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Newsman's Notebook

THE COUNTY ABC Board on Friday paid to County Auditor I. W. Bullock \$27,508.09, representing profits from ABC store operations in the third quarter of 1968.

A PARTY OF 33 members of Oxford Lions Club and their Lionesses attended the annual pancake supper of the Epsom Lions Club on Thursday. No meeting was held here.

CHUCK BEDDINGFIELD, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Beddingfield, is a patient at Wake Memorial Hospital with a leg fracture sustained in football play 10 days ago. He is a member of the squad of Millbrook High School. His mother is the former Miss Marianna Landis of this city.

THE MITCHINERS are today and tomorrow appearing at Baptist Association meetings in Eastern Carolina. Mr. and Mrs. William A. Mitchiner will today give an illustrated missionary lecture at the Chowan Association meeting in Hobbessville, and on Wednesday, they will appear at the Neuse Association meeting in Goldsboro.

Two Charged With Theft From Auto

Two Local White Boys to Be Tried in Recorder's Court Today

Two young white men have been arrested on charges of larceny and receiving and a third is being sought in connection with theft of tires, wheels and a stereo from a parked car near here.

In custody on sheriff's warrants are Frank Morris, 21, and James Morgan, 18, and wanted on a companion charge is Archie Huff, who is stationed in Maryland in the armed forces.

Recovered were two tires and wheels, a fire extinguisher and other equipment taken from the automobile of Lory Williams Jr., which was parked on the premises of Sherman & Boddie Trucking Company while Williams was on a three-day trip.

Trial of the two is expected in Recorder's Court today.

George Wallace Coming to Durham

Third Party Candidate to Speak Downtown at Noon Thursday of This Week

American Party Presidential candidate George Wallace will bring his campaign to Durham on Thursday. Wallace will deliver a major address at 12 noon Thursday in downtown Durham. The public is invited to attend.

Wallace's new party's bid for the Presidency is continuing to arouse political experts throughout the nation as the former Alabama governor picks up strength throughout America.

Wallace is predicting a victory for his movement on November 5th and many political pundits are taking him more seriously each day.

\$50 in Prizes Up for Talent Show at Creedmoor Nov. 3

The South Granville Jaycees will present a Variety and Talent Show on Saturday, Nov. 2, at Creedmoor Elementary School Auditorium, starting at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in participating in the talent show is asked to please contact Joel Cross in Creedmoor. Phone 892-5255, or Doug High in Oxford, Phone 693-5146.

First prize will be \$25; second \$15; and third \$10.

Mrs. Algen Clay Wins Many Prizes



CORNERSTONE PRESENTED — Committee heads and visiting ministers stood together as the Cornerstone of the addition to Hester Baptist Church was presented at the homecoming-dedication service Sunday. From left are Nelson Currin, Dan Stovall, Johnny C. Currin, Rev. Roger Williams Jr., Charles F. Jones Jr., F. R. Barlowe, Howard Morris, Rev. Leslie Giles, Mrs. G. P. Wilkinson Jr. and Rev. George T. Tunstall.—Ledger staff photo.

Homecoming-Dedication Draws 500 to Hester

Rev. George T. Tunstall, Rev. Roger Williams Jr. and Rev. Leslie Giles Bridge Pastoral Gap of 50 Years

The gap of more than half a century of pastoral services was bridged Sunday at Hester Baptist Church as two former ministers returned to face their erstwhile congregations and to encourage them in their progress along the Christian way of life.

Speaking at the homecoming and dedication services were the Rev. George T. Tunstall of High Point, who as a young minister served the congregation for nine years, 1917-1926, and the Rev. Roger E. Williams Jr., of Kinston, who was pastor for four years, 1949-1953. Their ministerial host was the Rev. Leslie Giles, who has served the congregation for seven years.

Heart-Warming Occasion

The occasion brought warmth to the hearts of both the senior members and the younger members of the congregation, who are assuming leadership and posts of responsibility as the congregation perseveres in a determination to meet needs of the growing congregation. It was during Mr. Tunstall's ministry that the existing brick sanctuary was erected in 1918, replacing a former structure in which the ancestors of many of today's members had worshipped.

The bright warmth of the sunshine which blazed upon the scene, filtering through the leaves of stately oak trees in fall cloaks, completely dispelled any gloom that may have resulted from the fact that the homecoming date had been set weeks ago and the construction schedule had not advanced sufficiently to begin using the entire facility during the day.

