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Unused Store And Garage Burned On Road So. of Town

George W. Wright Approximates Loss in Buildings, Contents at \$20,000

A retail store and garage building on the east side of highway 15 three miles south of Oxford were destroyed by fire early Wednesday morning.

The property, owned by George W. Wright, had been rented the afternoon before to a minister from Hillsboro whose name Wright could not recall and who had planned to take possession Friday.

Wright estimated his loss at \$20,000, including buildings and equipment inside the buildings. The store had been closed since January 1 and the garage also was not in use. Living quarters were included in the store, according to Wright, and furnishings therein were consumed in the flames.

Wright said tourists passing along the highway awoke him at 1:30 a.m.

"I couldn't get in to get a thing from the building," he said.

Corinth Community Fire Department and Granville Rural Fire Department raced to the scene. "They came fast and did efficient work in preventing spread of flames to other property, including my home," Wright commented.

The ruins still were smoldering at noon Wednesday.

Wright said he had no insurance on the property.

Awards Presented Chorus Members At Wed'n Day Program

Entertainment at High School Auditorium Brings Large Attendance

The Chorus of Oxford High, under the direction of Mrs. Fred Webb, and assisted by the Junior Chorus under the direction of Mrs. Millard Bennett, sang before a full house as the organization presented their spring concert Wednesday at the high school.

The program, which ran the scale of musical interests, brought generous applause from the audience. Particularly outstanding were the numbers by the special groups and the work by the soloists.

Officers and librarians of the chorus receiving awards from Mrs. Webb were Pat Carver, president; Emilie Adcock, vice president; Patricia Seate, secretary; Annette Culbreth, treasurer; Tom Hoyie, Barbara Hagans, Judy Hart and Vera Schmit, librarians.

Betty Wilson, who has served the chorus as an accompanist and worked with the organization in other capacities, was presented the silver cup awarded annually by the Oxford Woman's Club to the Outstanding Chorus Member. The presentation was by Mrs. Hardee A. Averett.

Mrs. Grady Dickerson, in behalf of the Fine Arts Department of the Junior Woman's Club, presented pins to senior members in appreciation of their work with the chorus. Receiving these awards were Bill Boyd, Paulette Brame, Guy Breedlove, Albert Capps, Robert Carter, Pat Carver, Judith Currin, Clarence Lemons, Judith Ligon, Kay Garner, Stanley Greenway, Jimmy Hester, Kendall Parham, Patricia Seate, Julia Smith, Caswell Spencer and Carolyn West.

President Pat Carver presented gifts of appreciation to Mrs. C. G. Daniel, Jr., and Billy Seate.

Drinks on the City

Corinth Community firemen can bring their big red fire horse to town for free drink.

Through Commissioners S. B. Knott, Fireman E. B. Averett, Jr., of Corinth sought permission for firemen of his community to fill their tank when fighting fire adjacent to Oxford.

"It'll save us time in going to a pond to refill," Averett told Knott, who in turn told the board.

City Manager Fred Parham and Fire Chief Allen Cozart, sitting in on the board meeting, said city already has in effect a policy permitting rural fire companies to refill their water tanks.

There is one stipulation: They must bring their own wrench, especially designed for hydrant use, to avoid damage to the fire plugs.



STUDENT ANNUAL OUT—Ann Stovall, seated center, proudly displays a copy of the 1961 student annual at Oxford High, Oxonian, which she edited. Linda Lilly, seated left, was business manager, and Mrs. Ben Thorp, right, faculty advisor. Staff members standing left to right are Charles Peed, Jenny Lind O'Brien, Sam Currin, Doris Poole Watkins, associate editor; Linda

Right-Way Secured For Construction of Road

Oxford Board Approves Use of Portion of Air Strip; George E. Daniel Reelects Mayor Pro-tem

Mayor T. C. Jordan and three commissioners were reharnessed with authority Tuesday night to represent voters of the city in handling municipal affairs.

Clerk of Court A. W. Graham, Jr., gave to Mayor Jordan oath of office for a new tenure of two years and to Commissioners J. W. Borling, S. B. Knott and Louis Hutchinson oath for tenures of four years each. Commissioner G. P. Tarry, out of town, will take his oath at a later meeting.

