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OXFORD-HENDERSON HIGHWAY TO BE FIRST CLASS GRAVEL ROAD

Many Of the Curves In Vance Will Be Eliminated—The New Survey Calls For An Underpass Under Both Railroads In the Suburbs Of Henderson.

Mr. John Sprunt Hill, highway commissioner for the Fourth District spent last Saturday in and around Henderson investigating the best routes for various highway projects. He was asked by the Daily Dispatch as to what he proposed to do in the way of building the road south to Raleigh and west to Oxford. Mr. Hill was asked to state what his plans were for these roads, the kind of construction that would be used, and when work would likely be started on them. On his return to Durham Mr. Hill wrote the Daily Dispatch in part as follows:

Oxford-Henderson Road.

Referring to your inquiry about Road Project 472, from Henderson to Granville county line, I beg to say that Mr. Charles Pritchett, chief of surveying party, is now working on this survey, and as soon as the survey can be finished and road plans properly prepared, it is my intention to let contract for the construction of a first-class gravel road. The location of this road at present is very bad and, in all probability, the new road will cut out most of the dangerous curves and also provide for an underpass under both railroads at a point just south of Mr. James Cooper's house.

An Important Road.

I regard this as an important road and would like to make it hard surface construction, but we are so cramped for funds for the construction of the main highway from Henderson south to Raleigh that I am compelled to make Road Projects 472 a gravel road. Vance county, by reason of its area, population and road mileage, brought into the road district \$314,000, under the fifty-million dollar bond issue, and under the fifteen-million dollar bond issue you brought in about \$94,000 additional, making a total of about \$408,000. Of this amount \$265,000 has already been allotted to the construction of Project 473, Henderson north of Warren county line, which leaves me a balance of approximately \$143,000 for the construction of road from Henderson to Granville county line and also for the construction of the main highway from Henderson south to Franklin county line.

More Money Needed.

You can readily understand, therefore, the very difficulty I am experiencing in attempting to finance the construction of road from Henderson to Granville county line and road from Henderson to Franklin county line. In all probability it will be necessary for the counties of Vance, Granville, Durham, and perhaps others in the fourth district, to donate considerable amounts of money to the State for the building of hard surface projects in these counties so as to give them the class of roads that the traffic requires.

PUBLIC HEALTH LAWS

The People Are Becoming Educated and Cheerfully Obey the Rules.

The State laws governing public health are necessarily severe, but they are disregarded by a larger number of people than any law, on the statute books, which is attributed to down right ignorance. The law requires that a placard be placed at the front door of every residence where there is contagion. The placard is placed there to warn the people of the disease, but there are numerous families in Granville who look upon the placard as a disgrace, and as soon as the health officer turns his back they remove the card. Some of them watch for the health officer and when they see him coming they tack the card up again, but there are others who hold the card and all health laws in utter contempt and are disposed to argue with the health officer. There have been numerous arrests and convictions in Granville for violation of the public health laws of the State. The violations are confined largely to the ignorant class of colored people, but now and then the health officer encounters white families who are unreasonable and insulting, and nothing short of the law fits their case.

Dr. Morris, our health officer, remarked the other day that he is certainly glad that the people of the county are becoming educated and cheerfully comply with the public health laws. Above all things he hates to make an arrest, but when an ignorant person places the lives of others in jeopardy there is nothing else to do.

WANTED YOUNG LADY TO TEACH at home two small children of 5 and 6 years. P. O. B. 612.

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

DR. F. A. PARSONS WILL SPEAK IN OXFORD ON MARCH NINTH

He Will Talk About Everything From Red Hats, White Shoes and Black Stockings to the Most Elegant Things in Dress.

It is a source of pleasure to know that Dr. Frank Alvah Parson, school of Applied Art, will be in Oxford March 9th, and will speak on "Art in Life." He is endorsed by the Parent-Teacher Association, and all the clubs in Oxford, and he will talk about everything from red hats, white shoes and black stockings to the most elegant things in dress and the home. His purpose is to uplift ideas and ideals in our community.

