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## The County Democratic Convention

GEN. B. S. ROYSTER WILL ADDRESS THE CONVENTION THIS SATURDAY AT NOON

The County Democratic Convention will be called to order by Chairman B. K. Lassiter in the Court House at noon sharp this Saturday. The object of the meeting is to elect delegates to the State Convention, which meets in Raleigh next Thursday, April 27th.

In response to an urgent request General B. S. Royster has consented to speak at the County Convention this Saturday. We take it that the General will have something to say about the working of the new primary law, a subject that is of vital importance to the voters. He can explain more in five minutes than you can get by reading the cumbersome law all day.

Many farmers have expressed a desire to attend the County Convention and the indications are at this writing that the Court House will be comfortably filled with people, and it is hoped that all who come will be filled with sound and wholesome Democracy.

## OXFORD COLLEGE NOTES

### The Alumnae To Lay Plans For Purchasing This School Plant

The approaching Commencement promises to be full of interest. The Hon. J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State, will deliver the Literary address and Rev. T. A. Smoot, D.D., formerly of North Carolina, but now Pastor of Centenary Church, Richmond, Va., will preach both the Baccalaureate sermon and that before the Young Woman's Christian Association.

In addition to the Graduating exercises, Concert and Exhibits of Domestic Science and Domestic Art Departments, the Senior Class, assisted by the pupils of the School of Expression, will give one of Shakespeare's plays on the Campus. The play selected is "Twelfth Night." The beautiful campus lends itself readily to such performances and those fortunate enough to attend, doubtless have a treat in store.

But one of the most important things to be done at this Commencement is the undertaking by the Alumnae to lay plans for purchasing this school plant and putting it under Denominational control with the present President to conduct it as long as he may be efficient.

More than three hundred fine women in the State hold diplomas and certificates given by President Hobgood and more than two thousand have entered the gates of this school and pursued their studies there.

A large reunion is expected and a most hearty invitation is extended to all former students to attend Commencement and form a part of this reunion—This invitation is extended not only to those who hold diplomas and certificates, but also to those who entered here but were not fortunate enough to remain a sufficient length of time to secure a diploma.

This Meeting of the Alumnae, composed of all former students, will hold a business meeting Monday afternoon of Commencement week and will then form plans for launching this movement. The Alumnae Association will be aided in this movement by the Baptists of The Flat River Association, numbering six thousand, and by the citizens of Oxford.

Entertainment will be provided for as many as will come. Those who expect to come are asked to send in their names to President Hobgood as soon as possible.

## EASTER EGG HUNT

Children of the Town Invited—Admission 10c

The Library Extension Department of the Woman's Club will give an Easter Egg Hunt Monday morning at 11 o'clock on the lawn of Mrs. Ira Howard at the head of Main street.

After the egg hunt an hour will be spent in story telling. Easter legends, and the tales of Brer Rabbit will be told. All the children of the town invited. A charge of ten cents will be made and the proceeds will be used for the Oxford Library. The hunt will be under the direction of Miss Sallie Webb and Mrs. A. H. Powell.

## FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

As a result of the solicitations of a number of my friends in Oxford and Fishing Creek Townships, there being no representative on the present Board of Commissioners from these two Townships, I respectfully announce my candidacy for County Commissioner of Granville County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary June 3d, 1916.

THOS. G. TAYLOR.

## THE OXFORD CHURCHES

IMPRESSIVE MUSIC IN ALL THE CHURCHES EASTER SUNDAY

There Will Be a Morning and Evening Service at Each of the Oxford Churches—Miss Jenkins, of Oxford College, Will Sing at the Evening Service at the Baptist Church.

Easter lilies softly swinging, In the breezes gently singing, Echoes sweet their bells are ringing, At Eastertide.

### St. Stephen's Church

First Eucharist.....7:30 a. m. Corporate Communion of the Brotherhood.

Sunday School, Men's Bible Class, and Young Women's Bible Class, with the annual Lenten offering of the school, 9:45 a. m.

Morning Prayer, and Second Eucharist, with Sermon, 11 o'clock.

Evening Prayer and Sermon, 8 o'clock.

### (Special Music)

Christ our Passover.....Schilling  
Te Deum.....Marzo  
Jubilate.....Tours  
Anthem—"He is not here, He is Risen"—Read.

