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LASSITER CALLS DEMOCRATS TO COLORS

Will Open Campaign With Every Promise and Hope-Dates of the Meetings to Be Held in the County.

In response to a call of Chairman Ben. K. Lassiter, the Democratic Executive and Central Committee met in the Court House Thursday primarialy for the purpose of fixing dates and to enthuse the party. Hon. D. G. Brummitt, who attended the State Executive meeting in Raleigh last week, gave a very comprehensive view of the primary law. His statements of facts were so plain that the pollholders will have no trouble. Other speakers followed Mr. Brummitt, and it was the consensus of opinion that all of the Democratic conventions and meetitmgs shall this year be largely attended. It is the purpose of the Democratic organization from State to precinct to demonpublical set ivity, there is no apathy in our raise. The Democratic President and administration are especially entitled to enthusiastic support and endorsement for the splendid efforts to steer this nation out of the troubled waters of war and keep it in the haven of peace, and it is not sufficient for Democrats to feel this within themselves, but it is their duty and will be their pleasure to show it to the world.

County Board of Elections The Executive Committee named Saturday, April 15th, at 2:30 o'clock, for the County Board of Elections to meet at the Court House to organize. Saturday, April 22, the County Board of Elections appoints registrars and judges of election.

The State Convention The County Chairman will recommend the same date for our county primary as is fixed for the general primary under the law, June 3, and seems to meet the approval of Democrats in the county generally, and will probably be endorsed by the committee. The Democratic State convention meets in Raleigh on Thursday, April 27th."

BORNARD COZART BREAKS JAIL Twe Bad Colored Men Jump on Mr. Connie Waltetrs

About 6:30 o'clock Thursday evenentering the yard he locked the prison gate, and when h eopened the jail door and reached down to get his basket Bornard Cozart and another negro named Pearce jumped at him. A lively tustle ensued and as fast as the two prisoners would climb up the fence. Mr. Walters would jerk them back. This was repeated three or four times before one of them-Bornard-succeeded in scaling the stockade and making his escape down the Seaboard Railway tracks. Mr. Walters landed Pearce behind the bars and immediately reported the occurrence to Sheriff Hobgood and other officials.

Bonard Cozart, the escaped prisoner, was last week bound over to court charged with breaking into the store of Landis & Easton recently.

MRS. HENDERSON HERE

The Guest of Mrs. Henry G. Cooper While in Oxford

The Henderson Chapter of the Equal Franchise League has accepted an invitation of the Oxford ladies to hear Mrs. Archibald Henderson speak at the Orpheum Theatre this Friday evening at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Menderson is the guest of Mrs. H. G. Cooper while in Oxford.

RESOURCES OF THE COUNTY The Financial Statements Tell Wholesome Tale

We are publishing in this issue of the Public Ledger the statements of day. the National Bank of Granville, The Oxford Savings Bank and Trust on for information. Miss Mary Shot-Company, The First National Bank, well the efficient and obliging super-The Union Bank of Oxford, The Bank visor of schools is very busy, but we of Stem and The Bank of Stovall. trust she will find time to make use The banks are the pulse of the of the Public Ledger in her noble un-

county and one has only to examine dertaking. the statements to see that they are in a healthy condition.

Spring Opening

Your attention is called to the Spring Opening, announced elsewhere in this paper, of the Anchor Stores Co., Henderson, on Wednesday and Thursday of next week. They invite your inspection of new styles in millinery and ladies' ready to wear.

Masonic Meeting

There will be a regular meeting of the Oxford Lodge, No. 396 A. F. & A. M. on Monday, March 20th, at 7.30 p. m. All visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend. M. F. HILL, Master.

TRIUMPHANT RESOURCES OF OLD GRANVILLE

COMPILED BY THE NORTH CARO-LINA BUREAU OF PUBLICITY

Population, 25,102; population per square mile 49.9; rural per square mile 43.9. Formed in 1746. Named in honor of Lord John Carteret, Earl of Granville. Value of real estate, \$3,-441,139; personal property, \$2,540,-590. Number of rural schools, white 57; negro 45. Public roads, 700

Farm and Farm Property, U. S. Report 1910 Compared to 1900. 1910

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Number of farms	.3,259
Av. acres per farm	96.4
Av. improved acres per farm	. 44.0
Value all farm property \$5.8	82.880
Av. value of land per acre	. \$9.97
Av. value of propery per farm	\$1,081
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1900
Number of farms3,135
Av. acres per farm98.6
Value all farm property \$2,952,865
Av. value of land per acre\$5.13
Av. value of property per farm \$942
Per cent increase in farm prop-
erty, 1900-191099.2

