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## GRANVILLE COUNTY'S BIG POLITICAL POT IS BOILING OVER

Sheriff Hunt and Treasurer John R. Hall have opposition—Ebbly Howell being groomed for Treasurer—The Name of Mr. J. S. Watkins is Mentioned for Representative and Hon. A. A. Hicks for the Senate.

Granville County's political pot, which began to simmer ten days ago, has reached the boiling point and the foam is being skimmed off with a silver ladle.

The announcement that Hon. S. M. Cutts, the solicitor of this district, will be opposed by a younger man seemed to quicken the slumbering ambition of a number of candidates for the county offices.

**County Treasurer.**  
Mr. John R. Hall, the present county treasurer, will have opposition in the person of Justice J. J. McDaniel. Friends are grooming Mr. Ebbly Howell for the position held by Mr. Hall.

**The Sheriff.**

There is a persistent rumor to the effect that Capt. J. A. Hutchins, deputy under former sheriff Crawford Hobgood, will oppose Sheriff Hunt. There is also a rumor to the effect that a prominent Tally Ho man will split in between Hunt and Hutchins and make things lively.

**The Legislature.**

There is a clamor for Hon. A. A. Hicks to accept the nomination for the Senate, but Mr. Hicks has neither said yes or no to the delegations that beseege him on every side.

"I have looked the county over," said a prominent citizen, "and I am convinced that Mr. J. S. Watkins is the logical man for the lower House of the Legislature. He made a grand campaign last year and came within a few votes of being elected. I feel that the voters of the county should hand the nomination to Mr. Watkins on a golden platter."

## THEY PAY REAL TAXES IN KANSAS

And You Seldom Hear Any  
Kick.

Editor Public Ledger:

I have been a reader of the Public Ledger for several years and I was glad to see in a recent issue of the 30 home paper that the tax rate in Granville county is considerably below some of the counties in Kansas. I have often wondered what the reason for this was in my native state of which I hear so much complaint, amounting, I have numerous relatives in Granville and every letter I receive from he old home county there is a kick about taxes and fear is expressed that the old North State will go to the bow-wows on account of high taxes, but to my mind they don't know what a real tax burden means. In Topeka, Kansas the town and county taxes amount to \$4.05 per \$100 valuation, and the assessed valuation is up to the market price of property. I recently read in a state paper that taxes in Kansas as a whole had increased 300 per cent since 1910.

I dare say that the low tax rate that prevails in North Carolina, and especially in Granville county, they have more to show for it than they do in Kansas.

J. A. ADCOCK.  
Topeka, Kan., March 26.

## BASEBALL SEASON OPENS HERE NEXT FRIDAY

Durham Bulls Vs. Reading International Team.

Exhibition baseball games will start in Henderson next Wednesday and Thursday, when Capt. Lee Gooch's Durham Bulls, who are doing their spring practice here, will go over to Henderson and play the Reading Internationals who are doing their spring training there.

On Friday the Internationals will come over to Oxford and engage the Durham Bulls.

We have Manager Gooch's word that it will be a battle royal. It is probable, said Manager Gooch, that Lee Meadows, the Oxford boy, famous twirler of the National League, will do mound duty at least for part of the game here next Friday.

There will be several games in Oxford and Henderson next week.

## ANNUAL CONVENTION OF STATE MISSIONARY UNION

Mrs. E. E. Parham, Mrs. Titus Curran and Mrs. C. A. Upchurch go to Charlotte.

The eyes of hundreds of Baptist women in every section of North Carolina are now turning toward Charlotte, where the Women's Missionary Union of North Carolina, auxiliary to the Baptist State Convention will open its thirty-second annual session this afternoon.

Mrs. E. E. Parham represents the Oxford church; Mrs. Titus Curran the Enon church, and Mrs. C. A. Upchurch the West Oxford church.

## Prominent Tobaccoist Dead

Mr. J. F. Meadows will attend the funeral in Danville tomorrow of Mr. Charles Hughes, a member of one of the largest tobacco concerns in this country, who died last night.

