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## FUNERAL RITES ARE SAID FOR COL. W. H. OSBORN

### Remains Laid to Rest in Elmwood Cemetery.

The special train from Greensboro bearing the remains of Col. W. H. Osborn and 150 friends of the family of the deceased, arrived at the Southern Railway station here at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. A large number of our citizens were at the station to meet the train and escort the remains to the Presbyterian Church. The church was full to overflowing with people from all over Granville county who knew Col. Osborn and loved him.

Rev. R. Murphy Williams pastor of the Church of the Covenant, at the Greensboro church of which Col. Osborn was a member, conducted the funeral services. Many times in recent years Col. Osborn had expressed to his wife and his good friend and pastor, Mr. Williams, that his body be carried to Oxford and be laid to rest at the side of his mother and father in Elmwood Cemetery. He specially requested Mr. Williams to have charge of his funeral in the event of his death.

After reading passages of Scripture and songs that were dear to Col. Osborn, Mr. Williams spoke briefly of the noble character of the deceased. At the conclusion of the service the congregation viewed the remains, and there were many wet eyes as the congregation passed the open casket. If there was any suffering before death, it was not manifest on the countenance of Col. Osborn. The same pleasant smile that always adorned his face was there, and it seemed as if he was ready to be awakened and to speak good cheer.

**A Beautiful Tribute.**

Mr. W. W. Fuller, of New York City, a former North Carolinian and a capitalist, paid a beautiful tribute to the memory of his departed friend. As he stood at the sacred desk in the church, Mr. Fuller said:

"We have come as far as we can go with our gentle friend and comrade. We must now yield him to the arms of the Great Mother, who focus him to her soothing breast to keep him in quiet sleep until his Heavenly Father arouses him with the benign call, 'Come unto me.'"

"At this stage of our journey, we can profitably pause to reflect on the character and career of our companion, who has left us, in order to draw, for the encouragement of ourselves and others, lessons and incentives from his efforts and achievements."

"The value of any man's life can be truly measured only by its usefulness, and its usefulness can be gauged only by its influence and effects. Was the world, or the community in which he moved, the better for his having lived?"

"Who was he? What manner of man was he?"

"His countenance was of rare manly beauty and charm, illuminated by those wistful grey eyes, which beamed with the tenderness of a woman and the innocence and trustfulness of a little child, until kindled into flame by some story of oppression or injustice when they blazed with indignation for the wrong and with zeal to correct it."

"He lived openly. Thousands knew him. His goings and his comings; his thoughts and his words; his opinions and his deeds (except his charities) were not concealed."

"He walked in the open, not in secrecy. He administered a high and difficult office with conspicuous wisdom and justice and then returned, unspoiled and unchanged, to the people he had lived amongst."

"He revered his parents with a devotion which was noble and beautiful."

"First in the minds of all who knew him is the thought of him as the friend, the frank, ready, faithful and forbearing friend, patient, unselfish, unsparring of his time, ungrudging of his means."

"Love of his fellow men guided his life. He lived his love. He gave and grudged not. He did not separate his brothers into 'the deserving' and 'the undeserving,' to shelter the one and disown the other. All were his brothers, and he gave them equal love. He rewarded merit and at the same time stretched his brotherly arm to the erring brother, to the stricken, to the weak, the victims of heredity, or environment. He showed a special tenderness for the helpless—fatherless children, widowed mothers, the poor, the discouraged, the broken-hearted, and extended his hand and bent his body for them."

"Diligent in business and eager for success, he did not love money or covet riches, but to give away to enlarge his power to help others, to extend the circle of his radiant benevolence to those who toiled, who fainted, who suffered. His unsleeping yearnings, his conception of the purpose of the gifts of life and strength and his reliance for the attainment of life's most enduring and satisfying happiness was to minister unto others. With him, to minister sympathy was a passion; service a religion."

