

**BASEBALL ON TAP.**

**Local Fans Have Gone Into Organization; Games Scheduled.**

Baseball spirit is rapidly growing in Oxford. Last Friday night a number of fans assembled in the mayor's office and organized for the season of 1909, these officers being elected: Dr E T White—President. S H Smith—Vice-president. F M Pinnix—Secretary-treasurer. W A Devin—Manager. M C Taylor—Assistant Manager. During the succeeding days several hundred dollars were subscribed by local enthusiastic fans for the purpose of organizing and starting a team for the town. The uniforms and various paraphernalia is being looked after, and it the Oxford team does not make a good record this year there is going to be something doing in the way of breaking heads.

Manager Devin and his assistant are arranging a good schedule though the personnel of the team has not fully been decided upon as yet.

The following is the schedule so far: Saturday, the 19th, Chase City. Tuesday, the 22nd, Warrenton, Wednesday, the 23rd, Indians. Thursday, the 24, Wake Forest, Saturday, the 26th, Youngsville.

All of the above games, unless the Warrenton and Youngsville dates are changed, will be played here as indicated, while on the 29th the Oxfords will go to Roxboro and cross bats with the aggregation of that town.

The patrons of the national game who have contributed as much as \$5 will be given a season ticket, while the balance of mankind (and girl kind as well) will have to turn a quarter over to the gate-keeper, that distinguished head of the Wheeler-Powell university, Dr. Samuel M Wheeler.

The real sensation is the Indian games which will be pulled off in two performances on the afternoon and night of the 23rd. Heap big sport is promised when the redskins and pale-face teams cross bats in the afternoon; but at night, when the new stunt in baseball is pulled off, heap muchly more great big sport will be given the fans.

The afternoon game will be the usual affair, but the game that is called for 8 o'clock is a remarkable sort of performance. The ball to be used will be an inch larger in diameter than the regulation sphere and will be covered with phosphorus or something that will make it visible at night. The management that carries the Cherokees around will use its own enclosure, which is a canvass fence 1,200 feet long and 10 feet high. It also brings a portable grand stand that will seat 2,000 people. The Horner grounds within the enclosure will have scores of arc lights and numberless incandescents, and the whole thing will be spectacular. It is something entirely new in ball sport. The night price will be 35 cents.

**Fire Company Thanks,**

In behalf of the Edwards Hose and Ladder Co., I wish to thank Pinnix & Pinnix for their liberal donation of \$10 to help pay the Fire Company's expenses to Asheville.

With best regards,  
Wade H. Britt, Foreman.

I have a splendid pasture within mile and a half of town. Can also give service of Jersey Bull. Write me. H. D. Cox, Box 300, Oxford, N. C.

For Sale—Fifty barrels corn at \$5 per barrel at crib door. Mrs Rebecca Hobgood, Oxford Route 1.

Flour \$6.90 per bbl., pure lard 13c pound, compound lard 11c per pound, meal \$2.10 per sack at W. L. Peace's cash store, Hillsboro street.

Prof F P Hobgood has returned from a several week's trip to Philadelphia.

How do you like to ride on the Merry-Go-Round?

**Mrs. Cottrell Dead.**

Mrs Lucy A Cottrell, aged 86 years died almost suddenly at her home in Salem township June 12th. She was buried at Salem Monday p. m. June 14th. A suitable obituary will appear in this paper next week.

D N HUNT

**Notice Auto Drivers.**

Be it well known that the U. S. mail has the right of way over all the lines of travel in these United States. It is up to the auto drivers to clear the track for the mail and not for the mail man to take to the woods and gullies. Let mail men signal for a halt and in case of any damage report to proper authorities.

D N Hunt, President of Rural Letter Carriers Association, Oxford, N. C.

**Lewis--Huske.**

The following invitation has been received:

Mr. and Mrs. William Weldon Huske request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter  
Mary Weldon  
to

Mr Richard Henry Lewis, Jr.  
on the evening of Wednesday the thirtieth of June  
at half after eight o'clock  
at St. John's Church  
Fayetteville, North Carolina.

**Providence News Items.**

Mr. Perry, insurance agent, with his family have moved into their new cottage just completed.

Mr. Frank Hobgood is building a new residence at Providence.

Mr. Ed Howard is making a splendid superintendent of the Sabbath School at Providence. The school numbered 79 last Sabbath; pretty good for a small new church. Good congregations attend both Saturday and Sabbath for preaching. On last Sabbath the preacher discoursed on the tongue as a power for evil or good. There was so much to be said on this subject that some people might have thought that he let his own tongue run a little too long.

