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Election Tuesday At Creedmoor To Name City Board

Mayor I. E. Harris Unopposed for Re-election E. L. Aiken Candidate For Commissioner as Five Incumbents Seek Re-election In Voting May 3

LAKE BECOMES ASSET

Mayor I. E. Harris of Creedmoor, is unopposed in the municipal election to be held there Tuesday as the five members of the incumbent board and one other candidate enter the home stretch in their campaign.

E. L. Aiken, formerly a member of the board, filed before the deadline last Saturday night for a seat on the board. A. B. Raley, automobile dealer, also filed, but later withdrew from the contest in which the incumbents are C. E. Lyon, W. S. Hobbgood, Ben Ed Lyon, B. G. Cross and George Washington.

Mayor Harris said he was particularly interested in seeing the Town of Creedmoor through another two-year administration in view of the pending improvements and the present strong financial position of the municipality.

Laundry Opening Draws Big Crowd

Visitors Marvel at Efficiency and Smooth Operation of New Plant

Operations of a modern laundry and dry cleaning plant were shown here Wednesday afternoon at the formal opening of the new building and plant of Oxford Laundry and Dry Cleaning Company.

A red rose was pinned on each of the visiting ladies and bottled drinks also were served during the afternoon. Large baskets of flowers, sent by friends and suppliers of the Oxford Laundry and Dry Cleaning Company.

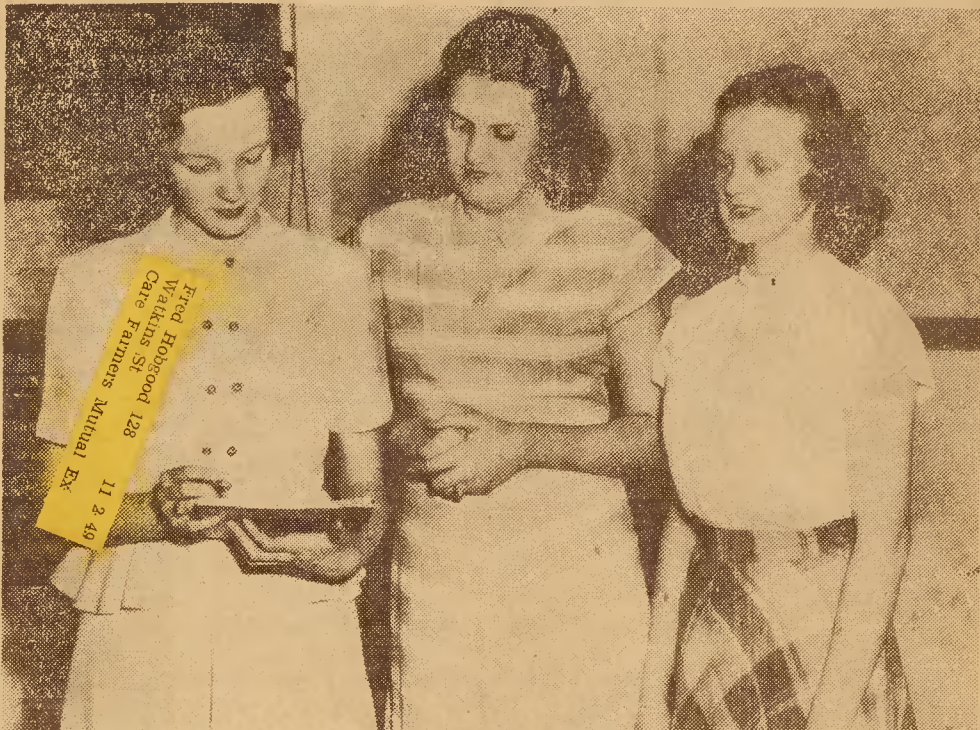
Visitors were shown how the laundry is received, marked, washed, dried, ironed, bundled and routed out of the plant. Similar operations were shown in the dry cleaning department.

Missionary To Be Sought for Ass'n

Resignation of Rev. Roger E. Williams, Jr., Accepted Monday Night

A committee was named by Chairman W. S. Caudle of the Flat River Baptist Association executive committee in meeting here Monday night to find a successor to the Rev. Roger E. Williams, Jr., as association missionary.

Granville County 4-H Club Council Leaders



Granville Youths At Festival Show

Donna Jean Yancey, Council President, Heads Delegation at Event

A score of Granville County 4-H Club members and leaders participated in the seven-county festival held Wednesday and Thursday in Durham.

The 1948 champions in various fields of club work were recognized for their achievements and their work was exhibited in competition with that of club boys and girls from other counties in the area.

