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## OAK CITY HIGH SCHOOL HAS BEGUN WORK FOR YEAR

STUDENT BODY CONSISTS OF 200 GRADE PUPILS AND 50 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The formal opening of the Oak City High school took place Monday morning, September 17th, with about 200 grade pupils and fifty high school students present.

Rev. Von Miller conducted the devotional exercises, after which Mr. H. S. Everett, chairman of the school board gave the address of welcome, which was quite inspiring to the teachers. In his speech he stated that the people of Oak City gladly welcome the school faculty and declared that the people stood behind the principal and his staff of teachers for the upbuilding of the school. He especially urged that the patrons of the school cooperate in every way possible to make this the best year yet.

Professor Ainsley responded with a few brief remarks expressing very nicely the sentiment of the faculty as concerning cooperation to make this a most successful year. He further stated that the faculty of the Oak City High school stood ready at all times to be of service to the community in every way possible.

After Professor Ainsley had spoken several members of the school faculty contributed to the occasion.

The audience was first favored with a vocal solo rendered by Miss Nellie Moye, third grade teacher, after which Mr. Paul T. Long, agricultural teacher, in a few well chosen words introduced the department of vocational agriculture explaining first the facts which made possible this work in the high schools of North Carolina. He spoke briefly concerning the purpose, character and growth of vocational agriculture in North Carolina. He stated that his department was organized not only to benefit the high school pupils, but the adult farmer of the community as well.

The next item on the program was an instrumental solo by Miss Sallie Adams, the talented music teacher, after which Miss Marjorie Englund, home economics teacher, in a very appropriate manner introduced her department. Miss Englund first stated that the work of her department would be divided into two semesters. For the first semester, cooking, and for the second, sewing and millinery. She then gave a brief outline of the work to be given this year, and in conclusion called the attention of the audience to the fact that Oak City will have the very best equipment possible for this work. After Miss Englund's talk the audience was again favored by a violin solo rendered by Miss Gladys Foy, a member of the high school faculty, who played her favorite piece of last year.

We were fortunate in having with us at our opening Supt. R. A. Pope who made us a fine talk. He called attention to the excellent opportunity of the school faculty for work here. He especially urged that we make every effort to cooperate and pull together. He urged that pupils make use of the opportunity offered them here so that they may some day become leaders in the community and state. He closed his talk by telling a bear story for the benefit of the little folks which brought forth much laughter and applause.

At the conclusion of Superintendent Pope's talk, Mr. J. H. Ayers presented all the school children and the faculty with complimentary pencils which we are sure were appreciated by all.

We were glad to have at our opening many visitors and former pupils of the high school. We were likewise pleased to see many of the parents here to attend the opening of the school.

We cannot help but feel that we had a very good opening and that the prospects are for one of the most successful years in the history of the school.

**COTTON FARMERS ARE MORE INTERESTED IN COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION**

RALEIGH, Sept. 20.—Increased interest in the orderly marketing idea is evidenced by the fact that numbers of farmers are signing contracts to deliver cotton to the North Carolina association. The field service department reports several hundred new members last week.

During the recent eruption of Mount Etna, a Sicilian peasant dug a hole in the outer crust of the cooling lava until he reached the almost boiling lava below. He lowered a pan filled with water, which was thus heated to a point where it could cook food. He then proceeded to prepare a meal for himself and other refugees.

## SHERIFF ROBERSON HAS AN INSTINCT FOR LOCATING WHISKEY STILL

Appears That He Scented Them Miles Away, and Then Just Goes and Gets Them

Sheriff Roberson reports that when he returned from capturing a still in the Poplar Point section Thursday, he smelled smoke and returned, going the river road route, and when he reached Meadows and Staton's Sunny Brook farm found, at the back of the farm, a copper still running with all accessories; about 5 gallons of rum, a few barrels of molasses, beer and such other things as are generally found around such quarters.

