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OUR ZIGZAG STREETS.

TOO LATE TO STRAIGHTEN THEM

Crooked Streets is No Hindrance to Commercial Growth

One cold morning recently we saw Col. Cooper pacing the sidewalk in front of the National Bank of Granville, working up respiration, as it were, and drinking in the sunshine. There was a twinkle in his eye as he greeted us, but when he looked down Main street his face became more serious, and he remarked that it was a pity that this street was obstructed at the south end. We quite agree with him that if Main street was thrown open at the south end it would be one of the prettiest streets to be found in the State. The people for a long time hoped that Mr. Hancock would permit the continuation of the street, but in opening the new street to the east of his lawn he did the next best thing, and it brings into view the beautiful landscape beyond his home, and the people appreciate the importance of the new street quite as much from a point of accessibility.

When you come to think about it seriously, it is just as important to open the north end of Main street as it is the south end. There was a time in the history of the town when the streets could have been straightened, but we fear the day has passed. It is true that some geographical changes may come with a dense population, but the indications are that the present generation will never see a straight avenue in Oxford; but after all, what difference does it make, the streets of Boston are laid out like the spokes and rim of a wagon wheel, and they seem to enjoy swinging around the circle.

The Triangular Debate

The annual tri-angular debate will be held at the auditorium of the Oxford High School Friday night at 8 o'clock. The query is: "Resolved, That North Carolina should so amend its constitution as to allow the Initiative and Referendum in State legislation."

The affirmative is John Mitchell and William Mallonee. The negative is Compton Bobbitt and Richard Turner. The negative will debate the Weldon High School at Weldon. The affirmative will debate Louisburg at Oxford, and Weldon will debate Louisburg's affirmative. The schools that win the affirmative and the negative will have a chance to compete for the Aycock Memorial Cup at the State University.

Death of G. W. Yeargin

On Feb. 26, 1914, Mr. George Yeargin passed away at his home near Willow Springs, after an illness of one day.

Mr. Yeargin was a true christian and will be greatly missed in this community. The saddest thought that comes to us is to know that the brightest hope we have of our loved ones on earth are all in vain. We cannot understand the mystery of death, although we bow in submission to his Holy will. We wonder why one so good, so true and faithful should be taken, but some day we will understand.

The remains were taken to Creedmoor for burial. Mr. Yeargin was 64 years old. He leaves behind a devoted wife and fourteen children to mourn his death. A large crowd gathered to pay their last respect to the man. His resting place was covered with flowers. May the Lord bless the bereaved family. A precious one from us is gone, A voice we loved is still; A place is vacant in our home, Which can never be filled.

SALE FOR TAXES.

On the first day of April an real estate will be advertised for sale upon which the taxes for 1913 is not paid. This means all, no discrimination.

Yours very truly
S. C. HOBGOOD, Sheriff

SHORT LOCAL PICK-UPS

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

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

Spring is still bashful. Just think of it. "Efforts being made to Make Kentucky Dry." We are glad to learn that Mr. W. D. Kimball continues to improve. T. L. Cannady, who was sick a few days the past week, is himself again.

The candidates have commenced to work the "pump handle" as they are vote hunting. Pull for Oxford, and also get a move on you when there is something doing for her progress.

We are pleased to see out on the street again Rev. L. H. Joyner after month's sickness, and hope he will continue to improve. Lawn fences are gradually disappearing from our residential streets. Relics of the days before the town had a stock.

The Oxford Tobacco Market will not close until Friday, March 27th, in order to give the farmers one week longer to sell tobacco.

The leaf tobacco sales in Oxford during the month of February amounted to 792,077 pounds, and that of Creedmoor was 150,739.

Will Tom Cannady has returned from a Richmond hospital where he has been for treatment and was greatly benefitted by his stay.

The many friends of Dr. Sam D. Booth who is in Richmond having his foot treated, will be glad to learn that he continues to improve.

"A little bed of flowers, A little coat of paint, Will make a pretty home Out of one that ain't."

Mrs. Ernest Wooten, sister of our townman, Mr. John Fagan, died in Raleigh on Saturday, and the remains were taken to Greensboro for interment.

