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THE SIX BEST ADORNED TOWNS IN THE STATE

Col. Fred Olds Places Kinston and Goldsboro Ahead of Oxford.

Col. Fred Olds, who travels much and writes much, has an interesting long letter in the Orphans' Friend this week, from which we take the following extracts:

"The more the writer travels this year the more he is pleased with the general high quality of the preparation for crops and also the fine 'stands' of the various crops. Another notable thing is the great amount of money everywhere and the extent of new building and also the increase in the use of farm machinery, which people are now able to buy.

The Best Adorned Towns.

"When the writer was asked the question as to what he thought to be the best adorned, that is to say beautified town in North Carolina, he named Kinston, by reason of its streets and most judicious tree-planting; putting Goldsboro in the second place and Oxford in the third, Wilson, Greenville and Elizabeth City also cutting no small figure in this report. Kinston has chosen precisely the proper trees for street shade.

High School Building.

"Oxford is to build a \$50,000 high school, on a site of eight acres, and this will have a fine auditorium, bathing pool, shower baths, gymnasium and the other good things which a real school ought to have these days.

The Mock and Other Estates.

"Oxford is growing and it is naturally very proud of its Orphan Asylum, which now has 330 pupils, a falling off of about 35 from last year, because during the influenza epidemic no children were received for several months. The state pays one-fifth the cost of maintaining this orphanage, the total charge being \$109,000. Of course, the orphanage has many needs, including a modern main building and a hospital. Some bequests have been made to it and at the death of Mrs. J. R. Mock of Henderson, it will receive from that estate something like \$40,000 and from the estate of A. U. Kornegay of Goldsboro, some \$20,000. A playground equipment and a playground director are other needs.

'Cheatham Babies.'

"A visit was paid to the colored orphanage in the suburbs of Oxford, which now receives \$8,000 a year from the state and has 220 inmates. While there are only 36 children under six years of age in the baby cottage at the white Orphan Asylum, there are about 100 of three years or less at the negro orphanage. It might almost be called a 'baby home.' Not so long ago one of the train conductors, who are always so helpful and kind, brought to this colored orphanage a tiny colored baby, about a year old; in its carriage, bottle in mouth. Henry G. Cheatham is the superintendent of this orphanage, and the folks call these 'little brown babies' by the name of 'Cheatham babies.'

A Forgotten Town.

"Ridgeway was the seat of the first English colony sought to be established in this State; about 1879, but the plan did not develop largely. At Manson there used to be a railway operated for years privately and then by the Seaboard Air Line, to Townsville, 10 miles away, but this is now abandoned; dead, you may say. Not many people hear of Townsville and fewer still of Martinsburg, which used to be considered a right smart town, about 10 miles from Oxford.

The Court House.

"A study of the court houses in North Carolina, and there are precisely 100 of them, is being made by the writer, who flies from county to county quite like a bird from tree to tree. Some of the court houses are very handsome and impressive, whether old or new, and some, alas! The first Court House in Granville was erected in 1746 at Harrisburg, two miles from the present one, and was used until 1820, when Oxford was chartered and made the county seat. The second court house stood until 1838. A fire in 1886 did no important damage."

FRANCE LOST IN DEAD A TOTAL OF 1,366,235 MEN

Paris, July 3.—The total number of French losses in dead in the war amounted to 1,366,235.

Killed the Fatted Calf.

Mr. Taylor Hobgood, near Enon, entertained a number of his friends Thursday evening in honor of his splendid son, who has returned from abroad. The table literally groined beneath the large platters of fried chicken, sliced ham, Brunswick stew, etc.

CENSORSHIP REMOVED OVER FORCES ABROAD BY PERSHING'S ORDER

Paris, July 3.—General Pershing, it was announced at headquarters here, has ordered that the military censorship be abolished immediately.

ALL RULES REMOVED.
Coblentz, July 3.—All censorship over news dispatches of correspondents and personal mail of soldiers abolished tonight by order of General Pershing, all matter going hereafter without inception or the necessity of the censor's stamp.

LARGE CITIES DEFT PROHIBITION RULING AS CONGRESS PLANS

Atlantic City Is Wide Open, And Customers Can Get Anything They Call For—New York Is Closed Tight.

Washington, July 3.—Pending court decisions or action by Congress defining intoxicating beverages, sale of the lighter drinks will be permitted in states in which there are no regulatory laws until January 16, when constitutional prohibition becomes effective. Other than this, the only way left the anti-prohibitionists is the coming of the time when President Wilson will proclaim demobilization complete and declare the war at an end, thus permitting the sale of liquors again.

