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OXFORD'S BOND ISSUE AND THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

To Be Utilized For Various Purposes Throughout the Entire Year.

Naturally as discussion arises regarding the election that is to be held soon for the issuing of bonds to build a high school for Oxford, people will want to know the actual conditions. Very briefly stated the following conditions make such a step necessary and wise:

For two years the work of the high school has been carried on in a building that is not suited for normal times. At the time this property was purchased it was impossible to do better on account of war conditions. Since war is a thing of the past and education is very vitally a thing of the present and future attention should be turned to educational equipment.

The present building ought not to be used longer than this term. Certainly plans must be made so that no more teaching is to be done in it during winter weather. From the standpoint of the health and comfort of the pupils and teachers this is necessary. Local pride in the town should also serve to carry this building to an early completion.

Thus far there has not been an argument against erecting a modern high school. Since a bond issue is the only way that this can be done every man interested in the schools and the community should work and vote for this measure gladly.

A few suggestions as to what should be included in this building should not be out of place. A consideration of the needs and the plans to meet the needs is sufficient reason to expect the support of every citizen.

There must be at least eight regular class rooms provided, besides the extra rooms in the basement for special work in the sciences. The basement should also include a swimming pool and shower baths for the boys and girls. There must be a well equipped gymnasium for the various indoor games and for regular physical training classes during the school day. These may be used at other times by the citizens of the town under certain regulations. There must be a special room for the work of the literary societies as that is an important feature of the present day school. There must be a large library and reading room combined. The work of these two last named features will be supplemented very materially by the departments of the Woman's Club.

These are few of the suggestions that may be of service to those who are working for this building.

G. B. PHILLIPS.

CERTAIN SOLDIERS WILL RECEIVE BONUS OF \$60.00

Local, District and Legal Advisory Boards Notified.

General B. S. Royster, Selective Service Bureau, Adjutant General's office, Raleigh, has forwarded to all local districts and legal advisory boards in the state the following ruling:

"Section 1406 of the Revenue Act approved February 24, 1919, authorizes the payment of a bonus of \$60. to officers, soldiers, field clerks and nurses of the army upon honorable separation from active service by discharge, resignation or otherwise. This bonus is not payable to the heirs or representatives of any deceased soldier.

"Those who are discharged here after will receive this bonus on the same roll or voucher which they are paid their final pay without the \$60 bonus, should write a letter to the Zone Finance Officer, Lemon Building, Washington, D. C., stating their service since April 6, 1917, the date of last discharge and their present address to which they desire their bonus checks to be sent and enclosing with this letter their discharge certificate or military order for discharge and both, if both were issued.

"Upon receipt by the Zone Finance Officer, Washington, D. C., of this information and the soldier's discharge certificate, this officer will cause the checks to be drawn and mailed to the claimants in the order in which their claims were received by him. The discharge certificate will be returned to the soldier with the check."

INFLUENZA WIPES OUT SPIT-BORNE DISEASES OF CHILDREN

The following diseases were reported in Granville county during February:

- Diphtheria—Five cases.
 - Chicken Pox—Three cases.
 - Minigitis—One case.
- SAM'L H. CANNADY, M. D.,
Asst. Col. Epidemiologist.

FARMERS' AND WOMAN'S INSTITUTES IN GRANVILLE

To Be Held At Wilton and Enon Next Week.

Farmer's and Women's Institutes will be held at Wilton on Wednesday, March 12th and Enon on Thursday, March 13th, opening at 1 o'clock p. m. sharp. Representatives of the State Department of Agriculture, the experiment station, extension service and others will be there to talk on subjects of interest to the farmer and his family—soil fertility, food and feed crops, live stock, pastures, marketing, etc. The Women's institutes will be conducted by representatives of the Home Demonstration work. The women of the county are invited to come and join in the discussions. Food and clothing, the all-year-round garden for good health and economical living, how we may save food so as to help feed a hungry world, and other things pertaining to good housekeeping will be discussed.