Wheat harvest is now on. The crop is reported as being pretty good. Farmers who were wise enough to sow wheat have pleasing anticipations of enjoying in the near future the pleasure of eating good biscuits made of home made flour, instead of bought flour at nearly \$8 per barrel.

Corn and tobacco crops are doing fairly well considering the frequent heavy rains.

**VISITOR.**

**People Come in Doves, You Cant Stop Them.**

The greatest rush for bargains ever witnessed in Oxford occurred this week at the great sale of the stock of The E. H. Crenshaw Co which is now in the hands of The Baltimore Clothing and Shoe Sydicate to be sold out to the last dollar's worth in 10 days. The streets had the appearance of a circus day with the crowds that turned out to attend this great bargain feast. It was rumored through town that goods were being given away and the rumor was not far from being true as men's suits all to match were sold as low as \$1.95 and shoes and dry goods were carried away in armsfull at far less than half their actual value. The sale commenced Wednesday morning at 9:30 a. m. and is to continue 10 days from that date but, if the people continue to carry away the stock as they have been this week, the entire stock will be gone before the time expires. B. C. & S. C.

**The A. and M. College.**

We call attention to the advertisement of the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts. The State greatly needs industrially trained men, and the college is rapidly helping to supply this need. Its graduates are busy and successful in many lines. Young men cannot do better than fit themselves for their vocations at the same time that they are being educated.

When in Oxford whether for a day or only for an hour, make your headquarters at Long, Blalock & Haskins.

**SEABOARD FOLKS IN TOWN.**

**Supt. First Division and Engineer Thomas in Oxford Tuesday.**

Mr. J. H. Witt, superintendent of the first division of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, and Mr. H. S. Thomas, engineer in charge of the survey between Henderson via Durham and Moncure, were in Oxford Tuesday.

Mr. Witt was here to look into the advisability of making a connection in Oxford between his road and the Southern Railway. For a number of years this very matter has been talked about, but this is the first actual step taken forward. A junction between the roads with a union depot somewhere, perhaps in the eastern part of Oxford, would be a great convenience, to say nothing of time and money saved to the citizens of the town.

Mr. Thomas has run the preliminary survey for the location of the main line of the Seaboard. He states that the survey of this preliminary line between Henderson and Durham runs two miles south of Dickerson and again crosses the Durham and Northern branch a thousand yards this side of Creedmoor.

This survey was the straightest route for the road. Two others, it is supposed will be run, and all three will be compared by the proper authorities. Mr. Thomas will shortly return and go carefully over the ground with Mr. A. A. Chapman, a local engineer of prominence who is thoroughly familiar with the country.

It is not yet definitely known where the road will be built, but it is sure wherever it is located, to be more convenient for the local public than at present.

**NOTICE.**

At the request of the ladies of the Village Improvement Society, the Board of Town Commissioners at its meeting on June 14, 1909, set apart Monday and Tuesday, June 21 and 22 as Cleaning Days for the town. It will be remembered that two days were set apart for this work during the early part of May, but due to the shortness of the notice given, very little work was done. It is the desire of the Commissioners and the Village Improvement Society that this work be thoroughly done now. The fact that a large number of visitors from other places will be here on St. John's Day should induce every one to put his premises in as clean and attractive condition as possible.

Every one is requested to collect all trash, garbage and refuse matter of every description on his premises and place it on the street in front of his residence or place of business. The town carts will take this stuff away, the expense of removal being borne by the town. If any of the trash should not be removed by Wednesday morning, notify the Chief of Police or the Mayor and they will see that it is taken away. DENNIS G. BRUMMITT, Mayor.

**Mr. J. Archie Ferguson Dead.**

Friends will regret to learn of the death of Mr J Archie Ferguson, of Reidsville, which occurred Saturday, June 12th, at the Fern Hill Sanatorium of Denver, Colorado. He was a christian young man twenty years of age, whose life had been as nearly without blemish as was possible. Up until January of this year he pursued his studies at Trinity College when he had to leave on account of his health. He leaves behind to mourn his early death three sisters and three brothers, Mrs W G Sackett, of Fort Collins, Colo; Mrs Leak Peace, of Oxford; Miss Ida Ferguson, of Albemarle; Messrs Robert and Leonard Ferguson, of Greensboro, and Hunter, of Reidsville.

A cord of our stove wood cut and delivered is just as cheap as buying long wood and having it cut and stored. Try it. C. D. Ray.

