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## LIST ALL PROPERTY OWNED BY YOU ON FIRST DAY OF MAY

Mr. W. P. Stradley, the Newly Appointed County Assessor, Explains the Details.

You cannot escape them, so prepare to pay them for 1921. The listing of the taxes will commence Tuesday, the 3rd day of May, 1921, and continue during the month of May. Tax-payers will have the opportunity of listing with this township list-taker for the first 20 days of the month, and, unless prevented by accident or sickness, must list with him during that time. If prevented by accident or sickness from listing with your local man during the first 20 days of the month, you may list with me at Oxford during the last 10 days of the month. But for the first 20 days I will list only for tax-payers in Oxford Township.

List all property of whatever kind owned by you on the first day of May, 1921.

The list-takers are required by law this year to gather crop statistics. Let every farmer meet his list taker prepared to give the number of acres in cultivation, the number in each kind of crop, etc. This information is confidential, and not for purposes of taxation.

Under the law recently passed by the General Assembly I have been appointed County Tax Assessor by the County Commissioners for the year 1922, and I ask the hearty cooperation of all taxpayers in the performance of my duties.

W. P. STRADLEY,  
County Tax Assessor.

## HOW COOPERATIVE MARKETING WORKS IN ONTARIO CANADA

A Letter From Mr. E. F. Currin Explains the Situation.

In a letter to Mr. G. Y. Allen at Skipwith, Va., Mr. E. F. Currin, well known to the readers of the Public Ledger, says:

### Mr. Currin's Letter.

Your letter of the 24th instant received, in reply will say the Canadian Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Company has made a sale; shipped seven cars last week, the price was a little more than 50 cents per pound, average, and the sale consisted of three of the poorest grades. They have not shipped any of the better grades yet. The present outlook for the Company is very bright at present, so they think they have an open market for the entire crop at a reasonable price and the farmers continue to sign up. They have opened three new branch grading stations.

You can judge from this that it is progressing fine. Will be glad to furnish you with any information possible any time.

I remain yours very truly,  
E. F. CURRIN.

## THE WILLIAM J. HICKS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Contributions For the Hospital Are Coming In.

Oxford and Granville county should do their part towards establishing the William J. Hicks Memorial Hospital at the Oxford Orphanage. The Orphan's Friend says:

"Grand Master J. Bailey Owen has undertaken as the outstanding feature of his administration the raising of the funds wherewith to build the William J. Hicks Memorial Hospital at the Orphanage and the promotion of education among the Craft.

"Contributions for the hospital funds are not coming in as rapidly as we could wish. It would be a fine thing if we could start construction before the building situation gets back where it was before the general deflation. However, we must see the money before we begin. Again, let us ask our friends to redouble their efforts for us. There never was a better time to do some hard work in the campaign."

If it is not convenient to give cash now, sign a subscription blank indicating what you will give in the next three years, and send it to Supt. R. L. Brown at the Oxford Orphanage.

## OXFORD-PARENTS' TEACHER ASSOCIATION DOING GOOD WORK

Every Parent Should Be a Member of the Association.

Parents-Teachers Association held its meeting last Thursday night. Mrs. W. H. Upchurch presided with much dignity. Sixty-five members were present.

The Association adopted the constitution as by-laws as recommended by the executive committee. The various committees were appointed to look after the welfare of the children in school from the view-point of both parent and teacher. Any grievance on the part of parent or teacher may be taken up through this body.

The present enrollment of the Association is 102. Every parent should be a member. Let us make our school the best.

Rev. R. C. Craven delivered a splendid address at this meeting.

J. C. HOWARD, Secy.

Governor Morrison, in a speech at Greensboro appeals to the people to co-operate for the state's progress in the spirit of concord and refuse to be torn into dissension by the "gnats, the mosquitoes, the snakes, the hissing and the players of tom tit politics."

## REMAINS OF FIVE GRANVILLE COUNTY SOLDIERS WHO FELL IN FRANCE ARRIVE AT NEW YORK

Fred L. Clark, Bennie A. Eakes, Thomas L. Oakley, Tenny B. West and George Green Elliott Will Be Given Military Burial When the Bodies Arrive Here—Clark and Oakley Will Be Laid to Rest in Elmwood Cemetery, Oxford, and West, Elliott and Eakes Will Be Interred at Mt. Creek.



