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## CALENDAR FOR NOV. COURT— FEW CASES ARE IMPORTANT.

### Ninety Cases Set For the Two Week's Term.

Mr. D. C. Hunt, clerk of the Granville county Superior Court, working in conjunction with the calendar committee and the local bar, has evolved a new form for the printed court calendar. The form is original with Clerk Hunt, and it is drawn in such a business like manner as to enable the court officials and all concerned to proceed without asking so many questions and much delay. Other counties would do well to pattern after the wise and obliging clerk of the Granville County Superior Court.

### Court Convenes Next Monday.

Judge George Connor, of Wilson, who is noted for his learning and dispatch of business, will convene the two week's term next Monday. No time is idle in his court, and yet, he is always courteous and pleasant to everyone.

### Lengthy Docket.

There are 34 cases on the criminal docket to date; 39 on the civil issue docket and 15 on the motion docket. By reference to the docket one can see the date on which the case is expected to be heard, the name of the attorneys, etc., except the motion cases, which may be used to fill in the time and expedite business.

### Unusual Cases.

Only two cases promise to be of unusual interest, and it is barely possible that Judge Connor may clear the court room when these two cases come up. Most of the cases grew out of misunderstanding, infractions of the law and pure cussedness.

## THE BANKHEAD HIGHWAY CANNOT MISS OXFORD.

Being right in the way of the Bankhead Highway, the Public Ledger can't see for the life of us how it could miss Oxford.

The people of this section are fully awake to the importance of this great highway and the community may be depended upon to give it whatever of support may be required. The Public Ledger has believed since the first plans for this road were made public that it is destined to become one of the most important in the entire country. It is more than a probability that in the course of time it will be resolved into a military highway, that it will be constructed and maintained by the Government, giving the people of the State through which it passes all the benefits which a road of such construction and maintenance would imply.

## FIRST DRILL IS HELD BY THE HOME GUARD.

Capt. Will Landis Orders His Company to Drill Weekly

The first of the weekly drills by the newly organized Home Guard was held last Tuesday evening in the Armory.

The large attendance of the company was an indication that the men take an interest in the work.

Lieutenant Vernon Taylor, a veteran of the Mexican War, put the squad through the "set-up" drill.

## SUGAR AND GASOLINE SHORT IN OXFORD.

### Relief is Expected by the End of the Week.

It was a source of much anxiety in this section Wednesday when the automobile owners experienced a shortage of gasoline.

It is supposed that the shortage is due to the fact that the railroads cannot handle the commodity just at this time, but there is a possibility of the shortage in gasoline being broken within the next twenty-four hours or sooner. The relief is to come from Richmond as soon as a train can be rushed through.

There is also a scarcity of sugar. It is doubtful if there is as much as two thousand pounds in the hands of the local merchants. Some have none at all and those who are fortunate to have a few bags deal it out sparingly to their customers.

### Many Thanks, Gentlemen.

The Granville Commercial Club wishes to take this opportunity to express its thanks to the Blalock Mortor Co., Mr. C. D. Ray, Senator Titus Currin, and Mr. Harvey Bullock for so generously lending their automobiles to carry the committee of the club to Clarksville to meet the pathfinders of the Bankhead Highway. It is public-spirited service like that rendered by this company and these gentlemen that make a community worth living in.

### Miss Williams Sends Check

Miss Myrtle Williams, teacher at Edgewood school, writes Major Will Landis and encloses check for \$5.50 for the Soldier's and Sailor's Christmas Fund, a contribution from Edgewood school.

## THE BOARD WRESTLES WITH COUNTY AFFAIRS.

### New Roads, Old Roads and a Lot of Other Business.

The Board of County Commissioners held their monthly session last Monday, the following being present: Messrs E. C. Harris, chairman; Thomas G. Taylor, R. S. Hart, W. E. Cannady, J. Luther Daniel.

**Defense Work.**  
The Board made a donation of \$50.00 to the Granville County Branch of the National Defense.

**Petition For Road Extension**  
There was a petition presented asking for an extension of the public road commencing near Grove Hill church and running across Tar River below Lyon's mill and touching the Cannady's mill road near Sears. All parties concerned in said road will appear before the Board of County Commissioners on the first Monday in December, at which time the petition will be considered.

**The Home Guard Company**  
The Board appropriated \$100.00 to the Home Guard Company, better known as the Sixteenth Company of the North Carolina Reserve Militia.

**Settlement Ordered.**  
The chairman of the Board and the County attorney were designated as a committee to settle with the county treasurer.