"Upon his return from Dwight, Illinois, where he had received restoration to health in the treatment of The Keeley Institute, he hurried from the railroad station to tell a friend of a plan he had. He glowed with the desire to procure the right to administer that treatment in the State of North Carolina. It required a large sum of money—much more money than he had. His friend asked him how he would get the money and what assurance had he that the investment would be profitable. He said, 'I can raise some of it myself by pledging all I have, and I believe

## WAR FINANCE CORPORATION MADE LAW OVER WILSON'S VETO

### House Passes Resolution Reviving Finance Corporation By Big Majority—Two Months Required For Body To Function.

Washington, Jan. 5.—President Wilson will have to fill at least one of the two vacancies on the board of directors of the revived War Finance Corporation before it can make any considerable number of loans for financing exports with a view to affording relief to the farming and other industries.

**The Veto.**

This statement was made by treasury officials today after the resolution directing revival of the corporation became a law through its passage by the House over the President's veto.

The vote in the House to pass the resolution over the President's veto was nearly as ample as that cast in the Senate. The House stood 250 for the measure against 66 for upholding the veto, or 37 more than the required two-thirds majority. Seventeen Democrats voted to sustain the veto while for its passage there were 135 Republicans, 114 Democrats and one Prohibitionist.

**President Must Name Director.**

Treasury officials in further discussion adoption of the resolution said that while the corporation would prepare to function immediately as a result of the action of Congress, President Wilson would be required to appoint one or two new directors before anything much could be done.

**Will Require Two Months.**

Finance corporation officials stated that in any event it probably would be two months before the first advance could be approved.

Funds for making the loans must be raised, officials explained, and the methods of providing this money determined upon. The corporation has a balance of about \$375,000,000 with the treasury, but Secretary Houston has taken the stand that this money should not be used for making advances to private concerns.

## IMPORTANT MEETING OF ODD FELLOWS LODGE

### Installation of Officers and Refreshments Next Tuesday.

On next Tuesday night the 11th instant, there will be an important meeting of Oxford Lodge of Odd Fellows at 7:30 o'clock. There will be a roll call of members, installation of officers and refreshments.

The Lodge has made much progress during the past year and it now has a membership of about one hundred. This special order is one of the great forces for good in our community, and we are grateful to note its growth in the town. At its last meeting it contributed one hundred dollars for the relief of the suffering children of middle Europe and the check for this amount has been forwarded to Mr. Henry A. Page, State Chairman of the Children's Relief Fund.

Gen. B. S. Royster served as noble grand, or presiding officer, of the lodge for the last term and now D. F. Lanier has been elected to succeed him for the next term.

All members of the Lodge are urged to attend the meeting on next Tuesday night.

## LOCAL WEATHER REPORT

### Recorded At the Granville County Test Farm for the Month of Dec. 1920.

Total rain fall 4.21 inches. Greatest rain fall of the month was 1.30 inches Dec. 26. Maximum temperature 70, Dec. 13. Minimum temperature 18, Dec. 20. Seven days with 01. inches or more rainfall. Clear days 17; part cloudy 7; cloudy 7.

**ESTATE OF D. Y. COOPER**  
ESTIMATED AT \$2,000,000

(Henderson Dispatch)

The will of the late David Young Cooper, cotton manufacturer, banker and tobaccoist, was filed for probate in Vance county superior court. It was dated September 30, 1916, and designated as executors his four sons, his only son-in-law and his attorney. The amount of the fortune was stated in the application to be unknown, and the executors have not yet had time to make an inventory of his holdings. Various estimates, however, have placed it above \$2,000,000. The property is disposed of in the will to his widow, his children, grandchildren, churches and other beneficiaries.

**SCHOOL BOND ELECTION**

The Registration Books Close Tomorrow.

If you think the children of Oxford are worth \$75,000 to the future, register and vote for the bonds. The registration books close Saturday, January 8.

If you want to know how certain people feel about the bond issue it will probably interest you to know that about forty Oxford alumni of the University of North Carolina at their banquet Tuesday night, January 4, went on record as being unanimously in favor of the bond issue.

