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## GRANVILLE COUNTY VETS

### AGED SURVIVORS OF CIVIL WAR STORM NATION'S CAPITAL.

#### Block Ticket For the Thirty-seven Survivors Cost the County Only \$220.15.

Thirty-seven Granville County Confederate veterans, survivors of that memorial conflict of the Sixties, left Oxford at noon Monday to attend the annual reunion of the United States Confederate veterans at Washington City this week. They will storm the National Capitol in a peaceful march, and will capture the great city which they sought for many long, weary months from 1861 to 1865.

The following is a list of the thirty-seven whose fares were paid by the county:

- A. W. Graham, commander; E. C. Allen, lieutenant commander; Dr. R. H. Marsh, chaplain; R. A. Floyd, first sergeant; B. I. Breedlove, color sergeant; Dorsey Howard, color guard; J. R. Chandler, color guard; D. G. Crews, Jesse Pitchford, Wilkins Stovall, J. W. Adcock, H. F. Cole, J. C. Cox, J. P. Curran, G. S. Daniel, S. T. Dickerson, J. J. Dixon, Harvey Hobgood, L. Hunter, W. P. Kimball, J. P. Mize, Joshua Overton, J. H. Rogers, R. T. Slaughter, W. P. Slaughter, I. H. Stegall, W. H. White, F. A. Woody, J. D. Wortham, Thomas H. Jones, J. P. Clark, H. M. Tally, William Merritt, W. A. Tuck, W. F. Dement, W. A. Beck, J. W. Jones

#### Delegates.

The following is a list of the delegates from the above list:

- A. W. Graham, D. G. Crews, Jesse Pitchford, Wilkins Stovall, J. W. Adcock.

#### Objects of Solicitude.

Quite a number of ladies were at the meeting in the court room and fastened new bands on the veteran's hats. The daughters of the confederacy prepared a large box of provisions for the veterans, which was served to them in transit. They also pinned a white and red rose on the coats of the old boys and bade them God speed. The car containing them bore a streamer reading as follows: "Maurice T. Smith Camp, No. 1277 U. V. C., Granville County, N. C."

#### Sons of Veterans.

At the call of Judge Graham, the Sons of Veterans of Granville county organized a camp. Twenty seven responded to the call and handed in their names, as follows:

- R. A. Adcock, W. B. Adcock, F. O. Bumpus, W. T. Blackwell, L. G. Blackwell, R. I. Daniel, B. F. Frazier, H. E. Frazier, J. H. Frazier, J. T. Hunt, R. S. Hunt, H. S. Hunt, S. H. Hobgood, A. F. Harris, J. W. Elliot, R. M. Laws, Bal. Norwood, W. T. O'Brien, J. M. Phipps, S. O. Parham, J. P. Royster, J. A. Catlett, H. S. Williams, A. T. Williams, G. W. Williams, G. W. Williams, John N. Watkins, W. T. Woody. Eighteen of the above accompanied the vets to Washington.

#### The Boy Scouts.

The Stovall Boy Scouts to the number of an even dozen arrived in Oxford early and rounded up the old vets. They made a fine appearance in their neat uniforms. Those who accompanied the Vets to Washington were: L. C. Wilkerson, Scout Master; A. M. Stovall, commissioner; Walter Taylor, patrol leader; Sterling White, patrol leader; S. M. Cutts, drummer; Walter Skies, Joe Davis, Bert Spicer, George Spicer, Rufus Barnes, Giles Critcher, Dawson Burwell, jr.

#### PURCHASES LIBERTY BONDS

##### Dr. T. B. Hill Ready to Shoulder Gun For Uncle Sam.

It will be remembered that our good friend Dr. T. B. Hill, of Virginia, wrote some very strong letters for publication a couple of years ago denouncing the tendency of the administration's war policy. Dr. Hill was in Oxford Monday and he told the Public Ledger that while he differs in some respects with the administration he is ready to shoulder a gun and go to the front.

Dr. Hill is the largest purchaser of Liberty bonds in Granville county.

The Kings Daughters will meet with Mrs. Elliot Thursday morning at 11 a. m.

\$100.00 SAVED—Buy Delco-Light during June and save \$100.00.

