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SOUTHERN BAPTISTS REPORTS A MEMBERSHIP OF MORE THAN THREE MILLION

Church Property Is Valued At \$97,732,990—Have 967 District Associations, 27,444 Local Churches, 20,240 Sunday Schools—Contributions Past Year \$34,881,032.78—Dr. L. R. Scarborough, Of Fort Worth, Texas, Is Again Elected Chairman Of The \$75,000 Campaign.

The Southern Baptist Convention in session at Chattanooga last week reported a membership of 3,199,000. This report showed that there are within the bounds of the convention 967 district associations, 27,444 local churches, 20,240 Sunday schools, with 1,966,610 members, and church property valued at \$97,732,990. The contributions for the past year were \$34,881,032.78, and for missions, education and benevolences \$14,037,611.48, bringing the total to \$34,881,032.78.

There are 198,236 white Baptists in the South not affiliated with the convention, while there are 2,765,251 negro Baptists within the territory of the Southern Baptist convention.

Total receipts were \$3,658,517.87 for foreign missions during the past year were reported.

Dr. L. R. Scarborough, of Fort Worth, Texas was re-elected chairman of the conservation commission in charge of the \$75,000,000 campaign.

Business Transacted.

Among its actions were those relating to completion of the \$75,000,000 campaign, a program of evangelism to reach all the local churches; enrollment of a half million tithers during the year; establishment of another theological seminary; the possible establishment of one or more Southwide universities; provisions for a new charter of the convention and the rechartering of all its general boards and the Southwide educational institutions with a view to safeguarding the denomination of all property; suggestions to the Baptist colleges and secondary institutions that they establish their own standardizing agencies rather than affiliate with independent bodies, and provision for the representation of women on the executive committee and general boards of the convention after another year.

RED POPPIES FROM FLANDERS FIELD FOR MEMORIAL DAY

The Crimson Poppies Will Be In Evidence Here.

Mrs. C. C. Hook, of Charlotte, president of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, has been appointed State chairman of a committee for the distribution of French poppies on World War Memorial Day, May 30.

The sale of the crimson poppies on May 30 is being inaugurated for the purpose of benefiting the children of devastated France. These flowers, made by the peasant women and children of France, are exact reproductions of the poppies.

"Growing in Flanders fields
Between the crosses, row on row," and will keep alive the memory of those who gave their lives and services for the great cause of humanity.

Mrs. Hook was appointed chairman of the "popy committees" in North Carolina, and she is urging that every woman in the State wear the silken "Popy of Flanders Field" on May 30. The flowers will sell for ten cents.

Those who desire to get the poppies may order them through C. Armond Carroll, 516 Peters Building, Atlanta, Georgia.

WINSTON WILL GET ODD FELLOWS MEET

Convention Goes There In 1922; L. W. Moore, Wilmington, Grand Master.

The Grand Lodge Independent Order of Odd Fellows of North Carolina held their 98th annual convention in Salisbury this week. The officers elected for the coming year were:

Grand Master, L. W. Moore, Wilmington; deputy grand master, R. W. Coppedge, Rockingham; grand warden, A. E. Woltz, Gastonia, grand secretary, John D. Berry, Raleigh; grand treasurer, M. L. Shipman, Raleigh grand representative, D. H. Tillitt, of Camden for term of two years.

Winston-Salem was chosen as the convention city for 1922.

CLASS DAY EXERCISES AT OXFORD COLLEGE

The Senior Class of Oxford College, on next Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, will present their Class Exercises, in the form of an original play, "The Maid of Junaluska," a dramatization of Mr. Robert Jarretts' delightful poem "Oconeechee," an Indian legend. The central theme of the story is the separation of the maiden Oconeechee from her lover Whippoorwill, at the time when the North Carolina Cherokees were driven to the West. All of the twenty-one Seniors, generously assisted by pupils in the Piano and Voice Departments, will take part in this play. The public is cordially invited to be present at these exercises.

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

MELLON FORECASTS ERA OF PROSPERITY

(Washington Special)

Improvement in business conditions throughout the country and an era of prosperity is to be expected, according to views expressed by Secretary Mellon.

