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POPULATION, 27,000

Approximate Annual Production
Cotton, 15,000 Bales
Tobacco, 16,000,000 Pounds
Corn, 1,461,000 Bushels
Good Crops of Wheat, Oats, Rye,
Velvet and Soja Beans, Sorghum,
Potatoes, White and Sweet, Fruits
and Berries Also Annual Cut of
Timber Several Million feet.
Approximate Value of All Crops,
Annually, \$15,000,000

Climate Most Equable

OXFORD IS THE COUNTY SEAT
Population, 4,000.

NEWS IN CONDENSED FORM SINCE OUR LAST ISSUE

The Harding administration begins a comprehensive study of railway conditions with a view to formulation of a definite program for rehabilitation.

Arthur E. Lamm, LaGrange policeman shot by a negro several weeks ago has been discharged from a local hospital and will entirely recover from his three wounds.

John S. Williams, proprietor of the alleged "death farm" and Clyde Manning, his negro plantation boss, will be tried on charges of murder in the Newton county Ga. superior court next Monday morning.

One fourth of the telephone shortage in the state at present is in the city of Charlotte, according to Vice President Yundt, testifying before the corporation commission in the rate hearing.

The Gastonia Gazette has brought forward a Gaston county farmer who in all his 16 years of housekeeping, "has bought only one pound of meat," and all the time he has had meat to sell.

With all the pomp and ceremony, the Roman Catholic church at Baltimore yesterday laid to rest one of its oldest and most faithful servants—James Cardinal Gibbons, archbishop of Baltimore, and the second American to be elevated to the cardinalate.

One of the greatest victories for education in the history of Fayetteville was won Tuesday when a quarrel of a million bond issue for the improved public school facilities was carried by a vote of 1,160 out of a total registration of 1,349, only three votes being cast against the bonds.

The Albermarle post of the American Legion gave a picnic dinner at Albermarle Tuesday to the old Confederate veterans and the young veterans who took a part in the world war. The ladies of the town and county furnished a splendid and bounteous dinner for the soldiers of the two wars.

Spring tourist season is the largest Asheville has enjoyed in many years and it has reached the climax with partially all the hotels filled to overflowing. Scores of people are there from Florida, stopping off before returning home and others come direct from northern and eastern cities.

THE COOLD WAVE STRUCK GRANVILLE COUNTY HARD

Fruit and Much Early Vegetation Killed in This Section

The cold wave which came out of the West Monday killed all the fruit and early vegetation in Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia, Maryland, the western counties of North Carolina and Virginia and down as far as central Alabama.

What was not killed from New York to Texas and Florida by frost on Monday morning, was killed Tuesday morning when the mercury in twenty states registered from two to three degrees below freezing.

The thermometer at Hall's drug store registered 31 degrees at daylight Monday morning, and at 30 degrees at the same hour on Tuesday morning.

Reports reach the Public Ledger from many points in the county that the fruit and berry crop has been killed and that much early vegetation ruined.

WAR DEPARTMENT WANTS FIVE HUNDRED STUDENTS

An opportunity for 500 young men to learn how to fly will soon be offered to all civilians between the ages of twenty and twenty-seven years who have a high school education or its equivalent and who desire to master all phases of military aeronautics. These men will be known as flying cadets, and will be sent to the air schools at Camp Field, Riverside, Cal., or to Carlstrom field, Arcadia, Fla.

The primary instruction will cover four months, while the advanced training will occupy about six months. The last three months will be spent with a service squadron. These latter courses are given at Rockwell field, Cal.; Ellington field, Houston, Tex., and Post field, Fort Sill, Okla.

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE TOWN ELECTION

Having been appointed Registrar for the election to be held on the first Monday in May, 1921, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and seven Commissioners for the town of Oxford, this is to notify all persons who are entitled to register for said election that the registration books will be opened on the 12th day of April and will be closed on the 26th day of April, 1921, that during the time said registration books are open they will be kept open from nine o'clock A. M. to five o'clock P. M. on every day, Sundays excepted, at the office of the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Oxford in said town, and on Saturdays during said time the undersigned registrar shall attend at the Court-House between the hours of twelve o'clock M. and six o'clock P. M. for the registration of new voters.

