



SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

HUNDRED MEN COMPOSE A CLASS

Intensely Interesting and Timely Picture of Church Work

One of the unfailing signs of the times is the great interest the people of Oxford take in the church, the Sunday school and the numerous societies working for the advancement of Christ's kingdom on earth. Oxford has long been known as a church-going town, but the older inhabitants who have not kept up with the latter day methods of interesting and holding the mind and the hearts of the young people would be amazed could they again visit the Sunday schools and feel the power of the great tidal-wave that is carrying the present generation upward and toward the true interpretation of life.

The International lesson for last Sunday was entitled "Trusting in the Lord and Trusting in God." In the corner of the Baptist church, behind drawn curtains, sat seventy-two stalwart men, the Baraca class, whose ages range from twenty to fifty years. General B. Royster is teacher of this class and when Judge Devin and Mr. D. Brummitt step into the sacred precincts of the class room it looks much like a legislative hall as does a Sunday school room. The human and the divine interest are blended together as soon as General Royster takes his stand in front of the class. He laid the lesson close to the heart of every one, and before closing he scanned the faces before him and asked if any one knew of any one in distress, whether white or black, it was our sacred privilege to extend aid. General Royster expounds the sacred story, using the every day things of life, it awakens one to a realization of his duty toward God and man.

The current number of the Oxford-Philathea Herald contains a pretty picture of the relief committee of the Oxford Methodist church. In rear of the committee a large tray loaded with parcels of packages ready to start on its mission of love. One can discern the picture the practical side of religion which counts for so much in these latter days of grace. Following the picture is a two-page write-up of the activities of the class. No particular paragraph attracts our attention. It reads:

"Our class nurse has been kept busy this winter. There was a little baby sick with pneumonia and another asked us to come and pray. Six of us went. Miss Lyon prayed such a sweet prayer. Miss Fuller, our teacher, and a psalm and we came away. A nurse heard of it and went to nurse the baby at night. It got well. At our last meeting the other came and gave her name to the class."

Tested and Tried

One of the oldest and most reliable brands on the market today is Zell's celebrated brands. This brand has no superior as a bright green grower. All of Zell's light tobacco brands contain the richest materials, with special formula resulting from early-century's experience which gives the growth and smoothness at every good tobacco grower anticipates. Zell's is a large sack and it goes a long way in the field. It may cost a fraction more, but it pays to buy the best. See the half-page ad of the Lvon-Houston Co. elsewhere in this paper.

Judge Graham Returns

Judge A. W. Graham returned Monday from Washington City, where he spent a few days on legal business. The Judge only came to shake hands with our Senators and a few of the North Carolina colony and he says the boys are looking well and

SHORT LOCAL PICK-UPS

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

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

Hardly a day passes but what it shows the need of a hospital in Oxford.

March came in with a high cold wind, freezing everything up Sunday night.

The friends of Mrs. N. B. Yancey is suffering with another attack of sickness.

Will Tom Cannady, who is in a Richmond hospital for treatment, is getting along all right.

The clever John Mangun, who has been suffering with an attack of gripp, is himself again.

I. T. Allgood, of Route 7, had the misfortune to have a good \$200 horse to die a few days ago.

C. W. Bryan, who has been very sick at his home in Oxford for several days, we are sorry to learn is no better.

It has been well said that in any form of government, eternal vigilance is the price of keeping the grafter down.

The farmers are now bringing in their scrap tobacco, which indicates they are about through selling their crop.

Mr. Farmer if you have any tobacco on hand you had better sell it as the markets will close about the first of April.

Read the advertisement in another column of the sale of valuable stemmy by Mrs. Annie B. Adams, Administratrix.

There were quite a number of farmers in town Saturday, and with one voice said that the roads were one continuous mudhole.

Mrs. W. Z. Mitchell, who was suffering with a rising in one of her ears and went to Richmond to have it treated, is doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Moss have moved into the nice new dwelling on the Experiment Farm and welcome them as near-by citizens of Oxford.

Owing to the fact that the able Dr. A. P. Tyer has not been well for several days there was no service at the Methodist Church Sunday night.