Settlement of the reparations question, according to Mr. Mellon, would have a stabilizing effect here as well as abroad, but in his opinion the outlook is hopeful for improvement in business in any event. With the tariff and revenue problems solved, a brisk and enterprising generation taking hold of the nation's commerce and with all the money that is in the country, Mr. Mellon said, things cannot help from moving forward.

COMMENCEMENT OF THE OXFORD GRADED SCHOOL

Dr. J. H. Gorrell, Of Wake Forest College, Will Deliver the Baccalaureate Sermon In the Oxford Methodist Church Sunday Evening, May 29—the Annual Address Will Be Delivered By Dr. Corroll, Dean Of the School Of Commerce, University Of North Carolina, Tuesday Evening, May 31.

The sermon to the graduating class will be preached in the Oxford Methodist Church Sunday evening, May 29, at eight o'clock by Dr. J. H. Gorrell, of Wake Forest College. Dr. Gorrell enjoys enviable distinction of being a man who has something to say and who knows how to say it well.

Class Day Exercises.

Class day exercises are scheduled to take place on Monday evening, May 30, at eight o'clock in the graded school auditorium. The program follows:

Senior Procession.
Junior Song—A Scotch Medley; words by Mrs. J. D. Brooks.
Our Old High—Parks—(Senior Chorus.)
Address of Welcome—Ernest Mitchell.
Class History—Bernice Usry.
A Little Advice—Adams.
(Senior Chorus)
Class Toasts—Ruth Bryan.
Mascot's Song—Frank Shamburger Taylor.
Statisticians Report—Will Hicks.
When the Roses Bloom Again—Adams.
(Senior Chorus)

Last Will and Testament—Annie Thompson Bradsher.
Commencement Song—Murray.
(Senior Chorus)
Prophecy—Irvine Jackson.
Fairwell Song—Mrs. H. O. Furman.

ANNUAL ADDRESS

The annual address will be delivered by D. D. Carroll, dean of the School of Commerce of the University of North Carolina, on Tuesday evening, May 31, at eight o'clock in the graded school auditorium.

Awarding of Diplomas.

The order of exercises is outlined as follows:
Come Thou Almighty King—Chorus.
Invocation—Rev. S. R. Oglesby.
Address—Dr. Carroll, U. N. C. America the Beautiful—Chorus.
Awarding of diplomas, certificates, and prizes.
Superintendent's Report.
America—Chorus.

PRESBYTERIAN YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE AT RALEIGH

Will Be Held At Peace Institute May 31 to June 7.

The Synod of North Carolina, the Woman's Synodical Auxiliary cooperating, conducts annually a Summer Conference for the young people of the Synod to bring together representatives from the various young people's organizations and the Sunday Schools that they may have fellowship together for one week; study together God's Holy Word under the teachings of consecrated leaders.

The rate for the conference period, including supper Tuesday, May 31st, and breakfast Tuesday morning, June 7th, will be \$10.00. Rooms are reserved in order of date of registration.

All inquiries as to the conference and applications for reservations should be addressed to the Executive Secretary, Rev. J. G. Garth, 315 N. Popular, St., Charlotte, N. C.

ONE DOZEN CHILDREN TO BE PLACED IN DESIRABLE HOMES

See the County Welfare Officer and Get One Of the Little Boys or Girls.

We now have the following desirable children to be placed in approved homes:

Baby boy seven months old; baby boy four months old; baby girl 11 months old; girls five, eight and ten years of age; boys four, six and twelve years old.

We are looking for the very highest type of homes for these children as they have been in splendid condition and are ready to go into a first-class home, and with the proper attention will give excellent satisfaction.

COUNTY WELFARE BOARD, J. E. JACKSON, Supt.

COMMISSIONERS ELECT THREE MEMBERS OF SCHOOL BOARD

Mr. Charles S. Garman Is the New Member.