Donna Jean Yancey, above left, president of the Granville County 4-H Club Council, is shown with Jean Belcher, center, vice president, and Barbara Kittrell, secretary and treasurer, in checking final plans for local participation in the Durham event.

Douglas Currin is shown grooming the foiled Hereford which he entered in the Kiwanis-sponsored Fat Stock Show. He fed the calf for three months. The calf weighed 405 pounds when acquired by the Oxford boy and was marketed following the Durham show yesterday at about 800 pounds.

Antique Display In Oxford Today

Methodist Circle Sponsoring Event at Woman's Club Opening at 10:30 A. M.

Members of the Carrie Fuller Circle of Oxford Methodist Church announced yesterday that all plans had been completed for the antique display and sale to be held at the Woman's Club today, Friday, from 10:30 a. m. to 10:30 p. m.

Nine dealers from Oxford and surrounding towns have reserved space for the display. Mrs. Ray Walters stated, Cookies and candies all home-made, will be offered for sale during the day.

Statesville Minister To Supply Sunday Oxford and Geneva

A visiting minister will supply the pupils at Oxford Presbyterian and Geneva churches on Sunday.



HESTER FIRST RURAL CHURCH IN ASS'N TO GO FULL-TIME

Milestone in Interesting History to Be Set As Rev. Roger E. Williams Begins Pastorate May 1

- HESTER MINISTERS 1823-1949 1823-1824 W. B. Morrell 1824-1827 James King 1827-1844 Thomas King 1844-1849 W. M. Jones 1849-1857 Dr. Samuel Waite 1857-1859 R. I. Davis 1859-1860 Moses Baldwin 1860-1868 E. F. Beacham 1868-1917 Dr. R. H. Marsh 1917-1926 George T. Tunstall 1926-1949 W. D. Poe

Historians of the future will note that, beginning Sunday, May 1, 125-year-old Hester Baptist Church goes on a full-time ministerial basis as the Rev. Roger E. Williams, Jr., native of Miami, Fla., and a missionary worker in Flat River Association for the past two years, takes over work in a congregation served by only three other ministers in the past 81 years.

Thus Hester becomes the first rural church in Flat River Association ever to have the full-time services of a pastor. For many years, Emom and Hester churches, about five miles apart, have been served by the same minister, with alternate services, and the arrangement has been a most effective one.

The deacons of Hester Church are N. P. Hobbgood, E. G. Hobbgood, C. N. Hobbgood, Fred H. Currin, Frank Currin, Boadie N. Currin, Jr., J. B. Badgett, J. R. Adcock, P. R. Barlow, James Dean, Alfred B. Dean, Bailey W. Pruitt, and Sam A. Howard. The trustees are E. G. and C. N. Hobbgood, Fred H. Currin, Marsh Puckett and Spurgeon Puckett.

Succeeds W. D. Poe As pastor at Hester, Mr. Williams succeeds the Rev. W. D. Poe, whose death occurred last November after serving the congregation for 23 years. Great gains were made by the congregation under the effective ministry and fine leadership of Mr. Poe. In the final year of his ministry, 48 per cent of the church income was paid for support of missions work. (Continued on Page Six)

Adams Company to Erect Storage House N. Oxford

Cunningham Brothers to Put Up Structure for Keeping Nearly 4,000 Hogheads

Contract was awarded yesterday for the erection of a storage warehouse for hogheads and leaf tobacco for the W. A. Adams Company, which currently is engaged in increasing redrying facilities at the plant on Hillsboro Street.

Cunningham Brothers of Oxford, will do the work and ground will be broken in the next few days, it was learned from R. P. Cunningham, general manager of the contracting concern.

T. M. Evins of the Adams Company said the building would provide capacity for 3,800 hogheads and would be 164 x 140 feet. The floor is to be of concrete with metal sheets of corrugated siding designed for ventilation. There will also be a concrete loading ramp.

The new building is to be situated on what was formerly a portion of the Jeffreys-Myers Manufacturing Company site. It is adjacent to the existing house of Oxford Storage Company.

Adams Company officials said the engagement program that had been undertaken during the spring was in keeping with the policy of being prepared at all times to meet demands of the growing Oxford market.

Early Voting Asked In Oxford Election

Registration Total 1,373 For Election

Less than 1,400 of Oxford's estimated 7 to 8 thousand citizens will participate in Monday's election in which a mayor and a board of seven commissioners will be chosen.

Registrar L. H. Davis reported at the close of registration Monday afternoon 1,373 citizens had qualified and were registered and eligible to vote in the municipal election.