## ARE THE CROP YIELDS OF GRANVILLE COUNTY PROFITABLE?

Deductions By David D. Long, Soil Specialist, Soil Improvement Committee, Atlanta, Ga.  
Editor Public Ledger:

In this time of stress when all farmers are trying to work out of a depression, it is essential that farming as a business should be looked upon from a business basis.

It is necessary to diversify, for diversification always has been a paying proposition even before the boll weevil came and especially so in relation to the production of home supplies.

Taking for a basis the average costs of production per acre of the leading crops of the state for 1922, as estimated by Dean C. B. Williams of the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and the average yields of the county as given by the census of 1920, a fair approximation can be made as to whether or not the yields are profitable.

Fertilizer allowances were as follows:

Corn and oats, 200 lbs of a 7-3-1 1-2.

Cotton, 500 lbs of an 8-3-3.

Tobacco, 800 lbs of an 8-3-3.

Peanuts, 400 lbs of land plaster.

Deductions for by-products were made from the total costs. Such deductions included fodder from corn, cotton seed, oats, straw, and peanut hay.

After these deductions were made the average net costs of production for the various crops per acre are as follows:

Cotton ..... \$32.15  
Corn ..... 19.16  
Oats ..... 14.20  
Peanuts ..... 30.79  
Tobacco ..... 73.06

## Cotton.

The average acreage cost of \$32.15 for cotton production requires for expenses a yield of 218 lbs of lint with seed, if cotton sells for 15c a pound and cotton seed at \$40 a ton. The average yield of Granville county for 1919 was 262 lbs of lint according to the United States census of 1920.

## Corn.

The census reports an average of 14.1 bushels of corn for Granville county. At the average production cost of \$19.16 per acre, the cost per bushel for the county would be \$1.36. This cost of production per bushel should be reduced by all methods of increasing the average yield per acre.

## Oats.

The average yield of oats for Granville county was 12 bushels per acre according to the 1920 census. With the average acreage cost of production at \$14.20, the cost per bushel would be \$1.18 a bushel.

## Tobacco.

The census of 1920 reports an average yield of 510 lbs of tobacco per acre for Granville county. With the cost of production as determined by Dean Williams at \$73.06 per acre, the cost per pound would be 14.3 cents as against 10.5 cents for the state average. It is well understood, however, that tobacco is a crop of quality rather than one of yield.

## Sweet Potatoes.

The average yield of sweet potatoes for Granville county in 1919 as shown by the census report of 1920 was 94.5 bushels per acre. The analysis of cost of production by the Government in Brooks county Georgia shows that the costs of production per bushel rapidly decreases as the yield increased. The profits also increased with increased yields. Under 1914 conditions an average yield of 70 bushels per acre, cost per bushel to produce 38c, and gave a profit of \$14.18 per acre. With a yield of 100 bushels per acre the cost was reduced to 28 cents per bushel and the profit increased to \$27.27 per acre.

But when the average yield was 162 bushels, the cost per bushel was 22 cents and the profit per acre increased to \$65.01.

From the above figures it appears urgent that the acreage yield of all crops be increased to a profitable point. The farmer well knows what it takes to make higher yields per acre. He knows the value of good seed, building up the soil with organic matter, the intelligent use of fertilizers, cultivation, etc. and now is a good time to practice these measures to put the farm on a profitable yield basis.

Some reader has in his mind the question of markets. All marketing associations well managed will certainly help in the matter of distribution and prices. However, no marketing association will be able to turn high costs per bushel or pound on account of low acreage yields into a profit. Marketing is no substitute for low acre yields and high costs, nor is it a substitute for good seed, good fertilizers or good farming.

But above all, consider carefully if your average yields are profitable! If not, plan to make them profitable. If they are, plan to keep them profitable or to increase the profits per acre.

## "LIVE AT HOME DAY."

All of the Oxford banks will be closed next Friday on account of "Live at Home Day."