## SOUTH AMERICA U-BOAT BASE.

### Germany Wants Margarita Island for Such Purpose.

Washington, June 3.—Reports have reached the government from a source described as reliable that Germany is attempting to get control of the Island of Margarita, off the coast of Venezuela for use as a submarine base. The state department has forwarded the information received to Venezuela for the consideration of the Venezuelan officials.

Officials do not believe that the government of Venezuela would be a party to any such alienation of territory. Venezuela is one of the South American governments that have joined in protesting against submarine warfare as conducted by Germany.

It has been known by the American government for weeks, however, that German influences have been actively at work in Venezuela and that indirect if not direct means have been used by the Kaiser's agent to secure popular and official sympathy.

Margarita is off the northern coast of Venezuela, near the southeastern corner of the Caribbean Sea and within striking distance of the Panama Canal.

#### SOME GOOD JOBS.

##### Positions Will Not Be Subject to Civil Service Laws.

As soon as the administration's food bill becomes a law there will be 7,000 good paying jobs to be given out by the federal government, says a Washington dispatch. These positions will not be subject to Civil Service laws but appointments will be made upon the recommendation of senators and congressmen. At least, that is the way senators and congressmen hope they will be given out. Anyhow those who desire government positions under the food control law had better get in communication with the senators and congressmen. Seven thousand jobs sounds like a whole lot but it does not amount to much when you take into consideration the ninety-odd millions of people in the country who had rather work for Uncle Sam than go to war.

#### POWER OF LIBERTY BOND.

##### Fifty Dollar Bond is Equal to 1,000 Pounds of Flour.

New York, June 4.—The Liberty Loan Committee here today issued a table of figures showing what the buying power of one \$50 bond means to the Government. In terms of arms and equipment, it finances the purchase of 1,000 rounds of ammunition, or three standard rifles, or sixteen shelter tents for thirty-two men, or six woolen overcoats, or any one of a number of their military necessities.

In terms of food, it will finance the purchase of 1,000 pounds of flour, 1,200 pounds of bread, or 400 pounds of fresh beef, or 120 pounds of butter.

#### "SEVEN DEADLY SINS"

##### Strong Cast at the Orpheum Theatre.

Everybody in Oxford has heard about the Seven Deadly Sins—either of the temptations themselves or of the wonderful five-reel McClure Pictures, grouped under that title.

Managers Harris & Crews announces that they have booked these splendid plays and that the first one will be shown at the Orpheum Theatre on June 9.

Ann Murdock, in "Envy," with Shirley Mason and George Le Guere, is the first of the Seven Deadly Sins. Although the entire production is a series of seven five-reel photoplays, each is a complete production—in no way like a "serial."

The productions are magnificent and each is entirely different in theme and treatment from the other.

#### Woman's Club.

The Woman's Club will meet in the Oxford Library, Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock. As this will be the last meeting until fall, it is desired that there be a full attendance.

Cheering up today makes it lots easier to do tomorrow.

It's poor economy to let your business system break down your physical.

## VONHINDENBERG'S VIEWS

### WRITES THE EMPRESS FIGHTING HAS REACHED A CERTAIN CONCLUSION

#### His Reports Will Be Given Just As Much Credence As the Average Village Liar.—As a Matter of Fact Germans Have Lost 52,000 Prisoners.

BERLIN, June 3.—The French and British offensive on the western front has come to a definite conclusion according to a report from Field Marshal von Hindenburg to Emperor William. Official announcement is made that the emperor has sent the following telegram to the Empress at Homburg Castle:—

"According to a report from Field Marshal von Hindenburg, the great British and French spring offensive has come to a certain conclusion. Prepared since autumn an announced since winter the attacks of the British and French armies, supported by powerful masses of artillery and technical resources of all kinds, has failed after seven weeks of hard struggle. God's aid has granted our incomparable troops superhuman force to accomplish these excellent acts and endure successfully the mightiest battles ever seen in the history of war. All our heroes by their deeds command the respect and gratitude which every German feels. The Germans thank God for this help and thanks for such magnificent people in arms."