FRED L. CLARK.  
(Courtesy Granville Co. Honor Roll)



BENNIE A. EAKES.  
(Courtesy Granville Co. Honor Roll)



THOMAS L. OAKLEY.  
(Courtesy Granville Co. Honor Roll)

Information reaches Oxford that the bodies of five Granville County soldiers who died in France have reached Hoboken, New York Harbor; that as soon as the coffins are selected from the large number to be dispatched to all parts of the United States, the remains of the five Granville county soldiers will be shipped to Oxford with military escort.

### List Of the Dead.

FRED L. CLARK  
THOMAS L. OAKLEY  
BENNIE A. EAKES  
GEORGE G. ELLIOTT  
TENNY B. WEST

### Time Of Arrival Here.

At present it is not definitely known on what day or the hour the bodies will arrive here. The Public Ledger has noticed that it generally takes about one week for the bodies to reach destination after the arrival at New York is reported. If that rule holds good in this particular instance the bodies would arrive here next Friday night and the burial

would probably take place next Sunday. As stated above, the time of arrival is not definitely known, but in the mean time preparations are being made to receive the fallen heroes with military honors.

### In Rotunda Of Court House.

Capt. E. E. Fuller, who commanded the home company in the World War, of which Clark and Oakley were members, has been requested by the parents of some of the fallen heroes to take charge of the bodies on arrival here. When seen today, Capt. Fuller stated that should the dead soldiers arrive here on the night train it would be a fitting tribute to place their remains in the rotunda of the court house, under military guard, where the public could pass in review of the caskets.

### Caskets Draped.

Capt. Fuller stated that the caskets weigh from 600 to 700 pounds; that the United States flag entwines each casket; that each casket is escorted to destination by one soldier; that a military burial calls for eight or ten pallbearers; that taps be

sounded at the grave and the firing of a salute at the grave.

### The Escort.

Capt. Fuller, who will probably be in command, stated that it would be well for all former service men of Granville to be ready to report in uniform to form the military escort.

### Arrangements Pending.

As stated above, it is not known at what hour the remains of the soldiers will reach here. In the mean time funeral arrangements are being made.

### War Record.

GEORGE G. ELLIOTT  
Oxford Route 7.  
Private, Company H, 120 Infantry; was wounded near Bellecourt, France, and died same day in field hospital.

TENNY B. WEST  
Oxford Route 7.  
Member of Company C, 119 Infantry; wounded at Bellecourt, France, and died few hours later.

FREDERICK LILLIAN CLARK  
Oxford, N. C.  
Mechanic, Company E, 120th In-

fantry, 30th Division. Born January 18, 1894. Son of James Edward and Lelia C. Clark. Entered service June 15, 1914, at Oxford, N. C. Trained at Camp Sevier, S. C. Went overseas May 12, 1918. Killed at battle of Bellecourt, France, September 29, 1918.

### BENNIE A. EAKES

Oxford, N. C.

Private, Company E, 120th Infantry, 30th Division. Born August 30, 1893. Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Eakes. Entered service October 4, 1917, at Camp Jackson, S. C. Overseas May 12, 1918. Wounded at battle of Bellecourt September 29, 1918. Died September 30, 1918, at Herbecourt, Somme, France.

### THOMAS L. OAKLEY

Oxford, N. C.

Private, Company E, 120th Infantry, 30th Division. Born November 23, 1894. Son of A. D. Oakley. Entered service November 15, 1917, at Camp Sevier, S. C. Went overseas May 12, 1918. Killed near Mazinghen, France, October 12, 1918.

## THE SCHOOL TRUCK IS COMING IN FOR ITS PART OF THE DISCUSSION

Most People Want the Best Advantages For Their Children.

Some people think it is a terrible thing, will prove a complete failure and soon be discarded. Others think its advantages so far outweigh its disadvantages that its use will spread and soon come into more common acceptance.