Raleigh correspondent of the Greensboro News says:

"The club women of Raleigh are to have the privilege of hearing Dr. Frank Alvah Parson, president of the New York School of Fine and Applied Arts, in a series of four or five lectures on art in the home and art in dress. In October of 1921 Dr. Parsons gave two lectures in Raleigh and the women were so delighted that he has been invited to give a return engagement, lecturing along the same general lines. In view of the amount of time that Dr. Parsons must of necessity give to the Paris School of Fine and Applied Arts which he has established in the past few years, taking him for months at a time away from this country, the club women feel that this may perhaps be their last chance to have him visit North Carolina. He is one of the most popular lecturers Raleigh has had in a number of years despite the fact that he stepped on a goodly number of toes in discussing clothes and furnishings. Even to the disparagement of at least ten flaming red hats in the audience, ever so many pairs of black hose with white shoes and large medallion-trimmed frocks, his lectures brought forth the friendliest sort of discussions that resulted in a rearrangement of both costume and home furnishings by many people."

Mrs. W. T. Bost, president of the Raleigh Woman's Club, writes as follows to Mrs. A. A. Hicks: "I think you won't regret having him, for he is about the most popular speaker the women here have ever had." The proceeds are for community uplift. The price of admission is 50-cents for adults and 25-cents for school age.

BISHOP GAILOR DENOUNCES KU KLUX

Head Of the Episcopal Church In America Declares the Klan Is Spreading Discontent.

Chattanooga, Feb. 21.—Bishop Thomas F. Gailor, head of the Episcopal church in America, in an address here denounced the Ku Klux Klan, declaring he believed that "groups of people who are obsessed with an antipathy for any certain social or religious class are doing more to spread discontent and disorder than any other thing in the United States today."

The bishop also stated that he was opposed to turning the country over to followers of socialism, "because" he said, "I think they are simply chasing rainbows. They lack imagination and are merely professional reformers."

MOVEMENT TO CHANGE THE SCHOOL HOUR

Superintendent Credle Will Lay the Proposed Change Before the Teachers.

Some of the energetic members of the Oxford School Board insist that 8:45 o'clock is rather late these mornings to take in school. They have suggested to Superintendent Credle that the hour should be changed to 8.15, or not later than 8.30.

It is understood that the proposed change is left entirely in the hands of Prof. Credle, who will probably consult the wishes of the teachers on the question next week.

FORMER EMPLOYES MAY SUE PRESIDENT

Washington, Feb. 21.—Senator Caraway, Democrat, Arkansas, said today that information had been given him that some of the 28 Bureau of Printing and Engraving employees dismissed about a year ago by order of President Harding had decided to bring suit against the President for defamation of character.

No Service At Geneva Sunday.

There will be no service at the Geneva Presbyterian Church Sunday afternoon. The pastor, Rev. F. F. Comford being called home on account of death in his family. All the Geneva people reading this notice will please make it known to others.

NEARLY 8,000,000 POUNDS SOLD ON THE OXFORD MARKET

The Amount Paid Out Is \$2,136,867.54—the Average For All Sold Is \$27.72 Per Hundred Pounds.

The three auction warehouses here, including the Annex, which did not open until late in the season has sold 7,708,355 pounds of tobacco at an average of \$27.72. These figures include sales through last Monday.

It is expected that the total for the season will go very near to the nine million pound mark. The open market here will be brought to a close some time next week, it is said.

The Henderson Daily Dispatch states that the two auction warehouses in that city sold up to the end of business last Friday a total of 6,897,750 pounds at an average of 24.15, which brought \$1,666,113.58.

THE CLUB GROUNDS

Graded and Ready For Shrubbery and Flowers.

The Oxford Woman's Club is converting their newly-acquired property at the corner of Gillingham and Littlejohn streets into a beauty spot. Much has been done to convert the interior of the building into a comfortable place and the grounds have been graded and are now ready for flowers and shrubbery.

No institution has done more for the up-building of Oxford than the Woman's Club. They have always been on the right side of every issue—especially for good government, health, education and morals.

They deserve a handsome, permanent club home in which to enlarge and carry on their work. They are to be commended for taking steps to procure such a home, and have partly paid for it.

Their present quarters are more like a "band-box" than a club house. To be sure, it is pretty and sweet, but the club should have something more enduring and spacious. The whole community should contribute to make it all that it should be.

