lay the 136,000 square feet or five and one-half miles of sidewalks.

The Clements Construction Company is one of the most reliable paving companies to be found in the country. Their means for handling this class of work is practically unlimited. The Commissioners are fortunate in negotiating the bonds and awarding the contract to such a reliable firm at a minimum price.

It was a great day's work for the Board, but that was not all that they did. Mr. Hillman Cannady appeared before them and stated that he and Mr. F. W. Hancock each were ready to open the new street through their property, running south from Front street. The deeds are ready to be placed in the hands of the Commissioners, says Mr. Cannady, and he also agreed to pave 1000 feet of sidewalk fronting his property, one-half of the cost falling on the town. The Commissioners agreed to open the street as soon as possible. The naming of the street is left to Mr. F. W. Hancock.

**Money Refunded**

Mr. Richmond Gorman, of Lynchburg, who married the daughter of the first wife of W. M. Sullivan, came to Oxford and paid back \$75 to those who raised a like sum to employ Judge Graham in the case of State vs. Sam Taylor. In addition to this sum Mr. Gorman paid \$25 to Mr. John W. Hester for appearing for the State.

**How to Prevent Lynching**

The able article of Dr. B. K. Hays, which appeared in the State Journal of recent date, entitled "How to Prevent Lynching," throws light on a subject that has perplexed the law abiding public for all time. The letter was penned by Dr. Hays immediately after the lynching occurred in connection with the shocking Wendell affair, which is now fresh in the minds of the people of the State. The article is necessarily lengthy, but it is one of the most comprehensive letters from a scientific standpoint that we have read in a long time. There are three classes of persons who commit crime, says Dr. Hays, 1, Those with homicidal mania; 2, those under the influence of drugs and whiskey; 3, unemployed. It is readily seen that the most of the crimes are traceable to the causes elucidated by Dr. Hays.

**HARRIS GETS 15 YEARS FOR SHOOTING KERSEY**

**Judge Lyon Has Endeared Himself to the People of Granville**

The heavy docket of the Granville County Superior Court is drawing to a close. The court has been taxed with two murder cases and the Judge and the bar is doubtless a little weary. The following is the order of business since our last issue:

State vs Cortez Harris, for the murder of John Kersey, come up Friday for trial with the following jury: J. M. Gooch, W. J. Brummitt, W. R. Greenway, G. W. Elliott, J. W. Wilson, C. W. Allen, L. L. Franklin, R. H. Wilkerson, W. D. Stinson, E. C. Allen, J. M. Currin and S. M. Aiken. After hearing the evidence and able argument of counsel on both sides, and the charge of the Judge, and due deliberation returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree. The sentenced imposed by Judge Lyon was fifteen years in State prison. Hicks & Stem and Judge Graham appeared with Solicitor Gattis; D. G. Brummitt and John W. Hester defended Harris.

State vs Luther Lucks, a w d w, guilty; judgement suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs John Chavis, retailing, not guilty.

State vs Will Hockady, gambling, guilty, judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

State vs William Braswell, abandonment, guilty; judgment suspended upon payment of cost and taking care of the three children.

The criminal docket was closed up on Saturday and the civil docket taken up Monday and the following case disposed of:

Gapenart v Dickerson; agreed that the bale of cotton in question the money be divided between the two.

**Death of Child.**

On Saturday the grim monster, death, entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Freeman, of Route 6, and claimed their 13 months old daughter after a short illness. The blessed Jesus said: "Suffer little children to come unto me, forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of heaven." The little body was laid to rest at Enon Church on Sunday afternoon, and much sympathy is expressed for the grief-stricken parents.

**Nice Entertainment.**

"At the End of the Rainbow," a fine play will be presented by the Dramatic Club of the Oxford High School at Orpheum Theater Friday night, February 20th, at 8:30 p. m. The proceeds of the play will be used to buy suitable decorations for the Graded School Auditorium. General admission 35 cents; reserved seats 50 cents; and on sale at Lyon Drug store; school children 25 cents. Let everybody attend and encourage the young folks and spend an enjoyable evening also. There are 20 of our fine girls and boys in the cast and they are well trained.

**HAVE YOU PAID YOUR TAXES?**

The books will be placed in the hands of Deputies within a short time with instructions to collect the first go-around, and not pass any one or show special favors. I must have your taxes NOW to meet demands being made upon me by the State, Schools and County. This is your last chance to pay in the office. Yours very truly, Feb. 18 S. C. Hoobgood, Sheriff.

**FOR SALE**—Hay, fodder and shucks at market price at Oxford Orphan Asylum. 3t.

**WANTED**—I wish to buy two good cows, fresh in milk. A. W. GRAHAM.

**NICE PAIR** of mules weighing 1,000 pounds each, for sale. They are seven years old; good workers. WYATT E. CANNADY.

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

**Personal Items About Folks and their Friends in General**

John Burnett, of Route 5, was in town Monday.

Elam Currin, of Route 1, was in town Monday.

Sam Currin, of Stovall, was in Oxford Monday.

R. L. Burnett, of Route 1, was in town Monday.

C. G. Royster, of Bullock, was in town Saturday.

Charles Hester, of Route 5, was in Oxford Monday.

A. R. Keith, of Northside, was in Oxford Tuesday.

James T. Cozart, of Route 3, was in town on Monday.

S. H. Beck, of Northside, was on our streets Tuesday.

J. D. Cannady, of Creedmoor, was in town Monday.

H. G. Elliott, of Adoniram, was in in Oxford Monday.

Squire B. F. Hester, of Route 1, was in town Monday.