Atlantic City Wide Open

Atlantic City, N. J., July 3.—Practically every saloon in this resort is open today and dispensing liquor of all kinds. Any sort of liquor called for is served to guests. Only one or two places of business are closed.

New York Closed.

New York, July 3.—Open bars where beverages containing 2-3-4 per cent alcohol could be obtained offer the only consolation obtainable to friends of liquor in New York today in war-time prohibition. Hotels and cafes were virtually depleted of their stocks of heavy liquors when the law went into effect and notified the customers that until further notice the stronger grades of wines and beers would not be sold.

1919 COTTON CROP NOW ESTIMATED AT 10,986,000 BALES

In North Carolina 1,454,000 Acres Are Under Cultivation and Condition of Crop June 25 Was .85 Percent.

Washington, July 3.—Cotton production this year was forecast at 10,986,000 equivalent 500-pound bales by the Department of Agriculture, basing its estimate on the June 26 condition, which was 70 per cent of a normal, and an area of 33,967,000 acres under cultivation on that date.

The acreage and condition on June 25 follow:

Virginia, 33,000 acres condition .82.
North Carolina, 1,454,000 acres and condition, .83.
South Carolina, 2,706,000 acres, and condition, .78.

WILLIAM S. HART IN "THE BREED OF MEN."

Virility, the breeziness of the West, the qualities or manhood that inspire admiration, are the strongest traits of William S. Hart, whose latest Arctcraft picture, "Breed of Men," will be shown at the Orpheum next Monday night, July 7.

During his screen career, Mr. Hart has depicted Western types of every description—bad men, punchers, woodsmen, ranchers, etc. His remarkably forceful personality imparts a realism to his acting that lifts it out of the commonplace and renders it distinctly superior and convincing.

MIXED FERTILIZERS CHEAPER THIS FALL

A Washington dispatch states that the Department of Agriculture announced that farmers in Southern States should obtain their mixed fertilizers this fall at an average price about 30 per cent lower than the price which prevailed for the spring season this year.

As a result of conferences with officials the department has established a basis f. o. b. from the ports of Norfolk, Wilmington, Charleston Savannah, Jacksonville, Pensacola, and Mobile, making the figures the same as those prevailing at Baltimore, Philadelphia and Carteret, more. Philadelphia and Carteret, more. Philadelphia and Carteret, more. Philadelphia and Carteret, more.

aykjavik, the little capital of Iceland, is more than 1,000 years old.

OFFICIAL WAR STATISTICS SHOW HOW GERMANS CAN FOOT BILL

	Dead	Wounded	Missing	Total
British	706,726	2,032,142	359,145	3,049,091
French	1,071,300	2,589,986	268,000	4,929,286
American	58,478	189,955	14,290	262,723
Italian	460,000	947,000	500,000	2,800,000
Russian	1,700,000	3,500,000	2,500,000	9,150,000
Austrian	800,000	1,600,000	772,522	4,000,000
German	1,600,000	3,683,143	772,522	6,066,769

EXPENDITURES AND REFUNDS.

	Cost of war
Great Britain	\$ 41,500,000,000
United States	22,589,986,000
France	26,800,000,000
Russia	21,500,000,000
Italy	12,900,000,000
Belgium, etc.	7,100,000,000
Germany	35,000,000,000
Austria, etc.	21,200,000,000

HOW GERMANY CAN PAY

Value of cultivated land	\$ 10,000,000,000
Mineral deposits—	
Coal	\$850,000,000,000
Iron	5,000,000,000
Potash	100,000,000,000
Total	\$955,000,000,000

Yearly saving on capital \$965,000,000,000
Germany's entire wealth before the war was estimated by Dr. Karl Helfferich to have been productive annually of \$83,750,000,000.

THE PROHIBITION LAW.

The "dry" law which went into effect July first prohibits: Sale of distilled liquors for beverage purposes unless for export.

Removal for beverage purposes of distilled liquors held in bond, unless for export.

Use of food products in the manufacture or production of beer, wine or other intoxicating malt or vinous liquor for beverage purposes.

Sale for beverage purposes of beer, wine or other intoxicating malt or vinous liquor, unless for export.

Importation of distilled malt, vinous or other intoxicating liquors, except of shipments now enroute.