—Many tax readjustments are necessary because of the unexpected deflation in real estate value, it is the opinion of W. T. Bost, a special correspondent for the Greensboro Daily News.

—Your battery should have water about every two weeks. Stop at Willard Service Station.

## MINUTE OF THE COUNTY BOARD

### Road Supervisors Appointed and Jurors Drawn.

The County Board of Commissioners met last Monday and held a two day's session. Nothing of a sensational nature took place, but every time the roads and other things were mentioned they wanted to know where the money is coming from. The entire board was present, as follows: J. Dennis Davis, Chairman; W. L. Clark, B. F. Currin, T. G. Taylor, C. G. Daniel.

The road force was ordered to soil as soon as possible about 300 yards on Black Ground in Dutchville near Turner's place and about 150 yards near Pine Grove Church, all parties agreeing to give soil.

The board donated \$10 to fixing a fill on the Masonic Hill road, from Umstead Cross Roads to Knapp of Reeds, provided the people will do the same. J. A. Veasey will do the work.

The road force was ordered to go as soon as possible and grub and fix drain at Geneva Church, on road from Culbreth to Berea. Mr. Ed Clement and Mr. Nutt were appointed to relocate the road, Mr. Clement agreeing to plow up the road and the road force to machine the same.

**Road Supervisors.**

The following were appointed road supervisors for 1921: T. Brummitt, J. W. Watkins, C. R. Gordon, J. Brassfield, G. L. Allen, C. N. Floyd, W. H. Garner.

Dutchville—S. A. Fleming, W. E. Sutt, J. T. Aiken.

Tally Ho—W. S. Gooch, J. L. Daniel, J. Y. Crews.

Walnut Grove—B. F. Dean, W. A. Sherman, Wm. Thorp.

Oak Hill—G. W. Hart, W. L. Royster, A. J. Yezyce.

Sassafras Fork—Dr. W. L. Taylor, Harry Davis, H. Gregory.

Salem—L. G. Breedlove, E. A. Hunt, Edwards Crews.

Oxford—S. O. Parham, H. H. Eatman, Perry Howard.

**Jurors Drawn.**  
(First Week)

W. L. Rainey, K. O. Veasey, A. S. Green, D. T. Gooch, J. P. Evans, T. B. O'Brian, W. C. Bryant, T. M. Elliott, E. D. Lyon, M. H. Eastwood, H. F. Holeman, B. B. Fuller, J. T. Dunwright, W. R. Jones, D. M. Milton, T. H. Wagstaff, J. W. Farabow, A. S. Carrington, J. S. Cash, A. T. Williams, G. W. Faucett, G. W. Jones, B. D. Eakes, Jessie Pleasant, J. W. Renn, H. S. Perkins, L. T. Gordon, W. E. Duke, L. F. Clark, A. L. Longmire, W. A. King, J. T. Daniel, R. S. Williams, E. P. Mangum, W. S. Newton, J. W. Cash.

(Second Week)

J. D. Jackson, Lester Williford, C. W. Daniel, A. C. Keith, W. B. Brage, G. H. Clayton, Harrett Garret, H. T. Averett, Geo. W. Royster, M. S. Jones, E. T. Pittard, R. W. Wilkerson, G. D. Barries, Fred Pittard, C. M. Hester, M. D. Critcher, N. C. Bradsher, J. R. Newton.

**Health Report.**

Dr. J. A. Morris, county health officer, read his annual report, and the commissioners commended him for his efficient work for the year.

Chairman Davis was instructed to go to Wilson and purchase a prison cage, if he thinks it advisable. Mr. Jones will also go.

## SCENES IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF N. CAROLINA

### Harry Grier, of Iredell Is the Speaker of the House.

Raleigh, Jan. 6.—The 1921 session of the general assembly was ready to function when the clock struck the noon hour Wednesday. Representative Harry P. Grier, of Iredell, who was the unanimous choice for speaker of the house, is one of the most popular men in the assembly, and in the senate chamber W. L. Long, of Halifax, who was elected president pro tempore is also a shining light.

