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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO APPOINT A BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS FOR GRANVILLE COUNTY AND TO INAUGURATE A BETTER SYSTEM OF WORKING THE ROADS OF SAID COUNTY AND TO ISSUE BONDS THEREFOR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Sec. 1. That E. T. White, W. B. Ballou and J. Ennis Davis be and they are hereby appointed and constituted a board of Road Commissioners for Granville County; that the term of office of the said members of the board of Road Commissioners of Granville County herein created, shall begin on the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, and the first two members of said board named herein, E. T. White and W. B. Ballou, shall hold office for two years and until their successors are appointed and qualified: the third member of said board, named herein, J. Ennis Davis, shall hold office for four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified: at the expiration of the terms of office of said commissioners as herein provided, their successors shall be appointed by the General Assembly at its biennial session for a term of four years. Each member of the board of Road Commissioners shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe an oath before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Granville County for the faithful performance of his duties as a member of said board. If for any reason by failure to qualify, death, resignation or otherwise, a vacancy shall occur in said board, the Clerk of the Superior Court of Granville County shall fill such vacancy by appointing thereto a competent and discreet qualified elector of said County, and said appointee shall hold the office for the unexpired portion of the term for which he was appointed and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

Sec. 2. That said board of road commissioners herein created, and their successors in office, be and they are hereby created and constituted a body corporate under and by virtue of this act and of the laws of North Carolina, and as such shall have the power to sue and be sued in all the courts of this state, and to make such contracts and exercise such rights and privileges as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, and may adopt a common seal and shall be styled "The Board of Road Commissioners of Granville County."

Sec. 3. That all rights, powers, and privileges heretofore conferred upon and now vested in the board of county commissioners of Granville County, as to laying out, constructing, altering, repairing, improving, and maintaining the public roads, cartways and bridges in said county, be and are hereby transferred to, conferred upon and vested in "The Board of Road Commissioners of Granville County," herein created, and the said board of road commissioners shall have and exercise as full and complete control and management of all of the public roads, cartways and bridges in said county in as full and complete a manner as have heretofore been, or may hereafter be, vested in or conferred upon the board of county commissioners of said county.

Sec. 4. That said board of road commissioners shall meet for transaction of business at the courthouse

in Oxford, N. C., on the second Monday in April, July, October and January of each and every year, which meetings shall be known and designated as the regular meetings of said board, and they may hold such other meetings, at such times and places in said county as they may deem necessary for the proper performance of the duties of their office; and at their first meeting on the second Monday in April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, they shall organize by the election of one of their number chairman, and the register of deeds of Granville County shall as part of the duties of his office as register of deeds, be and act as secretary of said board of road commissioners, and he shall as such secretary keep a complete record of their proceedings in a proper record book to be provided for that purpose by the board of road commissioners, which record shall be kept in the office of said register of deeds of said county as a permanent record of the proceedings of said board of road commissioners as a public record of his office; and each member of the board of road commissioners shall receive as compensation for his services five dollars per day and mileage now allowed members of the board of county commissioners of said county for each and every day engaged in the performance of the duties of said board:

Sec. 5. The Board of Road Commissioners of Granville County are authorized to employ a competent and discreet superintendent experienced in the construction and maintenance of improved roads for such term and at such compensation as said board may determine, who shall be known and designated as the County Superintendent of Roads and whose duties shall be to lay out, locate, change, grade or otherwise alter any of the public roads of said county; to prepare plans and estimates of the cost of constructing permanent improved roads; to supervise all constructive work that shall be done by contract or otherwise on any roads in said county; to build, construct, maintain and improve the roads of said county under the supervision of the board of road commissioners, and to have general supervision of the board of road commissioners, of the board of road commissioners, of the convict force of the county available for road duty; and to supervise and direct the working of the roads in the several townships or road districts by the road overseers of the county, and to perform such other duties as the board of road commissioners may designate and make such reports as they may require: Provided that all of the road work of the said county shall be done under the general supervision of the board of road commissioners. Provided further that the board of road commissioners shall have the power to remove or discontinue the services of the any county superintendent of roads when in their discretion the best interests of the county will be promoted thereby.