As soon as the weather opens up J. M. Campbell, the contractor, will commence remodeling the residence of W. A. McFarland on Asylum street.

Sorry to learn that Lynwood, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bryan, is suffering with an attack of appendicitis, and trust he will soon recover.

It goes without saying that our mail carriers had rather a tough time serving their patrons during the past month, and in these clever gentlemen Uncle Sam has a faithful set in Granville.

A musical comedy with a sure enough plot is claimed for "Seven Hours in New York" booked for an early appearance at the Orpheum Theater. It is said to be richly staged and costumed.

We are pleased to note that the Orpheum Theater continues to be a favorite resort nightly for our people as Harris & Crews has an up to date picture service, and the best of all will have order.

Two finished exponents of the latest New York dancing craze, the Tango, are a special feature with the musical comedy, "Seven Hours in New York," booked for an early appearance in Oxford. Watch out for the date.

Mr. S. V. Priddy, brother-in-law of Ernest Parham, of Oxford, and W. E. Dorsey, of Route 3, died in Richmond Saturday. He was a tobaccoist and married Miss Mollie Parham of this county. He was buried in Richmond.

THE ACTUAL CONDITIONS

SEEKING LOCATIONS IN THE SOUTH

The Little Advertising Booklets Are Doing the Work

We often receive through the mail booklets from other States, setting forth the advantages enjoyed in those sections of the United States. In every instance they refer to the excellent climate and the healthful conditions that surround them. In all these handsome little booklets we have not seen anything that will compare favorably with the actual conditions in old Granville. One of the pet phrases of these little booklets is that a man can make a handsome living off of ten acres. We know of a number of farmers in Granville who are making over two hundred dollars on each acre tilled and as for our healthful surroundings we stand second from the top in the United States Statistical Reports. We also observe that the little booklets sent broadcast are bearing fruit. From the cold north and the west comes a multitude of people anxious to invest in the Sunny South. They willingly pay two and three hundred dollars per acre for land in the Everglades of Florida, or other swampy lands, little dreaming that they have played into the hands of land boosters. We hate to see a man gulled. These booklets are generally backed up by the board of trade or some other high sounding names. A booklet is all right so long as it is truthful. Oxford and Granville county has so many things to offer, and there are so many things that we need, we are sure a neat little pamphlet, setting forth the actual conditions, would be the best means of attracting capital. There are thousands of people looking for investments, if we can only reach them.

Important Meeting Civic Club

The Woman's Civic Club will meet Wednesday morning at 10:30 in the Granville Commercial Club Rooms. A large attendance is desired.

Elegant Furniture

Just because the furniture is so nice at Upchurch & Currin's, that is no sign that the prices are higher than elsewhere. In fact you would be astonished to see very exclusive designs at such a low figure. When it comes to harmonious and artistic effect, they can satisfy the most fastidious. They cater to every man's pocket book, whether he be rich or poor. See ad. elsewhere in this paper.

Durham Defeats Oxford

The Durham Sun of Saturday last says that the game of basketball at the Y. M. C. A. Gymnasium between the Durham High School and the Oxford High School was interesting. The score was 60 to 10. The summary of the game is as follows: Field goals, Teer, 4; Richardson, 6; Timberlake, 1; Ross, 2; and Mangam, 1. Fouls, Durham 1; Oxford 2. Attendance, 160. Referee, Holcomb; umpire, Murray; timekeeper, Wilcox.

Appreciate the Good Things

We often wonder if we fully appreciate our home county, settled as it is with an honest, thrifty people and our progressive town, with enterprise and hospitality. We can truly say with the psalmist "the lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places yea, I have a goodly heritage."

Granville county is in good shape. The farmers are becoming more scientific each year, are diversifying their crops and have discarded obsolete methods of cultivation. The happy-go-lucky method is fast becoming a thing of the past and the people are learning to make two ears of corn grow where one formerly grew.

A GOOD cow fresh in milk for sale by W. R. Walters, Hester, N. C. It

COMMISSIONERS MEET.

