

### OXFORD ORPHANAGE GIVES 214 TO SERVICE

#### Some Decorated for Valor, Report Says

The Oxford orphanage, at Oxford, has a record of 71 years of service to the children of North Carolina. Over 5,000 have been cared for and trained. Its graduates and former pupils are in all walks of life and there is no record of a former pupil having been convicted and sentenced for committing a major crime in North Carolina. It is the oldest orphanage in the state, and receives children other than those of membership of the supporting order.

At the present time less than 40 per cent of the population of the orphanage is of Masonic parentage. The home possesses valuable buildings, grounds and equipment and has had no operating deficit for several years.

The annual budget of the orphanage calls for an expenditure of \$170,000. This provides shelter, clothing and food, recreation, heat and light, books, school supplies, health program, staff of trained workers, vocational training in several departments, laundry, repairs and upkeep to grounds, buildings and equipments, and experienced case work for a family of 308 children.

Superintendent C. K. Proctor announces that liberal gifts are needed this year for operating expenses in order to maintain the home.

The Oxford orphanage is more than a philanthropy—it is an investment in the lives of North Carolina boys and girls who would not otherwise have a change. It pays to the state and its citizenship the high dividends in character and trained young people. It is an opportunity today for North Carolina citizens to express in a substantial way their desire to help others.

The orphanages of the state use the Thanksgiving season as an occasion to appeal to the citizens of the state for so much needed assistance. The superintendent of the Oxford orphanage announces that the home is open for visitors each day, and hundreds of North Carolina citizens visit this historic spot every year.

### Santa Claus Really Set to Visit Yanks

A total of 5,338,604 Christmas parcels for men and women in the

armed forces overseas were turned over to the army post office of embarkation by the New York post office during the first half of the 30-day mailing period, the postmaster's office has announced. It was an increase of 3,438,344 over last year, according to the announcement.

### ASSERTS TOBACCO SUPPLY PLENTIFUL

#### Factories Have Big Stocks Now on Hand

Carl T. Hicks of Walstonburg, chairman of the tobacco committee of the State Farm Bureau federation, said last week that despite the absence of some brands of cigarettes "there is no shortage of flue-cured and burley tobacco, and growers can meet all needs for the present demand under the existing control program."

Despite a drop in production in 1943, Hicks said "farmers now have found a power of co-operation in working together in their respective neighborhoods and communities and in accomplishing more with less labor and equipment. Now they are more than able to plant and handle the 20 per cent increased allotment provided by the quota program."

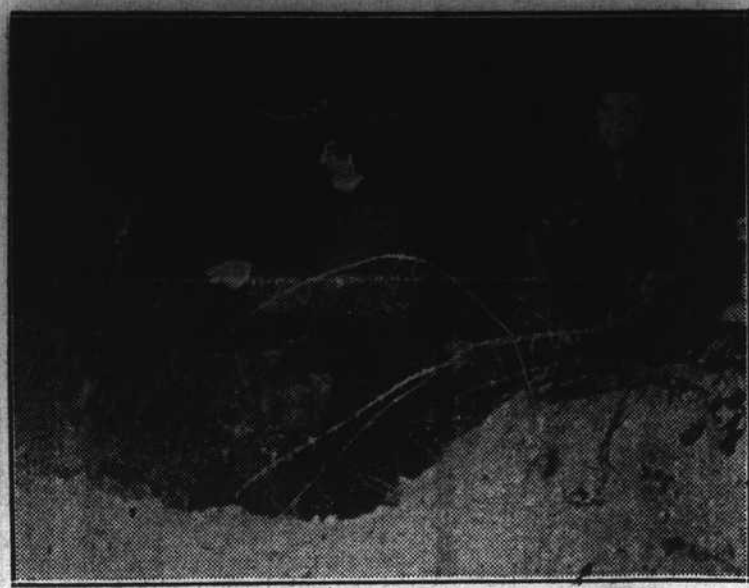
The drop in production in 1943 was due to an urgent demand from the war food administration that less land be planted in tobacco and more emphasis given to the vitally needed food, feed and oil crops.

As a result of being able to grow and harvest the increased acreage, Hicks continued, "the 1944 crop of cigarette tobacco exceeds the current disappearance."

Manufacturers and dealers reported stocks of 1,187,630,000 pounds of flue-cured tobacco on July 1, of which 1,000,000,000 pounds were available to domestic manufacturers. Hicks said that since domestic manufacturers used about 650,000,000 pounds during the year ending June 30, 1944, the July 1 stock represented an 18-month supply.

"The current crop, estimated at 1,047,020,000 pounds, will at least maintain stocks of domestic manufacturers and will likely meet export demands," he said.

Burley stocks of manufacturers and dealers on October 1, the beginning of the marketing year, were estimated at 645,000,000 pounds, while disappearance during the current year probably will total 431,000,000 pounds, he said.



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**WACS DIG THEIR OWN FOX HOLES**—Members of the Women's Army Corps in France find shelter from enemy bombs in deep fox-holes beside their tents. And they do their own digging! Pvt. Eleanor J. Gorman, Glen Cove, L. I., does the shovel work while T/5 Juanita R. Bond, Coastamesa, Cal., arranges the camouflage. (U. S. Signal Corps Photo.)

### CROPS HARD HIT BY SEPTEMBER STORM

The current crop, estimated at 441,057,000 pounds, will be in excess of consumption during the year, he added. "These facts certainly indicate that the present shortage of cigarettes cannot be due to any shortage of tobacco," he said.

### Corn and Cotton Are Heavy Sufferers

The mid-September hurricane, which struck eastern North Carolina, caused vastly more damage to crops than to buildings, in the opinion of J. J. Morgan, N. C. Department of Agriculture crop specialist who returned last Wednesday from a study of crop damage in the affected area.