**CITY FATHERS MEET.**

**Usual Monthly Session Held on Monday Night.**

The city fathers, with Mayor Brummitt in the chair and aldermen R. L. Brown, S. H. Brown, H. G. Williams and W. H. Hunt present, held the regular monthly meeting in the commissioner's room last Monday night. The heavy rain that came up about meeting time looked at one time as if it would prevent a session but finally the dads much belated crept in one after the other until a quorum was found to be present. There were a number of citizens present, some as spectators, some with grievances, and others for various and sundry reasons. While there was no matter of absorbing interest to come up, the most of the business transacted was of importance.

Towards the latter part of the meeting, Mr. C. L. Wright presented a grievance against the dads on account of a drainage problem. The petitioner asked for some work to be done on his premises, alleging that the town in its street work for the past few years had caused his property to be waterlogged during rainy weather. Mr. Wright, armed with a pair of law books and loaded to the neck with a speech, raked the board fore and aft, and expounded several points of law to it. The board having tackled the problem before, tried to get a rebate on part of the argument and sidetrack the issue, but the petitioner stuck to the board like a bee to a tar barrel with the result that the problem was referred to a committee.

Commissioner Hunt, as chairman of the Finance committee, reported a settlement with the Graded School.

Street commissioner R. L. Brown reported the work done by the committee. The ditching of streets was begun on the street south of the Baptist church, and carried to Main, thence to Hillsboro, thence to the street leading by Hilliard School, thence to Smith Hill, to Asylum street, to Coliege, to the Methodist church, to McClennahan up to the Southern depot, to street leading to Broad, and on Broad. There was still more of the ditching and draining to do yet, and opportunity has not been had to tackle the sidewalk question, nor to do anything with the macadam.

The board ordered that the ditching be continued, the sidewalks to be fixed up, the proper attention be given to the macadam, and necessary crossings to be made.

Maj. A. A. Hicks asked permission to make a few remarks and told of the crude, primeval method of work that had been done on College street a number of years ago and called particular attention to the bad condition of certain parts of the street. Commissioner R. L. Brown was of opinion that spikes could be put on the wheels of the street roller so that the macadam could be picked up and put down and rolled again at small expense. The board ordered that the experiment be made and that Coliege street from J. F. White's to the graded school be done over.

Mr. Brown reported that ditching was begun along the warehouse on McClennahan through to the old Hotel Currin property and that sanitary conditions were already much improved.

It was stated that Mr Lassiter, chairman of the county board of commissioners, had said that the county was going to do permanent work on the road leading out of Hillsboro street, and made a proposition to the town to furnish enough crushed rock to widen the culvert on Hillsborostreet and macadamize the street leading therefrom, agreeing to have the work done without the town incurring any expense. The proposition was unanimously accepted.

Chief-of-police Roberts reported a total collection during the month of \$97.75—\$24 from fines and \$73.75 from rents, licence fees, etc.

Tax-collector Royster reported up [Continued on page four.]

**St. John's Day Committees.**

These are the committees appointed by Oxford Lodge, No. 396, A. F. & A. M. for special services on Saint John's Day at Oxford Thursday, June 24th, 1909:—

On Reception and Entertainment of Visitors—A A Hicks, B S Royster, T L Booth, S D Booth, W B Ballou, W Z Mitchell.

On Dinner for Grand Lodge Officers, Directors and Advisory Board of Oxford Orphanage—P H Montgomery, F P Hobgood, F M Pinnix, E A Ingold, Peter Bullock.

On Barbecue Dinner for Sale in the Grove—J Robt Wood, J J Medford, J E Adkerson F F Lyon, Wyatt E Cannady, J T Averett, J G Pendergraph, R V Wade, E M Dean.

**Oak Hill Times.**

Well, Mr Editor, we are sorry to state that on the 14th an awful hail, wind, and rain storm struck our place at Oak Hill and swept the deck and burnt the broom, as the old saying is. It lasted about 20 or 25 minutes and if it hadn't been for the heavy rains that fell with it, we believe the hail would have been at least 2 feet deep. It riddled the corn just as if a man had thrashed it to pieces with a thorn brush. What little tobacco that was planted around the place was so little that the hail didn't find it. The rain was the worst that we ever saw at our place. It washed the freshly ploughed lands all to pieces as it went and our crop is a poor looking thing just now.