Luther Crews, of Route 5, was a town visitor on Monday.

C. P. Hester, of Route 2, was on our snowy streets Monday.

M. L. Oakley, of Route 6, was an Oxford visitor Monday.

Richmond Gorman, of Lynchburg, Va., was in Oxford Saturday.

Miss Nett Gregory will leave today to visit friends in Danville.

The many friends of Capt. Elmore were glad to meet him in Oxford Monday.

Mrs. R. L. Brown and attractive daughter, Miss Josephine, have returned from an extended visit to relatives in Richmond.

**Daughters of the Confederacy**

The beautiful home of Col. and Mrs. W. B. Ballou was hospitably opened Thursday evening for the "Silver Tea" of the Granville Grays Chapter. The spacious hall and elegant parlors were brilliantly lighted and large open fires burned brightly in every room and completed the colonial beauty of the architecture. Guests were met at the door by the pretty brown eyed Betsy Ballou and cordially welcomed by Col. and Mrs. Ballou.

At half past eight the meeting was formally called to order by Mrs. W. H. White, president of the chapter and the numbers of the select program opened with fine instrumental solo by Oxford's accomplished musician Miss Mary Webb. Then followed a fine paper read by Mrs. C. G. Elliott on "The work of the Daughters of Confederacy for 1914," which was eagerly heard and elicited much applause. Mrs. John Booth in most accomplished style sang "The Conquered Banner," by Dudley Buck's musical arrangement. Dr. F. P. Hobgood addressed the audience in very interesting reminiscences of the war, paid fine tribute to Gen. Robert E. Lee. Richard Lanier rendered a fine declamation. Colonel H. G. Cooper made interesting remarks. Mrs. H. G. Cooper, at all times resourceful and entertaining delighted the audience by singing in beautiful manner, "The Merry Brown Thrush," and also an encore. Miss Edna White rendered in sweetest manner a song "From the Waters of the Sky Blue Lake." Miss Leonora Lamb sang sweetly Tosti's "Good Bye." The recitations of Mrs. Woodall, the accomplished teacher of voice and expression, added greatly to the attractions of the program. Rev. Phillips rendered a pleasing solo. Mrs. Capehart, Mrs. Phillips and Miss Webb were accompanists.

At the close of the program punch, cakes and mints were served by Mrs. J. C. Robards. Miss Jeannette Biggs and Miss Mary B. Williams.

**WHOLESOME WARNING.**

**JUDGE LYON SOUNDS KEY-NOTE OF OUR TROUBLE**

**Our Crowded Criminal Docket is Just Cause for Comment**

When a presiding judge is warranted in announcing from the bench that to his way of thinking here is as much, or more, corruption and disregard for the law in Granville county as there is in any other county of the State, it is time to sit up and take notice. Confronted with forty-odd criminal cases on the docket, embracing two long and tedious murder trials, there is little wonder that Judge Lyon made the comparison, and coming as it did from the highest authority we have no doubt that it will have a tendency to better conditions in the county. The trouble in Granville is that the good people have sit idly by, little dreaming that vice is fastening its death-like claws about the county. If the search and seizure law was vigorously enforced the county jail would not be large enough to accommodate the victims.

One of the most degrading features of the present day is for the white man to place money in the hands of the colored people to buy whiskey for them and in this way the poor negro is made to suffer. If the officers would turn their attention for a while from the negro to those "higher up" it would have a salutary effect. A "higher up blind tiger"—those that make twenty-five or thirty dollars a day—will not let any into his confidence. His usual method is to employ an unsuspecting colored man to "slip it to them easy."

When the good people of the town and county become thoroughly aroused as to what ought to be done and how to do it, there will be much less crime in Granville.

**Announcement Party**

Friday evening, the home of Mrs. Kate White was the scene of a delightful Valentine party, in honor of Miss Courtney Marshal Perry. The hall and parlors were tastefully adorned, in color scheme of pink with Valentine decorations predominant. After bridge had been highly enjoyed at four tables, candles with pink shades were placed on each table and four courses of elegant refreshments temptingly served. After which Miss Estelle White brought in heart shaped, pink silk bags of mints. Miss Nette Gregory very gracefully "let the cat out of the bag." When she found in hers a picture of a cat, on the reverse side of which were the pictures of Miss Martha Gregory Ferebee and Mr. Lee C. Taylor, June 1914. The bride and groom to-be are both natives of Oxford and are most favorably known in this community. Miss Ferebee is accomplished and beautiful and a favorite in the social life of the town.

Mr. Taylor is one of Oxford's popular and successful business men. The guests at the interesting party were Miss Ferebee, Mr. L. C. Taylor, Miss Annie Noble, of Selma. Mr. and Mrs. Marion C. Taylor, Miss Josephine Brown, Miss Mary B. Williams and Miss Nettie Gegory. Messrs. Eugene Crews, B. K. Lassiter, Paul Venable, Baldy Williams, Billy Mitchell.

**A Gentle Reminder**

In the natural run of our subscription books there are possibly more subscriptions falling due at this period of the year than at any other time. But it is gratifying to note that not a single subscriber in arrears is dishonest, and we feel perfectly safe in carrying them as far as the postal regulations will permit. These subscriptions are scattered over the county, and it is not always convenient for the farmers to reach town. Without undue haste we would suggest that if you find a strange dollar around your premises send him home tenderly, for he art ours. Consult your label and see how you stand.