

## THE APPROACHING ELECTION

### BE CAREFUL IN THE SELECTION OF THE BOARD

The Names of Several Good Men Are Being Discussed in a Quiet Way.

It will soon be time for another municipal election, when we will select a mayor and six town aldermen to govern the town for the next two years. This selection should be carefully made, as it will mean much to every citizen of the town. The Public Ledger will be content if six good conscientious men qualified to serve are selected. The Public Ledger would like to see Mr. A. H. Powell on the Board, but we are not so sure he would take the position even if it was tendered to him on a silver platter.

We would urge the voters not to make the mistake of trying to select the cheapest and weakest men that you have, but select the best and most competent men to govern Oxford, as the best is none too good. Don't permit a few men to pick out officers that they can control. We want men that are uncontrollable, men who will serve the best interests of all the people of Oxford. This is a critical period in the history of the town.

The future of Oxford is exceedingly bright, and its affairs should be guided by men of wisdom, men who have a broad vision, men who can see in the future, men who will help the town morally, educationally and materially to go forward. Oxford is the best town in North Carolina, therefore, it should have the best officers and you cannot be too particular. Don't make a mistake, because mistakes made in the selection of officials now might mean the loss of millions of dollars to the town during the next few years.

Four or five men were discussing the name of a good man the other day, when one of the crowd spoke up and said that it was a pity that the man lived in the wrong part of the town to serve. We have no faith in any such proceedings. It makes no difference where a man lives, he should be broad enough to serve all parts of the town if selected.

## THE COMMISSIONERS MEET

### LIST TAKER AND ASSESSORS APPOINTED

The honorable Board of County Commissioners met Monday, April 5th, with B. I. Breedlove, chairman, presiding and Commissioners Floyd, Peed, Hart and Allen present.

James Rays, colored, Oak Hill, placed on outside pauper list. Wm. Vaughn, H. C. Stern, A. A. Curran, R. C. Smith and C. M. Hester were exempt from road duty for 1915.

Ordered that the Creedmoor-Lyon road be open at a point near the residence of A. R. Davis and the same be declared a public road, passing through the lands of A. R. Davis, T. P. Curl, Ro. W. Winston, Dr. Ed Brogden and others.

Mayor Stem appeared before the Board in behalf of erecting another public water closet in rear of the Court House, the county to pay two-thirds and the town one-third of the cost.

Joe Brodie was placed on the outside pauper list.

Ordered that a cart way be laid out from N. M. Caunady's residence near Bethel church to the public road.

Chairman Breedlove and Commissioner Floyd were appointed a committee to investigate the advisability of placing mile signs over the roads of the county.

The following List Takers and Assessors were appointed for the year 1915: R. G. Stem, J. M. Bullock, C. M. Knott, Ballard Norwood, A. H. Gregory, L. G. Breedlove, W. H. Walters, B. R. Pitts, Edward Davis, R. E. Green, B. F. Curran, L. L. Crews, J. S. Watkins, S. T. Curran, N. G. Crews, C. H. Cheatham.

### CREEDMOOR ITEMS

(Times-News)

In the still hours of the morning of March 22, 1915, the hand of the death angel was laid upon Mrs. Flonnie Cash. And with a smile of heavenly joy her soul took its everlasting flight. She died at her father's J. N. Rochelle, near New Light.

A letter from Mr. I. E. Harris, who is in a hospital in Richmond, Va., for treatment conveys the information that he is improving. This will be good news to his host of friends throughout this section.

In reply to a communication published in the Times-News, Editor Hart says:—"We note in the last issue of the Times-News that our name was suggested for Mayor. In this connection we wish to say that we appreciate the spirit of the suggestion, but we are not seeking the office. However, if the people nominate and elect us to the office we shall endeavor to discharge the duties of the office fairly and impartially."

## ABOUT PEOPLE AND THINGS

### Left Over Articles

The storm caught us with several communications in hand. These will be published as soon as the electric current is turned on.

