COURT

COURT BUSY WITH THE CRIMIN-AL DOCKET

The Sensational Trial of Lee Edwards Fills the Court Room-The Report of the Grand Jury.

After the judge had charged the

of costs.

Other cases taken up were: and adultry. Al. cap., continued.

concealed weapon. Continued with got a perfect report on mathematics. bond renewed. State vs. John Green. Burglary.

the State's penitentary.

\$25 and costs.

continued.

State vs. Lonnie Fowler. Retail- cost for tuition. ing. Nol., pros., with leave.

continued. continued.

State vs. J. B. . Fowler, nol. pros.,

with leave.

in the county jail. and House-breaking. Not guilty as a chance. We will do it."

ty as to Mattie Timberlake. Guilty as Wake County high school to Laura Clanton. Judgment suspended upon payment of costs.

State vs. Charley Winters. Retail-Defendant through counsel, pleads guilty. After having produced letters of recommendation from prominent citizens and state officers in Raleigh, the court sentenced defendant to six months in county

Grand Jury's Report To His Honor John H. Kerr, Judge

presiding: We, the Grand Jury of the February term Granville County Superior

presented for our consideration. We visited the offices in the Courthouse and found them in a satisfactory condition.

Court, have passed upon all bills

We visited the jail in a body and found eleven prisoners, 9 male and 2 females. We find the jail in a sanitary condition, but recommend that there be a change in the heating apparatus. Some of the prisoners being much too far from the present location of stove.

We visited the home of the aged and infirm through a committee and they report as follows:

No. of inmates—31. No. of males, white-4. No. of males, colored-7.

No. of females, white-10. No. of females, colored-10. One horse, three mules, three

cows, 15 head of hogs, 350 lbs. lard, 2000 lbs. meat, 60 bushels of corn, 25 000 pounds feed, 40 bushels peas. ports as required by law.

the Honorable Solicitor for all assistance rendered us in the discharge of our duties.

G. G. DANIEL, Foreman.

Tourists Praise Exchange Hotel

Messrs. I. G. Meyers, of Manilla, and H. C. Heald, of Bagino, P. I., while in the city on their way to Miami, Florida, passed quite a com-Iliment on the Exchange Hotel of our eity-which is under the Management of Mr. L. F. Smith. They said if all the places at which they stopped were as satisfactory as the Commissioner T. G. Taylor Has Close Exchange Hotel, they could overlook the bad roads, and were going to recommend to all the tourists they met to make this point for the night.

Young People's Missionary Society

There will be a meeting of the Young People's Missionary Society of the Methodist church at the Parsonage Saturday afternoon, February 17, at 3 o'clock. All young people of the Church are invited to be pres-

HIGH SCHOOLS

The Advantage of Having Them in The County

Mr. L. Elliott is a farmer and merchant living in the northern part of Oak Hill township, Granville county. He has a boy and girl of high school age. Seeing the impossibility of giving them the right kind of high school education in his home district, the term being too short, he grand jury, the court started right began to look around last summer on with the transaction of business. for a good high school to which he The first case taken up was that might send these two children. He of the State vs. Freddie Harris, lar- learned that Carey in Wake county had issued bonds, built a nice school Freddie seems to be a rather fre- building and dormitory, had a good quent visitor to the court, but be- corps of high school teachers and a cause of his youth, Judge Kerr sus- farm life department. He found that preparations to meet a possible call pended judgment upon the payment he could get board at a very reasonable price in the dormitory and that the tuition would be only \$4.00 State vs. Willie Hicks, fornication each per month. His children are now at this chool doing well, one of

Why did he not send these children to one of the Granville county Defendant, through counsel, Mr. R. High Schools? We have three in the O. Everett, of Durham, plead guilty county supported in part by the and announced that the appointof burglary in the second degree, and county and state. If he had done ment to volunteer commissions will after hearing the evidence, Judge this he could have saved the tuition be made from those classes of our Kerr sentenced him to six years in of \$8.00 a month. The reason is citizens who have had such experi- It is Stated That Major Stedman very plain. Not a single one of the ences and that from those State vs. Jim Wortham. Affray. Granville High Schools has provided classes the selections will be made in Defendant waives bill and pleads dormitory facilities. It makes it the following order: guilty, whereupon the court fines him necessary, therefore, for Mr. Elliott (A)—Persons who have had exgreater traveling expense, and extra ed experience and efficiency.