There were one white man and several negroes on the job, all of whom got ran the sheriff and his two deputies, and making their escape.

## STATON GINNEY HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY OVERHAULED AND MODERNIZED

Electric Equipment Has Been Installed With New Gins and Other Modern Equipment

In this issue of The Enterprise Mr. J. G. Staton announces the opening of his thoroughly overhauled and modernized gin, under the efficient management of Mr. N. J. Danie's, who has been serving the people of this section in this capacity for the past several years, giving satisfaction in every transaction.

Mr. Staton has spent several thousand dollars this summer on his gin, and the factory expert who installed the new machinery states that he has a good equipped gin as can be installed, having the most up to date and modern machinery that has been manufactured to date.

In addition to the new machinery installed, Mr. Staton has installed an electric motor furnishing power for the gin, which will eliminate any loss of time that may have been experienced in the past in waiting for the freeman to get up the proper amount of steam to pull the machinery. Now that he has installed electric power, customers of his gin will receive the most prompt service that is enjoyed anywhere, even before the season fully opens, requiring the operation of the gin all day. The capacity of the gin has been increased to 48 bales a day, which will care for the needs of the farmers of this section promptly when their cotton is carried to the gin.

## GENERAL FISHING TO BE AT THE ROCKY MOUNT FAIR FOR THIS SEASON

Association Has Made Strenuous Efforts to Give Rocky Mount the Best Fair in History

In this issue of The Enterprise the Rocky Mount Fair company announce their show at Rocky Mount to be on exhibit four days, October 2nd to the 5th, inclusive, during which time they will have the best exhibition of the kind ever presented at Rocky Mount. On Wednesday, October 3rd, General John J. Pershing, the hero of the World war, who was unanimously backed and supported by the sons of the United States, who broke the Hindenburg line, will be at Rocky Mount and will take part in the exercises at the fair grounds that day. A number of Martin county boys who served with him in France will doubtless be there to greet him, with the thousands from other sections.

The fair program has been carefully arranged, and amusements and shows of every kind have been secured in addition to the regular exhibit presented by the farmers and others of the section.

## SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. M. R. Chambers, pastor, Sunday school at 9:45 a. m.; Mr. J. E. Pope, superintendent.

Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject: "Religion in the Home." This is the first of a series of sermons on the general theme, "Practical Christianity."

At 4 p. m., the pastor will preach at Vernon. This is the opening service of the revival at that place. Epworth League Monday, 8 p. m., prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. These services are still being conducted by the laymen of the church.

## WHITAKERS-BULLOCK

Married Wednesday, September 19, at the court house in Williamston, by Rev. A. V. Joyner, Mr. J. G. Bullock and Miss Bettie Whitakers, of the Cross Roads section of Martin county. The many friends of the young couple wish them many long years of happy married life.

## WHY SHOULD PRICE OF RAW TOBACCO GO UP AND DOWN?

THE MANUFACTURED PRODUCT PRICES REMAIN ABOUT THE SAME ALL THE TIME

Eastern Carolina tobacco sales are rather disappointing to the farmer at the present time.

When the markets in eastern Carolina opened there was a feeling of inspiration among the farmers, however, when prices began to sag and drag the farmers put on a tinge of blue and spoiled the bright smiles.

We cannot venture a reason for the drop in prices. We hear several reasons assigned; all may be true; some may be true, or none may be true.

One thing we do know, however, and that is that the farmers tobacco changes prices several times during each season; generally every day, and certainly every week. But the manufacturers' tobacco prices are as unchangeable as the laws of Medea and Perselus.

Brown's Mule, Apple, Peach, Sun Cured, and all the rest sell at the same they did last year. Chesterfields, Camels and other cigarettes, the same as a year ago. Railroad Mills, Ralph's Scotch and other brands of snuff just the same.

No prices changed on the manufactured goods—All the changes are thrown on the neck of the farmer.