The ground level of the new building, which will represent an outlay of about \$160,000, was the scene of a beautiful picnic dinner at noon, with around 500 persons, including members, former members and friends.

The dinner followed morning worship in which the Rev. Mr. Tunstall recounted some of the experiences of the congregation during his ministry and how the faith of Hester Baptists in that period had multiplied and increased. He emphasized that church people must continue to take advantage of the "opportunities of their generation" to advance the cause of Jesus Christ at home and abroad.



BRIDGING THE YEARS—The Rev. Roger Williams Jr., the Rev. Leslie Giles and the Rev. George T. Tunstall, ministers of Hester Baptist Church over a period of more than 50 years, had much in common as they talked Sunday of building programs of the church during their respective ministries. Mr. Tunstall, 1917-26; Mr. Williams, 1949-53; and Mr. Giles for the past seven years.—Ledger staff photo.

lection was "Bless This House." F. R. Barlowe recounted some interesting and unusual incidents in the early history of the church, and in the course of his remarks, noted that it was the "most wonderful" birthday dinner he had ever attended. The audience burst into song, rendering "Happy Birthday, Mr. Barlowe." The church was named, he said, for Captain Benjamin Hester. In the earlier days, he said, a member had been tried and "excommunicated" for having failed to attend services regularly.

Pastor Giles recognized and expressed his thanks to many who had worked "continuously and faithfully" to bring about the day's events and in the period of decision-making which Mr. Williams frequently referred to in his remarks. He also recognized visiting pastors in the congregation. Others having a part on the program were Johnnie C. Currin, building fund chairman; C. F. Jones Jr., chairman of the building committee; Howard Morris, chairman of the construction committee; and Dan A. Stovall, chairman of the board of deacons.



AS HESTER CHURCH APPEARS — Shown is an architect's sketch showing Hester Baptist Church as it appears with a three-story addition at the right. The new portion was dedicated in a service Oct. 20.

Area Clubs Receive District Awards as State Head Speaks

"A Woman's Club is a woman's home with the walls extended." Oxford Woman's Club, Mary Jameson Woman's Club and Oxford Junior Woman's Club were host organizations. Participating in the opening formalities were Mrs. Kenneth Woodlief of Butner, who lead the Pledge to the Flag; the Rev. Vernon Tyson, pastor of the Methodist Church, who gave the invocation; and City Manager H. T. Ragland, who gave the welcome.

Mrs. Barham announced district chairmen as follows: Mrs. William Savage, conservation; Mrs. J. M. Royster, Education; Mrs. Rosalee Harvey, Fine Arts; Mrs. Lillian Killian, Home Life; Mrs. R. L. Harris, International Affairs; and Mrs. T. W. Hawkins, Public Affairs.

Committees to Study Needs for RR Tracts

Two committees of the Board of Commissioners of Oxford will meet tonight, Tuesday, to develop plans for paying the Seaboard Coastline Railway for property the City is about to acquire and to determine whether any of the land will be offered for sale as surplus to municipal needs.

City Manager Tom Ragland said the Railroad is "about ready" to transfer title and that the city will be prepared to finance the deal when it finally comes through. Meeting tonight jointly will be the Property Committee and the Finance Committee.

The Board is already committed to sell to the Granville Board of Education two small tracts on the east side of Bell Street and abutting school property and to remove within 12 months the fill which runs on the south end of the football field at the D. N. Hix School property.

The City also is acquiring a tract which extends back of the Granville jail to Littlejohn Street and corners on Littlejohn and Gilliam Streets and a tract which extends from Gilliam Street to Bell Street and abuts property of the A. H. A. Williams II estate and of the Oxford Presbyterian Church.

Ragland said it was his feeling that the City would not dispose of land being acquired adjacent to Military Street until right-of-way of Spring Street extension has been determined. Pending is a proposal to extend that street for a connection into U. S. 158 at Salem Road.

Decisions reached at the joint meeting of the two committees tonight will be given to the Board of Commissioners of Oxford in the form of recommendations.

Area Gets Relief From Long Drought

About three and three quarters inches of rain in the Oxford area during the past week has brought relief to the distressing drought which had gripped the area and much of the state for more than 60 days.