Sec. 6. The board of road commissioners shall meet for transaction of business at the courthouse

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GRANVILLE AND PERSON IN THE SAME SENATORIAL DISTRICT

Without opposition the committee substitute for the Neal bill redistricting the Senatorial districts passed its three readings by a vote of 73 to 32 in the State Senate. The Republican members, of course, voted against the measure along with two or three Democrats who voted but did not argue the question.

Under the new redistricting plan counties in this part of the State will be placed as follows:

Fifteen—Granville and Person shall elect one Senator.

Sixteen—Alamance, Caswell, Durham and Orange shall elect two Senators.

Seventeenth—Guilford and Rockingham shall elect two Senators.

Twenty-second Forsyth shall elect two Senators.

Twenty-third—Stokes and Surry shall elect one Senator.

Twenty-fourth—Davie, Wilkes and Yadkin shall elect one Senator.

THE REGULAR ARMY AND THE NATIONAL GUARD

To Be Developed To Strengthen Allocated By Law.

Washington, March 10.—Secretary Weeks has announced that the policy of the war department under the new administration contemplates organization of the nation's military forces in to "one harmonious, well-balanced and effective army, consisting of the regular army, the national guard and the organized reserves."

The regular army and the national guard will be developed to the strength authorized by law, the announcement said, and the reserves will be organized as divisions and auxiliary troops with full officer complement and sufficient enlisted strength to be capable of rapid recruitment to full strength.

—Your battery should have water about every two weeks. Stop at Willard Service Station.

COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD SHORT SESSION MONDAY

Jurors Drawn For April Term of Granville County Superior Court—Other Items.

The County Commissioners met Monday last, the following members of the Board being present: J. Ennis Davis, chairman; C. G. Daniel, T. G. Taylor, W. L. Clark, B. F. Currin.

The Creedmore Road.
The committee which was appointed to come to some agreement with Capt. Blair in regard to building and fixing prices on the Creedmore road reported that the committee did not come to any agreement with Capt. Blair.

New Public Road Pending.
There was a petition before the Board asking that the road starting at R. L. Eakes land on Oak Hill road and ending at Lonnie Wrights, on the Virginia-Caswell road be declared a public road. The petition was set aside until the April meeting of the board.

Gravel Pit.
The Board unanimously agreed to allow J. F. Newton \$100 for gravel to be taken from his land on east side of Fishing Creek road, south of the County Home and running from new road to old road. Mr. Newton also agreed to allow Luster Oakley, guardian, \$50 for one-half acre of gravel to be taken from the lands of Mr. Hedgepeth, this gravel to be used on public roads of the county.

Election Called Off.
Upon the request of the Board of Education, the special school election, called at the February meeting of the Board, was called off.

Boy Sent to Hospital.
The board donated \$25 toward sending John Worsham to the hospital.

Jurors Drawn.
The following jurors were drawn for the April term of Granville Superior Court:

First Week—W. H. Howard, A. T. Newton, R. B. Moss, A. R. Burwell, J. W. Howell, C. A. Suit, Daniel Deane, Jim Williams, A. M. Daniel, Nick King, R. L. Minor, T. B. O'Brien, R. T. Critcher, W. H. Blackwell, G. P. Daniel, Wash Pendergrast, J. T. Bobbitt, Lester Bullock, E. E. Jones, W. B. Bullock, Lullie Young, John R. Perkins, J. C. Davis, Z. V. Turner, Hurley Jarvis, Riley Phillips, O. Sanford, T. B. Thomasson, C. D. Mangum, J. L. Parham, E. Z. Harris, G. D. Morton, R. J. Furgeson, S. C. Crowder, C. L. Wheeler, J. N. Watkins.