The man who raises tobacco has nothing to do with the price, the man who uses tobacco has nothing to do with the price. The man who sells the raw product gets the low price, and the man who buys the manufactured product pays the high price. This would not be so had our Carolina farmers if they were trading with our own people, but we supply the world and do not get the profits.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL HAPPENINGS OF BATT'S CROSS ROADS SECTION

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Leggett visited their daughter, Mrs. A. C. Manning Sunday.

Mrs. W. A. Leggett is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Wynne of Everett.

Mrs. A. S. Leggett is visiting relatives and friends in Williamston this week.

Quite a number of people attended the revival at Everett from this section.

Mr. C. H. Roberson motored to Washington Monday evening on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gray of Robersonville spent Tuesday and Wednesday night with Mrs. John H. Leggett.

Miss Bettie Rawls of Kinston is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Mr. James W. Harris spent Sunday in Everett.

## YES, WE HAVE NO PRESERVES

With the canning and preserving season nearing its close, many housewives find themselves without their customary supplies of jellies and preserves because the price of sugar combined with the high cost of fruits has made these little luxuries prohibitive. While sugar has been selling for the last several weeks at 8 1/2 cents a pound, retail, compared with 11 and 11 cents earlier in the summer—before the time for canning and preserving—this figure was still too high to justify a large use of sweetening in the making of jellies, jams and conserves.

The effect of the profiteer's tariff on sugar is to be observed even in the recent price of 8 1/2 cents. A duty of 1.7648 cents a pound on Cuban raw sugar becomes 2 cents a pound by the time it reaches the consumer. The retail price of sugar was the tariff and the pyramiding not included, would be only 6 1/2 cents a pound instead of 8 1/2 cent a pound.

"Candidate" is, originally, a Latin word which means "white." With the ancient Romans, at election time, the ones who were running for office wore a "togas candida," a white mantle emblem of the purity of their political intentions. A herald announced to the voters gathered in the forum "Ius rei agitur" (your interests are to be attended to!); and then the tribunes took each candidate by the hand and led him around, presenting him to the crowd.

Leap's prolific, purple straw, and Fulcaster are three varieties of wheat best suited to North Carolina. Fulghum, speller and red rust proof are the best oats, and Abundant rye is the best variety of rye to plant, feeds C. B. Williams of the State college.

## CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS AND THE GOOD ROADS

Real Highways Mean Education in the Rural Districts of Every State

The "little red school house," good as it is, is not as good as the "big red school house." States which have experimented in rural districts with the "consolidated" schools (sometimes called "union schools" or "centralized schools") report a great gain in education at little or no increase in the cost.

The "consolidated school" takes the place of half a dozen or more "little red school houses," collects the several teachers, libraries and facilities under one roof, and brings the children to and takes them from such schools via county operated motor buses, horsedrawn vehicles or trolley cars.

The consolidated school flourishes where good roads are. It cannot be established where are only the poor roads.

The superintendent of public instruction in the state of Washington sets forth as the advantages of the consolidated school, that it provides a better school plant, i. e., makes possible the erection and maintenance of more modern school buildings and school equipment. It enables the district to increase the teaching staff and to obtain better trained teachers, and gives the rural community the advantages of the uniform graded school. It makes possible the establishment of high school courses, and in many instances, enables the rural district to erect a modern high school building.

It provides special work, such as manual training, domestic science, etc., in the rural community, and, finally, the consolidated school increases community interest in community activities by providing a central meeting place under attractive surroundings, making the school the center of the community circle.

## NEW TYPE FORDS ARE A COMMON TOPIC IN MARTIN COUNTY

Meet With the Approval of All Who View Them. Believed to Be A Improvement

The first of the new type Ford cars which recently arrived in this city are now at the show room of B. K. Jamhill, local Ford dealer.

The high radiator, now standard in all Ford types, has brought a general improvement throughout the entire line, and the new radiator apron blending with similar apron effects on the ends gives the front of the cars a highly finished appearance.