For the seven days ending Monday, the Tobacco Station here recorded 3.64 inches of rain, according to Billy D. Ayscue, who said the fall between 5 p.m. Friday and Monday morning was 2.43 inches.

Meanwhile, the City of Oxford has resumed pumping raw water from Tar River and is beginning to rebuild the supply in the Lake Devlin reservoir.

Water-use restrictions in the city were removed several days ago as rains removed concern for conserving the remaining supply.

Creedmoor Girl Dies in Wreck; Driver Injured

Alter Mae Fields Dies of Broken Neck in Wreck on Stem-Creedmoor Road

A 17-year-old South Granville girl was killed early Sunday and her companion was injured when their car left the Creedmoor-Stem road one-half mile north of Creedmoor.

Trooper L. E. Kornegay of Creedmoor, who made the investigation, said Alter Mae Fields of Creedmoor, died at the scene. Driver of the car, Willie Norman Burnett, 28, Negro, Rt. 2, Creedmoor, was traveling south on a rural paved road 1127 when his 1967 Ford went off the road and struck an embankment.

The impact pitched the speeding car into the air and it struck the ground again 60 feet distant from the point of impact, according to Kornegay, the machine ending up in the woods.

Burnette was taken to Duke Medical Center. The Negro girl was reported to have sustained a broken neck.

Granville County Coroner Grover Saunders visited the scene and yesterday was continuing his investigation. Saunders indicated a charge of manslaughter would be preferred against Burnett.

Outdoor Official, Sid Henschel, 50, Dies in New York

Executive Vice President and General Sales Manager Succumbs to Heart Seizure

Sid Henschel, 50, executive vice president and general sales manager of Outdoor Supply Co. Inc., Oxford, died Thursday night after illness of a short duration.

He was stricken at his Rockville Center, L. I. home, 49 Oxford Road, New York, after leaving from his office Thursday afternoon. Death came within three or four hours after his first seizure.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Henschel, who resided in the same area of Long Island as their son formerly lived in Green Acres, Oxford.

Sid frequently visited the Oxford plant and had spent two days here recently, Oct. 1-2. He had put in a full day of work at the door's sales office, 2 Penn. Plaza, before leaving for home and had made no complaints of illness during the day. Death came in a hospital near his home.

Surviving in addition to his parents are his wife and four daughters and a sister, Mrs. Geraldine of Atherton, Calif.

Sidney Rubenstein, Tam and Jimmy Cassin of this city were in New York for the funeral, which was held Sunday morning.

Truck Overtakes, Driver Injured

Mrs. Edna Page Bearden Charged with Improper Passing on By-Pass

A Salisbury woman escaped serious injury Sunday when the 1966 model panel truck she was driving on Oxford by-pass went out of control, left the road and overturned.



MOORE Flat River Ass'n to Convene at 4 This Afternoon

Flat River Baptists will convene on Mountain Creek Church for the 4 p.m. opening session Tuesday of the Association's 175th annual meeting, with afternoon and evening programs.

The Wednesday session will be held in the south end of the county, opening at Fellowship Baptist Church at 9:30 a.m., with an afternoon meeting also.

Mountain Creek hosts will provide supper tonight and Fellowship will provide lunch on Wednesday. The Rev. Leslie Giles, Moderator, will preside.

Top features today will be the annual sermon by the Rev. C. E. Godwin and an address by Dr. Ben Fisher of the State Baptist Convention office.

Rev. W. J. Edwards will give the doctrinal sermon Wednesday morning. Appearing Wednesday will be Dr. Donald Moore, Dr. Guy Cain, Rev. W. Isaac Terrell and Rev. Robert C. Hensley.

Dr. Moore, who is Director of Counseling and Associate Professor of Pastoral Care at Southeastern Baptist Seminary, is to speak on "Christian Life." A native of Thomasville, he is a graduate of Davidson and has degrees from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, from Appalachian State University and University of N. C.

Mr. Cain is to present the anniversary program; Mr. Terrell, Children's Homes; and Mr. Hensley, missions.

Firemen Called to Oxford Orphanage

Oxford Fire Department answered a call at 8:30 p.m. Sunday to second boys' cottage at Oxford Orphanage when fire occurred around a heat duct. There was no damage and the Fire Department used nothing to control the flames.