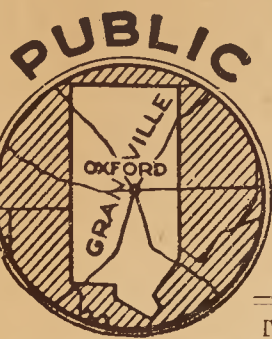


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Driving Tests To Begin Soon

Every Driver to Get Complete Examination in Compliance with New Law

In accordance with the law passed by the 1947 General Assembly of North Carolina requiring the re-issuance of Motor Vehicle driver licenses, the following schedule has been made: the period beginning July 1, 1947, and ending on December 31, 1947, is the time for all driver license holders, whose sur-names begin with the letters A or B to apply for new licenses. Persons whose names do not begin with one of the above letters cannot apply for re-issuance of license in this period.

The period beginning January 1, 1948, and ending on June 30, 1948, will be the time for all operators whose sur-names begin with either of the letters C or D to apply for re-issuance of licenses. All Motor Vehicle drivers whose sur-names begin with a letter other than A B C or D will be notified by press releases at the proper time as to when they should appear for the re-examination.

The operator's license issued under 1947 Safety Act shall automatically expire on the birthday of the licensee in the fourth year following the year of issuance, and no license shall be issued to any operator after the expiration of his license until such operator has again passed the required examination.

Everyone will get a complete examination. The examination is made up of four parts. These parts are: (1) An Eye test (2) Highway Sign test (3) Driving Rules test (4) Road test.

The poorest visual reading that will permit passing with glasses is 20-50. This may be with both eyes together, or it may be with best eye alone. The sign test consists of the showing to the applicant several pictures containing Highway Warning signs. The applicant will be requested to tell what a driver should do when he comes to such a sign. Inability to read is not grounds for denying a driver license. The Rule section of the examination consists of twenty-five simple questions that deal with the safe operation of a motor vehicle. The Road test will consist of a drive of some twelve to fifteen city blocks. In the past some applicants have begun road tests with the understanding that the Examiner would tell him to pass red lights, exceed speed limits, and otherwise drive improperly. This, however, has not been the policy in North Carolina nor will it be during this re-issuance.

Previous practices governing the issuance and use of Learners Permits will not be changed. The only change that will occur with respect to fees charged will be the increase in the cost of an operator's license from one to two dollars.

McFarlands Have Crowd To Supper

Nearly 400 Entertained at Oxford Park by Mr. and Mrs. O. D. McFarland

Nearly 400 citizens were guests here Wednesday evening when Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McFarland when they entertained at Oxford Park with a Brunswick stew and barbecue supper.

High school athletes, band members, musicians, faculty members, enforcement officers, School Boy Patrolmen, a number of public officials, and quite a number of others comprised the guest list.

The plates were heaped with stew, barbecue, and slaw and tubs of iced tea was served the appreciative guests.

For a number of years, Mr. and Mrs. McFarland have entertained each Spring with an outing for friends and associates, but their guest list this year was by far the largest ever—and there was plenty of food left when those who desired had been served "seconds."

In preparing the huge kettles of stew and the number of pigs required to serve the big crowd, Mr. McFarland enlisted the help of some of the best "outdoor cooks" in this section.

The "head cooks" were H. J. Jackson and Kirk Duncan, with the help of a number of fire-makers, stirrers, tasters and others.

Pocketbook Found On Street Given to Owner

James Crews, Negro resident of Raleigh road, today had the thanks of Otis Page, Negro of 121 Granville Street, for the recovery of his pocketbook lost on the street here Saturday.

Crews turned in the bill-fold at the Sheriff's Office early Saturday morning, stating that he had found it on the sidewalk near the court house.

A military discharge in the purse enabled officers to identify the owner.

Mrs. W. W. Huske Of Fayetteville Passes in City

Funeral to Be Held This Afternoon for Mother of Mrs. R. H. Lewis

Mrs. William Weldon Huske of Fayetteville, member of a prominent North Carolina family, succumbed Sunday night to a stroke of paralysis suffered Friday night while here on a visit in the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. H. Lewis, on High Street. She was 82.

The body is to remain here until this afternoon when it will be taken directly to St. John's Episcopal Church in Fayetteville for a funeral service there at 3:30 o'clock. The Rev. J. F. Ferneyhough will be in charge, assisted by the Rev. Henry Johnston of Oxford. Interment will be in Cross Creek Cemetery.