Busy Session
In a first order of business, commissioners chose George E. Daniel for a new tenure as Mayor Pro-tem of the city, an office he has held for several years, dating back to the tenure of Hugh M. Currin as Mayor. Daniel is chairman of the finance committee.

Commissioners initiated action to bring the city's municipal election date in line with a majority of others in the state. City Clerk Tom Ragland was instructed to contact the county's legislative representatives and request necessary legislation which would fix date for the municipal election on the first Tuesday in May of alternate years instead of the first Monday as now provided.

Road Rights Approved
Commissioners, acting at the request of Louis Hutchinson, granted to Mayor Jordan authority to execute with the State Highway Department a right-of-way agreement for use of city owned property in opening a new outlet between the

Oxford Civitan Gets Zone Post

Barney Bernard to Serve in Zone 10 of N. C. District for Year Ahead

Barney Bernard, who is president of Oxford Civitan Club, has been elected Civitan Lieutenant Governor of Zone 10 of the North Carolina District for the 1961-62 year. He also will complete the term of David Humphrey, formerly of Raleigh, who resigned upon leaving the district.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard left Thursday for High Point and Mr. Bernard will attend a two-day cabinet meeting of Civitan zone and district officers. The affair is to be concluded Saturday night with a ball.

Bernard was nominated for the post at a meeting held recently in Raleigh. Attending from Oxford in addition to Bernard were Bailey Breedlove, Wilbert Carter, Grady Dickerson, Joe Elliott, Al King and Hubert Squires.

Recital at Oak Hill
Piano pupils of Mrs. H. C. Forlines will present their spring recital at Oak Hill School, May 16, at 8 p.m. The recital will also include the Virginia music pupils of Mrs. Forlines.

Neglect Drawing Proper Will And Leave Headaches

Kiwans Hear Talk by Attorney at Weekly Meet; Gasorama Planned

Legal headaches can be avoided for one's family and heirs when a professionally drawn will is left by a property owner to guide distribution of holdings at time of death, Attorney E. F. Taylor told members of the Kiwanis Club in a meeting here Tuesday night at the Woman's Club.

Taylor told members of the club that members of the legal profession are sometimes falsely accused of influencing persons to make a will "so lawyers can charge a fee" for handling the estate. He stated, however, that the estate usually is faced with a larger legal bill for professional services when the deceased has failed to make a proper will—one that will meet the tests of law.

During the business meeting, Lee Carter of the Kiwanis finance committee presented to the club a plan for a one-day gasorama with Kiwanis backing. The plan, he said, is for members of the club to sell tickets for gasoline at \$3 each, redeemable at a local gas station on a given date. Club members will take turns in helping to pump the gasoline into patron's cars.

Over 340 Farms In Grain Sign-up

Benefits in Excess of \$23,356 to Be Paid Granville Producers

Oats and grain sorghum producers on 340 farms in Granville County filed forms through May 10 indicating their intention to participate in the 1961 feed grain program, C. L. Jones, chairman of the County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, announced Thursday.

In an effort to increase farm income and to stop buildup of feed grain supplies, the program provides

Joe Cutts to Work Part Time in Calif.

Joe Cutts, a versatile tobacco man, plans to spend next winter in California as a sales representative of Rhoads Manufacturing Co. Cutts said he would go to Bakersfield at the end of the 1961-62 tobacco auction season, reporting there Feb. 1 for work until the start of the new auction season. Mrs. Cutts will accompany him and the two will return to Oxford by July 1, 1962.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Larry E. Burnette of Route 1, Oxford, a daughter, May 9, at Granville Hospital. Mrs. Burnette is the former Miss Judith Kay Greene.



MISS HELEN BROWN

Helen Brown To Give Pantomime

Oxford High Student to Appear in Jaycee Pageant Here May 27

She comes from Kittrell, attends Oxford High and likes dancing and swimming.

That's Miss Helen Brown, another contestant for the Miss Oxford crown to be awarded at the conclusion of a talent show here the night of May 27.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Brown and between studying for final examinations, she has been giving time to development of a pantomime skit to be given for the Jaycee show.

Her ambition, other than winning the title of Miss Oxford, is to graduate, enter college and pursue a career in business.