### Oxford Printing Company

The Oxford Printing Company, a new concern with Mr. A. C. Stalling, manager, has installed a neat job printing plant in the rear of the Union Bank. Commercial printing a specialty.

### New Paint Mill

Mr. Moses King is installing a paint mill and will manufacture six brands of high grade paint. Diverse manufacturing plants are the things for Oxford. We wish Mr. King much success.

### Picnic Postponed

Owing to the bad weather Easter Monday, the annual basket picnic at Kinton Fork has been postponed until the third Saturday, April 17. Everybody is requested to take a basket. There will be speaking.

### Turn to The East

When you pass along Main Street and reach the northwest corner of the post office, turn to the east and land up at the new home of PUBLIC LEDGER. We shall be glad to see you.

### The Ties That Bind

We would like to see a closer relationship existing between the business men of Oxford and some of the good families who live near the border lines of the county. We want to take them by the hand and make them feel the "ties that bind."

### The National Highway

Capt. Winslow, of the National Highway, advises us that the Durham authorities have voted \$100 per mile to remain on the Highway. Wake county has elected a National Highway engineer at a salary of \$2,500 a year.

### Distinguished Visitor

Judge Graham, the distinguished Cotton Futures Attorney, with headquarters in New York, is attending Granville Court. He is the same genial soul as of old. The Judge says he feels very lonely at times in the big city, nevertheless he is a very busy man.

### ORGANIZATION AT SHARON

#### A Bible Class Formed With Several Members

On Sunday morning, March 23th, the young men of Sharon came together in the Sunday School for the purpose of organizing a Berean Bible Class for men. On motion, H. T. Sherman was elected secretary of the meeting. Officers were elected as follows: L. B. McFarland, President, Floyd Catton, First Vice-President, V. D. Curran, Second Vice-President, H. T. Sherman, Secretary, W. R. Sherman, Treasurer, Grady Elliott, Reporter, J. D. Catton, Teacher.

This is a new organization for this section of the county and it is hoped that it will prove to be a success. May God's blessing ever rest on this work, and Sharon Church. GRADY ELLIOTT, Reporter.

#### A STRONG TICKET

#### Backed By a Number of Progressive Citizens

The following ticket, backed by a number of strong men, was handed to the Public Ledger for publication:

For Town Commissioners—W. T. Yancey, R. S. Usry, A. H. Powell, W. A. McFarland, R. H. Lewis, Major Will Landis, B. K. Lassiter.

#### THE MORALLY STUNTED

#### Chief Wheeler is on the Job With Both Eyes and Ears Open

With the new liquor law in full force, the bloom has begun to fade from the noses of the morally stunted and in many cases successfully, but it is going to be easier to get into trouble over a quart than it was over a gallon, from the fact that more attention will be paid to the enforcement of the law. It is quite safe to say that those who expect the express company to do business blindly will be disappointed. Nor will the railroads be looked to with any better success. The expectations of those who are counting on smuggling the stuff in by freight will be shattered on contact with the marking law. The private citizens who may have failed in laying in supplies against the going into effect of the law will for a time be provided for by blind tigers who were alert to the passing opportunity, and until the stored-up stock begins to run low, there may be anticipated but little trouble with the quart law. In a very short time, however, we will begin to see the new tricks of the blind tigers, but Chief Wheeler is equal to the emergency.

A BARGAIN—One good bone cutter at half price. Call at Brinkley's Photo Gallery.

Mr. Phipps, Blackley, of Tar River, was in town Wednesday.

## SEVERE EASTER STORM

### The Demoralization of Business in Oxford Complete--The Town in Darkness

### LIGHT AND POWER SATURDAY

#### Within a Radius of Seventy-Five Miles of Oxford, Miles and Miles of Telegraph, Telephone and Electric Light Poles Were Leveled to The Ground by The Storm

The storm which swept this section Friday night and Saturday, was the worst in the history of Central and Eastern North Carolina. Nearly two feet of snow accompanied by wind that at times reached a velocity of 60 miles an hour created havoc with telephone and telegraph lines and power wires.