What are we going to do about experience in the regular army. State vs. Janie Downey. Arson; it? Is Granville County going to lag behind in this great educational perience as officers in the militia. State vs. Allen Vaughan. Dispos- movement Are we going to let the larger part of the state high command and control men in school fund, and all of the state field. State vs. Henry Johnson, and Er- farm life fund because there is no ner who proved to be the aggressor high schools will not measure up to science under the law. was fined \$10 and one half the costs. the greater responsibility and oppor-

to housebreaking. Guilty as to larceny Is it right for Mr. Elliott to have Judgment six months in county jail. to support his own county high State vs. Mattie Timberlake and school and then send off and pay Laura Clanton. Larceny. Not guil- \$64 tuition to get his children in a to create in the several states.

J. F. WEBB.

Canning Club Members

I believe it would be wise for Canning Club members to order cans immediately for the entire season. The best prices I have been able to get are higher than last year, yet this should not have the least influence against home canning, as we may be reasonably sure that canned goods will be proportionately high. Prices quoted for February shipment are:

No. 3 cans, \$30.75 per thousand, f. o. b. Oxford.

No. 2 cans, \$26.00 per thousand f. o. b. Oxford.

These prices are for immediate acceptance, subject to change without notice. The lowest price I have had February is \$36.75.

Canning Club members who wish to take advantage of the February prices will please communicate with Bank Annex," in connection with me without delay as I will give the the Union Bank, we find that we club order not later than the 20th. LILLIAN W. CAPEHART, Home Demonstration Agent.

A HARBINGER OF SPRING

The Oxford Milliners Depart for the

Northern Markets

We find that only fifteen Justices charge of the millinery department Co., to retain its identity and remain little deeper and have something on the bench." of the Peace have made their re- of the Long Company will leave for in business at the old stand." New York today. Miss Lena Coble, We are now informed that the son-Green Company, is in the north customers. in th einterest of her house, and all the other Oxford milliners will go north in a few days. Miss Lizzie Gooch, who spent the summer with her mother, will go north Sunday to buy for her house in Albemarle, where she will spend the Spring.

chants will go north within the next and other valuable considerations. four or five days.

OXFORD MAN IN WRECK

Leaving Richmond last Monday afternoon on the Florida limited, Mr. Thomas G. Taylor, Commissioner of Granville county, was shaken up and Bagby, 208 1-2 acres of land, \$2000. slightly bruised in a head-on collision with a local train near LaCross. three lots in Creedmore, \$79. The impact was so great the seats in the car were ripped from the floor, throwing Mr. Taylor forward several feet and landing in the lap of a fat person, he escaped with slight bruises on his arm.

WAR SEEMS TO BE INEVITABLE

GERMANY HAS LITTLE HOPES OF AVOIDING WAR WITH U. S.

Army Officers Are of the Opinion That The First Call of The President Will Be For One Million Men.

To the observer in Be rlin, the approach of the crisis has been plainly and definitely evident since the rejection of Germany's peace overtures.

In the meantime the United States government is rushing everything in preparation for any eventuality.

Army officers are quietly making for volunteers. The size of the first army to be called for is, of course, problematical, but the general opinion will probably be for at least 1,-000,000 men. But before any procla-State vs. Dick Gordon. Carrying them was among the very few that mation congress must authorize the President to take that action.

General Conditions

The war department has decided

and others like him, to send their perience as commissioned officers in State vs. Harvey Tanner, assault children off to another county keep- the regular army of the United States with deadly weapon. Al., cap., and ing them farther from home, at a and ex-officers of volunteers of prov-

(B)—Noncommissioned officers of (C)—Persons who have had ex-

(D)—Persons who have qualified ing of mortgaged property. Al. cap., other counties make preparation for according to law under prescribed building up great high schools, get examinations to test their fitness to

(E)—Graduates of educational innest Garner. Affray. Guilty; judg- place in the county with enterprise stitutions of military standing to ment suspended as to Johnson upon enough to provide the equipment? which regular army officers are depayment of one half the costs. Gar- If those place that already have the tailed as professors of military

(F)—Should the necessary num-State vs. Tramilla Balckley. Lar- tunity that the present day condi- ber of volunteer officers required not Guilty. Judgment six months tions are forcing forward, are there be furnished from the above classnot other places in the county that es the war department will give State vs. Tom Downey. Larceny, will come forward and say, "Give us civilians lacking in actual military experience an opportunity to appear for examination to test their fitness for comissions before boards which the war department proposes

Begin Training at Once.

