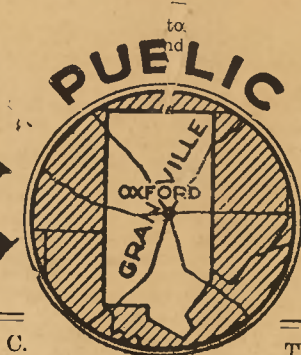


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Hancock Endorses Pending Game Bill

Wildlife Federation Holding Annual State Meeting In Raleigh

Representative Wills Hancock the past week became one of about 50 members of the General Assembly to endorse the bill being offered by the North Carolina Wildlife Federation providing for a separate administration of the game and fish laws of the State.

Hancock said he endorsed the bill, which is expected to draw heavy fire in the Legislature, "to get something started on it."

The legislative battle has been brewing for two years. The 1945 Legislature provided for a study of the separation of the Game and Fish Bureau from the Department of Conservation and Development. The report called for separation.

The Granville County Wildlife Club has endorsed the separation proposal.

The Division of Game and Inland Fisheries has requested a budget of \$685,032 for each of the next two years. The Budget Commission recommended \$734,656 for each of the two years.

The Wildlife Federation is holding its annual meeting today in Raleigh and the session is expected to fan the legislative fire.

Teacher Pay Hike Of 30 Per Cent Is Favored By Kiwanis

The Kiwanis Club, in meeting last Tuesday night, adopted a resolution calling upon Granville County members of the General Assembly to support a minimum salary increase of 30 per cent for North Carolina's 24,000 public school teachers and for other state employees earning \$1800 or less per year, such increases to begin in January, 1947, and to continue through the coming biennium.

The resolution, which has been forwarded by President Maurice Parham to Senator John S. Watkins and Representative Wills Hancock, reads as follows:

Whereas, our public school teachers and many other state employees are not paid salaries commensurate with the services they render, and

Whereas, the State of North Carolina ranks 41st from the top in public education, and

Whereas, the expenditure per child for public education in North Carolina is less than one-half the national average, and

Whereas, if our great state is to continue to go forward in the years to come, means must be found to attract and hold the qualified teaching personnel which our boys and girls merit, and

Whereas, Edwin Gill, Commissioner of Revenue, stated publicly last week that the General Fund surplus may reach ninety millions of dollars by July 1, 1947; be it

Resolved, That the undersigned membership of the Oxford Kiwanis Club request our State Senator, John S. Watkins, and Representative and Kiwanian, Wills Hancock, to support and lend every effort to the enactment of legislation which will provide a minimum salary increase of 30 per cent for North Carolina's 24,000 public school teachers and for other state employees earning \$1800 or less per year, such increases to begin in January of 1947 and to continue through the coming biennium.

Thirty members of the club signed the resolution. Parham said.

Wilkerson Rites Are Held At Union Chapel

Mrs. Cora Bell Owens Wilkerson died at Granville Hospital, Jan. 16. She had been sick two weeks before she was taken to the hospital, where she was a patient for three weeks and three days before death.

The funeral was conducted at Union Chapel Church at 2:30 January 17 by her pastor, Rev. Mr. Combe.

Mrs. Wilkerson was born June 28, 1885, a daughter of the late Calvin Owens and Sallie Lee Hayes Owens. She married Emmett Wilkerson Dec. 28, 1900.

Surviving are her husband, three daughters, Mrs. Baker Williamson, Mrs. Theron Hudson, and Mrs. Jordan Williamson, five sons, Emmett Wilkerson, Jr., Graham Wilkerson, Flonnie Wilkerson, Flunnie Wilkerson and Hoover Wilkerson, 25 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and two brothers, Dinnie and Flunnie Owens.

Wilton Grange Plans

WILTON, Jan. 27.—The Wilton Grange will hold its regular meeting Wednesday evening, Jan. 29, at 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Thomas Husketh, the new lecturer, has planned an interesting program with a group of young Grangers taking the leading parts.

In addition, various Grange committees are to be named at this meeting.

FINAL REPORT

Tobacco sold on the Oxford market during the season ending Friday, Jan. 24, brought an average of \$47.62.

Statistics for the year show a total of 31,014,084 pounds sold for \$14,769,079.12.

