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CLOSING DAYS OF MEETING AT OXFORD METHODIST CHURCH ARE INSPIRING

Announcements For Remainder of Week—Next Sunday Is the Last Day of Revival Services. The Thursday morning service with the Old People was a wonderful one for all present. Mr. Price very happily presented large bouquets of flowers to the Oldest man, the Oldest woman and the Oldest Christian. Then in words of cheer he tried to make them see the greatness of being something rather than doing something. At the close of the service an old fashioned handshaking took place and good spirit and gladness prevailed. Certainly such a religion as these old people have is a happy one.

The subject for Friday night is to be the answer to the Greatest Question a Man Ever Asked. This promises to be one of the greatest nights of the entire meeting. On the last Saturday night of the meeting the subject will be, "How a Christian Can Be Happy." At this hour the front sections of the church will be reserved for young people again. All men under twenty-five will be seated in the two sections at the left upon entering while the young ladies will sit on the opposite side.

The two services Sunday will close the meeting. Every effort will be made to accommodate all who come. In this closing statement of the meeting it may be well to say that throughout the two weeks of working with each other the people of Oxford have grown to know and to love each other better and that such an experience can but mean a finer community. Men and women have been turned into lives of consecration and usefulness. It will be a harder thing from this time on for evil and sin to prevail in the community.

Let every energy be put into these last services of this great town and community meeting.

GOVERNOR BICKETT WILL URGE SUFFRAGE MEASURE

Will Present Amendment to Special Session of Legislature in July. (News and Observer)

In answer to a letter from Representative W. N. Everett, of Rockingham, Governor Bickett made it plain that he will recommend to the special session of the General Assembly when it meets in July that it pass the Susan B. Anthony amendment to the Federal constitution conferring the right of suffrage upon women.

Declaring that he has never been convinced that a majority of the women of the State desire the ballot, the Governor in his letter to Mr. Everett says that the Democratic party in North Carolina is now "contented with a condition and not a theory," which must be met. "Woman suffrage is inevitable," the Governor says, and while he has no desire to appear before the State convention he will urge the General Assembly to ratify the amendment, giving the women of North Carolina the right to vote.

Bickett's Surrender

(Charlotte Observer)

Governor Bickett has up to this time maintained a position of unflinchingness to the cause of woman suffrage. He has been opposed to it as an individual and he has given no encouragement to it as Governor. But pressure of public opinion has surrendered. He has made public statement to the effect that when the Democratic Convention meets in Raleigh he will urge upon that body to go on record in favor of the suffrage amendment. Thus Governor Bickett deserts the politicians who, while not making active opposition to the movement, had preferred that it be put through without their personal assistance. The Governor will not only urge adoption of the amendment by the State Democratic Convention, but he will go further and recommend to the special session of the Legislature he is soon to call, that it commit the State to ratification.

DEPARTMENT SECURES 50 PER CENT CONVICTIONS

Deputy Insurance Commissioners Make Report Covering 1919 Activities.

Deputy Insurance Commissioners W. A. Scott and F. M. Jordan, who have in charge the investigation of all suspicious fires, and who assist in securing evidence where in the opinion of prosecuting officers, and of Commissioners Young circumstances justify prosecution of the suspect, the following report of their work during the year 1919: Investigations made 95 convictions during 1919 16 not guilty 5 suspended 2 case bills yet to be tried 90 not pros 20

KEEP YOUR CARD IDENTIFYING YOUR INSURANCE POLICY

Former service men, holders of Uncle Sam's War Risk Insurance, have received from the Bureau of War Risk Insurance an identification card bearing their name and insurance number. This card will enable the men to give their correct insurance number when communicating with the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, and also serves for identification in case of sickness or accident. The Directors requests all former service men who received these identification cards to keep them.

MR. FRANK W. HANCOCK, JR., DISCUSSES REVALUATION ACT

States That Our Local Appraisers Have Placed Valuations On Real Property Much In Excess of What It Would Have Brought. STATE LIBRARY, register, State Epidemiologist, place this year's reported cases of 75,377 as against 125,577 in 1918, and deaths reported at 589 as against 6,031 in the first outbreak.

The epidemic was officially declared over Wednesday when the Health Board directed county health officers to discontinue reporting the development of new cases. There are still some scattering communities in the State where the epidemic has not disappeared entirely, but daily reports have dropped down to almost nothing. No Cure Discovered. Physicians everywhere are of the opinion that the disease will return next winter, though not in so severe a form as was the original outbreak, nor as virile as the seige just ended. Recurrences in diminishing strength are looked for the next three or four years, or until the entire population has become practically immune from its inroads.

