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## IN THE RUNNING

### NINE CANDIDATES HAVE ANNOUNCED FOR THE COUNTY COMMISSION

The Only Sharp Contest in Granville is the Selection of Five Good Men for the County Board of Commissioners.

The Public Ledger herewith presents the names of all the County candidates on the Democratic ticket that have announced themselves to date. The Republicans have put out a full county ticket and they are working it for all they are worth, and while their ticket will have a tendency to reduce the Democratic majorities, they do not stand a shadow of a chance to elect a single man.

If there are no further announcements for offices in the county anyone at all familiar with conditions can take the list and figure with a degree of certainty as to who will be chosen at the primary on the third of June. The Public Ledger made two dozen copies of the entire list of the candidates in Granville and as prominent men about the county came into the Public Ledger office we gave them a slip and asked them to run a pencil mark across the names of all those in their opinion would be turned down at the primaries. Out of the sixteen slips thus marked every one of them agreed as to the selection of five candidates for the County Commission. We also submitted four slips to as many qualified voters in Oxford and they tallied with the sixteen slips marked by the farmers, save one who scratched the name of a man in the favored combination and substituted a remote candidate.

### The Candidates

The following is a complete list of the various candidates for county officers:

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## COUNTY REPUBLICAN TICKET

### Mr. C. G. Royster Will Not Enter the Race.

The Granville County Republican Executive Committee met in the Court House Thursday afternoon and named a full county ticket. The editor of the Public Ledger peeped in and we are here to say that they are a good looking set of men and are ready for a good hot contest.

After the ticket had been named, Dr. Sikes, who presided over the meeting, told the candidates that they had thousands of good friends in the county and advised them to get busy.

There was some disappointment in the ranks when Mr. C. G. Royster stated that he was too busy to make the race for Commissioner, giving as his reason that he was too much occupied to canvas the county.

### The Ticket

Senate—Dr. G. T. Sikes, Grissom. House—J. H. Gooch, Stem. Sheriff—W. S. Cozart. Register—Prof. A. Baker. Treasurer—W. L. Peace. Commissioners—J. R. Rogers, W. L. Umstead, S. H. Jones, R. H. Rogers, I. T. Green.

## CHURCH PICNIC

### Committee Now Looking For the Best Place to Have It.

The Oxford Baptist Sunday School picnic this year will be enlarged to take in the whole congregation. Thursday, June 15th is day set apart for all the Baptist in Oxford to close their homes and take to the woods and limber up. That is what Dr. Lumpkin is going to do and that is what he suggests that the congregation do.

A committee, consisting of Messrs. L. Thomas, R. M. Currin, and A. P. Hobgood, was designated to look up the best place to hold the picnic. This question will be left entirely with them, but many of the children would prefer to have the picnic at Lakewood Park, Durham.

## NOTICE TO TEACHERS

All teachers of the county schools having a copy of McMurry's Special Method in the Teaching of Reading will please notify me at once. Arrangements will be made to let any teacher keep it longer if desired.

MARY G. SHOTWELL.

## The Way to Do Business

The mail-order house cannot do business unless they advertise, nor could they do business if the home merchants advertised.

## COUNTY FEDERATION OF CLUBS

### WOMEN OF THE COUNTY CONGRATULATED FOR FORWARD MOVEMENT

There was a meeting of representatives from the Women's Clubs of Granville County in the office of the County Superintendent on Wednesday, May 17, to consider the advisability of forming a County Federation of Clubs. After much discussion of plans it was decided to call a second meeting on the 26th of May to perfect the organization.

One of the first public meetings that was considered was one to be held in mid-summer when all the Women's Clubs and the organized communities of the county meet in an old-fashioned picnic at the Fair grounds.

This is indeed a forward movement of the women of the county and they are to be congratulated on it.

## JUDGE DEVIN IN DURHAM

### Henry Nunn Will Appear Before Bar of Justice Next Week.

(Durham Herald)

Final preparations are being made for the criminal term of court which will be held in the superior court room next week and judging from the number of cases set for trial it seems quite probable that the major portion of these will be disposed of. Forty five cases appear on the docket.

