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LARGE CROWD SEARCH FOR WILEY PERRY MURDERER OF ROY AIKEN

Officers believe that he is in the Mountain Section of Granville. Sheriff Hunt was advised by wire last Monday that Wiley Perry, the murderer of Roy Aiken at Creedmoor two weeks ago, was in custody at Fayetteville.

The Sheriff made a hasty trip to Fayetteville, and when he first saw the colored prisoner behind the bars he thought they had the right man, but upon examination the suspect was not Perry. The eyes and forehead resembled that of the much wanted murderer of Roy Aiken, but his skin was lighter and there was no scar on his face.

People living in the mountain section of Granville state that a thousand people with guns scoured that section last Sunday, and every day this week gangs of men have been seen in the hill country all the way from Stem to Blue Wines.

The people of Person and Durham counties join Granville in the hunt for the murderer. It is generally believed here that the \$500 reward will land the murderer at an early date.

WILL PRESENT SHAKESPEARE DRAMA HERE NOV. 22

For Benefit Oxford High School Play Grounds.

The advance agent of the Shakespeare Playhouse of New York City was in Oxford Wednesday to make arrangements to present a high class drama here on the evening of November 22nd for the benefit of the Oxford High School play grounds.

A real opportunity is afforded in the appearance of this company. An opportunity to view something worth while staged by a metropolitan organization.

The Shakespeare Playhouse was founded by Mr. McEntee in 1918, for the purpose of forming a group or association of artists and finished performers and producing from time to time, not only Shakespearean plays, but the best of the modern drama.

Some of the finished players in the cast are Frank McEntee, director; Edna Gleason, Frances Horner, Charles Webster, Mr. Neville, an Australian actor, and Wallis Roberts.

MISS LINVILLE YOUNGER BRIDE OF MR. H. M. KING

A marriage of interest to the people of Virginia and North Carolina was that of Miss Linville Younger, daughter of Mrs. Anna T. Younger of Stovall, North Carolina, to Mr. Henry H. King, of Richmond.

The marriage was solemnized very quietly at 1:30 P. M., November the second, in the parlors of the Vance Hotel at Henderson, N. C., only the immediate families of the bride and groom and a few close friends being present.

The bride wore a handsome blue broadcloth suit trimmed in gray fur with accessories to match and a corsage bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. King left for New York and other northern cities, and their return from their honeymoon will make their home in Richmond.

MR. W. L. PEACE ADVOCATES PLANTING OF PECAN TREES

On a recent trip to Warsaw, Walling and Laurinburg the writer was struck with the great number of bearing Pecan trees growing in yards and as shade trees on the side walks.

At five years of age the Pecan tree begins to bear and some of these trees will produce this year as much as thirty pounds of nuts worth 50 cents per pound. As a pound of kernels equals more than a pound of hog meat these people really have a "hog at their back door" in the shape of bearing Pecan trees. Would it not be a good idea for our citizens to plant Pecan trees, for shade, for nuts, and for ornament?

W. L. PEACE.

DEDICATION OF OXFORD HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING TONIGHT

A fine program has been arranged for the dedicatory program of the High School building which will take place at 8 o'clock tonight.

Besides scripture reading, prayers and songs there will be short interesting speeches. Col. Henry G. Cooper will deliver the prefatory address, in which he will refer to the memory of Winfield Taylor, for whom the play ground was named.

Mr. D. G. Brummitt will make the presentation speech, and Dr. E. C. Brooks, state superintendent of public instruction, will speak.

CONDITIONS OF THE OXFORD TOBACCO MARKET GETTING BETTER DAILY

The Oxford tobacco market has been well crowded every day this week and the farmers admit that they can live at the prices that now prevail.

The weather is better now for the handling of the tobacco and now the warehousemen are expecting large and heavy sales until at least Thanksgiving.

Your battery should have water about every two weeks. Stop at Oxford Battery Co.

IN SIX DAYS THOU SHALT CLEAN UP OXFORD NEXT WEEK

A Message From Mrs. Stem. Please carefully observe Clean Up Week, Nov. 14-19. The unusually dry summer is over and the rain has come and nearly all of the leaves have fallen, so everything is in good shape for giving Oxford its fall cleaning, making it a prettier and healthier place to live in during the winter ahead of us.