The law permits: Use of wine for sacramental purposes.

Prescription by physicians of wines and liquors for internal use and alcohol for external use when the patient is under constant supervision of the physician. Quantity prescribed at one time must not exceed one quart.

Prescriptions may be filled by licensed physicians or druggists who have qualified as liquor dealers and paid a special tax. Records of names and addresses of those whom liquor has been prescribed must be kept by physicians and reported at stated intervals.

Prescriptions may not be refilled.

Violation of the law is punishable by imprisonment not exceeding one year or a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or both.

Acceptance by the government liquor which may have been illegally manufactured or sold will not confer immunity from prosecution.

DISTRICT MASONIC MEETING

The Visitors Will Participate In Barbecue Dinner.

The 20th Masonic District will hold its District meeting with the Oxford Masonic Lodge on Wednesday, July 16th. The meeting will be held on the grounds and in the chapel of the Orphanage. A committee from the Oxford Lodge, composed of Messrs. R. L. Brown, H. F. Holman, and A. H. Powell, is working with the district Deputy, Mr. D. G. Brummitt, in preparing for this meeting.

The Oxford Lodge will entertain the visiting Masons with a barbecue dinner to the Orphanage. The morning session will be devoted to business and Masonic addresses; in the afternoon the third degree will be conferred by the Oxford Lodge. The complete programme will be announced very shortly. An invitation is extended to every Mason in the county to attend this meeting. The 20th district is composed of the eight lodges within Granville county.

MUST ATTEND FULL TERM.

Rules Governing School Attendance In State Effective July 1.

The State board of education announces that school children in North Carolina must attend the full term of their district. The enforcement of this law is in the hands of State Superintendent Brooks, Roland F. Beasley, commissioner of public welfare, and Dr. Watson, secretary to the State board of health. The law is effective July 1.

GERMANS WILL RATIFY TREATY FIRST OF WEEK

Paris, July 2.—The Germans expect to ratify the peace treaty the first of next week, according to a note sent to the Allies. The note was one acknowledging the Allies' stipulation that the blockade will be raised when the treaty is ratified. The Germans also expressed the hope that German war prisoners would be released at the same time.

NATIVE BORN OXONIANS OVER FIFTY YEARS OLD

Non-Resident One Says There Are More Than Six of Them.

Editor Public Ledger: Your article headed "Where Did the Oxford People Come From" is timely and interesting. I have often thought of the preponderance of country-born people living in Oxford—lawyers, doctors, merchants, tobaccoists, and others.

But with your concluding statement that "there are not more than half a dozen people in Oxford fifty years of age who were born here" I can not agree. I think I can name more than half a dozen white men fifty years of age or over living in Oxford who were born there. Since the death of my old friend Mr. Ike Stegall I believe Mr. Lucillus Hunter is the oldest native-born white man in Oxford. My impression is that Col. H. G. Cooper, Messrs. J. A. and R. P. Taylor, Mr. Charles H. and Maj. W. Landis, and Messrs. W. H. and D. C. Hunt are all native sons, and that, with the possible exception of the last-named, all have turned the half-century mark. Among the white women I believe I could name at least as many more, but both you and I are too old to go into print with the names and ages of women.

In this connection it may be of interest to state that when Augustine Landis moved from the country to Oxford some eighty-odd or ninety years ago he bought several lots (and, I suppose, built the house) on Main street, extending through to Gilliam street, when he continued to reside until his death, and that two of his daughters still live at the old homestead. This, I believe, is a record for long ownership and tenancy of Oxford property by so few generations of a family, although the house in which Dr. E. K. Hays lives has been in his family for almost as long, but the present owner is of the third generation.

FRANCIS B. HAYS.
New York, June 27, 1919.

ATLANTIC FLEET WILL GO OUT TO SEA TO MEET THE PRESIDENT

Mr. Wilson Is Expected to Arrive in New York Next Monday and Will Go Directly to Washington And Submit Treaty to Congress Tuesday or Wednesday.

Washington, July 3.—Tentative plans for the welcoming of President Wilson at New York when he arrives on the George Washington, probably Monday, provide for part of the Atlantic fleet to meet his ship at sea and escort her into port.

Secretaries Daniels and Baker are expected to be among officials who will go from Washington to greet the President.

The President has not indicated when he will submit the peace treaty to the Senate, but officials here expect him to do so either next Tuesday or Wednesday. After he has cleared his desk of important business awaiting his attention he will start on his tour over the country speaking in support of the treaty and the league of nations.

