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Census Returns

Thomasville Made Good Showing

LEADS LEXINGTON IN GAIN.

3,877 Souls Dwell Here—4,163 in Lexington

According to the census returns given out Monday, Thomasville's population when the census was taken was 3,877. The population of this town in 1890 was 590 and in 1900 it was only 751. From 1890 to 1900 our gain was only 161 or an average of about 16 each year. From 1890 to 1910 we made a gain of 3,126 an average of about 312 each year. If the census was taken now we would go beyond 4,000.

Lexington's population is 4,163. In 1890 the population of our neighbor was 1,440, while in 1900 it was only 1,234 a loss of 206 during the ten years. From 1900 to 1910 the gain was 2,929 an average of about 293 each year.

If you are thinking of moving and want to go with the crowd, why come on to our city; you will be welcome. Watch the census returns for Thomasville in 1920.

Denton News.

Mr. Clark Bean, of Thomasville, after spending a few days with his friends here, returned home Monday. He sold his store building to A. G. Morris.

Mr. J. W. Hanner, who is with the Piedmont Railroad Company has been appointed depot agent at Thomasville. Mr. and Mrs. Hanner moved to Thomasville last week. Mr. S. B. Wall succeeds Mr. Hanner as conductor.

Mr. N. E. Norris has moved from Denton to his former home near Lilac.

Mr. Brown, the insurance man has been in Denton on business during the last few days.

Mr. C. H. Surratt has decided to erect a store and put in a stock of goods.

Mr. Harris Johnson recently moved into his handsome dwelling on North Main street.

Mr. W. E. Hill, of this town, and Mr. Pearl Shaw, of near Bomley are going to put a stock of goods in Mr. Hill's store. Mr. Shaw expects to move to Denton in the near future.

Mr. W. L. G. Bingham, the deputy sheriff went to Troy last week on official business.

Miss Mabel Williams, who is visiting in Greensboro, will return tomorrow.

Mr. Albert Cole, of Lick Creek, has entered school this week.

Mr. T. W. Cole, a former student of Denton High School, who is now taking a course in Wireless telegraphy at Charleston, S. C., made a social call here last Sunday. Mr. Cole returned to school on Monday.

Mr. Ranzie Lawson, a school student, returned Tuesday from Winston, where he had been visiting home folks.

The members of the M. P. church will hold a conference to-night after prayer meeting to decide as to whether they will erect house of worship. They will doubtless decide to build.

Rev. D. A. Braswell filled his regular appointment Sunday. After the sermon the church held communion service.

The members of the Baraca class, of the M. P. church have been invited to bring their lady friends to a peanut race at the orphanage Friday night. The event promises to be a delightful occasion.

A company of the students of Denton High School will give the popular play, "Ten Nights in a Bar Room," some time in March. The proceeds will go to the library.

It has been announced that Rev. Swain, the President of the M. P. conference will preach here the first Sunday in February.

The Denton Cornet Band meets for practice on Tuesday and Friday nights. The band is in good order and makes some fine music.

Chicago, Ill.—Millions of pounds of butter, eggs, cheese and poultry held in cold storage warehouses in Chicago will be thrown on the market before May 1, and a general tumbling of prices is expected at once, according to commission merchants. Thirty-four warehouses are said to have forty-four million pounds of butter, eggs, and poultry. The same condition prevails in New York.

A Good Woman Passes.

Mrs. Mary Burgin, Mother of Our Townsman Mayor W. O. Burgin and Mr. R. L. Burgin, Dies After a Lingering Illness.

Mrs. Mary Burgin, widow of the late Merritt Burgin, of Rutherfordton, and mother of our townsman Mayor W. O. Burgin and Mr. R. L. Burgin, died in Charlotte Tuesday evening about eight o'clock, after an illness of several months duration. Her death was not unexpected but it was peculiarly sad. For months and months her condition has been desperate. Her suffering has been long and painful. And hour by hour she has been constantly growing weaker and weaker.

When affliction came upon her, although her bodily frame had become aged and worn, she bravely submitted to the most delicate operation known to surgeons. She was carried to Baltimore where she was placed in a hospital and accorded all the attention that science and skill could give. But her case baffled science and doctors. Nothing could be done, and, realizing this, she returned to Charlotte and remained there until her soul took its flight to the Great Beyond.

This good woman leaves many friends in Thomasville to mourn her death. She spent several weeks here with her sons during the summer of 1909, and while here made scores of friends. She was especially fond of young people and all the young people were devoted to her.

The deceased was a consecrated and consistent Christian woman. She was sixty-nine years of age and was the mother of seven children, all of whom survive to mourn her death. These are as follows: Messrs. W. O. and R. L. Burgin, of Thomasville; S. L. and C. M. Burgin, of Charlotte; F. A. Burgin, of Atlanta, Ga.; J. S. Burgin, Ellersboro, Ga.; and Mrs. John Geiger, of Charlotte.