Hymns—Processional, 118, 111, 116. Recessional, 115.

All are welcome, and cordially invited to share in our Easter gladness.

### Methodist Church—Morning Service

Voluntary—Christ the Lord is Risen Today—Davidica.

Hymn—I Know that My Redeemer Lives—Burney.

Anthem—Day Break—From Puisse.

Offertory—Solo—There is a Green Hill Far Away—Gounod.

Hymn—Golden Harps are Sounding—Frances Havergal.

Sermon—The Resurrection.

### (Evening Service)

Voluntary—Crown Him With Many Crowns—Elvey.

Hymn—Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise—Clark.

Offertory—Art Thou Weary—Charles Scott.

Hymn—Jesus, the Conqueror, Reigns—Henry Smart.

Sermon—The Resurrection in This Life.

The church will be decorated with ferns and Easter Lilies.

### At the Baptist Church

The morning hour has been given over to the Sunbeams. They have been in capable hands for sometime and will render a very impressive program.

The following is the order of service at the evening hour:

Voluntary—Christ is Risen.

Hymn—Anthem, by Sullivan.

Offertory—Now the Day is Over—Oley Spears.

Miss Margaret Jenkins, of Oxford College, will assist the choir with solo work.

### The Presbyterian Church

Rev. S. K. Phillip's subject for the morning hour will be "God as a Father, and Man as His Children." At the evening hour, "The Matchless Book."

## PICTURE CLIMAX

"Carmen" Will Be Seen at the Orpheum Monday Night, April 24th

In every conceivable way, the William Fox production of "Carmen" marks an era and chronicles an epoch in moving pictures. It has no prototype in sumptuous and colossal magnitude scenic equipment, properties, cast, costumes, lavish expenditure or extraordinary treatment. It stands single, supreme, inimitable and alone among achievements of the silent stage.

Never before in the history of moving pictures was such exact and painstaking care, such accumulated experience, such outlay of money and time bestowed upon a screen presentation. Nearly one year was required to complete it in perfection; its cost staggers belief. Theda Bara, whose portrayals upon the film for Mr. Fox have made her the most talked-of woman in the world, distinguishes herself anew in the title role of the pouting and flouting gypsy flirt.

The true romance of the old Spain, the Spain before the hand-organ took the place of the guitar, permeates "Carmen" throughout. A band of real gypsies were lured from their mountain retreats to lend verity. Edward Velasquez, noted Spanish artist, was brought from Seville to supervise that technical and architectural details of the Spanish cities which Mr. Fox created at his studios.

Next Wednesday, a Biblical story, entitled "Esther" will be seen at the Orpheum in natural colors.

Mr. Roy Osborn has arrived home from a Richmond hospital. He is looking well, considering his long spell of sickness.

## THE CRISIS

PRESIDENT WILSON DEMANDS THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT TO ABANDON SUBMARINE WARFARE

Warning Given That Friendly Relations Cannot Be Continued Unless Germany Changes Policy—Note to Imperial German Government is in Effect an Ultimatum, Though No Time Limit is Set, That Submarine Warfare Against Commerce Must Be Brought to an End Immediately—America Counts the Hours While Berlin Decides Course.

### (SUMMARY)

We gather from the Associated Press dispatches that President Wilson told Congress assembled on Wednesday that he had given Germany a final, irrevocable statement that America will break off diplomatic relations if her illegal submarine campaign is continued.

A note, America's last word, practically an ultimatum, and demanding an immediate reply presumably was in the Berlin office as the president was speaking. It was dispatched Tuesday night, in accordance with the president's plan. The president asked no action whatever of congress. He simply informed it of the accumulation of facts proving that Germany's assurances to the United States are being violated; that the submarine campaign despite the earnest protests of the United States, is being continued with renewed vigor, and that he means to sever relations unless it is brought within the law. Diplomatic history of the world shows that such a course is almost certain to be followed by war.

The president's note and his address to congress are final. They mark the end of diplomatic exchanges. A continuance of the long standing friendly relations the president made clear depends alone upon Germany's conduct.