Second Week—H. A. Hart, E. W. Stovall, Walter Dean, J. P. Beck, B. H. Smith, J. W. Nutt, W. Franklin, L. W. Mangum, R. C. Cash, Otha Overton, L. D. Harris, W. R. Allen, W. A. Vaughan, J. L. Taylor, W. J. Clement, F. G. Sherron, C. H. Breechlow, A. D. Pitts.

ABOUT SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS WAS APPROPRIATED BY THE LEGISLATURE

\$50,000,000 For Good Roads and Remainder For the State's Institutions.

Approximately seventy-five million dollars was appropriated by the sixty-fourth session of the North Carolina Legislature, which adjourned sine die early Wednesday morning, fifty million dollars of which was for roads and the remainder for permanent improvement and maintenance of state institutions.

Educational and charitable institutions of the State will get two and a half million dollars more for running expenses than was allowed for the past two years.

Other important legislation provided for pensioning judges, re-valuation of property put on the tax books during the high prices, wrote a revenue bill which will raise seven millions annually without a property tax, provided a million dollars pensions for the old soldiers, created by office of commissioner or revenue and taxation, passed a state-wide stock law, abolished the building commission and state architect, raised salaries of state officials to \$4,500 and passed what is known as the par clearance law, and passed the Gallery bill which makes it a misdemeanor to exhibit obscene motion pictures.

SWAMP ITEMS

—That part of Granville County known as the "Swamp" lays between Stem and Lyon.

—Messrs H. N. Green and O. S. Allen went fishing last Tuesday night. Man, they caught 'em.

—Since our last report the hens here have taken on new life. It is a common thing to bring in more than 30 eggs daily.

—After a right severe spell of the Grippe, we are glad to report Mr. R. W. Wilkerson very much improved.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Callis and their little daughter spent Sunday with Mrs. N. T. Green. Mr. and Mrs. Callis have just moved into their new home on College Street, Oxford.

REPRESENTATIVE PARHAM RETURNS TO HIS LAW OFFICE

Hon. B. W. Parham, Granville County's sole representative, returned to Oxford Wednesday morning looking none the worse after sixty days of strenuous work in the general assembly.

Many friends have called at his law office in the First National Bank building to congratulate him on the noble stand he took in the law-making body.

FOR RENT

The Board of Commissioners of Oxford contemplates erecting a building on the market house lot. Any person desiring to rent same for a term of years may make application to the Mayor, specifying the kind of building desired.

Notice of the Board of Commissioners of Oxford, T. G. STEM, Mayor.

SHORTEST ROUTE BETWEEN RALEIGH AND RICHMOND

South Hill-Henderson Bridge Over Roanoke River At Goode's Ferry Is Open For Traffic—The National Highway Is A Fixture Through Granville.

It is claimed that Raleigh and Richmond are twenty miles closer together now than before the throwing open of the South Hill-Henderson bridge over the Roanoke river at Goode's Ferry on February 23. The bridge is largely a monument to the co-operative endeavor of the chambers of commerce of South Hill and of Henderson.

The South Hill Enterprise, published at the town by that name in Virginia, just across the North Carolina line brings us an illustration of the new concrete and steel bridge constructed over the Roanoke River, and also a map of the new highway route opened by that bridge, in which it says the distance between Raleigh and Richmond has been shortened 20 miles in comparison with the National Highway through Durham, Oxford and Clarksville. The map, of course, shows a preference for the Henderson-South Hill route, but the figures tell a different tale. The map maker links up Raleigh and Oxford via Durham and, perhaps, was not aware that the National Highway is routed via Wilton, shortening the distance between Oxford and Raleigh 11 miles.

We have no "kick" with the South Hill Enterprise for the simple reason that the National Highway is located through Oxford. The Federal authorities adopted the route through here, and no less a personage than Cal. Bennehan Cameron states that the National Highway through Granville county is a fixture for all time, and it is to be a hard surface road.

