



HIS HAT NOT IN RING.

Mr. C. D. Ray Mentioned for County Commissioner, But He Declines to Run

MEETING HELD IN COURT HOUSE FRIDAY EVENING

Feeling that the best interests of the county would be conserved by placing a citizen of Oxford on the Board of County Commissioners, several citizens, to the number of thirty-two, gathered at the Court House at the ringing of the bell Friday evening for the purpose of settling upon some good man for the high calling of Commissioner.

Judge A. W. Graham was called to the chair and Mr. John Webb was requested to state the object of the meeting, which he briefly outlined without a semblance of political significance, emphasizing the fact that Oxford is the county seat, and as such, the Oxford member of the Board would be in closer touch with county affairs.

There was some discussion as to the kind of a man that would best conserve the interests of the county. The sense of the meeting was that he should be a man of probity; that he must be progressive; that he must be in sympathy with the educational interests of the county, and above all a firm believer in good roads. There was something said as to working the roads from center to circumference, but as there is limited funds it was also suggested that roads in other parts of the county needed attention equally as much.

With all the little technicalities of the meeting out of the way the name of Mr. C. D. Ray was suggested for Commissioner. A man of probity, progressive and an avowed advocate of schools and good roads, he was heartily endorsed by the meeting and is naturally the choice of a large number of people. Mr. Ray came forward and stated that his business was such as to preclude him from giving attention to the duties of the office of Commissioner. Other good men were asked to make the race for Commissioner, but the meeting adjourned without putting a man in the field.

Mr. N. N. Cupp, who recently announced himself for Commissioner, stated to the meeting that he would retire from the race in the event they decided upon a good man.

SPECIAL TRAINS FOR 24TH

The railroads are preparing to handle a large number of passengers for Oxford on St. John's Day. Both the Southern and the Seaboard roads have issued advertising matter that gives the schedules and all necessary information about the running of the trains on that day. The Seaboard will run one special from Durham, arriving at Oxford at 11 o'clock, a. m., a special from Raleigh to reach here at 10:30 a. m., and regular train 419 from Henderson and Weldon, arriving here at 10:10 a. m. On the return trips, the Raleigh train leaves at 5:05 p. m. and the Weldon train at 5:15 p. m. The rates will be the same as last year. The Southern road will also have special arrangements for the day.

JOHN A. WILLIAMS NAMED

The citizens of Granville county have already accorded to the Town of Oxford the courtesy of permitting the town to have one of its citizens a Commissioner. Many voters have presented the name of

JOHN A. WILLIAMS

Progressive, successful and courageous and one of Oxford's best business men. Vote for John A. Williams for one of the Commissioners and your confidence will not be misplaced. You will also have the satisfaction of voting not for a man who seeks the office but for a brave man whose name thoughtful citizens present without any solicitation on his part whatsoever.

MANY CITIZENS

A CORDIAL WELCOME

You will find a hearty welcome at the Long Company's store on St. John's Day. It makes no difference whether you buy anything or not, but if you need any thing they will be glad to serve you. A big barrel of ice water to quench your thirst, and the Long Company's store is the best place to see the great throng of people. See their cordial invitation on the last page of this paper.

DAVIS PAYS THE FREIGHT ON

flowers, reapers, cultivators, harrows, and everything you buy. Write him now for prices, he will save you money and give you the best goods made.

SCHOOL TEACHERS WANTED

The committee will meet at the 4th school house June 27, at 2 o'clock for the purpose of employing teachers. One for white and one for colored. Send in application before or meet the committee on that day. B. R. PITTS, Sec. 2t.

SHORT LEDGER LOCALS.

About People and Things That Are of Interest to The Public Ledger Readers

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

Take Heed—Remember the primaries on Saturday and don't forget to vote.

Purchased Farm—Mr. J. H. Bowling has purchased of Mr. Sam Fleming his nice farm near Tar River.

Where are They?—What has become of the old-fashioned boy who got warts on his hands from playing with toads.

Is Getting Better—We are glad to learn that Miss Sue Roberts, who has been quite sick for the past week, is much better.

Of Course Not—There would never be any divorces if husbands were as well satisfied with their wives as they are with themselves.

Almost Well—Miss Mary Cheatham, who has been right sick at her home on Henderson street, we are pleased to learn, is about well.