"I have deemed it my duty," the president said in part, "to say to the Imperial German government, that if it is still its purpose to prosecute relentless warfare against vessels of commerce with submarines notwithstanding the now demonstrated impossibility of conducting that warfare in accordance with what the government of the United States must consider the sacred and indisputable rules of international law, and the universally recognized dictates of humanity, the government of the United States is at last forced to the conclusion that there is but one course it can pursue; and that unless the Imperial German government should now immediately declare in effect an abandonment of its present methods of warfare against passenger and freight carrying vessels, this government can have no choice but to sever diplomatic relations.

### What a Break Means

In case the United States makes war with Germany, here are the things that will happen:

1. The president as commander-in-chief of the army and navy of the United States will take active command of these branches of the service as he did in the Vera Cruz incident.

2. Our ambassador and consular representatives in Germany will be at once recalled (if not already handed their passports by Germany) and passports will be handed the diplomatic representatives of Germany in the United States and they will be safely transported to neutral territory.

3. If the allies of Germany—Austria and Turkey—decide to join Germany in war with the United States, the same course of action will take place with our representatives in those countries and their representatives here.

4. Congress will listen to a special message by the president on the emergency and will pass resolutions declaring that a state of war "now exists."

5. Congress will vote whatever amount is recommended by the president to be expended for the immediate needs of the military branches of the service.

6. Our state department will take up the diplomatic relationship of the United States to the English-French-Russian allies and the administration will be under the necessity of deciding whether the United States will become an active member of the alliance against the Teutonic nations, sinking or swimming according as Germany and her allies shall be defeated or shall be victorious.

7. A censorship over all news going out of the departments in Washington will be put in operation. Guards will protect all government

## The Bank of Granville Pig Club

AN INDUSTRY THAT MEANS MUCH FOR THE COUNTY

The National Bank of Granville has offered to furnish any number of pigs to boys and girls of the county who comply with certain rules governed by the North Carolina Pig Club.

The Bank makes it optional with the boys and girls as to whether they will give their personal note or return two pigs from the first litter.

The registered Duroc Jersey, such as the Bank agrees to furnish, is recognized as the very best pure-bred stock.

It is generally thought that the banks never put their hands to the wheel unless they hear the sound of gold, but in this case, the National Bank of Granville does not approach near enough to hear the jingle of the coin, but the promoters do know that the livestock industry can be made a success in Granville. They know that it is absolutely foolish for the people of Granville—the best county in the State—to depend upon the tobacco stalk.

Up to the present time the majority of the farmers of Granville have been a dismal failure as to raising stock. The bank is going to prove that the thing can be done, and they select the child to teach the parent. Happy will be the day when Col. Cooper sees a pen full of fat Duroc Jersey pigs, raised on scientific lines and backed by the National Bank of Granville, at the County Fair.

## TOBACCO IN DEMAND

Tobaccoists Say The Supply of Leaf is About Exhausted.

Every day for more than a month the Public Ledger has noticed great activity in hauling hogheads of tobacco to the freight stations in Oxford. On inquiry we learn that leaf tobacco, scraps and all, is in demand. Well informed tobaccoists advise us that the big companies are taking all they can get at a fair price. One of the reasons advanced is that the supply abroad is not as ample as was believed and that more tobacco is now sold in South America than ever before.

## AT AMIS' MILL POND

Picnic and Speaking on Easter Monday.

There will be a basket picnic at Amis' Mill Pond Easter Monday. Prof. J. F. Webb, Mr. B. K. Lassiter, T. B. Hill and President Hobgood, of Oxford College will address the people on this occasion on the subject of education. An effort will be made to enlarge and better the condition of the Public Schools of that district. Everyone is invited to come and bring lunch. Come early.

## Graduating Recital

Miss Blanche Surles, reader and pianiste; and Miss Fannie Buchanan, pianiste of Oxford College will give their graduating recitals Thursday and Friday, April 27th and 28th at 8:15 p. m., in the College Chapel. The public is cordially invited to be present.

property—especially military and naval plants—throughout the United States.

8. Naturalized German Americans will be treated as loyal citizens until they act otherwise, and in the case of unnaturalized Germans measures will be taken to prevent the possibility of their rendering aid or comfort to the enemy.

9. Then congress will grapple with the problem of adequate preparedness and every effort will be made to produce munitions of war.

## Comment

The nation is with the president in the submarine crisis.