The Local Union of Providence will meet on the 4th Saturday afternoon, and all the members are requested to be present as business of importance is to be transacted.

Wouldn't it be a fine thing if Oxford had good streets. After taking a look at the "little street" just around the corner by the First National Bank and College street the past week one would think we needed them bad enough.

Take notice Mr. Farmer! The Oxford Tobacco Board of Trade on account of the bad weather has decided to continue open the tobacco market until Friday, March 27th, giving one week longer to sell tobacco.

We think it is all foolishness to go to expense in courts of trying blind tigers if only small fines are going to be placed upon them by judges. They recognize that as a license and so charge it up to expense of operation.

Now that the State Democratic Executive Committee has decided to have the State Convention in June you will see the candidates getting mighty cordial. The county primaries and convention will probably be held in May. Get busy boys!

"Sweet as Sunday in her guise Of dreams that ever flee; Girlhood shadows in her eyes, Dust of dawn that used to be. Sweet as Sunday, there she sits, Adding all her lovers' wits; Shy and witching, once again Winning vows from lips of men."

A writer beautifully says, March, and the clouds in the heavens lined up, like battalions of white-robed angels, ready to move hither and yon as the sun god signals. Yes, there is a sense of going in the air. It filters down from the skies with spring sunshine and one cannot escape its intoxicating influence.

THE PRICES OF FOOD.

PLACE THE BLAME WHERE IT BELONGS

Why We Do Not Feel the Effect of the New Democratic Law

The people are inquiring why the reduced prices of food guaranteed by the Democratic party has not as yet benefitted the consumer. In this connection it is but fair to state that the wholesaler or retailer is to blame, and not the Democratic party. It may be that the wholesale houses are not treating the retailers fair in the reduction guaranteed by the party. There is a screw loose somewhere and it does seem that the consumers should assert themselves. If the wholesale houses have entered into a compact with the retailers it is only fair that the consumers should organize and force them to show their hands. There is no valid reason why we should not at this time feel the benefit of the new Democratic law. We trust the wholesalers and the retailers will soon fall out, if they are in colleague, and let the consumers feel the benefit of the new law.

The Fruit is Safe

In the opinion of everyone in this community having fruit-bearing trees the fruit crops are absolutely safe. Generally, for several years, spring has apparently arrived in this section of State about the middle of March and caused the orchards to bloom, after which a cold wave would come and greatly damage the fruit crops. But this is March and the buds are not sufficiently out to be in danger of being killed by frost, and it is predicted that when spring comes it will be here to stay.

New Features for Fairs

A new feature is to be added to the county fairs all over the country this fall. Dr. W. Spillman, who is in charge of the office on farm management, is organizing a large force of demonstrators to attend the fairs this fall and give free demonstrations in everything from making a glass of crab apple jelly to building a barn. The farmers will gain much valuable information by attending the fairs and seeing these demonstrations.

Democratic Executive Committee to Meet.

The Democratic Executive Committee of Granville county is hereby called to meet in the Commissioner's room in the Court House on Wednesday, March 25, 1914, at 12 o'clock. The meeting is called for the purpose of making such preparations as may be necessary for holding the primaries and County Convention and of transacting such other business as may properly come before it. All members are earnestly urged to be present. D. G. BRUMMITT, Chm'n.

Series of Meetings

There will soon be held in Oxford a series of Interdenominational Religious Meetings designed to secure greater efficiency of church members. These services will be conducted by Prof. Gains, of Richmond College. The first will be held in the Methodist church on Sunday evening, March 29; Episcopal church, Monday evening, March 30; Presbyterian church, Tuesday evening, March 31; Baptist church, Wednesday evening, April 1.

On Tuesday morning and afternoon problems of country churches will be discussed. To these two meetings especially members of country churches are urged to come.

Entertainment will be provided for all who come, if they will inform committee of their purpose.
F. P. Hobgood,
A. P. Tyler,
R. J. Sellars,
Committee.

WATCH FDB Lost with letter F engraved on it. Reward if returned to Public Ledger office. 2t

LISTEN FOR THE BELL.