## SOMETHING DOING IN GRANVILLE COUNTY REAL ESTATE LAST WEEK

Register Charles G. Powell Recorded Thirty-Two Deeds.

Last week was the banner week of the year, so far, for real estate transfers, thirty-two deeds having been recorded by Mr. Charles G. Powell, the very efficient and courteous register of deeds. The following is a partial list of the transfers:

L. A. Hart to H. S. Hart, 163 acres in Oak Hill, consideration \$2000.  
T. Lanier and wife to C. A. Gregory, 5 1-6 acres in Sassafras Fork \$219.

G. C. May, et al to Mrs. F. M. Stovall, certain lot, consideration \$1970.  
O. L. Ray and wife to S. J. and J. T. Pittard, 55 acres and 1 1-2 acres, \$3000.

J. L. Washington an dwife to R. L. Washington, 28.7 Tally Ho, \$1000.

T. L. Cannady, et al to J. S. Morris 95 acres, more or less, \$6000.

J. G. Cash and wife to C. G. Cash, undivided interest in 117 acres, \$400.

Mrs. Mary R. DeLaCroix to J. S. Bradsher, certain lots in Oxford \$453.

J. S. Thomasson and wife to J. C. Lyon, certain lot, in Dutchville, \$90.

W. W. Mangum and wife to J. M. Ellington, Sr., certain lot in Oxford, \$1500.

Charlie Johnson to R. G. Stem, 21 acres in Tally Ho, \$450.

G. S. Watkins, et al to C. D. Ray and R. M. Ray, 1-5 acre, in Oxford, \$100.

T. W. Cutts and wife to J. M. Ellington, 1 lot in Oxford, \$100.

Walter Cozart and wife to Essex Richardson, 30.1 acres Fishing Creek \$500.

S. H. Slaughter to William M. Slaughter 14 acres Walnut Grove, \$1500.

John B. Elliott, to Henry G. Elliott, 50 acres \$1500.

## PRIZES FOR BEST ESSAY OR ORATION

All Students in the Third and Fourth Year Are Eligible.

Cash prizes of \$2,000, donated by Henry Morgenthau, former American ambassador to Turkey, will be competed for by junior and senior high school students of North Carolina from now until June 15th. All students in the third and fourth year are eligible.

These prizes will be given for the best essay or oration on some phase of the present political, social, educational or industrial conditions in the countries of the Near East including Turkey, Syria, Palestine, Georgia and Armenia. They must contain not less than 1,500 nor more than 2,000 words, and must be delivered at some school commencement, oratorical contest or other public gathering.

A first prize of \$500 in cash will be awarded the winner of the national contest, followed by \$200 for the second best and \$100 for the third. In each state a prize of \$15 will be given for the best essay or oration, \$10 for the second and \$5 for the third.

Students who desire information and literature to enable them to prepare their essays should write to Col. George H. Bellamy, state chairman, Near East Relief, Raleigh, N. C. High school principals and teachers and county superintendents of schools, have been requested by E. C. Brooks, Superintendent of Public Instruction, who is chairman of the educational division, Near East Relief, to render every possible assistance to students who wish to enter this contest.

## COUNTY ELECTION BOARDS IN STATE ARE SELECTED

Two Democrats And One Republican On the Granville Board.

(News and Observer)

One hundred county boards of elections of three members each, were appointed to office by the State Board of Elections in session here Saturday. Appointees hold office for two years, and will conduct the June 2nd primary and the general elections to be held next November. Two Democrats and one Republican are included on each county board.

Two lists of names were presented to the board by the party organizations. On Motion of General Beverly S. Royster, two names were selected from the Democratic list for each county, and on motion of Clarence Call, one name from the Republican list was adopted for each county. W. L. Beasley was continued as clerk to the board.

Granville County Board: J. B. Powell, Oxford; C. R. Gordan, Oxford; J. T. Cozart, Republican, Oxford.

