

Oxford Ledger Sold Again

The undersigned has sold the Good Will and Subscription list of the Oxford Public Ledger to Mr. J. T. Britt, the editor and owner of the Oxford Banner.

When the undersigned purchased the Ledger he hoped to make Oxford his home and give his time and entire energy to the Ledger, with the hope of making it one of the best county papers in the State. Since we took charge we have more than doubled our advertising patronage, and have added more than 100 new subscribers to the list.

A week ago we had a business proposition made us at our former home, Burlington, that appealed to us and we made a proposition to Mr. Britt to either buy his paper and that we would have the entire field, or sell him the good will of the Ledger and let him have the entire newspaper field of the county.

Mr. Britt is an old newspaper man, and a good one. He originally started the Ledger, and made it what it is, and is the man to have it. He will give the people a good paper by reason of his having the entire field, and we wish him all kinds of success.

The people of Oxford have been very kind to us since we came to the city. They have given us every encouragement that we could ask, and we have had many to come to us and express their sincere regrets that we were not to be a citizen of

the town and county. We appreciate all of these things, and we hope that we can at some time, in some way, show our appreciation of the kind words that have been spoken and of the business encouragement we have received.

We have made some warm friends in this city and county, and shall always remember with pleasure our short stay here. We wish it were possible for us to come and make our home with these good people. We have a great faith in the future of Oxford and Granville county and believe that there would have been a future for us here.

Mr. Britt will fill out all unexpired subscriptions and carry out all foreign advertisements. All amounts due on local advertising is to be paid to O. F. Crowson. All subscriptions paid in advance will be filled out by Mr. Britt and all amounts due on subscriptions must be paid to Mr. Britt.

Now with good wishes to all, and sincerely thanking the business men and the citizens of Oxford and Granville county for every courtesy shown us, and with the hope that we may meet again sometime, we beg to be,

OGDEN F. CROWSON,
Editor and Owner.
A. M. GARWOOD,
Business Manager.

FREE AUTOMOBILE

No Need to Walk When You Can Ride. Everybody Needs an Automobile, They are Nice, Either for Pleasure or Business.

Hamilton Drug Company offers you one free, and by their special co-operation with us in this matter you get votes for subscriptions to this paper as well as for goods bought of the Hamilton Drug Co.

Proposition: For every \$1.00 spent at the Hamilton Drug Company's you get 100 votes. For every \$1.00 paid on the Oxford Ledger you will be given 100 votes on the automobile contest. These you can cast for yourself or your friend as represented by the numbers published in this paper. By some little effort on your part you can either get this handsome automobile or help your friend to get it. We are also giving to each of the fifteen next highest number of votes a 42 piece Dinner set of beautiful china ware. These are worth your attention and winning.

Now, some one is going to get this handsome machine. Get busy and get your friends to help you. Buy something from the Hamilton Drug Company, or take the Oxford Public Ledger and get the votes. See COUPON elsewhere and save them.

HAMILTON DRUG COMPANY,
THE OXFORD PUBLIC LEDGER.

Meat Packers Indicted.

The government has indicted the following members of the meat trust: J. Ogden Armour, President of Armour and Company; Louis F. Swift, President of Swift and Company; Edward F. Swift, Vice-President of Swift and Co.; Chas. H. Swift, Director of Swift and Co.; Edward Tilden, President of the National Packing Co.; Edward Morris, President of Morris and Co.; Arthur Meeker, Director of Armour and Co.; Frances A. Fowler, Director of Swift and Co.; Thomas J. Connors, Supt. of Armour and Co.; Louis H. Heyman, Manager of Morris and Co.

We imagine that the above magnates are suffering very little concern about this indictment as they have no fears of serious results.

Death of a Good Citizen.