Judge W. A. Devin, of Oxford, will preside over the term which will continue for one week.

One murder case is on the docket. Henry Nunn, charged with the murder of Gene Ruffin, will be given a trial. One noticeable feature in connection with the approaching criminal term is the small number of liquor cases scheduled for trial. Only three defendants will appear in answer to the charge of retailing.

## THE STREET WORK

### Penn Street Will Be Paved From College Street to Southern Railway Station

A majority of the property holders on Penn street having signed the petition the said street will be paved from College street to the Southern Railway passenger station.

A majority of the property owners on Broad street between Hillsboro and Penn street having signed a petition, said street will be paved.

The only important streets in Oxford not yet signed up is Littlejohn from Main to Gilliam, and Gilliam from Williamsboro street to Spring street. The paving of Littlejohn street depends entirely on the attitude of the Seaboard Railway Company, and it is thought that inasmuch as a paved street leads to the Southern station the Seaboard will sign a petition to pave Littlejohn.

## THE TOWN BOARD

### Mr. W. T. Yancey Pressed Into Service

The Town Commissioners this week elected Mr. W. T. Yancey to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. R. S. Usry, who recently resigned from the Board.

The Board recognized in Mr. Yancey a superior fitness to carry on the work inaugurated. He proved his worth to the town while serving as Commissioner at a time when five miles of granolithic sidewalks were laid.

Now that Mr. Yancey has accepted the call to service, he enjoys the distinction of having served on two of the most progressive boards in the history of Oxford.

## THE GRANVILLE GRAYS

### Off For Charlotte, Will Return Sunday.

The Granville Grays, Oxford's crack military company, embarked at the Seaboard station for Charlotte at six o'clock this Friday morning. The block ticket for about forty-five men read via Raleigh and Hamlet.

The practice drill for the past month will enable our soldier boys to make a good impression along the line of march. Capt. Fuller, commanding, stated to the Public Ledger that he would back his men against the whole National Guard as to behavior and the manly qualities bearing upon the soldiers.

Master Frank Lawrence Skinner and Miss Jeane Able, of Smithfield, are the guests of Miss Charlotte Easton.

## CLASS DAY EXERCISES

### AT OXFORD HIGH SCHOOL, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, MAY 25-26

The Exercises Will Take the Shape of a Shakespearean Melody—Dr. Noble Will Deliver the Annual Address—Presentation of Diplomas and Medals and Scholarships to Colleges Awarded.

The class day exercises of the Oxford High School, which will be held in the school auditorium at the hour of eight on the evening of May 25, promise to be of unusual interest. The exercises will take the form of a Shakespearean melody, the various parts being adapted from several of the plays. The "Prologue" or Salutatory will be an adaptation from "The Merchant of Venice," the Will, from "King Lear;" the Class History from "As You Like It;" the Prophecy, from the witches' scene in "Macbeth;" the Oration, from "Julius Caesar." The "Characteristics" will consist of apt quotations from different plays, while the "Epilogue" or valedictory, will very appropriately be taken from "All's Well That Ends Well."

The two essays which will be read on that occasion are the two receiving the highest number of votes in the "Independent" contest, "Why Shakespeare was a Dramatist," by Georgia Winston, and "The Periods into Which Shakespeare's Plays may be Grouped," by Ida Walters.

These exercises are being prepared under the direction of Mrs. Paris.

Another pleasing feature of the entertainment will be the repetition of the two charming Shakespearean choruses so beautifully trained for the Ter-Centenary celebration by Mrs. Booth.

Still another feature of the evening will be the awarding of the Davis Scholarship medal and the "Independent" medal, the last named being given for the best essay on "Shakespeare and his Works."

On the evening of Friday, May 26, the annual address to the Senior Class will be delivered by Professor Marcus Cicero Stephens Noble of Chapel Hill.

