



THE OXFORD CHURCHES

Revival Services—Ladies of Albemarle Presbytery to Meet in Oxford—Other Notes

INTERESTING PROGRAM OF RELIGIOUS WORK

UNION REVIVAL SERVICES It was announced from all pulpits...

THE SUNBEAMS

One of the most interesting programs of music and recitations it has...

THE MONEY IN SIGHT

The enthusiastic Senior Baraca of the Baptist church has...

PRESIDING ELDER HERE

Dr. John Hall, Presiding Elder of the Raleigh District, filled the pulpit...

A GATHERING OF LADIES

At the request of Rev. S. K. Phillips the following announcement...

BUY IT NOW

Spring has come at last as the dogwood is in bloom and you had better...

FOR SHERIFF

I am a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff of Granville, subject...

RETURN TO OXFORD

Mrs. Josiah Cannady and her family, Mrs. Benitz, will return to Oxford...

AND MRS. R. B. HINES

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hines went to Richmond Tuesday.

SHORT LOCAL PICK-UPS

About People and Things That Are of Interest to the Public

LEDGER READERS GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

Knock Them Off—A convention of Town Knockers would knock the spots off of the growers.

Building New Cottage—Mr. J. P. Floyd is building another cottage on New College street for rent.

Full of Shoppers—Oxford was full of people Saturday and our merchants enjoyed good trade.

New Stables—Dr. S. H. Cannady is building new stables and buggy house in the back of his lot on Main street.

Base Ball Fever—Several of our young men, who are lovers of base ball, went to Durham Saturday to witness a game.

Better Pay—Better pay your State and county taxes by May 1st or there will be trouble ahead for you when you get ready to vote.

More Mud—The rain Sunday night and Monday caused another wave of mud and called a halt on all farm work and building.

Will Build—Mr. Lennie Smith has purchased the lot adjoining Mr. J. J. Medford on the old Lanier property and will erect a nice home.

While We Wait—Some difficulties and problems come to us while we wait but we overtake others while we are going the wrong way.

That's Right—The people of Oxford have begun to look after their lawns and beautify them, which adds so much to the neatness of the town.

Repair Lanier House—We learn that Mr. M. P. Chamblee will repair and repaint the old Lanier residence and make it his home when completed.

Peace of Mind—It will give you a great deal of peace of mind if you will take out a life insurance policy with Mr. Sellers. See adv. on another page.

Executor's Notice—Mr. A. A. Hicks has qualified as Executor of the estate of late C. K. Hester, and your attention is called to the notice in another column.

Off To The South—After spending a week with his family, Mr. J. W. Brown left Monday for the South in the interest of the wide-awake Oxford Buggy Company.

In The Mountains—Judge Devin is now in the mountains holding court and we are sure the people of that elevated section of the State will be pleased with him.

Will Keep You Cool—The Oxford Ice Co. has completed the large addition to their plant and will be better able to keep the people cool during the heated term.

Tobacco Plants—We learn from farmers in town Saturday that there are plenty of tobacco plants, but they are small and that the crop in Granville will be late this year.

Real Estate—We call your attention to the advertisement of the Granville Real Estate & Trust Co. in another part of this paper, and ask you to read it as it might interest you.

Do You Need Any—Senator Simmons has sent us a lot of garden seed to distribute, and if you need any call at the Public Ledger office and get them as now is the time to sow your garden.

Basket Picnic—Do not forget the annual Basket Picnic at "Kinton's Fork" holiday, June 1st, on Oak Hill road, four miles north west of Oxford. Base ball and speakers will be announced later.

Lost Spectacles—The "old man" lost his spectacles on the street Friday. They are gold rimmed with half-round glasses, and the finder will be rewarded by returning them to the Public Ledger office.

The Bicycle Business—We ask you to read the new advertisement of R. W. Brown & Co in another part of this paper and trust you will extend them your patronage as they keep a good line of bicycles and do repairing.

Want Your Business—The Union Bank wants your business and seeks your deposit account. It is in safe hands and well conducted, and we ask you to read advertisement on another page and call and see Cashier J. S. Bradsher.

Colored Man Dead—Pierce Holman, one of Oxford's best cooks, and a good natured and kind-hearted colored citizen died at his home, in Oxford Sunday. He had many friends among both white and colored people who will regret to learn of his death.

Band of Gypsies—A band of Gypsies numbering between 25 and 30 composed of men, women, and children, spent Saturday and Sunday in Oxford. They had 5 wagons and 23 horses, and were en route to Oklahoma. A large number of our people visited their camp on Sunday.

