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## TWO MILLION RAILROAD EMPLOYEES ORDERED TO GO ON STRIKE

The Union Divides Railroads Into Groups For Purpose Of Progressive Strike—Seaboard and Southern Are in the First Group and Are Ordered to Walk Out At Six O'clock On the Morning Of October 30—Other Groups Will Walk Out At Twenty-Four Hour Intervals—Union Leaders Predict Complete Tie-Up By November 2.

Chicago, Oct. 15.—More than half a million American railroad men were today ordered to initiate a strike October 30, while other unions whose membership brings the total to about two millions, announced unofficially that they were tonight preparing to follow suit and make the walkout general, on the same date. Under this program the tie-up would be complete, according to union predictions, by November 2.

Will Begin October 30.  
The hour was fixed for 6 a. m., October 30, except for one Texas line, whose trainmen were authorized to go out October 22.

The railroads listed in the first group on which the strike is to become effective, touch 42 of the 48 states with a trackage of 73,000 miles out of the total United States trackage of approximately 200,000.

Mail Trains Included.  
The strike orders were issued to the 145 five brotherhoods, oldest and most powerful of the railway unions, and they specifically included mail trains in the walkout. Their provisions instructed strikers to keep away from railroad property, with a warning that "violence of any nature will not be tolerated by the organization."

Men Vote To Strike.  
The strike was announced following an overwhelming vote, said to be upwards of 99 per cent, favoring a strike because of a 12 per cent wage reduction authorized by the United States railroad labor board of July 1, and after it was declared by the session here yesterday that a further reduction would be sought by the railroads.

Most Serious Strike.  
"I fear it will be one of the most serious strikes in American transportation history," said W. G. Lee, president of the railroad fraternal, who during recent weeks has sent circulars to his men warning them of the critical nature of the steps they contemplated.

Unions Issuing Strike Call.  
Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen; Order of Railway Conductors; Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; Switchmen's Union of North America.

Progressive Walkout.  
Printed instructions were handed every general chairman to govern the men's conduct. These authorized a progressive walkout; the first at 6 a. m., October 30, to be followed by the other three secret groups, each 24 hours, October 31 and November 1 and 2.

## PLANS COMPLETED FOR BIG REUNION

Chattanooga Leaving Nothing Undone To Prepare For Comfort Of Veterans.  
News comes from Chattanooga to the effect that the Confederate reunion committee has about completed all of its arrangements to entertain the veterans and their friends when they arrive there for their 31st annual meeting, October 25 to 27, inclusive. Cots and blankets have been secured to be used if the homes of Chattanooga prove inadequate to house all the veterans.

Capt. W. H. White states that arrangements have been made with the Seaboard Railroad to furnish a sleeping car, to leave Oxford at 12:15 P. M. on Monday the 24th, reaching Chattanooga at 1 o'clock on the 25th without change of cars. The actual cost to veterans will not necessarily exceed \$10; sons of Veterans will cost not more than \$25.

## A "BEDTIME STORY"

As Explained By a Learned Lawyer.  
After the harvest was gathered Capital and Labor fell in disputing. "You would not have been able to reap without me," said Labor, "so I think I should have all the harvest." "There would have been no harvest to reap without my foresight, my land and my machinery," replied Capital. "I took the risk and when I have paid you for your work I am through."

Being unable to agree they consulted a lawyer. "Labor has the most votes," remarked this worthy, "and so deserves the harvest; but Labor cannot be trusted with the seed corn in these days of silk shirts."

Accordingly he divided the grain into three piles. "There," said he, "pointing to the smallest pile, 'is Capital's share. This,' indicating the middle-sized pile, 'is Labor's wages.' "What is the big pile?" asked Capital and Labor together.

"That," replied the learned Man, "is economic loss due to friction in the relations of men." And he began to shovel the large pile into his wagon.—Life.

Your battery should have water about every two weeks. Stop at Oxford Battery Co.

## THIS YEAR'S COUNTY AND TOWN TAX RATE COMPARED WITH LAST YEAR

The School, County and Road Tax This Year: Is \$1.30 Against 65 Cents Last Year—The Town Tax Is Practically the Same As Last Year.

The state tax last year was 13 cents on the 100 valuation, but there is no state taxes this year.

1921 Rate.	
School	50
County	15
Road	43
Total	\$1.08

1920 Rate.	
State	.13
School	.21
County	.10
Road	.22
Total	.66

## Town Rate For 1921.

The town commissioners met last Tuesday night and fixed the rate for 1921, as follows:

Sinking Fund	03
Interest	21
General	41
School	30
Total	.95

Tax On School Bonds.  
The county school taxes varies in the several school districts according to the amount of school bonds.