The touring car shows improvement decidedly, having a more stream line effect. It is lower in appearance, and adding much to the attractiveness of the slanting windshield and the man top.

The Ford runabout is likewise much improved and looks more sturdy.

The coupe is entirely new in body design and construction. There is more trim exterior appearance, more comfortable seating arrangement, and greater luggage carrying capacity. The doors are wide and heavily framed. A larger compartment at the rear gives increased room for luggage, and the new type rear fender is more secure. Ventilator in the cowl and a vistor over the windshield add to the exterior appearance, effecting a high quality aspect.

Interior management is most convenient and the upholstery is choice. The seat is deeply cushioned and the cushions are divided making it easy or filling the gasoline tank which is under the seat. A small recess shelf at the rear of the seat is handy for small parcels. The door windows are equipped with revolving type window regulators permitting desired ventilation. The doors are provided with locks.

The higher radiator has greatly enhanced the beauty of the Ford four door sedan. This car, highly popular since its introduction a year ago because of its low, graceful lines, now presents a more sturdy appearance.

Another feature coming as the result of the change made in the front of the car, including larger cowl, radiator and hood, is that occupants of the front seat are afforded more space, thus insuring added riding comfort.

Many other little improvements and refinements are noticeable including revolving type window regulators for all door windows and a dome light for illuminating the interior.

The new cars will be on display at the show rooms of B. R. Barnhill for the next few days, but not longer as his sales are equal and above his receipts, requiring only a few days to deliver a shipment.

Wanted—100,000 pounds of scrap. The Farmers Warehouse, Williamston, N. C.

## SHERIFF AND HIS DEPUTY SEIZE A STILL THURSDAY

WAS IN FULL BLAST, BUT OPERATORS MAKE GOOD THEIR ESCAPE

Sheriff Roberson and Deputy Peet bagged a fine still, red hot and running, yesterday. The wind swung around from the Poplar Point direction and the officers detected the odor and at once set out in pursuit.

They found the outfit about 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, attended by three white men, but owing to the nature of the woods, could not get near enough to arrest the manufacturers, but got near enough to identify them before they ran off.

Much complaint has reached the sheriff principally from the women of that section, of the manufacturing, selling and drinking going on in that section which resulted in the sheriff making more strenuous efforts to get at the source of the trouble, resulting in the find yesterday.

The still was one of the largest that has been found in this county. It was one of the full copper type but new in shape, resembling a submarine with the ends cut off.

The sheriff could not tell whether it was on the Speight farm or on the Ashley Cromwell land; it seemed to be near the line.

## CITIZEN'S MEETING POSTPONES FURTHER PAVING OF STREETS

SENTIMENT DIVIDED THOUGH MAJORITY IN FAVOR OF POSTPONEMENT

At the call of Mayor John L. Hassell and the councilmen, the citizens of Williamston met at the court house Tuesday night to discuss the question of further street paving, and the paving of the sidewalks of the town.

After a full and free discussion it was decided to postpone further street building for the present.

The meeting was called by the councilmen only for the purpose of ascertaining the wishes of the people upon a petition to pave Houghton street, which is the Williamston-Hamilton State highway, and about seven miles of sidewalk.

A large number of the citizens present were of the opinion that the people at large were burdened enough at present with taxation, and did not feel that it would be a wise move to make the proposed improvements and raise the tax rate in Williamston at the present, which was the main and principal reason for the improvement program being postponed.

In a few more years, if no complications arise, and the people of Williamston become more adjusted to the burdens they are now carrying, and have adjusted them so as not to feel a burden, this program will doubtless be carried out with other additional ones.

## SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

A. V. Joyner, pastor

Sunday school 9:45 a. m., J. C. Anderson, superintendent.

If you are not connected with any other Sunday school, we have a place for you. Come and bring the children.

Sermon by the pastor 11 a. m. Subject: "The Church Brethren."