This March 30th, 1921.

R. B. HINES, Registrar.

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

IF THIS THING KEEPS UP SOME ONE IN OXFORD WILL BE KILLED

Twenty Close Calls Here in the Last Ten Days

The town commissioners should employ a whole-time traffic cop to put an end to automobile accidents. During the past ten days there have been 20 close calls, and there are so many reckless drivers the law-abiding people are scared to ride in cars for fear that they will be killed.

It makes no difference how bad and careless a driver may be, he always blames the other fellow for the accident, and for that reason the Public Ledger has refrained from mentioning names.

If a plain clothed traffic cop was stationed at the end of Main street, or anywhere near Oxford College, he could easily make 100 arrests daily for violation of the automobile law.

We saw a kid the other day doubled up like a monkey running a car at the rate of 30 miles an hour. He was looking off to one side and waving his hand at a bunch of girls. Two ladies in a car coming from the opposite direction saw the carelessness of the kid and the impending danger, turned their car to right and ran it into a private lot to avoid an accident. The kid did not realize that he had placed the lives and limbs of the two ladies in jeopardy, and if there had been an accident he would have charged them with carelessness.

The best thing the town commissioners can do is to hire an officer and put a stop to careless driving and speeding. Arrest every one who violates the law and soak them good and hard for the first offense and double it for the second and third offense is the only way to put a stop to the would-be assassins.

If the town commissioners do not provide means to stop so much carelessness and speeding, the town will mourn the loss of some good citizens at an early date.

OTHER TOWNS' EXPERIENCE WITH MANAGER MOVEMENT

Elizabeth City, N. C.

(Population 10,000)
"Letters from local business men contain the following remarks: 'The new plan was much more efficient and economical than the old form for the first two years. Saved the city more than \$20,000 and had a lot of new work done.'"

Albion, Michigan.

(Population 9,000)
"The wage rate increased from 25 to 40 cents per hour for common labor, but in spite of this fact the city is in better condition financially than it has been in years, and purchased \$10,000 of Liberty bonds."

Roswell, New Mexico.

(Population 9,000)
"The main point of our past year has been the operation of the city with a saving of \$5,000 over previous years. Commenting on the new plan, taxpayer says: 'The city has been put into good shape. Streets, sewers, etc., are kept clean and sanitary.'"

Taylor, Texas.

(Population 8,200)
"The new plan began operation with no money in the treasury and a debt of \$10,000. It abolished the fee system and finished the first year with a surplus of \$7,000."

Grand Haven, Mich.

(Population 7,280)
(Adapted City Manager plan July 1915.) Tax rates of Grand Haven are as follows:
1915-1916 . . . \$10.67 per \$1,000
1916-1917 . . . 9.62 per 1,000
1917-1918 . . . 9.42 per 1,000
1918-1919 . . . 9.30 per 1,000

Winchester, Va.

(Population 7,000)
"During the first six years of the new plan the city issued no bonds; redeemed \$25,000 of outstanding bonds; created sinking funds to retire all bonded indebtedness by 1945; kept the tax rate lower than under the old form and from current revenues, after meeting all maintenance and operating costs saved \$152,602 which has been invested in real estate and public improvements."

Webster City, Iowa.

(Population 6,000)
"In spite of the war a saving of more than \$3,500 was made last year as compared with the old council system. Improvement in the work done and the service rendered was even greater than the saving effected."

ARE YOU AN ARTIST?

Cooperative Marketing Association Offering Prizes For Cartoons

The Cotton and Tobacco Cooperative Marketing Associations are offering prizes for cartoons made by amateurs. Students of any school in North Carolina are eligible, and while finished cartoons are desired rough sketches will be considered if they contain ideas that can be worked out by regular artists.

The Cooperative Marketing Associations announce that they want material to show the need for cooperative marketing, and the advantages to be derived from it by farmers, business and professional men.

Cartoon contestants can find plenty of literature at libraries on cooperation among farmers, and especially about cooperation in California where last year the growers marketed crops worth about \$275,000,000 through their own organizations.