Since the Federal authorities first located the Highway through Durham there has been a slight change in the route. If we are not mistaken, the State took over that part of the National Highway between Oxford and Durham. This was done two years ago and the route to Raleigh from Oxford was established via Fairport and Franklinton. At the time of the change, or a little later, Vance county was requested to repair about three miles of the road. Vance refused to comply with the request and the Federal authorities changed the route via Wilton.

The following table of distance is reproduced from the South Hill Enterprise:

Richmond to Durham.	
Via South Hill-Henderson Bridge	163.7
Via next nearest route	184.6
Richmond to Durham.	
Via South Hill-Henderson Bridge	161.4
Via next nearest route	167.4
South Hill to Raleigh.	
Via South Hill-Henderson Bridge	00.0
South Hill-Henderson	9.9
Palmer Springs	14.0
Drewry	23.2
Henderson	36.3
Wake Forest	64.8
Raleigh	81.4
Next nearest route	102.3
South Hill to Durham.	
Via South Hill-Henderson Bridge	79.1
Via next nearest route	85.6
The new route South Hill to Durham is over South Hill-Henderson Bridge and through Henderson and Oxford.	

STOVALL NEWS NOTES

(L. C. Wilkerson)
Stovall, N. C., March 10.—The farmers in this section are showing more activity recently. Quite a number of plant beds have been burned and the farmers seem to be in better spirits now than they were a few weeks ago.

The Sick List.
Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hines and daughter have contracted pneumonia and are quite sick. Mrs. Charles Gregory is also on the sick list this week.

Mr. Louis Hudson's boy, who was taken sick last Saturday and rushed to the hospital and operated upon for appendicitis, is reported to be out of danger.

Personal Items.
Miss Viola Daniel and Presley Bowling, of Wake Forest, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dean last Sunday. Miss Isabelle Eudolia and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Puyear, of Chase City, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Wilson Tuesday. Mrs. C. E. Earl, who has been on an extended visit to Richmond, has returned home.

The Stovall school is progressing nicely with such a fine corps of teachers. We expect to see a large crowd here at the commencement.

Notice Tobacco Growers.
We have a membership in this association of around 1400. We have a few scattered that hasn't signed. I want to ask you who has not signed to do so. Come up like a man and help your brother in his effort to secure a living price for his tobacco. You who have signed, report to association all in your community who hasn't signed. So that they may be seen and asked to do so. Let us show the world that farmers pledge means something. I mean to give publicity to those who break their pledge and those refusing to sign.

I cannot urge upon you too strong the importance of big reduction. To fail in this would be suicide. "We must not fail." Yours in faith, P. W. KNOTT, Secy.

Italy is preparing to discharge her war debt to the United States. Ambassador Rieck tells how.

THERE WILL BE TWO VACANCIES ON THE OXFORD SCHOOL BOARD IN MAY

Who Will The Town Commissioners Elect To Fill The Vacancies?

Ladies are entitled to serve on the Board of Education. There will be two vacancies on the Oxford School Board in May. The Town Commissioners have the appointive power. The Public Ledger feels that the ladies should have a hearing.

The names of three splendid ladies have been handed in. The note accompanying the names reads as follows: "Please place these names in nomination for the Oxford City School Board:

MRS. W. T. YANCEY
MRS. A. L. CAPEHART
MRS. W. H. UPCHURCH

The Public Ledger received a communication yesterday suggesting the names of two splendid ladies who are the wives of members of the board, and are therefore disqualified.

LARGE DELEGATION COMING TO OXFORD ON APRIL 23

Plans Formulated To Entertain Four Hundred Delegates Of The State Baraca-Philathea Convention.

Delegates, representing every organized adult Sunday School class in Oxford, met in the Lyon Memorial Building Tuesday evening to discuss and formulate plans for the entertainment of the four hundred delegates who will be in attendance at the Baraca-Philathea Convention at Henderson April 21 to 24.

The classes of Oxford propose to entertain the convention, Friday afternoon, April 22nd. English cars will be secured to go to Henderson and bring the entire delegation to Oxford, where they will be shown the things of interest in the town, carried up to the Orphan Asylum to enjoy the concert to be given by the singing class of that institution. From there they will be driven to the Lyon Memorial Building, where they will be served punch and wafers, and then back to Henderson.

