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## O. H. S. Adopts New Report Card

An entirely new report card will find its way into the homes of the Oxford High School students this year, and it is the hope of all school personnel that this new type report will bring about a closer relationship among students, teachers, and parents. The old report "card" has been discontinued and in its place has come a subject sheet from each teacher, made out for the individual student. Thus, a student who is carrying five subjects, will receive five subject sheets, each of which will show the student's grade, and evaluation of his citizenship qualities and work habits, as well as a personal comment from the teacher by whom the subject is taught. These subject sheets are to be sent to the parents as a report of their child's progress at the end of each six weeks' period.

The system of grading by letter has been retained, but the evaluation of the letters is somewhat changed. In order to receive a grade of "A" on a given subject, a student will be expected to hand in all work at all times, to participate freely in class discussions, to do the required work, and to seek consistently to go beyond the requirements of the teacher. The new evaluation of the "B" average is that the student shall participate in class discussions, perhaps not as freely as the "A" student, and that he shall seek to meet all requirements of the instructor. A grade of "C" on a given subject will mean that the student is doing the required work, but that he needs to be more consistent and dependable in preparation. The "D" evaluation will signify that the student is barely "getting by," that he is usually late with assignments, and fails to participate intelligently in class discussions. The "F" student will be the student who has failed to meet even the minimum requirements of the course, and who has failed entirely.

In order to develop a sense of citizenship responsibility, each student will be graded by each of his instructors on such desirable characteristics as courtesy, dependability, honesty, fairness, tolerance, etc. Attention will also be called to undesirable characteristics of the student in the hope that he will seek to overcome them with the aid of his instructors' guidance.

## Journalism Club Makes Plans For Year

The school year '46-'47 will introduce a new plan for publishing "The Owl." The schedule this year allows for a fifth period Journalism class which will be responsible for managing and editing the paper. Thus far nine students have enrolled in this class but they will be assisted by the remainder of the Journalism Club who were unable to include this class in their studies. However, they hope to work out plans for regular joint meetings.

A new plan for advertising has been adopted that allows "The Owl" fewer advertisements in each issue

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## Student Council Representatives Elected

The Student Council had its first regular meeting on Monday, September 9, with Dot Strother presiding. Dot made a fine record as the Social Chairman in the council last year and her election as president was unopposed. Miss Helen Wilkin has again taken the responsibility of being the sponsor. Many fine works were accomplished last year and the same is expected this year. Each room has two representatives, a boy and a girl, to represent them in the council. Those members were elected at a special home room period on Friday morning, September 6. They are as follows: Thomas Sneed, Martha Landis, Bryan Finch, Sylvia Currin, Irvin Adcock, Peggy Jones, Jack Niles, Yvonne Hughes, Joe Bryan, Donna J. Yancey, George Moore, Caroline Crews, Ferebee Patterson, Betty J. Nutt, Tutus Dickerson, and Blonnie D. Bunn. These representatives, with Alice Peele, vice-president, Bill Currin, treasurer, and Archie Fort, secretary, will act as the advisory and executive board of the student body during this school year.

## Memorial Plaque Presented To School

Lest we forget the boys who so gallantly gave their lives during World War II, the members of the twelfth grade of the Oxford High School has presented a plaque to the school in their honor.

The memorial was presented to the school at commencement last spring by Dot Strother, president of last year's Senior Class.

The plique is made of mahogany, with a gold eagle at the top. Underneath the words "They gave their lives" are the following names:

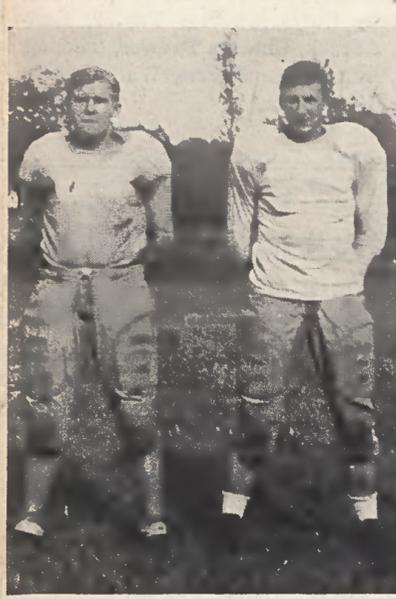
Joe Cooper, Jr.  
Edward C. Critcher  
James Currin  
John Ashton Daniel  
Melville L. Dickerson  
Ray Garman  
John L. Gupton  
Charles Bryant Herring  
Eugene Wilson Knott  
Leonard Hubert Knott  
Hoover Murray  
Beverley S. Royster, III  
Milton Walters  
Henry H. White  
J. C. Yeargin, Jr.