Marion Sneed Better—Marion Sneed the bright son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sneed, who has been sick for some time we are glad to say is improving.

Fish Fry—The farmers of the Mountain Creek section enjoyed a fine fish fry on Friday last as a goodly number of fish were caught in Grassy Creek.

New Girl Baby—Mr. H. H. Hicks, of Dickerson, was in town Saturday and informed us that a new bright-eyed girl arrived at his home a few days ago.

Commissioner's Sale—Your attention is called to the sale of land advertised in another column by Messrs. A. W. Graham and A. A. Hicks, Commissioners.

Rock Give Out—Contractor Clements was delayed in putting down the sidewalk on College street the past week on account of the delay in receiving a car load of rock.

Get Ready For 24th—Of course you are coming to Oxford next Wednesday, the 24th, and join the happy throng of people. There will be plenty of barbecue this year, so we are informed by Superintendent R. L. Brown.

Gone to Chicago—Mrs. Josiah Canady, accompanied by her mother, went to Chicago last week and we are glad to learn stood the trip very well. She will be treated by a specialist at that city.

Big Rain Sunday—Oxford and vicinity was visited Sunday morning by a very fine rain which brought cheer to the hearts of the people. Local showers are falling in different sections of the county.

Horse Killed by Lightning—We learn that during a thunder storm last Thursday lightning struck the stables of Mr. J. H. Perry, near Creedmoor, and killed a good horse and burned the stables.

Attractive Drug Store—Since the completion of the interior improvements to the Hamilton Drug Store it will do credit to a town of 20,000 people, as the furnishing and equipments are of the latest designs.

Turn Out to Primary—Every citizen who has the true interest of the county at heart should not fail to attend the primary at his precinct on Saturday. Be sure and attend and vote for the men of your choice.

Purchased Lots—Mr. John Haskins has sold his two lots he recently purchased from Mr. Hillman Canady on Front street to Messrs. John R. Hall and Sam Skinner, who will build nice residences this summer and fall.

Caused by Indifference—The greatest difficulty which every town has to overcome in its ambition to make greater strides along all lines of progress is the indifference of men who ought to be among the leaders for greater development.

It Is Not Fair—You are doing your neighbor an injustice by making it a business to send over and borrow his Public Ledger. Why don't you shell out a dollar and let it come to your home and stop worrying your generous neighbor.

Camping Party—The following Oxford young men are camping out at Canady's Mill this week and fishing and swimming to their hearts content. They are Ewing Smith, Comp-ton Bobbitt, William Medford, Frank Cooch, Lindsey and Kennon Taylor, Fred Parham, with little "Dick" Taylor as the mascot. Thos White Burt and Beasley Taylor will visit them at night.

ON THE LAST ROUND.

The Candidates Are In the Country Looking at The Color of the Voter's Eye

THE MOST STRENUOUS WEEK OF THE CAMPAIGN

So far as the candidates are concerned this is the most strenuous week of the campaign, but the copious shower that fell Sunday morning has a tendency to dampen the ardor of the farmers, and in order to press his hand and see the color of his eyes you must catch him at the end of the row. Candidates, both great and small, will be in the country the better part of the week mending their fences. All of them are expectant and they are waiting patiently for the going down of the sun on Saturday, when it will be definitely known who are the choice of the majority.

There is always joy and a laugh when you meet a good natured candidate. A friend addressing Mr. Powell, Register of Deeds, said: "Jim, I think you have had the office long enough. How long do you want it?" To this Mr. Powell replied that he has a boy seventeen months old and he would like to hold the office until he reached manhood.

A candidate who has visited all parts of the county tells a good one on the Senatorial candidates. It was over near Wake county line where he met a voter who inquired who are the candidates for the Senate. He explained that Titus Curran, a successful farmer, and Dr. Meadows are the candidates and that both are good men. The old fellow scratched his head and vowed that he did not know either one of the men, but I allow, says he, that the doctor must have the most book learning.

One candidate met a man in the interior of the county, who took a pessimistic view of the long dry spell. He stated that he voted the State dry some years ago; that it had been dry ever since, and now that Clarksville is dry he apprehended a long dry spell in Granville.

There is a universal feeling throughout the county that in as much as the present Board of County Commissioners have served well and faithful, and are now well versed in county affairs, it would be well to retain some of them on the Board.