On this occasion the certificates for entrance to the High School, the distinctions in the several grades and the scholarships to the colleges will be awarded. Special music will also be rendered.

## A FRIEND IN TROUBLE

### Exceeded the Speed Limit and the Judge Hands Him Four Months

The fact that Capt. George H. Coble, a brother of the editor of the Public Ledger, one of the conductors in charge of the Southern Railway's New York-New Orleans Limited, covering the road from Washington City to Charlotte, we became acquainted with Engineer Tangersley, who on the night of November 24, 1915, in the yards at Salisbury, dashed into the rear of the Richmond football special train, killing two and injuring twenty-two passengers. For this act he was indicted and this week found guilty of manslaughter. The court, after pronouncing sentence, granted the county solicitor permission to hire out Mr. Tangersley. But he had a lot of friends and some money and he was set at liberty on \$1,000 bail, his council having given notice of appeal to the State Supreme Court.

The trouble with Mr. Tangersley was that he is color-blind; that is he cannot distinguish the colors of the signals. He did not know that there was anything wrong with his vision, nor did the railroad company suspect that all light looked alike to Tangersley. Mr. Tangersley is a good moral man, and he never drank a pint of whiskey in his life. Poor old fellow, he is in deep trouble and we feel for him.

Now, if they grab up our old friend Tangersley and give him a four month's sentence for exceeding the speed limit on a trunk line railway, we would not be surprised to hear at any time that some of our friends dash headlong into the rear end of a car on the National Highway and share the same fate.

While we feel for Mr. Tangersley, we have no doubt that his sentence will have a salutary effect on the railway employees in general. They should at least test their eyesight before venturing out with a fast train loaded with humanity. There is too much carelessness in the world anyway.

## GARDEN MART AND ROSE FETE

### TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY, MAY TWENTY-FOURTH

The Forestry and Garden Department of the Woman's Club will hold their annual Garden Mart and Rose Fete in the garden of Mrs. Robert G. Lassiter, Wednesday afternoon, May twenty-fourth at four thirty o'clock.

Plants and flower seed will be given away and premiums awarded to the finest roses exhibited in the following colors: white, pink, red, yellow, and American Beauty. There will also be a premium for the best sweet peas.

All persons having plants and seed to contribute, and roses and sweet peas to exhibit are requested to send them to the home of Mrs. Lassiter by 10:30 on the morning of Wednesday.

Tea and sandwiches will be sold for the benefit of the Department.

The public is cordially invited—the admission is free!

## THE TIME IS SHORT

### If You Do Not Register on or Before May 20 You Lose Your Vote

A few days ago I wrote, urging all Democrats to register for the Primary in order that there might be a full expression of preferences for candidates June 3d and that no one might be deprived of his right to vote for want of registration.

You cannot vote unless your name is there, and I urge you to register before the time is out. Every good citizen is interested in the affairs of the nation, his State, and County, and the best citizens are always on the alert, never failing to be in a position to exercise their constitutional rights to vote for the candidates of their choice.

I urge you in the interest of good citizenship and good government not to fail to register and to vote in the Primary.

There is an old adage which has much force: "If you want anything done, send somebody to do it, but if you want anything done well, do it yourself." Can you afford to allow someone else to nominate your candidate?

Saturday, the 20th is the last day in which you can register, unless you become of age between that date and the day of the Primary.

A. A. HICKS, County Ch'm.

## THE HOME MARKET

### Should Encourage Home-Raised Food Products

The Granville Commercial Club will do well to keep in mind the necessity for the establishment of local markets for the encouragement of home-raised food products. The prices in Oxford for living necessities are out of proportion when compared to other localities, when the fact that Oxford is an agricultural section is taken into consideration. The establishment of local markets for such necessities will not only reduce prices and thus relieve the consumer, but will be the means of stimulating the producers and make their efforts worth while.