Let's all do our best to make our town the cleanest in the State, and this can be accomplished only by the hearty cooperation of each of its citizens working together.

MRS. T. G. STEM, Chm. Civic Dept. Woman's Club.

PREMIUMS AWARDED AT THE CHRYSANTHEMUM SHOW

Held in the Armory Thursday and Friday, November 3-4, 1921.

Best 6 white—Miss Kittrell \$4. Best 6 white—Mrs. Pete Bullock \$4. Second best 6 white—Mrs. H. G. Williams \$3.

Best 6 yellow—Mrs. Pete Bullock \$4. Second 6 yellow—Miss Kittrell \$3. Best 6 pink—Mrs. Pete Bullock \$4. Second best 6 pink—Miss Kittrell \$3.

Best 3 white incurved—Mrs. Pete Bullock \$2.50. Best 3 white reflex—Mrs. W. D. Bryan \$2.50.

Best 3 yellow incurved—Miss Kittrell \$2.50. Best 3 yellow reflex—Henry Brooks \$2.50.

Best 3 bronze—Mrs. Pete Bullock \$2.00. Best 3 red—Mrs. H. G. Williams \$2. Best 1 white—Mrs. Pete Bullock \$1. Best 1 pink—Mrs. Pete Bullock \$1. Best 1 yellow—Mrs. G. E. Cheatham \$1.

Best 1 salmon—Mrs. Pete Bullock \$1. Best 1 red—Henry Brooks \$1. Best basket of single variety—Mrs. Wade Britt \$2.

Best basket of pompoms—Mrs. Wade Britt \$2. Best pot grown—Miss Kittrell \$2. Best collection—Mrs. Pete Bullock \$10. Second best collection—Miss Kittrell \$8.

Best vase of roses—Mrs. Jno. Bullock 3 lbs. candy. Best vase of dahlias—Mrs. J. M. Baird \$2.50.

Most artistically arranged basket—Miss Bemis 2 lbs. candy. Best geranium—Mrs. W. D. Bryan inner tube.

Best potted plant—Mrs. W. D. Bryan pair scissors. Best 3 pink chry.—Henry Brooks \$2.50.

Fancy Wo'k Dept. Best crocheted centerpiece—Mrs. W. H. Fleming, crex rug. Best knitted sweater—Mrs. Coggs-hall, auto tire cover.

Best embroidered centerpiece—Mrs. Street, Aluminium boiler. Best bead spread—Mrs. Jom Rogers, inner tube.

Best hand made baby dress—Mrs. Fling Smith, folding stool for child. Best baby cap—Mrs. Coble, O-Cedar Mop.

Best piece of tatting—Mrs. Street, pair pliers. Best crocheted sweater—Mrs. J. D. Brooks, \$2.50 in trade at Upchurch & Currin's.

Best piece of fancy work donated to the club—Mrs. J. D. Brooks, \$2.50 in trade at J. Robt. Woods'. Best hand-made handkerchief—Mrs. Coble, Alarm clock.

Candy. Chocolate Fudge—Louise Cannady, 1-2 doz. photos. Sea Foam—Louise Cannady, cash \$1. Coconut candy—Marie Stark, 1 leather belt.

Fancy candy—Marie Stark, Alarm clock. Peanut Brittle—Marie Stark, 1 bottle toilet water. Mints—Sue Bryan, aluminum boiler.

Housewife Department. White loaf cake—Miss Sue Bryan, 1-2 ton coal. Devil cake—Mrs. R. L. Brown, \$3 in trade at Landis & Easton's.

Beaten Biscuits—Mrs. A. A. Chapman, 1-4 bbl flour. Loaf of bread—Mrs. Luther Stark, 1-8 bbl of flour.

Rolls—Mrs. Luther Stark, 1-8 bbl of flour. Largest winner in candy department—Miss Marie Stark 3 mos. ticket to Moving Picture Show.

Largest winner in Housekeepers Dept.—Mrs. Luther Stark, \$3 in trade at Perkinson & Green's.

GOVERNOR MORRISON CALLS SPECIAL SESSION LEGISLATURE

December 6th is set in the Proclamation As Date For Assembly Of The State's Lawmakers.