MR. JOE LASSITER PROMOTED

Mr. Joe D. Lassiter, son of our old friend, Mr. R. W. Lassiter, has been promoted to Secretary to W. E. Renneker, Assistant General Freight Agent of Atlantic Coast Line, with headquarters at Wilmington. Joe is a fine young man and will make good anywhere, and his many friends congratulate him on the holiday he is making in the affairs of the railroad world.

SURPRISE MARRIAGE

Mr. Maurice Green and Miss Nouvelle O'Brien took their Oxford friends by surprise by going over to Durham and being quietly married at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. W. C. Moss, on Saturday last. Miss O'Brien has made her home at Mr. Green's for a number of years and is a most excellent, practical young woman, and will prove a good step-mother to the dear children.

IN HONOR OF OXFORD LADY

Mrs. George Tillery, of Wilmington, was the charming hostess Wednesday morning last at a very pretty bridge party given in honor of her guest, Miss Mary Williams, of Oxford, who is a popular visitor to that city. There were four tables and the morning was very pleasantly spent by all who partook of Mrs. Tillery's hospitality. At the conclusion of the games, attractive prizes were awarded to the fortunate contestants and tempting refreshments were served.

A SWEEL AFFAIR

If one should ask you what article manufactured in the south approached perfection, you would make no mistake in naming the celebrated Oxford Chase Line of Buggies and surries. They are conceded to be the handsomest, prettiest, most durable vehicles made. Society always comes to town in an Oxford Chase. They will be here on St. John's Day. See the adv. of Lyon-Winston Co. elsewhere in this paper and call on them to see the merits of their vehicles and harness.

COHN & SON'S

Rebuilding and removal sale is still going on. Were you in the crowds at Cohn & Son's sale? Getting your share of the bargains. If not do not fail to go their at once. On or about September 1st, they will move their men's store in the old post office building, next to their ladies store, and rebuild their ladies store, so they will have their large business under one roof. They are right now determined to sell every thing in their stocks at an unsparring and radical reductions. See adv. on another page of this paper.

HOBGOOD VINDICATED.

Judge Graham and Chief Williford Write Commendation Letters of the Sheriff of Granville

IN REFERENCE TO DEATH OF W. M. SULLIVAN

The following letters from Ex-Judge Graham and Chief Williford set at rest the charge that is being circulated that our good Sheriff Hobgood has been neglectful of his duty, who has already acquired the reputation of being one among the best Sheriff's of the county has had in forty years.

Sheriff S. C. Hobgood, My Dear Sir: I am surprised to learn from you that a rumor is in circulation to the effect that you failed to perform your duty in the investigation of the murder of the unfortunate William M. Sullivan. As requested, I take pleasure in stating that after I was retained in the case, I was in continual and close conference with you until the end of the trial, and I never saw any one more zealous and efficient in the discharge of a public duty, you certainly rendered all aid that was possible to the State in so short a time.

Yours Truly, A. W. GRAHAM

Sheriff S. C. Hobgood, Dear Sir: On the night when William M. Sullivan was shot at Sam Taylor's, December 30, 1913, Mr. C. W. Bryan saw me and said a man had been shot near Lewis' and he thought an officer ought to go out there. We then saw you at the drug store and told you what we had heard. I told you that if you would get a conveyance I would go with you. You and I went down the street together toward the Garage for an automobile, and you told me that you were sick and asked me if I would go in your place. I told you I would be glad to do so if you would get a conveyance. We could not get a conveyance at the Garage. Later I got a conveyance and went out to the place, found the man dead and phoned for the Coroner, who came in about two hours. I arrested Sam Taylor, who confessed to me that he shot Sullivan, and I brought him to Oxford and locked him up.

I know that you did your full duty in working up the case for trial. Yours Truly, A. WILLIFORD

MISS JOHNSTON MARRIED

The old Presbyterian church of New Hope, near Hillsboro, June 13, was the scene of a very pretty wedding, when Miss Annie Moseley Johnston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Johnston, of Green Hill Farm, and Mr. William Richard Barbour, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Barbour, of Ridgeway, Pa., were united in marriage.