## PLENTY OF MONEY AVAILABLE TO FINANCE TOBACCO MARKETING ASSOCIATION

Local Banks To Handle All the Paper the Association Would Need To Make the Advanced Payments Of Fifty Percent On Tobacco.

The recent ruling of the Federal Reserve Board, which was announced in their Oct. Bulletin, allowing Federal Reserve banks to accept papers of the Tobacco Cooperative Marketing Association, and other cooperative marketing associations in the shape of drafts drawn by the association and endorsed by them, as agricultural paper entitled to terms twice as long as Commercial paper, is a big boost for cooperative associations. This with the aid of the War Finance Corporation enables the Cooperative Associations to finance their operations without any trouble, as they can get direct loans from the War Finance Corporation or loans through local banks in the shape of drafts each day as the tobacco is delivered, these drafts to be forwarded to the Federal Reserve Banks where they will be handled as agricultural paper. These rulings clear up what at first seemed to be a weak spot in the scheme of Cooperative Marketing, viz: The financing.

## THIEVES ENTER HOME OF MR. R. S. JONES

Bloodhounds Tracked Them To the Public Road Near Berea.  
Last Thursday while Mr. R. S. Jones and family, of Days Mill section, were attending the Flat River Association at Mount Zion thieves entered their residence and stole between \$60 and \$80.

Bloodhounds were brought from Raleigh Friday afternoon and placed upon the scent of the robbers. The dogs had no trouble in following the trail to the much traveled public road near Berea, where they came to an abrupt stop. It is supposed that the thieves got into an auto at this point and drove away.

## A FINE SON OF OLD GRANVILLE COUNTY

Mr. P. C. Moss Makes Good In Kentucky.  
Mr. P. C. Moss, of Madison, Ky., is spending a few days in Granville with relatives. He is the son of Mr. W. A. Moss, who left Granville many years ago and settled at Slaughter, Ky. The son, Mr. P. C. Moss, entered the employ of the Louisville and Nashville Railway 25 years ago and now holds a position of much responsibility.

## GRANVILLE COUNTY ALUMNI ELECT OFFICERS AND ENJOY SMOKER

Mr. A. W. Graham, Jr., Succeeds Mr. J. W. Horner As President.  
The Granville County Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina, held a most enjoyable smoker last Wednesday night, celebrating the 128 birthday of the institution.

Talks were made by several members and plans perfected for the coming year. The following officers were elected: President, A. W. Graham, Jr.; Vice-president, John W. Hester; Secretary and Treasurer, F. W. Hancock, Jr.

## PLEASANT SMITHFIELD VISITORS

### Pickpocket Get Mr. Parker's Purse.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Parker and pretty little daughter Jane, Smithfield, were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Chamblee. Mrs. Parker is a sister of Mrs. Chamblee.

On their way to Oxford Saturday they ran into a crowd of pickpockets at Selma who were on their way to the State Fair. When Mr. Parker felt for his pocketbook a few minutes later it was gone. Fortunately Mrs. Parker had enough money with her to meet the emergency.

## OFFICIAL REPORT OF TOBACCO SOLD IN THE STATE DURING SEPTEMBER

Mebane, Which Was One Of the Highest Markets in the State Last Year, Made the Lowest Average in September.

The September letter of the Crop Reporting Service, compiled and issued by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, says:

"The tobacco markets operating in North Carolina during September showed 42 warehouses and 14 markets less than were operating last year, as reported to the States Cooperative Crop Reducing Service. Sales during the month were about 7,000,000 pounds less than sold during September last year, but the price of sales averages about 3 cents per pound higher. Farmers are watching the markets closely and the small amount on the floors, bears evidence to the greatly reduced crop. The 1921 production is only 45.4 per cent compared with last year, and to date, only 28.4 per cent of the crop has been marketed.

### Wilson Leads In Pounds.

"The Wilson market sold 9,036,695 pounds of Farmers' tobacco at an average price of \$25.56 per hundred. Greenville marketed 5,702,367 pounds at an average price of \$22.50; and Kinston reported 5,439,585 pounds sold at \$20.43. Rocky Mount market sold 2,495,329 pounds at \$22.14; Farmville 2,045,674 pounds at \$24.46; and Winston-Salem 1,919,139 pounds at \$21.94.

### The Highest and Lowest.

The Fuquay Springs market sold 152,440 pounds and averaged \$33.56 per hundred for sales. It was the only market in the state that was over \$30.00, while Mebane, which is usually one of the state's higher priced markets, reported an average of \$11.49, the lowest."

