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GRANVILLE COUNTY HOME GUARD ORGANIZED.

Major Will Landis Elected Captain and J. Robt Wood and John A. Williams Lieutenants.

In response to a call of Mr. B. W. Parham, chairman of the Granville County Division of National Defense, thirty-six sons of the county answered to their names at a meeting held in the court house last Friday night and were enrolled as members of the Granville county Home Guard No. 16.

The election of officers was by ballot, and resulted as follows: Captain—MAJOR WILL LANDIS First Lt.—J. ROBT WOOD. Second Lt.—JOHN A. WILLIAMS Mr. Parham immediately informed the Governor of the new formation and the names of the command and commissions will be forwarded to Mr. Parham from the adjutant general's office at an early date. When Mr. Parham distributes the commissions his business with the company ends, except as a high private in the ranks.

Personnel of Company

- WILL LANDIS
- J. ROBT. WOOD
- JOHN A. WILLIAMS
- W. A. McFARLAND,
- B. W. PARHAM
- A. H. WILLIAMS
- W. H. BRITT
- M. C. TAYLOR
- D. G. BRUMMITT
- JOHN W. HESTER
- GUY B. PHILLIPS
- P. W. MONTGOMERY
- WILLIAM MALONEE
- W. J. EVANS
- JOHN W. HALL
- JOHN W. GOOCH
- WILLIAM BAILEY
- W. K. LAMB
- W. T. YANCEY
- H. G. McFARLAND
- JOHN W. ELLINGTON
- A. W. GRAHAM, Jr.
- E. H. BROOKS
- S. M. WHEELER
- M. A. KING
- E. E. SIZEMORE
- J. T. SIZEMORE
- HAMILTON HESTER
- D. KERR TAYLOR,
- VERNON W. TAYLOR
- G. W. M. JENKINS
- H. T. HOLMAN
- W. W. CREWS
- J. N. PITTMAN
- LEO E. BYRUM
- DEWITT BRUMMITT

Sixteen more men will be enrolled to make complete Granville's quota. Will Muster at an Early Date.

Major Will Landis, commanding the company, authorizes the Public Ledger to state that he will muster the company as soon as the commissions are received.

Rifles and Ammunition

No uniforms will be required unless the individual companies decide to wear them and then they will be provided by individual members of the company. The enlistment is for the term of war. Attendance on muster at least once a month is compulsory. Service at the call of the Governor anywhere within the state is required. Rifles, ammunition and belts will be furnished by the National Government.

DEPOSIT YOUR CASH AND DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

An Old Fellow Thought a Federal Reserve Note Was Confederate Money

Many thousands are being paid Granville county farmers for their tobacco, and those who have raised their home supplies are able to bank this cash. It is right amusing to hear comment of some of the illiterate, who are not used to unexampled prosperity. One fellow thought the money would be "federate" or would depreciate in value, and become worthless because the inscription reads "Federal Reserve Notes." He thought it had some connection with Confederate money.

The Federal Reserve note is just as good as gold. It is the obligation of your government to pay. It will go just as far in the discharge of debts and buy just as much as gold. On it is the seal of the greatest nation in the world. It is related that one ignorant fellow hearing so much idle talk from uninformed people offered to swap \$1,000 in Federal Reserve notes for \$975.00. His offer was promptly accepted, but he has not shown up yet with the bank notes.

Deposit your money in the bank and deposit it in your home bank. In this way you will while helping to keep the times good, be receiving interest on your money and keeping it safe at the same time.

UNIQUE STILL CAPTURED IN WALNUT GROVE TOWNSHIP

The Will-o-the Wisp Leads Sheriff Hobgood to Secluded Spot Standing in front of the Court House last Friday afternoon Sheriff Hobgood saw a phantom in the current waves which alone could be interpreted by him. "I must hasten to a secluded spot in Walnut Grove Township," remarked the Sheriff to Sam Wheeler as he gazed up into the Heavens.

Under the influence of the will-o-the-wisp the two men followed the main road to Walnut Grove to a point where the phantom directed them to a silvery stream in the low lands. The first evidence of a tangible nature that led them to believe that they were on the right tracks was when a gentle breeze wafted to the keen nostrils of Sam Wheeler the quintessence of crushed corn.