"QUALITY STORE"

As the season is drawing to a close Perkinson-Green Company have decided to offer a few specials from now until after St. John's Day. They offer their entire stock of millinery at half price; shoes at a substantial reduction, cotton goods, wash goods and many other things you will need. See adv. elsewhere in this paper.

COMMERCIAL AGENT

Mr. R. M. Berry has been appointed Commercial Agent of the Carolina Power and Light Company and will make his headquarters in Oxford. Mr. Berry will work in conjunction with Mr. Lee, the local manager, who recently relieved Mr. Couch. They are both fine young business men and we extend them a hearty welcome to Oxford.

ON THE MOVE

Mr. Vernon Taylor has rented the home of Mr. M. P. Chanblee on High street and moved in Monday. Mr. A. H. Moore has moved into the dwelling on Broad street formerly occupied by Mr. Vernon Taylor. Mr. Geo. W. Moore, who recently came to Oxford from West Virginia and is identified with the Moore Lumber Company, has moved in the residence on Main street formerly occupied by Mr. E. G. Couch.

TUG OF WAR

Messrs. E. D. Hunt and John Mangum, two strong men, attracted considerable attention on Hillsboro street Monday morning when they placed their broad shoulders against a huge automobile driven by Mr. Carden. "Cigars that we can hold you" said the strong men. Carden applied the power and the feet of the strong men sunk into the ground, and their suspenders snapped under the terrible impact. It was nip and tuck for a while, but the crowd yelled when the car moved backwards under the pressure of the strong men.

Try our small PICNIC HAMS 20c lb.

Phone 115. Taylor Brothers.

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. Ray, of Stem, was on our streets Monday.

Mr. T. W. Burch, of Route 1, was in town Saturday.

Mr. D. Curran, of Route 6, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Lucius Burnett, of Route 6, was in town Saturday.

Mr. J. H. Bowling, of Tar River, was in town Monday.

Dr. Sam Booth is attending the Medical Convention at Raleigh.

Mr. D. Y. Hunt, of Route 3, was in town Monday morning.

Mr. "Bud" Mangum, of Creedmoor, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. Jack Overton, of Route 2, was a town visitor Monday.

Mr. J. R. Renn, of Route 6, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. Otho Daniel, of Route 1, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. F. M. Woody, of Route 5, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. H. Taylor Hobgood, of Route 1, was in town Saturday.

Mr. Ballard Norwood, of Buchanan, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. John Dickerson, of Wilton section, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Frazier, of Route 2, were town visitors Saturday.

Mr. E. A. Tunstall and son, of Route 2, were in town Saturday.

Mr. C. E. Ervin, of Chapel Hill, was an Oxford visitor this week.

Mr. F. M. Blackley, of Wilton section, was on our street Saturday.

Mr. George Royster and children, of Bullock, were in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. Will Daniel, of Creedmoor section, was an Oxford visitor Monday.

Mr. H. E. Crews, of Watkins section, was an Oxford visitor Tuesday.

Mr. Ethan Allen, of Providence, was on our streets Monday morning.

Mr. Oscar Currin, of Winston, spent the past week with relatives in Oxford.

Miss Annie Brown returned Saturday from a visit to relatives in Henderson.

Mr. S. L. Green and son Felix visited relatives in Stallov a few days the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Babcock, of Route 7, were Oxford visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burnett, of Route 5, were on our streets Saturday.

Miss Oja Burrows, of Henderson, spent the week end with friends in Oxford.

Mr. D. S. Howard and son, Willie, of Route 4, were among the Oxford visitors Monday.

Mr. R. H. Rogers, one of Creedmoor's fine business men, was on our streets Monday.

Mr. R. L. Watkins and son, of Route 1, were among the Oxford visitors Saturday.

Mr. George Cannady, of Dunn, was among the Oxford visitors Friday and Saturday.

Mr. F. Y. Yancey, of Mecklenburg County, Va., was among the Oxford visitors Monday.

Mr. E. C. Harris and two daughters, of Route 3, were among the Oxford visitors Saturday.

Miss Frances Glenn, of Henderson, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. J. W. Brown, on High street.

Mr. Broadus Callis and Mr. Ed Skinner visited Miss Jewel Glover at Dabney last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Montgomery returned a few days ago from a visit to relatives near Staunton, Va.

Rev. J. G. Blalock, daughter and son, of Weldon, are visiting relatives in Oxford and the county this week.