At 3:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon the pastor will preach at Biggs School house. Beginning with Monday evening at 7:30 the pastor will preach each evening throughout the week in a series of meetings. All the people of the community are cordially invited to attend.

Sermon by the pastor 7:45 p. m. Subject: "Christ's Love." This will be a series of sermons on "The Real Christ."

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45.

An old Roman poet once said, "All our sorrows spring from forgetfulness of God."

The man who does not attend church is apt to forget God. To all the services of our church, we give you a cordial invitation.

Major Henry H. Curran has been appointed immigration commissioner at Ellis Island to succeed Robert E. Tod, who has resigned. Major Curran is 45 years old and a graduate of Yale university and of the New York law school. At one time he was a reporter on the New York Tribune.

Major Curran was with the A. E. F. and in 1919 he was chosen by the republicans to run for borough president of Manhattan. He was elected the first man ever put in that office as a straight G. O. P. ticket. He is a writer and lecturer on politics.

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## SMALL AUDIENCE HEARS GOOD ADDRESS AT THE LOCAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Address Was Very Inspiring and Instructive to Those Who Heard It

Rev. M. E. Cotton made a temperance lecture at the Baptist church on Wednesday night. The attendance was small, but the address was good.

The disposition to let things drift is one of the weakest points in the American people. It is the disposition of our folks to fix things and turn them loose.

We have passed temperance laws that surpass any other that have been put into operation by any country from a point of perfection. Now the liquor people are not looking for all the liquor back, and are not asking for it; they say just a little bit will do, but the temperance forces know that modification means destruction to the whole structure, and while the temperance laws are badly abused our people cannot afford to lay down and let the germ virus and the Irish beer drinkers flood this country with legal liquor.

Illegal liquor does far less harm than legal liquor. To legalize liquor involves all the people; it poisons the heart of the whole system. If we are to have liquor, let it be illegal.

## FORT BRAGG DAY AT EXPOSITION WILL BE ONE OF INTENSE INTEREST

Activities of Army Life Will Be Demonstrated By Company of Troops From Fort Bragg

CHARLOTTE, Sept. 20.—Fort Bragg Night at the Made in North Carolina exposition, October 3, will be one of the most interesting programs ever set out in this city, when visitors to the exposition building on Park avenue will witness various drills, first aid demonstrations, defense against knife and pistol attacks, mass athletics, and see the system of boxing training as it is in use in the regular army. The exhibitions will be staged by Battery D, from Fort Bragg, one of the crack artillery organizations in the United States army. A number of fast bouts will be staged in the two hour show at the exposition building.

The big boxing carnival between boxers of Battery D and amateurs will be put on at the city auditorium Thursday, September 27.

Battery D, 5th Field artillery, which will arrive here Saturday from Fort Bragg is the oldest field artillery unit in the United States army, its history dating back to January 6, 1776. It was originally commanded by Alexander Hamilton in the Revolutionary war. Its colors have been flown in every war in which the United States has participated. During the world war the battery was a member of the famous First division. Many of the men coming here have been with the battery for years. In command will be Lt. W. S. Bryant, who will be assisted by Lts. Mason Wright, D. A. Deans, Harry Lee and R. G. Duff.

Radio fans will find much to their liking at the model camp at East boulevard and Springdale avenue. An army broadcasting and receiving set will be on exhibition and daily radio concerts will be on the program. The public is invited to attend these and inspect the Army radio equipment.

## GRIFFIN-EDMONSON

Miss Helen Griffin became the bride of Mr. Kinzie Edmondson at the court house on Wednesday, September 19th. Rev. A. V. Joyner, pastor of the Memorial Baptist church here, performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Edmondson is the daughter of Mr. Will Griffin of Hamilton, and Mr. Edmondson is the son of Mr. Tim Edmondson, also of Hamilton.