It was an old still, and according to Sheriff Hobgood it must have caused many a joy and sorrow in its day. It was nothing more than a rude wooden box with a galvanized bottom. The only visible signs of life about the secluded spot was a white footed vulture, and a spirit that roamed in dark places, which denoted that the still was operated by a Granville county negro. The fire beneath the boiler had died down and the beer that it contained was sour and insipid. The sheriff dismantled the plant and brought it to Oxford and placed it under lock and key—a relic of a past age to be placed in the coffin with Old John Barleycorn, whose resurrection day is forecasted by the Republican party in the dim future.

FINE PATRIOTIC ADDRESS.

Hon. W. A. Devin Charms Large Audience.

In a four minute's speech at the Orpheum Theatre Friday night Judge W. A. Devin, who spent the week in Oxford, told the audience that so far as America and her allies are concerned the war is unselfish in its nature; that we entered it with the determination to make the earth a better place on which to live. "A great responsibility rests upon America," declared Judge Devin, "and I believe that if it had not been for America, Germany would have dictated the terms. Our allies look to us for help, which calls for personal sacrifice on the part of the American people."

Judge Devin endorsed the Liberty Loan plan of raising the money to prosecute the war and urged every one to sacrifice to the extent of owning one or more bonds, which he said was backed by the Government and was absolutely secure. He referred to the fact that Granville county's part of the Liberty Loan is placed at \$300,000.

TOLL OF U-BOATS FOR THE PAST WEEK.

England, France and Italy lost between them twenty-five ships of all sizes during the past week due to unrestricted U-boat warfare, the various admiralty statements show. The losses are divided as follows: France—Over 16,000 tons 1; under 1,600 tons 1. Italy—Over 1,600 tons 4. England—Over 1,600 tons 12; under 1,600 tons 6. Fishing-vessels 1.

PATRIOTIC AND WORTHY CAUSE

Granville County Soldiers' and Sailors Fund. Send all donations to Major Will Landis, at Landis & Easton's, Oxford, and the same will be acknowledged by the Public Ledger.

Contributions.

Will Landis	.....	\$5.00
Public Ledger	.....	1.00
R. C. T.	.....	1.00
Frank B. Hays	.....	1.00
Miss Lucile O'Brien	.....	.50
Len H. Knott	.....	1.00
Dr. N. C. Daniel	.....	1.00
W. A. King	.....	1.00
Mrs. A. A. Chapman	.....	1.00
Frank H. Gregory	.....	1.00
Mrs. Cam M. Easten	.....	1.00
Mrs. Elijah Crews	.....	1.00
L. T. Williford	.....	1.00
J. T. Britt	.....	1.00

Third Anniversary. The Anchor Store of Henderson will give away handsome souvenirs Wednesday and Thursday, October 24th and 25th, the occasion being the third anniversary. The Granville people are invited to celebrate with them. See announcement on the 5th page of this paper.

The congregation at the Oxford Baptist church greatly enjoy the cultured voice of Mrs. Graham Davidson, of the department of voice and expression at Oxford College, who sometimes sings in the choir.

U-BOAT SINKS UNITED STATES TRANSPORT

16 SOLDIERS AND FOUR NAVY MEN AMONG THE SEVENTY WHO PERISHED ON ANTILLES.

Vessel Was Under Convoy When Attacked By U-Boat in War Zone—List of Casualties Awaited By Navy Department Will Come Through General Pershing.

WASHINGTON, Oct 22.

The German U-boat has claimed its first victim from the American war forces.

Within twenty-four hours after an American destroyer had been disabled in an undersea attack, a torpedo crashed into the engine room bulkhead of the home-coming transport Antilles, and sent her to the bottom with the loss of seventy lives. Sixteen soldiers and several enlisted men of the Navy were included in the submersible's toll.

Await List of Dead.

The list cannot be completed until the muster roll, made up at the French port of embarkation, can be compared with the roster of survivors.

While the deepest sympathy was expressed today in official circles for those who gallantly gave up their lives, relief was general over the vessel had met her fate while homeward bound and not on the way over fact that the vessel had met her fate while homeward bound and not on the way over with a large number of troops aboard. Had the successful attack been delivered while the Antilles was on her trip to France the loss of life probably would have been appalling. She was struck in a vital spot and plunged below so swiftly that but comparatively few could have survived.

Well Out at Sea.

It is believed that the attack was made well out at sea, since it took two days for news of the disaster to reach Washington. Survivors of the disaster are thought to be safe ashore in France, England, or Ireland.