No one can tell positively which result will take place. The success or failure of school consolidation and transportation of children is not going to be determined by the discussions now going on. Those who approve of it may argue the question until they are red in the face, and those opposed may tear up the ground in their frenzy against it, but neither of these attempts will decide the matter.

The real test of the method will be whether or not the country children will be supplied with better school by having a larger number gathered together or whether they can be better taught in the small ungraded school in walking distance of each home. Both methods are being tried. Time alone will pass the verdict as to which is the best. Most people want the best advantages for their children. They are watching the two methods. The best will win.

J. F. WEBB.

## LARGE ATTENDANCE EXPECTED AT GOOD ROAD MEET

Greensboro, April 11.—Enthusiastic interest is being aroused over the coming meeting of the United States Good Roads Association, the Bankhead National Highway Association and the United States Good Roads Show, which will be held in Greensboro, April 18-23.

Reduced rates have been secured on the railroads throughout the United States. Governors have appointed delegates from every State in the Union. Greensboro is ready to receive her invited guests.

## THE BIG PRIZE FIGHT

Dempsey and Carpenter Bout To Take Place In New Jersey July 2.

New York, April 11.—Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpenter will battle for the world's heavyweight pugilistic championship within the state limits of New Jersey on Saturday, July 2.

The arena which will cost approximately \$100,000, will be octagonal. The eight sides will rise to a height of about 50 feet.

Prices of seats will range from \$50 for a ring side chair to \$5 for a bleacher coupon along the extreme edges of the structure. Intermediate sections will sell from \$10 to \$40 a seat according to the location.

Claude Kitchin is nominated by his democratic colleagues in caucus for speaker of the house, which means he will become his party's floor leader.

## CAPT. W. H. WHITTAKER CAPTURES BIG STILL SINGLE HANDED

Capt. Hutchins Captures Another One Near Lewis Station.

Deputy Sheriff W. H. Whittaker, the fearless officer at Stem, while searching the woods near Ledge Rock last Friday captured an 80 gallon capacity still, which was hid away in the brush near a branch. Close at hand he found where the moonshiners have been operating a still for some time.

Capt. Whittaker stated that no arrests had been made as yet, but he has in his possession strong incriminating evidence.

Capt. Whittaker brought the still to Oxford and turned it over to Sheriff Hunt. It is the largest still captured in this section in several years.

Capt. Hutchins who attended Federal Court in Wilson last week arrived here Friday evening. He arose early Saturday morning and went out in the woods near Lewis station, four miles north of Oxford, and captured a 60 gallon still and returned home in time for breakfast.

## CONFEDERATE SEAL FOREVER MYSTERY

Negro Who Alone Knew Its Whereabouts Dies, Keeping His Secret.

Washington, April 11.—The whereabouts of the official seal of the confederacy, an uncolored mystery for more than half a century, probably will ever remain unknown. James Jones, aged negro employe in the Senate office building, who is reputed to be the only person with a knowledge of the place where the seal was buried, died without disclosing his secret.

As the story goes, Jones buried the seal before the Federal authorities could obtain possession of the confederate leaders effects, and to his death revealed the spot to no one.

Jones was the President Davis in the last days of the Confederacy, driving the carriage, being with Mr. Davis in the department from Richmond, during his stay in North Carolina, and at the time of his capture by Federal troops in Georgia.

## GRANVILLE IS IN THE FOURTH HIGHWAY DISTRICT

John Sprunt Hill, Of Durham, Is the District Commissioner.

Col. Ballou, Chairman of the Granville county road commission, and Mr. John Sprunt Hill, the district commissioner, are close friends.

Mr. Hill is a banker and manufacturer. The fourth district, over which he presides are the counties of Granville, Harnett, Lee, Chatham, Wake, Orange, Durham, Person, Vance, Warren, Franklin.

—Apropos of the appointment of Col. Ike Meekins, a Marion Butler man, to a very attractive post, it is asserted that the "hog combing" is liable to lose some of its prestige.

## CALL TO THE OXFORD'S WOMAN'S CLUB

Women, of the club and others, we have an opportunity to show, in a small way our gratitude, love and respect for some of our gallant men who died in France for us. As you all know, bodies of five of our soldier boys will be brought to Oxford in a few days. Their remains will be in state in the Court House till the following day. On that morning two will be carried from there to Elmwood where their funerals will be conducted. The other three will be carried to Mt. Creek Church for interment in the afternoon.