OFFICERS CAPTURE STILL NEAR BERE A

It Was Dismantled and Hid In the Brush.

The good people near Caltolina Farm complain of the numerous moonshiners operating in that section. Constable Ernest Bragg and Deputy Crawford Davis made a visit to that section last Wednesday and saw many evidences of the moonshiner. They returned to Oxford with a 60-gallon capacity still which they found dismantled in a pile of brush.

It is generally believed that the moonshiners who infest that section of the county are Person county negroes.

AN EMPTY JAIL

Deputy Conrad Walters Carried a Bunch Of Jail Birds To the Roads Monday.

A bunch of prisoners convicted at the last term of Granville Superior Court were taken to the roads Monday.

Bill Barnes, a dapper negro, was convicted in municipal court Wednesday and sentenced by Mayor Stem to serve one year on the roads. He became a boarder at the county jail, but he will either give bond or be taken to the roads today, leaving the jail vacant again.

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE TONIGHT

Dr. Collier Cobb At Oxford College.

This evening at 7:30 o'clock Dr. Collier Cobb, professor of Geology in the State University, will give an illustrated lecture in the college auditorium. Dr. Cobb is one of the most widely traveled men anywhere. The public invited.

F. P. HOBGOOD.

HERE FOR RECRUITS

Detachment From Fort Bragg Is Spending Three Days In Oxford.

A detachment from Company A, Fourth Engineers, Camp Bragg, arrived in Oxford yesterday and will remain here through Saturday.

These men are actively canvassing for recruits for their organization, and are prepared to set forth the advantages of Army Service in a convincing manner.

GRASSY CREEK SCHOOL

List Of Boys and Girls On the Honor Roll.

First Grade—Davis Lowman.
Second Grade—Lee Cifers.
Third Grade—Frank Cifers.
Fourth Grade—Sue Lena Vaughan and Richard Cifers.
Fifth Grade—Charlie Wilkins and Lottie Cifers.
Sixth Grade—Mary Loftus.
Teachers—Misses Bettie Teague and Virgie Newton.

WHOOPING COUGH IS PREVALENT IN GRANVILLE

There Are ThirtyFour Cases At Stovall.

The epidemic of whooping cough that has been raging in the adjoining counties for some time has reached Granville. Prof. N. W. Weldon, superintendent of the Stovall High School, reports 34 cases.

The first symptoms of whooping cough is a bad cold, and even the best doctors cannot detect the disease until the child begins to "whoop." Dr. Morris, county health officer, commends Prof. Weldon on his quick report to him and his determination to do all he can to aid in its suppression.

Rocky Mount is the worst stricken city in the State, there being 1,500 cases of whooping cough raging there.

LOCAL MAN WANTS A "HAREM BRIDE."

Writes To the American Vice Consul At Constantinople.

Mr. Justin Rankoff, who operates the picture machine at the Orpheum Theatre, is in receipt of a letter from Mr. J. H. Keeley, Jr., American Vice Consul at Constantinople, who writes under date of Jan. 13, 1923, as follows:

"In reply to your letter of Dec. 5, 1922, wherein your request to be informed what steps are necessary to secure for the purpose of marrying certain 'harem girls' alleged to have been discharged from the ex-Sultan's Palace, I regret to have to inform you that this Consulate General is not cognizant of the existence of any girls answering to your description, and furthermore that this office is not authorized to act as a matrimonial agency."

THE BACHELOR'S BILL

Creating Amusement Throughout the State.

Representative Hauser's bill now before the Legislature providing for a tax of bachelors over forty to support old maids over thirty is creating quite a bit of merriment throughout the State. A Macedonian cry in the form of a telegram has been sent up from a number of Fayetteville confirmed bachelors which reads: "Fight bachelors tax bill at all hazards. Most of rights gone now. Save what few remain."

SMOKES CIGARETTE AND GETS ARRESTED

Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 21.—Ernest Bamberger, Republican national committee man from Utah; Edgar Newhouse, general manager of the American Smelting and Refining company and J. C. Lytch, local capitalist were placed under arrest in a restaurant today charged with violation of a section of the state anti-cigarette law which prohibits smoking in public places.