Prizes for cartoons or sketches that can be used by the North Carolina association are: First prize \$15; second \$10; and third \$5. The contest closes April 16, 1921, and all drawings must be sent to Campaign Director, Cooperative Marketing Associations, State Department of Agriculture, Raleigh, N. C.

FOR MAYOR

I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination for the office of Mayor, subject to the wishes of the Democratic voters of the town of Oxford.

4-1-21 T. G. STEM.

A PROCLAMATION

The Spring Cleaning Officially Begins Monday, April 11.

The week beginning Monday, April 11th, is hereby set apart as clean-up week. It is important that we begin now to get ready for this spring cleaning. It is much needed and we want to make a good job of it. In moving trash and rubbish the following schedule will be carried out:

Monday: North Oxford, West of College Street.
Tuesday: North Oxford East of College Street.

Wednesday: South Oxford West of Main and Hancock Sts.
Thursday: South Oxford East of Main and Hancock Streets.

Friday and Saturday: The business district.
This work will be done under the supervision of the Civic Department of the Woman's Club.

An inspection will follow.
This March 29th, 1921.
T. G. STEM, Mayor.

AN OPPORTUNITY IS AFFORDED TO ESTABLISH STANDARD HIGH SCHOOL IN GRANVILLE

Wilton, Creedmoor Or Stem Can Qualify By Getting 250 Students, Seventy-Five Of Whom Should Be High School Students.

The last Legislature made an appropriation to aid in establishing standard high schools in the rural school districts. The preference will be given first to those counties having no standard high school, and second to those counties having no standard high school in the rural districts.

Granville county has no standard high school. An opportunity is now afforded for some district in the county to secure such a school. In order to become a standard high school there should be not less than 250 students, at least 75 of whom should be high school students. The only way to get such a number together is either to provide a dormitory or have public transportation.

An area with a radius of five miles around Stovall, Stem, Creedmoor or Wilton would supply the required number. This would mean an additional annual appropriation from the state fund for such a school ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000 according to the needs of the school. There are a number of requirements to be met before the state will lend its aid. There must be a well equipped building, at least three high school teachers, a sufficient local fund to run the school nine months and employ well trained teachers.

If any of these districts are interested in raising the standard of their schools it will be well to take the matter up with the State Department of Education. J. F. WEBB.

THE CIVIL SERVICE HAS BLOCKED SECRETARY HAYS

One Of The Things That Is Worrying The G. O. P.—Order Which President Harding Will Have To Reconsider Or Override Ruthlessly To Reward The Faithful.

The executive orders relating to the selection of postmasters, dated March 1, 1917, read:
"Hereafter when a vacancy occurs in the position of postmaster of any office of the first, second, or third class as the result of death, resignation, removal, or on the recommendation of the first assistant postmaster general, approved by the postmaster general, to the effect that the efficiency or needs of the service require that a change be made, the postmaster general shall certify the fact to the civil service commission which shall forthwith hold an open competitive examination to test the fitness of applicants to fill such vacancy, and when such examination has been held and the papers in connection therewith have been rated the said commission shall certify the result thereof to the postmaster general who shall submit to the President the name of the highest qualified eligible for appointment to fill such vacancy unless it is established that the character or residence of such applicant disqualifies him for appointment. No person who has passed his 65th birthday shall be given the examination herein provided for."

The postmaster general made the following statement in giving up the executive order:
The order speaks for itself and it will be observed."

GOVERNMENT REPORT OF THE DAMAGE TO FRUIT

Washington, March 31.—Government reports today said the recent cold snap was "disastrous" to fruit, especially early varieties, but no attempt was made to estimate the extent of the damage. A strip starting in eastern New Mexico, crossing South Nebraska and moving eastward through Kansas, Southern Indiana and Illinois, Tennessee and reaching the Atlantic seaboard was particularly hard hit.

Delaware and New Jersey fruit was said to have been "badly damaged," but the peach growing sections of the Southern States escaped, while Wisconsin got off with light damage.