## CONSTANCE TALMAGE WILL ENTERTAIN CROWD

The managers of the Orpheum have booked for next Friday a picture that is calculated to please a large number of visitors on that day. The feature for this occasion is Constance Talmage in "Wedding Bells," and also a two reel Sunshine Comedy, "Ain't Love Great." The doors will be open all the afternoon and up to 10:30 in the evening.

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

## NEXT FRIDAY IS TO BE BIGGEST DAY IN HISTORY OF GRANVILLE

Governor Morrison Will Speak—There Will Be a Parade Headed By Famous Military Band—Athletic Meet—All-Star Game Of Baseball, Etc.

Various committees are working with an eye single to make next Friday, March 31, the biggest day in the history of Granville county. The occasion will be the visit of Governor Cameron Morrison, who will speak on the live issue of "Live At Home."

All of the other events of the day centers around the visit and address of Governor Morrison, and the program is such as to insure a record-breaking attendance.

The activities of the day will begin with the formation of a parade at 9:30 o'clock and end with a band concert in the high school auditorium at 8 o'clock in the evening.

## Program.

9:30 a. m.—Formation of parade to the high school auditorium, led by the 120th Infantry Band.

10 a. m.—County Championship, biggest athletic event ever held in Granville county. Every school stands a fine chance to win.

Governor Morrison will speak on the subject of "Live At Home."

All of the above events take place at the new high school building and grounds on Williamsboro street.

## Baseball.

At 3:30 in the afternoon the Reading, Pa., International baseball team will play the Durham Bulls at the ball park in South Oxford. This is an all-star game.

## Band Concert.

The interesting events of the day will end with a band concert in the auditorium of the high school at 8 o'clock.

## The Banquet

All efforts are being put forth to make the Governor's stay in Oxford a pleasant one. He is to be entertained with the hospitality and whole heartedness for which Granville county is noted.

Mr. Andrew Jamieson, chairman of the entertainment committee, representing the town and county, to look after his Honor's comfort and pleasure while in Oxford.

R. L. Brown, J. F. Webb, Mayor Stem, C. G. Credle, A. H. Powell, B. S. Royster, Dr. G. S. Watkins, C. W. Bryan, J. W. Horner, T. G. Curran, E. A. Bobbitt, B. F. Dean, J. S. Watkins, E. A. Hunt, D. A. Coble, J. R. Lanier, W. W. Brummitt, Dr. W. L. Taylor, J. M. Baird, E. G. Moss, I. W. Mangum, J. Ennis Davis, W. S. Gooch, E. C. Harris, F. W. Hancock, Jr., J. B. Mayes, Jr., W. S. Livengood, J. W. Ducas, A. A. Hicks, C. S. Garman, Wm. Landis, Rev. J. D. Harte, Col. H. G. Cooper, E. T. White, F. W. Hancock, Sr., D. C. Hunt, Dr. F. P. Hobgood, B. K. Lassiter, W. Z. Mitchell, W. H. Hunt, R. H. Lewis.

Everything is in readiness for the big day. The committees have worked hard to make this day a success. All we need is the support of the people.

We can do just this thing. Let's go!

## COURT ORDERS STOP PUBLICATION SIMMONS ARTICLES

Judge George L. Bell has issued restraining order stopping the publication of the series of articles which had been prepared by Col. William Joseph Simmons, Imperial Wizard, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, for publication by the American press. The articles were a complete defense of the Klan on the part of Col. Simmons against all attacks made by enemies of the organization during the last eight months.

The section of Judge Bell's order stopping the publication of the articles is as follows:

"From publishing or cause to be published newspaper articles, news letters, or sending telegrams defaming petitioners or either of them or holding them up to hatred, contempt or ridicule."

"From publishing newspaper articles, news letters or sending out telegrams discussing the issues involved in the above stated case, or made by pleading therein, or from discussing the issues made by pleadings in the above stated case or the petitioners therein in a defamatory manner, or in a manner calculated to hold them up to hatred, ridicule, and contempt."