## "A County Fair"

On account of the sickness of one of the leading characters in "Merchant of Venice," the play must be postponed. Instead of this play to have been presented under auspices of Daughters of Confederacy a beautiful comedy will be given on Friday evening, June 2nd, entitled, "A County Fair."

Miss Annie Bock, an experienced trainer in plays was in Oxford Wednesday and made arrangements to train the actors in this comedy. There will be one hundred in the cast and a very attractive entertainment will be the result of the rehearsals which will begin next Monday. The play will be given in the Orpheum Theatre.

Through the courtesy of the management the rehearsals will be held every morning and afternoon, except Saturday in the Orpheum Theatre.

## Henderson's Big Fine Store

On the eighth page of this paper will be found a most interesting announcement of the Anchor Store, Henderson. The Anchor Store is one of the largest within a radius of fifty miles and is known for its elegant stock and fair and courteous dealings.

Mr. and Mrs. John Webb have returned from New York.

## COMMENCEMENT

### FINALS AT OXFORD COLLEGE SUNDAY, MONDAY, AND TUESDAY, MAY 21-23

Dr. Smoot, of Richmond, Will Preach the Baccalaureate Sermon at the Oxford Baptist Church Next Sunday Morning.

Everything is in readiness for the Sixty-sixth Annual Commencement at Oxford College. Dr. Smoot, a noted divine of Richmond, will arrive in Oxford Saturday and preach the baccalaureate sermon at the Oxford Baptist church at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Dr. Smoot will be the guest of President Hobgood while in Oxford.

## Monday

There will be a concert in the College Chapel at 11 o'clock Monday morning; meeting of the Alumnae Association at five o'clock, and at 8 o'clock the Senior Class and School of Expression will present "Twelfth Night" on the College Campus.

## Tuesday

The graduating exercises will take place at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning. Hon. J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State will deliver the Annual Address. The Art reception will be held at 4:30 and the Annual Concert will take place at 5:45.

## VAST NUMBER TICKETS

### Will Require One Million for Coming Primary.

Raleigh—The State Board of Elections is sending out a vast number of tickets to be used in the primary June 3.

It will require about 1,000,000, allowing four tickets to each vote actually cast and in the generosity of the board this margin is being figured upon a basis of about 150,000 and the Republicans at 100,000.

In the Sixth District five congressional candidates are running and one-fifth of these tickets will be led off by some candidates whose name is not alphabetically placed. For the State office of Attorney General four men are running and three each for Secretary of State and Commissioner of Agriculture.

The Republicans have no State contests, but their presidential vote must be recorded.

## DANCING LESSONS

### Young Ladies Open Select School in the Armory.

Miss Edna Griffith and Miss Estelle White are conducting a select dancing class in the new canter waltz, one-step and Foxtrot. Their instructor in Richmond was a pupil of the celebrated Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Castle. Only the latest steps will be taught. There will be a soiree every Friday night, to which the ladies are invited free, but a nominal admission fee will be made for gentlemen.

## Gas is the Modern Fuel

No ashes, no excessive heat, no smoke, no soot, absolutely sanitary. Before you buy a new cooking appliance see the Gas Company. Interesting announcement on the fourth page of this paper.

## Bankrupt Sale

The Kaplon & Co., stock of goods was purchased by Mr. Victor Kaplon, of Roxboro. The stock consists of dry goods, notions, shoes, clothing and millinery. The sale is now going on and the goods must be closed out in 30 days. See adv. on second page of the Public Ledger.

## Funny Night

Friday night is devoted to fun at the Orpheum Theatre. There is a fine bill for this Friday night and it is worth the price of admission to hear the little people laugh.

## Providence Wants Postoffice

The Public Ledger is informed that the people of Providence are circulating a petition with a view of securing a postoffice. Here's hoping that they will get it.

## Former Oxford Lady Dead

Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper, the relict of the late Sandy Cooper, father of Mr. D. Y. Cooper, Henderson, died in Asheville Monday and was buried in Warrenton Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Cooper formerly lived on College street, Oxford.

Mrs. R. G. Lassiter has returned from Florida.