



OXFORD BOARD OF CHARITIES

ORGANIZATION PERFECTED SUNDAY AFTERNOON BY ELECTING GEN. B. S. ROYSTER PRESIDENT WITH A STRONG BOARD OF GOVERNORS

An Organization in Which all Denominations, Societies and the Community at Large Pool their Interest in Relief Work.

In view of the extraordinary situation presented by the unemployed in Oxford and of the pressing need of timely aid, the ministers and representatives of all the local churches assembled at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon for the purpose of organizing a Board of Charities for the town of Oxford.

Dr. A. P. Tyer was called to the chair, and after stating the object of the meeting Mr. Frank Pinnix was requested to act as secretary of the meeting.

Dr. Horsfield, Gen. B. S. Royster, A. A. Hicks, Col. W. B. Ballou, D. G. Brummitt, B. K. Lassiter, J. Robt. Wood and others made strong talks in favor of merging the churches, various societies and the common interests of the town into an organization that would be far reaching in its effects.

It was pointed out in these talks that indiscriminate giving often defeated the purpose for which it was intended; that the unworthy flourish under its banner at the expense of the worthy, but with the organization and workings of the Board of Charities the worthy would come into their own and the impostors would be eliminated.

The Board of Charities was organized with Gen. B. S. Royster, President; and the following Board of Governors: Mrs. A. H. Powell, Mrs. H. G. Cooper, Mrs. C. G. Elliott and Messrs. W. B. Ballou, J. Robt. Wood, R. H. Lewis, J. R. Hall.

It was left with the President and Board of Governors to formulate and working plans of the organization, and with this end in view Gen. B. S. Royster requested all those representing the various churches and societies to meet at his office this Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The great work was launched with a number of pledges secured at the initial meeting.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Lumber for Sale—We call the attention of our many readers to the advertisement of W. E. Dorsey on another page. Read it, and if you need any lumber give him your order.

Well Again—We are glad to learn that our little friend, "Mat", son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Currin, who has been sick, is well again and is as happy as ever.

Paper Best Medium—Many a town wants a good local paper but it has to compete with a fence, a post or the court house door as advertising mediums. A roadside fence is a better medium than a corner post or the court house door, but a fence doesn't go anywhere with its advertisements, while a paper goes all over the country and is read by people who never subscribe to a fence.—Wilmington Star.

New Holiday Books—Have been received for the library, and will be placed on the shelves in a few days. On account of increased expenses of the library it will be necessary to raise the subscription to \$1.50 per year after Jan. 1, 1915, and five cent books can be kept out only one week. Subscription will be taken at the old price, \$1 per year prior to this date. Apply at once to Mrs. Annie Lee Llewellyn, librarian.

THE BIGGEST AND THE BEST

A substantive reduction is noted in the Christmas offerings of Landis & Easton. All the coat suits and cloaks in the house are reduced in many cases below cost. All the trimmed hats in the house undergo the same generous reduction. The two big stores are replete throughout with just such articles as would make one's heart sweet at Christmas tide. Read their adv. on last page of this paper.

PARROTT-HARRIS

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Harris request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their niece Jessie Lewis Parrott to Mr. Walter Hill Harris Thursday December twenty-fourth nineteen hundred and fourteen at three o'clock, at home, Route two Kittrell, North Carolina. No invitations sent out.

WAKE FARMER KILLED

Father of Our Townsman, Mr. Will Fleming, was Accidentally Killed by Train

Elvin L. Fleming, a well-known and prominent farmer of Wake county, was instantly killed Saturday afternoon about 1 o'clock when struck in sight of his home by Seaboard Air Line passenger train No. 4, due in Raleigh at 12.10 o'clock. The accident occurred at Asbury station, about six miles west of Raleigh.

Mr. Fleming's right shoulder and entire arm was terribly mashed and other small cuts and bruises were made on his face and left hand. The train was running an hour late. With his wife aware of the fast approaching train and trying to attract his attention by waving her hands, Mr. Fleming stepped upon the track just a few seconds before the pilot of the large engine struck him. Engineer John Robertson, it is said, didn't see him in time to prevent the accident. It is not known why Mr. Fleming stepped in front of this train as those who are familiar with the condition of the track say that he could have seen the train long before it approached him.

The Seaboard and Southern tracks run parallel at this point and it is thought that he mistook the train for a Southern. He had crossed the Southern track and it is thought was sure he was out of danger. Mr. Fleming's home is on the northern side and within a short distance of the tracks and he was on his way back to the house after going to a church on the south side of the tracks. The tracks are in a three-foot cut and Mrs. Fleming saw him last as he stepped from the embankment into the cut. Before stepping off the embankment she tried to attract his attention to the approaching train, but in vain.