NEW ROADS ORDERED TO BE BUILT

Committees Appointed and the Usual Run of Bills Ordered Paid

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday morning at ten o'clock in their room in the Court House, with B. I. Breedlove, chairman; Z. W. Allen, J. N. Tilley and H. C. Floyd around the table, with J. B. Powell to look after the minutes in his usual painstaking manner.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

On motion a road was granted to run from near Sunset to Enon church, with the understanding that no cost shall accrue to the county for road bed, soil or other damages, but the county will cooperate in the construction and locating of said road. Chairman Breedlove was appointed a committee to represent the county in the location of the road and to confer with Messrs. L. H. Knott, Roy Badgett, J. B. Pruitt and Graham Hobgood without cost to the county.

Judge Beasley was placed on the pauper list at \$1 per month.

W. C. Stem was exempted from road duty for the year 1914.

It was ordered that the county donate \$500 towards a road from Bullock station to the Vance county line, provided the citizens presenting the petition for said road donate \$250. All damages caused by said road to be deducted from the \$500 donated by the county.

Ordered that Peter Charleston be paid \$4 for taking care of Sylvester Harris.

Chairman Breedlove and A. A. Hicks were appointed a committee to settle with county treasurer and also to retire one of the Oxford and Clarksville Railroad bonds.

Ann Royster was put on the outside pauper list at \$1 per month.

Ordered that the Granville County Agricultural Association be permanently exempted from county taxes and allowed rebate on 1913 taxes.

Sheriff Hobgood reported the amount of taxes collected for the month of February to be \$13,211.10.

A large number of accounts were allowed and ordered paid.

Go Hand-in-Hand

The people of Oxford are not expecting to build the town into a city of twenty-five thousand people within a few year's time, but they are expecting by painstaking effort and co-operation to place our natural advantages before the world, thereby inducing good citizens of other sections to cast their lot with us. Two or three good manufacturing plants, employing three or four hundred men, with their families, would about even up things. We would not advocate a multiplicity of stores or business houses or an increase in population unless we acquire a few diversified manufacturing plants as a natural and substantial basis for growth. This can be done by co-operation. The opportunities are here, and we should exploit them.

The Best on the Market

It is gratifying to note that the Weaver Piano Company, M. T. Langley, manager, domiciled on College street, are handling the very best make of pianos and that these musical instruments are finding their way into the homes of the people of the county. The terms of purchasing and owning one of these high grade pianos is a mere bagatell. The large advertisement in our next issue will explain the full details.

CHINA PAINTING.

Oxford College has just installed a kiln for firing china. Miss Hall is prepared to give the highest grade of instructions in china painting and will be glad to confer with those desiring lessons.

F. P. HOBGOOD.

MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE.

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW

Personal Items About Folks and their Friends in General

M. L. Coley, of Green's, was in town Tuesday.

Roy Badgett, of Route 1, was in town Monday.

J. T. Terry, of Route 1, was in town Saturday.

J. H. King, of Route 1, was in town Saturday.

W. T. Perry, of Hester, was in town Saturday.

J. W. Wrenn, of Route 3, was in town Saturday.

W. E. Yancey, of Buchanan, was in town Tuesday.

S. R. Howard, Route 4, was in Oxford Saturday.

W. N. Critcher, of Route 5, was in town Monday.

Fred Currin, of Route 1, was in Oxford Saturday.

Lee Minor, of Sten section, was in town Saturday.

Nat Hobgood, of Route 7, was in Oxford Saturday.

D. S. Howard, of Route 4, was in town Saturday.

George Parham, of Route 5, was in town Saturday.

Walter Averett, of Providence, was in town Monday.

Otho Daniel, of Route 1, was a town visitor Tuesday.

Will Dixon, of Wilton section, was in Oxford Saturday.

J. L. Woody and son, of Route 5, were in town Saturday.

Virginius Cheatham, of Watkins, was on our streets Saturday.

Graham Daniel, of Providence, was a town visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Averett, of Route 1, were in town Saturday.

W. W. Knott, of Church Roads, Va., was on our streets Saturday.

J. B. Pruitt and Ed Pruitt, of Route 1, were town visitors Saturday.

Miss Nett Gregory returned Saturday from a pleasant visit to Danville.

John Burnett and Cam Burnett, of Route 5, were town visitors Saturday.