Every one present at the meeting Tuesday evening was intensely interested and filled with enthusiasm. With spirit of harmony and cooperation that was manifested, the success of the undertaking is assured. Much judgment was used in the appointment of the following chairmen of important committees:

Finance—J. F. Meadows.
Refreshments—Mrs. W. D. Bryan.
Reception—Mrs. A. A. Hicks.
Souvenir—Andrew Jamieson.
Transportation—C. S. Garman.
Decorating—Miss Pratt.
Publicity—T. B. Rose, Jr.

STEM NEWS LETTER

Professional Nurse.
Miss Hattie Daniel of Tally Ho has entered Brantwood Hospital at Oxford, where she will take a full course in training. She is a most excellent young woman and possesses the qualities necessary for this important vocation.

Mr. Montague Recuperating.
Mr. and Mrs. Lester Montague and family, of Oxford, have moved to Mr. Montague's fine tobacco farm at the Jack Perry place near Hester, where he will spend the summer resting and recuperating his health and expects to resume his work as salesman with The Long Co. in Oxford this fall.

Stem Boys Victorious.
A game of unusual interest was played here last Friday between Stem and Townsville basketball team. The Stem boys winning by the sweep score of 43 to 2, but the Stem girls lost by the narrow margin of 3 to 2. The Stem second boys team will play Stovall on the Stem grounds tomorrow afternoon at 2:30.

The Sick List.
We regret to note the continued illness of Mrs. Tom Aiken of Oxford Route 6, and wish her a speedy recovery. We also regret to note the illness of Mrs. Naomi Honeycutt, of Oxford Route 6, who is confined to her home with a severe case of grippe. She is one of the faculty of Hester graded school.

Personal Mention.
—Mr. E. T. Jones, owner of the E. T. Jones and Sons, stock farm on Oxford Route 3, spent Thursday with relatives in this community.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Gooch spent the week end with relatives in Winston-Salem.

—County Supt., J. F. Webb and family of Oxford were the guests of Mrs. James H. Webb in Tally Ho Sunday.

—Miss Thelma Overby of Oxford Route 6, spent the week end with Miss Eva and Rose Edna Jones of Oxford Route 3.

—Rev. L. M. Hobbs filled the pulpit at Tally Ho Sunday afternoon and preached a strong sermon, using as a text, "Are There Few that Be Saved?"

—Mr. T. W. Bullock, of the Granville Auto Co., left Monday for Wilson, Va., where he will spend several months looking after a large timber sale which he has recently made.

—Mr. E. P. Wheeler, of Route 1, is having his residence painted.

—Mr. Ralph Jones of Route 1, has recently purchased a new up-to-date saw mill, which is located on the A. J. Veazey place on Route 1. He is an expert machinist and is prepared to render most efficient service.

EGGS SELL AS LOW AS 15 CENTS ON RALEIGH MARKET

(Raleigh Times)
Eggs reached their lowest price in the last five years on the Raleigh market when some were sold Monday for 15 cents a dozen. During the Christmas holidays they retailed as high as 75 cents per dozen. For the past ten days the price of eggs has steadily dropped. The general retail quotations Tuesday was 25 and 30 cents in grocery stores, but poultry raisers from the country were offering them at lower prices. Grocers do not expect eggs to remain as cheap when the Spring setting of hens begins.

INITIAL MEETING OF THE GRANVILLE COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMISSION

Col. W. B. Ballou Elected Chairman—Commissioner Will Employ High Class Road Superintendent.

The Granville County Road Commission, created by the Legislature, held its first meeting Monday night and organized by electing Col. W. B. Ballou chairman. The two other members of the commission are Dr. E. T. White and Mr. J. Ennis Davis.

The commission had recently visited Person and other counties and inspected road work with a view of building the best roads for the least money. They were highly pleased with the road system in Person county, where a high class road superintendent has charge of all construction work.