## ROYAL ARCH MASONIC LODGE FORMED HERE

The seventh degree in the York Rite was conferred on a number of Masons here yesterday. Following the ceremony, conducted by a high official from Elizabeth City, a Royal Arch Lodge was instituted by nine charter members.

## MRS. CHARLES CURRIN DEAD

Mother of Mrs. S. W. Parker.

Mrs. Charles Currin, highly esteemed christian lady, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. W. Parker, on Williamsboro street last night. The remains will be taken to Durham today for burial tomorrow.

## MINSTREL REVUE

First Rehearsal Will Be Held Tonight.

First rehearsal of Minstrel Revue which will be staged by the Ernest F. Hart Post of the American Legion on or about April 6, 7 or 8th, will take place in the High School Auditorium at 8 o'clock. A full attendance of the cast is desired.

## THE TOBACCO GROWERS WANT TO COOPERATE WITH THE WAREHOUSEMEN

Conference Arranged Between Co-operative Association And Warehousemen—Will Meet In Greensboro Thursday, April 6.

Organized tobacco growers intend to keep faith with all warehouse interests and will offer owners of warehouse property an opportunity to sell or lease their holdings to the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association, according to announcement from the Raleigh headquarters of the association.

## Assurance Of Ample Finance.

The association has already been assured the use of a large number of properties at a majority of important marketing centers in the Carolinas and Virginia, and has secured assurance of ample financing to carry out its program of constructing receiving points wherever necessary.

## Meet With Warehousemen.

Warehousemen in North Carolina will be notified of the opportunity to confer with officials of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association regarding final terms for the leasing or sale of their warehouse facilities, as agreed upon by directors of the association.

## Time and Place Of Meeting.

These meetings of North Carolina warehousemen with directors of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association will take place in Greensboro, N. C., in the rooms of the chamber of commerce, at 11:00 a. m. Thursday, April 6, and in the Raleigh, N. C. chamber of commerce, the next day, at the same hour.

## Acceptable Proposition.

Letters have been mailed to over 400 warehousemen in the three states and signed by T. C. Watkins, Jr., director of warehouses, J. Y. Joyner, chairman of the warehouse committee, N. H. Williams and T. B. Young, of Virginia and South Carolina, respectively state that the association expects to offer an acceptable proposition to warehousemen, covering their physical properties. The association will need the services of a number of experienced and efficient warehousemen, upon acceptable terms, according to this letter.

## GRADE-MOTHERS OF PARENT-TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The following ladies have been appointed Grade Mothers of the Oxford Parent-Teacher Association:

First Grade—Mesdames D. K. Taylor, M. C. Taylor.

Second Grade—Mesdames J. I. Stegall, W. E. Warren.

Third Grade—Mesdames W. T. Yancey, M. C. Ewins.

Fourth Grade—Mesdames J. H. L. Myers, S. M. Watkins.

Fifth Grade—Mesdames J. C. Howard, R. H. Lewis, Jr.

Sixth Grade—Mesdames H. G. Cooper, J. M. Baird.

Seventh Grade—Mesdames Lanier, B. E. Parham.

Eighth Grade—Mesdames S. H. Pritchard, W. B. Ballou.

Ninth Grade—Mesdames C. H. Easton, W. A. McFarland.

Tenth Grade—Mrs. J. C. Horner.

Eleventh Grade—Mrs. H. M. Shaw.

## COMMUNITY SING TO BE HELD IN GRADED SCHOOL AUDITORIUM THURS. EVEN.

Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming and Five Soloists of Raleigh Are on the Program.

The people of Oxford have a real treat in store for them next Thursday evening, when a Community Sing will be held in the auditorium of the Grade School at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Kate Hays Fleming and five soloists of Raleigh will be on the program. Mr. John Park, publisher of the Raleigh Times, who has directed Community Sings in other places will direct the Sing. Everyone who loves to listen as well as those who sing are cordially invited to be present.

This is a community affair. Mr. Park wants the community there and we feel sure it will be well worth going. As these people are coming to give us pleasure without compensation, we surely want to have a crowded auditorium.