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Progressive Men and Women of Oxford Want the Best That Can Be Had and Are Willing to Pay For Real Service.

Within the past few days many of the progressive men and women of the town have been very emphatic in their position in regard to the question of the Oxford School System. They want the best that can be had and they are willing to pay for real service.

The day has past when an Oxford citizen will complain of a decent salary to the person who renders a real service to the community. As long as this holds true it will be possible to make the community a fine one.

As a member of the teaching profession I am willing to admit that many of our number have been more diligent in talking their salaries than they have in doing something to merit a big salary, and I do not think that I am taking an unjust stand in this either. But now the time has come for a big salary to be paid to the big teacher. The two go together.

Citizen, talk better schools in every respect and you will soon have them as you desire. They can never be much above what you want them to be and above what you are willing to put into them in time and money. G. B. FILLIPS.

THE CIVIL SERVICE LAWS AND EX-SERVICE MEN

State Commanders of the American Legion of the Southern States, in session in Birmingham, Ala., the past week, adopted resolutions as follows: "Whereas, the civil service laws and regulations confer certain benefits upon ex-service men; and, "Whereas, instances have occurred where ex-service men have been deprived of said benefits by illegal and irregular practices. "Be it resolved by the State commanders of American Legion for the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, Kentucky, Tennessee, and North Carolina, in conference assembled, that the President of the United States be required either to take steps to secure a fair interpretation and administration of said laws and regulations, or to ask for the repeal or revocation of said laws and regulations."

ALLIES HAVE 100,000 MEN ALONG THE RHINE

Eighteen Thousand American Soldiers Under Orders. Collienz, March 17.—The American army of occupation, numbering 18,000 men, is being issued full field equipment under orders issued before the German revolution. There have been no movements, however, to enforce any positions, or any military activities except those concerned with policing the occupied territory. The total allied forces along the Rhine are estimated at slightly more than 100,000 men.

Don't Let the Cop Get You!

There is a law in North Carolina to the effect that every motor vehicle operating on the highways at night must be equipped with glasses that will keep the glare of the head lights from blinding. The town of Oxford is making a vigorous campaign against the blinding lights, and unless you have your car equipped with the proper kind of deflector you will be haled before the mayor's court and fined several times what the glasses will cost. The Blalock Motor Company has a letter from the secretary of state stating that the Macbeth lens comes up to every requirement and they are in a position to fit any size lights. Drive your car around today and get fitted up, thereby avoiding being embarrassed as well as fined.

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC IN N. C. OFFICIALLY DECLARED OFF

Only 589 Deaths Reported Among Cases in State. (Out Wednesday by LIBRARY, register, State Epidemiologist, place this year's reported cases of 75,377 as against 125,577 in 1918, and deaths reported at 589 as against 6,031 in the first outbreak.)

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

List of Deeds Recorded By Register of Deeds C. G. Powell This Week. E. G. Mangum and others to G. W. Woody, 110 acres in Walnut Grove. Consideration \$2,750. W. H. Fleming to J. T. Bobbitt, seven and one-half acres in Fishing Creek. Consideration \$800. I. W. Mangum and wife to Dr. G. S. Watkins; Dr. W. N. Thomas, Dr. J. H. Block 2 tracts and one acre in Oxford township. Consideration \$30,000. W. S. Daniel and wife to W. H. Fleming, two and one-half acres in Oxford township. Consideration \$1500. W. H. Fleming and wife to J. L. Loyd, 63 acres in Fishing Creek Township. Consideration \$9000. A. A. Hicks and wife to Oxford Loan & Real Estate Co., one store and two houses in Oxford Township. Consideration \$6350. W. H. Fleming and wife to J. J. Thomason, et al, 169 acres in Fishing Creek Township. Ten dollars and other valuable consideration. H. P. Webb to R. L. Long and others one-half acre near Tilly Ho. Consideration \$1000. A. Newton and wife to H. M. Morrisett 6.5 acres near Wilton. Ten dollars and other valuable consideration. J. H. Perry and wife to M. M. Chappell one lot in Creedmoor, \$450

DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET

The Democratic Executive and Central Committees of the County are hereby called to meet in the Commissioners Room at the Court House in Oxford on Monday, March 22, at 12 o'clock noon. Every member is urged to be present. D. C. HUNT, Chairman.