Miss Willie Lee Smith, who has been teaching school in Columbia, S. C., is at home for the vacation.

Mr. T. H. Street, of Mill Creek, Person county, is visiting his son, Mr. Kendall Street, on Main street.

Mr. Ben. K. Lassiter left Friday for San Francisco to accompany his sister, Miss Katherine, across the Continent after a protracted visit to her uncle, Col. William Lassiter.

Mr. A. R. Cannady and son, John Brandon, of Trenton, Mo., visited his old home at Tar River Academy the past week and received a warm welcome. His old friends also extended him the glad hand.

Messrs. B. F. Taylor, Hillman Cannady and C. S. Gorman, attended the annual meeting of the Vehicle League at Charlotte Friday. Owing to accident on Southern railroad, they had to motor from Durham to Greensboro to make connection.

THE SEAT OF LEARNING

An Undying Influence in all Parts of The World Points to Oxford

AN ENCOURAGING FEATURE OF THE AGITATION

We learn that the movement to establish a high class preparatory school for boys in Oxford is meeting with success on every hand. One of the most encouraging features of the agitation is that everybody agrees that Oxford has ever been famous for its institutions of learning and by rights it should ever remain so.

In glancing over an old catalogue of the days when Horner's school was at its best we find names from Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts, Maryland, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Arkansas, Tennessee, Virginia, Ohio, Michigan, South Carolina, and twenty eight of the counties of North Carolina were represented. In what ever part of the world these men are found to-day they are singing the praise of Oxford. Can we afford to cast this influence aside?

With the boys of forty and fifty years ago pouring stories into the ears of their sons and grandsons of their school days in Oxford is the greatest asset at our command. View the subjects from what ever standpoint you may the glaring fact confronts us that Oxford is to-day an ideal location for one of the best schools in the entire country. It makes no difference what the past has been, the future holds in store even greater things.

Viewing the question from a commercial and social standpoint, would not a thousand boys from the best homes of the broad land amount to something in our midst?

We are glad to see the good solid men of the community discussing ways and means to establish a modern school for young men on some one of the admirable sites around Oxford for such an institution.

TOBACCO GROWERS FLIGHT

The Charlotte Observer, whose estimate of crop conditions is very accurate, sums up the situation as follows:

"In the continuing though mitigated dry condition tobacco growers appear to be more genuinely down on their luck than any other members of the farming fraternity. The worst complaints come from about Danville, on both sides of the North Carolina-Virginia line. According to The Danville Register, some localities face the most serious conditions they have experienced for many years. One Caswell County farmer who usually plants from 40,000 to 50,000 hills has planted only 7,000 so far, he says and not over 700 of them are now living. This condition is declared to be general throughout Caswell. In Rockingham County conditions are much more favorable, indicating a fair crop. In Pittsylvania and Henry counties, Virginia, the conditions are much mixed. The Register declares that as a matter of conservative estimate not over half the crop has been planted in the Danville section and that the time for planting is about gone. Granville will get about a 60 per cent crop, if the Oxford Ledger has its figures right. Apparently the drought injury done tobacco is heavier and more irremediable than that suffered by any other staple crop. While some sections in the Carolinas have received timely showers, and while increased acreage consequent upon last year's boom will hold up the aggregate production, many Carolina tobacco growers may be held excusable if they do not feel as buoyant as they might."

TOWN BOARD MEETS

The Town Board of Commissioners met in regular monthly session Tuesday night at the Mayor's office, Mayor Thad G. Stem, presiding. There was nothing special to engage the attention of the Board outside of the regular routine work. The Board is highly pleased with the progress the Clement's Constructions Company is making in laying the sidewalks and they are hopeful that the work will be completed on contract time.

Chief of Police Williford came in to a raise of \$5.00 per month at the hand of the Board.

The Street Committee was directed to the urgent needs of an adequate drain pipe to carry off the water on Littlejohn street adjoining the lots of Charles Easton and Thornton W. Yancey.

MY SHINGLES ARE RIGHT, THEY have got the weight and the quality. Now if you want to save money, write me now. Samuel Davis Clarksville, Va.

SEWING—THOSE DESIRING PLAIN and fancy sewing will please call on Messdaimes John and D. T. Gooch, 45 Main street. (t.