Elmo Yancey, 28, Taken By Death

Funeral For Young Granville County Farmer Held Sunday Afternoon

Rufus Elmo Yancey, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Yancey of Route 2, Virginia, Va., died Friday morning at Granville Hospital where he had been a patient for some time. Yancey, 28, had been sick for several weeks. Death came at 8:20 p. m.

Rev. W. Isaac Terrell, pastor, assisted by Rev. W. D. Poe and Rev. E. W. Greene, officiated at the service, conducted at 2:30 Sunday afternoon at Mountain Creek Baptist Church. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Surviving Mr. Yancey are his wife, Mrs. Alma Eakes Yancey, a son, Elmo, Jr., and a daughter, Rebecca, his parents, all of Route 2, Virginia, Va., Miss Myrtle Yancey of Petersburg, Va., Mrs. James E. Harvey of Birmingham, Ala., and Miss Janie Yancey of the home; seven brothers, Frank Yancey of Nelson, Va., Emmitt Yancey of Norfolk, Va., Jack Yancey of Buffalo Junction, Va., Richard, Charlie and Raymond Yancey of the home, and Luke Yancey of Richmond, Va.

Maurice E. Green Dies In Virginia

Funeral Rites for Former Oxford Merchant To Be Held Tuesday Morning

Maurice E. Green, former Oxford merchant, died Sunday morning at his home in Williamsburg, Va., where he had been in declining health for several months.

The body is to be brought here this morning and funeral rites conducted at the Oxford Presbyterian Church at 11 o'clock. Interment will be in Elmwood Cemetery.

Mr. Green, a native of this county, was at one time engaged in business here as one of the partners in the firm of Perkinson-Green Company, which was succeeded by Williams-Breedlove Company. After leaving Oxford, Mr. Green resided for a time in Shelby and at Clarksville, Va., before going to Williamsburg.

Mrs. Green, who survives, was the former Miss Nouvelle O'Brien of Granville County. Surviving Mr. Green are three sons, Charles, Frank S. and Edgar A. Green, and two daughters, Mrs. Pattie Mae Wilson and Mrs. Dora Elizabeth Brennan.

Creedmoor News

CREEDMOOR, Jan. 27.—Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Whitfield had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Harold Veasey.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jones spent Tuesday in Raleigh as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Fortune.

Miss Grace Dixon, student at E. C. T. C., Greenville, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dixon on Route 1.

Billy Allen, student at State College, Raleigh, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Allen.

Mrs. Durward Fleming is a patient at Wats Hospital, Durham.

Miss Annie Lou Bobbitt, student at E. C. T. C., Greenville, spent the week end at home. While here she had as her guests Bertha and Ruth Grey Edmundson, classmates.

Miss Ollie Milton and Mrs. Willie Fuller were Durham shoppers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Walker are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Jan. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Yeargin and children were Durham visitors recently.

Edward Moss Jr., and Lane Peed made a business trip to Oxford Saturday.

Mrs. C. D. Lyon is able to be up after a recent illness.

Mrs. Clyde Hester returned on Thursday from a three weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. C. W. Garner, in Warsaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Tew of Greensboro, spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. C. W. Bradford.

GOP BACKS TRUMAN

President Truman appears assured of strong Senate support in his stand against early income tax cuts as highly placed Senators urged tax reductions be deferred until the budget is balanced and the national debt reduced.

Will Oxford Extend Her Borders?

Or Will She Remain Content in the Three-Thousand Bracket While Towns Like Roxboro, Dunn, Asheboro, and North Wilkesboro Scoot Past

BY FRANCIS B. HAYS

Drive to almost any progressive North Carolina town and before you are out of the woods you are in the corporate limits of the town.

Not so with Oxford.

Indeed, just the reverse is true. Drive into Oxford from any direction and you travel a mile or more along its built-up thoroughfares before you reach its corporate limits. Those other towns have increased their areas as their suburban populations have increased.

Again, not so with Oxford.

In 1850, almost a hundred years ago, Oxford's population was 669. At that time the corporate limits of the town were 1000 yards in every direction from the court house. In 1940 Oxford's population, as given by the United States census, was 3991, an increase of about 500 per cent, but its corporate limits were still the same—1000 yards in every direction from the court house. Outside that tight little ring but within a circle of another thousand yards or so from the court house there were believed to be in 1940 at least half as many again inhabitants as there were inside the ring—some think fully as many again.