Mr. Fleming was a native of Granville county and was about 70 years old. He was well known in Raleigh, where for about 15 years he resided and was engaged in the tobacco business. Ten years ago he moved to the country, where he had lived since. He came to Raleigh from Granville county.

He is survived by a widow and five children, two daughters and three sons. His sons are Messrs. Elvin, William and Benjamin Fleming.

On the receipt of the news of the death of his father Mr. Will Fleming departed for Asbury. At heart never was a better man than Elvin L. Fleming whose memory is cherished in Granville County. The Public Ledger, the Tobacco Board of Trade, the warehousemen, tobacco buyers and all good citizens of the town and county sympathize with Mr. Will Fleming in the sudden taking away of his father.

COHN & SON'S CHRISTMAS SALE.

Here is your chance to buy your Xmas goods at great savings. Cohn & Son's are again headquarters for great bargains. The combined stocks of their two big stores are very large. Their prices now on everything have been reduced. Read their Clothing advertisement on the second page. One of their buyers while in New York last week purchased a large number of men's and boys suits and overcoats at half price. Cohn & Son's are known as Bargain Hunters just as they are known in this section as "Bargain Sellers." The manufacturers know that they pay spot cash providing their prices are right. Just as they are known that they sell for cash. That's why they can give you bargains. A manufacturer who was aware of this fact sought for relief. Cohn & Son purchased several hundred suits and overcoats at their own prices. They are putting them on sale. If you want a nice suit or overcoat now is your chance to get it. Read their two advertisements.

HIGH AVERAGES

The prices below speak for themselves, and show that the man who have fine wrappers sell at the Minor warehouse

Table listing various items and prices: 138 lbs at \$45, 248 lbs at \$47 1/2, 170 lbs at \$42 1/2, 53 lbs at \$45, 216 lbs at \$50, 156 lbs at \$47 1/2, 153 lbs at \$50, 212 lbs at \$48 1/2, 58 lbs at \$45 1/2, 334 lbs at \$47 1/2, 75 lbs at \$45, 54 lbs at \$41, 108 lbs at \$42 1/2, 128 lbs at \$45, 48 lbs at \$42 1/2, 122 lbs at \$42 1/2. They want to sell a load for you before Christmas.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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

GATHERED FROM THE TOWN AND COUNTY

Enlarging Garage—Mr. E. H. Crenshaw is enlarging his garage on Hillsboro street.

New Picture Show—Mr. Justin Rankoff has opened up a picture show in the Opera house for the benefit of the colored people.

It Lubricates—Cheerfulness lubricates the axles of the world. Some people get through life with a continuous squeak.

Place to Get It—For clean and well executed Job Printing at satisfactory prices call or write to the Britt Printery, Oxford, N. C.

Sale of Land—Mr. F. H. Gregory, Trustee, with Mr. T. Lanier as attorney, advertises some land for sale in another column.

Sale of Land—You are asked to read the sale of land advertised in another column by W. L. Taylor, trustee, with B. K. Lassiter, attorney.

Great Things—It is all right to dream of the great things you are going to help do for Oxford, but don't forget to wake up in time to begin work.

All the Time—The time to pull for Oxford is all the time. If at any time progress is disposed to halt that is the time for a hustling Commercial Club to do the pulling.

"Love's Labor Lost"—Trying to cultivate the acquaintance of a girl who is engaged to a fellow who has convinced her that he's the greatest "Pebble on the beach."

The Declaration—Nobody but some old bachelor could have originated the declaration that if a man didn't have any wife he wouldn't have to yawn to anybody but the tax assessor.

14 Pound Boy—A bouncing fourteen pound boy arrived at the home of Mr. J. A. Mize, Route 1, a few days ago, and mother and child are doing well.

Meet Next Monday—The meeting of the Farmers Mutual Fire Association will take place next Monday in the Court House and all members are requested to attend.

Episcopal Bazaar—Don't forget that the Episcopal Bazaar will open in the Armory Hall to-morrow, Thursday, and continue until Friday night, and the good ladies will greatly appreciate your patronage.

Friday's Tobacco Market—The break of tobacco in Oxford Friday was one of the largest of the season and sales was not completed until about 12 o'clock Saturday, the last sale being at the Johnson warehouse.

Big Sales of Tobacco—During the past week our warehouses enjoyed large breaks and the farmers got rid of about 800,000 pounds of tobacco. At this rate it will take only a few weeks longer to market the crop in Granville.

Tobacco Market to Close—As Christmas is near at hand we are requested to inform the farmers of this section that the Oxford market will close on the 18th and again open for the sale of tobacco on January 4th, 1915. Don't forget the dates.

Mr. and Mrs. Skinner—As the attractive bungalow of Mr. John Haskins on Front street has been completed this popular young couple commenced keeping house on Saturday, and we join their many friends in wishing them peace and happiness.

