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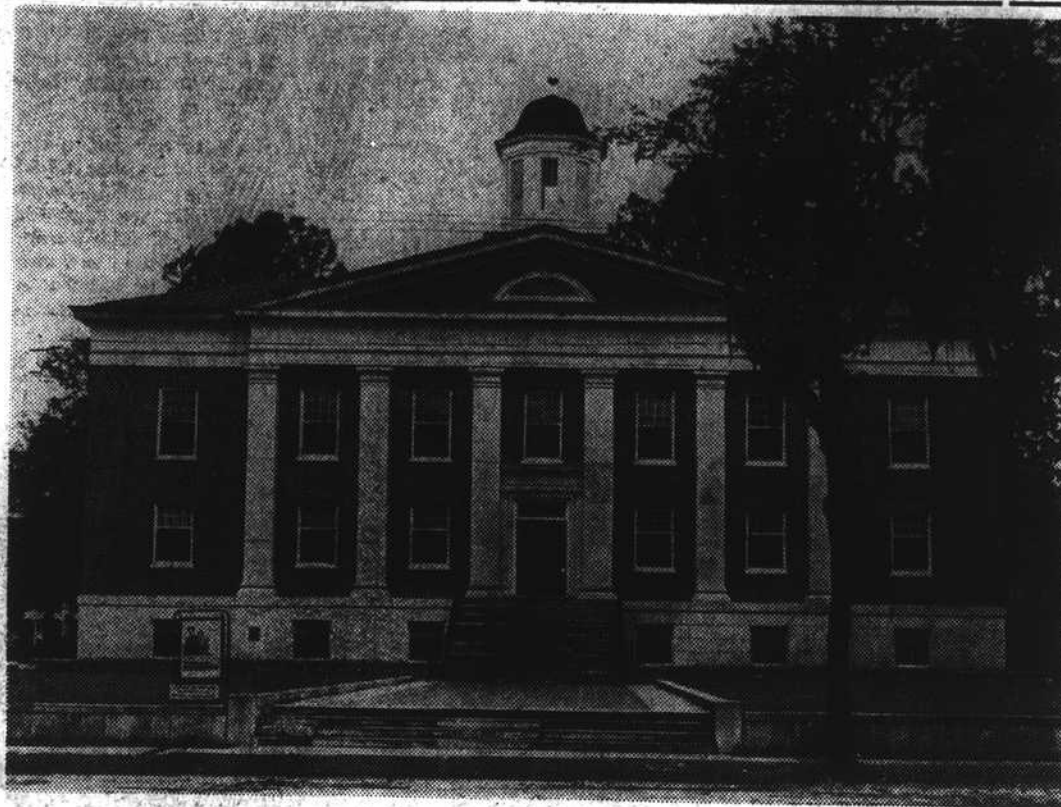
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SOS... PLANTS... SOS

County Agents in Lenoir and Jones Counties have asked that all farmers with a surplus of tobacco plants contact their offices at once so people in the north and western part of the State can be directed to possible sources of obtaining plants which they are badly in need of at this time. Lenoir Agent Joe Koonce says that Granville County farmers are particularly in need of Oxford 26 plants, since that is the only variety that can be planted in that county. Farmers with an Oxford 26 surplus are urged to contact the office of the agent immediately.

POULTRY DISEASE

Assistant Lenoir County Agent Bob Thompson reports that an epidemic of intestinal coccidiosis is plaguing poultry growers in this area. It is possible to prevent this entering a flock, if treatment is begun soon enough and if treatment is started as soon as the disease hits a flock the losses can also be cut to a minimum, Thompson says. Chicks from 4 to 8 weeks old are most susceptible to this disease and the symptoms include bloody droppings and general weak, droopy appearance. SULFAQUINOXALINE used one pound to 100 pounds of mash or used in drinking water as directed by the manufacturer is a certain preventative and good cure for this disease if it is used in time, Thompson points out.



Nobody in Jones County needs to be introduced to this building pictured above. The Jones County Court House is one of the most handsome in the State and in it work the people who run the government of the county. When one is born it is recorded here. When one reaches school age, it is recorded here. When one needs protection from a nuisance or a criminal, it is found here. When one accidentally slips and breaks a law, he also finds an official in this building interested in him. When one buys property, it is recorded here. When one pays taxes, it is recorded here. When one gets married, it is recorded here. When one gets sick, health service can be found here. When one through misfortune of one kind or another becomes unable to care for himself, help

can be found here. When there are children that no one wants to care for, help can be found here. When one gets too old to work and has no income, relief can be found here. When one dies, it is recorded here. One of the principal jobs of the Jones Journal will be to keep the people of Jones County informed on what happens in this most important building in the county. When it's time to list taxes, to pay taxes, to attend court, to see the commissioners, to visit the doctor, to do any of the hundreds of things that can only be done in this building. The success of the Jones Journal to a great degree depends on how well it does the job of telling and interpreting the things that go on under this roof. (Photo by Mary Whitaker Lefew)

BOND MONEY NOTE

Better Schools and Roads, Inc., has announced the breakdown that will be made of the monies in the bond issues that are to be voted on June Fourth. A total of 200 million dollars of road bonds and 25 million of school bonds will be issued if the election carries in favor of the issue. Jones County under the set-up would receive \$86,294 for its schools and \$1,138,000 for secondary roads. Lenoir County would receive \$287,145 for schools and \$2,026,000 for secondary roads. This Saturday is the last day one can register to vote in this bond issue election. If one voted in the last presidential election he is registered to vote in the June Fourth election.

