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COMMISSIONERS APPOINT MESSRS KNOTT AND ROGERS ASSESSORS OF GRANVILLE REAL ESTATE

Preparing to Issue \$80,000 of Road Bonds Authorized By the Last Legislature.

The county commissioners held an extra session last Tuesday to take up important work. It is acknowledged on all sides that they were confronted with a task unequalled in the history of the county, that of appointing two men to assess all real estate in Granville county at its true value. To find two men to do this important work taxed the ingenuity of the board to the fullest extent. Many men from various parts of the county were asked to serve, but they all made excuses and declined the honor, save Mr. R. H. Rogers, of Creedmoor, and Mr. Crawford M. Knott, of Enon. These two splendid men stand duly elected by the board, and the board recommended Mr. F. W. Hancock, Jr., to the State Tax Commissioner as county assessor of real estate for the year 1920.

It would have been impossible for the board to have found better men for the gigantic undertaking than Messrs. Knott, Rogers and Hancock, but soon after the board adjourned and the members departed for their homes, the Public Ledger heard that Mr. Knott has declined the position on the grounds that his duties are such as to require all of his time and energy.

The special meeting of the board was also important in other respects. County Attorney A. A. Hicks was authorized to make necessary preparation to issue \$80,000 of road bonds authorized by the last legislature, and to advertise the same.

THIRTY LOCAL MEN ARE YET IN COMPANY E

Old Home Organization Not As Greatly Depleted As Was Thought.

Information received here since Company E landed at Camp Jackson, for sanitary treatment, is to the effect that there still are thirty odd men in the old Granville Grays organization, whose homes are in Oxford and Granville county, and who volunteered in the service here.

This, to many, is a surprisingly large number, the general idea having been that the shuffling around that took place at Camp Sevier during the company's stay there, coupled with the casualties suffered and the replacements added during the sojourn in France, removed all but some fifteen or twenty who originally came from this county.

With this condition of affairs, it may readily be seen that the discharge of the company this week will release for return home the largest number of men yet to come back at one time.

It has been learned that Lieutenant Ellington, who has been in command of the company since Capt. Fuller was promoted to the R. R. C. service, is to come here with the men. Capt. Fuller is in France and it is stated that he will probably be among the last of the troops to return.

HERE IS YOUR CHANCE

The Government To Sell Thirteen of the Great Camps.

Washington, April 17.—Any person or persons desiring to possess an army camp, completely equipped as to buildings, railroad trackage, sewerage systems and other facilities, should get into communication with Uncle Sam, who is about to dispose of thirteen of the great camps constructed in various parts of the United States to meet the needs of the war. Bids of these camps will be received at the War Department here. The plan is to sell entire camps for lump sums. It is considered likely that many of the camps will be disposed of to big industrial concerns.

The camps to be sold at once are: Camp Logan, Texas; Wadsworth, South Carolina; Beauregard, Louisiana; Bowie, Texas; Colt, Pennsylvania; Kendrick, New Jersey; Sheridan, Alabama; Hancock, Georgia; Polk, North Carolina; North Camp Jackson, South Carolina; Shelby, Mississippi; and Wheeler Georgia.

GRANVILLE COUNTY'S QUOTA OF THE VICTORY LOAN

The Campaign To Raise The Amount Is Now On.

The State's quota of the Victory Loan is placed at \$31,000,000. Granville county's quota is \$362,500.

Col. W. B. Ballou is the chairman of the campaign in Granville county, and Mr. John W. Hester is the assistant chairman. A complete organization of the county will be announced in a few days and the campaign will be launched in earnest.

WHERE IS JOE BAILEY?

A Case of Mistaken Identity.

On a bright Sunday morning about two months ago, while playing cards over in the Hurricane district of Granville county, Joe Bailey shot and killed L. C. Davis. Immediately after the tragedy Bailey left for parts unknown. There is a standing reward of \$200 for information that will lead to his arrest.

On Tuesday last, officials at Chase City notified Sheriff Hunt that Bailey was in their custody and advised him to come at once and bring some one along to identify the prisoner.