Full of Tobacco—As we go to press this Tuesday noon Oxford's five large warehouses are full of tobacco and the streets are crowded with farmers. It is doubtful whether the buyers will get around today unless double sales are run.

Glory of a Life—The glory of a life is in the quantity of devotedness to God, in the fidelity with which the simplest thing is done, in the quantity of the higher life that can be thrown into the lowliest duty or the humblest position.—J. F. W. Ware.

Death of Little Child—The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Baird died Sunday night at 9 o'clock. The funeral services were conducted from the home Monday afternoon by Rev. S. K. Phillips, and the interment was in Elmwood cemetery.

Suspension of Creedmoor Times—We sympathize with Editor Hart, of the Creedmoor Times, in his financial troubles, necessitating the suspension of his paper. We trust that he will be able to adjust his affairs at an early date and resume the publication of the Times.

Interesting History—Al. Fairbrother's Everything, published at Greensboro, says: "Mr. Francis B. Hays, a splendid newspaper man is writing some history of Granville's long ago in the newspaper world, and printing it in the Oxford Public Ledger. Hays always writes interestingly."

COMING AND GOING

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

SOME YOU KNOW AND SOME YOU DO NOT KNOW

Mr. J. L. Parham, of Route 3, was in town Monday.

Mr. H. N. Coley, of Stem, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. Fred Phipps, of Route 7, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. E. T. Rawlins, of the road, spent the week at home.

Mr. Zeb Cheatham, of Route 5, was in town Monday.

Mr. Booker Beasley, of Hester, was on our streets Monday.

Mr. M. Blalock, of Culbreth, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. J. S. Jones, of Culbreth section, was in town Monday.

Mr. Durell Brummitt, of Route 3, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. W. S. Gooch, of Stem, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. Geo. Royster, of Route 6, was an Oxford visitor Monday.

Mr. J. E. Cole, of Route 7, was in town Monday.

Mr. Roy Badgett, of Route 1, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. E. N. Clement, of Culbreth, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. L. G. Breedlove, of Route 5, was in town Monday.

Mr. Ben Dean, of Route 4, was an Oxford visitor Monday.

Mr. W. R. Nelson, of Route 4, was a town visitor Monday.

Mr. R. L. Brummitt, of Route 2, was in Oxford Monday.

Mr. L. M. Carrington, of North Granville, was on the tobacco market Monday.

Mr. J. A. Tunstall, of Fishing Creek township, was in Oxford Saturday.

Mr. Will Stovall, of North Granville, was in Oxford Monday selling tobacco.

Mr. R. H. O'Brian, of Stovall, was on the Oxford Tobacco market Monday.

SIEGE-LIKE WARFARE PREVAILS

ARMIES ENGAGED IN PREPARATION FOR NEW BATTLES—THE GERMANS AND RUSSIANS IN A MIGHTY STRUGGLE

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET.

All the Elective Officers of the County are Sworn in and a New Term Inaugurated

The honorable Board of County Commissioners met in their room in the Court House on Monday morning at 10 o'clock with all the members present, B. I. Breedlove, Chairman, H. C. Floyd, Z. W. Allen, and J. N. Tilley.

After reading the minutes of the last meeting and approving same the Board adjourned sine die.

The following gentlemen elected at the November, 1914, election to serve as County Commissioners for two years from date, appeared and took the oath of office which was administered by Squire W. S. Gooch, of Stem; B. I. Breedlove, H. C. Floyd, Z. W. Allen, J. L. Peed, and R. S. Hart, and they at once took their seats around the table.

On motion of Commissioner Floyd Chairman B. I. Breedlove was unanimously re-elected chairman of the Board at a salary of \$25 per month. Mr. J. B. Powell, Register of Deeds elect presented his official bond, which was accepted and the oath of office was administered by Mr. A. A. Hicks.

Mr. D. C. Hunt, Clerk of Superior Court elect, was present and presented his official bond which was accepted by the Board and the oath of office was administered by Mr. A. A. Hicks, and Clerk Powell escorted him into the Clerk's office and informed Clerk of the Court, J. A. Shotwell, that he had taken the oath of office.

Sheriff S. C. Hobgood next appeared with his process bond which was accepted and the oath was administered by Mr. A. A. Hicks.

Coroner elect, Dr. W. N. Thomas, presented his bond, which was accepted and the oath of office was administered by Mr. A. A. Hicks.

On motion Mr. A. A. Hicks, who has ably served the Board as Attorney for two years, was unanimously re-elected for another term at a salary of \$25 per month. Mr. Hicks thanked the Board for the honor conferred upon him and would continue to serve them to the best of his ability.

On motion James Mangum, who has faithfully served as Janitor of the Court House for 16 years, was again re-elected.