Mrs. Huske, a devoted member of St. John's Church, had resided in that city since her marriage to the late W. W. Huske. She had often visited in Oxford and had many friends here. She had been in her usual health and the fatal stroke was sudden and unexpected. She never rallied after being stricken while sitting in the living room of the Lewis home.

She was born in Pittsboro, Oct. 30, 1864, a daughter of Dr. John Manning and his wife, Louisa Hall Manning. She moved to Chapel Hill when her father went there to become head of the Law School of the University of North Carolina and after her marriage to Mr. Huske in early womanhood, made her home in Fayetteville, where she resided for more than half a century.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. R. H. Lewis of Oxford, Mrs. William S. Jordan of Fayetteville, and Mrs. William L. Fort of Raleigh; two sons, John M. Huske of Charlotte, and Isaac H. Huske of Coolemees; three sisters, Mrs. F. P. Venable and Miss Mary S. Manning of Chapel Hill, and Mrs. William R. Webb of Bell Buckle, Tenn.; nine grand-children, Mrs. Rives W. Taylor of Oxford, Mrs. Russell Parham of Henderson, R. H. Lewis, Jr., of Durham, Dr. William S. Jordan, Jr. of Boston, Dr. Weldon Huske Jordan of Fayetteville, Mrs. John McNeill Smith, Jr. of Greensboro, Thomas H. Jordan of Chapel Hill, and Erickson and Manning Huske of Coolemees, and five great-grandchildren.

Two From Granville To Get ECTC Degrees

Among the 135 students scheduled to be graduated at East Carolina Teachers College on Monday, June 2, are Rena Averett of Oxford and Jackson G. Harris of Stovall.

Miss Averett, a candidate for the A. B. degree, has specialized at the college in home economics and social science. Harris, a GI student at the college who served as lieutenant (jg) in the Pacific theater during the war, reentered East Carolina this year. He is a candidate for the B.S. degree, with majors in science and English.

Oxford Students In Camp at White Lake

Accompanied by their teacher, Miss Edith Wilkerson, five Future Home Makers of Oxford High School left Monday for White Lake to spend the remainder of the week in the FFA camp there.

Chosen on merit, the students attending camp are Jean Crews, Jacquelin Wheeler, Ethel Beasley, Jean Beasley, and Patsy Banks. They expect to return home Monday.

LEAGUE RESULTS

Table with columns: Results of games played in Granville County Baseball League have been announced by President Felix Barlowe as follows: May 17—Lewis 13, Berea 9; Wilton 12, Enon 6; other games rained out. May 24—Creedmoor 9, Lewis 2; Gray Rock 20, Berea 6; Stem 4, Enon 3. No report on Wilton-Oak Hill game.

HOSE DRYER INSTALLED

A new hose dryer has been installed at the Fire Station. The dryer is a metal cabinet with electrically operated exhaust fan to circulate air through rolls of wet hose to remove the moisture and prevent rotting.

DISTILLERY DESTROYED

Officers O. L. Harrison and W. T. Beasley Thursday cut up a drum distillery and seven barrels of beer in Walnut Grove Township. The officers said the outfit was not in operation.

Nearly 600 Vote In Referendum On Limits Extension

Voters Turning Out in Large Number Without Special Effort to Get Them Out

Nearly 600 ballots had been cast by early afternoon Monday as citizens of Oxford and an area adjacent thereto went to the polls in the Town's first referendum vote on extension of the City Limits.

Predictions were being made around the court house that the extension proposal would carry by a vote of nearly two to one, but others were more cautious in their predictions and expressed the belief that a majority of 100 would more nearly approximate the outcome.

The morning was clear and voting was steady throughout the forenoon period. Apparently, in the first half of the day, no particular effort was being made to get out the vote, but citizens were going into the court house in a steady stream to put their ballots into the box.

Milk Standards Fixed By Board

Enforcement of Regulations to Remain with Local Health Officer

The State Board of Agriculture has adopted a minimum, statewide standards for the production and sale of milk in North Carolina.

Slated to become effective on September 1, the regulations will serve as a minimum with regard to the State's milk supply—any county or municipality which wants more stringent requirements may have them.

In addition to its action regarding milk, the board also passed a regulation which will require vendors who use milk shake base in making milk shakes and similar milk drinks to post in a conspicuous place a placard bearing the words: "We use milk shake base in the making of milk shakes."

The milk shake regulation also prohibits the use of any artificial coloring in milk shake base, and requires milk shakes to contain not less than two per cent butterfat. (Milk shake base is substandard ice cream, running three per cent butterfat or less and 13 per cent milk-solids-not fat.)