Miss Laura Wingfield, district agent for western North Carolina will lecture on some of these subjects. Miss Wingfield is a college graduate in Home Economics and has had wide experience in work of this character. She can tell the housekeeper some interesting things that will be helpful to her in her home work. The housekeepers of Oxford are urged to attend.

Bring note book and pencil, and be prepared to take part in the round table discussion.

The institute is under the management of Mr. T. B. Parker, Director of Institutes.

MISS MCKENNA FOLLOWED THE "WILDCAT" DIVISION

Some of Our Boys Will Remember the Plucky Little Lady.

Traveling ahead of the army in a little Ford, setting up the canteen in a tent pitched anew every few days, Miss Vera A. McKenna, of New York, a recently returned Y. M. C. A. secretary, accompanied the famous "wildcat" division from September until the cessation of hostilities.

Miss McKenna sailed one year ago and was stationed at Tours as secretary to the divisional secretary there for eight months. When she was not doing stenographic work she served behind the counters in the Y. M. C. A. huts and helped start the officers' club in an old house in the delightful Beranger Gardens.

"In September," said Miss McKenna, "I was in a traveling canteen unit attached to the famous 81st, the 'wildcat' division," from Camp Jackson, S. C. There were, besides myself, three women, two American and one British, and we were separated in pairs. First, I was in the Vosges sector, at St. Die, and then we moved along with the army to a new place every few days. In each town we pitched the little brown tent, set up our counter and screened off the stoves with blankets. Then we were ready for the boys—American and French—as they came from the trenches. Our canteen was always crowded with men, eager for hot chocolate and sandwiches, for a hearty American greeting and leisure to rest and make themselves thoroughly at home.

"Some times we went out to regiments in the trenches, carrying supplies to the fighting men, and often we went to the camp hospitals, where there were no women nurses. There were wounded men and 'flu' and pneumonia patients, and all of them were quick to tell us how good it seemed to see us. In Tours we were allowed to make quantities of dressings and bandages.

"When news of the armistice came I was with the 81st at St. Mihiel. It was a wonderful, bright cold day, and the air rang with shouts and cheering. Our adopted division was moved on, preparatory to going North into Germany, and the women were sent to Paris.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

There Will Be a New Registration in Oxford Graded School District.

The formal legal notice signed by J. Ennis Davis, chairman of the Granville County Board of Commissioners will be found elsewhere in this paper.

An election will be held in Oxford graded school district on April 8, to determine whether or not the bonds of the said district shall be issued in an amount not exceeding \$50,000 for the purpose of erecting a high school building, the said election to be held under the authority of an act of the General Assembly, entitled: "An Act to permit Oxford Graded School District to vote bonds." Notice is also given that a new registration of all voters in the school district has been ordered.

WILSON DENOUNCES THE GROUP OF MEN WHO BLOCK SENATE

Says They Have Deliberately Chosen To Embarrass Government and Imperil Finances.

(Washington Special.)
Congress adjourned at noon Tuesday in the midst of a Republican filibuster in the Senate that killed a long list of important measures. Among the bills that failed was one appropriating \$750,000,000 for the Railroad Administration, without which some administration officials say the railroads cannot be operated longer than the middle of April.

President Issues Statement.
Upon adjournment of Congress, with important legislation killed by a Republican filibuster, President Wilson issued a statement declaring that "a group of men in the Senate have deliberately chosen to embarrass the administration of the government and to imperil the financial interests of the railway systems of the country."

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"It is plainly my duty to attend the peace conference in Paris. It is also my duty to be in close contact with the public business during a session of Congress. I must make my choice between these two duties, and I confidently hope that the people of the country will think that I am making the right choice. It is not in the interest of the right conduct of public affairs that I should call the Congress in extra session while it is important form to be away from the country.

"I take it for granted that the men who obstructed and prevented the passage of necessary legislation have taken all of this into consideration, and are willing to assume the responsibility of the impaired efficiency of the government and the embarrassed finance of the country during the time of my enforced absence."