Governor Cameron Morrison has today formally called the General Assembly of North Carolina to convene in special session at eleven o'clock December 6th to make provision for a deficit of \$700,000 in the school funds of the State and to correct an error in the Municipal Finance Act by reason of which it was declared unconstitutional by the North Carolina Supreme Court, handicapping virtually all the cities of the State in their financial policies.

THE DAISY ADOPTED AS THE AMERICAN LEGION FLOWER

The daisy was adopted by unanimous vote at the Kansas City convention as the official flower of the American Legion. The poppy had many adherents because of its association with Flanders battlefields, but when it was explained that it was not an American flower and could not be obtained in large quantities, the "poppy party" shifted its support to the daisy.

R. G. LASSITER & CO., OF OXFORD, AWARDED NATIONAL HIGHWAY CONTRACT

Five Miles of Hard Surface and Bridges For \$145,207.57.

Contracts were awarded last Tuesday by the State Highway Commission for the construction of approximately thirty miles of road in the Fourth district, totaling \$690,714, bringing the road work under contract in the State to approximately eight million dollars in new work since the commission was reorganized in May. Seventy-two bids were submitted on the seven projects.

R. G. Lassiter & Company was awarded the contract for five miles of road and bridges. The project extends from the corporate limits north five miles. Lassiter & Company bid was \$145,207.52.

Two weeks ago the low bid on Topoka paving was \$2.30 per square yard. Tuesday the low figures touched \$2.56 in a bid submitted by R. M. Hudson and Co., Salisbury, on the road connecting with the hard surface highway between Raleigh and Garner. On this bid the Union Paving Company of Philadelphia submitted a figure of \$2.62 against their bid of \$2.30 two weeks ago.

R. G. Lassiter & Company has one of the most modern and largest equipment, and it is understood that the company will begin operations at once.

THANKSGIVING TURKEYS ARE ROOSTING MIGHTY HIGH IN THIS SECTION

Many Young Birds Were Drowned Last Spring.

The farmers tell us that turkeys are very scarce this year on account of bad season for the young birds last spring, when heavy rains smothered whole droves in some sections of the county.

"The turkey for Thanksgiving dinner will come as high, or higher, as in war times," said a farmer.

"I have 18 turkeys that I will offer for sale in a few days," said a Tally Ho farmer, "and if they don't bring a fair price I will take them back home and hold them until Christmas. My observance is that turkeys sell higher at Christmas than at Thanksgiving."

DEMOCRATS MAKE GOOD GAINS IN FOUR STATES

President Harding's Home Town Goes Democratic.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 10.—The democrats swept Virginia Tuesday, giving Senator E. Lee Trinkle, for governor, a majority that will reach possibly 65,000.

New York City Democratic.

New York, Nov. 10.—Complete returns from Tuesday's election to-day showed that Mayor John F. Hylan was re-elected by a plurality of 417,986, a figure unprecedented in the history of New York city politics.

Marion, Ohio, Democratic.

Marion, Ohio, Nov. 10.—This city, President Harding's home, returned to its normal democratic moorings Tuesday, when George Neeley, democrat, defeated Mayor Andrews, republican candidate for re-election, by a plurality of nearly 1,000.

Kentucky Democratic.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 10.—The outstanding case of Statewide Democratic victory was in Kentucky where the party regained control of the legislature, which has been Republican for two years. In Maryland, where the entire lower House was elected, with 27 members of the Senate Democratic control was increased.

IT WILL PAY YOU TO TRAP THIS YEAR

Many Kinds Of Skins Are In Great Demand.

A wholesale price list at hand tells us that trapping for muskrat, skunk, coon, mink, etc., is not difficult, and that many boys derive a substantial income from the sport. But it is necessary, says the pamphlet, to know the habits of these animals—where they may be found, what traps to use and where to place them, the proper bait and so on. You can obtain all this information by writing to one of the big fur houses, explaining your intentions and asking for a catalog. Trapping brings rewards today that were unknown a few years ago. Muskrat sold 15 years ago for as low as 7 cents, and just before the war at 50 cents, whereas on the present market muskrat is bringing as high as \$1. Other skins are also in great demand.