Sank in a Few Minutes

It is inferred from Admiral Sims' report that the ship went down in a few minutes. This fact, coupled with the necessity of rescuing the survivors, made impossible, it is believed, any attempt to locate the U-boat.

The heaviest loss of life, it is thought, was among the engine and fireroom crews. Stunned or maimed by the explosion that virtually broke the ship in two, these men must have had but little time to gain access to the deck with its chance for life. The absence of casualties among the Army and Navy officers aboard it attributed to the fact that their staterooms lay along the decks from which they could jump to the waters below in hope of being picked up.

Theories as to Sinking.

Many theories were current as to how the U-boat crept through the (Continued On Page Four)

PUBLICITY MUST CONTROL THE UNLICENSED RETAILER

Food Administration Wires To State Food Administrators

Washington.—The food administration telegraphed today to all federal food administrators in the different states warning them that "publicity must control the unlicensed retailers."

This followed up Food Administrator Hoover's statement last night that the responsibility for continued high cost to the consumer rested squarely upon the retail dealers, over whom Congress has given the administration no authority.

FRANK YOUNG'S EXHIBIT.

The Kline Car and the Bull Tractor.

Visitors to the Granville County Fair will have an opportunity to see at close range the handsome Kline car demonstrated on the grounds by Mr. Frank Youngs. He will also demonstrate the Bull Tractor. Mr. Young represents nothing but the best that is made. See the last page of this paper.

Ready For the Big Crowd

When there is a big day in Oxford you will find the crowd at Landis & Easton's stores, and there will be no exception to the rule this year. It is no trouble to show goods at Granville's Biggest and Best Store. Note the quotations of this store on the third page of this paper.

ALL READY FOR THE GRANVILLE COUNTY FAIR.

Exhibits and Amusement Features Now on the Grounds.

Early Monday morning and throughout the day the exhibits and amusement features began to roll in and placed for the two day's event, which will be inaugurated Wednesday morning and continue through to Thursday mid-night. If the sun shines bright Wednesday morning the crowd that will gather in Oxford will simply be immense.

The bird-man, who is now in Mount Airy, N. C., informs Secretary Hancock that he will point his machine towards Oxford this Tuesday afternoon and fly over Greensboro, thence down the old North Carolina railway to Durham, where he will light and get his bearings for Oxford. He expects to cover the distance of 140 miles in less than two hours.

Hon. Henry A. Page, orator of the day, will speak promptly at noon Wednesday. Representative D. G. Brummitt, who served in the Legislature with Mr. Page, informs the Public Ledger that he is a most interesting speaker. General Royster will introduce the speaker.

Mrs. Capehart, always foremost in good works, assisted by a bevy of pretty girls, decorated the main building Tuesday. The color scheme is green and very pretty.

REGISTER FOR GREAT WORK.

Col. Ballou Addresses Audience at the Orpheum Theatre.

Col. Ballou, speaking for the Granville County Woman's Committee of Council of National Defense, outlined the work in a short talk at the Orpheum Theatre last Saturday night. He called the attention of the people to the importance of going to the school houses in their respective districts on Saturday, the 27th day of October, and register in these campaigns that are planned for that date and the week following.

Mrs. W. B. Waddill, of Henderson, is chairman of registration of North Carolina and Miss Lelia Routin, of Oxford, is chairman of registration in Granville. It has been decided to use the same week for registering that the food administration will use for the food campaign, which is Saturday, October 27th and the week following, but the desire is to accomplish as much as possible on Saturday—the first day set apart for the work.

Registering Places.

Next Saturday has been set apart as the day on which the women of Oxford will register. Those who reside in South Oxford will register at the High School building on Williamsboro street. Those who reside in North Oxford will register at the Graded School building on College street.

MISS MINOR SOLOIST.

Charms a Highly Cultured Boston Audience. Miss Alleine Minor, of Oxford, who has recently entered the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, made her first appearance last Saturday afternoon, October 20, on the programme of one of the weekly recitals which have been given regularly for more than half a century at America's oldest and largest conservatory. It is very unusual for a student to be admitted as a performer at one of these recitals in her first year at the school, but Miss Minor was found by her teacher, Mr. De Voto, of the piano-forte faculty to be well prepared to play as a soloist. She took part with Miss Alice Roberts, of Providence, R. I. in an interesting interpretation of Beethoven Sonata in C Minor, op. 30, no. 2, a classical work which was favorably received by a large and representative audience.