### Neater At Home.

According to the report, Durham sold 400,150 pounds at an average of \$22.50; the 1920 price was \$21.50.

Henderson sold 329,259 pounds at an average of \$20.14; the 1920 price was \$19.18.

Oxford sold 299,450 pounds at an average of \$17.80; the 1920 price was \$21.90.

Roxboro sold 117,526 pounds at an average of \$16.42; the 1920 price was \$19.16.

Youngsville sold 432,656 pounds at an average of \$23.68; the 1920 price was \$19-21.

Of the nearby markets, Youngsville led in number of pounds sold and general average. Roxboro ranks below Oxford in pounds sold and general average.

### The next Report.

The October report, which will be issued some time in November, will make a better showing for Oxford than the September sales. The prices began to advance on the Oxford market during the second week in October and are still advancing. None of the markets in this section of the state are paying as much for all grades as the Oxford market.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Issued By Register Of Deeds Powell This Month.

Only seven marriage licenses were issued in Granville County from the first to the fourteenth of this month.

### White List.

Lemuel C. Johnson to Miss Earl Mae Cash, both of Nottaway County, Va.

John H. Thorp to Emma Mead, both of Charlotte County, Va.

John V. Riley to Lesste Johnson, both of Granville.

### Colored List.

Jones Smith to Jessie Taylor, Durham and Granville; Alfred Peace to Mary Jane Chavis, both of Granville; Milton Harshaw to Luna Evans, both of Granville; Leon Hunt to Charlotte Wortham, both of Granville.

## THREE BIG DAYS AT ENON ON OCT. 25-27

A Sunday School Institute, With Sunday School Experts To Lead.

A Sunday School Institute will be conducted at Enon Church on Oct. 25-27th, with Dr. E. L. Middleton, State Secretary of Sunday Schools, with Mrs. Hilliard assisting. There will also be an experienced Bible teacher to lead us in Bible Study. We extend a most cordial invitation to all the surrounding churches to come and share with us in this great work. We urge that all the pastors, officers, teachers, and those who are interested in making their Sunday School a more effective and more efficient working force to come and meet with us.

Following the plan on which these Institutes are conducted in other places, we are requesting all who attend to bring their lunch with them. We are not meeting for a temporal but a spiritual feast.

We shall begin on Tuesday morning, Oct. 25th., at ten o'clock. Come and meet with us in our very first lecture.

Yours for better Sunday Schools, G. T. TUNSTALL.

## NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS

The list is now in the hands of the sheriff. Call and pay your taxes and get discount of one percent. 10-18-31 E. D. HUNT, Sheriff.

## THE REMAINS OF PRIVATE OBIE BURTON SANDERFORD RESTS IN GRANVILLE SOIL

Was Killed In Argonne Sector By Shell Explosion—Was Given Military Burial At Pleasant Grove Church Last Sunday Afternoon.

The remains of Private Obie Burton Sanderford arrived from France last Saturday morning and rested in the undertaking parlors of Upchurch and Currin until Sunday afternoon.



(Courtesy Granville Co. Honor Roll)

## OBIE BURTON SANDFORD

R. F. D. 1, Hester, N. C. Private, Company I, 30th Division. Born June 15, 1895. Son of G. I. and Callie S. Sandford. Entered service May 30, 1918, at Camp Jackson, S. C. Went overseas July 28, 1918. Killed in Argonne Sector by shell explosion October 13, 1918.

When the body was escorted to Pleasant Grove Church, Brassfield, by a detail of former service men under the command of Capt. E. E. Fuller. The gathering at the Church was the largest in recent years. Rev. L. M. Hobbs, pastor of Pleasant Grove, preached the funeral.

Mr. Sydney Rogers, who had known Obie for many years, paid a tribute to his memory. He spoke of the tender love and affection that existed between him and his step-mother.

Gen. B. S. Royster made a beautiful talk of forty minutes, and Major T. G. Stem presented the flag with beautiful language. Three volleys were fired and taps were sounded at the grave.

## AGGREGATE VALUE OF REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY IN GRANVILLE COUNTY

The Total Aggregate For the County Is \$16,213,903.

The following is an extract taken from the report of Mr. Charles G. Powell, register of deeds, which he made to the State last week:

No. Of Polls.	
Fishing Creek	442
Brassfield	469
Dutchville	427
Tally Ho	514
Walnut Grove	307
Oak Hill	312
Sassafras Fork	346
Salem	210
Oxford	853

Total for County .....3,870

### Real and Personal.

Fishing Creek	\$1,495,000.00
Brassfield	1,411,950.00
Dutchville	1,825,255.00
Tally Ho	1,870,020.00
Walnut Grove	1,071,515.00
Oak Hill	985,375.00
Sassafras Fork	1,272,110.00
Salem	782,645.00
Oxford	5,500,033.00

Total for County .....\$16,213,903.00

### Other Items.

No. acres of land	334,118
Average value of land including buildings per acre	\$24.39
Average value of town lots, including buildings, per lot	\$1980.16

## MR. JIM MITCHELL SHOT DOWN AT HIS HOME IN BRASSFIELD TOWNSHIP

The Assailant Makes His Escape—No Motive Assigned For the Deed.

