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A DAYLIGHT HOLD-UP ON THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY NEAR OXFORD

Negro Flourishes a Rifle and De-
tails Mr. Travis Chamblée and
Other Occupants of His Car.

A daylight hold-up of an automo-
bile on the National Highway in
sight of the church spires of Ox-
ford late last Monday evening caus-
ed a genuine sensation in this law-
abiding community.

Returning from a meeting at
Bullock last Monday evening about
6:30 o'clock, Mr. Travis Chamblée,
son of Mr. M. P. Chamblée, driving
a Pace car, in which were seated
Miss Sue Royster and a number of
children, were held up by a crowd
of negroes near Gela, seven miles
north of Oxford and detained for
several minutes, and not until the
timely arrival of Mr. Joe Hunt,
mail carrier on Route 7, was he per-
mitted to continue his journey
home.

With a desire to bring the negro-
es to the bar of justice, Mr. M. P.
Chamblée swore out a warrant for
the arrest of James Royster, Hu-
bert Royster, Gus Royster, Frank
Marlow. The warrants were duly
served and the above named ne-
groes were arranged before Jus-
tice J. J. Medford Wednesday af-
ternoon on the charge of assault
with deadly weapons. General Roys-
ter appeared for the State and Mr.
T. Lanier represented the defend-
ants.

Mr. Chamblée testified that he
was driving his car at the rate of
not more than 25 miles an hour
when he saw a horse drawn vehi-
cle in the road some distance a-
head of him; that he sounded his
horn; that the vehicle moved to the
right to permit him to pass; that
he slowed down while passing the
vehicle; that a dog darted out into
the road; that his car passed over
the dog and killed it. He stated
to the court that he saw the dog be-
fore the car struck it, but he did
not see it in time to avert the ac-
cident; that he continued on down
the road and met a colored man
riding a horse; that the man had a
rifle in his lap; that this man rais-
ed the rifle in an upright position
with one hand and motioned him
to stop with the other hand; that he
was frightened and slowed down;
that the bunch of negroes ran down
the road where he was held up;
that they gathered about the car
and demanded pay for the dog;
that they told him that he could
not leave until he paid for the dog;
that they detained him in the road
from five to ten minutes.

The testimony of Mr. Chamblée
was corroborated by Miss Sue Roys-
ter who sat upon the front seat
with Mr. Chamblée.

Mr. Joe Hunt testified that he
came upon the scene and advised
the negroes to see Mr. M. P. Cham-
blée if they wanted pay for the dog.

After hearing all the testimony
in the case Justice Medford impos-
ed a fine of \$10 each on James
Royster, Gus Royster and Sidney
Marlow.

SOUTH BOSTON WILL MEET OXFORD TEAM TODAY

Tight Game Will Be Played on Hor-
ner Hill This Afternoon at 4
O'clock.

The only team that has defeated
Oxford this season will come to Ox-
ford today to play a return game.

Collier will be in the box for Ox-
ford and that means a lot as every
supporter of the team knows. He
is a fine young man who knows
how to play the game well and the
Oxford supporters should let him
know how much they think of him.

Both teams are evenly matched
and a large crowd will be present to
see the contest.

CAMEO PIN RESTORED

Mr. R. T. Critcher Lost It and Mr.
Luther Wilkerson Found It.

Mr. R. T. Critcher and family, of
Route 1, were in Oxford on St.
John's Day. One of Mr. Critcher's
daughters lost a fine pin on the
streets. There were so many
people here they were inclined to
believe that they would never a-
gain see the pin, but there is a
another side to the story, namely,
the pin was found by an honest
man, Mr. Luther Wilkerson, of
St. Paul.

A small adv. in the Public Led-
ger united the owner and the pin.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Meadows
and family left Tuesday for a mo-
tor trip to Atlantic City and New
York, stopping enroute in Rich-
mond, Washington, Baltimore and
Philadelphia. They will be joined
in Richmond by Dr. W. W. Sprat-
ley, who will accompany them.

—Your battery should have water
about every two weeks. Stop at Wil-
lard Service Station.

SHORT COMINGS OF THE SOUTHERN GAS AND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY

The Town Board Of Commissioners Are Power-
less To Improve The Service.