WHOLESALE BEEF PRICES AT 1914 LEVEL BUT RETAIL PRICES STAY UP

Chicago, Nov. 9.—Wholesale prices of beef have dropped to the 1914 level. The Institute of American wheat packers, in a bulletin made public today stated that carcass beef at the end of October, 1921, was selling for 11 1-2 to 12 cents a pound. In October, 1914, the average wholesale price was 12 cents.

Retail beef prices, however, are not reflecting the decline in wholesale prices.

Air Day In Oxford Tomorrow.

Capt. Fillmore has several people booked to take the air with him from the aviation field two miles north of Oxford. Watch out for the misspelled word in the circular and get a free ride or \$5 in cash.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN MONTHLY SESSION LAST MONDAY

The Question Of Employing A Special Prohibition Deputy Was Discussed.

The county board of commissioners met in monthly session last Monday, the following members being present: Messrs. J. Ennis Davis, chairman; B. F. Currin, T. G. Taylor, W. L. Clark, C. G. Daniel.

The board had under consideration the question of appointing a special deputy to enforce the prohibition laws in the county, and with that end in view requested our representative to secure the passage of law giving the Board of Commissioners authority to employ a special deputy, the salary to be fixed by the board.

There was nothing of special importance outside of routine business to engage the attention of the board.

T. P. Patilla, a white man, was admitted to the Home of the Aged and Infirmary, and Ella Skinner, colored, was ordered placed on the outside pauper list.

FORTY YEARS AGO OXFORD WAS A CENTER OF EDUCATION AND REFINEMENT

Many Of Her Older Citizens Can Testify To The Cultural Preeminence She Held Then As Now.

Your article on "Forty Years Ago" in Oxford reminds me of two conversations one of which I heard and one of which was repeated to me.

Two North Carolina friends of mine were talking extravagantly, for the benefit of their New York auditors, about the primitive conditions in their native section when they were boys. Seeing the ignorance and gullibility of their listeners, they increased the extravagance of their talk. Finally one of them said that when he was a boy he ran wild in the woods, wore no clothes and was covered with hair. Only recently, since he had come to New York and made a regular practice of wearing clothes, he said, had his fine coat of fur disappeared. To this the other North Carolinian assented, but said that he was so wild that he ran away, that his parents caught him and tied him in the woods, near a creek so that he would have plenty of water, and that there were then rings around his legs, left there by the high water of a freshet.

The other conversation took place in Chicago between a Tar Heel and a man from Wisconsin. The latter asked if it were true that the barbarous conditions of which he had heard really existed in North Carolina. "Man, you're a fool," replied the Tar Heel. "When Wisconsin was still under the domination of savages," and when wild beasts roamed at will through its unbroken forests, my State had reached the zenith of the then known civilization." My friend was from Warren County, which was formerly a part of Granville, and probably had in mind the culture and refinement of the Williams, Hendersons, and others of those fine old Williamsboro families of a century to a century-and-a-half ago.

Evidently some joker has been "spoofing," "kidding" or "stringing" you, and was probably as much astonished at seeing that you took him seriously and printed his humorous statements, as I was at reading them.

If there were over twenty saloons in Oxford at one time the town and county tax records will show it. My knowledge of Oxford saloons of forty years ago is not extensive, but I doubt very much that there were ever as many as even ten there at once.

While there have always been murders and other forms of lawlessness wherever men have gathered together since the days of Cain, and probably always will be, Granville's record of from thirty-five to forty-five years ago is probably better than its record of the past ten years.

Forty years ago the first railroad to Oxford was completed and the town began to take on a livelier air. Professor Hobgood moved his girls' college from Raleigh to Oxford, and the Horner School was going strong, as were several smaller private schools. The town, noted then as now for its refinement, was maintaining its reputation as the Athens of North Carolina.

In closing it may not be out of place to add that forty years ago such a thing as night joy riding by unchaperoned mixed parties would not have been tolerated for a moment by the Oxford people.

FRANCIS B. HAYS, New York, November 7, 1921.

THOMAS JEFFERSON, ABE LINCOLN AND JUSTICE TAFT

William Howard Taft rides on a street car to take his new job as chief justice of the United States Supreme Court. This, too, though it was a rainy day in Washington and most of us under similar circumstances would have called a taxi.