Queens Crowned In Baptist Ceremony

Eight Girls Attain High Honor in Auxiliary Program at Church

Eight girls were presented as Queens in a Girl's Auxiliary coronation service Sunday evening at the Oxford Baptist Church at which others who have advanced in the training program were given recognition.

The queens were Diane Cannady, Sandra Dickerson, Fatsy Ellington, Mary Helen Hancock, Brenda Carole Jones, Caroline Mitchell, Betsy Sullit and Gaynelle White.

Oak Hill Service
The Rev. Glen T. Cain, chaplain of the Oxford Orphanage, will supply the pupil at Oak Hill Presbyterian Church at 11 a.m. Sunday, May 14.

Warehouse Operators Of Middle Belt Plan Meeting in This City

Middle Belt warehouse operators will have their annual associational meeting here May 15. Oxford Warehouse Association will be host.

The forenoon business meeting is to be held at the Golf Club house and the luncheon to follow will be at the Woman's Club.

In addition to election of officers, warehousemen will discuss their operations, their ideas on opening dates for the late summer auctions and such other business as may be brought to attention of members.

The business meeting is planned for 10:30 with President Walter Stone of Durham, presiding. Other officers are C. R. Watkins of Oxford, vice president, and Brooks Turner of Henderson, secretary-treasurer.

Around 100 participants are expected for the luncheon.

Maggie L. Garrett Buried Thursday

Grassy Creek Church Section Resident Succumbs En Route to Hospital

Miss Maggie L. Garrett, 75, who resided with Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Clark of Route 2, Virginia, Va., died about 8 p.m. Monday en route to Granville Hospital after suffering a heart seizure.

The funeral was conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday at Grassy Creek Baptist Church by the Rev. Glen Holt, pastor. Burial was in the church cemetery.

She was a native of Granville, a daughter of the late John W. and Alice Leffis Garrett. Surviving is a sister, Mrs. Lee J. Yancey of Oxford; a brother, Hammett Garrett of Nelson, Va.; two half sisters, Mrs. Thornton Sizemore and Mrs. Woody Sizemore, both of Nelson, and a half brother, Mike Garrett, also of Nelson.

Active pallbearers named were Marshall Yancey, Ray Garrett, Doug Sizemore, Elvin Garrett, George T. Winston, and Basil Garrett. Members of the Fred Pittard Bible Class of Grassy Creek Church were the honorary pallbearers.

Primitive Baptists To Convene at Stem

The semi-annual all-day meeting will be held Sunday at Gooch Memorial Primitive Baptist Church at Stem.

Elder J. H. Smith, who serves as pastor of the Gooch Church group, will be in charge. Also expected to attend and participate in the service are Elder A. B. Ayres of Williamston and Elder P. E. Ingram of Martinsville, Va.

The gathering is expected to draw a large attendance of members and the interested public, according to denominational leaders.

Rain Comes to Area

Nearly an inch of rain fell here Tuesday and Wednesday, with the heaviest down-pour early Tuesday night when a gully-washer swept most of the county. Intermittent showers and drizzle continued through the night Tuesday and day and night Wednesday, with signs of clearing appearing Thursday.



JAYCEE OFFICERS — Bob Currin, center is the new president of the Oxford Junior Chamber of Commerce. With him, l.-r., are Woody Chambers, treasurer; Alfred Miller and Dr. Wayne Martin, vice presidents, and Brad Morton, secretary—Jaycee photo.

Additional Device At Sewer Plant May Pin Point Trouble

Sewer sniffers here have called in help in effort to pin-point the source of unpleasant odors at the North Oxford sewer disposal plant.

Mayor T. C. Jordan, Jr., Tuesday night told commissioners that an engineer of the State Stream and Sanitation Commission had visited the city and spent several hours studying the problem at the North Oxford plant.

Jordan said Engineer West told him that installation of one additional piece of equipment would bring to solution of the problem. The Mayor said he has asked for patience on the part of complaining residents.

There was some mention of a tall stack at the sewer plant to vent the unpleasantness high in the air, well away from sensitive nostrils.

Firemen Called Out

A short-circuit in an electric range receptacle at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Powell early Tuesday night was spotted before fire damage resulted. Firemen were called when smoke was detected in the house.