Miss Nancy M. Wellborn, of Wilkesboro, who opposed Daaid P. Dellinger, of Cherryville, for rearing clerk of the house, failed to receive the support her friends had anticipated and Mr. Dellinger was re-elected by an overwhelming vote.

Confederate veterans were recognized in both branches of the assembly in the selection of sergeants at arms and their assistants. Representative Crisp in the house making a pretty appeal for support of Major E. Wadehouse, of Currituck, for assistant sergeant at arms. The old soldiers won out over three contestants.

The house engrossing clerk went to Otis P. Shell, of Harnett, who defeated F. P. Hooker and Ellis Gardner. J. J. Mackay, of Wake was elected to the same position in the senate over E. F. Lamb.

Others elected are as follows: Senate—Frank D. Hackett, of North Wilkesboro, principal clerk; Dave Gaster, of Cumberland, sergeant at arms; James A. Bryson, of Henderson county, assistant sergeant at arms.

House—Alex Lassiter, principal clerk; Walter Green, of Guilford sergeant at arms, and Major E. Wadehouse, of Currituck, assistant sergeant at arms.

The republican caucus made H. Sinclair Williams, of Cabarrus, minority leader in the house.

## STREET NEWS NOTES

—Dr. and Mrs. W. B. North and daughter, Miss Martha of Burlington, and son, Mr. Paul North of St. Louis, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Standley during the holidays.

—Mrs. W. H. Russell, and daughter, Miss Hazel of New York, are visiting Mrs. James H. Webb of Tally Ho.

—Mr. W. H. Whitaker, Deputy Sheriff, of Tally Ho, has recently been appointed Chief of Police here. It will be remembered that during his term several years ago that he was strict on the enforcement of the law and he has already announced that all violators of the law would be held strictly accountable. Mr. W. A. Brinkley is mayor.

—Mrs. W. H. Thomason, is at the bedside of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Dewey Thomason, in Randleman, whose death is not unexpected.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ira E. Blalock, of Goldsboro, and Mrs. Blalock's sister, Miss Janie Jones of Robinsonville, spent the holidays in the hospitable home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Jones on Route 2.

—Misses May Barker and Floy Daniel, of Tally Ho, and Miss Irene Stem of Route 2, who are taking a course in the Greenville Training School, spent Xmas at home.

—We are glad to learn that Mr. D. C. Oakley, of Route 2, who has been critically ill with pneumonia, is much better.

—Mr. T. Meadows of Route 2, has recently purchased a piano.

—Messrs W. T. Washington of Louisville, and J. C. Washington of Florence S. C., and S. M. Washington of Louisville, spent the holidays with their mother, Mrs. S. P. Washington of Tally Ho.

—Mr. L. E. Jones who has been in the tobacco business at Sanford, spent Xmas with relatives here and left Friday for Bloomfield, Ky., where he will continue at the same business with his brother, Mr. E. L. Jones.

—Misses Ollie and Grace Bullock, who hold stenographic positions in Richmond, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bullock.

—Misses Hettie and Bessie Overby, who hold office positions in Richmond, recently visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Overby of Oxford Route 6.

—A shooting scrape took place among a crowd of negroes at the J. R. Ellington place on Route 3, last Sunday night in which an aged darkey, Tom Kersey, was seriously wounded the shot from a revolver entering the back just below the right shoulder and passing through his body. Dr. Hardee who is in attendance thinks his chances of recovery are doubtful.

## NEAR RIOT ENSUES AS TOBACCO PRICES FALL ON KENTUCKY MARKETS

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 5.—Exciting scenes were enacted at several blue grass towns yesterday when tobacco farmers, disappointed with the low bids for their leaf tobacco, stopped sales, held mass meetings and put plans on foot to market the crop themselves this year.