EDNA WHITE,  
Chm. Music Dept. Woman's Club.

## MR. C. G. MANGUM HAS LONG RECORD CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Missed Only Four Services in Twenty One Years.

Mr. C. G. Mangum, one of the most beloved and highly esteemed men of the county, has a wonderful record of church attendance. He is a member of Salem Church and has missed only four services held in his church during the last twenty-one years. There was a period of nine years in which he did not miss a single service.

Mr. Mangum also has a remarkable Sunday school attendance record, and regards the Sunday school as the greatest force in building up the church.

A member of Salem Church informs the Public Ledger that when Mr. Mangum makes a mistake you can put it down as an error of the head and not of the heart.

## OUR OLD FRIEND J. I. GORDAN IS RECOVERING

Mr. J. I. Gordan, highly esteemed citizen of the county who lives near Corinth Church, has been confined to his bed with influenza. It was feared that the old gentleman did not have the constitution to withstand the severe attack, but the doctors tell us that he was a good and obedient patient and that he is now on the road to recovery.

Mr. Charles Gordan and every member of his family, were also down with the flu. Many friends will be glad to know that they are improving.

## RICHMOND IS TO BE FINANCIAL HEADQUARTERS FOR TOBACCO GROWERS

Oliver J. Sands, of Richmond, In Charge As Temporary Executive Manager—Raleigh Is Center For Other Officials.

Richmond, Va., March 25.—Richmond will be the executive, financial and selling headquarters for the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association of Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, with Oliver J. Sands, president of the American National Bank of Richmond, in charge as the temporary executive manager.

## Officially In Raleigh.

Official headquarters of the general manager and other important officials, who are yet to be named, will be in Raleigh.

More than 80,000 of the 100,00 tobacco growers in Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina have entered into a five-year binding contract by which they agree to deliver their entire crops to the association to be marketed by merchandising methods instead of just "dumped" as has been the custom in past years.

## Take Over Warehouses.

The 130 wholesale tobacco warehouses in the three states will be taken over by the association. The contract already signed by the tobacco growers of the three states means that approximately 40,000,000 pounds of tobacco at an estimated value of \$100,000,000 will be marketed through the co-operative plan.

## Name Directors.

At the request of the district directors of the Virginia branch of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association of Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina, Governor Trinkle appointed Oliver J. Sands as the state director to represent the people of the commonwealth in the association. The governor of North Carolina named Colonel J. Bryan Grimes, of Raleigh, as the director for that state, and the governor of South Carolina named E. I. Epps as the South Carolina state director.

## FIRST CONVICTION UNDER THE HOTEL LAW

(State Board Of Health)

The first prosecution instituted by the State Board of Health under the amended hotel law enacted by the State Board of Health under the amended hotel law enacted by the General Assembly of 1921 occurred at Lexington last week and resulted in the conviction of J. W. Kepley, manager of the Hotel March at that place.

The management of the Hotel March was charged with violating four sections of the law, namely: failure to keep posted a list of charges for rooms; failure to provide proper bed linen; failure to keep beds and bedding free from vermin; insanitary conditions in kitchen.

Practically all the hotels of the state have shown a desire to heartily co-operate with the State Board of Health in observing the provisions of this law, which was jointly drawn by committees of the ravaging men and hotel managers in conjunction with the state health officer. Many on inspection have scored approximately perfect, and nearly all have promptly remedied defects discovered upon inspection.

## OXFORD-HENDERSON HIGH- WAY HAS BEEN MENDED

The Only Bad Place Is In the Corporate Limits Of Oxford.

The State Highway Commission last Saturday completed the task of making the Oxford-Henderson Highway passable, and the only bad place in the road is in the corporate limits of Oxford. Two cars were stuck in the mud at that point last Sunday. It could be made as good as new with a scraper and roller in five minutes. The Henderson Daily Dispatch says:

"Acting in response to an appeal made by numerous citizens of Henderson through the Chamber of Commerce, the State Highway Commission has repaired the