We learn today that a spider bit Mr Cal Clement's wife three different times. They put liniment on the bites and she was so bad off that she couldn't rest at all. We are told that they tried the mad stone, which would not stick on account of the liniment being used first. Dr Royster who was sent for and stayed by her two hours said that she was in an awful condition.

Mr F O Bumpass, near here, has the finest crop of corn and tobacco that can be found in the whole country, and the best worked-up crop that we ever saw at this time of the year. He is a hustling old coon and makes everything hustle around him.

Some people went back on me about a piece I had in the paper some short time ago. Some of the good people said that the piece was all right and from the reports I learn that some few farmers in this neck are out of corn at this season, and what will the poor horses and mules that work hard do?

As I stated some time ago in the paper, we need more corn and less tobacco and I think that most of the farmers will agree with me along this line. Corn is awfully scarce in this section now and somebody has got to pay \$1 to \$1.10 for what they get or do without. Meat seems to be getting scarce the way people are buying it. If Oak Hill is so well off as some people think, I refer them to the tax list of the township. That will prove it all and show up the meat and corn and the money that was given in and who by. HAMMER.

**Card of Thanks**

The Editors of the Ledger desire to extend their heartfelt thanks to the members of the fire company and the other good citizens who immediately responded to the summons Wednesday night when the small fire was started in the office. That no damage was done was entirely due to the intelligence, good training, and coolness, of those who responded, and it was very remarkable that in the running about the shop there was not a thing disarranged, not a piece of type pied.

The editors are deeply grateful and the town is to be congratulated upon having such an efficient corps of firefighters. They also regret that their late arrival prevented their getting the names of the good friends.

**TWO FIRES.**

**Fire Company Brought Out Twice Within Week.**

About three o'clock Monday night Pete Wood, the driver of the fire wagon was awakened and told that there was a fire in town. Within three minutes, he had his grays champing at their bits and standing in front of the Johnson house on Coliege Street, where a fire was raging. In a small space of time the brave fire boys were there and the house saved, though the rooms up stairs were pretty well gutted, and much damage was done to the lower story. The house which is of wooden structure, belongs to Miss Helen Crenshaw, of Louisburg, and was occupied by Mrs. Nora Ghee who ran a boarding house there.

Wednesday night while one of the men were at work in the Ledger office a spark from the engine caused a small fire that, thanks to the cool and efficient work of the firemen and a number of citizens, caused no damage.

**The New Advertisements.**

Summer is here all right, but whoever thinks that business has been dull in Oxford this week is mightily mistaken.

The E H Crenshaw Company, who takes up the whole of the third page this week, has a tremendous sale on. The firm has been making things lively. Read the big ad.

Landis & Easton say on the fourth page that they will trim off 20 per cent on all cash purchases made on the 24th. Look it up and see.

Cohn & Son say that they are crowded for space, and to get it, they are going to make shirt waists and men's suits get out of the way. Page eight carries the particulars.

Long, Blalock & Haskins say that they did not have time to complete their ad, but they have a few lines scattered about. Find 'em.

The Granville Real Estate & Trust Company have new offers in the real estate line. See page 5.

John Brown has a new coffee that he talks about on the—page.

The National Bank of Granville says something new this week. It is on the second page.

The Savings Bank on the 5th page wants to get a little of your attention.

The Merry Go Round folks are in operation and on another page have a message for you. Look 'em up.

There are half a dozen smaller ads with some very interesting things to say. See if you can find them.

**Clean-Up-Day.**

All members of the Village Improvement Society who have wagons that they can lend to aid in the work of "Clean-up Day" will please notify the president of this society at earliest possible date. A whole day, a half-day, or even a few hours work will greatly aid in carrying off the trash. If the whole town will join in and help to make it a real thorough cleaning, it will do untold good to the city. Let us all pull together for beauty and cleanliness. N. P.

On account of removal to Parker & Hunt yards, we are selling the stock of coal at our yard at \$5.50 per ton for Virginia Splint and Pocahontas, and \$8 for Anthracite delivered cash. Better lay in your supply at these prices. C. D. Ray.

**Great Reduction**

In order to make room for their new fall goods, Long, Blalock & Haskins will, for the next thirty days, sell at greatly reduced prices their entire stock of Women's and Misses Oxfords. These goods are strictly first class in every respect and you should not buy before seeing them.

They also have a beautiful line of lawns, now marked down to 10 cents per yard. These are the very things for hot weather.

WANTED--To rent 4 or 5 room cottage in desirable and healthy location, convenient to work, with well or city water. Address X. Y. Z., Care Public Ledger.