## Football Schedule

Sept. 20	Tarboro—here
27	Bragtown of Durham—here
Oct. 4	Chapel Hill at Chapel Hill (afternoon)
11	Roanoke Rapids — there
18	Open
25	Roxboro—here
Nov. 1	Methodist Orphanage — here
8	Burlington—there
15	South Boston—here
22	Oxford Orphanage
28	Thanksgiving game with Henderson if arrangements can be completed

All home games at night will be played at the Oxford Recreation Park.

## CO-CAPTAINS



Bobby Jones and Brent Currin

## Football Practice Gets Underway

The Oxford High Wildcats began football practice Monday afternoon Sept. 2 at 2:30 under the leadership of the new coach Robert Culton. Mr. Culton was a three letterman at Catawba College where he played under Gordon Kirkland, a former Oxford High Coach. Mr. Culton coached at Boyden High in Salisbury prior to his service as an officer in the Marine Corps. He will be assisted by Mr. A. A. Muelenaer.

Oxford High feels that with a full time coach for the first time, it will develop into a strong and winning team. On the field its team will be under the leadership of its Co-Captains, Brent Currin and Bobby Jones. Thirty-eight boys reported to practice, of which nine were lettermen. The lettermen were: Jack Niles, Brent Currin, Bobby O'Brien, Walter Nutt, H. J. Jackson, Jr., Roland Wilson, Macy Falkner, Frazier Cherkas and Bobby Jones. Others reporting to practice were: Kennon Taylor, William Burwell, John D. Carrington, Ed. Meadows, Charles Brewer, Thomas Chappel, Bob Thomas, Maurice Blackwell, Arch Fort, Bobby Talley, Harold Currin, Joe Bryan, John Parham, Randolph Matthew, Ralph Blalock, Jimmy Breedlove, Sonny Beard, Norris Cole, Hennant Suit, George Moore, and Ralph Avery. Charles Brewer, Thomas Chappel, Bob Thomas, Maurice Blackwell, Arch Fort, Bobby Talley, Harold Currin, Joe Bryan, John Parham, Randolph Matthew, Ralph Blalock, Jimmy Breedlove, Sonny Beard, Norris Cole, Hennant Suit, George Moore, and Ralph Avery.

Greatly missed in the line up this year are such forces as Paul Walters, Lawrence Blackwell, Tuck Powell, Jimmy Daniel, Albert Parham, Edgar Tally, and Bill Currin who will not be able to play because of a knee injury.

"Son, fetch the old horse."  
"Why the old one, father?"  
"My motto is: Wear out the old one first."  
"Then you fetch the horse."  
—Pointer.

## OXFORD HI WINS SOFTBALL TITLE

### High School Team Defeats Exchange Club In Playoff Series

By Bobby O'Brien

The Oxford High School softball team defeated the Exchange Club Monday night, September 2, by the score of 9 to 4 and won the softball crown.

Oxford High decided to have a softball team toward the close of school last year. The team was sponsored by Kirk Duncan with Thomas Currin as manager.

The team wasn't given much of a chance by the fans at the first of the season because the other teams had older and more experienced ball players, but, as the season got underway, Oxford High had one of the best teams in the league.

At the end of the season and time for the playoffs, Oxford High was in third place and played the Kiwanis Club to determine who would go to the finals. Oxford High defeated them twice by the scores of 12 to 2 and 9 to 3. Oxford High then played the Exchange Club for the title. In the first game the Exchange Club won 3 to 2, but the High School team avenged this set-back in the second game to take it 2 to 1. It was also the first time the Exchange Club had been defeated in the season. In the third game Oxford pounded the pitching of Hurbert Cox all over the park and went on to win 9 to 4.

In Lee J. Harris, Oxford High had the best pitcher in the league and is grateful to him for pitching it to the championship.

Boys taking part in the softball games were: Lee J. Harris, Howard Newton, Jim Ballou, Bobby Jones, Macy Falkner, Billy Talton, Dave Mitchell, Bobby O'Brien, Walter Nutt, Bud Hicks, H. J. Jackson, Ralph Avery, Brent Currin, Robert Hancock, John Parham, Nelson Hicks, Tom Brummitt, Lennie Cottrell, Talton Hughes, and Thomas Currin.

On Tuesday, September 3, the team was given a stew supper at the Oxford Park.

## O. H. S. Meets Bragtown Friday, September 27

On Friday night Sept. 27, Oxford High will meet Bragtown of Durham for the first time since Oxford High's athletic system was organized. Little is known about the Bragtown eleven, but it proved to be one of the stronger teams of the smaller schools last year.

This year's Oxford High team has seven starting lettermen from last year's fine team. Under the direction of the new coach is expected that the team will put on an exciting game for the home fans. We are very fortunate for Oxford High to have two fine coaches to lead them to victory.

The game will take place under the lights of the Oxford Recreation Park at 8:00. It is hoped that a large number of students and fans will turn out to support the team.