Oxford has lost one of her oldest and most prominent citizens in the death of Mr. J. M. Currin, who died at his home in this city on last Monday, after an illness of some months. The funeral was conducted from the home on High street last Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and the interment was in the city cemetery. Rev. J. B. Weatherspoon, assisted by Revs. R. H. Marsh and J. A. Stradley conducted the funeral services. One of the largest concourses ever assembled gathered at the home to follow the remains to their last resting place and to show their great love and respect to the dead. The ceremony at the grave was conducted by the Masons of which he was a prominent member. The floral offerings were profuse and beautiful, entirely blanketed the grave.

Active pall-bearers were B. B. B. Wm. Landis, W. H. Hunt, Mitchell W. B. Ballou, R. L. Shaw, J. Reht, Wood, W. J. Long, A. A. Hicks, Dr. T. L. Booth. The honorary pall-bearers were: W. G. Pace, Z. W. Lyon, J. G. Hall, Dr. S. H. Cannady, A. W. Graham, R. W. Lassiter, John Webb, H. G. Cooper, J. A. Niles, W. W. Phelps, C. S. Easton, J. B. Powell, C. W. F. Ryan, and deacons of the church as follows: F. P. Hobgood, F. W. Hancock, B. F. Taylor, C. D. Ray, Sam W. Parker, W. H. Upchurch, J. F. Meadows, W. A. Devin, W. A. McFarland.

Mr. Currin leaves a widow, two sons, Eugene Currin of Durham and William Currin, of Oxford and three daughters, Mrs. W. C. Tyree, of High Point, Mrs. A. H. Powell, and Mrs. R. G. Lassiter, of Oxford. He was 65 years of age and a brave confederate soldier. He was a native of Granville county and had been identified with the best business interests of the city and county. Until his ill health he was a buyer for the American Tobacco Company, and was held in very high esteem and numbered as his personal friends the leading men in this big corporation.

He was a member of the Baptist church, and was a man who loved his church and supported its institutions. Truly a goodman has gone. A man who will be missed in the home, in the business affairs of the town and in his church.

Up for Selling Whiskey.

We see that Oxford is having her troubles with the Blind tigers as well as other towns. In fact they do say there are places where he can get the O'Be Joyful. Last week Albert Sides and N. B. Norton white and Taze Hargrove, colored were brought before Mayor Brummitt by Chief of police Willford, charged with selling booze. They were bound over to court and in default of bond were sent to jail.

Fire In The Ledger Office.

On last Tuesday night about 8 o'clock the alarm of fire was given and it was found that some paper in the business office of the Oxford Ledger was on fire. The young man who works in the office attempted to start a fire with gasoline, mistaking it for kerosene, with the usual result. No damage was done as there were several people on the street and rushed up and helped extinguish the flames. The fire company was on hand before the gasoline finished spluttering but their services were not needed.

This came very near being a case of the old cook. Fare you well, little cookie. Your dear face I'll ne'r see any more, You've gone up to heaven, (I hope) For pouring oil in the cook stove door.

Mr. Crawford Overton and Miss Sarah Bowden, of Providence were united in marriage at the home of Rev. Mr. Tyre in this city last Thursday.

Durham Sun in Hands of Receiver

The Durham Evening Sun, which has been having a Monkey and Parrot time has been placed in the hands of receivers.

The following is the notice by the receivers: TO THE PUBLIC. The undersigned, having been appointed by the court as receiver of the Durham Sun Publishing Company, desires to announce that the publication of the daily paper, "The Durham Sun," heretofore published by said company, will be continued and that all contracts with advertisers, subscribers and patrons will be carried out and fulfilled, and the business of said company will in all respects be conducted and carried on to the best interest of all concerned, as directed and authorized by the court. The continued support and co-operation of the patrons and friends of the paper are earnestly desired and solicited. This the 18th day of December, 1911.

W. J. GRISWOLD,
Receiver of Durham Sun Publishing Company.

Ten Killed in Wreck.

Odessa, Minn.—Ten are dead and nearly a score are more or less seriously injured as the result of a silk train on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul road, which was running as section No. 2 of the "Columbian flyer" crashing into the rear sleeper of the flyer at the station here early today. The engine of the silk special ploughed for five feet into the sleeper, but the greatest loss of life was in the front end of the sleeper which was telescoped by the dining car just ahead.