The Town Commissioners met in the Mayor's office Tuesday evening to fill three vacancies on the school board. One of the vacancies was caused by the resignation of Col. W. B. Ballou, who handed in his resignation some time ago to accept the Chairmanship of the Granville County Road Commission.

Mr. Charles S. Garman, a safe and sound business man of wide experience, was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Col. Ballou. The other two vacancies were filled by the re-election of Col. Henry G. Cooper and Mr. D. G. Brummitt. The following gentlemen compose the board:

R. H. LEWIS, Jr.
W. H. HUNT.
JAMES W. HORNER.
H. M. SHAW.
H. G. COOPER.
D. G. BRUMMITT.
CHARLES S. GARMAN.

STATE TREASURER LACY COMES WITH "HOT SHOT" FOR MAJOR BRUCE CRAVEN

Calls the Trinity Major "Old-Fashioned, Common, Ordinary, Everyday Liar," Refuting the Former's Assertion About the State Borrowing Money at 9 Per Cent.

The Raleigh correspondent of the Charlotte Observer quotes State Treasurer Ben Lacy as saying: "Major Bruce Craven is an old-fashioned, common, ordinary, everyday liar," in commenting upon the charge that the state has borrowed a half million dollars in New York at nine per cent.

To the contrary, says Mr. Lacy, the state has borrowed no money in New York save a loan made during the session of the legislature for refunding outstanding debts. The implication in the recent Craven broadcast at the governor and the council of state was that money had been borrowed for permanent improvements on roads at nine per cent.

Upon inquiry at state departments it developed that the most recent loan, that of a half million dollars for the state sanatorium, was made through the Page Trust company, of Aberdeen, and made at a rate of six per cent. Loans other than this have been of comparatively small amounts and for building or maintenance at state institutions.

There was every indication at the executive offices today that the Craven assault in one of the state dailies is not a popular form of publicity. Not only has the old Trinity man perverted facts but he has repeated the offense, it is declared. No bonds, so far, have been sold by the state and no money borrowed for any part of the big program authorized by the last general assembly.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF FROM THE CAPITOL OF TALLY HO

Despite All the Agitation For the Reduction of Tobacco Acreage a Full Crop Has Been Planted.

(W. R. MANGUM)

Stem, N. C., May 19.—Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Lovejoy, tourists, en route from Florida to their home in Connecticut last week had their car broken down near the W. H. Washington place on Route 1, and had to send to Detroit for the broken piece. After waiting over at the Whitaker hotel several days, Mr. Lovejoy was taken suddenly very ill last Friday morning and taken to Brantwood hospital where he underwent an operation and will remain for some time.

Disregard Warning.

A majority of the farmers of this section will finish planting tobacco this week. Barring last year, the sales of fertilizer at this point are as heavy as any previous year, and despite all the agitation for reduction of acreage, a full crop has been planted.

Roads In Bad Shape.

As a result of the recent rains, the roads in this section are in bad shape, as bad perhaps as they have been during the past winter, and are again badly in need of dragging.

Auto Accident.

Mr. Clifton Stem, of Route 2, while returning home from Oxford late Sunday night in a buggy had the misfortune to be struck by an automobile driven by an Oxford business man, at a point in the road near the Ferrell place. Mr. Stem seeing the car approaching, pulled out to one side of the road and stopped but was nevertheless run into by the auto which completely demolished one of the wheels and bent both axles. The auto stopped as quickly as possible and the owner offered to make full reparation for the damage.

Lock Boxes.

The Bank of Stem has installed 78 safety lock boxes. The combined weight was eighteen hundred pounds.

Political Job.

There will soon be a vacancy in the post office here which will be filled no doubt by a staunch Republican. It is said that the Democrats will have an equal chance. We will wait and see.

FOR SALE—ROLLER TOP DESK good condition. Phone 48J.

OXFORD WINS TWO GAMES FROM THE HENDERSON TEAM IN SUCCESSION

The Henderson Team Got More Coffee Here Tuesday Than They Could Devour—It Made Them Sick and They Lost To Oxford Again Wednesday.