**Declared a Public Road**  
The commissioners declared the following road to be a public thoroughfare: Beginning on the south side of the Experiment Station on the Providence road, crossing the lands of Oscar Yancey, T. G. Curran and the Experiment Station, intersecting the Enon road in front of Dick Jones' place. This right-of-way is donated to the county as will appear from petition on file. The road is to be opened by free labor.

**Sent to Training School.**  
The application for admittance to the Casewell Training School of Lillian E. Hicks and Jeter T. Brinkley was looked into and the Board ordered the Register of Deeds to sign the necessary papers and forward same.

**Indigent.**  
Mrs. Sallie Renn was admitted to the Home of the Aged and Infirm. Charles Preddy, colored was granted admittance to the Home of the Aged and Infirm.

## TOBACCO MARKET WILL CLOSE FOR THANKSGIVING.

### Will Skip Two Sales Days—29th and 30th.

The Oxford Tobacco Board of Trade has decided to close down for Thanksgiving. When the sale on Wednesday, November 28th has been completed the market will be closed until Monday, December 3d. The only two sale days on which the market will be closed is Thursday and Friday, November 29th and 30th.

## REV. S. K. PHILLIPS WRITES FROM GREENVILLE.

To my fellow-citizens and friends of Oxford and Granville County:  
I am not ashamed to confess that what I saw last Friday morning was through a mist of tears. I saw the little city I loved so much and the hills of Granville I know so well, shoved into the distance as my train moved away.

It came home to me with a sudden rush, that I was really leaving home—leaving a people among whom I had lived for nearly six years, a kind, loyal, loving people who had borne with my faults and helped me to grow my virtues.

I have said "good-bye," but never can my heart be weaned from my Granville friends, and I want them to know it. No words of mine can ever express my gratitude for all the confidence and love so freely bestowed upon me while Oxford was my home, and I take this occasion to express my deep appreciation of it.

May the spirit of brotherly love which I always found, continue to abide, and may Heaven's richest blessings be measured out to Granville and her people; and soon may we meet again.

Faithfully yours,  
S. K. PHILLIPS.

The buyers for the Anchor Store, Henderson, were successful in purchasing an unusual line of coats, suits and dresses. These are put on sale at special prices. See the announcement on the fourth page of this paper.

### Mr. Chamblee is Sick.

The many friends of Mr. M. P. Chamblee will regret to learn that he is quite sick. He was taken with a chill ten days ago, which was followed by the grip and serious complications. We are glad to state that his condition is somewhat improved this Friday morning.

## ORDERED TO REPORT FOR MILITARY DUTY.

### Eight Granville Men Will Be Sent to Camp Jackson Nov. 12.

The following named men are hereby called into the service of the Government. The posting of their names in the office of the Granville County Exemption Board on Tuesday, November 6, 1917, constitutes notices to each of the persons herein named, and they are ordered to report at three o'clock on the afternoon of Monday, November 12th, and transportation to Camp Jackson will be furnished:

Order No.  
Jimmie Parrott ..... 77  
George L. Tilley ..... 192  
Joshua Hobgood ..... 253  
G. Washington Clark ..... 260  
Nathaniel Turner ..... 264  
Luther M. Vaughan ..... 267  
N. Garland Daniel ..... 360  
Pender Nance ..... 354

### Judge Biggs Will Probably Speak.

Judge Crawford Biggs who is spending a couple of days in Oxford, the guest of his mother, will be invited to make a four minute's speech at the Orpheum Theatre this Friday night. Judge Biggs could not be seen at this writing, but it is thought that he will consent to speak.

## PATRIOTIC AND WORTHY CAUSE

### Granville County Soldier's and Sailors Fund.

[CARD FROM GEN. ROYSTER]  
Major William Landis, Oxford, N. C.

Dear Major:—I am enclosing herewith my check for \$5.00 as a contribution to the Christmas Fund for our Granville County Soldiers. I am hoping that a large number of our people will contribute at once to this fund. It is hardly necessary to argue that it is a most worthy cause, and if our boys are to receive the gifts by Christmas the purchases must be made by the middle of this month. Every citizen of the County should feel a personal interest in our soldier boys and they can manifest this interest by a prompt contribution to this fund. Would it not be well to appoint an active Committee to solicit contributions? Too many of our people are "last minute men."

Sincerely yours,  
B. S. ROYSTER.