POSITION OPEN TO CLERK-CARRIER

There will be a civil service examination on March 21, to fill the position of clerk-carrier at the Oxford postoffice. The salary ranges from \$1400 to \$1800 per annum. The civil service test embraces spelling, penmanship, copying, letter writing and arithmetic.

MRS. SALLIE TWITTY DANGEROUSLY ILL

Was Lady Principal Of Oxford College For Twenty-Five Years.

Mrs. Sallie Drake Twitty, lady principal of Oxford College for twenty-five years, sustained a severe stroke of paralysis last Tuesday at her home in Warrenton.

Mrs. Twitty is enshrined in the hearts of thousands of women who attended Oxford College. She retired from Oxford College a few years ago.

SIGNS OF SPRING

Leaves On Alder Bush Are Half Grown.

While in the woods on his place last Wednesday, Mr. J. W. Brummitt, of Route 2, ran across an alder bush on which the leaves were half grown. The leaves evidently got their growth before the cold spell. There had been no cold spell the leaves would probably be full-grown by this time.

Enjoy a Delicious Meal.

The annual turkey dinner and supper to be served by the Baptist Philatheas today will be in the store formerly occupied by the Whitmore Bakery next to J. Robt. Woods. Get dinner and supper with the Philatheas and enjoy a fine meal.

SOLICITORS SALARY BILL PASSES FINAL READING IN HOUSE

Flat Salary Of \$4000 Per Year With \$750 For Expenses.

Raleigh, Feb. 21.—Amended to provide a flat salary for solicitors of \$4,000 per year with \$750 annually for expenses, the Warren-Connor solicitor bill passed the house of representatives tonight on third reading by a record vote of 72 to 23, after four-hour session of spirited debate, and the clincher was applied by Representative Townsend, of Harnett, who moved reconsideration of the vote by which the measure passed and the subsequent motion of Representative Conn or of Wilson, to table the Townsend motion, which carried. The bill now goes to the senate.

Representative Warren, of Beaufort, led off with the discussion of the bill, explained its application. He said that no county which had adopted a salary basis for payment of their officers had ever gone back to the fee system, and pointed out with facts and figures the amounts solicitors now derived, ranging from \$4,000 per annum up to \$13,700, owing to the size of the district and the number of weeks of criminal court.

SPRING MILLINERY

Many Pretty Models Will Be On Display.

The feminine heart begins to flutter at the advent of Spring and the pretty hats incidental to the season. Oxford has four millinery establishments, namely: Perkinson-Green, Landis & Easton, Cohn & Son and The Hat Shop, recently opened by Mrs. Graham Roberts. Miss Street, an experienced milliner, has arrived and will assist Mrs. Roberts.

Miss Annie Burkhead, who has been with Perkinson-Green for several seasons has arrived from the northern markets and will soon have on display a most attractive line of up-to-the-minute millinery.

Miss West, who has been with Landis & Easton two seasons, will return this week from the northern markets and will make a handsome showing of up to date millinery.

Cohn & Son will conduct their millinery department this season as usual. They will have an experienced milliner to handle the trade.

FIRE DESTROYS GA- RAGE AND AUTOMOBILE

Fire of unknown origin broke out in an out house on the lot of J. F. White last Thursday morning about twelve-thirty and before the fire company arrived had spread to a stable that was being used as a store house and garage. Each building and their contents were a complete loss. Mr. White had a new Oldsmobile in the garage. It is understood that no insurance was carried. The fire cast its reflection for many miles and brought a great many people from their warm beds.

The car of Mr. J. B. Mayes, stored in an adjoining garage, were pushed to safety as were two other cars of Mr. White that were in a shed directly in front of the destroyed building.

One of the neighbors turned in the alarm. Mr. White's loss is estimated to run into the thousands.

ORPHANAGE BOY MAY GO TO ANNAPOLIS

One Of the Bright Boys At the Odd Fellows Home At Goldsboro.

It is announced from Washington that representative Abernethy has offered to appoint a boy from the Orphans' Home of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Goldsboro to Annapolis. He has made the proposition to the superintendent of the institution.

DISTINGUISHED SON OF OLD GRANVILLE

Dr. Walter Hardee Returns From Abroad and Will Locate In Durham.