Since the Oxford team has got down to business the Henderson team is an easy mark for them. The Henderson team came to Oxford last Tuesday in the best of spirits and determined to win out by fair means without registering a kick. Duke Coffey, pitcher for the home team, delivered the ball to the visiting team in such a manner as to bewilder them, and the ease with which Oxford landed on Edwards and W. Moore for hits that counted tell the sad, sad story.

But then, on the other hand, the visiting team didn't put up the calibre of baseball it should have. It was the poorest exhibition yet made against Oxford, and poor playing accounted for much of the advantage that Oxford took, although the local team must be given full credit for the fact that it won out by sheer superiority in playing. There is no doubt about that.

The Score.	
Henderson	Ab. R. H. Po. A. E.
Powell, c	3 0 0 0 8 0
Andrews, 3b	4 0 0 4 1 0
Branch, 2b	2 1 0 0 0 0
Langley, rf, cf	4 1 0 0 0 0
Tolson, 1b	4 1 2 8 0 0
Dennis, cf	0 0 0 0 0 0
Renn, lf, rf	4 0 2 2 1 0
Wilkins, ss	4 0 0 3 2 1
Edwards, p, lf	3 0 1 1 2 1
W. Moore, p	2 0 0 6 4 0
A. Knight, c	1 0 0 0 0 0

Total	
Ab. R. H. Po. A. E.	Score by innings.
Oxford	.000 100 002—3 6 2
Henderson	.020 000 40x—6 11 2

SUMMARY:

Earned runs: Oxford 6; Henderson 2. Stolen bases: Tolson, G. Harris. Sacrifice hits: Powell, G. Harris. Two-base hits: Stringfield, Holden. Three-base hits: Holden, Tolson. Double plays: Wilkins to Andrews, Moore to Andrews to Tolson, Renn to Tolson. Hits off: Coffey 6 in 9 innings; off W. Moore 5 in 5 innings off Edwards 6 in three innings. Struck out: by Coffey 7 in 9 innings; by Edwards 1 in 3 innings; by Moore 1 in 5 innings. Base on balls: off Coffey 1; by W. Moore 3. Hit by pitched ball: Dennis, Branch, by Coffey, G. Harris, Royster by W. Moore. Left on bases: Oxford 9; Henderson 5. Umpires, Harrison, Howard. Time of game 1:55.

Oxford 3—Henderson 0.

The trouncing which Oxford administered to Henderson Tuesday afternoon was a forerunner of what might be expected to take place at the Hendersonball park on the afternoon of the next day. The fans here and in Henderson were in a high pitch of excitement pending the game in Henderson Wednesday afternoon. Even our old friend Charles M. Critcher got "het up" and went over to Henderson and paid 50 cents to see the home team defeat Henderson to the tune of 3 to 0.

It Is a Sad Tale.

Henderson had not recovered from the dose of Coffey that was handed to them in Oxford the day before. They were brave lads and put on a bold front, but when Reece sent the ball over the fence and scored a home run they closed up like Cape May salts on a hot summer day, while the home team pranced around like milk-fed kittens.

But this thing cannot exist always, and for the sake of good sport it is well that it should not. The Henderson team is a strong aggregation, composed of fine young men. They are nursing their defeat in silence. With one or two changes in the line up, which they are contemplating, they will give Oxford something to think and talk about.

Score by Innings:

H. R. H. E.	Score
Oxford	.020 000 100—3 10 4
Henderson	.000 000 000—0 2 1

The Dog, Coon and Fox.

There is an old saying to the effect that the dog can whip the coon, the coon can whip the fox and the fox can whip the dog. This reminds us of the ball game at Horner Park yesterday between Oxford and Roxboro teams. The score was 7 to 0 in favor of Roxboro. Roxboro skunked Oxford, Oxford skunked Henderson the day before, and Henderson will skin Roxboro alive next week.

MISS HARDEE, POSTMASTER AT STEM, RESIGNS

The resignation of Miss Lucy Hardee, postmaster at Stem, has been accepted and will be effective May 30. The patrons of the office say that she has been the most obliging and faithful postmaster they have ever had. A patron said: "We do not ask for the incoming postmaster to be better than she was, but hope that he may be as good and obliging. She set a good example that will be hard to surpass."