The Sheriff selected a man to go with him to Chase City who had known Bailey intimately for many years. A cell in the Granville county jail having been made ready for Bailey's reception, the Sheriff took the first train for Chase City. On his arrival in the Virginia town a large crowd gathered around the sheriff and escorted him to the presence of the prisoner, who greeted the sheriff cordially with a smile and said: "If I am the man you want here I am."

"There is a striking resemblance," said Sheriff Hunt, "but you are not the man I am looking for."

"I told these darn fools that they had the wrong man," said the prisoner, "but they would not take my word for it, so we will let it go at that."

The gentleman who accompanied the Sheriff to Chase City, said that the resemblance of the prisoner and Bailey was so strong that he was not surprised that the Chase City officials made the arrest.

FARMER'S MAIL BOX MAY HAVE ANY LOCK

Ruling By Fourth Ass't. P. M. General Is Against Carrier's Proscription.

Washington, April 16.—Rural free delivery carriers in North Carolina who prescribe a particular type of lock and key for the farmer's mail box cannot enforce their standard if patrons make other selections, Fourth Assistant Postmaster General James I. Blakeslee has ruled that as long as the carrier is furnished a key the patron can use a Yale lock or any other double-barreled fortification against would be intruders.

A farmer residing on a rural free delivery route in Guilford county, in the vicinity of Climax, conducts a business that yields him wads of money that are placed in his mail box. To fortify his earnings against tramps and parasites of society he told the mail carrier that he desired to use a Yale lock. The employe of Uncle Sam objected, because the lock and key have been largely discarded as an accommodation to the letter carrier who found it troublesome to lock and unlock the box at the farmer's gate. The Fourth Assistant Postmaster General, however, yields to the wishes of the patron and Tar Heel farmers will be interested to know that they can lock their boxes, use any kind of locks—provided they furnish the mail man with a key.

EVERY HOME SHOULD BE DECORATED FOR SOLDIERS

Two hundred welcome home banners have been ordered for the decoration of the homes the day of the big celebration. A large number of large banners have been ordered for the stores and other places of business. There is also a large number of United States flags in stock that may be had.

Hall's drug store has secured this material and will be in a position to sell the flags that will not be used by the decoration committee. Other stores in town have the flags also and the public is asked to make plans for a home decoration throughout the town.

There should not be a single home anywhere without some sort of flag waving. We are very slow in doing our duty along this line. Oxford, the beautiful town of flowers, should be a town of flags as well.

If you have not secured your flags already, see to it at once and be prepared for the Big Day.

IS GREAT ESTABLISHED FACT.

Skeptics Have at All Times Failed to Disprove the Resurrection of Easter Morning.

The lesson of Easter involves the question of the divinity of Christ. There are two great miracles upon which Christianity rests. The miraculous birth and the resurrection go together. If we believe one we can believe the other. The former is not subject to historical proof. The latter has been proved and is one of the best established facts in history.

GERMANY MUST PAY HUNDRED BILLION MARKS WAR DAMAGES TO ALLIES

Plus Other Billions to Be Determined by Special Commission on Which Germany is to Be Represented—Final and Definite Conclusion Reduced to Writing After Weeks of Negotiation.—Amount Payable in Installments, 20 Billions in Two Years.

(By the Associated Press.)

One hundred billion gold marks is the amount Germany must pay the allied and associated governments for losses and damage caused in the war, plus other billions to be determined by a special commission on which Germany is to be represented.

Terms Reduced to Writing. This is the final and definite conclusion which has been reduced to writing after weeks of negotiation which took a wide range and involved frequent changes and modifications. The payment of the 100,000,000,000 gold marks is to be divided into three distinct amounts as follows:

First, twenty billions within two years.

Second, forty billions during thirty years beginning in 1921.

Third, forty billions when a commission shall determine how it shall be done.

Germany Responsible for War

Germany is at the outset held generally responsible for losses and damages in accordance with President Wilson's 14 points and the allied response at the time the armistice was concluded. To determine the extent of the payment under this responsibility a commission is set up to take testimony, assemble data and arrange all details of the payments from the enemy and distribution among the allied and associated powers.

Interest-Bearing Bonds.

It has also been determined that forty billion gold marks shall be payable in bonds extending over a period of 30 years, beginning 1921, with a sinking fund beginning in 1926.