The exact damage will not be known, it was said, until warmer weather thaws out the frozen parts and discloses the amount of actual frost bite.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GRANVILLE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

The regular annual meeting of stockholders of the Granville County Agricultural Association will be held at 2:30 P. M. on Monday, April 4th, at the Court House. Members who cannot attend in person are asked to appoint a proxy that their stock may be voted.

E. G. MOSS, Superintendent.

Roses In His Cheeks.

Mr. Hamlin Cheatham, who underwent a critical operation in Philadelphia and returned home recently, was in Oxford a few hours yesterday. His many friends are glad to see the roses in his cheeks again.

OVER SIXTEEN MILLION POUNDS OF TOBACCO SOLD ON THE OXFORD MARKET

The Five Warehouses Here Sold 16,097,766 Pounds For \$3,634,665.96, An Average Of \$22.50 Per 100 Pounds.

Capt. Jack C. Howard, secretary-treasurer of the Oxford Tobacco Board of Trade, who has kept a record of sales on the Oxford market for the season of 1920-21, which closed last Friday, March 25.

The official statistics show total sales for the season of 16,097,766 pounds, which brought \$3,634,665.96, or an average of \$22.50 per hundred pounds.

Never before in the history of the local market has so much tobacco been sold. This season's average price for 16,097,766 pounds was \$22.50 as compared with 11,500,000 pounds last year at an average of \$19.00.

Oxford is slightly ahead of the Henderson market on the number of pounds sold and the general average. According to the official report of the Henderson market, as printed in the Daily Dispatch, Henderson sold 15,761,130 pounds during the season for \$3,078,477.23, at an average of \$19.53.

FIRST STEPS TAKEN FOR OVERSEAS AID TO SOUTHERN FARMER

Washington, March 31.—Problems confronting agricultural interests of the South, especially the cotton growers, have been brought one step nearer solution by the War Finance Corporation in calling a conference of Southern bankers here on April 4 to discuss methods for financing the exportation of Southern crops.

The call followed consideration of agricultural problems by the cabinet and was looked upon as the first definite step of the new administration in working out a comprehensive plan of farmer relief, which it is understood soon will be put forward.

Officials of the War Finance Corporation will explain to the Southern bankers, it was said to what extent Federal aid may be extended in financing crop exports, and it also probably will be made clear what the Treasury's position is with regard to exports to Germany.

While administrative plans were understood to contemplate a series of conference with agricultural interests from all sections of its country, it was understood that in the cabinet discussion cotton interests were favored for first consideration.

STEM NEWS LETTER

(W. R. Mangum)

—Mr. J. M. Bullock, sales manager of the Granville Warehouse Co., is spending a short period of rest at home. He has had several lucrative propositions for the summer season made him but is inclined to stay at home for a few months until the market opens again.

—Some of the bridges between Stem and Tar River and Oxford and Wilton road are in such bad condition that it is dangerous to cross them. There is less attention paid to these roads than when taxes were one-fourth as high.

—Mr. J. C. Hopkins, who has been in Watts' hospital the past five weeks having been operated upon for appendicitis and suffered an attack of smallpox, returned home Saturday.

—We are glad to learn that Mr. F. M. Thomason has returned home from Watt's hospital after undergoing an operation which it was thought at one time would prove fatal.

—The Farmers Union is selling quite a lot of guano at this point and farmers are hauling same fearing a car shortage later on.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bowling and little son of Barboursville, Nash county, spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bowling of Route 2.

—Mr. H. Daniel has recently purchased what is considered the finest horse that has been owned in this community. His weight is 1460 pounds.

—There is no smallpox nor influenza in this community and church services and other public gatherings have been resumed after a brief interruption.

—We are glad to note that Mr. W. B. Cash who has been critically ill for several weeks, is convalescent.

—Mr. H. P. Webb of Tally Ho visited friends in Warren county Tuesday.

—Rev. T. E. Barker, an undenominational minister will preach in Stem, Wednesday April 20th.

—Miss Kathryn Jones, our popular music teacher, spent the week end with relatives in Kinston.

—Miss Powle of Stem Route 3, is visiting friends in Durham.

THE TRIANGULAR DEBATE

Will Take Place at the Graded School Auditorium Tonight at Eight O'clock.