The 100,000-acre corn crop grown largely for sale in Tyrrell, Chowan, Perquimans, Pasquotank, Camden and Currituck counties was badly damaged, Morgan said, and 25 per cent of the ears are now on the ground. Recent heavy rains have caused extensive sprouting and rotting.

"Even if this corn can be saved, it will be of very poor quality," he said, pointing out that the labor shortage has added to the burden faced by farmers of that section.

Morgan stated that this region had an unusually good cotton crop prior to the storm. The bolls were virtually all open, and the hurricane knocked out 15 to 20 per cent of the cotton, with damage running higher than this on some farms. The storm reduced the grade, and consequently the value, of the crop remaining on the stalk.

The 1,600-acre late snapbean crop in northeastern North Carolina suffered severe damage, too, plants being stripped of blooms and small beans except in a few protected locations. Drowning of portions of fields and stunting of growth has reduced yields prospects appreciably.

Late cabbage grown in this area—around 2,600 acres—came through the hurricane in relatively good condition, but yield prospects were lowered, stands being thinned. Growth since the storm has not been satisfactory.

### Federal Reserve Fund Shows Drop for Month

A decrease in internal revenue

tax collections for September was reported this week by Charles H. Robertson, North Carolina collector who announced a \$6,501,568.62 drop last month from figures for the similar period last year. The \$95,962,314.17 collected during the past month, however, showed a substantial increase over the August, 1944 total of \$80,199,785.10.

Collectors for three months of the fiscal year, beginning July 1, amounted to \$218,926,397.88.

### COTTON LOAN RATE RAISED BY C. C. C.

The commodity credit corporation announced Friday an increase of .53 cents a pound in the cotton loan rate on the 1944 crop, in compliance with provisions of the surplus property disposal act signed by President Roosevelt Tuesday.

The new rate is computed at 95 per cent of parity, compared with the previous rate of 92½ per cent.

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which was established last August 4, under the stabilization extension act. The 95 per cent rate will apply retroactively to all loans made on the 1944 crop.

Under the new rate, the government will lend an average of 20.03 cents a pound, gross weight, for 7-8 middling cotton. As applied to 15-16 inch middling, net weight, the new rate average is 21.93 cents a pound, ranging from a high of 22.47 cents in the concentrated mill area of the Carolinas to 21.26 in Arizona and California.

CCC has announced it will buy 15-16 inch middling during October under the government purchase program, on a gross weight basis of 21.90 a pound.

### EASTERN STORM DOES SOME GOOD

F. E. Miller, director of the test farm division of the state department of agriculture, said that the September storm which swept over eastern North Carolina saved the department a tremendous labor bill, thus adding strength to that old saw that doesn't do anybody some good.

The mammoth old barn at the new Tidewater experiment station was scheduled to be torn down this week. You guessed it—the storm pulled the barn down.

### Used Cars and Trucks to Be Offered in October

Lewis W. Outlaw, chairman of the Duplin county AAA committee advises all persons having filed applications for the purchases of new trucks and had applications turned down, to contact dealers in motor vehicles, as used vehicles of all makes, models and types are scheduled to be offered for sale to dealers during the month of October.

A complete schedule, as to dates and places of these sales has been furnished each local AAA and any additional information will be furnished gladly by these offices.

## Town of Mount Olive

Mount Olive, North Carolina

### ANNUAL REVENUE AND DISBURSEMENT STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1944

#### RECEIPTS

Taxes paid in advance to apply on fiscal year 1944-45	\$ 8,693.45
Current year's taxes, 1943-44	\$18,308.01
Prior year's taxes	6,794.65
Intangible taxes (state)	789.05
Tax penalties	1,680.82

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$27,572.53</b>
Less tax refunds	\$ 379.47
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$27,193.06</b>

Total property and poll tax collected	35,886.51
Privilege and license tax	\$ 3,417.63
Automobile licenses	311.00
<b>TOTAL TAX</b>	<b>\$39,615.14</b>

<b>Non-Tax Revenue:</b>	
Water department	\$12,333.80
Court costs	2,532.29
Sale of cemetery lots	731.04
Other non-tax revenue	1,622.30
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$17,219.43</b>

Paving assessments, sidewalks, 1940	263.10
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$57,097.67</b>

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Administrative expenses	\$ 9,484.69
Court fines paid to state school fund	495.00
Court cost paid to officers retirement fund	574.00
Wayne county health department	870.00
Steel library	300.00
Police department	6,870.46
Water department	5,498.80
Street department	13,486.77
Fire department	1,186.25
Purchase of automobile truck	1,343.86
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$40,109.83</b>

Town Bonds retired during year	\$12,000.00
Interest on bonds	4,560.00
Exchange on bond interest	17.10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$16,577.10</b>

Cash in bank, June 30, 1944	\$ 4,408.46
Cash in bank June 30, 1943	3,997.72
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,406.18</b>

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### CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

#### ASSETS

<b>Current assets:</b>	
Cash, Bank of Mount Olive	\$ 4,408.46
Petty cash	10.00
Paving assessments receivable	5,766.92
Taxes receivable	24,088.95
Accounts receivable	2,311.96
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>32,177.83</b>
Property and permanent improvements	540,358.84
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$576,945.13</b>

#### LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
Accounts payable	\$ 371.90
Notes payable	None
<b>Bonded Indebtedness</b>	
Bonds outstanding	110,000.00
<b>Deferred Credits:</b>	
Taxes paid in advance, year 1944	8,693.45
<b>Reserve:</b>	
Water customers' deposits	1,376.55
<b>Reserve for Current Year Demands:</b>	
Sinking fund contribution	\$2,000.00
Interest on bonds	4,400.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,400.00</b>
Balance of property against which there is no public debt	450,103.23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$576,945.13</b>

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