Their Captain has asked that we honor these men with our flowers and our attendance at their funerals, as far as is possible. Save your flowers and let them make these boys' last resting places things of beauty.

There is so little we can do for them and so much they have done for us. You will be notified when and where to send flowers as soon as more definite knowledge comes to us. You will also be notified of the hours for the services. Women, let nothing keep us from doing this small thing. There will be enough cars at the Court House to carry every one to Elmwood who will go.

MRS. D. G. BRUMMITT,  
Pres. of Womens Club.

## AUTO RUNS DOWN AND KILLS BIRD IN THE STREETS OF OXFORD

Men, Woman and Children Have Very Little Chance To Escape Speed Demons.

When an auto runs down and kills an English sparrow in the streets of Oxford, men women and children have a poor chance to escape.

On Saturday last a bunch of English sparrows were holding a conference in the middle of one of Oxford's most frequented residential streets. A long came a half-grown boy at the wheel of a high power car and dashed into the covey of birds. One bird was killed on the spot and another one fluttered on the pavement like a chicken with its head off.

If there had been a bunch of children in the street at that point there would have been no escape.

It makes no difference what it costs, the town board should employ someone to catch the speed demons. An officer in plain clothes could catch them, and Mayor Stem would do the rest.

## THE FRAU OF THE EX-KAISER IS DEAD

Augusta Victoria Passes At Doorn, Of Heart Disease.

Doorn, Holland, April 11. Former Empress Augusta Victoria of Germany died here at 6 o'clock this morning of heart failure.

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

## THE OXFORD TEAM HOLDS PIEDMONT PROFESSIONAL DOWN TO SIX HITS

Coffy, For Oxford, Pitched An Excellent Game.

The Durham team of the Piedmont League defeated Oxford at Horner Park Saturday by a score of 3 to 0. The pitching of Caviness and Moore for Durham was airtight, and only one hit was made by Oxford. Coffy, for Oxford, pitched an excellent game, holding the Durham leaguers to six hits and striking out nine men. None of the Durham runs were earned.

The showing of the Oxford team against the professionals reveals lot of real base ball strength in Oxford, and argues well for a successful season.

### The Score.

Oxford	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Hales ss	4	0	1	0	0	1
Harris 3b	4	0	0	4	5	0
Reece c	4	0	0	9	0	1
Baker rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Royster 2b	2	0	0	1	1	3
Harris G. lf	3	0	0	2	0	0
Fries cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Mitchell 1b	2	0	0	6	0	0
Cutchins 1b, c.	1	0	0	3	0	0
Coffey p	3	0	2	1	0	0
Totals	28	0	1	27	7	5

### Durham

Durham	Ab.	R.	H.	Po.	A.	E.
Shay cf	5	0	1	0	0	0
Magrann ss	5	0	0	2	2	1
Manning c	4	2	1	9	0	0
Dayton rf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Clark 1b	3	0	0	9	1	0
Martin 1b	1	0	0	5	0	1
Clemms lf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Quinn 2b	4	0	0	1	7	0
Manush 3b	3	0	1	0	0	0
Caviness p	3	0	1	0	0	0
Wilson p. 3b	1	0	1	1	0	0
Moore p	1	0	0	0	1	0

Totals . . . 38 3 6 27 12 2

Score by innings: R. H. E.

Durham . . . 102 000 000—3 6 2

Oxford . . . 000 000 000—0 1 5

### To Play Return Game.

The Oxford team will play the Durham team of the Piedmont league at Durham in the near future. Some of the boys are sore over their defeat Saturday and they will go to Durham in better shape.

### Professional Game Tomorrow.

The Capital Professionals of Washington City will play the Oxford team at Horner Park tomorrow afternoon. The game will be called at 3 o'clock. In anticipation of the battle, the Oxford boys are lubricating their joints.

—The missing naval free balloon A-5604, which disappeared after leaving the Pensacola naval station the night of March 22, with five men aboard for an overnight practice flight, was found in the Gulf of Mexico, 26 miles southwest of Cape Mexico, by the fishing smack Electra, Captain Roy Eckert. No trace of the crew was discovered.

## PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE OPPOSE HIGH FENCE

Local Baseball Team Requested Permission To Erect High Fence Around High School Playgrounds.

Mr. Charles S. Garman, representing the wishes of the local baseball team, appeared before the high school commission and the playground committee Friday evening and asked permission to erect a tall fence around the playgrounds of the high school on Williamsboro street.

The commission of the high school is composed of Messrs. D. G. Brummitt, R. H. Lewis and H. M. Shaw, and the members of the playground committee are Mrs. A. H. Powell, chairman; Mrs. W. B. Ballou and Mr. W. T. Yancey.

Mr. Garman stated that they wished to place a tall fence around the athletic field and use it as a baseball park; that by so doing there would be more paid admissions to the game. After discussing the question the joint committee decided that it would be best not to enclose the grounds with a high fence.

The Public Ledger thinks the committee did the right thing. The amphitheatre, or pit, if you please, is so admirably situated it would be practically impossible to erect a stockade sufficiently high to shut it out of view of those perched on the high hills surrounding the grounds.

Nor do we believe that the baseball team will suffer by the refusal of the committee. They have a right to collect from all who see the game, and they are at liberty to extend the limits a reasonable distance. A similar incident comes to mind that happened in Richmond, Va., when the aeroplane was in its infancy. Eight flyers came to Richmond and engaged the fair grounds for a three days flight. The price of admission was 50 cents. The attendance was slim and the flyers realized only \$4,000 for the three days flights. The same flyers, except Johnson, who was killed at Denver, and Moysen, who was killed near New Orleans, returned to Richmond the following year and engaged an open aviation field in South Richmond. They made arrangements with the street car company to sell tickets for 50 cents and give a free ride to all who were enroute to the aviation field. All automobiles with one person was taxed \$1, and all other occupants 25 cents. A collection was taken from those on the surrounding hills near at hand. The three days' flight from an open field netted them \$12,500.

## FOR YOUR PROTECTION

Call the Police When a Wildcat Stock Salesman Hits Town.

The North Carolina Insurance Companies is sending out the following to the policemen in all the towns of the State.

"For protection of the people of your city I request that you be on the lookout for unlicensed stock salesmen. There is every indication that many wildcat stock campaigns will be undertaken soon. At present there is not a licensed blue-sky stock salesman in the State. Arrest any man you find offering such stock and report to this department for further instructions."

## LIFE SENTENCE IS GIVEN OWNER OF DEATH FARM

Wealthy Georgia Planter, Charged With the Murder Of Eleven Negroes On His Farm, Found Guilty.

Covington, Ga., April 10.—John S. Williams, accused of the murder of eleven of his negro farm hands to halt a Federal investigation of peonage, which, in the broader sense means that he held and worked the men without warrant, was found guilty of murder by a jury in Newton county superior court Saturday and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Motion for a new trial was immediately filed, and hearing on the motion set for April 30 at Decatur.

## DAETH OF WILKINS STOVALL

One More Of the Old Veterans Of Granville Goes To His Reward.

The death of Wilkins Stovall occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Tate in Burlington last Saturday afternoon, following an illness of several months.

Mr. Stovall went to Burlington several weeks to make his home with his daughter.

The deceased was 85 years of age and was a native of Granville county. He was a lieutenant in the War between the States, and a braver soldier never lived.

His remains, accompanied by his daughter's family was taken to Stovall and laid to rest last Saturday.

## DRIFT TO THE FARM HAS SET IN AGAIN

Kansas City, Mo., April 11.—Widespread unemployment in cities has created a drift back to the farm and relieved the farm labor shortage brought about during the war, reports of federal state employment bureaus reveal.

Farm hands in the great grain belt of the central states are reported plentiful at wages greatly reduced as compared with a year ago.

## Enthusiastic Road Man.

The members of the Granville County Highway Commission are very enthusiastic, and their enthusiasm is contagious. Everybody is deeply pleased to know that the State and Federal Government will take over 65 miles of the county roads and build and maintain them.