To go back two decades, the population inside the legal boundaries of Oxford in 1920 was 3606. While the town has experienced an extensive growth since then, the official population inside the ring remains almost static—just a few more people, according to the census, in 1940 than there were in 1920.

Many North Carolina cities and towns more than doubled in population between the 1920 and the 1940 censuses. For examples, Durham almost trebled in population, from 21,719 to 60,195; Roxboro grew from 1651 to 4599; Lumberton, from 2691 to 5809; Forest City, from 2312 to 5035; Hickory, from 5076 to 13,487; Kings Mountain, from 2800 to 6547; Laurinburg, from 2643 to 5685; Morganton, from 2867 to 7670; Roanoke Rapids, from 3369 to 9545; Williamston, from 1894 to 3966; and Shelby almost quadrupled, from 3609 to 14,037.

Oxford might be on this list if it had gone along with other towns and extended its boundaries as its suburbs developed. But . . . as it

Dean House Heard By Episcopalians

Vestrymen Elected At Annual Meeting of Congregation On Friday

Chancellor R. B. House of the University of North Carolina, speaking at the annual congregation meeting of St. Stephen's Church here Friday night, used homespun humor to point out paths to happiness and contentment through the simple arts.

Mr. House spoke after members of the congregation had elected John Perry Hall, E. G. Peoples, Richard Hamme and Arch L. Taylor to positions on the Vestry, the administrative body of the church.

The members of the congregation and a number of guests enjoyed a delightful turkey dinner, prepared by a committee of the Woman's Auxiliary, prior to the business meeting and address.

Heads of various organizations within the church made their reports during the evening.

Rev. Henry Johnston reported gains in membership and R. H. Lewis reported that the church as a whole is in "better shape than in years."

Mr. House suggested that a "hospitable mind" is helpful in practicing the cultural arts, social arts, spiritual arts and the art of humor. He played a number of selections on his mouth harp and used many of his boyhood experiences to emphasize the stories he told.

Granville Hospital Nurses Ask Visitors For Full Cooperation

The following has been received for publication:

"The Granville Hospital staff or nurses would like to ask the people of Granville and surrounding counties to please cooperate with them in observing visiting hours.

"It is impossible for us to give our patients the care we would like to because of visitors. We are sure that visitors would like to cooperate if they understood why. The hour that is convenient for you to drop by probably is a great hindrance to the nursing care of a patient.

"Please help us to give better nursing care to our patients by observing visiting hours, which are as follows: 11 a. m. to 12 noon; 3 p. m. to 4:30 p. m. and 7 p. m. to 8:30 p. m."

R. M. Curran Jr., and William Cannady of Reynolds-Currin Electric Company attended a Frigidaire refrigeration school in Raleigh the past week.

W. J. Bundy Heads Shrine; Chaplain Is Oxford Man

Rev. A. D. Leon Gray Chosen For Sudan Temple Post at Newbern Ceremonial

William J. Bundy of Greenville, was elected illustrious potentate of Sudan Temple of the Shrine, succeeding N. E. Edgerton of Raleigh, at the annual election held at New Bern.

Rev. A. D. Leon Gray, superintendent of Oxford Orphanage, was named chaplain of Sudan Temple.

The spring ceremonial of the Temple is to be held May 21 and 22 at Carolina Beach.

Bundy a native of Farmville, where he was born 47 years ago, is at present time Grand Master of the North Carolina Masonic Grand Lodge.

Veneral Disease Showing Increase

Dr. T. C. Johnson Says Control Program Must Be Continued In All Phases

There is a constant increase in the number of veneral disease cases reported and the control program should be continued in all its phases, Dr. T. C. Johnson, assistant director of the Veneral Diseases Education Institute, told the members of the Rotary and Lions Club in a joint program meeting Thursday night.

Dr. Johnson was presented by President Basil Hart of the Lions Club.

Dr. Johnson's visit here was in connection with the membership drive for the North Carolina Social Hygiene Society being promoted by the Junior Woman's Club.

The club was told that "the time has come for North Carolina to face frankly its veneral disease problem and proceed to solve it. Syphilis and gonorrhea are widespread throughout the state among white and colored. They are highly contagious diseases from which no one is immune. Frequently they result in blindness, crippling, sterility, insanity and heart disease. They constitute a heavy drain on the economic resources of the state, impede industrial progress, and destroy the health and happiness of innumerable individuals."