## FARMERS IN BRIGHT LEAF TOBACCO BELT ARE URGED TO CUT 1921 CROP

### Tobacco Association of United States Sounds Warning As To Conditions—Export Markets in Europe Practically Closed On Account of Low Exchange And Overstocking of Goods, Mr. Carrington Says in His Statement.

A statement in the form of an appeal and a warning to the tobacco farmers to reduce their 1921 crop has been issued by T. M. Carrington, of Richmond president of the Tobacco Association of the United States, and which is published herewith at the request of local tobacco interests. In a letter to all persons to whom the circulars have been sent, Mr. Carrington says:

"The general purpose is to impress upon the producers of tobacco the absolute fact of the over-production of last year, the old stock carried on hand and the conditions in Europe, to which goes a large percentage of the bright crop, and especially the low grades, all of which portends to show in the greatest degree not only the importance of cutting the crop in half, but that it should be done in such a way that this knowledge will be accepted as a fact as early in the summer as possible."

"I believe that individual work should be done, particularly on the banks, warehouses and farmers' supply organizations, so they can treat with the individual cases. The small farmer who only plants three or four acres is not a factor, but any acreage very much beyond this amount should be cut in half, and the very large producers should even diminish their crops more than this. The great bulk of the farmers of average planting should be controlled by those who furnish the money to buy the fertilizer, and the large well-to-do"

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## TOBACCO MARKET IS AGAIN OPENED HERE

Fair Break For Initial Sale Following the Christmas Holidays.

The Oxford tobacco market reopened Tuesday for the remainder of the 1920-1921 season. A fair break was reported on the floors of the five warehouses, but there was some difference of opinion as to the price, as to whether it was larger or smaller than the prices paid before the holidays.

Prior to the holidays, sales of the 1920 crop amounted to more than 8,000,000 pounds. Some estimates of the crop place the total sales on the Oxford market as high as 12 to 14 million pounds. Those who hold this view say that very little more than half of the crop has as yet been sold.

## NORTH CAROLINA SAVED FIVE THOUSAND LIVES

Have Contributed \$54,000 To European Relief Council Campaign

By giving \$54,000 to the fund to be expended by the European Relief Council in eastern and central Europe, North Carolinians have saved 5,400 lives, according to the announcement of Henry A. Page, of Aberdeen, chairman for this State. Mr. Page appeals for still more assistance in this respect, however, and presents the great need of liberal donations.

## ALL STATE GOVERNORS ARE ASKED TO ATTEND HARDING INAUGURATION

Washington, Jan. 6, Invitations were sent to every state governor yesterday by the Washington Committee arranging for the inauguration of President-elect Harding, urging the state executive to attend the inaugural ceremonies, accompanied by their staff.

## RESIDENCE OF REV. C. G. SHAW DAMAGED BY FIRE THIS MORNING

Fire about three o'clock this morning partly destroyed the residence of Rev. C. G. Shaw, president of Mary Potter colored school on New Collette street. The building was a two story frame structure and the flames that started on the second floor made great headway before the alarm was sounded. The fire company had their hands full to keep the flame from spreading to the two dormitories on either side of the burning building. The blaze was confined to the second story of the dwelling. Dr. Shaw succeeded in saving some of his personal effects which were removed to the street. The building was partially covered by insurance.

## GOV. BICKETT APPEALS FOR SHORT BALLOT FOR SHORT BALLOT

World Change Law So As To Elect Only Governor By Popular Vote.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 6.—Delivering his final message to the 1921 session of the General Assembly today Governor Bickett, who will be succeeded by Governor-elect Cameron Morrison, of Charlotte, January 12, recommended the 'short ballot,' which would change the present primary law so that only the candidate for governor would be nominated by popular vote.

## THE OLD DUTCH MARKET AND PIGGLY WIGGLY STORES

### Pay For What You Get and Carry What You Purchase.

On our visit to Richmond Christmas week, we were very much interested in the workings of the Piggy Wiggly stores, and the Old Dutch Market. The Piggy Wiggly stores are scattered all over the city, and the Old Dutch Market is located at the corner of Franklin and Seventh streets, in the old building formerly used as the temporary United States postoffice.