Recess Appointments.

Inability to secure an executive session of the Senate because of the Republican filibuster caused failure of scores of nominations including those of A. Mitchell Palmer to be attorney-general Norman Hapgood to be American Minister to Denmark, Brigadier General Robert Noble to be Major General of the army medical corps, and scores of nominations for postmasters and other similar positions. Recess appointments will be made.

Signs Wheat Bill.

Before leaving Washington, President signed the wheat guarantee bill carrying an appropriation of \$1,000,000,000 to maintain the guaranteed price of \$2.20 a bushel.

TWO DIFFERENT DIVISIONS.

The Old Granville Grays Company Is In the Old Hickory Division.

We had thought all of the boys in the Thirtieth Division were "Wild Cats," but Sergt. C. C. Staley, a member of Company E, 120th infantry, A. E. F., writing to the editor of the Public Ledger February 17th, says:

Editor Public Ledger:
Have been reading the Oxford Public Ledger since arriving in France, and am very glad to be allowed the privilege of doing so; however, I am not a citizen of Granville county, but as I once lived in Oxford, I am interested in the paper of that progressive town, and feel with feelings of such, that I am privileged of taking the liberty of calling your attention to an error which seems small to the public but large to us, and I write in behalf of the company and solid for the boys of Oxford and Granville county to correct this error.

However, we feel proud to know that the "Wild Cat" division consists of friends from the said town and county and they have been receiving the credit that we have won. Our division is the "Old Hickory" and the Granville Grays is a unit of the "Old Hickory."

I wish to say that I am a member of the Granville Grays, and am very glad to have been with a unit which has never let their name fall.

With best wishes and luck for a progressive future,

I remain, very truly,
C. C. STALEY,
Company E, 120th Infantry.

—An ounce of assistance is worth a pound of advice.

AN UP-TO-DATE APARTMENT HOUSE FOR OXFORD

The Public Ledger Will Have An Aristocratic Neighbor.

We have been accustomed to look out of the side window of the Public Ledger office and get a view of the early morning sun, but when the plans of Mr. Ben K. Lassiter mature we will not be able to see the morning sun from our window until it climbs high in the eastern sky.

Just below the Public Ledger office, on the corner of Littlejohn and Gilliam streets, immediately in front of the Presbyterian church, Mr. Ben K. Lassiter will erect at an early date a modern apartment house.

This building will be of brick and fire-proof throughout and will be sufficiently large to solve to some extent the house shortage that now prevails in Oxford.

The frame dwelling that stands on the corner is now occupied by Mr. Gus Hall's family. It will be sold or moved to a vacant lot in Oxford.

Well informed men express the opinion that Mr. Lassiter's scheme will pay substantial dividends on the investment, and it is generally hoped here that he will break ground at an early date.

CLOCKS TO BE ADVANCED LAST SUNDAY IN MARCH

Washington, March 5.—Failure of Congress before final adjournment to take any action on pending bills providing for repeal of the daylight saving act made certain that the nation's clocks again would be advanced an hour during the period between the last Sunday in March and the last Sunday in October.

Opposition of farming interests to the daylight saving act on the ground that it was of no benefit to the people of rural communities led to the introduction of several bills providing for its repeal, but all of them failed.

INDICATIONS POINT TO A BIG TOBACCO CROP

Farmers of Belt Getting Ready to Plant Increased Acreage in Weed.

While some tobacco is still coming in, practically the entire crop has been marketed and there are but few farmers who have not already taken their last load to town. The prices, while not quite so good as during the top stage of the season, are considered as highly satisfactory, the quality of the weed being taken in to consideration.

The season as a whole has been a good one, and the prices paid in Oxford is ahead of the prices paid anywhere in the old belt. The interest taken in the local market the past season was most gratifying, both from the standpoint of buyer and seller. More tobacco was sold here and there was more competition on the market.