The remains were laid to rest Wednesday afternoon at her old home in the town of Rutherfordton.

To the grief-stricken members of the family we bow in sympathy and trust that they can draw consolation from the tenderness and sweetness that marked the closing hours of this good woman's days. Heroically and calmly she accepted God's decree and seemed to feel that:

"I shall grow old, but never lose life's zest, Because the road's last turn will be the best."

Bond Issue.

Provide for New State Building—\$1,000,000 Issue.

Raleigh, N. C.—Senator Boyden, of Rowan, introduced a bill in the Senate Tuesday to appoint a building Commission and provide for the erection of an administration building in Raleigh. The bill provides for the appointment of seven business men as the commission and they to supervise the construction of a fire-proof building, to be built on the square north of the capitol. The bill also authorizes the State treasurer to issue bonds not exceeding \$1,000,000 of 4 per cent, these to run 40 years. Senator Boyden says he intends to work vigorously for the bill.

What Others Say of Us.

Thomasville has nothing to be ashamed of on account of its census report. An increase of population from 751 to 3,877 in ten years, is a fine record. Lexington has also done well with an increase of 2,829. —Charlotte Chronicle.

Every good citizen of Lexington and Davison county will rejoice in the showing made by Thomasville, the "Chair City." Ten years ago it was a village of 751 people. Today it is a bustling little city of 3,877. This is indeed a record to be proud of. —Lexington Dispatch.

Lexington and Thomasville have made fine records in population. Thomasville has 3,877, while Lexington has 4,163. Ten years ago Thomasville's population was 750 and Lexington's 1,234. In the classic language of the poet, that is growing some. —Winston Journal.

The Journal made an error, Thomasville's population is 3,877 instead of 3,377.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Chapel Hill—The University of North Carolina wants \$25,000 more income and \$300,000 for buildings from the State.

Sanford—A fire at Sanford last Monday did damage to the amount of \$21,700. Four buildings were destroyed.

Cary—The home of Mr. Seawell Howell, near Cary was destroyed by fire Monday. The loss is about \$100 with no insurance.

Raleigh—It is said that the sentiment of the members of the legislature is not inclined toward the creation of any new counties at this season.

Boston, Mass.—Henry Cabot Lodge returns to the United States senate for a fourth term with the support of 146 out of 270 members of the Massachusetts legislature.

Statesville—Rev. C. E. Maddry, pastor of the first Baptist church of Statesville, has received a call to the first Baptist church of El Paso, Tex. He has gone to visit the church.

Winston—The Minister's Association of Winston adopted a resolution favoring the enactment of a bill to prohibit the sale of near-beer. Copies of the resolution will be forwarded to the representative.

Washington, D. C.—More petitions for the pardon of Chas. H. Morse were received by the Department of Justice Tuesday. They were signed by lawyers, Congressmen, newspapermen, bankers, educators and men of many other professions.

Washington.—The army appropriation bill, carrying 93 million dollars, passed the house today. The passage was preceded by an extended debate concerning the necessity of the country being in readiness for war.

Hartford, Conn.—George Payne McLean, of Simsbury, Republican, was chosen United States Senator from Connecticut for the six-year term beginning March 1 next by the General Assembly Tuesday. He will succeed Morgan G. Bulkeley.

Columbia, S. C.—Cole L. Blease, of Newberry, was sworn in as Governor of South Carolina, last Tuesday. Mr. Blease who has been sick, was rather weak, and the inaugural address was read for him. A considerable portion of his address was devoted to the press, paying special attention to one daily paper which has consistently opposed him. He declared in favor of education.

Shelbyville Ky.—Sunday morning a mob of less than one hundred men broke the lock of the Shelby county jail and took three negroes from the jail and lynched them. One was being held for the murder of his wife, while the other two were charged with assaulting white women. Two were hanged to a bridge near the jail, the third was shot in attempting to make his escape. The mob was very quiet and very few people knew of the lynching until some time after it had taken place.

Asheville—Because citizens had criticized his attempt to enforce the prohibition laws of Canton, Mayor Curtis and the alderman have turned the town over to the critics. Last Monday he summoned a number of prominent persons, Rev. I. B. Abernathy and A. Greyheal being among the number, to appear before him, and be sworn in as special police to hunt blind tigers, to their satisfaction. The mayor says those who know so much about the non-enforcement of the law should have a chance, and he is giving them the privilege.

Oxford—Nathan Montague, a negro was tried for the murder of Mattie Sanders last December. It will be remembered that Montague killed Peyton Sanders, Mattie Sanders and Irene Overton and then burned the house to conceal the crime. Montague was carried from Raleigh to Oxford for trial. He was guarded by 70 soldiers of Company B. of Raleigh, and was met at Oxford by 40 of Granville's Greys. A large crowd was present at the trial but no disorder prevailed. All persons who entered the courthouse were searched for guns. The jury were out just eight minutes. They returned a verdict of guilty. Montague was sentenced to die Feb. 15. He appeared to be unconcerned.