### Contribution to Date

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. Easton	1.00
W. T. Blackwell	.50
Henry A. Hart	1.00
J. T. Gresham	1.00
H. B. Tilley	1.00
J. F. Parish	.50
W. T. Hight	.50
Ben Y. Hunt	.50
Gen. B. S. Royster	5.00
Mrs. Eliza Crews	1.00
Mrs. S. C. Hobgood	1.00
L. T. Williford	1.00
J. T. Britt	1.00
L. L. Sizemore (Clarksville)	1.00
Mr. Lee Clement	1.00
Mrs. Goodridge Wilson	1.00
Mrs. L. de la Croix	1.00
Frank Smith	1.00
Joe Pittman	.50
Mrs. Grissom Hicks	1.00
Leroy L. Crews	1.00
Browning School	10.00
John A. Williams	1.00
Mrs. Sam H. Jones	1.00
Charles S. Easton	1.00
S. V. Morton	1.50
Dr. I. H. Davis	5.00
D. G. Brummitt	5.00
E. H. Hicks	.50
Dr. G. S. Watkins	1.00
J. J. Paris	1.00
Mrs. Lucy Powell	.50
Ottis Jenkins	1.00
Miss Bettie Jordan	.50
Fletcher Dickerson	1.00
A. D. J.	1.00
Mrs. W. W. Cozart	1.00
Mrs. D. C. Averett	1.00
Mrs. W. S. Gooch	1.00
Mrs. Melvin Mays	1.00
Frank Shamburger Taylor	1.00
J. E. Howell	1.00
Prof. F. P. Hobgood	1.00
Edgewood School	5.50

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

### Specials For Saturday.

The Long Company has designated Saturday, November 10th as a special sale day in the latest creations of millinery. Prices of Vogue, Castle and pattern hats are quoted on the last page of this paper.

## RED CROSS TOBACCO

The farmers selling tobacco on the Oxford market were exceedingly generous with the Committee of ladies from the Red Cross Chapter on Tuesday and Wednesday. The total amount of donations in tobacco and cash for Tuesday was \$146.94 and for Wednesday \$183.12. The Red Cross Chapter appreciates all of these donations and thanks each person who contributed.

The tobacco buyers and warehouse-men have been very kind and considerate and have co-operated with the Committee in every possible way and their kindness is highly appreciated. The following is a list of those who made donations on Tuesday and Wednesday:

C. G. Mangum, E. M. Humphresy, Elvin Cottrell, J. S. Watkins, Dick Taylor, W. E. Yancey, C. R. Gordon, T. G. Taylor, Moses Overton, W. H. Nelson, J. B. Adcock, Jno. Greenwood, Roland & Sneed, Otho Daniel, Z. E. Franklin, Lony Freenman, L. P. Wortham, M. H. Frazier, B. Chandler, Willie Cooper, J. W. Phipps, Simon Parker, Daniel Hester, C. H. Gregory, C. R. Brandon, W. B. Bragg, W. B. Bragg, J. T. Mangum, A. W. Cannady, Mack Brummitt, Geo Lunsford, Estes Sykes, A. L. Overton, A. Greenwood, A. B. Currin, Cally Cash, E. D. Woodlief, J. T. Stem, E. P. Brokden, J. W. Cottrell, Tom Thorpe, J. A. Brinkley, Matt Nelson, Graham Belcher, A. H. Brooks, J. N. Watkins, John Bullock, L. T. Hays, J. R. Hobgood, H. B. Tilley, J. W. Russell, J. B. Pleasants, G. A. Pruitt, E. C. Clayton, Buck Marrow, O. L. Bowling, Gus Thornton, Luther Royster, U. J. Brooks, N. F. Hobgood, Ulma Elixson, P. N. Tunstall, W. M. Royster, Reuben Parrott, Acknowledgement is made by the Red Cross Chapter of a donation of \$2.00 from Mrs. A. M. Stovall. This donation is greatly appreciated.

## STOVALL ORGANIZES A RED CROSS BRANCH.

### Start Out in a Most Flourishing Condition.

A Committee from the Granville County Chapter of the American Red Cross accepted the invitation of citizens of Stovall and met with them in Dickerson Hall on Tuesday night, November 6th, for the purpose of organizing a Red Cross Branch. The committee from Oxford was composed of Mrs. John Webb, Mrs. L. de la Croix, Miss Mary Webb, Mrs. A. H. Powell, Mrs. G. B. Phillips, Mr. John R. Hall, Mr. G. B. Phillips, Mr. A. W. Graham, Jr., Mr. J. Robt. Wood, Mr. A. H. Powell.