The recommendations were drawn and presented to the public in six public hearings held in various towns throughout the State, by a committee consisting of: D. S. Coltrane, Assistant Commissioner of Agriculture, chairman; Dr. J. S. Dorton, State Fair director; Dr. William Moore, State veterinarian; Dr. E. W. Constable, State chemist; and C. W. Pegram, director of the State Dairy Laboratory.

Enforcement of the new regulations will remain where it has always been, with the local health officer. However, a working agreement for enforcement has been drawn by the Department of Agriculture, the State Board of Health, and the local health officers. Both the State and local health officers have pledged their utmost cooperation.

John W. Hester Opens Offices

Attorney Situated in Old Draft Board Location in Capehart Building

John W. Hester yesterday put out his "attorney-at-law" shingle in the same place it went up 34 years ago, at the front of the Capehart Building.

As a young attorney, Mr. Hester practiced here for seven years, with the late D. G. Brummitt, who later became the Attorney General of North Carolina.

In recent years, Mr. Hester has been located in Durham and more recently in Raleigh. His suite is a part of the space formerly used by the Selective Service Board for Granville County.

Granville undergraduate students at East Carolina Teacher's College have reached home for the summer vacation. Among them are Misses Estelle Averett, Barbara Stovall, Annie Lou Bobbitt, Grace Dixon, Lucille Elliott and Paul Walters, Billy Hight, James Montague, James Cozart, Alfred Talton, F. E. Young, Julian Knott, Ben Hester, Peter Wheeler, J. D. Woodlief, Merlin Cash, Sam Nelms, Phipps Dean, Maynard Dean, L. S. Bryan, John D. Finch, Dan Hunt and Craven Hughes.

Beverly Howerton of Durham, grandson of Mrs. B. S. Royster, Sr., of Oxford, is serving as guest organist at Oxford Baptist Church for the first two Sundays in June. He played for the services in the church on Sunday.

Masons Pushing Building Fund Drive Locally

Chairman T. G. Powell Says Approximately Half of \$4,000 Goal in Hand

Masonic committees here are bestirring themselves in behalf of their \$4,000 drive for funds toward the cost of a proposed new chapel and cottage on the campus of Oxford Orphanage, Chairman T. G. Powell said yesterday.

"Our committees have gotten excellent results for the work that has been done," remarked Chairman Powell, adding that the campaign would be continued until the entire county has been covered by committees representing the Oxford and other Masonic lodges in Granville.

The proposed chapel is an undertaking of York Rite Bodies and the proposed Masters' Cottage is an undertaking of Blue Lodge Masons. No work is to be done until funds for completion of the individual structures are in hand, Masonic officials have stated.

Chairman Powell estimated that about \$2,000 has been raised in Granville since the opening of the campaign a few days ago.

Weldon Tells Of Tobacco Study

Member of Staff of Test Farm Heard at Meeting of Club Tuesday

At the meeting of the Kiwanis Club here Tuesday night, N. W. Weldon of the Tobacco Station staff told members of the club some interesting facts about the experimental program being carried on here.

Among other things, Mr. Weldon said virtually every nation in the world that grows tobacco has sent or desires to send representatives here to study tobacco culture and processing. He said there are more visitors to the Test Farm from outside the county than come from the county.

E touched briefly on chemical processes of curing tobacco and told of some of the plans in development stage for expanding research in curing.

Tobacco Farmers May Visit City

Extension Service Arranges for Tours by Visitors from 34 Counties

Interested farmers in 34 tobacco producing counties of North Carolina may visit the Test Farm here in July and August, according to State College Extension Service.

The tour of the local farm will require two and a half to three hours and the visitors will have opportunity to see a review of the work accomplished at the Station since the beginning.

Counties expected to send delegations in July are Caswell, Wake, Moore, Johnston, Beaufort, Person, Durham, Greene, Vance, Pitt, Sampson, Hertford, Hoke, Jones, New Hanover, Warren, Cumberland, Duplin, Wayne, Onslow, Rockingham, Surry, Graven, Davidson, Guilford, Stokes, Lenoir, Forsyth, and Nash. During August Edgecombe, Bertie, Wilson and Montgomery Counties may send farm delegations.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Andrews of Kinston, a son, Lenwood Lee, April 27. Mrs. Andrews is the former Miss Beatrice Hedgepeth of Oxford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Hedgepeth.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ellington, a daughter, Patsy Lucille, at Granville Hospital, Wednesday, May 28.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Culpepper of Portsmouth, Va., a daughter, Betty Lou, May 20. Mrs. Culpepper is the former Miss Addie Lee Knig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. King of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. George Newton of Durham, announce the birth of a son, David Hall, on Sunday, May 25. Mrs. Newton was formerly Miss Mary Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Hall, of Stem. The Newtons have one other son, Wallace.