COM. PEED UNDERGOES AN OPERATION AT DURHAM

The Operation Was Successful and He Is Convalescing Rapidly.

County Commissioner J. L. Peed, of Dutchville township underwent an operation at Watt's hospital, Durham, last week.

We are glad to learn that the operation was successful and that he is convalescing as rapidly as one could expect. Mr. Peed is one of Southern Granville's foremost citizens and a good farmer. He is a member of the Board of County Commissioners and is popular among a large circle of acquaintances, who join us in wishing him a speedy recovery and a safe return to his home and loved ones.

SERVICES AT ST. STEPHEN'S

Archdeacon of Raleigh, Will Be Here Sunday.

The Venerable Norvin C. Duncan, Archdeacon of Raleigh, will officiate in St. Stephen's church on Sunday at the usual hours of service.

WORLD'S LARGEST DIRIGIBLE IS HOPPING ACROSS ATLANTIC

Left Scotland Wednesday Morning—Latest Reports Indicate That Big Craft Will Make Flight Safely—Scheduled to Land July 4th at Long Island.

The R-34, the largest dirigible in the world, began her trans-Atlantic flight at 2:40 a. m. Wednesday morning, taking the air from the East Fortune, Scotland. The craft expects to reach the United States Friday, July the Fourth.

From nose to stern she measures 534 feet, her greatest diameter is 78.9 feet from the bottom of her gondolas, amidships, to the highest point of the ship is a distance of 92 feet.

She carries three boats below the gas bag. Her total capacity is 12,000,000 cubic feet. The craft is equipped with a wireless system as powerful as that of the great ocean liners.

The R-34's weight is 30 tons and she can carry a useful load of 21.21 tons.

Her power is supplied by five Sunbeam Maori engines of 250 horsepower each, driving four pusher propellers. Her maximum speed is 63.5 nautical miles an hour.

Under command of Major G. H. Scott, the R-34 carries a total crew of 30.

Lieut. Commander Zachary Landisdow who is making the trip as representative of the United States navy has been commander of the naval air forces in France.

New Low Temperature

A new low temperature for the month of July was reached Tuesday morning, the first day of the month, when the thermometer dropped to 50 degrees. This is the record in low temperature and the greatest drop ever known here.

THE GUBERNATORIAL RACE

Look Out For a Dark Horse.

The crystallization of public sentiment in North Carolina over the next gubernatorial campaign, which is already taking color promises to make this campaign abound with no small degree of interest and vigor, and promises to equal the spirited contest of 1908 between Kitchin, Craig and Horne. Already the names of Page, Gardner, Doughton, Morrison and Joyner are regarded by the public to be in the category of alleged aspirants. The public awaits with interest the progress of the race.

It looks as if there will be a scramble in the convention and that a "dark horse" will be brought in. It is understood that Col. Sydney Minor is not in the race, but should his name be mentioned in the convention hall it would sweep the floor like a cyclone.

ORIGINAL TREATY TO COST FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS

A Paris dispatch says: The original copy of the peace treaty, which the Germans signed cost nearly \$4,000. The printing of the document, on the finest Japanese paper, was done by the most famous book-binder in France, who was charged with the task of binding the treaty in brown Morocco leather inlaid with a seal on the cover with a symbolic figure of peace.

It is interesting to note that the choice of the color for the binding was made only with great difficulty and much wrangling, some of the plenipotentiaries declaring in favor of red leather, while others wanted green.

TWO GRANVILLE MEN EACH SEEK REWARD IN RICHMOND

(Times-Dispatch.)

When C. G. Bowling, of Creedmoor, N. C., and Sheriff E. D. Hunt, of Oxford, each laid claim to a reward of \$26 offered for the recovery of a Ford car stolen here recently, Detective Captain Wright said today that he would leave the question to any reputable magistrate in Granville county. He preferred not to sit in judgment himself. The claims were embodied in letters from the two men, telling of recovering the car.

REV. G. T. TUNSTALL ARRIVES IN NEW YORK

Will Reach Oxford On the 10th of July.

Dr. J. D. Harts, pastor of the Oxford Baptist church, received a message from Rev. G. T. Tunstall this week stating that he had arrived in New York and that he will reach Oxford about July 10th.

Mr. Tunstall is pastor of Enon, Hester and other Baptist churches in Granville. For the past year he was engaged in Y. M. C. A. Work abroad.