This year gives promise of producing a much larger crop than last year, with favorable seasons. Nearly every farmer who grows tobacco saved seed. And it is understood that the farmers are preparing to set out a large acreage of the weed. Already the plantbeds have been seeded and within a short space the young plants will be growing, beneath the protection of straw and the canvas covering. Meantime, as soon as the soil can be worked the preparation of the ground will be commenced, that everything may be in readiness for the planting season.

With an increased acreage, increased attention will be directed to the efforts to induce the farmers to market their crop in Oxford, when the season opens next fall.

The exact sales on the Oxford market for the present tobacco year will not be known until next Friday when the market closes for the season, but it will be somewhere in the neighborhood of twelve million pounds. For this the buyers here will have paid nearly five million dollars. A goodly portion of this was spent in Oxford or deposited in the banks by those doing business with local institutions. Many farmers came here from a distance of 20 to 30 miles and after making a sale usually patronized the merchants.

WON'T TURN ROAD BACK UNTO OWNERS

Despite Failure of Appropriation in Congress, Government Will Hold.

Washington, March 6.—The government has no immediate intention of relinquishing control of railroads as the result of failure of Congress to appropriate funds for railroad legislation, Director-General Hines said.

STEM GUM ITEMS.

—Mr. W. H. Hall, of Route 1, has purchased a hundred acre tract from Mr. W. W. Adcock, of Route 1.

—Mr. F. Meadows, of Culbreth, has purchased from Samuel H. Jones the Duncan Farabow place near here, and expects to move in this fall.

—J. H. Daniel has bought an up to date weath thrasher and a stand for his engine and will be prepared to render the very best service to the farmers of this section.

—M. S. Mayes returned last Friday from Dayton, Ohio, where he has been taking a special course in the Delco Light factory of that place.

—Messrs. Preston T. and W. R. Farabow, of Carthage, spent the week end in this community looking after property interests. Both of these gentlemen were formerly residents of this community and always receive a hearty welcome in our midst. Mr. P. T. Farabow is now county demonstrator of Moore county.

—There will be a union meeting at Tally Ho the fifth Saturday in March, with two services and dinner on the grounds. On the next day, Sunday, there will be a Sunday school rally, one service, no dinner. An interesting program will be arranged. It has now been a number of years since a union meeting was held with this church.

—Mr. Herman Overby, of Oxford Route 6, happened to a very painful accident last Thursday while attending a cutting of Mr. C. H. Washington. He had just cut off a log of a tree and was standing by watching two others who were cutting down a tree some distance above him. When this tree fell the long limb struck the ground, first causing it to whirl around, pinning Mr. Overby's leg between the two logs. His right leg was badly bruised and very narrowly escaped being broken.

—J. B. Mayes received a few days ago from his son Captain John B. Mayes, Jr., a large map of the river Rhine showing all the places of interest for a distance of more than two hundred miles. Captain Mayes is now with the army of occupation and is billeted in a German home, being the only American in this home. It will be remembered that Capt. Mayes highly distinguished himself for bravery in being one of twelve to capture 242 Germans out of the strongest point in the Hindenburg line and was awarded signal honor by the government.

—The many friends of Miss Graec Tackett, who has visited in this community for the past four years, will be interested to know that she was united in marriage to Mr. James Finch Tuesday last in her home in Chase City, Rev. Taylor, a Methodist minister, performing the ceremony. Immediately following, they left by rail for a bridal tour to Key West, Fla., and other southern points. Returning Mr. and Mrs. Finch will make their home in Wilmington. The groom is a railroad engineer and has a run from Wilmington to Rocky Mount. The bride is the sister of Mrs. E. A. Ingold, of our town, and is a beautiful and accomplished young lady and has a number of friends in this vicinity.

RED CROSS NURSE HERE.

Will Give Instruction In Home Hygiene.

The Granville County Chapter of the Red Cross has been officially notified of the arrival of Mrs. Gordon Wheeler, the nurse, who will give a course of instruction in "Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick."

Mrs. Wheeler is strongly indorsed by the Atlanta Chapter, as she has instructed there for the past two years.