You Are Invited.

We would again remind the readers of the Public Ledger that the Perkinson-Green Company extends a cordial invitation to all good people to make their store headquarters during the Fair. Polite and obliging clerks will be delighted to show you a handsome stock of goods. Their formal invitation appears on another page of this paper.

RED CROSS FUNDS DUE.

Mr. McAdoo Wants to Check In Outstanding Indebtedness. Subscriptions to the Red Cross Funds were due October 1. This reminds us to state that those who are due the Granville County Chapter funds should call on Mr. J. Pearson Harris at the Union Bank and Trust Company and settle the same. Secretary McAdoo has notified all chapters that he desires to check in all dues as early as possible.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASS'N WORK IN GRANVILLE.

Messrs. Hancock and Graham Will Carry on the Work.

That the people of Oxford are interested in the moral welfare of our soldier boys was abundantly demonstrated at the Lyon Memorial Building Sunday afternoon, when a majority of the business men of the town, in response to a call issued by General Royster only three hours before the gathering, listened to Mr. G. F. Warner, of Durham, explain the necessity of surrounding our soldiers in the cantonments and abroad with every possible moral influence.

Mr. Warner, who is organizing the work in this district states that the war council of the Y. M. C. A. will conduct a campaign from November 11th to 19th to raise \$35,000,000 for the War work of the association. Of this sum approximately one-third will be expended in the army Camps at home, another third among the American enlisted men overseas and the remainder among the armies of Italy, Russia, France and in the prison camps.

North Carolina's Part.

Seven States of the South, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Florida and Mississippi, comprise the Southeastern department and have been asked to raise \$1,500,000. North Carolina's apportionment is \$300,000 and South Carolina's is \$200,000.

The association will look after the personal comfort and the moral welfare of the American soldiers, whether he be from rural community or populous city, hence this appeal for funds is made to the rural citizen as well as to those in cities. Every subscription will make it possible, no matter how small, to do something for some American soldier. Buildings are being erected in all the camps where the soldiers may go to spend their spare time, maybe to read, maybe to write to the folks back home, or to enjoy a moving picture show, or a lecture or concert and to attend the religious side.

The Work in Granville.

After the work had been fully explained by Mr. Warner, on motion Mr. F. W. Hancock, Jr., was elected chairman of the work in Granville and W. A. Graham, Jr., was chosen secretary. Get behind these young men and help them push the work.

LIEUTENANT ROY H. ROYSTER JOINS AVIATION CORPS.

Will Attend Aviation School Three Months Before Being Assigned to Flying Squadron.

Desiring to enter the aviation branch of the service, Lieutenant Roy H. Royster was released from the Engineer Train Service with the rank of lieutenant and assigned to the Aviation Corps.

Lieutenant and Mrs. Royster arrived in Oxford last Saturday from New York, where he was on duty at Manola for several weeks. He was granted a furlough for two weeks, at the expiration of which he will enter one of the many aviation schools. When he is fully equipped and joins the Flying Squadron he will be appointed first lieutenant.

Other Oxford boys now spending their furlough at home are Sergeants Charles Powell and William Medford, of the Machine Gun Corps at Camp Sevier. Good, strong and healthy all of them.

OXFORD TOBACCO MARKET IS VERY STRONG.

There was sold on the Oxford market last week 685,896 pounds of tobacco at an average of 34 cents. The market opened up good and strong on Monday last and the indications are that the quantity and price will surpass last week.

Wonderful Prices.

Never in the history of the tobacco market in Oxford, or elsewhere in the State, has tobacco sold as high as it did at the Minor Warehouse last Monday and there seems to be no end to the steady increase in the price. Picked at random, we found Mr. J. B. Oakley, of Stem, on the floor with five piles, which sold for \$35.00, \$56.00, \$80.00, \$49.00—an average of \$55.75. See announcement on the fifth page of this paper.

Attention Farmers.

If you sell at the Minor Warehouse Wednesday and Thursday morning you will have time to attend the Granville County Fair. Second sale Wednesday and First sale Thursday.

A Sweet Farmer.

Mr. Tom Critcher, one of the best farmers in the county made 700 gallons of molasses this season. It would seem as if he will be able to get along without much sugar for a while at least.