These forty billion marks draw two and one-half per cent interest from 1921 to 1926 and five per cent interest after 1926.

Nothing But Gold.

It is in the gold mark that all payments are expressed in the final terms. This excludes depreciated paper marks and fixes the standard of payment in gold. The gold mark is worth about the same as the English shilling and before the war was quoted at 23.82 American cents.

Our Allotment.

The allotment of the 100,000,000,000 marks among the allied and associated powers has not yet been finally decided but a tentative arrangement makes the allotment of France about 55 per cent of the total; Great Britain's allotment between 20 and 30 per cent and the allotment of the United States between two and five per cent.

Germany Admits Responsibility

The text of the opening clause of the terms, whereby Germany is held generally responsible reads substantially as follows:

"The allied and associated powers affirm and Germany admits responsibility for all losses and damages of the allied and associated government and their nation's from the unjustifiable warfare waged by the enemy power against the allied and associated governments."

Then follows a provision for the commission on payments, and extended details of the operations of the commission.

Germans Called to Versailles

A statement by President Wilson in behalf of the council of four says that the questions of peace are so near complete solution that they will be quickly and finally drafted. This announcement was contained in an official bulletin, which added that the German plenipotentiaries had been invited to meet at Versailles on April 25.

FOUR ROAD DISTRICTS.

Mr. J. H. Norfleet Is Assigned To This District.

The State Highway Commission, in order to facilitate its work in road construction, and maintenance, has divided the State into four districts and assigned counties to members of the commission.

Mr. J. H. Norfleet is chairman of the work in this district, which is composed of the following counties: Granville, Alleghany, Surry, Stokes, Rockingham, Caswell, Yadkin, Forsyth, Guilford, Alamance, Davie, Davidson, Randolph, Rowan, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Cabarrus, Person, Gaston, Vance, Warren, Orange, Durham, Franklin.

PRIVATE VANCE ALLEN WAS A BRAVE SOLDIER

Returns From France With a Shattered Rib.

A little more than one year ago Vance Allen, a slender youth on Creedmoor Route 1, was notified by the local exemption board to appear in Oxford ready to depart for Camp Jackson. He was a good, noble boy, but when he responded to the call of the exemption board he had never been on a train nor had he ever been beyond twenty miles from home.

When Vance arrived in Oxford ready to go to Camp, it seemed as if his heart would break. At times he could hardly stand up. In the same draft were a number of boys who knew more about the world than did Vance. We remember seeing Messrs. A. W. Graham, Jr., Marshall Pinnix, Hamlin Landis and other young men place their arms about him and tell him to cheer up; that they would be a brother to him and look out for him. They took Vance to the barber shop, had his hair cut and gave him a new suit of clothes and patted him on the back. This put metal into the lad and he left Oxford in fairly good shape, but he did not join in hurrahs at the station as loud as did some of the other boys when the train pulled out for Camp Jackson.

Vance has returned from France a strong, robust man. While in the battle of the Argonne one of the boys who placed his arms about Vance the day he departed from Oxford fell in battle. It was now Vance's opportunity to place his arms about the wounded soldier and carry him to safety, and in doing so, a piece of shrapnel pierced Vance's body two inches below the heart.

Vance was in Oxford last week and told the Public Ledger that his trip to Oxford from his quiet home in Dutchville township, and from Oxford to Columbia, was the most trying experience in his life. He said that as soon as he arrived at Camp Jackson and saw the boys in uniform it occurred to him that he had a mission in the world and he resolved then and there to do it or die.

Vance Allen was a member of the famous Rainbow division and he swept through the forest beyond Chateau Thierry where Lt. Paul Venable and Sergt. Winfield Taylor were killed.

Vance said that the war had no terror for him after he got into it. "In fact," he said, "it gave me pleasure to go forward under the barrage laid down by the splendid American artillery and see everything crumble to dust in front of us."

HOME BOYS COMING IN.

The news having reached Oxford that several of the home boys would reach Henderson at an early hour this morning, a dozen autos went over to meet them. Among the heroes who reached home in time for breakfast was the following member of the Machine Gun Company:

WILLIAM MEDFORD.
JOHN MITCHELL.
WILLIAM H. POWELL.
WAVERLY HARRIS.
ROBERT FORT.
FRED PARHAM.
GUS LANDIS.
LINDSAY TAYLOR.