Davis stated that the usual vote in municipal elections here approximated 1,500, and that before the limits of the town were extended nearly two years ago, an action that greatly increased the voting potential of Oxford.

Methodist Youths To Stage Comedy

Building Fund to Benefit From Presentation on Saturday, May 7

A fabulous farce, "Dr. Do Better's Tell-A-Vision Show," is to be presented Saturday evening, May 7, at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium by the Builder's Class of Oxford Methodist Sunday School.

Starring in the "wonderful sensation" will be Bob Lewis, Dan Braswell, Zora Nicholson, Ethel Beasley, Katherine Strickland, Mary Nicholson, Dennis McGinnis, Grover Nicholson, Buck Mangum, Junior Harris, Bennie Hugh Moss, Chris Wilson, Mary Jo Oakley, Virginia Pleasants, Daisy Mac Flow, Shirley Beane, Emily Cole, Georgia Throckmorton, Betty Hilliard, Patsy Topping, Red Davis, Paul Davidson, Hoke Hooker, Russell Wiley, Jerry Scales, Billy Garner, Robert Forbes, Charles Gray, Harriet Arrington, Shirley Mason, Katherine Mason, Shirley Harris, Julia Pickett, Milla Carr, Rosalyn Lamb, Jacquetta Baker, Anna Mae Danford, Dorothy Dickerson and Reba Potter.

Many of the members of the class are students at Oxford Orphanage who are helping to put on the play to make a contribution to the Methodist building fund.

CHARGE TEEN-AGE BROTHERS WITH WAKE COUNTY HOLD-UP

Bond of \$5,000 Requested for William Lockett Womack, Jr., 18, as Brothers Gibert Mathess Womack, 15, and Elvin Medlin Womack, 12, Are Turned Over to Juvenile Authorities

Three teen-age Granville youths, caught shortly after allegedly pulling a bandit-style hold-up of a store near Youngsville last Saturday night, have admitted robberies in Franklin County and also in Virginia, Wake County officers disclosed this week.

The three youths, William Lockett Womack, Jr., 18, oldest of the trio, was bound over to Wake Superior Court under \$5,000 bond following a hearing before Magistrate H. A. Bland in Wake. Gilbert Mathess Womack, 15, and Elvin Medlin Womack, 12, were turned over to juvenile authorities, Wake County officers reported.

Residents of Route 2 The Womack brothers, formerly of Route 2, Wilton road, are reported to have told authorities that they obtained ideas for their armed escapades from movies which they had seen. They now reside near Brassfield Church.

Deputy Sheriff G. C. Massey of Wake County said the two older boys, armed with a pistol and wearing masks, entered the store of O. B. Gay, near Youngsville, and informed the occupants that a stick-up was in order. When the men in the store hesitated, one of the boys fired a shot into the floor, the officer related.

The patrons then were told to lie down on the floor and throw out their pocketbooks, which they did. The youths collected \$40 from the cash register, \$8 and a pocketbook from Dorsey D. Gay, and \$4 and a wallet from McLain Privette, and made their get-away in a 1938 pickup truck, which apparently the younger of the trio had waited in outside the store.

In a chase that followed the hold-up, the boys wrecked the truck on a road a short distance from the store and took to the woods, Massey continued. They were rounded up early Sunday morning.

Gun and Masks Found In the truck, according to Massey, officers found \$54.31, two pocketbooks, a 32 automatic pistol and two masks.

The brothers confessed to the robbery and admitted similar hold-ups in Franklin County on April 10 and near Chase City, Va., on April 9, according to Massey. About \$85 together with a .32 pistol was taken in the Virginia hold-up and between \$25 and \$50 in the Franklin job.

Newell Re-elected To Be Principal Creedmoor High

Petitioners Expected to Present Request to Board of Education

Fire that has simmered about the Creedmoor school for months burst into flames this week and likely will be brought to the Granville Board of Education in meeting here Monday.

The Creedmoor trustees on Monday evening received a petition bearing a large number of names — unofficially reported as in excess of 400 — of patrons of Creedmoor School asking that Principal J. H. Newell be not re-elected for another year, but the committee, in recognition of Newell's outstanding record in his 12 years as principal, in a meeting Tuesday night, re-elected him and will ask the county superintendent and Granville Board of Education to approve the election.

On the other hand, spokesmen for the petitions have served notice on the County Board of Education that they would be here for the board meeting Monday to ask that the body not approve the election.