SHERIFF'S ACTIVITIES

During the past week Sheriff Jeter Taylor has made three arrests and with the assistance of Alcoholic Tax Unit Officers Ed Cox and A. E. Bennett and Craven County ABC Officer J. K. Clay, destroyed an 80-gallon copper still in White Oak Township. Along with the still 13 gallons of "white lightning" and 200 gallons of sugar mash were destroyed. Those arrested during the week were Manuel White of Pollocksville on a drunk and disorderly charge and J. V. Mattox and Tommie Smith, both of Maysville, on charges of public drunkenness.

Kinston Meeting To Explain Purpose Of Cotton Classing Need

Recent surveys in this part of the State have indicated that there will be a sharp increase in cotton acreage this year. This trend makes it wise for farmers in the area to organize a One Variety Cotton Improvement Association so they can obtain the benefits of the free Smith-Doxey Cotton Classing Service.

This classing service is not only beneficial in the regular marketing of cotton but is also a great help when farmers want to obtain government loans on their cotton. Before obtaining a government loan on cotton it has to be classed by a board of examiners and unless an association has been set up it is necessary to pay a small fee for the grading.

In order that farmer in this part of the State may know the full particulars about this plan

a meeting is to be held at 7:30 Wednesday night in the Agricultural Building in Kinston when Dan Holler, cotton marketing specialist from State College, will be on hand to explain the program.

PASTURE MEETING

One of the most comprehensive pasture demonstration and meetings to be held in this part of the State in some time is to be held at 10 Thursday on the farm of Joe Moya, Jr., which is three miles east of Farmville on US 264. State College Pasture Specialists and livestock specialists will be on hand to give those who attend this meeting the latest information on the care of pastures and stock.

Traffic Bottleneck In Kinston Area Demands Some Immediate Relief

Not all the posers that that State Highway and Public Works Commission has at present in the Kinston area are bound up in the road bond issue that is to be voted on June Fourth. Kinston represents a traffic bottleneck only slightly less troublesome than New Bern.

New Bern, with great stretches of river to cross with super-extensive bridges, and two major highways (US 17 and 70) is perhaps the number one headache for the bosses in the second division headquarters.

Not far behind is Kinston. The problem is practically the same but the bridges are just a little shorter and consequently less expensive. At present one battered bridge carries practically all of the traffic entering Kinston from the south. The most recent clocking of LaRoque Bridge shows that 6,810 vehicles cross it every 24 hours.

The bridge is safe, insofar as its weight carrying ability is concerned, but it is nowhere near adequate from a traffic engineering point of view. It is such an important part of the highway system in the Kinston area that it cannot be taken completely out of service and the attention it gets has to be given in half sized doses that permit traffic to be maintained on a one-lane basis.

To remedy this unhappy situation there are two projects on tap. The first is of an immediate relief nature and the other is a longer range project that will give permanent relief to the situation at LaRoque Bridge.

Soon to be paved is a road called the Neuse Road, which extends from Highway 70 at a point three miles south of Kinston to the old Port Barnwell road at a

point about five miles east of Kinston. Paving this road will permit traffic to be detoured over Oak Bridge, which is entirely adequate for the job it will be called on to do.

When this road is paved LeRoque Bridge can be taken out of circulation for a long enough period to give it some major repairs. This is the immediate hope of those charged with keeping the traffic moving around Kinston.

Permanent relief is in sight but nowhere as near as this plan explained above.

This project calls for a new bridge across Neuse River at the foot of King Street in Kinston. This would connect with a new road to Pink Hill, Seven Springs and Mount Olive and would make possible the removal of a considerable number of the trucks, buses and automobiles that now use LaRoque Bridge. Added to this in-the-future plan is another bridge across the Neuse in front of Westview Cemetery on US 70 west of Kinston. Erection of a bridge in that area and connecting highways with the area just south of the river where Sparrowsville once flourished would take the heavy summer and Port of Morehead City traffic completely out of Kinston and remove another major fraction of the total number of cars that today are constantly pounding LaRoque Bridge to pieces.

In addition to this minor problem there are 510 miles of dirt road in Lenoir County and if the 200 million road bond issue is passed the Highway Department engineers will have to think up some quick answers for every one of the thousands of people who live on those 510 miles of dirt road.



This is Mrs. Raymond Cox of Pollocksville Route One. Most of the people in Jones County already know Mrs. Cox, but to those who don't this is an introduction of her as Editor of the Jones Journal. Mrs. Cox has had no previous experience in newspaper work but she has a wide circle of friends in every part of the county and is felt to be a person capable of doing a good job of newsgathering for this newest venture in the county. The management of the Jones Journal will appreciate every bit of help given to Mrs. Cox by the county. (Photo by Mary Whitaker Lefew)

BUSINESS IS SLOW!

In the spring everyone knows what one's thoughts are supposed to turn to, but apparently the shortage of tobacco plants and the heavy rains in Jones County during this month have caused the old saying to get off the track. The office of the Register of Deeds reports that up until now in May no marriages have been recorded in his office and no births have been filed. Maybe when all the tobacco gets in the ground things will get back into their regular pattern.

Shipments of Irish potatoes to markets from the commercial producing areas of Virginia and North Carolina will be limited to U. S. No. 1 or better grade and size, as was the case during the 1948 season. This has just been announced, effective May 8.