A corporation, backed by a mint of money, has a perpetual lease on the old building. They have a score of buyers scattered all over the country looking for the very best the market affords, and the produce comes rolling in by the car or train load. We saw 1000 crates of eggs being unloaded from trucks which had been collected in and around Abington, Va., and they were placed upon sale at 55 cents per dozen. Eggs were selling for 75 cents the dozen elsewhere in Richmond. The meats and samples of groceries were displayed on long tables, and figures on cardboard told the price. We noticed that the best beefsteak was marked 35 cents or 3 pounds for \$1.00; country sausage 25 cents the pound, etc.

There are no telephones in the Old Dutch Market or the Piggy Wiggly stores, both being conducted on the cash and carry plan.

At 10:30 o'clock one morning we saw more than a hundred autos lined up around the Old Dutch Market, and we inquired of a police officer on the corner what it all meant.

"My dear friend," said the officer, "these cars are from Petersburg, Ashland and other towns. They have come here to buy provisions and they save twenty-five or thirty cents on every dollar they spend. The Old Dutch Market is a God send to the poor man, and you would be surprised to know how many rich people patronize it. Richmond people do their marketing at the Old Dutch Market in the afternoon, and I have seen as many as 200 automobiles lined up right around here at a time."

The Old Dutch Market also serves meals. It is interesting to note that on Christmas day a first-class restaurant on Broad-street served a full course turkey dinner for \$1.50. The bill-of-fare was itemized on a board in front of the restaurant, and neat colored girls served the meal and many of them received tips. How different down at the Old Dutch Market, where white girls, dressed as Dutch dolls, served the meals and scooped tips. The bill-of-fare at the Old Dutch Market was identically the same as that at the restaurant on Broad street, but it cost only 75 cents.

It struck us that somebody is profiteering in Richmond, or the Old Dutch Market and the Piggy Wiggly stores are playing a losing game.

## FIRST WOMAN LEGISLATOR IS WELCOMED AT STATE CAPITOL

Miss Exum Clement, Member From Buncombe, Is Feature Of First Session.

(News and Observer)

Behind a vase of fragrant narcissus and fern contributed by the Raleigh branch of the North Carolina League of Women Voters, Miss L. Exum Clement, "the lady from Buncombe," first woman legislator ever to have official place in the North Carolina Capitol, yesterday morning took her seat in the House of Representatives at the opening of the 1921 session of the General Assembly.

Miss Clement, mild-mannered, and self-described as "timid," but entirely poised, showed no visible signs of agitation, save a slightly nervous toying with her pencil, at being a conspicuous and historic figure, "the observed of all observers." Before the opening of the session, many friendly representatives came up to extend the glad hand, and to give her a cordial welcome, to which she responded pleasantly and graciously enough. To the visitors in the gallery, she was obviously the feature of the occasion. Some came to the door of the House in order, as they said, "to get a peep at the lady."

## A LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEER WITH A FINE ITALIAN TOUCH

Mr. George L. Coble, a nephew of the editor of the Public Ledger, was detailed from the Southern system at Richmond to pull the special train last Wednesday bearing the remains of Col. Osborn to Oxford. George is a handsome young fellow, and when it comes to running a locomotive on the main line through trains he handles the throttle with a fine Italian touch and flies over the rails like an eagle.

## Elegant Lunch Served.

The Exchange Hotel did itself proud Wednesday when it served lunch to the large number of people who, came to Oxford on the special train to attend the funeral of Col. Osborn. The lunch was served in the baggage car just before the train departed.

## There will be preaching at the Presbyterian Church at Stovall on the second Sunday at 3 P. M. Subject, The Christian Home. Public cordially welcome.

## THE DALLBEARERS.

The pallbearers, as announced, were:

Active—J. N. Howard, Linnie Smith, J. S. King, B. K. Lassiter.

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