BUY COAL AND ESCAPE THE POSSIBLE SHORTAGE

The coal consuming public, both family and industrial, is endangering its ability to secure coal by not buying and having it delivered now.

The production of coal at present is running on a very low basis, because buyers are not in the market. When the tide turns and buyers undertake to fill their needs they will find very low stocks and a possible danger of inability to get coal, such as the country had to endure last winter and the winter before.

It is especially important, therefore, that those who know in advance that they will need coal later on in the year should buy it now and have it delivered now.

It would be a very dangerous experiment to postpone until next fall or winter transportation of coal or other products which must of necessity be used next winter.

Moreover, everyone who at the present time buys coal for domestic or industrial purposes will help to turn the tide of business improvement and while helping themselves will help the country at large.

FINALS AT OXFORD COLLEGE NEXT WEEK

Baccalaureate Sermon By Rev. Q. C. Davis At the Oxford Baptist Church Next Sunday Morning.

The commencement exercises at Oxford College, as announced by President Hobgood, is as follows:
Sunday, May 22.

Baccalaureate sermon by Rev. Q. C. Davis, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Albemarle, N. C., at 11 o'clock a. m.
Sermon before the Young Women's Christian Association by Rev. Q. C. Davis at 8 o'clock p. m.

Monday, May 23.

Graduating exercises at 10:30 a. m.
Address before the Literary societies, by Mrs. Corine Petty Jermon, at 11:30 a. m.

Class exercises at 3:30 p. m.
Art reception at 5 p. m.
Annual concert at 8 p. m.

Class officers: Rowena Pittard, president; Elizabeth Alma Kinney, Vice-President; Ruth Lee Parham, Secretary; Myrtle Evelyn Brown, Treasurer.

Bachelor of Arts: Ella Elizabeth Smith; Rowena Pittard, Hazel Elizabeth Thompson, Treva Garman, Sallie Josephine Brown.

Bachelors of Science: Elizabeth Alma Kinney, Myrtle Brown, Minnie Mackay Taylor, Clara Naomi Rush.

Bachelor of Music (piano and voice): Hazel Elizabeth Thompson.

School of Home Economics: Odessa Black, Rena Mae Covington, Treva Garman, Pauline Hilliard Hobgood, Lillie Mae Mabry, Macy Shannan Patterson, Louise Harte Curran, Onnie Lou Daniel, Ethel Maye Harwood, Minnie Elizabeth McGowan, Ruth Lee Parham, Bernice Wood Thomas, Bettie Lee Watkins.

Class Motto: Ne perde diem.
Class Colors: Nile green and pink.
Class Flower: Sweet pea.

MRS. EMMA BERGDOLL GIVEN YEAR AND A DAY IN PRISON AT ATLANTA

Mother Of Notorious Draft Evader Also Fined \$7,000.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 18.—Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll, was yesterday sentenced to pay a fine of \$7,000 for the part she was convicted of having taken in the evasion of the draft laws by her sons, Grover and Erwin Bergdoll. If she refuses or fails to pay the fine, Judge Dickinson of the United States district court imposed the alternative sentence of one year and one day in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga. Her fine must be paid by June 13.

Judge Dickinson, in pronouncing sentence upon Mrs. Bergdoll declared there was no way of ascertaining how much of her guilt was the act of a fond and foolish mother and while her motive did not affect her guilt, it might mitigate the punishment. Her heaviest punishment, he added, would be the thought that her sons had brought disgrace upon her.

"No one would wish to see a mother sent to jail for merely helping her sons, guilty as they were," he said.

RALEIGH POSTOFFICE ROBBED

Eighteen Year Old Boy Arrested For the Theft Of \$250.00.

Durwood H. Johnson, 18 years old, was arrested in Raleigh Tuesday for the theft of a registered mail pouch containing \$250.00.