JOHN P. STEDMAN DEAD

He Was Very Active in the Affairs of Oxford and Granville County

HIS REMAINS REST IN ELMWOOD CEMETERY

The sad intelligence reached Oxford early Monday morning that Mr. John P. Stedman breathed his last at 9 o'clock Sunday night in Morganton, where he had gone to a sanitarium some months previous to regain his shattered health.

Mr. Stedman was a man of strong character and was active in the affairs of the town and county. He was a native of Fayetteville and came to Oxford a number of years ago. He was in the drug business for a long time and was the patentee and manufacturer of "Stedman's Headache," a medicine that had a wide sale.

Mr. Stedman was elected Town Commissioner during the period of the dispensary and was chairman of the Street Committee when the granolithic side-walks in the business center of Oxford were laid. He was also chairman of the Cemetery Committee and was active in having Elmwood beautified and cleaned. Mr. Stedman was one of the best commissioners Oxford ever had. He was a conscientious man and believed in honest, straightforward dealings.

Mr. Stedman was elected County Commissioner two years ago and was chosen chairman of that Board. At the time of his death he was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Oxford Graded School and was zealous in that work.

Mr. Stedman was a moving spirit in the recent bond election and he stated at the business meeting looking to bonds that the most urgent needs of Oxford was good streets and side-walks. Being chairman of the County Board of Commissioners Mr. Stedman was active in establishing the New County Home and he was anxious that it should be made comfortable and pleasant.

Mr. Stedman was a member of the Oxford Presbyterian church, from which the funeral services were held this Tuesday morning, conducted by Rev. S. K. Phillips.

On the arrival in Oxford the remains were taken in charge by Upchurch & Currin, funeral directors, and conveyed to the Presbyterian church.

The pallbearers were: Active—Messrs. H. G. Cooper, I. H. Davis, John Webb, Walter Stradly, A. A. Hicks, W. B. Ballou.

Honorary—Messrs. John Booth, Dr. B. K. Hays, W. Z. Mitchell, Z. W. Lyon, W. H. Hunt, C. D. Osborn, R. H. Lewis, Dr. G. S. Watkins, C. W. Bryan, Dr. T. L. Booth.

The funeral and burial services were largely attended and the floral tribute were numerous and beautiful. Mr. Stedman is survived by two children, one son, Mr. John P. Stedman, Jr., of Concord and one daughter, Miss Laura, who makes her home with relatives in Washington, N. C., and two sisters, who reside in Fayetteville.

ANSWERED LAST ROLL CALL

We learn that Mr. S. P. Phipps, of Vance county, and brother of our excellent countryman, Mr. J. M. Phipps, of Route 1, died on Sunday after a gradual decline of several months duration. He was an old Confederate veteran and was reared in Orange county and reached the age of 74 years in life's journey.

He was a member of Brown Baptist church in Warren county, and devoted to the cause of the Master, and therefore was ready when the summons came "To come up higher and rest under the shade of the trees."

He leaves behind 4 grown children and other relatives to mourn his passing away.

Mr. J. M. Phipps and two daughters, Miss Cora, and Mrs. Alfred Frazier, attended the funeral and burial on Monday.

AN INTERESTING BOY

In the midst of all this beautiful weather we rise to ask what has become of the barefoot boy with cheeks of tan? And where, even in the midst of this hurly-burly, work-day old world, is there a man with soul so dead that he does not cherish a kindly regard for the rough-and-tumble, free-and-easy barefoot boy, who stands immortalized in verse as typical of Young America? The sock-encaused lad may be more of a parlor ornament; his manners may be more aesthetic, and he may be vastly more cultured, but—well, with all his "modern equipment," he is not quite so interesting as that boy of yesterdays—the lad with the freckles on his face and the stone-bruise on his heel.

LOST DIAMOND BROOCH—In design represents a cluster of flowers, and was lost afternoon on the street. Finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving it at this office.

AN ELECTRIC RAILROAD

Problem Solved By the Business Men of Oxford Becoming Interested

WILL PROBABLY ASK FOR CHARTER TO BUILD LINE

The business men of Oxford are free to admit that the Seaboard and the Southern Railway Companies are averse to granting adequate passenger and freight facilities at this point. Take for instance the question of a physical connection of the two roads, which would not cost them above \$4,000, and see how they have ignored this simple request. To every proposition, both large and small, they have closed their eyes and ears and are as dumb as an oyster. Sidelacked, as it were, they are of the opinion that we are entirely at their mercy. It is a foregone conclusion that Oxford cannot grow unless we get right with the railroads, and get right we must.