On reaching Stovall the committee found that the main part of the work of organizing a Chapter had already been accomplished by Mr. C. L. Lewis, who had in one day secured seventy-five members, and eight more members were added during the meeting. The genuine interest of the people of Stovall in the Red Cross work was strikingly attested by the large number of people present at the meeting. The spirit of the Red Cross has really touched Stovall and there is every reason to expect splendid work by this Branch.

The following officers were elected:

Mr. Waller L. Taylor, Chairman; Mrs. White, Vice-Chairman; Mr. O'Brian, Treasurer; Mr. F. H. Gregory, Secretary.

The Stovall Branch leads all Branches and Auxiliaries organized by the Granville County Chapter, both in membership and enthusiasm.

### Directors Elect President

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Oxford Buggy Company, Mr. Z. W. Lyon was unanimously elected president and Mr. A. H. Powell was chosen director.

## STRAIGHT, OLD FASHIONED WARFARE WON THE DAY.

### On the Same Land Where Napoleon Made Himself Master of the World 120 Years Ago.

General Cadorna was clearly outwitted, out-thought, out-fought and out manuevred by his German foe. Having behind him a greatly superior force than that of the Germans and Austrians, the Italian commander has lost according to Berlin reports, 180,000 troops, 1,500 guns, all the Austrain territory which he had won in two years and 1,000 square miles of Italian territory besides.

It was upon this very field that Napoleon Bonaparte, then but 28 years of age, at the head of a French army made himself master of the world.

It was there that he smashed his Austrain enemy and sent him whirling back from Italian soil and won for himself the last gratitude of Italy.

Now 120 years later General Mackensen, the brainiest man in the German army, by using exact tactics employed by the young Eagle of Corsica, has struck the Italian army a terrific blow.

Smashing the left or northern wing of Cadorna's forces, Mackensen rolled it rapidly southward and westward, and did it so swiftly that the Italian commander had to flee with his whole force or else have its life-blood cut off with its lost communications to the rear.

And Mackensen did this in old-fashioned warfare, not by trench fighting. He rushed the Italian army off its feet, precisely as Napoleon in his immortal Italian campaign had rushed the obsolete Austrain commander off his feet, although the Austrain had a greatly superior force.

Germany learns in any school that has a good lesson to teach, and she learned this from a French Emperor. Mackensen took a great chance in making his drive with infantry even ahead of his big guns and was thus able to surprise the Italian leader, who didn't expect any such manoeuvre.

Military men in the United States and in England say that the day must come when the decisive blows will be struck beyond the trenches, when straight, old-fashioned warfare will be used and when the general with the biggest brain and who knows best how to plan battles upon a grand scale will surely crush the contending foe.

We are training our American armies for just such work and that work requires trained men and not raw recruits. But it required most of all the genius for great generalship backed by the daring skill of a commander who is not afraid to take long chances to win superb victory.

## SOLDIERS OF THE SEA

### The Marine Corps Is the Most Inviting Branch of the Service.

Serogant George A. Mursick, who is in charge of the Marine Corps recruiting office in Durham, was in Oxford Thursday in the interest of recruiting.

Sergeant Mursick is desirous of interesting the men of this part of the country in the advantages of enlisting in the Marine Corps. "A man is much better off in the volunteers, than to wait and be drafted. The Marine Corps is the oldest branch of the military service; its ranks are filled with some of the finest men in the country, and the opportunities for promotion to higher ranks are unsurpassed by any other branch of the service. The Marines do duty ashore and afloat, serving on all our large battle ships, at all our naval stations, and in all our foreign possessions. We want clean cut young Americans between the ages of 19 and 32 years. Any man who is eligible for service and wants to serve Uncle Sam in an efficient branch of the service, can do so by enlisting in the Marine Corps. Applications for enlistment can be made through the postmaster at Oxford or at the recruiting office in Durham. Postmaster Lassiter has some books on Life in the Marine Corps which he will gladly give to any man wishing information, and will also be glad to talk over the matter of enlistment.

"All men who apply for enlistment in the Marine Corps must be single and have no dependant relatives. The Marine Corps has filled its ranks mostly with volunteers which speaks well for the life in this branch of the service."

### The Oxford Tobacco Market

Though we have no advertisements this week for any of the tobacco warehouses, they are all four open, thoroughly equipped and ready to sell what-ever you have on hand at a price beyond comprehension, and remember Oxford wants to buy what you have to sell, and wants to sell what you have to buy.