DISTINGUISHED TOURISTS COMING

Important Meeting in the Court House This Wednesday Evening

As a preliminary step toward the improvement and maintenance of the first through road under the supervision of the United States Government, a scouting party composed of the officials of the Office of Public Roads, the American Highway Association and various State Highway officials, will arrive in Oxford this Wednesday evening on their way from Washington to Atlanta. The party will take supper at the Exchange Hotel. After they have dined, the Court House bell will be sounded and the citizens will have an opportunity of meeting the distinguished gentlemen in the Court House at eight o'clock. Mr. A. H. Powell, who is active in all good works, advises us that the County Commissioners have signified their desire to attend the meeting. It is an important event in the history of Granville county, and our citizens should extend the glad hand to the tourists. The party will spend the night at the Exchange Hotel and leave early Thursday morning for Durham.

Local Mentions.

The interior of the main building at the Oxford Orphanage is being repainted.

Rev. Horsfield returned Friday from Montgomery, Ala, and held services in Episcopal Church Sunday.

Farmers are asked to read Zell's Ammoniated Bone advertisement on another page by Lyon-Winston Co. It is fine for corn. Try it.

Rev. G. T. Lumpkin, J. C. Heward, J. F. Meadows, C. D. Rav, B. F. Taylor and others will attend the Laymen's Meeting in Durham this week.

As the weather is bright and beautiful we want to call your attention to Spring announcement of the Long Company on the last page as it is worth reading.

A small gold locket, with flower on one side, was picked up on the street Monday and the owner can get the same by calling at this office and paying for this notice.

The public are cordially invited to attend an entertainment to be given at Penny Hill School House, Route 5, Oxford, on March 21, at 8 o'clock, p. m. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

A Tom Thumb Wedding will be given at Lyon Memorial Building on Friday evening at 8 o'clock, March 20th. Fifty young children of the town will take part. Admission, adults 35cts, children 20c.

Place your order now with the Granville Auto Company for a Ford or Studebaker Automobile, two of the toughest cars built. Read advertisement on another page and call on the Company and let them show you.

The Oxford people are very much disappointed in the Express Company going elsewhere to get an agent instead of retaining the services of George Elliott, who is attentive to business and a popular young man.

Mr. Marshall A. Hudson, President of the World-Wide Baraca and Philathea Union and founder of the movement, will visit Oxford on April 29th and will speak on that evening at Methodist Church. Do not forget the date.

Now is the time to buy, as there will be a grand auction sale of one thousand acres of valuable land at Bullock on Monday, March 23rd, at 11 o'clock. Be sure and be on hand. Watch out for big advertisement in our next issue.

ANY ONE wishing to borrow money in small amounts upon proper collateral can be accommodated by applying to L. Hunter, Agt. 1t

MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE.

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW

Personal Items About Folks and their Friends in General

Dr. Salls, of Route 4, was in Oxford Monday.

J. R. Daniel, of Berea, was in town Monday.

Ed. Dalby, of Hester, was on our streets Monday.

S. A. Fleming, of Hester, was in town Saturday.

Marsh Daniel, of Route 1, was in town Saturday.

I. E. Harris, of Creedmoor, was in town Monday.

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

John Dorsey, of the road, was in Oxford Tuesday.

Walter Phipps, of Route 1, was in town Saturday.

Thos. W. Bowling, Route 2, was in town Saturday.

J. A. Cottrell, of Route 5, was in town Monday.

Judge Graham was in Washington City Saturday.

W. W. Hart, of Route 4, was on our streets Monday.

Otho Hester, of Route 3, was a town visitor Saturday.

Melville Hunt, of Hester section, was in town Saturday.

Mrs. R. J. Hart, of Route 5, was on our streets Monday.

J. W. Daniel, of Route 7, was a town visitor Saturday.

T. A. Royster, of Bullock, was on our streets Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Overton, of Route 6, were in Oxford Saturday.

R. R. Strother, of Wilton section, was in town Tuesday.

S. A. Green and daughter, of Dexter, were in town Monday.

B. F. Hester and daughter, of Route 1, were in town Monday.

Walter Howell, of Fishing Creek township, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Knott, of Route 1, were on our streets Saturday.

Misses Martha Ferebee and Mary Webb are visiting Mrs. Kennon, of Norfolk.