When Mr. Jim Mitchell was approaching his house in Brassfield at 7 o'clock last Saturday evening, some one stepped from the corner of the house and opened fire on him. Several shots were fired and Mr. Mitchell was wounded in the foot and leg. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell witnessed the shooting.

Mr. Mitchell was rushed to Brantwood Hospital where the ball in his leg was extracted.

The assailant made his escape, but both Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell are positive that they know him.

No motive is assigned for the deed.

## OXFORD MARKET MADE FINE SHOWING TUESDAY

An Average of \$30.00 Per Hundred for All Sold

It is estimated that 125,000 pounds of tobacco was sold on the Oxford market yesterday, the average for all sold was the largest and best break of the season.

## THE OXFORD WOMAN'S CLUB HAD A GOOD YEAR AND PLANS FOR GREATER THINGS

The Garden and Forestry Department Will Beautify the Approaches To Oxford On the National Highway—The Oxford Library Will Be Moved To Handsome and Comfortable Quarters—The Annual Chrysanthemum Show Will Be Held October 26-27.

The initial fall meeting of the Woman's Club of Oxford was held last Wednesday at the Library, the president, Mrs. D. G. Brummitt, presiding. The treasurer, Mrs. J. C. Robards, reported \$125 in the treasury. Reports from various departments were then heard. The year-books for the season, containing most attractive programs in each department, were distributed.

### Economic Department.

Mrs. W. D. Bryan, Chairman, of the Economic Department, reported that a "Demonstration in Uses and Values of Milk and Eggs" was given at the Granville County Fair, many valuable ideas having been given and 200 booklets pertaining to proper foods were distributed. A Committee from this department is planning the annual Reception to the teachers of Oxford to be given during the present week.

### Garden and Forestry Department.

The Garden and Forestry Department made report through its chairman, Mrs. R. G. Lassiter, in which it was stated that the thirty-one trees planted as a wind-brake on the Winfield Playground, were flourishing. A Committee from the Club in cooperation with Board of Trustees, under the direction of Mr. Gillette, landscape gardener of Richmond, was financing the planting of shrubbery in the Playground. This department is also planning to beautify the approaches to the town on the highway entrances.

### Library Extension.

The Literature and Library Extension Department through its chairman, reported that the Oxford Library, which now contains over fifteen hundred volumes and which has been established and maintained exclusively by the Woman's Club, being its "pet child," would be moved in a few days to a room in the elegant new High School building where the pupils can have use of the reference books during school hours.

### Health Department.

The Health Department reported that a Rest Room was established at the recent County Fair and that the Red Cross Seal Campaign and Red Cross Membership Drive would soon be undertaken by this department.

### Music Department.

Miss Edna White, Chairman of the Music Department, reported that the "Community Sing," in which local talent and musicians from Raleigh would assist, would be given at an early date. It was announced that the performance of "Katcha-Koo," the musical fantasia recently given under the direction of the Club, was a grand success and netted more money than had ever been taken in at any amateur performance in the town, the proceeds of which are to be used in beautifying our playground.

### The Chrysanthemum Show.

The date for the Chrysanthemum Show, which is an annual event, was announced for Oct. 26 and 27. The growers of the flowers predict that the blooms will be more perfect and more beautiful than usual, notwithstanding the severe drought.

### The Membership.

The Woman's Club now numbers 125 members and is doing a wonderful work for community uplift. The Club always takes an active interest also in all State Club matters, having two of its members as State officers, Mrs. A. H. Powell being Chairman of the Finance committee of the State Federation of Women's Clubs and Mrs. D. G. Brummitt being a member of the same Committee.

## TABLET COMMEMORATING SERVICES OF HORSES AND MULES

Washington, Oct. 15.—A bronze tablet commemorating the services of the 243,135 horses and mules attached to the American forces during the war, 63,682 of which perished, was unveiled in the state War and Navy Building. The tablet, which is placed in the east wall of the building, just inside the Pennsylvania Avenue entrance, was presented by Dr. W. O. Stillman, president of the American Humane Association and was received on behalf of the government by Major General Williard Holbrook, chief of cavalry.