Under the caption "Training of Volunteers" the War college pamphlet reads:

"The training of volunteer troops must begin without delay after their induction into the service. No time must be lost. It should begin at the company rendezvous without waiting for complete mobilization. Under our traditional policy of relying principally for national defense upon citi zen soldiers the larger part of our land forces will not be fully trained on the outbreak of war. It is more than probable that we shall have to employ some of them with little or no training as soon as they can be assembled in suitable units."

ONLY A PHYSICAL CONNECTION

quoted to me for shipment later than A Correct Statement of the Two Banks' Connection

In our edition of the 13th, in an article entitled "First National unintentionally made a mistake due to a misunderstanding, which we hasten to correct.

The following, as handed in, is a correct statement of the "deal" referred to in our last issue:

"The stockholders of the Union Bank have voted a reorganization of It is generally about one month to the Bank whereby a physical connecbalmy weather when the Oxford mil- tion is made with the First National liners go north to lay in their spring Bank of Oxford, this bank, under the goods. Mrs. A. H. Moore, who has name of the Union Bank and Trust

We wish to thank His Honor and of Greensboro, who has charge of Union Bank is now in a better posithe millinery department of Perkin- tion than ever before to serve their

Real Estate Transfers C. K. Beck to G. G. Hobgood, 70

icres of land, \$2,550. G. D. Estes to H. D. Estes, 156 acres, consideration \$540. J. D. Gholson and wife to J. H.

All of the buyers for Oxford mer- Knott, 157 7-10 acres of land, \$100 Luther Burden and wife to Cora E. Pittard, 5 acres, consideration

> \$400. B. K. Lassiter and wife and S. V. Morton to B. W. Brown and J. H. game and this one is to be played. Peace, lots in Oxford, \$3000. E. G. Crews and others to W. W. Crews, lot in Oxford, \$1000.

Mrs. Mary L. Hargrove to Robert J. S. Thompson to Wylie Brodie, A. H. Powell, trustee, to I. N. Jones, 100 acres land, \$5000,

war, PITTMAN & HERRING, Hall's Phillips, G. B. Phillips, and Henry Ledger will also contain interesting Feb171t Roberts. Drug Store.

FIRST DEGREE MURDER

So Says the Jury in the Case State vs. Lee Edwards

Ten days or two weeks ago the home of Lee Edwards, Colored, on the Bell Town road four miles south of Oxford, was the scene of a fire. People in the neighborhood rushed to the burning building and through the openings discovered the wife of Lee on a bed in the corner of the room and her brains were oozing from the back of her head.

The trial held the attention of the court for a day and the circumstantial evidence was so great there was no escape. Solicitor Gattis, with a masterful mind, presented the facts in such a manner as to preclude any doubt of the brute having killed his wife and attempted to burn her body.

The defendant was represented by able council, as follows: Messrs. Ben W. Parham, J. A. Taylor and F. W. Hancock, Jr. At the hour of going to press this

Friday morning the Judge has not passed sentence.

THE OXFORD POSTMASTERSHIP

Favors Primary

appeared in the State papers: the people of Oxford say whom they books. Eight new maps and a large select a man. The contest over the ly destroyed. Oxford office is quite spirited and acute. Ben Lassiter, son of Robert W. Lassiter, private secretary to Colonel W. H. Osborn, and F. W. Hancock are candidates for the position. The partisan spirit is rampant in the little city, and Democrats are lining

dates. Several other persons are spoken of in connection with the place. Mr. Stedman is about ready to ask for a primary." Up to the hour of going to press this Friday morning, the respective

up for one or the other of the candi-

candidates for postmaster are unad vised as to what steps Major Sted man will take.

BOND ISSUE DEFEATED

The Citizens of Stem Bury the Hatchet STFM. N. C., February 14. (Our Stem Correspondent.)

in the overwhelming defeat of same. issue. He saw no trace of fire and forty voted in favor of the bonds. We regret to note that much bitterness was injected into the cam-

Now that the election is over it upbuilding of our town and com- the fire was last kindled. munity.—M.