## CONETOE LOSES ONE OF ITS PROMINENT CITIZENS

Mr. N. B. Dawson Passes Away After Long Illness. Was First Truck Farmer in This Section

Mr. Nathan B. Dawson of Conetoe died at his home Tuesday night and was buried Wednesday.

He had been near death's door for months, and his friends were prepared for the announcement of his passing away.

Mr. Dawson was one of Edgecombe's leading citizens; he was a good farmer and for years was the leading merchant in Conetoe.

He specialized in the growing of truck and vegetables for numbers of markets and was one of the first farmers of this section of the state to take up this type of farming.

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## MARTIN COUNTY GETS PRAISE FROM RELIEF CHAIRMAN

COL. BELLAMY PRAISES MARTIN NEAR EAST RELIEF WORKERS

Martin county raised \$372 for the Near East relief this year, according to official figures just announced from Raleigh by Col. Geo. H. Bellamy, the state chairman of this great humanitarian organization. This is 19 per cent of Martin's \$1,980 quota.

In announcing these figures, Col. Bellamy paid tribute to Hugh G. Horton of Williamston, county chairman, who was in charge of raising this sum and all of those who helped Mr. Horton. Official figures were \$75.50 in cash, \$79.00 in unpaid pledges on June 30 last, and \$217.50 in clothing. Mr. Horton had many difficulties to overcome, the foremost of which is the misconception in the public mind as to the continued need in the Bible lands.

As the Near East relief, in its definite child saving program, works from year to year, results of work from July 1st to the following June 30th only are announced. During the past fiscal year, Mr. Horton endeavored to raise the \$1,980 required to feed, clothe and educate the 33 little children now in North Carolina orphanages in the Near East, and dependent upon Martin county for their very lives. Sixty dollars takes complete care of a child for a year, so efficient is the work of the Near East relief overseas.

The report also shows that North Carolina greatly over-subscribed its quota. Over 1,000 volunteer workers, good Christian men and women, marshalled together and directed by Morris A. Beale, state director, made possible the raising of this magnificent sum. Colonel Bellamy declared:

"I stressed the fact that the end of this great work is not yet in sight. The Allied powers make some provision for these homeless Christian wanderers, who make such great and successful sacrifices during the world war, and were abandoned to a fate worse than death by their former allies—they cannot become self-supporting.

The spectacle of an entire nation being saved by another people, 3,000 miles away is without parallel in history. Colonel Bellamy points out. In conclusion he declared that if America does not feed them and keep them alive now, they will starve and our splendid work of the last five years will have been in vain. No other nation in the world appears to be humane enough or Christian enough to do this, he stated.

## ORGANIZATIONS ARE TOGETHER ON PLAN FOR HEALTH

THIRTEEN NATIONALS WOULD HAVE EVERYBODY EXAMINED ON HIS BIRTHDAY

The idea of having a thorough physical examination ever so often as a means of staving off the more serious diseases and thus prolonging life has not been abandoned, on the contrary it has gained strength. Now the idea has the backing of the National Health council, a combination of the thirteen greatest health organizations in America.

So convinced is this group of active health associations that the periodic health examination is one of the best methods yet devised for preventing sickness and death, and at the same time for increasing one's happiness and usefulness, that it will endeavor in the next twelve months to persuade every person in the United States to be examined by a reputable physician. This is to be done with a view to finding the condition of his health now and determining so far as may be possible what it will be in a few years hence. The council hopes that at least 10,000,000 persons, say 30,000 a day, will have themselves examined during the next twelve months and suggests that every one should be examined on his birthday, if possible.

One of the thirteen health organizations endorsing this plan of having a health examination once a year is the National Tuberculosis association. In this way tuberculosis could be detected in its most curable stage.

The North Carolina Tuberculosis association approves of this method most heartily, as does the North Carolina sanatorium, and they will be glad to cooperate as far as possible in these examinations.

In Chicago 1,285,000 persons or 200,000 families move every year, according to figures compiled by the gas company.

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