Services at Oxford Baptist Church

Sunday morning—Sunday school at 9:30, Baraca Class at 10 o'clock, preaching at 11 o'clock, conducted by the pastor. The congregation will worship at the Methodist church at the evening hour.

THIRD LYCEUM NUMBER TO BE GIVEN THIS AFTERNOON

On account of the increasing interest in the meeting and the impossibility of having the night divided the Lyceum Course will use the afternoon hour at four o'clock. The great Magician will be present, the great for the first time and will have a store of mystery and mirth that will please the oldest and the youngest. Season tickets will hold good that were secured last time. Do not forget the hour and the day. This afternoon at four o'clock.

ROY COOK, A CREEDMOOR NEGRO, FIRED AT DEPUTY, W. H. AVERETT

The Bad Man Was Arrested Wednesday Night and Was Brought to Oxford and Lodged in the County Jail.

Last Sunday night Roy Cook, whose home is in Creedmoor, struck his wife on the back of the head with an axe. The mayor of Creedmoor issued a warrant for his arrest and placed it in the hands of Deputy Sheriff W. H. Averett.

Wednesday night, shortly after dark, Officer Averett went to the house in "Scotch Town," in which the officer was lodging. Cook, seeing his position in the house, took room and fortified himself with a shotgun. On reaching the front door of the house, the officer saw the negro in the attitude of "charge bayonets," the gun pressed against his hip and the muzzle pointing toward the door. While the negro momentarily hesitated to fire, the officer covered him with his shot gun and demanded him to throw up his hands. At this juncture, the negro fired from his "hip" without taking aim. The shot went wild, missing the officer only a few inches. The officer took deliberate aim at the long, tall negro and counted one, two, three and let it go. The negro ducked and the shot went wild. The sounds of the gun in rapid succession, aroused the neighborhood, and the officer soon had sufficient help to make the arrest. In the mean time some one telephoned to Sheriff Hunt, who with Deputy Lyon, hastened to the scene, but when they reached Creedmoor the negro was in the custody of the law.

Cook was brought to Oxford Wednesday night and lodged in the county jail. He was given a hearing Wednesday afternoon, Justice J. J. Medford, presiding. There were three charges against him. In the first case heard, that of striking his wife with an axe, the prisoner admitted that he did that very thing. Hicks & Stem appeared for the State and insisted on sufficient bond to hold him. On the second charge, that of resisting an officer of the law, Gen. B. S. Royster appeared for the State. In his remarks, Gen. Royster pointed to the severity of any one—white or black, rich or poor—who takes the law in his own hands and resists an officer of the law. An officer of the law, said Gen. Royster, has the right to go anywhere at any time to serve a warrant, and that he is empowered to deputize any man, or as many men as he may deem necessary to aid in making the arrest.

After hearing the three charges, Justice Medford placed the prisoner under three bonds, amounting in all to \$1,300.

THE WOMEN AS POLITICIANS They Did Some Fine Team Work to Capture West Virginia. One of the finest pieces of political team work pulled off in a long time was the manner in which the women brought about the capture of West Virginia. At the time the vote in the Legislature stood tied, one of their men, a Senator by the name of Block, was located in far away California, where he had no business being caught at the time. His vote was needed and it developed that some expense would be incurred in rushing him to the scene of action. A special train was arranged for, but on the possibility that this train might not prove fast enough, the women arranged an airplane relay at his service. Meantime, there appeared in the legislative hall a person by the name of Montgomery, who asked to be qualified to vote against the women. What did they do but root into Montgomery's record and find that he was disqualified by reason of having moved his citizenship to another State! So, they held the situation safely in hand until the missing Mr. Block arrived, when they hurried him to the State House and had his vote recorded, thus beating out the opposition and fastening down West Virginia as a suffrage State. It was a performance in enterprise that should win the admiration of the world for the women, and it shows that when it comes to checkmating political plays, the women are to be counted in. The hustling of their man Block across the Continent was one of the most admiral political achievements in the history of the country.

MR. J. A. TAYLOR PRACTICING LAW IN WEST VIRGINIA

Associated With Leading Law Firm At Huntington.

The Huntington, W. Va., newspapers refer to Mr. James A. Taylor as being one of the brightest young men who recently stood the examination at Charleston to practice law in West Virginia. The examination was very rigid, only three securing license, Mr. Taylor being one of the successful ones. Mr. Taylor is an Oxford boy, the son of Mr. R. P. Taylor. He was a first lieutenant in Company E, Thirtieth Division, and saw much hard service abroad. Soon after the armistice was signed he located at Huntington. He had previously practiced law in North Carolina, but it was necessary to stand an examination in West Virginia before being permitted to practice in that State. He is now associated with Doegan & Bowman, leading attorneys at Huntington.