Capt. T. D. Clement and Walter Hobgood of Route 1, were in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Lester Montague and children are visiting relatives near Creedmoor.

T. J. Brummitt, of Fishing Creek township, was among the Oxford visitors Monday.

Mr. Hamilton, of Smithfield, was in Oxford Monday visiting his brother, R. L. Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dickerson and daughter, Miss Ethel, of Dickerson, were in town Monday.

T. H. Street, of Mill Creek, Person county, was the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kendal Street Tuesday.

Monroe Thomasson, of Skipwith, Va., was on our streets Saturday shaking hands with his old friends.

Crawford Knott, of Route 1, who is mentioned in connection with the nomination for Senator from this district, was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albright have arrived in Oxford from Florida and have taken rooms at the home of Mr. T. Lanier on College street. It is the intention of Mr. Albright to enter business here.

WARNING NOT TO HIRE.

This is to warn all persons from hiring Jim Philpot, who has left my employ without my consent, under penalty of law. He is about six feet tall and weighs 65 or 70 pounds, ginger cake color and wears no beard and is about twenty years old, THOS. R. BRINKLEY.

PHYSICAL CONNECTION.

A MAP OF THE CONNECTING LINK IS AVAILABLE

It Would Be a Benefit to the Railroads and the People

The business men of Oxford have by no means abandoned all hopes of the physical connection of the Seaboard and the Southern Railroads. All seem to agree that if the Southern should connect with the Seaboard at a point near the "Y" and come into the station such a scheme would serve the best interest of the town. The Southern would not need more than fifty feet of land on Gilliam street north of the Seaboard station to make a splendid terminal for both roads.

It may not be generally known that you are charged up with one mile before you leave the station, whether the mile post is in front of the station or not. This is one of the general rules of the railroads throughout the country and ever fractional part of a mile is counted as a full mile. If the physical connection is ever made it is very likely the Southern would add another mile, and of course the Seaboard would add on enough here or there to keep peace in the family. It will thus be seen that the people themselves would pay for the connecting link in the long run. We believe the people of Oxford would be willing to enter into such an agreement with the roads. At any rate, there is a strong movement on foot to bring about the physical connection. Mr. C. H. Landis has drawn a map showing the two road coming into the Seaboard, and it is thought that the physical link would not cost over \$4,000. It is stated on good authority that the two roads are seriously considering the urgent need of better freight and passenger facilities for Oxford.

Honor Roll.

The following is the honor roll of Knott Grove School:
First Grade—Melvin Dean.
Third Grade—Florence Dean, Joseph Knott, Willie Lee Reich.
Fourth Grade—Bessie Dean, Annie Brummitt.
Fifth Grade—Freddie Brummitt.
Sixth Grade—Lillian Dean, Anna Dean, Inez Frazier, Rosa Knott.
Seventh Grade—Katie Brummitt, Balley Frazier.
Eighth Grade—Francis Knott.
Teachers—Alma W. Clayton and Fannie Pearl Knott.

Creedmoor Chronicles

(From the Creedmoor Times.)

C. V. Garner, is installing a modern soda fountain in his drug store.

Mrs. Jane Kempt, who was stricken with paralysis before Christmas, keeps feeble.

LeRoy Sheron, of Fuquay, who has been visiting relatives at Northside returned home Monday.

J. H. Perry and family, of Fellowship section, visited Mrs. Perry's mother, Mrs. Jane Veasey, Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Burma Sanderford and Minnie Winston spent Saturday and Sunday in Henderson, visiting their brothers, returned home Monday afternoon.

Two of our old bachelors who are retired capitalists are contemplating a visit to Texas soon. Upon their return they will devote their time and means to charity.

ORPHEUM WEEKLY PROGRAM.

Tuesday—The Octaroon, three reel feature; The Education of Aunt Georginia.

Wednesday—His Second Wife; Her Boy; By Two Oak Trees.

Thursday—My Old Kentucky Home.

Friday—Corner in Publicity; Redemption of Broncho Billy; Her Husband's Friend.

Saturday—Pathe Weekly; Stanton's Last Fling, Edison; Until The Sea, Selig.

Monday—The Abandoned Well, Bio; Beauty Unadorned, Vita.