America does not want war but America has never shirked war to defend her national honor.

The controversy with Germany from the time of the sinking of the Lusitania to the destruction of the Sussex has been one fraught with the gravest possibilities to the United States.

Germany has promised and broken her promises, has evaded her own suggestions, has persistently refused to play square with the United States. The German foreign office has tried at all times to go the limit in pursuing the illegal submarine warfare and still by evasions and worthless excuses, keep on good terms, technically, with Washington.

Through the welter of deceit and sham, President Wilson has pursued his way, calm and unfaltering in his effort to preserve the dignity and honor of the country, if possible, without war.

Attacked at home in the spirit of violent partisanship, almost hatred; criticised among the neutrals and entente countries abroad, and openly ridiculed by Germany and her allies, he has maintained his position without swerving.

## A FORTY MILE TRIP

THROUGH GRANVILLE AND VANCE COUNTIES ON AN AUTOMOBILE

Along the Entire Route Not a Single Field of Grass Was in Evidence—The Absence of Grazing Means the Absence of Stock.

After the church hour last Sunday, the editor of the Public Ledger accompanied Mr. M. P. Chamblee on an automobile ride through Granville and Vance, covering forty miles. We went via Henderson and followed the Seaboard Railway to a point three miles below Kittrell; thence by a splendid new road which taps Granville in the southeastern portion of the county and returning via the splendid estate of Mr. Burwell and Fairport.

Along the entire route of forty miles not a single field of grass was in evidence.

The absence of grazing necessarily means absence of stock. It follows that the absence of stock means a steadily decreasing farm value, and the purchase from other sections of necessities for the home, as well as for the support of our meagre farm stock. This means sending our dollars to enrich the wide-awake farmer in other States. There is no condition under which such a course is justifiable. Were we even in the position of accumulating great wealth from our tobacco crops we would not be justified in treating our lands as though they were mines, to be abandoned as soon as we have extracted the gold. But we are not getting wealthy raising tobacco.

Granville will raise tobacco probably as long as there is a demand for tobacco, and in all probability that will be for a longer time than our limited vision can encompass. Every farm in our county has on it a certain area suited to the growing of the bright leaf. It is a crop, the cultivation of which insures our farmers a bunch of money at the end of the year—sometimes more, sometimes less, and this area suited to the growth of a high class leaf should be devoted to the purpose, leaving the remainder of the farm for diversified cropping and grazing, etc.

But the present attitude of the farmers of Granville in this matter ought to be reversed, and tobacco made a side issue, and grass and grain the principal crop on every farm in the county.

We are frequently met with the statement that there is no market for hogs raised at home. Well, there was a time when there was no market for home raised hogs in Iowa, but the Chicago packers soon found that the lard hog raised in Iowa was just what they needed, and the market was created. The Richmond packers have expressed the hope that Granville county will raise all the hogs they can buy this year. Are we going to do it?

We are advised that most any farmer in Granville can raise his meat on one acre of Alfalfa. Personally we do not know the value of alfalfa or the best feed for stock, nor have we ever raised a cow or sheep, but we are agrieved because our county is not as far advanced as it should be. We are very sure that old Granville can be made the garden spot of the world. If each and every acre of land in the county is worth \$100 today, a good lively interest in the livestock industry would soon double the land values. We remember when land in the Shenandoah Valley was only worth \$50 an acre as a whole, but it is now worth \$500 as a whole, and the livestock industry is responsible for the increased value.

## The Local Military Company

By reference to our advertising columns it will be seen that the Granville Grays are advertising for good men. The company has an invitation to attend the celebration in Charlotte May 19-20. The company will also go into camp at Morehead City in July. We do not believe that the ranks of the local military company have become depleted by virtue of our boys being afraid that they might be called into active service. The general supposition is that most of the young men court a trip to Mexico, and right here, we would remind them that now is the time to join the local company and go into training. There may be a call to arms sooner than they expect.

## FINE COW DEAD

Gets His Head Fastened in a Bucket and Smothers

The fine bovine of Judge Graham met his death Thursday in a most novel manner. He was running at large in a pasture and while trying to eat from a bucket he got his head fastened in the vessel and smothered to death. He was a big fine blooded animal and highly prized by his owner.