The Public Ledger again delayed on account of the Southern
Gas and Improvement Company's failure to furnish the gas to melt
the led in the pots of our typesetting machines. Should there be
further delay we ask the patrons of the Public Ledger to be patient
until we can electrofy our melting pots, which we propose to do as
quick as possible.

For the information of the consumers of gas in Oxford we will
state that the general manager of the Gas and Improvement Com-
pany, with headquarters in Philadelphia, was here Tuesday to meet
with the town board of commissioners. He stated that the trouble
is caused by an old boiler; that they hoped to install another boiler
as soon as possible, and that they hope to improve the service at
an early date. He seemed to think that the service would be im-
proved by the middle of August, sooner or later.

(Editorial In the Henderson Daily Dispatch)
"To the Southern Gas & Improve-
ment Company is due the credit
for the fact that the Henderson pub-
lic did not know of the nomina-
tion of Governor Cox at San Fran-
cisco until an out-of-town com-
petitor of the Daily Dispatch brought
in a car load of papers bringing
the news. Those who were inter-
ested enough to come to the office
early in the morning, or who passed
by our place of business found out
by the huge sign on the bulletin
board, but that is not sufficient.
It was not the lack of enterprise on
the part of the Dispatch, but the sorry
service of the gas company in
not furnishing fuel with which to
melt the metal in our linotype ma-
chines.

"But the aim and intention of
this explanation is to impress upon
the Henderson public, if indeed any
more lasting impression is possible,
the kind of stuff the gas company is
handing out to them under the nom-
de plume of "service." It is ser-
vice of a sort that is making con-
sumers impatient, and impatient to
the last degree. And this is not
the first time the Dispatch has
been made the goat of this indus-
try which is now asking an increase
in rates for the fuel it is furnishing
its consumers, and a sorry grade of

fuel at that, according to persons
who claim to be a judge.
"We have learned the lesson
in the school of experience that the
plant here is absolutely not depend-
able. We have delighted in the
use of gas for our needs, but the gas
company itself, by its repeated
failures, has forced us to the only
alternative we have, that of finding
other means of operating, and this
we shall do, at the earliest conveni-
ence.
"We have been willing that the
gas company be shown every con-
sideration in the troubles it claims
to be experiencing, and we have no
doubt it is having its share of them.
But there is only one alternative for
the city of Henderson, as we see it.
If advanced rates they just must
have, then a forfeiture bond must
be required of the company, provid-
ing that unless the service given is
absolutely all that the city re-
quires, the franchise should immedi-
ately be withdrawn, and no bones
should be made of it. It is a question
of put up or shut up. The gas com-
pany must deliver the goods or
quit, and let someone have the
plant who can do it. It can be
done, and we believe at a rate much
cheaper than what is being asked.
But the city must be protected.
Its people want service they are
paying for, and many of us prob-
ably would rather have nothing than
what we have been getting."

OXFORD AND HENDERSON BALL TEAMS MEET ON THE HENDERSON DIAMOND

The Game Took on an Appearance
of Professional Ball

Two thousand people saw Oxford
win the base ball game from Hen-
derson in the latter's grounds last
Monday. The game was closely
contested for in eleven innings, but
in the twelfth the Oxford boys by
hard hitting scored seven runs and
won the game. Collier pitched a
wonderful game, holding the oppos-
ing team to three scattered singles,
their only run being scored on error.
Other features were the all around
playing of Harris W., and Royster,
Baker's timely hitting and the
back stop work of Reece. Corbett
pitched well for Henderson until in
the twelfth inning when he weak-
ened and yielded six hits, including a
a Paige car, in which were seated

This makes seven games Oxford
has won with only one lost, that to
South Boston.