Our commission realized that much depends upon the ability of the superintendent to push the work along economical lines, and with that end in view they agreed to employ a high class man to take charge of the road work in Granville.

The commission at their meeting Monday night had before them the map of the county. There is a network of seven hundred miles of road in Granville and eight hundred bridges, big and little.

The roads of this county pass into the funds of the commission on April 1.

FIRE AT F. E. YOUNG MOTOR CO. ON WILLIAMSBORO STREET

Blaze Starts From Explosion Of A Can Of Oil.

Fire caused by an explosion in the rear of the F. E. Young Motor Company, on last Tuesday evening about 4:30 o'clock threatened to be a disastrous blaze for several minutes. This garage is located on Hillsboro street directly in front of the old opera house that was destroyed by fire several weeks ago.

Messrs. Frank Young and Roy Graham were painfully burned about the hands in an effort to extinguish the blaze before it reached the several cars that were stored and undergoing repairs. The Fire Company succeeded in confining the blaze to the building, but the fire fed by gasoline soon reached the front of the building and destroyed the top and upholstery of several cars.

It is understood that Mr. Young was fully covered by insurance. The building owned by Bryan and Morton was also covered by insurance. The damage of the property however, amounted to only several hundred dollars. Mr. Young being the heavy loser.

THREE CHAMPION EATERS OVER IN EAST TENNESSEE

Mr. Sydney Harris Of Dutchville, Not In It.

Shortly after his arrival from over seas, Mr. Sydney Harris, of Dutchville, while clerking for Landis & Easton, ate 36 hen eggs on a wager in less than 30 minutes. Reports came from Tennessee that a young man devoured 37, at one repast, and the town of Rogersville, Tenn., near Knoxville, lays claim to the gastronomic champion of the South.

Herbert Sibert, 16, recently came out on the long end of a wager by eating at one repast 37 soft-boiled eggs. Just to prove the theory of inherited talents, Sibert, Sr., then ate 10 pounds of honey at two meals. Inspired by the eating prowess of his neighbors, Harrison Childress conquered new fields by consuming 16 cans of potted ham without stopping.

GOV. MORRISON CALLS ON OXFORD FOR SPLENDID MAN

Mr. A. H. Powell Appointed Director Of Caswell Training School.

In accordance with a bill enacted into law upon his own recommendation, returning the directorates of the State hospitals and the Caswell Training School to their former independent basis, Governor Cameron Morrison has named the boards of directors of these institutions and his appointments bestows upon the county in the appointment of Mr. Powell.

Among the directors of the Caswell Training School, at Kinston, appears the names of Mr. A. H. Powell, of Oxford. Mr. Powell is highly qualified to serve, and the people here are pleased with the honor Gov. Morrison bestows upon the county in the appointment of Mr. Powell.

Parents Teacher Association.
Every parent in the Oxford school district and every teacher in the Oxford schools is requested to meet in the graded school auditorium Friday night, March 11, at 7:30. This meeting is called for the purpose of reorganizing the parent-teacher association. Dr. A. P. Kephart of the North Carolina State College for Women will be present and will make a short talk. If you are interested in promoting the welfare of the children of this city show your interest by coming to the meeting Friday night. If it will be impossible for you to become a member of the parent-teacher association, we will be glad for you to come to this meeting and find out what the organization stands for. Parent-teacher associations have done excellent work in other places in this state and what has been done in other places can be done in Oxford. What we need is organization and cooperation. Parents of Oxford, I am counting on you to make this work go.

C. G. CREDLE, Supt.

—An opinion written by Attorney General Palmer the day before he retired, makes possible the manufacture and sale of beer and wines, as well as whiskey, for non-beverage purposes.

LAST CALL FOR TAXES

Call at office and pay your taxes. I have to advertise April 1, 1921. If you see your real estate advertised don't blame me, as I must settle. 3-8-4t E. D. HUNT, Sheriff.