Long Fight The Creedmoor differences have been brewing for months and an effort was made to heal the breach when PTA and other leaders in the

BATTLE OF PETITIONS

A "battle of petitions" was developing rapidly yesterday in Creedmoor school district as the "for" and "against" factions prepared for a show-down before the board of education here Monday. Petitions calling upon authorities to retain the service of J. H. Newell as school principal for 1949-50 and another calling for his release were being widely and rapidly circulated.

community petitioned the county board of education to name as the members of the Creedmoor committee, residents of the district with children in school.

In response to that request, the board of education did make changes in the Creedmoor committee and included for the first time the names of patrons residing beyond the limits of the towns borders.

In announcing the reelection of Mr. Newell, native of Warrenton who has been at Creedmoor for 12 years, the committee took recognition of the growth that has taken place under Mr. Newell's administration. The faculty has been increased by seven as a result of the growth of the school population, and the building has been enlarged to meet demands of the increased enrollment. The high school department is one the state accredited list and the elementary department has been accredited during his tenure.

Members of the board are O. H. Aiken, Algen Clay, S. C. Lyon, W. H. Roberts and Lee Smith.

Supply Minister to Be Heard in Rural Churches Sunday

A supply minister will be heard in services Sunday at Mountain Creek, Knotts Grove and Grassy Creek churches in the absence of the pastor, Rev. W. Isaac Terrell.

Dr. Henry Walden, secretary of rural church work of the Baptist State Convention, will preach at Mountain Creek at 11 a. m., Knott's Grove at 3 p. m. and Grassy Creek at 8 p. m.

Rev. Eugene Olive To Supply Sunday

In the absence of the pastor, who is assisting in a revival in the Angler Avenue Baptist Church of Durham, the Rev. Eugene Olive of Wake Forest will supply for both services of the First Baptist Church on Sunday.

At the evening hour of worship the men's chorus will sing several selections of the old hymns. A cordial welcome to all who attend these services.

Men participating in the chorus are asked to be at the church at 7:30 p. m.

Woman's Club Plans Luncheon On May 4

A luncheon meeting of Oxford Woman's Club is to be held at the Club House at 1 p. m. Wednesday, May 4, Mrs. Harry Dunn, president, stated yesterday.

The meeting is to be the final of the club before next fall. Members planning to attend the luncheon are asked to make reservations promptly with Mrs. C. G. Credle or Mrs. Harry Dunn.

D. N. Hix to Speak At Stovall School

Parent - Teacher Association to Have Final Meeting of Term Wedn'day Night

A program of unusual interest is being prepared for the meeting of Stovall High School Parent-Teacher Association to be held Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock.

County School Superintendent D. N. Hix will be the guest speaker and will be heard by a Stovall audience for the first time since he assumed his county position April 4.

The nominating committee, naming at the previous meeting of the association, will submit its report with a full slate of officers at the Wednesday night meeting.

Mayor to Be Heard by Club

R. P. Cunningham and Hugh Currin Speak at Weekly Kiwanis Meeting

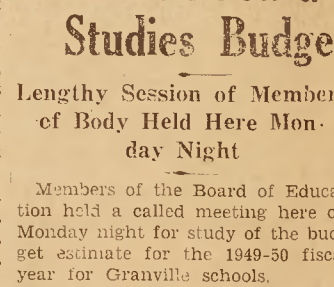
The next mayor of Oxford addressed the Kiwanis Club at the organization's weekly meeting on Tuesday night at the club house.

The speakers were Hugh Currin and Robert P. Cunningham, each a candidate for mayor in the election next Monday. Each spoke in general terms and made no mention of the approaching election. They were presented by T. M. Evins of the program committee.

Lieutenant Governor Dan Rader of Graham was a visitor and with him was Ben Lee. Rader spoke briefly to the club with reference to the forthcoming district meeting at Chapel Hill.

J. M. Blalock, Jr., was the guest of J. P. Harris, Jr., and Marshall McLain of Burlington Mills was the guest of Robert Short.

REV. ROGER E. WILLIAMS, JR.



Education Board Studies Budget

Lengthy Session of Members of Body Held Here Monday Night

Members of the Board of Education held a called meeting here on Monday night for study of the budget estimate for the 1949-50 fiscal year for Granville schools.

Supl. D. N. Hix said the board gave about four hours to study of proposals and to shaping policies for future development.

TERRELL IN REVIVAL

Rev. W. I. Terrell, pastor of a field of Baptist Churches near Oxford, is this week engaged in a revival meeting at Stallings Memorial Baptist Church at Salisbury, of which Rev. O. D. Moore is pastor. Dr. Henry Walden is to supply for Mr. Terrell in his home churches on Sunday.