Box Score
Oxford Ab R H Po A E Bb So
Hale ss. 1 0 0 3 2 1 0
Harris, G. 5 0 1 3 0 0 1 1
Harris, W. 3b 6 2 2 5 0 0 1
Reece, c. 1 0 6 0 0 1 1
Baker rf. 6 1 2 1 0 0 0 1
Royster, 2b. 1 3 2 5 0 0 1
Phillips, lf. 1 1 3 0 1 1 2
Mitchell, 1b. 1 0 1 6 0 0 3
Collier, p. 5 0 3 0 2 0 0 0

Henderson Ab R H Po A E Bb So
Knight, cf. 4 0 0 1 0 0 1 1
Andrews, ss. 5 1 0 0 4 0 0 0
Branch, c. 4 0 1 11 2 0 0 1
Caffey, rf. 5 0 2 1 0 0 0 1
Langley, 1b. 5 0 0 17 0 0 0 1
Renn, 2b. 5 0 0 5 6 2 0 0
Core, 3b. 5 0 0 1 0 0 2 1
Harris, P. 3 0 0 1 0 0 0 1
Wilkins, lf. 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Corbett, p. 4 0 0 0 6 1 0 0

Summary—Two-base hit, Harris,
W. Three base hit, Collier. Home
run, Baker. Sacrifice, Branch.
Stolen bases, Branch, Hale, Harris,
W. Double play, Renn and Lang-
ley.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

On Monday night the newly elec-
ted and appointed officers of Ox-
ford Lodge No. 396 A. F. & A. M.
were installed, B. W. Parham, Dis-
trict Deputy officiating.—I. N. Hor-
ard, Master; J. T. Blackwell, Jr.
Warden; C. G. Powell, Jr. Warden;
W. Z. Mitchell, Treasurer; L. H.
Davis, Secretary; Geo. N. Thomas,
Sr. Warden; J. W. Medford, Jr.
Warden; L. S. Garman, Sr. Stuart;
N. Cohn, Jr. Stuart; J. E. Dean,
Tyler; Rev. G. T. Tunstall, Chap-
lain; W. B. Ballou, Marshall.

BUDGET OF NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL OF TALLY HO

—A protracted meeting is in pro-
gress this week at Beulah church,
the pastor, Rev. E. G. Ury, being
assisted by Rev. Fred N. Day of
Winston-Salem. Mr. Day is a na-
tive of this county and was reared
near Berea. He was for eight
years in the jewelry business in Ox-
ford where he was very successful.
After moving to Winston-Salem,
where he is still in the jewelry bu-
siness, he began his career as evan-
gelist and has held in all 269 reviv-
als, having preached at different
points all the way from Washington
to South Carolina. He has a won-
derful knowledge of the Bible,
and presents the gospel in a plain
common sense manner.

—The baseball game here last
Saturday afternoon between Stem
and Umbra resulted in a sweeping
victory for Stem, the score being 23
to 5 in their favor. A large num-
ber witnessed the contest and were
enthusiastic in applauding the win-
ners.

—Elder Sylvester Hassel, of Wil-
liamston, will preach at Stem, the
third Sunday afternoon at 4:30.
He is a noted preacher of his deno-
mination and a very fine scholar;
is familiar with thirteen different
languages.

—Crops in this community are
showing the effect of the drought.
We notice some fields of tobacco
are blooming out; corn is begin-
ning to get in the twist, but on the
whole the prospect at this time
of the year is very promising.

—We are informed that the
wheat crop is turning out well and
that there is a greater yield to the
bushel than there has been in sev-
eral years. Mr. Graham Daniel of
Providence, recently named for Co.
Commissioner made 130 bushels.

—Politics has warmed up in
this community as one contest af-
ter another is decided. We are no
prophet but will venture to predict
that the next president will be
from Ohio.

—Misses Pearl Stem, Anna Mur-
ray and Mary Bowles, of Durham,
spent the week end in the pleasant
home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Stem
of Route 3.

—Miss Thelma Overby, of Ox-
ford Route 6, is visiting Miss Eva
Jones of Hesters church section.

—We regret to learn of the
death of the infant daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. W. J. Royster, of Oxford
Route 6, which occurred Tuesday

JAMES M. COX, OF OHIO, IS THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT

Frank D. Roosevelt, Of New York State, Is The
Vice-Presidential Candidate—Cox And Roose-
velt Are Invincible.

Governor James M. Cox, of Ohio, was
nominated as the Democratic Presidential candi-
date by Frisco convention. Governor Cox won
out over William G. McAdoo on the forty-fourth
ballot.