The only public utility company not effected by the storm was the Gas Company, and that is accounted for by the fact that their pipes are buried beneath the ground. The Oxford Water Company brought into play their auxiliary plant and at all times maintained a full pressure, but a steady flow was at times cut off to insure safety in the event of fire.

The sight of Oxford's streets Saturday morning was something never to be forgotten—the snow had a sepulchral white over everything. Such electric wires as had not been precipitated to the ground by falling poles were sagging very low. The only traffic was an occasional coal cart to answer an emergency call. With the coming of night old oil lamps were fished out of their hiding places, and with the stores closed the scene was one of gloom and desolation.

The elaborate services planned for Easter morning in all the churches of Oxford were curtailed. Dr. A. P. Tyer, pastor of the Methodist church, surveying the congregation, remarked: "No telephone service, no lights, no water—no sermon." But nevertheless the Doctor proceeded with one of his impressive talks. With the coming of night there was no attempt to hold services in any of the churches.

#### OUT OF COMMISSION

All industries that are dependent upon electric power were put out of commission as soon as the first pole snapped. THE PUBLIC LEDGER had about completed moving its plant into its new home on Littlejohn Street when the storm burst upon us with all of its fury. The best that we can do under the circumstances is to set the type by hand in the old-fashioned way and carry the forms to the Oxford Orphan Asylum, whose presses are propelled by steam and kindly tendered to us by the management.

There are several poles down between Oxford and Henderson. As soon as the storm subsided Mr. Lee, superintendent of the Oxford division of the Carolina Power and Light Company, got busy with a large force of men and is working night and day to repair the damage wrought by the storm. He cannot figure with any degree of accuracy at this writing the hour in which the service will be restored, but he hopes to have everything in working order Saturday evening. Capt. Rieves local manager of the Telephone Company, is meeting with success in restoring his service, but the task in both instances is a large one.

The Raleigh Times, the Henderson Gold Leaf and some other papers along the lines of the Carolina Power and Light Company suffer a delay.

We have several valuable communications which we are compelled to omit this issue. We trust everything will be regulated in a few days.

#### THE MORALLY STUNTED

#### Call at The Express Office and Be Identified

Some people have an idea that they can club in and get any amount of liquor under the one-quart law. One person can order just one quart every fifteen days. Fifty or a hundred men might order a quart each, but even then it must be done bona fide. Each man must daddy his own order and each quart must come in a separate package. The act expressly prohibits one man from using the name of another. He must call at the express office in person and be identified.

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#### WILT-RESISTANT TOMATO SEED.

I have at my disposal a limited supply of Louisiana Wilt Resistant tomato seed that are furnished by Dr. R. H. Fulton, Department of Plant Disease, N. C. Agricultural Experiment Station. I would like to distribute these seed in the wilt section of Granville for the purpose of testing them.

Any one who is interested and would be willing to fulfill the slight requirements as to planting, etc., will please apply to me for further information.

MRS. A. L. CAPEHART, Oxford.

Mr. G. R. Land, of Tar River, was an Oxford visitor Wednesday.

Mr. W. A. Wilkerson, of Northside, was in town Wednesday.

## THOSE WHO GO AND COME

Mr. Willie Grant, of Richmond, spent Sunday in Oxford.

Mr. H. T. Hobgood, of Route 1, was an Oxford visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. Annie Lee Llewlyn spent Easter with friends in Richmond.

Mrs. Baler has returned from a visit to parents in South Carolina.

Mr. J. T. Coley, Route 3, was in town Wednesday.

Mr. W. E. Cotrell, Route 7, was in Oxford Wednesday.

Mr. Charles Gorden, Route 1 was in Oxford Wednesday.

L. L. Grisson, Route 2 was a town visitor Tuesday.

Theodore Parham, Route 2 was in town Tuesday.

Mr. G. L. Allen of Creedmoor was in Oxford Tuesday.