## CITIZEN CRITICISES THE LATE GRANVILLE COUNTY FAIR

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The late Granville County Fair, under the management of the directing head, is supposed to have resulted through the carnival in losing to our citizens a good large sum of money through the gambling devices, and in leaving here a lot of venereal diseases among the boys.

The Fair should now be abolished or all side shows, clean or unclean, cut out.

## Revival at Henderson

Rev. Raymond Browning has been engaged to conduct a revival meeting in the Methodist church at Henderson, beginning next Sunday morning and continuing two weeks.

## COL. HILTON AND HIS REGIMENT OF SOLDIERS WERE HIGHLY PLEASSED WITH OXFORD

The Regimental Band Renders Patriotic Airs.

Col. Hilton, veteran of several wars, and the suppressor of the coal strike in Colorado a few years ago, spent four days in Oxford last week, en route with his regiment, the Fifty-first Field Artillery, which is moving overland from Camp Jackson, S. C., to Camp Eustis, Va. Col. Hilton and a number of his majors and other officers were the guests of the Exchange Hotel. They admitted that Oxford is the prettiest town, and the Exchange the most restful place they had visited since leaving Camp Jackson a month ago. The non-commissioned officers and men were also highly pleased with Oxford. Many of them were invited to private homes to enjoy a square meal, instead of army hash served in tin plates.

The outstanding features of the passing of the troops through Oxford, and the ones that will live longest in the minds of our people, were the tremendous heavy guns and the serenade of the augmented brass band at the Oxford Orphanage Friday evening, which was witnessed by more than 2,500 people.

Gen. B. S. Royster made a short talk, in which he referred to the rank and file of the soldiers, the work of the orphanage, and thanked Col. Hilton and the band for their visitation. It was a most inspiring hour. In addition to the famous battle hymns and songs, performed by the band, the evolutions incident to "guard mount," in which the pistols of the squad of men were inspected, were fresh in the minds of all former service men, and at the same time was an educational feature which was duly appreciated and will long be remembered here.

## HENDERSON'S WATER CRISIS IS WORST IN STATE

State Board Of Health Will Take a Hand.

Henderson Dispatch)

The crisis in Henderson's water supply is the worst and the situation is the most critical in any the State Board of Health has been called upon to assist anywhere in North Carolina since the terrible drought set in early in last July, according to Dr. H. E. Miller, chief of sanitary engineering, of the Board, who came here Saturday with his assistant, Mr. Catlett, to make an inspection of possible water reserves.

The eyes of the State, it is felt, are upon Henderson, in view of the situation that has arisen, and it is the State Board that is to help materially in solving the problem of providing a water supply for 10,000 persons.

## THE BAPTISTS WILL HAVE SIXTEEN BIG HOSPITALS

The Baptist Hospital, the first unit of which is to be begun as soon as Winston-Salem has raised \$132,500, is the only one of a series of hospitals scattered throughout the South. There are 16 such hospitals in operation or in progress of construction throughout the South. These institutions were provided for in the apportionment of \$75,000.00 campaign conducted by the Baptists of the South for benevolences in 1919.

## ONE MAN CAN END STRIKE BY ENDING WAGE CUT PROPOSAL

Chicago, Oct. 17.—Assurance from "one big man in the government" that there would be no further wage reductions for a year, would avert a national railroad strike, T. M. Pierson, second vice-president of the order of Railroad Telegraphers declared today.

When asked whether he referred to President Harding, Pierson said: "Well, if he could give that guarantee the strike would be called off."

## HARDING IS URGED TO RESTORE RAILROADS TO GOVERNMENT CONTROL

Washington, Oct. 17.—President Harding was today urged to avert the calamity of a nation wide transportation tie-up by appearing before congress to urge immediate legislation restoring the railroads to unified government operation in a letter sent to the White House by Benjamin C. Marsh, managing director of the Farmers National Council.

## COTTON TAKES A TUMBLE AS STRIKE LOOMS

The threat of a railroad strike today sent prices of cotton into new low grounds for the month. December sold off to 18.75, or nearly half a cent below Saturday's closing and 320 points, or \$16 per bale, below the high price touched just before the publication of the Government drop report on October 3rd.

## HAYS DECLARES MAILS WILL MOVE REIGARDLESS

Washington, Oct. 17.—Railroad strike or not the United States mails will be moved. Postmaster general-Hays said today.

—A beautiful and most impressive service was held at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday night when Messrs A. H. A. Williams, L. C. Taylor, and Dr. W. B. Bullock were ordained Deacons. Beautiful music was rendered. Miss Minerva Allen of Boston, Mass. singing a lovely solo.