Governor Cox has served three times as Gov-
ernor of Ohio, and his nomination generally is
pleasing to the Democrats. Like Senator Hard-
ing, the Republican nominee, he is a newspaper
man and an Ohioan. Governor Cox was born and
reared on a farm.

Franklin D. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of
the Navy, and a relative of the late Colonel Theo-
dore Roosevelt, was nominated as the Democra-
tic vice-presidential candidate at the final session
of the convention, completing the Democratic
ticket for the coming election.

The little village of Hyde Park, Poughkeepsie,
N. Y. is the birthplace and residence of Fran-
klin D. Roosevelt, Assistant Secretary of the Na-
vy and Democratic candidate for the vice-presi-
dency.

The Democratic Convention at San Francisco
narrowly missed equalling the balloting record of
eight years ago at Baltimore in its efforts to de-
termine upon a Presidential candidate. At the
Baltimore convention it required 46 ballots for
President Wilson to come out victorious over
Champ Clark, and in the Frisco convention it was
necessary to take 44 ballots, only two less, to de-
cide the fight between William G. McAdoo and
Governor James M. Cox, the latter winning out
after the Palmer delegates swung into his column
following their release by the attorney general.

O. MAX GARDNER, DEFEATED CANDI- DATE OFFERS CONGRATULATIONS

Sends Telegram To Cameron Morrison Assuring
Him Of Loyal Support.

Lieutenant-Governor O. Max Gardner wired
his congratulations to Cameron Morrison who de-
feated him in the second primary for the Demo-
cratic nomination for governor Saturday and as-
sured the nominee of loyal support.

"I wish to repeat," said Mr. Gardner in a state-
ment issued at Shelby "that I conducted a clean
fair fight and I accept the results without bitter-
ness and without resentment."

In the exchange of telegrams between contes-
tants in the recent gubernatorial race, Lieuten-
ant-Governor Gardner telegraphed Mr. Morrison
from Shelby:

"I extend my congratulations and assure you of
my loyal support."

To this telegram, Mr. Morrison at his home re-
plied:

"Deeply appreciate your message of congratu-
lations and assurance of support. The pleasure
of my victory is marred by the fact that it could
only come through defeat of you and the thou-
sands of patriotic Democrats who supported
you."

In returns from ninety-seven counties compil-
ed by The News and Observer the vote stood:
Morrison, 66,347; Gardner, 57,567.

DELAYED IN TRANSIT

Mr. Junius Cooper Abandons His
Trip to South America.

Mr. Junius Cooper, who went to
New York ten days ago to sail to
South America to spend a couple of
months with his brother, Mr. Elliot
Cooper who is in the banking busi-
ness, got as far as Norfolk, where
his ship put in for coal.

The fact that the coal situation is
serious, Junius abandoned the trip
for fear he might not be able to
reach home in time for school next
fall.

afternoon. The remains were in-
terred at their home Wednesday
afternoon.

—Mrs. Kate Webb, of Tally Ho,
spent several days last week with
her sons, Messrs J. F. and W. J.
Webb, in Oxford.

—We are glad to learn that Mrs.
N. F. Bennett, who has recently un-
dergone an operation for appendi-
citis Tuesday and is getting along
nicely.

—We are sorry to note that Mr.
B. F. Eakes, of Tally Ho, is quite
ill. He is at the home of his daugh-
ter, Mrs. Charlie Bowling, near
Tar River.

—Master Gooch Ried, of Winston-
Salem, is visiting his aunt Mrs. J.
H. Gooch.

ROMANCE HAS ITS REWARD

Miss Rowland the Happy Bride of
Mr. Robert Crews.

A quiet but impressive ceremony
took place Wednesday afternoon at
the home of Rev. A. P. Tyer, in
Greensboro, when Miss Jane Row-
land, of Middleburg, and Robert A.
Crews of Oxford, were united in
marriage.

The bride wore a navy blue suit
of tricotine, with accessories to
match. She is a graduate of St.
Mary's school, Raleigh. Mrs. Crews
is the daughter of Mrs. J. K.
Plummer, of Middleburg, and is a
direct descendant of John Penn,
signer of the Declaration of Inde-
pendence.