All of the home boys are expected to arrive today.

PARTING SCENE ONE OF DRAMATIC IMPRESSIVENESS

Brave Men Break Into Tears When They Say "Good-Bye."

(Charlotte Observer.)

The scene of the emotional climax of the day of wonderful scenes was the city auditorium last evening, when General Faison, Colonel Minor and Colonel Scott bade "good-bye" to the enlisted men of the 120th infantry. During his brief address, General Faison officially declared for the first time that "I say now the 119th and 120th infantry regiments broke the Hindenburg line." To Mrs. Minor, that little woman who gave to the regiment her husband as its commander, those soldiers paid a tribute by presenting to her a great diamond brooch.

When Colonel Scott announced to the 2,000 or more civilians and soldiers that the collection of centimes and francs and other money, which the members of the 120th had voluntarily given in France to buy a present to show their esteem and love for their commander had been spent yesterday to purchase a beautiful diamond brooch for "Colonel Minor's commander." Mrs. Minor, and when Mrs. Minor was called to the rostrum to receive the present, Colonel Minor laid his head upon his arm resting upon the back of his chair and his eyes were moistened at this, one of the greatest moments of his life.

THE RETURNING SOLDIERS WILL BE ENTERTAINED AT THE FAIR GROUNDS

Everything In Readiness For the Big Parade Thursday, April 24th.

The committee in charge of arrangements to entertain soldiers next Thursday announce that everything is practically in readiness for the great event. Some more funds are needed, but the committee will experience no trouble in raising the amount, it is said.

Every man from Granville county who has been in the service as a soldier or sailor, whether in camp or overseas, is invited to be on hand and share in the things the people are preparing. If you have been in the service, kindly send your name to Miss Mary B. Williams. The committee will appreciate your sending in your name at once, as it will aid in making the arrangements.

Every residence and business house in Oxford is expected to hang up a flag on this occasion. The Moose brass band of Durham, a high-class musical organization, has been engaged to furnish the march music. The line of march and the full program will be announced in the next issue of the Public Ledger.

DISPUTES HARD TO SETTLE

Misjudged Criticisms Does Not Help Matters Much.

Premier Lloyd George hit the nail on the head when he said that the Peace Conference was doing all they could to expedite matters and suggested that misjudged criticisms does not help matters.

Any one who will take time to reflect for a moment will see that the commission is up against a tough proposition to settle the affairs of the entire world when we take into consideration the fact that a small strip of land in Oxford has engaged the attention of the court three times and that it is not settled yet by a jug full.

MR. DOVE'S FAMILY WILL ARRIVE IN OXFORD SOON

Our County Demonstrator Is Making Many Friends In Oxford.

Mr. John L. Dove, our very efficient county demonstrator, is making many friends among the business men and farmers of the county. He has a very warm heart and hand and is a good mixer. Yet, Mr. Dove at the present time is only a half of a man, and will not be himself until his excellent wife and fine little son joins him here. He is now looking for a house with a view of their arrival at an early date.

PRESIDENT WILL SAIL FOR HOME APRIL 27

A Paris special says: "President Wilson intends to sail for the United States April 27 or 28, after being present at the opening of the peace conference sessions at Versailles. After he sails Colonel E. M. House will act for him, it is said."

CAPT. B. K. HAYS HERE.

He Is In Charge of the Government Hospital At Azalea.

Capt. B. K. Hays, who is in charge of the government hospital at Azalea, near Asheville, was in Oxford this week, going on to Pinehurst to attend the State medical society meeting, of which he is secretary and treasurer. Accompanying him from Oxford were Dr. N. C. Daniel and Miss O. M. Tiffney, Red Cross nurse.

THE NEW WAREHOUSE

Will Be Ready To Handle The Growing Crop.

Messrs. J. B. Mays, J. M. Bullock, and Milton Bragg who have purchased lands on Hillsboro street for a large warehouse, are making arrangements to lay the foundation at an early date and rush the building to completion in time to handle the growing crop. It is said that the warehouse will be the largest building of the kind in this section of the State.