A. W. Graham, Jr., Gus Graham, III, Miss Susan Graham and Miss Sallie Webb attended the graduation of Miss Mary Graham at Woman's College on Monday. Mr. Graham and Gus were there for the week-end events.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Rudisill will this week move into an apartment in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. O'Brian on Coggeshall Street. Mr. Rudisill is manager of Rose's 5 and 10 store here and Mrs. Rudisill is coming up from Jacksonville, where they formerly resided.

Diplomas Given High School Class On Closing Night

Dr. L. E. Smith, President of Elon College, Calls for More Adequate Educational System

"History and circumstances have brought us to the crossroads in our national life. The left is backward and the right is forward. If we are to move forward, it will be the fruit of an intelligent and an informed leadership. If we are to have a leadership required for progress, the leaders themselves must be trained—must be trained in our schools, public and private, secondary and higher. If we are to be blessed with democracy, our people must be blessed with education—education not simply for leaders among us but for the masses as well," Dr. L. E. Smith, president of Elon College, told the members of the graduating class of Oxford High and John Nichols High School at the school closing exercises here Friday night.

Dr. Smith was presented by E. T. Regan, Assistant Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage and Principal of John Nichols High School. The invocation and the benediction were given by Superintendent A. D. Leon Gray of the Orphanage. The Bible presentation was by District Deputy Grand Master J. Ed Rooker of Warrenton, who represented the Masonic Grand Lodge of North Carolina, and the diplomas were awarded the 81 graduates by Chairman J. P. Hall of the Board of Graded School Trustees.

"Regardless of individual attainments and recognition in various fields of endeavor, one can never be truly educated unless he possesses a broad and working knowledge of the great Document of Revealed Truth," Mr. Rooker said in his presentation.

Strong Case for Education The Elon president presented a strong case for more adequate educational facilities and emphasized that totalitarian governments and dictatorships can exist only on ignorance.

In developing his topic, "Education for Today," Dr. Smith said "The education for today that prepares for tomorrow must be universal, not simply for the few but for the many." He showed how this nation had been living under a false sense of educational security and added that during the war more than 7,000,000 American citizens were denied the privilege of serving their country "simply because of the lack of education." Through the veterans training program, he said the Government is undertaking to better this condition.

"The education for today must be broad, comprehensive and practical," he continued. "It must be inclusive enough to meet the needs of all." He insisted further that it must be "properly and adequately financed" because education has gone beyond the day of the one-room school-house. "It is complicated, scientific and demanding. If we are to have schools in free America, we must have adequate buildings and ample equipment." He said also that a higher pay level must be provided for teachers. He emphasized also that education for today "must be Christian," not simply in word, but in spirit, in principle and in fact.

Board Members on Platform Seated on the platform with school officials and the speakers were the members of the Board of Graded School Trustees. At the opening of the program, the Girl's Trio, Misses Mary Nell Buchanan, Joanna Pittard and Nancy Watkins, sang "The Lord's Prayer" by Malotte.

The auditorium was filled to overflowing and many persons stood along the interior walls and in the corridors of the building to hear the (Continued on page eight)

County Board Works On Budget Estimate During Meeting at Court House

Believe It Or Not Pay Hikes Asked In \$394,716 Total

Here's one for Bob Ripley: In the Oxford Orphanage vs Oxford High School Baseball game as a part of Oxford-Granville Day on the Orphanage campus, an Orphanage player, Sam Winfield struck a pitched ball.

The umpire called a foul as the ball went over the catcher's head and came down on top of an automobile parked near the playing field. As the ball hit, a black cat, walking atop the hood, fell over wounded by the ball.

Whether the black cat had any influence in the results cannot be said, but Oxford Orphanage won the game, 6 to 5.

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Also before the Board were requests for \$2,500 in salary increases for various county workers. Of the total estimate, \$170,342.20 would come from miscellaneous and surplus funds and \$224,374 from tax sources.

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Capehart Making Building Larger

New Steam Generator and Other Equipment to Be Installed by Concern

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