The groom is the son of the late
R. A. Crews, of Oxford, and is one
of the most highly esteemed citi-
zens of Granville county. He holds
a position of responsibility with the
British American Tobacco company
in China. He has been in this
state for the past three months
spending his vacation.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs.
Crews motored to the western part
of the state, after which they will
return to Oxford for a short visit
before leaving for China.

GOVERNOR ISSUES CALL FOR SPECIAL SESSION AUGUST 10

Only Two Things Will Be Recom-
mended To The General Assembly
In Governor's Message.

(News and Observer)
Tuesday, August 10, was named
by Governor T. W. Bickett, with
the concurrence of the Council of
State, as the day for the convening
of a special session of the General
Assembly to prescribe a new tax
rate based upon the revaluation of
the property in the State under
the revaluation act, to consider
constitutional amendments reducing
the tax rate, and to consider such
other matters as it may see fit.

Twenty Day's Session.

An earlier date had been tenta-
tively agreed upon, but the State
Tax Commission found that it was
somewhat behind the schedule in
tabulating the results of revalua-
tion, and would not be ready to
submit its findings and recommen-
dations before the day named. Under
the constitutional limitation,
the session will be limited to 20
days.

Do Anything Or Nothing.

Contrary to the general impres-
sion, Governor Bickett told a re-
presentative of the News and Ob-
server, the special session will be
limited in the matters it considers
only by its own pleasure. It can
discuss revaluation if it desires, or
it may leave it alone; it may con-
sider and sort of enactment that
any member wishes to introduce, if
it wants to, or it may leave it a-
lone.

Woman Suffrage.

Only two things will be recom-
mended to the General Assembly in
the Governor's message—the revalua-
tion act and constitutional amend-
ment as to tax rates, and the
ratification of the Susan B. An-
thony suffrage amendment to the
Federal constitution. These mat-
ters will be ready for presentation
to the body when it convenes, but
other things may be brought in if
any member so elects.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HOLD MONTHLY SESSION

The Revaluation Work Has Been
Completed in the County

The Board of County Commis-
sioners were in session last Monday
and Tuesday, all the members being
present both days.

Fannie Mathews and Emma
Mathews were ordered placed on
the out-side pauper list at \$3 per
month payable to Jim Cox.

Mr. W. P. Stradley was appoint-
ed to make settlement with the
Sheriff.

On motion of Commissioner Peed
seconded by Commissioner Breed-
love and carried, the board rescinded
the motion passed at its June 7th
meeting to place Sarah Waller on
out side pauper list. She having
moved out of the county.

Chairman Davis and Mr. Bullock,
were appointed a committee to dis-
pose of the automobile used by
County Assessor W. A. Parham.

It was unanimously ordered that
B. S. Royster Jr., be furnished pipe
to fix an outlet from his place on
the Henderson road.

W. A. Parham, County Tax Su-
pervisor, was before the Board and
informed them that the revalua-
tion work has been complete. He
turned over the Township books to
the commissioners and same were
accepted.

Commissioner Averett and Mr. Bul-
lock were appointed a committee to
secure the soil for the Creedmoor
road and report at next meeting.

John W. Burwell was allowed
\$15.00 for all soil and damages
caused to his land by the building
of the Stovall road.

Chairman Davis, Commissioners
Breedlove and Cannady and Mr.
Bullock were appointed a commit-
tee to look over the proposed John
S. Watkins road.

ARMISTICE SIGNED

BY PANCHO VILLA

Cheers For De La Huerta and Obre-
gon Follow Conclusion of Terms

El Paso, July 8.—An armistice
has been signed by Francisco Villa
and he has agreed to surrender un-
der certain conditions, according to
dispatches from Torreon, published
by the El Paso Times. Villa has
agreed to cease attacks on towns,
garrisons and trains.

—Col. F. P. Hobgood and Mrs.
Hobgood, of Greensboro, were the
guests of Dr. F. P. Hobgood at Ox-
ford College this week. Old friends
of Col. Hobgood were glad to see
the distinguished son of old Gran-
ville here again.