Agricultural Report

2	Corm	bu
9	Oats	bu
	Wheat 33 qnq	bu
8	Dry Peas	bu
ı	Hay and Forage2,943	bu
		bu
1	Potatoes, sweet71,096	hii
i	Tobacco	lhs
	Cotton	les
	Cane, syrup13,622	gal
Ì	Apples 37,968	bu
	Peaches9,751	bu
	Grapes	bu
	Figs3,474	lbs
	Strawberries4,564	qts

Live Stock Products

ı	LAVE SLOCK Products
	Value of domestic animals \$751,040
ı	Value of cows
ı	Value of horses398.411
ı	Value of mules
ı	Value of hogs
i	Value of sheep4.596
İ	Eggs produced, dozen241.970
	Value of poultry and eggs 95,836
	Dairy cows reported3,716
I	Milk produced, gallons1,062,815
I	Butter produced, pounds395,168
	Honey produced, pounds10,935

Granville county is situated in the northern central part of North Carolina in the Piedmont Plateau. Area ing Mr. Connie Walters, keeper of the 503 square miles or 321,920 acres. county jail, entered the prison to see In 1910 the population was 25,102, that everything was all right. On and in 1900, 23,263 showing a gain of 1,839 or 7.9 per cent gain.

The surface features of the county vary from gently rolling to hilly. Two distinct watersheds traverse the

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COUNTY COMMENCEMENT

GETTING READY FOR THE EVENT FRIDAY, MARCH 31st.

The County Commencement on Friday, March 31st, is only two weeks from this Friday. Let every teacher, committeeman, every father and mother and all students of Granville county get all things in readiness for that great day.

The Public Ledger and all good people in Oxford hope to see every school in the county take a deep interest in these commencements, for they will be annual events, and help get the children interested in them. It means much to the boys and girls to have them appear before the public in the various exercises, and it will make the fathers and mothers feel mighty proud to know that John and Sarah won the medal at the County Commencement. The day is a great stimulus to school affairs and we can well afford to lay aside our work and help to make the Commencement the success that it should be. We doubt if the Board of Education makes a wiser expenditure than the little amount they contribute to this

Watch the Public Ledger from now

ORPHEUM THEATRE Splendid Bill Every Night Next

Week.

On Monday night, March 20th, William Fox presents "Wormwood." the dramatic masterpiece of Marie Corelli. Coming Monday night, March 27th, Theda Bara in "The Devil's Daughter." Friday night of each week is devoted to fun and Pathe pictures and the interesting feature for Saturday night is the

"Broken Coin."

General Royster Returns Gen. and Mrs. B. S. Royster have returned from Western North Carolina.

AFTER VILLA A DIAMOND

FOUR THOUSAND SOLDIERS CROSS BORDER

Very Little Authentic News Flashed Over the Wire-Nothing of Definite Nature Will Be Known Until Villa Has Been Captured.

There is very little authentic news coming from Mexico. It seems reasonably certain that General Carranza is co-operating with General Funston in the pursuit and capture of Villa. The grim pursuit of the bandits is completely hid behind a veil of secrecy, the most rigid censorship the United States has ever witnessed.

The Eleventh United States Cavalry from Chattanooga has reinforced the border patrol and it is given out that 4,000 troops have crossed the international frontier and disappeared in Mexico. They are accompanied with a dozen aeroplanes and numerous autocars. It is more than likely that the first authentic news to reach the Associated Press will be to the effect that Villa has been captured.

who has been given a free hand, wishes to capture Villa and his bandits without the world knowing of the ease or handship or dangers encountered.

WILL JOIN THE CELESTIAL BAND

MESSRS. HUNT AND CREWS FACE A LONG VOYAGE

A few weeks ago the British-American Tobacco Company began to search for a number of bright young men to go to China and sell cigarettes out of season and teach the natives in season how to raise and cure tobacco. Several young men in this section made application through Mr. John Webb, the local agent of the British-American Company, who re quested them to set forth their quali fications in writing. The selection of the two young men comes down the line from headquarters and Messrs. Hunt and Crews will sail from San Francisco on April 15th.

The appointment carries with it good salary and promotion for faith ful service. Their headquarters will be at Shanghai. They will teach the natives the art and science of raising and marketing tobacco. Both young men look forward with pleasure to their departure. They are both making diligent enquiry as to the customs, likes and dislikes of the Chinamen. Our young friend, Mr. Joe Hunt, is much worried over a clause in the Chinese book of etiquette which stipulates that all young men calling on maidens must depart at 8:30 o'clock.