AN INSPIRATION

The People of Knapp of Reeds Spread Themselves

You will have to take off your hat o Knapp of Reeds. The pioneer in voting local tax in the county, the first to secure a high school, and now the district comes forward and votes a bond issue for a better school The Greetings of the Two Judges building. This school will start off next year with one of the best equipped buildings in the state. The off and he has much pleasure in plan contemplates well-equipped and shaking hands and conversing with ditorium facilities, central heating his wook and the greeting of the plant, electric light, and toilet ar- two jurists were most cordial. Judge rangements.

child before the dollar. They have leave the court. "It seems like old been paying a local tax for fourteen times to see Judge Devin in the bar." years and have found that it pays remarked a friend, "but he is much so well that they are willing to go a heavier than he was when he went

Those Who Travel

Exchange Hotel Thursday: Mr. E. A. Hinton, Baltimore. Mr. W. N. Holt, of Norfolk, Va. Mr. I. W. Ayers, of Petersburg. Mr. W. W. Wilson, Washington. Mr. Charles Pearl, Atlanta, Ga. Mr. L. L. Moell, Raleigh, N. C.

Basket-Ball Friday Night The local High School team will meet the Local Star team on Armory Floor at eight o'clock Friday night. The Townsville team was due to be here but has cancelled the best on the road. We invite the Several days ago these teams played to a score of 14 to 12. This record of close games will undoubted-

ly be kept up tomorrow night when the teams again meet. The High School boys are deterimned not to be defeated by the Stars.

good time.

KNAP OF REEDS SCHOOL BURNS

GENERALLY BELIEVED TO BE THE WORK OF AN INCENDIARY

The Building and Contents, Including an Upright Piano, Books and Other Valuables, go up in Flames.

(Our Stem Correspondent.)

The people of Knap of Reeds and surrounding community were astounded when the news spread Monday morning that the Knap of Reeds high school building was in ashes having been destroyed by fire Sunday night. Prof. J. Ralph Weaver, principal of the school, whose residence is about four hundred yards from the site of the building was the first to discover the fire. He happened to awake about 2:30 o'clock Monday morning and seeing the light shining against his window thought it was day and that he had over slept himself, hurriedly arose and went to the door, and beheld the school building wrapped in a mass of flames. He ran over to Mr. Atwater's, who lives a short distance from the school grounds, awoke him and made an alarm. When they reached the building the top had fallen in and The following news item under all the weather boarding burned Washington date, of February 14th, through except a few feet.

All the fixtures, consisting of a "Representative Stedman will let valuable upright piano, a library of want for postmaster to succeed the globe recently installed and a goodly late Mrs. Caleb Osborn. He thinks number of books belonging to the that a primary is the best way to teacher and students were complete-

Of Incendiary Origin

The origin of the fire is generally believed to be incendiary and all the circumstances seem to justify such a conclusion. On Saturday morning the poll holder for the local tax election met at the school building early and made a fire in one of the stoves intending to hold the election in the building, but before the voting begun, decided to move to a store, as that was more publicly located. About an hour after they had left. Prof. Weaver went through the building and took special note of the stove to avoid any danger of fire. When he left the fire was practically extinguished. This was the last fire made in the stove.

Originated in Piano Room

Late Saturday afternon after the vote had been counted, one of the school boys repaired to the school The elections held here Saturday building and rang the bell in celeon the \$12,000 bond issue resulted bration of the victory of the bond Out of 121 registered voters only not a spark was in the stove. Those who gathered at the building while it was burning say that the fire must have originated about the piano

This part of the house was debehooves us to bury our differences stroyed first and was the apartment and pull together for the uplift and fartherest from the stove in which

Estimated Loss

The loss of the building and fixtures is conservatively estimated at \$2,500 and was insured for \$1,200. Prof. Weaver and faculty will continue the school in the old building. MANGUM.

HON. W. A. DEVIN HERE

Were Most Cordial This is Judge W. A. Devin's week well-lighted class rooms, office, do- his many Granville county friends. mestic science department, ample au- He looked in upon Judge Kerr's court Devin took his seat in the bar and The people of this district put the remained until an opportune time to

Judge Devin is stopping with his sister, Mrs. John Webb. In order to keep peace with the family, he will The following were guests of the have to stop with Mrs. S. H. Cannady the next time he comes to Oxford. Mrs. Devin will arrive from Greensboro today and will probably go with Judge Devin to Louisburg where he holds court next week.

To The Lovers of Music

The noted Williams Singers Will Appear at Mary Potter School Thurs-

day, February 22. This company has toured Europe with a hit. They are considered the white people of the community to hear these singers. We will be glad to reserve 50 or more seats for them. Admission, 35 cents.

G. C. SHAW.

Look for Your Picture

Turn to page three of this paper Come to see the game and have a and see if you can recognize yourself in the group picture taken in Local stars who played before are: front of the fertilizer works in Hen--Sunday newspapers all about the Roy Royster, William Bryan, S. K. derson. The next issue of the Public