Contractor Defaults, City Initiates Action

The Board of Commissioners of Oxford Tuesday night approved procedures which are under way to press for completion of a sewer line extension to serve an industrial area on the southwestern outskirts of the city.

There has been no work on the job, awarded to a Kingston firm, Falkner-Wallace, Inc., for \$23,000, since the contractor several months ago advised Oxford authorities the Kingston firm was unable to complete the job.

Falkner-Wallace had been paid approximately \$8,000 of the total cost of the contract when work was suspended.

A Durham attorney representing Continental Casualty Company, bondsmen for Falkner-Wallace, has advised W. F. Freeman Co., city engineers, that steps are being taken to get the job completed.

The original contract provided for a \$25 daily forfeiture for overtime required to complete the job, undertaken at city and county expense for the purpose of providing utilities for the industrial area aforementioned. Commissioners indicated at their Tuesday night meeting they would press for payment of the forfeiture.

City Manager Fred Parham said yesterday that around 80 additional feet of pipe must be installed, six manholes constructed and backfilling completed. It may also be necessary, he said, to redo some of the work presumed completed.

Continental Casualty had a contractor here Wednesday studying the situation and Attorney E. K. Powe of Durham advised city officials that efforts would be made to get the job resumed promptly. It also is reported that Falkner-Wallace is indebted to three local suppliers of materials for the Oxford job.

Wildlife Club Sets Annual Membership Charges, \$2.50-\$5

June Dutch Dinner Meeting to Be Held at Enon Community House June 6

Approximately 100 were signed Tuesday night as members in a second meeting of Granville County wildlifers for reactivation of their club.

Although late afternoon rains posed a problem for outdoorsmen engaged in preparation of a chicken barbecue supper, the wildlifers bagged it as part of their luck and went happily along their way.

Cooks Henry Hall and Charles Barker came through with 'cued' chicken, but the supper was later than had been anticipated. The men had not anticipated stormy weather when they began their outdoor cooking.

During the business meeting, an annual membership fee of \$2.50 was approved for farm dwellers engaged in farming and \$5 for non-farm dwellers. In another business action the club approved a recommendation that the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission be petitioned to open deer hunting season for Northern Granville, from Stovall to the Virginia line, simultaneously with the hunting season in adjacent Virginia territory.

J. T. Oakes, earlier named secretary-treasurer of the club, asked relief from the secretarial duties and William Cash was named club secretary.

The next meeting is to be held June 6 and will be a Dutch dinner at the Enon Community House.

X-Oxford Woman Injured in Crash

rs. John M. M. Gregory, Jr., Patient in Richmond Hospital

A former Oxford resident, Mrs. John M. M. Gregory, Jr., was injured and five vehicles damaged in Richmond, Va., last Friday when an asphalt-laden truck smashed into the rear of a vehicle stopped for a traffic signal.

Mrs. Gregory was taken to Medical College of Virginia Hospital, where she is being treated for a whiplash spinal injury.

Witnesses said Mrs. Gregory pulled her station wagon to the curb, started to walk away and collapsed in the street.

A Virginia State Highway Department truck, struck the Gregory car and bounced onto the sidewalk. It flattened a parking meter, a street sign and a sapling before stopping inches from windows of a shoe repair shop and a separate saddle shop.

There were three other drivers in the mix-up, which tied up traffic at the intersection of Belmont and Cary Streets in Richmond.

Mrs. Gregory plans to come to the home of her father, Andrew Jamieson, when she is able to leave the hospital. Mr. Gregory is at the present time in England.

Cub Scouts Plan Field Day in City

Units From All Sections of County to Participate in Saturday Events

Cub Scouts of the John Penn District, embracing all of Granville County, will join in a field day at the Oxford High Athletic field Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m.

Both individual and team events have been planned and there will be a prize for the winner in each of the individual events. One boy from each Den may participate in: 60 yard dash, sack race, broad jump, and potato race with five from each Den eligible to participate in the baseball distance throw. Team events will include relay race, three-legged race, tug-of-war, horseshoe pitching and kickball. Ribbons will be awarded winning Dens in team events.

Bid Opening Tuesday

Bids on the new school building for Mary Potter are to be opened at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the office of the board of Graded School Trustees on Broad Street. The building is to be financed out of funds obtained from sale of bonds voted here in December of 1959.