#### Contradicted.

Paris, June 3.—Although Field Marshal von Hindenburg and Emperor William asserted that the Anglo-French offensive on the western front has failed, after seven weeks of effort, a French statement declares that the Germans lost more than 52,000 prisoners alone during the French and British drives against the German lines.

More than 1,000 officers were included in the total of 52,000 prisoners captured. Enormous quantities of material were taken from the Germans, including 446 heavy and field guns, 1,000 machine guns and many trench guns.

#### A FAMILY OF SOLDIERS.

##### Mr. J. A. Taylor Contributes Six Sons to Uncle Sam's Army.

It is not often that a parent is called upon to contribute six sons to Uncle Sam's fighting machine, but such falls to the lot of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taylor, and there is not to be found anywhere a truer and braver set of young men. These young men are scattered far and near, but every one of them will register their names Tuesday, June 5th. The list follows:

- C. A. Taylor, Asheville, N. C.; D. K. Taylor, a member of Horner Bros. Company, Oxford; W. B. Taylor, a traveling man, Wilmington, N. C.; E. W. Taylor, Export Tobacco Company, Petersburg, Va.; R. K. Taylor, with the Bank of Granville, Oxford; H. L. Taylor, the sixth son who holds a position with F. F. Lyon, the druggist, has not as yet attained the draft age, but he has enlisted in Capt. Thad G. Stem's Machine Gun Company and is ready for any eventuality.

Commissioner Thomas G. Taylor also has four sons whose ages range between twenty-one and thirty. Their names follow:

- Rev. Lewis N. Taylor and Arch Taylor of Roanoke Rapids; Henry Taylor, of Richmond, and Buxton Taylor of Chapel Hill.

Mr. R. P. Taylor also contributes a fine son—James A. Taylor, late of the University of North Carolina. This fine son of Granville responded to the call of President Wilson and is now at Fort Oglethorpe. Honors and integrity will follow him all the days of his life.

#### TOBACCO LOOKS GOOD.

Col. W. B. Ballou Visits Ten Counties.

On an automobile journey last week, taking him as far as Pittsylvania county, Va., Col. W. B. Ballou, manager of the Imperial Plant and a large buyer on the local market, passed through ten counties.

"The crop is very green and promising in the Dan Valley and in the interior of the border counties," said Col. Ballou.

## LIBERTY LOAN BONDS.

### Subscriptions Should Be Made Through North Carolina Banks.

It is learned that many of the corporations and wealthy individuals of North Carolina are making their subscriptions to the Liberty Loan Bonds direct—through banks in other states. The Central Committee earnestly urges that all such subscriptions should be made through the North Carolina banks. In this way not only does the State get the full credit to which she is entitled, but the local banks get the use of the money to a large extent, and the money market is not so much disturbed. The newspapers of the State are requested to call special attention to this.

#### BUSINESS CONDITIONS

##### In the Fifth Federal Reserve District.

##### (Federal Reserve Bulletin)

##### Farmers

The season generally is backward, and in contrast with the wet season of last years, there has been some lack of moisture. Strenuous efforts are being made for a full crop, food products receiving more wide-spread attention, and the yield of garden products promises to be beyond anything ever before attained. Grain, while more widely planted, is below the average condition; the same may be said of cotton, the acreage in which is estimated to be about the same as last years. Reports as to acreage in tobacco vary but the average would probably be about the same as last season. Agricultural implements are scarce and deliveries are behind. The peanut crop of the past season was very profitable. The farmers' supply has been cleaned up, leaving only limited stocks in hands of cleaners and jobbers. Fruit prospects, including berries and peaches, are favorable. The production of truck crops among the Seaboard, particularly potatoes, has been unusually heavy and profitable. Many banks are advertising to help especially those who are planting food crops. Increased facilities for canning excess vegetable crops are quite extensive and are important steps in food conservation.

#### Labor.

There has been some disorganization on account of volunteering for Government services and widespread deportation of negro laborers from the Districts, induced to leave by high wages in the Northern states, it being estimated that as many as 75,000 to 100,000 have left the District in the last few months. The high price of food has borne heavily on the poorer classes and has been an important factor in this situation.