Although both the diner and sleeper were of steel, the former sheared the upper portion of the sleeper from the door as if it had been cardboard. In some manner the diner's floor became elevated slightly above that of the sleeper at the impact and with the force of section 2's engine behind, the sleeper was jammed along for fully 25 feet while the diner, as a gigantic knife cut away the upper structure and did its work of destruction.

Responsibility for the wreck is said to rest between the operator at Orionville Junction, who it is asserted should not have permitted the silk train to enter the block in which there was a train; the operator here, who it is said, failed to lift the stop signal for the flyer, and the flagman of the flyer, who it is claimed failed to protect the rear of his train immediately following its stopping at the block. All of the occupants of the sleeper but two escaped without injury. Immediately after the crash the uninjured hastened the work of rescue and many feats of heroism were performed.

Passenger Rate Case.

The long-fought North Carolina railroad passenger rate case came to an end in the United States Circuit court yesterday when Judge J. C. Pritchard of the Western District of North Carolina, entered three orders dismissing the suits the State of North Carolina had instituted against the Southern, the Atlantic Coast Line and the Seaboard Air Line railroads in 1907.

The decree held that as the law had not been enforced and had subsequently been repealed by the General Assembly of North Carolina, the railroad companies are not liable for the coupons which had been given as a rebate for one and one-half cents per mile on tickets purchased at the three and one-half cents per mile rate. The orders will be sent to Wilmington, Raleigh and Asheville to be entered on record.

Competitive Contest.

The second competitive contest in declamation by the speakers of Henderson school took place in the chapel of the barracks Friday evening. Company A was represented by Cadet Josephus Daniels, Jr., of Raleigh, and Cadet Anderson, of Florida Company B was represented by Cadet Cotttingham, of Maxton and Cadet Richard Lanier, of Warrenton who won the points for his company by rendering in very dramatic style "The Polish Boy."

Married in Oxford.

On last Monday Mr. S. C. Humphries of Person county was united in marriage to Mrs. Ella Gooch of this county. Rev. J. A. Stradley officiating. The best wishes of the Ledger go with these people.

Fish Convention.

A Fish Convention was held last week at New Bern, and as a result it is hoped to have men as delegates representing the commercial fisheries of the sea-coast and tidewater North Carolina, and that the convention will result in harmonizing the various individual interests along the coast so that the good of the State as a whole will be served rather than some particular section at the expense of other sections of the State. Hon. W. A. Graham of this city, was chosen chairman of the convention.

One car Thornhill wagons (35 wagons in car) received by Horner Bros. Co., this week.

SKATED OVER DYNAMITE.

People Who Unknowingly Lived for Weeks Over Enough Nitroglycerine to Have Blown Them All Into Eternity. Testify at Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Ind.—People who for weeks unknowingly lived near enough dynamite to blow up the neighborhood and whose children skated over the floors of a house in which nitroglycerine had been spilled, testified in the Government's investigation of the dynamite conspiracy before the Federal grand jury today.

Witnesses from Muncie, Ind., were questioned concerning what they knew of the renting of a house in Muncie to Ortie McManigal in December 1909. After paying rent for several months in advance McManigal stored it with boxes and saw dust in which he packed nitroglycerine. The fact that the rent had been paid and the house always in darkness, and was visited periodically by a stranger, created an element of mystery, which still was unsolved; when, after the place, again deserted, was thrown open and school children skated over the floors upon which appeared grease spots later it was found that spots were caused by nitroglycerine and experts were called to destroy their explosive power. Among the witnesses from Muncie were Mrs. Elizabeth Hiner, Isaac Grant and a manufacturer who sold boxes to McManigal.

Close on the Trail of Co-conspirator The evidence was traced by the investigators not only to confirm McManigal's confession, which implicates John J. and James B. McNamara, but also to bring out, who, if any, assisted them.