It recalls Thomas Jefferson, who rode horseback to become President, and hitched his nag in front of the White House.

Or Lincoln, who used to receive diplomats when his barber was shaving him and his face covered with lather.

HON. W. A. DEVIN WILL PRESIDE AT NOV. TERM GRANVILLE SUPERIOR COURT

To Begin Next Monday Morning and Continue Two Weeks.

The people of Granville will be glad to learn that Hon. W. A. Devin will preside at the November term of Granville county court, which will convene next Monday morning.

A lengthy docket awaits Judge Devin. There are 31 cases on the trial docket and 41 on the motion docket.

Some of the cases are calculated to engage the attention of the court for more than a day. Taylor against Meadows, involving a small strip of land on the west side of the tobacco house on Williamsboro street, will be brought up again at this term of court. It has been heard several times, and it generally consumes more than one day.

Judge Hunt, clerk of the court, requests the several justices of the peace to hand in their reports on or before Tuesday, Nov. 15.

THE PHILANTHROPIST FROM GRANVILLE COUNTY GIVES A BANQUET

At The Smith Hotel, November 5th, 1921.

The banquet given by Mr. Robert M. Jeffreys, now of Chase City, Virginia, to the honored stockholders of the Jeffreys-Myers Manufacturing Company was a Feast Day and a Thanksgiving Day indeed.

Promptly at half past one the guests were invited from the parlors into the spacious dining room of the Smith Hotel. Covers were laid for thirty-two and one long table beautifully decorated with very large white and yellow chrysanthemums extended almost the entire length of the room.

A Thanksgiving bounty, yes a wonderful and well appointed dinner—then commenced one long round of genial merriment.

The fruit was of the citrus variety. Turkey and cranberries served in entirety—Potatoes, tomatoes, pickles and peas—Old ham—(Mr. Smith's special. The best—if you please. The salad was of chicken a-la-letuce galore. You tasted but once, you wanted some more.

But tell me, was there ever any where in the world a "possum with his tail so "tastefully" curled? Cream and cake—We just ate for old time's sake. Even so, we had plenty of cigars.

Senator W. H. Jeffreys, also of Chase City, was a most gifted toastmaster. He spoke graciously of the loyalty of the Jeffreys Myers Manufacturing Company, of what Mr. Myers had meant to the factory in Oxford and the confidence they had in him was nothing short of real affection. He was also strong in his testimony of a true and tried neighbor in person of Mr. Wyatt E. Canady. It was with feeling and deep appreciation that he spoke of his "Old school teacher"—Hon. A. A. Hicks—and the little log-schoolhouse where first they met and fought and conquered.

Senator Jeffreys' speech was pleasing, dignified and sincere. Is it any wonder that his adopted state called him to this high position of honor and trust?

To this eloquent speech Mr. A. A. Hicks responded. He was reminiscent of the olden times and wove an interesting story of the life of Mr. R. M. Jeffreys and his wonderful family.

Mr. Early, on behalf of the operatives, declared you could always count on a square deal from the Jeffreys-Myers Manufacturing Company.

In educational matters Mr. R. M. Jeffreys—this veteran of good deeds and exemplary business principles—was deeply concerned, but his humane interest in people has been and will ever be his most beloved asset. His financial success made it possible for him to finance his great will to do for the sick and the afflicted.

His business activities carried him beyond his state, but this North Carolina Tar is still making foot prints on the sands of time.

Virginia has borrowed our Smiths—one-two and three Our Alderman, too, 'tis plain as can be—

And now our Philanthropist is lending two sons To help make her laws her State's Rights to run.

All joined in wishing that the Jeffreys-Myers Manufacturing Company might live long and prosper and hoped that all their annual meetings would be held in Oxford at the Smith Hotel.

GRAND JURY IS ASKED TO PROBE DEATH OF BOY WHO HAD NO DOCTOR

Fayetteville, Nov. 9.—A grand jury investigation into the death of the eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Carroll, of this city, which occurred here yesterday, was requested in a report of the coroner's jury today. The coroner's jury report stated that the boy came to his death from diphtheria and that there was negligence on the part of the parents, who refused to get medical aid for the child, but relied solely upon prayer.

Frazier-Dean.