#### General Conditions.

General business conditions are regarded as sound, but there is some slowing up and the result of pending legislation is awaited with general interest. Dealers in tobacco report a good volume of trade but are much disturbed by the proposed heavy increase in taxes. Lumber has improved considerably in price, but this is offset by the reduced output, which is curtailed by labor and shipping conditions. Transportation difficulties, both in securing materials and moving manufactured products, and the difficulty many manufacturing plants are encountering in securing an adequate supply of coal even at present high prices, are important factors in the situation.

#### GONE TO CHARLESTON.

##### Mr. R. C. M. Calvert Sets Noble Example.

Mr. R. C. M. Calvert, well-known business man of Oxford, who tendered his services to the Government a couple of months ago, was last week notified by the War Department to report to the Southeastern Department at Charleston for examination. Accompanied by Mrs. Calvert he left for Charleston Monday morning.

In volunteering his services, Mr. Calvert sets an example second to none in this part of the State. With a most interesting family and exacting business connections, he elects to go wherever the War Department sees fit to send him.

Mr. Calvert is a civil engineer and has traveled extensively abroad, spending a year in India.

## A SUPPLY OF TIN CANS

### MRS. CAPEHART WILL ANNOUNCE DATE OF DELIVERY LATER

#### The Price of the Cans Will Not Be More Than Five Dollars per Hundred.

I have had so many inquiries from all parts of the county regarding the possibility of getting tin cans that I wish to state for the benefit of all who are interested that we have succeeded in securing a car load of No. 3 cans that we expect to arrive in Oxford in a week or ten days.

We are indebted to Mr. A. H. Powell and other public spirited men of Oxford who have placed these cans within our reach and made it possible to deliver them to those having perishable products to pack at a price below that quoted to us by local dealers at this time. The cans come to us uncreated for that reason we wish to deliver as many as possible from the car at the time of unloading. In this way any one can get the cans for the actual cost of placing them at the depot in Oxford. After that time the price will be higher to cover drayage and handling.

I already have in hand a list of names of those who have applied to me for cans whom I shall inform as to the date of delivery. Others wishing to be notified will please communicate with me as it may not be possible to reach all who are interested through the Public Ledger.

Persons getting cans must provide bags, boxes, or other containers, for their orders. Under no conditions are these cans to be used for speculation but only for packing perishable products.

I wish to call the attention of all to the fact that a car load of loose cans is a rather troublesome proposition to handle, and since these gentlemen, in their efforts to help in the conservation of food for the country, have had the forethought and the kindness to place the cans within the reach of those who need them, we are asking that you do your part also and save us the trouble, and yourself the expense of handling them later on. Keep this in mind, look out for the date of delivery, and be on hand to get your cans if you need them.

Mrs. Chas. McKimmon, who is authority on this subject, says: "The price of cans is high, but the prices of canned goods are correspondingly high. There bids fair to be an unprecedented call for canned goods next fall. Therefore it will be not only a patriotic service to can perishable products but a good business venture."

If no unforeseen expense comes up, the price of cans will be not more than \$5.00 per hundred. To be sure of getting any of these cans, you should give your orders at once as people from other counties are asking for them.

LILLIAN W. CAPEHART, Home Demonstration Agent.

#### NORMAL TOBACCO CROP.

##### Mr. J. M. Farrish Explores the Interior of the County.

During the past week Mr. J. M. Farrish, president of the Oxford Tobacco Board of Trade, made a canvass of the tobacco situation in Granville. His trip took him to the door of practically every tobacco grower in the county and the heart to heart talks that he had with them leads to the conclusion that the crop this year will be above normal.

In going over the county to get the desired information, Mr. Farrish was armed with valuable information which he cheerfully imparted to the farmers. He told them that he had it straight from his company that tobacco was in demand and that good prices will rule throughout the season. "Prices on all commodities are advancing," said Mr. Farrish, "and tobacco this season will be no exception to the rule. The supply is short and the demand is great."

In his trip throughout the county Mr. Farrish observed that the farmers as a rule have taken precautions to produce their supplies.

Mr. Farrish sounded a cheerful note when he stated that the big companies are in a position to handle the crop in such a manner as to make the tobacco growers feel that their efforts are worthwhile.