Dr. Walter Hardee, of Stem, and his father, Dr. P. R. Hardee, were in Oxford Wednesday. We were pleased to see Dr. Hardee upon his return from abroad, where he has been spending the past two years in Europe, specializing in diseases of the eye, ear nose and throat.

We hoped that he would locate in Oxford, but learned in the course of conversation that he will shortly be setting up offices for himself in the First National Bank Building Durham. Many friends trust that he will jot down for our entertainment some of his experiences during the 10 years of his stay in the Far East.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Morrisette a girl at Watt's Hospital, Durham, Feb. 20th. Mrs. Morrisette and baby are well.

MCADOO AND UNDER- WOOD SEEKING PRES- IDENTIAL HONORS

Simmons and McLean Will Support Former Secretary—McAdoo Is Flirting With the Ku Klux Klan.

H. E. C. Bryant, Washington correspondent of the Charlotte Observer, sizes up the political situation as follows:

Harding is the Logical Man. As Congress approaches the end, politics becomes more important, and more interesting.

Two facts are apparent here: First, that President Harding is to be the standard-bearer of the republican party, and second, that the democrats, confident they can win in 1924, are beginning to spar for the nomination.

Harding is the logical man for his party, must stand or fall on the record of his administration, and a horse-swap now would be an admission of failure. With a cut and dried schedule, and Normalcy Harding the centerpiece, the G. O. P. will attract but little attention.

McAdoo and Underwood. The interesting situation is in the democratic party.

The leading candidate in the democratic camp at the present time is William Gibbs McAdoo, son in law of former President Wilson, and ex-secretary of the treasury. Mr. McAdoo and his friends are active already. They are now preparing for the round up of delegates. But another Richmond is due, and then there will be lively days. Senator Oscar W. Underwood is going to run. His friends admit that it is his intention to get in when the water feels good. The threatened political battle between Messrs. McAdoo and Underwood is subject of comment here.

Stage Fight in South.

The south is to see the first stages of the McAdoo-Underwood contest.

Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, is looked upon as the leading McAdoo man of the south. That accounts for the stubborn fight made against him for the leadership of the senate minority. Underwood and his lieutenants formed a solid line behind Senator Joseph Taylor Robinson, of Arkansas. Both sides claimed victory, but Senator Simmons withdrew because of ill health and for the sake of party harmony. That gives the Underwood forces the whiphand in the senate, where politics are formed, and plans made, but Senator Robinson is a fair man, and will make a good leader. He is a brilliant debater, and will lay the foundation for party victory.

McAdoo Courts Klan.

The McAdoo people are flirting with Ku Klux Klan in some of the southern states. That is going to hurt in the showdown. Texas democrats are criticizing Mr. McAdoo for what they apprehend is a disposition to court the klan. Some of the papers that boost the invisible empire are talking McAdoo.

SENATE CONFIRMS SHIP COMMISSION

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 22.—By unanimous vote the senate last night confirmed the governor's appointment of nine men to compose the state ship and transportation commission which will investigate the practicability of the plan proposed for the state to operate a ship line. The appointees are H. M. Miller, Jr., Charlotte; W. A. Hart, Tarboro; A. M. Seales, Greensboro; D. D. Carroll, Chapel Hill; George Stephens, Asheville; Charles S. Wallace, Morehead City; Emmett H. Bellamy, Wilmington; J. A. Brown, Chadbourn; and Dr. J. Y. Joyner, LaGrange.

MEAT CONSUMED DURING THE YEAR

Each Person Ate One Hundred and Fifty Pounds.

Washington, Feb. 22.—More meat was consumed in the United States last year than in any previous year, the department of agriculture announced today. The total consumption estimated at 16,333,000,000 pounds which is 149.7 pounds per person applying the July 1, 1922, estimate of population. The per capita consumption showed an increase of 6 pounds over 1921 and 6½ pounds over 1920.

NORRIS DIES IN CAPITOL CITY

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 22.—Herbert E. Norris, for 16 years solicitor of the seventh judicial district, and who retired from office in January, died at a local hospital yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock following an illness contracted during the October term of Franklin county court.

—It is anybody's business to look after the boosting of your community, it is yours. If you do not do your share of it, how will you have the nerve to profit by what others do?