Cards reading as follows have been issued: "Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Frazier request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter Inez Augusta to Mr. William Hays Dean on Wednesday afternoon, November 23, 1921, at four o'clock. At home Matoaca, Va."

NEW YOUNGSTOWN MAYOR, A CITIZEN OF THREE MONTHS, HAD PECULIAR PLATFORM

He Rode To Victory On a Wild Cat Platform.

Youngstown, Ohio, Nov. 9.—A man who has lived in Youngstown only three months, and whose platform provided for the continuance of street car service, turning the street over to jitney buses and jailing any citizen who paid taxes under a recent revaluation, yesterday was elected mayor over candidates backed by the major party organizations. He is George L. Olds, who came in from the country, established a residence in a hotel, and carried on an eccentric advertising campaign without the aid of party support.

Other "planks" in Olds' platform included permitting "spooning" in city party under police protection, dismissing the entire police force if it doesn't mend its ways and a promise to his salary over to charity.

The women's vote is believed to have been responsible for Olds' election.

THE MOST LUXURIOUS APARTMENT HOUSE IN THE WORLD

It Was Built For Wealthy People Too Indolent To Be Bothered With Homes.

The New York Times tells us that the most luxurious apartment house in the world has just been opened in New York. It has gold-plated door knobs, silver-plated chandeliers, and a separate set of elevators, running to each of its 16 floors. It was built for wealthy people too indolent to be bothered with homes of their own although having the means to build a home with every modern convenience. Their lives have become so artificial they wish to live close to the center of a great city. Yearly rentals in this apartment house range from \$10,000 to \$55,000 for an apartment and there are 90 apartments, the largest one containing 30 rooms. One tenant has installed 1-4 million dollars worth of ancient tapestries. A magnificent ballroom, a restaurant, a grill, a tea-room, and a confectionary shop are a part of the equipment. No tenants are admitted whether or not they have the price, except by vote of an entrance committee of tenants. Yet this desire for exclusiveness is not great enough for those who live in the building to inspire them to be sole tenants in a house of their own.

MR. R. W. LASSITER'S HAND IS MUCH BETTER

A bruised place on Mr. R. W. Lassiter's right hand, recently contracted, got cold in it and gave him some concern. Mr. Lassiter's friends will be glad to learn that the hand is practically well.

Mr. Lassiter is wearing the usual pleasant smile and greeting, but it will be some time before he extends the "right hand of fellowship."

THE TATTLER

Published Weekly By the Athletic Association Of Oxford High School.

The first number of "The Tattler," published weekly by the Athletic Association of the Oxford High School, is on our desk. It is a very handsome four-column folio and is well worth 50 cents, the price of subscription, for the school year. Mr. Edwin Shaw is the editor-in-chief; Mr. William S. Livengood and Miss Mildred Harrington are the managing editors; literary editors, Herbert Rountree and Ivey Allen; associate, Bessie Faulkner; school activities, Jack Brinkley and Annie Gray Burroughs; community activities, James Webb and Clarence Burch; athletics, Edgar Reece and William Hunt; agony column, Almon Upchurch and J. D. Brooks, Jr.; treasurer athletic association Madison Usry.

MISS BLACKNALL ALASKA MISSIONARY, COMING TO OXFORD

Fresh From the Field Of Snow and Romance—Will Deliver Address At St. Stephen's Church Next Sunday.

Miss Bessie B. Blacknall, one of our faithful Missionaries from Alaska, now on furlough at her home in Henderson, will address the Sunday School of St. Stephen's Church on Sunday next, Nov. 13th, and will also make an address during the morning service in the Church. The addresses which Miss Blacknall has made in other of our churches, have proven to be both profitable and interesting. It will be live information right from that field, so full of snow and romance, and there will be local pride, too.

SCHOOL POPULATION OF U. S. 33,250,870; IN SCHOOL 21,370,000

"School population" of the United States 33,250,870, the census bureau announces. Of this number, comprising citizens five to 20 years old, more than 21,370,000 were attending schools between September, 1919, and January, 1920, when the census was taken. Utah apparently is the most studious State, 73 per cent of her citizens eligible by age being registered in schools, Massachusetts leads in the 7 to 13 group with 96.1 per cent, and Louisiana comes last with 75.9 per cent.