Other expressions of horror at discovery that they had been living near explosives came from members of the family of D. Jones, a farmer near Indianapolis. For a long time prior to his arrest on April 22, 1911 J. J. McNamara, secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, on pretext that he was storing old records, kept in Jones' barn a piano box filled with dynamite, from which McNamara replenished his supply when going on dynamiting expeditions. The piano box still had 25 pounds of dynamite in it when Jones digging on his farm, was apprised of the fact by detectives who visited the place the day John J. McNamara was arrested.

Killing Birds Some.

Our friend Lonnie Smith, proprietor of the Exchange hotel, went out hunting the other day and came back with a glad smile. He had 45 shots and killed two birds. One of the birds flew against a tree and killed itself and the other was frightened to death by friend Smith's heavy artillery. Brother Smith claims the record as a successful shot.

Mrs. J. W. Rainey died at Dabney on last Tuesday and was buried on Wednesday in the city cemetery. She leaves a husband and three children.

Mrs. L. S. Skinner and little daughter, Elizabeth, of Greenville, N. C. are visiting her mother, Mrs. J. B. Minor.

Mrs. Lee Davidson, of Washington, D. C. is visiting relatives in the city.

Miss Margaret Horsefield of the Salem Female College is spending the holidays at the rectory.

Mr. Otho Hester, of Henderson Route 5, killed three hogs. One weighed 238, one 257, and the big one weighed 536.

Sheriff Hobgood of Vance county, was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. Harris, the tobacco warehouseman is very ill with appendicitis. His many friends hope for his early recovery.

Quite a number of bird hunters from other states are in this county killing birds. The birds seem to be plentiful and the sport fine. We had the pleasure of visiting the Oxford Orphanage last Tuesday and we felt very proud of this great institution. We have been a Mason a long time, and have always been proud of this fact, but as we saw the great work that is being done, we felt prouder than at any time that we were a Mason.

Mrs. Wallace Phelps and daughter left Monday for Henderson where they will visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Judge Horace Foushee were in the city last week looking at some of our handsome residences to get some suggestion as to the design of their new home to be erected soon at Durham.

The Big Tarheel Textile Suits.

Greensboro, N. C.—The scope of litigation involving the American Warehouse Company and its subsidiary companies shifted from the State to the Federal Courts today when application was made by certain creditors for an order of adjudication in bankruptcy and the appointment of a Federal receiver. Judge Boyd allowed the defendant company until December 27 to appear before him and show cause why bankruptcy papers should not be signed and asked that J. L. Clement the receiver appointed by the State Court appear before him tomorrow and make a statement of the affairs. It is understood Mr. Clement will be the receiver of the Federal Court.

FOUND DEAD IN HOUSE.

Mr. Samuel Walters Dies Alone—No Signs of Foul Play Found. Samuel Walters, a farmer living near Hurdles-Mills in Orange county, was found dead at his homestead he lived alone Sunday morning. He was found by a colored man who happened to be passing. He is thought to have been dead for several days.

There was no evidence of violence and all the circumstances pointed to a natural death. A coroner's jury investigated the case Sunday afternoon, and their verdict was that the deceased came to his death from natural causes.

Meeting of Farmers' Union.

The members of the Farmers' Union met in the court house in this city last Monday. A large crowd was present and much business of importance was transacted. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, B. F. Dean, Vice President, C. H. Cheatham. Sec-Treas. C. A. Daniel. Chaplain, C. G. Mangum, Doorkeeper, T. S. Averette, D. H. Currin, Assistant doorkeeper, Executive Committee, R. L. Brunette, J. W. Dean, M. W. Clement. Legislative, Educational and Agricultural Committee, C. M. Knott, N. G. Crews, and T. G. Currin.

The farmers through their organization can do a great deal of good, and should take an interest in these organizations. By meeting and exchanging experiences, by co-operating and working together they are a hundred things that they can do to benefit themselves.

Honor Roll.

The following is the Honor Roll for the second month of the Public School of District No. 6, Walnut Grove Township. First Grade.—Clifton Owen, Beas Belcher, Aler Belcher. Second Grade.—Ray Hobgood. Fourth Grade.—Rosa Pruitt, Annie Owen, Elca Knott. Fifth Grade.—Bailey Owen, Roy Hobgood. Sixth Grade.—Eva Hobgood, Lois Hester, George Pruitt, Sam Knott. Miss Alma Ragland, Teacher.