HIGHWAY RECORDS BROKEN

THE AUTHORITIES AT WASHING-TON COMPLIMENT WINSLOW

We Now Have Through Granville County a Highway That Holds up All the Year Round.

World records in highway improvements have been broken by the Washington-Atlanta highway from Washington, D. C., to Atlanta, Ga., by way of Oxford, according to a report to Captain D. H. Winslow, district engineer, from Mr. E. James, in charge of the highway, with headquarters in Washington, D. C.

Captain Winslow states that the record was broken by the ability of tourists to use the Washington-Atlanta highway 366 days during 1915. Mr. James compliments Engineer

Winslow for his part in the work. Records are produced by Captain Winslow, showing that during January, 1915, only 12 automobiles passed through a certain part of the highway between Durham and Granville counties. In 1916 383 automobiles used the route. In February, 1915, there were no automobiles to pass the given point, while in February, 1916, there were 317.

Cumberland county will stay on the National Highway, the Commissioners having alloted 50 per cent. more than last year.

'Granville county was the first to sign up this year and take first place in his jurisdiction. on the Government records.

PAY YOUR TAXES BEFORE APRIL THE FIRST

Unless your taxes are paid before the above date, your property will be advertised for sale. More than five thousand have paid and it is your time now. If you delay and your property gets advertised it will be you, not me. Settle now. You are near enough to the last day.

Respectfully, S. C. HOBGOOD, 3-20-4t. Sheriff

IN THE ROUGH

LAYING A FOUNDATION AND CREATING A DEMAND

There was never a time in the history of Oxford when the pride of the entire community was so thoroughly aroused as now. Those who could only see the diamond in the rough, now behold in Oxford as the streets are rounded off and paved a most precious jewel.

With the coming of good streets a sense of security is felt on all sides. in the grass plot on Spring street, The farmers are particularly pleased immediately between the residence with the prospects of trading in a of Dr. E. T. White and the Baptist home town where there is no dust church. No sooner had they departto soil the goods; they regard the ed than three other citizens came in good work inauguarated in Oxford as and stated that the best place for the preparing for their reception. When monument was immediately in front the street work is finished, Oxford of the Court House door, partly on will be the one bright spot in Granville that will attract the farmers as with a drinking foutain at its base. never before. May they come more Later in the day we heard a crowd frequent and linger longer.

Six months ago you could scarcely get up a dog fight in Oxford, but eveery man you meet now asks you what mit of the hill in beautiful Elmwood, kind of an enterprise can we start in Oxford? There is not at the present It is evident that General Funston, time a real live kicker in town—all is enthusiam.

> There were so many knockers in practically impossible to agree on any thing. It actually got to be so bad that when a mass meeting was kicker now admits that it was a can be done here.

to cast his eye over the town to see that property values have greatly increased. The people of Oxford are now united in laying a broad foundation and creating a demand.

THE GRANVILLE GRAYS READY

CAPT. FULLER SAYS COMPANY **COULD ENTRAIN IN TWELVE** HOURS

There never was a more patriotic citizenship than the Granville Grays. Within twelve hours after receiving orders for moblization, Oxford's crack military company could be prepared for service and ready to entrain, according to Capt. Fuller, who, in conversation with the Public Ledger, stated Thursday that his soldier boys were in the best of condition and willing to respond to their country's call whenever needed.

The Granville Grays now number about sixty enlisted men, and Captain Fuller is of the opinion that he hundred within three days after the moblization order was given.

Since the Villa attack on Columbus New Mexico, last week a number of young men about town have signified their desire to join the local company as soon as the war bugle sounds.

In the event more troops are needed for the pursuit of the bandits in Mexico, and the National Guard should be called upon, the order, of course originates with President Wilson. The War Department would then notify the Adjutant-General of every State, who in turn would issue orders to the captain of each company

Practically the only delay that would be occasioned in the event of a call to service would be in notifying the members of the company, some few of whom are understood to be out of town at the present time. Besides this, too, equipment would have to be issued to every man leaving for active service at the front.

Extra Specials

Spring trading is very brisk at Landis & Easton's stores. From the quantity of white goods that is being sold we have no doubt that a large majority of the children of the county will be dressed in white at the at Perkinson-Green Company is at-County Commencement. The millin- tracting widespread attention. It is ery department is also busy. Landis & Easton are quoting attractive figures in this issue of the Public Ledger.