Miss Ruth White is visiting friends in Raleigh.

Miss Marie Burwell is visiting her sister, Mrs. Alex Field in Raleigh.

Rev. F. M. Shamburger is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Kerr Taylor on Front Street.

Mr. C. B. Edwards, of Raleigh, spent Tuesday in Oxford, the guest of his daughter, Mrs. M. P. Chamblee.

Mr. J. E. Ruark, of Washington, formerly manager of the Hughes-Smaw Furniture Company, was an Oxford visitor this week.

After spending Easter with his parents, Cadet Edward Ballou returned to Horner Military school, Charlotte.

Mrs. Bettie Osborne and daughter Annie of Lawrenceville, Va., are visiting at the home of Mrs. Ira Howard on Front Street.

#### Debating Society

The Carteret Literary Society held its weekly meeting in the auditorium of the Oxford Graded school, April 2. The query being, Resolved: That the Jury System Should Be Abolished in North Carolina. Those upholding the affirmative were Messrs. Wm. Webb, Louis Turner, and Julian Abbott. Those representing the negative were Messrs. Francis Bradshaw and Robert Fort.

After an interesting debate the judges decided in favor of the negative. The term of the old officers having expired, new officers, as follows, were elected: J. William Medford, President; Richard H. Turner, Secretary-Treasurer; W. C. Bobbitt, Press Reporter; William Webb, Julian Abbott, and Henry Shaw, Program Committee.

## J. J. RENN CLAIMED BY DEATH

### PNEUMONIA HASTENED THE END OF THE GOOD MAN

#### Was Beloved by Large Circle of Friends and Well Known Over Granville

Death visited Oxford Wednesday, and looking for a soul ripe for the God that gave it, took a beloved son in Israel, Mr. J. J. Renn, who closed his eyes to earthly scenes and opened them amid the beauties of the Golden Shore.

Mr. Renn, who had long been with the firm of Landis & Easton, failed to come to the store last Saturday morning. It was explained that he was not feeling well. A physician was called and it was learned that Mr. Renn was threatened with pneumonia. The attack would not yield to medical skill, and sweetly, like the lull on the shore, life faded away. The whole county mourns the death of one of its noblest sons. He was a model of usefulness and was always active in good works. The decease was 55 years of age.

He is survived by a devoted wife, one daughter, Miss Myrtle, and two sons, Harry and Joe; two brothers, Messrs. Will, of LaGrange, and James R., of Granville.

The funeral services were held from the Methodist church Thursday afternoon, conducted by Dr. A. P. Tyer, and the interment was at Elmwood Cemetery amid a profusion of flowers tendered by loving friends.

## CRUCIFIXION WILL BE SUNG

### AT THE OXFORD BAPTIST CHURCH FRIDAY NIGHT

The Tuesday Evening Musical Club will present the "Crucifixion" in the Baptist Church Friday night at 8.30 o'clock, all proper lighting arrangements having been made.

The Club is exceedingly fortunate in having as guest soloist for the occasion Prof. Hubert Poteat, baritone of Wake Forest, and Mr. C. O. Pardo, tenor, of Richmond, whose splendid voices are well known here.

Rev. S. K. Phillips has been busy getting the choruses in condition, and the event will be decidedly the biggest thing musically Oxford has yet attempted. The chorus will have about thirty voices.

The public is cordially invited.

## OUR SMART BOYS AND GIRLS

### PUPILS OF THE OXFORD GRADUATED SCHOOL.

A Total of Seventy-eight Win Distinction by Study and Deportment During the Month of March.

First Grade—Mittie Lee Blackwell, Jack Cobb, Antoinette Daniel, Frank Green, Alice Hunt, E. K. Howard, Harry Moore, James Thornton Magee, Tabitha Patterson, Catherine Ragland, Virginia Turner, Doris Watkins, Charlie Worsham, Elizabeth Sneed.