EASTER VESPER SERVICE.

To Be Held In The Graded School Building Next Sunday Evening.

An Easter Vesper service will be held in the auditorium of the graded school on Easter Sunday at 7:15 o'clock in the evening. This service will not conflict with the regular evening services in the different churches.

The public is cordially invited to attend this service, one of the most impressive of the Eastertide.

FUNERAL AND BURIAL OF MISS SUE W. HALL

The death of Miss Sue W. Hall early last Tuesday morning was a shock to the community. She was up and about her duties Monday, as usual, and was taken with a stroke of apoplexy late in the evening while in J. G. Hall's drug store, where she called to see her brother. She was immediately taken to the residence of her brother, Mr. John G. Hall, where she died a few hours later without regaining consciousness.

Miss Hall was born in Brunswick county, on a bluff overlooking Wilmington, 69 years ago. She came to Oxford with her brothers many years ago. Dr. F. P. Hobgood, president of Oxford College, says that she was the first teacher that he employed and that she has been the art teacher in that institution consecutively for 26 years.

The sudden ending of Miss Hall brings sadness to many hearts. She was the possessor of unusual attractions of mind and was rich in culture and grace. Deep sympathy is felt for the bereaved brothers and sister, Messrs. J. G. and A. S. Hall, and Mrs. Henry Perry, and their young children who found much pleasure in the company of this noble woman. Many of the alumna of Oxford College, who now adorn society in this and other States, will grieve to learn that she has passed from earth.

For many years Miss Hall made her home at Oxford College and was greatly beloved by the faculty and student body, but during the past session she occupied her home on Main street where she found much pleasure in her studio, rich in art treasures.

A simple, beautiful service, conducted by Dr. Horsfield, was held Wednesday forenoon at St. Stephen's church, of which Miss Hall was a member. At its conclusion, the body was tenderly born to Elmwood Cemetery where in a bower of roses and lilies she was laid—*asleep in Jesus.*

As the body was being consigned to the grave, the student body of Oxford college sang beautiful selections. While encircling the grave the young ladies dropped in white carnations. Dr. Hobgood ready Hymn No. 242 from the Episcopal Hymnal.

"Now the laborer's task is o'er; Now the battle day is past; Now upon the further shore Lands the voyager at last."

The pall-bearers as announced were: Active Messrs. W. C. Bryan, E. T. White, Cam Easton, R. H. Lewis, B. K. Lassiter, Will Landis, W. H. Hunt, B. S. Royster. Honorary—H. G. Cooper, F. P. Hobgood, W. T. Yancey, J. W. Horner, W. B. Ballou, R. R. Herring, Joe Pittman, J. A. Taylor, A. W. Graham, Jr., D. A. Coble.

PRICES PAID BY FARMERS

Other Products Have Overtaken the Advance of Farm Products

The average price of things bought by farmers in 1918 is estimated to be about 32 per cent higher than in 1917, about 97 per cent higher than in 1914 and 108 per cent higher than prices of articles bought by farmers in 1909, says the Department of Agriculture.

Prices of articles which farmers sell were only about 12 per cent higher in 1918 than in 1917 but about 97 per cent higher than in 1914. That is, since 1914 the prices of articles which farmers buy and prices of articles which farmers sell increased in about the same proportion. Farmers' products were the first to advance, but other products during the past year have overtaken the advance of farm products.

JUDGE DEVIN WILL SPEND EASTER IN OXFORD

Judge Devin Arrived from Eastern Carolina Today and Will Spend Easter with His Family Here.

Judge Devin will have something of especial interest to say to the Oxford Baptist Baraca class next Sunday morning. A full attendance is expected on Easter morning.

VICTORY LOAN TROPHY TRAINS BEING MADE UP

Will Probably Pass Through Oxford.

Richmond, April 17.—The Victory Loan war trophy specials are being "made up" here. These trains, carrying the most original exhibition of weapons ever assembled in the United States and wounded soldiers and Liberty loan officials, who will speak on behalf of the drive are scheduled to leave Richmond next Monday for a tour of Virginia, the Carolinas and West Virginia. The weapons will be of both the allied and German types.