It would seem that the railroad companies would readily comply with any reasonable request of the citizens of Oxford. Every ton of coal you burn, every brick in the foundation of your building, every stitch of clothes on your back and nearly everything you eat was hauled in by these railroads, and they did not consult you as to how much you should pay them for bringing it in. They have established their own rates and the volume of business here is simply enormous—certainly it is large enough to warrant the railroads in giving us a handsome passenger station and adequate freight facilities.

The business men of Oxford have reached a point where they see that something must be done. The stubborn railroads are about the hardest proposition that confronts us, and that will dissolve like sugar in water if we go about it in the right way. It has been demonstrated that talking has little weight with the railroad companies. Action is what counts, and the public spirited citizens of Oxford are ready to act. A proposition is being entertained to build an electric line from Oxford to Henderson, the round trip fare from either end to be twenty-five cents, the cars to leave the terminals on the even hour. It is proposed to have a park at Dabney, the round fare trip fare from either end of the line to be ten cents. There will be no trouble in securing a franchise to carry the United States mail and this item alone will aid materially in defraying the running expenses of the road. At first blush it would seem that a proposition to build the electric road is a wild cat scheme, but the fact is, it is a safe financial investment. Anything to bring the railroads to a just sense of duty is well worth the trouble and expense. Everybody traveling to Henderson and beyond would use the electric road and purchase their railroad ticket at Henderson. This item alone amounts to several thousand dollars annually. An electric road to Henderson is the only thing that would establish our independence and remove the barriers that obstruct our growth.

All this talk about the proposed railroad from Greensboro to Yanceyville, Roxboro, Berea and via Stovall to Henderson and on to the seacoast shows that there is a negro in the wood-pile somewhere. Why diverge from Berea to Stovall and sidetrack Oxford? Another slam at the peace and dignity of Oxford! If the business men of Oxford will get together and ask the next session of the General Assembly to grant a charter to build an electric road to Henderson you will see the railroads become as gentle as lambs. It is a well known fact that the railroads never do a thing until they are absolutely forced to do it. There is no use bickering with them. It is time lost, and it is high time that we burst the bottle and crawl out. The lack of railroad facilities is the greatest obstacle to our growth, and as soon as this important fact is properly adjusted there will be no trouble in inducing capital to locate here and establish manufacturing plants.

DEATH OF MRS. O. B. CURRIN

We regret that we are called upon to chronicle the death of Mrs. O. B. Currin, which took place at her home in Oak Hill township on Friday morning, after a short illness. She was a member of Mountain Creek Baptist church and was kind and benevolent and highly thought of by her neighbors and friends.

She was about 32 years of age and leaves a grief-stricken husband and 4 children, and many relatives to mourn her death. The funeral took place Saturday at Mountain Creek and the burial services were read by Mr. R. T. Blackwell as Rev. P. H. Fontaine was sick and could not attend. A large concourse of neighbors and friends attended the services and paid the last tribute of respect to a good woman who had been gathered to rest.

MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE.

Personal Items About Folks and Their Friends Who Travel Here and There

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW

Mr. Ben Hart, of Route 3, was in town Monday.

Mr. H. N. Green, of Stem, was in town Monday.

Mr. James Gooch, of Wilton, was in town Monday.

Mr. Charley Jones, of Route 4, was in town Monday.

Mr. Wade Smith, of Tar River was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. Rufus Stroud, of Route 2, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Ben Pitts, of Route 2, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Boss Critcher, of Route 6, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. S. T. Hunt, of Route 1, was in town Monday.

Mr. M. L. Oakley, of Route 6, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. J. D. Kinton, of Route 4, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Lee Hobgood, of Route 1, was in town Saturday.

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

Mr. R. T. Slaughter, of Berea, was in town Monday.

Mr. L. E. Adcock, of Tar River, was in town Monday.

Mr. D. Y. Hunt, of Route 3, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. W. O. Cheatham, of Route 3, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Gooch Cheatham, of Route 3, was on our streets Monday.

Mr. Charles Hester, of Route 5, was in town Monday.

Mr. A. A. Puckett, of Route 1, was in town Monday.

Mr. W. R. Nelson, of Route 4, was on our streets Saturday.

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

Mr. Spencer Jones, of Culbreth, was in town Monday.

Mr. Marsh Daniel, of Route 1, was a town visitor Saturday.