THE SOLDIER'S MEMORIAL

WHY MOVE IT FROM THE HEAD OF MAIN STREET?

There Are Those Who Would Move It to Beautiful Elmwood—Others Should Like to See it Adorn the Grass Plot on Spring Street-It is Likely to Remain Where it is.

Two well known citizens came into the Public Ledger office the other day and stated that they should like to see the monument at the head of Main street given a permanent place the sidewalk and partly on the street of men discussing the same question and they all agreed that the proper place for the monument was the sumwhere it would be seen by the thousands of tourists who travel the National Highway and from the win-

dows of the Southern trains. Those who would move the monu-Oxford twelve months ago it was ment to Elmwood say that it should stand in the open, overlooking the town; those who would move it to a point immediately in front of the called to try to get together and Court House door claim that it would 'start something," the knockers have a red back ground and would would hide as soon as the Court be more readily seen; those who House bell rang. It was actually so would move it to Spring street claim bad a few years ago that it became that it would be in a quiet spot, surfashionable to disagree about any-rounded by a church and beautiful thing that looked toward enlarging homes and a large grass plot. These our commercial prestige. There was are some of the things that have been enough kicking about the grading on talked this week, and the Public Led-Spring street two years ago to float ger gives them for what they are

a million dollar loan but the worse worth with brief editorial comment. Doubtless the talk originated from good thing. The "Panama Ditch" the fact that Main street is being marked the death and burial of the paved and the question naturally chief of knockers and when the rest arises as to how much park space of them lay down to rest the good should be given to the monument. In people elected a new Town Board deference to the feelings of those and prayed loud and long for them to noble ladies who labored so faithful get busy and do something in the to erect the memorial to those who way of street building. The new responded to the call of their country, Board, ever mindful of the obligation, the Public Ledger has nothing to say got busy and submitted a proposition beyond the fact that we should like which instantly met the hearty ap- to see the memorial surrounded by a proval of the majority of the prop- grass plot and protected by an iron erty holders. Their proportion, as railing. If it remains at the head of accepted by the property owners to Main street the park at its base will pave the streets, has brought new life necessarily be small-too small for to the town. It is the first time in the noble sentiments that it reprethe history of Oxford that the old sents. If those noble Daughters of town has had a chance to show what the Confederacy desire to let the memorial stand where it is, by all means When Mr. Lassiter's paving con- let the good citizens place a neat and tract has been fulfilled, one has but substantial iron railing about its

> The Woman's Missionary Union The Woman's Missionary Union of the Baptist churches of North Carolina will meet in Winston-Salem March 21-24. There are 1,162 Missionary Societies in the Union, and during the year, March . 1915-1916, these Societies have contributed to

Missions, \$46,600.00. In the churches of the Flat River Association there are about 30 Societies. Their gifts to Missions for the year amounted to just a little over their aim of \$1,400.00.

Quite a number of ladies from Oxford and also from some of the other churches will attend the meeting in Winston-Salem. From Oxford Mrs. J. D. Brooks, Mrs. G. T. Lumpkin, Mrs. E. K. Howard, Mrs. Len Pitchford, Misses Sallie Webb and Ruth Taylor, Mrs. C. A. Upchurch, Mrs. John Webb. From Enon, Miss Fannie Hester: Grassy Creek, Miss Mattie Sizemore; Mountain Creek, Miss Mary Hart; Creedmoor, Mrs. S. could increase the number to one C. Lyon and Mrs. S. H. Rogers. There are perhaps others going from other churches. This large representation will bring home to their societies much new life and inspiration. Every society should send a delegate.

Pierian Literary Society

One of the most interesting meetings of the Pierian Literary Society was held last Friday. The subject for the afternoon was a debate, "Resolved. That the United States Should Within the Next Four Years Grant the Phillippines their Independence.' Those on the affirmative were: Treva Garman, Mary Day and Ruth Parham those on the negative, were, Ruth White, Mozelle Walters, and Elizabeth Bryan. The judges. Misses Carrie Fuller, Irene Pierson and Georgia Winston, decided in favor of the affirmative.

Services at Stovall

Lenten Services will be held in St. Peter's Episcopal church, Stovall, this Friday night at 7:30. On Sunday as follows: 8 a. m. Holy Communion. 11:15 a. m. Morning Prayer and Sermon. 7:30 p. m. Evening prayer and Sermon. The public is very cordially invited to attend these services.

Handsome Spring Display The fine display of Spring goods perhaps one of the strongest lines of Spring goods "The Quality Store" has ever offered. See their ad elsewhere in this paper.