Second Grade—Mary Bland, Lucy Taylor aBird, Lizzie Blackwell, Joe Breedlove, Jack Brinkley, Matt Curran, Charlotte Easton, Virginia Hart, Louise Jeffreys, Elizabeth Lumpkins, Allein Overton, Julia Hobgood.

Third Grade—Tom Booth, Thomas Cannady, Eugenia Curran, Alice Hall, Courtney Peace, Thomas Royster, Edward Taylor, Jack Usry, Madison Usry, James Webb, John Williams, Mollie Leavister, Edward Mitchell.

Fourth Grade—Jefferson Brooks, Joe Floyd, Lillian Fuller, Pattie May Green, Elsie Hluzek, Harvey Magee, Inez Patterson, Austin Spencer, Dora Woolf.

Fifth Grade—Sarah Carrington, Ruth Bryan, Travis Chamblee, Zulene Evans, Hugh Easton, Chas. Easton, Edie Lee, Thelma Poole, Bernice Usry, Sarah Woolf.

Sixth Grade—Thelma Hester, Ruth Howard, Elizabeth Hunt, Edie Kerr Taylor, Olive Webb.

Seventh Grade—Agnes Cannady, Louise Curran, Sam Hall, Zela Newton, Margaret Pendleton, Ruth Parham.

Eighth Grade—Robert Parham, James Ballou, Joe Taylor.

Ninth Grade—Elizabeth Floyd, Ida Walters.

Tenth Grade—Muzette Daniel, Alleine Hicks.

## GRANVILLE COUNTY COURT

### HON. CHARLES M. COOK, OF FRANKLIN, PRESIDING

The April term of Granville Superior Court was convened Monday morning, Judge C. M. Cook, presiding. Solicitor Gattis was at his post early. Judge Cook and Solicitor Gattis are a strong team and they are very much in favor in Granville county.

The Judge's charge was brief, but it covered the State laws and was delivered with force.

It will be remembered that the May term of court was changed by enactment at the recent session of the General Assembly, which is now held the first week in April, four weeks earlier. That accounts to some extent for the contracted criminal docket at the present term, which was disposed of Tuesday afternoon.

The following is the Grand Jury: A. L. Babcock, foreman; J. L. Sizemore, R. C. Smith, J. C. Holgood, L. L. Parham, W. L. Yancey, W. A. Hockaday, C. Z. Furgerson, Henry Hobgood, M. P. Nance, N. M. Cannady, L. L. Clements, E. T. Mangum, R. A. Harris, J. B. Belviah, H. V. Wagstaff, J. C. Crews, jr., Cam Johnson and J. B. Ragan. Andrew Yancey was sworn in as officer of the Grand Jury.

### Power and Light Saturday

We are sure that the patrons of THE PUBLIC LEDGER will understand and appreciate the disadvantage we encounter by being dependent upon the Carolina Power and Light Company for power at this time. All the machinery in Oxford driven by electricity was put out of commission by the Easter storm. A strong force of men are working night and day between Oxford and Henderson, and Mr. Lee the local superintendent of the Power Company, is hopeful that the current will be turned on in Oxford Saturday night.

### SO FAR FRUIT IS SAFE.

#### The Only Thing to Fear is a Dry Nipping Frost

The snow has hurt nothing—neither the buds or the trees nor the tender things that had popped up from the ground. The early spring flowers slept as warmly and comfortably under the white mantle as a baby under a blanket, while the fruit trees were actually benefitted, inasmuch as the snow was calculated to kill out the insects and germs. It was simply the performance by Nature of a service for the trees that Science performs for a room in the way of fumigation. Similarly, an immense amount of good was done the wheat fields visited by the snow. The fruit, so far, is entirely safe. The only thing to be feared later on is the coming of one of these dry, nipping frosts. Even when the early buds are encased in ice, as they were Easter morning, the fruit is not "all killed." It takes a frost to do the work.

WANTED—Table Boarders; also have 3 furnished rooms; everything new and clean; fare good. Call on Mrs. W. M. Pugh, Littlejohn St. 2t.