CAR TURNS TURTLE ON NATIONAL HIGHWAY AND KILLS HERMAN SILVER

The Car Left Oxford at 3:45 O'clock Wednesday Afternoon and the Accident Occurred Nine Miles Down the Road Twenty Minutes Later.

(W. B. MANGUM)

Stem, N. C. March 18.—The most distressing automobile accident which has ever taken place in this community occurred on the National Highway Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock at a point in the road a mile and a quarter north of Stem.

Two Hebrews, Herman Silver and E. B. Mulowitz, who are engaged in a grocery business in Durham, and W. V. Fennell, a colored contractor from the same city, were returning home from Oxford, where they had been to purchase brick and material for a garage which Silver and Mulowitz were planning to build. They were travelling in a large new Haynes automobile which was driven by the owner H. B. Mulowitz, Silver sitting on the front seat beside him, and Fennell, the colored contractor on the rear seat.

According to the testimony of several who witnessed to the accident they were travelling about 25 miles an hour when, just as they had reached the fill in the road after passing W. E. Stem's home Mulowitz lost control of the car which turned over twice, the running board striking Silver on the back of the head killing him instantly, his brains splattering on the side of the car. Mulowitz was also painfully but not seriously injured, but Fennell receiving very serious injuries consisting of four broken ribs and other bruises about the body. W. E. Stem and son who were at work near by, ran to the scene of the accident and soon sent messages to Stem and wired to Oxford. Dr. P. R. Hardee, of Stem, and Dr. Daniel, of Oxford, were quickly on the scene and did all that was possible to relieve the sufferings of the wounded men. In a short time a large number of prominent citizens of Oxford arrived on machine, among them being Sheriff Hunt, Police Officer Reid, Mr. J. L. Powell, Fred Peed and others.

Mulowitz, frantic with grief, cried out: "My friend had seven small children; how can I face his wife; was that I was in the place of the dead man!"

The remains of Mr. Silver and the injured men were taken to Durham. The automobile in which the men were riding was damaged to an extent of \$200.

TWO BOYS RUN INTO AUTO ON COLLEGE STREET

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KNOTT'S GROVE

Owing to an emergency that has arisen the hours for service at Knott's Grove Saturday and Sunday will be changed. The Saturday service will be held at 10:30 a. m. and on Sunday the hour of meeting will be 3:30 p. m. Important matters will be discussed at the Saturday conference.—C. A. UPCHURCH, Pastor.

Uncle Josh at Tar River

Uncle Josh, Edison's Favorite Record maker and Champion Trick Fiddler, will give an entertainment at Tar River School Building Friday evening, March 26th, 1920, at 7:45. He will imitate anything on his fiddle from the finest whistling bird to an old church organ. He will entertain everyone from the youngest child to the oldest person. His entertainment is clean and refined. Everybody is cordially invited to come and have a hearty laugh. Admission 25 and 40 cents.

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SHE THOUGHT THE SERMON WAS GOOD FOR "THEM"

But It Never Occurred to Her to Take That Scolding Which Was Meant for Her.

She was talking about the sermon she heard the other day, which was delivered by Evangelist Price at the Oxford Methodist Church. It had been a very outspoken kind of sermon in which the preacher told his hearers very plainly that there was a great deal of wrong with them and that it was about time for them to see what they could do about changing that fact.

"Oh, he was fine!" she exclaimed. "He just went right after them and gave it to them perfectly straight out." "Them!" She had been in church herself, had heard the whole scolding—and had thought it was a fine thing for "them." It didn't seem to occur to her that she was a part of "them" herself, and that those warm and scathing remarks might have been directed as much at her as at anybody else in the church. She didn't take any of the criticism to herself at all, and the chances are that she deserved it right along with the rest of "them."

This mistake is unfortunately easy to make. You listen to a sermon or you read an article which points out certain faults that ought not to be.

"How true that is," you think. "Now that description just exactly fits Margaret Jones. I wish she could hear this. That's just the thing she does all the time." And you never think of applying a test to your own character or habits or characteristics to find out whether that description points you out distinctly or not. "That ought to do a lot of good," you decide complacently, but it hasn't done you any good, because you haven't recognized your share in it at all. If all the people who heard it or read it took it simply as a good "call down" for others, as you did, just exactly who would be helped or changed by it?

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