When arrested by Post Office Inspector H. C. Gregory and Deputy United States Marshal T. W. Bartholomew, young Johnson admitted the theft and said that he burnt the contents of the pouch with the exception of one package of money, said to have contained not more than \$300.

LARGE NUMBER OF ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS LAID OFF FOR LACK OF FUNDS

No Money Available To Pay Their Salaries Until New Fiscal-Year Begins July 1—Officer Hutchins Is Among Those Who Gets a Forty Days' Vacation Without Pay.

It was announced from Washington yesterday with 700 prohibition enforcement agents in various parts of the country have been temporarily laid off for lack of funds to pay their salaries. It was announced here today.

Failure of Congress to provide \$250,000 asked for by the prohibition commissioner to pay salaries of field agents until the end of the present fiscal year, officials said, necessitated a cut of about two-thirds in the field forces.

The men were given a forty-day vacation without pay, but it was said will be reinstated on July 1, when the appropriations for the next fiscal year become effective.

About 500 agents remain on duty officials said, but many of them are office men. While they expect some difficulty in the strict enforcement of the dry laws with such a reduced staff, the prohibition officers indicated that aid would not be asked for from other government sources.

Capt. Hutchins, of the "Flying Squadron," who was in Oxford Wednesday received a telegram notifying him that his forty days vacation will begin on Saturday, May 20. When he read the telegram he remarked that he needed a little rest anyway.

LOCAL POSTOFFICE SUPPLIED WITH PISTOLS TO QUELL ROBBERS

Shots Through a Six Inch Oak Post.

The government is supplying post-offices at least the larger offices, with pistols and postmasters are directed to arm all "essential" employees—that is, employees believed to be most exposed to danger of attack from mail robbers.

The Oxford office is in the list of those supplied with the deadly weapon. The pistols are here and they are the most ferocious fire arms you ever saw. Assistant Postmaster Henry Critcher has tested the weapons. They drive a ball through a six inch scantling and then some more.

The pistols furnished are not playthings. They are meant for business and the robber who gets the contents of one of them will be put out of commission and more probably put into the graveyard.

OBEY THE ORDINANCE

There Are Several Danger Points In Oxford.

A new "Keep to the Right" post has been erected at the intersection of Broad and Hillsboro streets. A good many drivers of automobiles pay no attention to "keep to right" posts or to the stop signs at the various streets in Oxford. Why it is that these drivers will place others lives and property in jeopardy no one can figure out. It is a good deal cheaper to stop your car than it is to be fined for so simple a thing. A good many strangers come to Oxford that are not acquainted with the ordinance requiring that they stop and some do not know why this precaution is necessary, but for anyone who has lived in Oxford during the past six months, there is no excuse. If Chief Hobgood or any of his men see you disobey this ordinance it simply means that you will have to lay out some of your hard earned cash.

FLOWER SHOW AND GARDEN MART WAS A SUCCESS

Despite the lateness of the season, which impeded the growth of flowers, the garden mart and flower show held on the lawn of Mrs. D. G. Brummitt yesterday afternoon was a pronounced success. The most conspicuous of the fine and large display were the sweet peas and wild flowers. There was also a nice display of vegetables. Vegetable and flower plants were distributed to those who cared to accept them. The attendance was very good and a nice sum was realized from the sale of refreshments.

An interesting feature was the Scotch dance given by eight young girls from the High School dressed in Scotch plaid. They romped through the "Highland Fling" and won applause.

A list of the flowers and those who were awarded premiums will be announced later.

CHIEF JUSTICE WHITE DEAD

Interment Will Be In Oak Grove Hill Cemetery, Georgetown, Saturday.

Washington, May 20.—The death early yesterday morning of Edward Douglass White veteran Chief Justice of the United States, cast a shadow of sorrow over the national capital where during his long years of service on the Supreme Court bench he had grown in the admiration and esteem not only of his official associates but of the entire community.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a. m. Saturday at St. Mathews Catholic church and will be conducted by the Right Rev. M. S. G. Lee. Interment will be in Oak Grove Hill cemetery, Georgetown.