J. T. Cozart and C. H. Cheatham, of Route 3, were in town on Saturday.

Lex Smith, one of the nice young men of Tar River, was in Oxford Saturday.

Prof. W. S. Howell, of Gray Rock section, was a town visitor Saturday.

John Dean, Ed. Knott and Jasper Dean, of Route 2, were in town on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hobgood, of Route 1, were in town Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Cozart, of Route 3, were on our streets Tuesday morning.

Outlaw Hunt and Beverly Royster, of the University, spent the week end at their homes in Oxford.

A. W. Cannady, Louis Daniel and Rux Cannady, of Tar River Academy community, were on our streets Monday.

Lee Clement, Dick Gooch, Marsh Daniel and "Rat" Cannady, four of the nice bachelors of Route 1, were on our streets Saturday.

Wm. Davis, of Bullock, and C. L. Wright, now of Washington City, were drawn as jurors for the United States Court in Raleigh.

PAY YOUR TAXES.

On March 11th all property upon which taxes have not been paid will be advertised as provided in Town Charter.

R. B. HINES, Tax Collector.

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MR. L. B. TURNER DEAD

PASSES AWAY AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Interment in Elmwood Cemetery Sunday Afternoon

Mr. L. B. Turner, one of Oxford's well-known citizens fell upon sleep last Saturday after a brief illness. The deceased was taken sick a month ago and upon the advice of his physician he went to Richmond and upon examination it was found that he had the yellow jaundice. On his return home his physicians did all in their power to arrest the disease, but he continued to grow worse, and on Friday morning last it was decided to take him to a hospital in Richmond for treatment. He was accompanied by Dr. T. L. Booth, Mrs. Turner and Mr. R. L. Bown. The operation was performed Friday evening and he died at 9 o'clock Saturday morning. The operation showed to what extent the dreadful disease had reached and the utter impossibility to arrest its progress. Those who accompanied him to the hospital, hoping and praying that his life might be prolonged were present when his soul took its flight, and they returned to Oxford with the deceased Saturday night, conveying his remains to his late home on Penn avenue.

Mr. Turner's death came a distinct shock to the people of Oxford, where he was dearly loved and respected. Mr. Turner was fifty-eight years of age. He came to Oxford from Brassfield township some twenty-odd years ago and engaged in the lumber and hoghead business in a small way, which he followed the remainder of his life, and by thrift industry, and square dealings he accumulated a good estate. He was one of Oxford's most progressive citizens and took a lively interest in the welfare of the town, and he will be greatly missed in the every day walks of life.

The funeral services were held from the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 3:30. He had long been a steward of the church and had served as a superintendent of the Sunday school. Dr. A. P. Tver referred to the good works of the deceased in the most endearing terms. He said that Mr. Turner was always ready to respond with a prayer when called upon; that he was an honest, straight-forward, frank good man and always prayed for the brethren; that he was always ready and anxious to take up any work assigned to him by the church. The choir, made up from all the church choirs of Oxford, assisted by Mr. Beasley, of Chase City, rendered impressive and solemn music.

The remains and burial was in charge of the Oxford Lodge of Odd Fellows, of which the deceased was a passed-grand, General B. S. Royster, assisted by Mr. H. M. Shaw, was master of ceremonies, and this sad rite, too, with its symbolic meanings, was most impressive. The burial was in Elmwood Cemetery and the floral offerings, which were pretty and profuse, testified to the esteem in which the deceased was held.

Mr. Turner leaves a devoted wife, three sons, two brothers, and sisters to mourn his death, and to all of whom we extend deep sympathy.

Honorary pall bearers were: A. A. Hicks, R. L. Brown, R. W. Harris, E. T. White, W. B. Ballou, Z. W. Lvon, W. A. McFarland, John Haskins, H. G. Cooper, Leak Peace. Active pallbearers, Frank Blalock, D. N. Hunt, Charley Turner, A. Williford, L. F. Smith, J. F. Meadows.

Will Lecture Before Clubs.

The Domestic Science Department of the Civic League has closed a date for a lecture by Mrs. C. Lee, Vice President of Housekeepers League, of Philadelphia, on April first. Mrs. Lee will also lecture before the Literary and the Shakespeare Clubs March 31st.