Furniture Dealers Attend Exposition

Supplies of Home Furnishings and Floor Coverings Reported Increasing

There is promise of steady improvement in the supply of furniture and floor coverings becoming available through retail outlets, according to local dealers who have visited the Southern Furniture Exposition at High Point during the past few days.

A number of items will continue on the scarce list for the next several months, but quite a few manufacturers expect to remove their quota plan of distribution by early summer, which means that retailers will be able to receive adequate supplies of their merchandise.

W. H. Uphurch, M. S. Curran and J. R. Perkinson of Uphurch and Curran, Abe Goldman, and Seymour Dworky of Oxford Furniture Company, and J. A. Wood and J. S. Rudder of Granville Furniture Company were among the local dealers who have visited the show and purchased for their firms.

TWO DISTILLERIES FOUND IN BRASSFIELD TOWNSHIP

Deputy O. L. Harrison, with the aid of other members of the sheriff's department, Thursday afternoon destroyed two "dry" distilleries in Brassfield Township. Harrison reported one of the booze kettles was fashioned from a steel drum and the other was of submarine type.

MAYOR AND MRS. HICKS ON AIR TRIP TO FLORIDA

Mayor and Mrs. W. M. Hicks left Monday for a short vacation at Miami, Fla. They made the trip in their two-place Cessna airplane, alternating at the controls of the ship.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arvid Earle Harris, a daughter, Patricia Marie, weighing seven pounds and four ounces, January 17, at Granville Hospital. Mrs. Harris is the former Miss Della Ford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Ford of College Street.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Hobgood of Berea, a son Jan. 16, at Granville Hospital.

LAST DAY

Friday, January 31, is the final day for using 1946 motor vehicle license tags, the Carolina Motor Club reminded yesterday.

Vehicles found in use Saturday bearing the 1946 tags may be ordered parked and pulled in for violation of the Motor Vehicle law, it was said.

Tags are on sale in Oxford at the Parrish-Medford Motors, Inc., building.

Health Work Is Summarized

Heart Disease Principal Cause of Death in County During Year

Approximately 5,600 immunizations were given by the Granville Health Department during 1946, according to the annual report completed the past week by Miss Lucy Webb, department statistician.

The immunizations were 738 in smallpox, 1023 diphtheria, 3591 in typhoid and 289 in whooping cough.

A total of 230 cases were admitted to the Veneral Disease Control Clinic, and 1160 field visits to delinquents.

In tuberculosis control, 312 x-ray examinations were made, 428 nursing visits to cases, and 171 fluoroscope examinations.

In the maternity service, 231 cases were admitted to nursing service, 593 visits were made by nurses to cases and 27 visits were made for midwife supervision.

During the year 1391 field nursing and office visits were recorded in the field of infant and pre-school hygiene and 1458 individuals were examined in school hygiene by representatives of the department, over 300 food handlers were examined, 233 examined for marriage, 41 teachers and 72 children for industry.

In the Sanitation Department, the following summary was given: 15 septic tanks installed; 434 visits to private premises; 23 school inspections; 1700 buildings dusted with DDT; 173 visits to food handling establishments and 45 visits to the laboratory, the following specimen examinations were made: water 10; milk 35; diphtheria 25; blood 1428; gonorrhea 140; tuberculosis 21 and parasites 16.

Diseases Reported

During the year the Department received reports on the following diseases: diphtheria 8; gonorrhea 128; syphilis 102; measles 291; malaria 4; whooping cough 9; poliomyelitis 2; scarlet fever 9; tuberculosis 26; typhus fever 1.

During the year there were 742 live births reported, 334 white and 408 colored, and 228 deaths, 105 white and 123 colored.

The birth rate was 23.2 per 1000 population for whites, 27.2 for colored. The death rate was 7.3 for 1000 population for whites, 8.2 for colored. The infant death rate for whites was 26.9 and 46.5 for colored.

Diseases of the heart were the principal cause of death, accounting for 31 white and 42 colored deaths. Thirteen persons, 11 of them white, died in automobile accidents.

Pneumonia took 13 colored and seven white lives, kidney diseases took four white and 9 colored, cerebral hemorrhage 12 colored and nine white. There were 16 cancer deaths, nine of them white.

There were 28 deaths under one year of age, 19 of them colored, and one death over 100 years of age.

Firemen Called Out Twice On Thursday

The Fire Department went out on two alarms the latter part of the week.