The annual triangular debate will take place in the Oxford Graded School Auditorium this evening at 8 o'clock. This year the triangle is made up of Franklinton, Louisville, and Oxford. The query for discussion is:

"Resolved: That collective bargaining should exist in American industries."

The Oxford High School is represented on the affirmative by Misses Lula Smith and Dora Wolf, and on the negative by Messrs. Ivey Allen and Herbert Rountree. The debate and the negative side will debate in Louisville, and those of the affirmative will remain here to debate against Franklinton's representatives, who will be Miss Elizabeth Connell and Mr. Clifton Michener.

The judges are Mr. B. W. Parham, Rev. J. D. Harte, and Mr. Jno. W. Hester. Good citizens of Oxford and the school children help support the representatives of the Oxford High School by giving them a full house to which to speak.

Would Charge \$7,500 For Lynching

Counies in which lynchings occurred would be liable to the extent of \$7,500 to the next of kin of each person lynched, under the provision of a bill introduced in the Minnesota house.

THERE WILL BE A MAS SMETING IN THE COURT HOUSE TONIGHT

"You Should Com and Bring a Friend."

There will be a mass meeting of the citizens in the court house tonight at 8 o'clock for the purpose of organizing the Granville Grays. The ladies are especially invited to attend the meeting.

The Granville Grays stood for law and order for many years and did its duty in three wars. It would be impossible to find a better and truer friend to every man, woman and child in the community than the Granville Grays.

The young men should enroll their names at the meeting tonight and perpetuate the honor of the Granville Grays, one of the oldest and best units in the National Guard.

CIVIC DEPARTMENT OF OXFORD WOMAN'S CLUB STANDS FOR CLEANNESS AND BEAUTY

Mrs. T. G. Stem Issues a Strong Appeal—"Dress Up For Summer," Is the Advice of the Chairman.

"Spring cleaning" time is here again, and may we not turn our attention to our pretty little town? Already it is almost the very prettiest town in North Carolina, according to Kinston.

Let us every one do all we can to make it decidedly the most attractive town in our own or any other state. Every citizen of Oxford is proud of our town, and we want to be still prouder of it. The citizens of Oxford are confronted with an opportunity to give Oxford the right to be proud of its inhabitants.

April 11-16 has been set apart as "Clean up Week" and the Civic Department of the Woman's Club, asks that everybody in town give all the time and thought possible, to making "Clean up Week" really worth while.

The latter part of April, more than four hundred Philatheas and Baracas will visit Oxford, and will be shown all over the town, so in "dressing up" the town for spring and summer, it might be well to bear in mind the impressions to be made on these visitors.

This is an excellent time to show off. Let everybody clean up.

MRS. T. G. STEM.
Chm. Civic Dep. Woman's Club.

A FEW OF THE DEEDS RECORDED THIS WEEK

Thomas Peace and wife to Charles L. Jones, one lot in Town of Oxford, consideration \$1850.

D. P. Peake and others to L. A. Finch, two lots in town of Oxford, consideration \$10 and other valuable consideration.

G. W. Jones and wife to Roy D. Jones, timber deed, \$258.

G. W. Jones and wife to Luddie T. \$200.

J. F. Sherron and wife to Jas. B. Sherron, 180 1-2 acres, \$1795.

C. B. Edwards and wife to M. P. Chamblee, quitclaim deed to house and lot in Oxford.

T. G. Currin and others to W. B. Currin, 91 2-3 acres more or less, consideration \$5,000.

C. S. Easton to W. T. Yancey, et al., certain lot in Oxford, consideration \$4,000.

J. L. Suit and wife to E. G. Moss, 90 acres more or less in Walnut Grove Township, consideration \$3,000.

Mrs. Sallie E. Roller, et al Board of Trustees of Baptist Church Oxford, certain lot in Oxford, agreement.

T. Lanier, Commissioner, to M. P. Chamblee and lot in Oxford, consideration \$10,000.

Ruffin Royster and wife to Luther S. Burton, 15 acres in Granville County, Oak Hill, consideration \$500.