May Shoot the Shoot.

Mayor Brummitt announced that the boys may turn things loose on Saturday evening from 6 o'clock to midnight, and again on Christmas day from 5 p. m. to midnight. No crackers larger than 12 inches will be allowed, if it can be helped.

Mangum-Longmire.

On last Sunday morning Rev. J. A. Stradley officiated at the marriage of Mr. W. J. Mangum, of Vance county to Miss Hettie Longmire.

The Trinity Glee Club.

The Trinity Glee Club under the auspices of the ladies of the church were wellrepaid. The entertainment in the Opera House last Friday night. Notwithstanding the bad weather, a good crowd was out to hear them, and all who were present were well repaid. The entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed, and was one of the best ever given in this city.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the good people of Shady Grove community for the kindness they showed towards us during the sickness and death of our dear brother, and our prayers are, that the Lord may keep and bless them all through life. Mrs. Ben T. Fuller and children.

BRANCH OF TOBACCO TRUST SPREADING OUT TENTACLES

United Cigar Stores Company Announces Intention of Opening a Number of New Stores at Once.

New York.—The United Cigar Stores Company today announced plans for opening a number of new stores throughout the country. It was declared that contracts and leases for the new places were closed prior to the decision of the Supreme Court in the American Tobacco Company case and that the opening of them was held up pending the divorce of the Cigar Stores Company from the American Tobacco combination in pursuance of the Supreme Court decree. The separation which the court ordered will be effected tomorrow according to the announcement at the United Cigar Stores headquarters when the American Tobacco Company will distribute its holdings in the Cigar Stores corporation to the thousand individual common stockholders. The Cigar Stores Company points out that the cigar store business expect to remove it from the control of the American Tobacco, "and in the language of the Attorney General the United Cigar Stores Company will now be left alone to work out its own destiny in its own way."

CHOOSE THE EASIER WAY.

A press dispatch tells of a theatrical troupe that disbanded in an eastern town of this state last week. The show busted and the manager ran away with the little cash that was in the treasury. The railroads took the paraphernalia for the freight on the goods, and the members of the troupe were thrown upon their own resources. The dispatch states that the men secured positions in the city. Some of them working as day laborers, others chopping wood for a living. The women of the company chose the "easier way," by leading lives of shame, selling their virtue for a living.

This is a sad story. The men acted honorably and secured work rather than beg or beat their way in the world. The women acted cowardly and their end is already written in the past history of all such women.

Meeting of Corn Club.

The members of the Boys' Corn Club held their meeting in the Court House in Oxford on Saturday, when the following prizes were awarded:

Hugh Whitfield—The Taylor-Cannady buggy. John Roberts—Spit of clothes given by Landis and Easton. Herman Currin—Set of harness given by Horner Bros. Co. Chas. Thaxton—Plow given by Chas. Landis. Otho Hobgood—Harrow given by the Acme Hardware Company. Alex Veazey—Pair shoes given by I. W. Bullock and Company. The highest yield was 92 1-2 bushels, the lowest 50 1-2. The average was 59 and a fraction.

Christmas at Stovall.

The Sunbeams of Stovall, cordially invite the public, and especially the parents and friends of the children to take part in a Christmas tree and to enjoy the little exercise which will be rendered on the night of the 27th, of Dec., 1911 in the Dickerson Hall. Beginning at 8.15 o'clock.

We hope the young men will assist in beautifying the tree as you know the young ladies are always looking out for surprises.

WILL EFFECT SMALLER MARKE

One effect the dissolution of the American Tobacco Company may be the death of smaller tobacco markets. On account of the different branches of the company, and the different branches at each market necessity of having buyers for the buyers will be taken from the small

Mr. E. N. Morris, of Norfolk, Va., is visiting his sister, Mrs. M. L. Mason in this city.