The call early Friday afternoon was for a grass fire burning adjacent to Broad Street residences and along the Southern Railroad tracks. The flames were put out before damage resulted.

Early Thursday night, a truck went out when an automobile, operated by a northerner, passing through the city en route south, caught fire near the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Chapman. The wiring was burned from the machine.

Junius Tillery Is With Citizens Bank

Junius Tillery, Navy veteran who has been an examiner with the State Commissioner of Banks since his discharge, has accepted a position in Henderson as an auditor with Citizen's Bank and Trust Company.

Mrs. Tillery is the former Miss Henrietta Curran and they have a daughter, Dec. Mr. and Mrs. Tillery are continuing to reside here for the present.

The State Department meeting of the American Legion will be held at Carolina Beach June 15, 16 and 17, State Commander William M. York of Greensboro, has announced.

Delegates Named By Farm Bureau In County Meet

Herbert Tilley Reports on His Trip to National Meeting In California

Granville County Farm Bureau members, in meeting here Saturday, named delegates and alternates to the North Carolina Farm Bureau meeting to be held Feb. 2 to 6 in Asheville and heard reports and transacted other business.

President Roy D. Jones presided. During the business meeting, the members adopted a resolution to be offered at the State Bureau meeting, calling upon Congress to return to farmer committee control of the tobacco acreage program.

Sam L. Knott, Dorsey Blackwell, Maurice Puckett, C. S. Puckett, Joe Baker and C. V. Morgan were named delegates to the State Bureau meeting and the alternates are J. C. Adcock, Fleming Knott, Lee Newton, R. T. Eakes, H. B. Tilley and Earl Elliott.

Thomas Allen explained the 1947 farm program, with emphasis on the tobacco program.

Herbert Tilley, one of 369 North Carolina Farm Bureau members to attend the National Farm Bureau last month in California, told of his trip to the West Coast and return. He stated 9000 persons were there from 46 states. The program of speakers included a number of political big-wigs, Senator Russell, Chairman Hope of the House Agriculture Committee, President O'Neal of the National Farm Bureau and others.

Even at the time when North Carolina tobacco growers were feeling the "adjustment" that the speakers told the convention was on the way, it was pointed out at the convention that a measure of protection was provided for farmers in the Steagall Act, which will keep farm prices at 90 per cent of parity for the next two years.

Emphasis also was placed upon the development of new uses for agricultural products and for the development of new foreign markets, Mr. Tilley said.

The 17-day trip of the Tar Heel delegation was interesting from the start to the finish. Mr. Tilley reported to the Granville meeting Saturday. Visits were included to New Orleans, San Antonio, El Paso, Grand Canyon, Los Angeles, Salt Lake City, Reno, Denver, St. Louis and other cities.

In Los Angeles, the entire North Carolina party was entertained by Kay Kyser at a banquet attended by a number of movie and radio celebrities. Dennis Day sang for the party and Kay Kyser put on a booster program for the North Carolina Good Health program, which he is currently backing 100 per cent.

Committeemen In Granville Meeting

Detailed Explanation of 1947 Farm Program Given At Session

Community committeemen representing 16 communities of the county were here Friday morning for an Agricultural Conservation Association meeting at the Agriculture Building.

Detailed explanation of features of the 1947 program was given by Roy D. Jones, Thomas Allen and Wilbur Yeargin, members of the County Committee, and G. L. Catlett, secretary of the County Committee.

Announcement was made at the meeting that farmers who are planning permanent pasture improvements during the year should make early provision for carrying out their plans.

An extreme shortage of fertilizer and of necessary seeds is now in prospect, Thomas Allen said.

Roland Wilson Is To Enter Gloves Tourney

Sponsored by Oxford Lions Club, Roland Wilson will enter the Golden Gloves Tournament opening in Raleigh this week. Wilson is entering the 170-pound novice class. He also plans to enter the Golden Gloves Tournament in Greensboro later this month. Wilson's first fight in Raleigh is scheduled for Thursday.

Mrs. Fleming Called To Fulton, Kentucky

Mrs. Addie Bullock Nolan, in her 80's, died Sunday in Fulton, Ky., where she had resided for many years.

Mrs. Nolan, whose forebears went from Granville County, was an aunt of Mrs. L. B. Fleming of Oxford. Mrs. Fleming left early Monday by plane from Raleigh-Durham Airport to attend the funeral which is to be held today in Fulton.