The Supervisors to be appointed for 1915 road work are hereby notified not to appoint road overseers on the National Highway as no work by free labor is to be done on said highway.

Mr. R. E. Booth having been appointed a committee to collect the taxes for land sold for taxes made his report, stating that he had collected \$135.25. The Board directed Mr. Booth to turn over to Sheriff Hobgood \$30.89 State taxes and the remainder to the Treasurer of the County.

The annual report of J. A. Shotwell, Clerk of the Court, was tendered the Board and accepted the same being ordered filed, recorded, and published as requested by law.

On motion it was requested that the two precinct committees of Oxford Township be called together to name a township constable to fill the place of R. F. Murray resigned.

Quite a number of accounts were allowed during the day's proceedings.

The above is only the proceedings for the first day.

Mr. Hudson, of the Agricultural Department at Raleigh, who has charge of the Demonstration work of the State, appeared before the Board and asked that they appropriate \$600 to assist in continuing the farm and home demonstration work in the county. Mr. J. F. Webb also made a few remarks in its favor. If the commissioners had the money at their command we dare say they would appropriate the amount, but they have not got it.

GRANVILLE BOY ON BELGIUM COMMISSION

Mr. Frank Fleming, who was representing the Imperial Tobacco Company in Belgium at the breaking out of the war and returned home, has had a longing desire to return to the war zone. Taking him at his word, Judge A. W. Graham wrote to several public men in his behalf and now it comes to pass that Secretary of State Bryan has appointed Mr. Fleming on the Belgium Commission and he will sail for the war zone next week.

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CONDENSED WAR NEWS

Germans and Russians are engaged in a mighty battle south of Lodz, in Russian Poland and along a line from Glowno, northeast of Lodz, to the Vistula River. The front extends for some forty or fifty miles, and probably close to half a million men are taking part in the desperate encounters which at some places are at the bayonet's point.

The Siberian troops are showing tireless aggression, charging batteries and moving swiftly up to hand-to-hand fighting. Villages have been burned and the countryside is reported strewn with the bodies of dead and wounded. Losses have been great.

The new line which the German are forming, after their attempt against the Russian centre, stretches from Kutno, on the north, to Cracow, on the south. Here another series of operations is impending.

In the western arena there is comparative quiet, although the French report progress between Dixmude and Ypres, and fighting continues in upper Alsace.

The Italian Chamber of Deputies, by a vote of 413 to 0, has expressed confidence in the government. This follows the pronouncement by Premier Salandra of Italy's policy, which is directed toward maintaining "armed and watchful neutrality."

King George, after several days spent with the British expeditionary forces in France, has returned to Buckingham Palace.

The Servian Cabinet has resigned. Ex-Premier Pachitch has undertaken the task of organizing a new ministry.

From Vienna come official reports of small engagements in West Galicia, in which the Austrians were successful. In the Carpathians and in South Poland the situation is said to remain without modification.

The French government is preparing to remove from Bordeaux to Paris. One minister already has left Bordeaux for the old capital, and others will follow within a day or two.

THE TOBACCO MARKET

All Grades are Selling Well and the Balance of the Month is Promising

They are coming in with tobacco to "beat the band". Vance, Durham, Person and Mecklenburg counties were well represented on the market last week, which signifies that Oxford has proved her ability to maintain a first-class market under trying circumstances and to please all who come, and take care of all who come.

There were big breaks every day last week, and the outlook is for big sales the remainder of the month. All grades sold well. That shows the market is all right and that tobacco is in demand. The prices paid in Oxford are a little better than elsewhere in the bright belt, and then on top of that our live merchants hold out inducements to those who come to Oxford to sell tobacco and trade.

There is no use talking Oxford is the worthwhile market. Each of the five warehouses are a live wire. Try Oxford and if you are not satisfied in every particular tell us why.

Will Deliver Addresses—Dr. Hays, of Oxford, and Dr. J. A. Morris, of Wilton, will speak at Knap of Reeds Dec. 11, 1914. Dr. Hays and Dr. Morris are both able speakers and will make very instructive speeches. All are cordially invited to hear them.

CARTERET SOCIETY

By invitation the Carteret Society met with the Pleran Literary Society in the Graded School Auditorium Friday, Dec. 4. Papers were read by Misses Lorene Peed and Lucille Ellington. After this the meeting was turned to the Carteret Literary Society. With a debate on the following subject, Resolved: "That Agriculture offers a better opportunity to a young man than profession." For the Affirmative—Ewing Smith, Clyde Gooch and Compton Bobbitt. Negative—Richard Turner, Blount Bryan and William Medford. The judges were Mrs. Paris, Miss Cooper and Miss Susan Webb, who decided in favor of the Affirmative.

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