The text books have already been received, and the class will begin work Thursday the 13th, in the Woman's Club room, the hours to be announced later.

WILL COME HOME AFTER LOADING 4,000 CARS

Much Work Ahead for Motor Maces Before They Can Embark for States, Letter Says.

After the Third and Fourth regiments, motor mechanics, now stationed at Romaraine, France, have loaded 4,000 railroad cars they will embark for home, according to a letter received by the Public Ledger from a colored boy named Walter Wheelous. The letter stated that about 45 cars can be loaded a day so that about 86 or 87 days will be required for them to finish up this work and embark for the States. Many young men of this section of the Carolinas are members of these two regiments which were at Camp Greene last spring and summer.

PRESIDENT WILSON IN TOUCH WITH LAND ALL THE WAY ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

The George Washington In Good Condition for Trip.

The naval transport George Washington, on which President Wilson and his party sailed for France early Wednesday morning, has been overhauled and repainted outside and inside since her arrival in New York a week ago. That the President may be in touch with the shore during the entire voyage independently of the escorting warships, the transport has been equipped with a new high powered wireless apparatus with a radius of 1,100 miles. She will be in communication with the station at Brunswick, N. J., until she picks up Poldhu station on the other side of the Eiffel tower.

If the George Washington hits its usual pace, the President will arrive in Brest on his lucky day—March 13.

SQUARE DEAL FOR EVERY INCOME TAX PAYER

"The rights of all persons now filing Income Tax returns are amply protected by provisions, refunds and appeals," says Commissioner Daniel C. Roper.

"Every person can be sure of a square deal. No person is expected to pay more than his share of tax. His share is determined solely by the amount and nature of his net income for 1918, as defined in the law.

"Abatement petitions are dealt with open-mindedly. Refunds will be made in every case where too much tax is erroneously collected.

"The Income Tax is 'on the level' all the way through."

THE 113TH ARTILLERY HAS ORDERS TO SAIL

From Col. Albert L. Cox, commanding 113th Field Artillery, The News and Observer has received a cablegram from Lemans, France, announcing that the regiment is under orders to sail.

Col. Cox gave no details and did not specify the time when the regiment will leave French shores. Five words only were used to convey the message:

"Regiment under orders to sail."

Major Thad G. Stem and Lt. B. S. Royster, Jr., are with the 113th Artillery.

MR. DANIELS ORDERS JOBS BACK TO MEN

All Who Left Non-Combatant Work To Fight Get Places Back In Navy Stations and Yards.

Washington, March 6.—Naval stations and yards were directed today by Secretary Daniels to restore to his former position upon discharge every man who left non-combatant work to enter a fighting branch of the service.

PROMINENT DURHAM MERCHANT TAKES HIS OWN LIFE

At 9:40 o'clock Wednesday morning when the large dry goods store of Rowls & Son, Main street, Durham, was full of customers, Mr. Norman C. Rowes, head of the firm retired to the basement of the store and fired a bullet through his brain. He had been in bad health for several weeks.

MITCHELL PALMER SWORN IN AS NEW ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Pennsylvania Democrat Accepts Oath From Chief Justice White, of the Supreme Court. (Washington Special.)

A Mitchell Palmer was sworn in Wednesday as Attorney-General of the United States, succeeding Thomas W. Gregory. The oath was administered by Chief Justice White, of the Supreme Court.

JUDGE DEVIN NEVER IDLE ON THE LORD'S DAY

Last Sunday morning before leaving for the eastern part of the State to hold court, Hon. W. A. Devin expounded the International Sunday School lesson to the Baraca class at the Oxford Baptist church and went over to the West Oxford church and delivered an address that greatly pleased and enlightened the congregation.

In whatever part of the State Judge Devin is on Sunday he finds plenty to do on the Lord's day.

LAST CALL FOR TAXES.

Owing to the fact that I am compelled to make settlements on specified dates, this is positively the last call for taxes. Please come forward and make immediate settlement.

E. D. HUNT,
Sheriff Granville Co.
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