D. F. Fort, Jr., and wife to Allen Lyon Co., two lots in Dutchville, consideration \$150.

T. Lanier, Trustee, to J. H. Peacel, 86 acres in Oxford, consideration \$200.

A. S. Lanier and Albert B. Lanier to M. P. Chamblee, quitclaim deed to house and lot in Oxford Township.

S. V. Morton to H. Greely Harris, 29 1-2 acres between Oxford and Providence, consideration \$2000.

S. M. Watkins and wife to Junius Burton, 38 38-100 acres Granville Co., \$3180.

T. Lanier, Commissioner, to Joseph Humphries, 50 acres more or less, Walnut Grove consideration \$1500.

M. P. Chamblee to R. H. Lewis and wife, certain house and lot in Oxford, consideration \$100 and other valuable considerations.

J. L. Clark and others to Robt. Clark, certain interest in 37 acres more or less in Salem Township, \$938.18.

GETTING READY TO PUSH STATE ROAD WORK

Governor Morrison has issued a statement with reference to newspaper criticisms of his failure to call the state road commission together earlier and to get the road work started. He directs attention to the fact that, under the law, the commission does not take office until Friday, April 1, and he has called it to meet Monday, May 4.

—Mrs. M. C. Taylor and Mrs. H. G. Cooper entertained the members of their Sunday School Classes on Easter Monday with Easter egg hunts, which were "greatly enjoyed."

BASE BALL TODAY!

Married Men

Single Men

3 P. M. Horner Park
Proceeds to the Oxford Base Ball Club.
Adults 25c. Children 10c.

DR. TYREE RESIGNS HIS MISSISSIPPI CHARGE

Was Pastor Of The Oxford Baptist Church Some Years Ago and Is Greatly Beloved Here and Throughout the State—He Will Spend Some Time In Oxford This Summer, the Guest Of Mrs. J. M. Currin, the Mother Of Mrs. Tyree.

(Greenwood (Miss.) Times.)
Dr. W. C. Tyree, for seven years pastor of the First Baptist Church of this city filed his resignation yesterday as leader of this congregation, at the church conference which was held at the close of the morning service. The resignation was accepted by a vote of the church members. Dr. Tyree's resignation will take effect on May 1st, or at an earlier date if he deems it necessary to take up his residence elsewhere before that time.

The first of May will end a seven year's pastorate by Dr. Tyree as leader of the Baptist Church of Greenwood. Dr. Tyree came here from High Point, N. C., where he had been in charge of the Baptist Church there for three years. Prior to this charge, he was pastor of the First Baptist Church in Durham, N. C., for 10 years and pastor of the First Baptist Church in Raleigh, N. C., for a period of eight years. He had served twenty one years in North Carolina as a leader among Baptists, where he was widely known and recognized as one of the most able pastors of that state.

During his ministry in Greenwood, he has won the esteem and love of the membership of the Baptist Church as well as the universal high regard of the citizenship of Greenwood. Under his wise leadership the Baptist Church has prospered and today the Sunday School numbers more members than ever before in the history of the church.

Faithful to his God and congregation, he ever pointed out the path of duty and preached the Gospel of Jesus Christ straight from the shoulder. Throughout his ministry here Dr. Tyree has sought to stress the point of "soul winning" as the first and greatest mission of the church. On all questions of civic righteousness, he followed the teachings of the Bible and stood firmly on the truths as pointed out by the great book instead of seeking popularity among his fellow citizens.

Dr. Tyree is a graduate of the Richmond University of Virginia and received his ministerial education in the Baptist Seminary at Louisville, Ky. He is recognized throughout the South as one of the most brilliant and successful pastors in the Southern Baptist conference.

In speaking of the resignation of Dr. Tyree, one of the members of the Baptist Church, stated yesterday at the church conference, "that his pastorate in Greenwood had been one of the greatest blessings that had ever been bestowed on the local Baptist Church."

Throughout the years of Dr. Tyree's leadership of the Baptist Church in Greenwood, he has been assisted by his faithful wife, who is universally beloved by the members of the congregation and who numbers her friends by the score in this city. She is one of the most successful teachers in the Baptist Sunday School and her devotion to