Mr. West Brummitt, of Route 2, was in town Saturday.

Mr. J. T. Garnett, of Route 3, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Z. W. Allen, of Providence, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. John Brummitt, of Route 2, was on our streets Monday.

Mr. B. H. Bullock, of Culbreth, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. N. C. Bradsher, of Route 2, was a town visitor Saturday.

Mr. George Daniel, of Clarksville, was an Oxford visitor Saturday.

Mr. Alex Jenkins, of Wilton section, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Rubn Overton, of Route 6, was on our streets Saturday.

Mr. Henry Averett, of Route 7, was on our streets Monday.

Mr. Ed Bobbitt, county treasurer of Wilton, was in town Saturday.

Mr. W. A. Sherman, of Trinity section, was a town visitor Saturday.

Mr. Will Knott, of Church Roads, Va., was on our streets Monday.

Mr. George Sherman, of the Trinity section, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Leland Farabow, of Stem section, was on our streets Monday.

MEXICAN WAR CLOUD.

After a Spirited Debate the President was Authorized to Use Armed Force

SCENES IN CONGRESS AS MESSAGE WAS READ

On Monday morning President Wilson laid the Mexican situation before Congress and requested approval for the use of force to obtain from Dictator Huerta recognition of rights and dignity of the United States.

It was the first time since the war with Spain that the President had placed so grave an international crisis before the national legislature. Mr. Wilson spoke in solemn tones. When he entered the house chamber the cheers and applause that greeted him were widely enthusiastic—an outburst of the tension that has prevailed in the national capital for the last 24 hours.

To any one not present, no word picture can portray the scene in the lower branch of Congress. There was nothing lacking to give a thrill, to bring flushed faces, short breaths, the cheer that belong to wonderful occasions.

In the galleries were men and women of every political faith. But for once the faiths of politics were cast aside. In its stead was a creed of love of country, the spirit of '76, fidelity to the sisterhood of states.

Amid these surroundings President Wilson, in a deliberate voice indicating the seriousness of his mission, the sober thoughts within him, began to speak. The silence was oppressive, following a wild demonstration which broke out as the President entered upon the floor of chamber.

After a spirited debate of more than two hours the House passed the administration resolution, approving President Wilson's purpose to use the armed forces of the nation to obtain from General Huerta the fullest recognition of the honor and dignity of the United States.

The vote was 337 to 37. The resolution was passed at 9:25 and went to the Senate.

Those in a position to know state positively that the Senate will this Tuesday morning stand by the resolution, approving President Wilson's purpose to use armed forces of the nation to obtain the fullest recognition of the honor and dignity of the United States.

No one can look beyond the war cloud in Mexico and say what the end will be. In the meantime our navy is being mobilized in Mexican waters. It is the intention of President Wilson to seize Tampico and Vera Cruz and block all the ports of Mexico. This may be done without bloodshed. American soldiers will guard the long railroad bridge between Mexico City and Tampico. It is almost certain that a standing army will be maintained in Mexico for some time to come.

THE NORTH CAROLINA GUARD

Practically every company in the North Carolina National Guard is ready and anxious to go to Mexico. Every company in the second regiment has specifically tendered service and practically all the companies in the other regiments as well as the coast artillery, the naval militia and other organizations.

The North Carolina guard now have something more than 3,000 men subject to the call of arms, but just as soon as the order comes to mobilize there will be additional enlistments to bring the companies up to the minimum war strength which will give the guard upwards of 3,500 men.

WILL PROBABLY RUN SPECIAL

The Baracas and Philatheas of North Carolina are anticipating with great pleasure the approaching State convention in Durham. A week ago the names of about 500 regular delegates had been received at Baraca-Philatheas headquarters in Greensboro, and this number will probably be more than doubled before April 25th, when the convention meets.

In all probability the Oxford Baraca and Philatheas will run a special train to Durham next Sunday. It is understood that the round trip fare will be \$1.00.

BRINGING THEM OUT

This beautiful spring weather is bringing the ladies out in large numbers, and Landis & Easton's store is thronged nearly all day. The attractions provided by Major Will Landis and his artistic milliner are greater than ever before and is appreciated by the dear ladies. See advertisement on another page.

DO YOU NEED A WELL?

Wells drilled through rock which means pure water, satisfaction guaranteed. Write to E. A. INGOLL, Stem, N. C.

WANTED—SEASONED PINE CORD

wood, car load lots, LYNE & HARRIS, 15th and Dock streets, Richmond, Va.