With the Law-Makers.

Bills Introduced Last Week.

Bills Introduced During the Last Week Which are Most Important to Our Readers.

Senate: Reinhardt, of Lincoln: Providing punishment for making false statements to obtain credit. Referred to judiciary committee.

House: Parham, Davidson: Tax laundry wagons in Lexington.

Quickle, of Lincoln: Amend divorce laws so as to make insanity for ten years standing ground for divorce.

Senate: Gardner of Cleveland: Incorporate the North Carolina Interurban Railway Company. Referred to committee on corporations.

Graham, of Orange: Relief of Burlington. Referred to judiciary committee.

McDonald, of Moore: Authorize Sanford to issue bonds to pay indebtedness and install sewerage system. Referred to judiciary committee.

Boyd, of Rowan: Appoint state building commission and provide for the erection of an administration building in Raleigh. Referred to committee on public buildings and grounds.

The Thomasville Baraca and Philathea Union.

The Baraca and Philatheas of Thomasville were favored on Thursday evening of last week with a very helpful lecture in the Main st. M. E. Church on the Baraca and Philathea work of our Sunday Schools, by Mr. Luther M. Teah, field secretary of the world wide Baraca Union, Rev. R. M. Courtney presiding. Special music by the choir. Prayer by Rev. M. L. Kesler. Scripture reading by Rev. P. E. Parker. Two solos, one preceding the address by Mrs. J. F. Hayden, the other followed the address by Miss Ella Lambeth. For more than an hour the speaker held the attention of the congregation as he described the Baraca work. He said in part: The Baraca work has brought great results, he explained how it was human for boys to hate a dull life, they soon grow tired of going to Sunday School and hearing just an opening song, a long prayer and a dull teacher give a little lecture on the lesson, another song and adourment. They will not attend a place like that. The Baraca Class gives them an opportunity to do something and to be somebody in the religious life and to express their own opinions in their own words if they want to. He explained how the Baraca work is based on three principles of "win them to the class, win them to the Church, and put them to work." The work of the class committees was explained by giving an idea of their reports before the class on Sundays. The committees are the hustlers, membership, relief and social. The speaker said a good social committee would draw the young people around the church, and if the church did not do something to entertain them the devil would. This great movement has grown from one class organized at Syracuse N. Y. by Marshall A. Hudson, October 10, 1890 to more than 2700 with a combined membership of over 500,000 which includes Philathea Classes for the young ladies which are based on

Hon. Zeb Vance Walser Interviewed in the Capital City.

He Tells a Representative of the Washington Post That the G. O. P. Should Name a Southern Man for Vice President.

Mr. P. H. McGowan, special correspondent for the *Charlotte Observer*, at Washington, had an interesting article in the *Observer* Monday morning, giving an interview with our countyman, Hon. Zeb Vance Walser, of Lexington. The interview was taken from the *Washington Post*, and ran as follows:

"It will help the Republican party to win the national election 1912, if a Southern man is placed on the ticket as a candidate for Vice President, according to Zeb Vance Walser, former Attorney General of North Carolina.

"I don't know what the Democrats will do in the way of having a Southern man on the national ticket," said Mr. Walser, "but it occurs to me that, if the Republicans will name a man from the South as running mate for President Taft, it will give us a better chance of victory. There is plenty of good material to be had. North Carolina has a number of Republicans who would add strength to the ticket. For instance there is Judge Pritchard. He would make a strong candidate for Vice President. Then there is Representative Morehead, who overturned a Democratic majority of 5,000. If we should go to another State, we might select Gen. Luke Wright of Tennessee.

TAFT STILL POPULAR.

"The result of the election in North Carolina does not signify that the Tar Heel State has gone backward in its fight for Republicanism. North Carolina has always been more or less volcanic in its elections. Mr. Taft is more popular to-day in North Carolina and throughout the South than he has ever been, and this is due in a large measure to the independence he has shown in his appointments. He has convinced the people that he is not a partisan President, but a President for all the people. I do not know how his appointments of Democrats may appeal to the North, but we Republicans in the South admire him for his non-partisanship. His declaration that the South will never give a Republican majority until the question of office holding is eliminated is accepted as a correct interpretation of the situation.

"There will be a pretty fight among the Democrats, when it comes to electing United State Senators two years hence," added Mr. Walser. "Senator Simmons will have formidable opposition from Governor Kitchin, who is an avowed candidate."

Notice!

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the General Assembly of North Carolina now in session, to amend the charter of the town of Thomasville.

W. O. BURGIN, MAYOR.

the same rule. This idea forced itself on Mr. Hudson. His Sunday School was a failure and he saw something had to be done to bring his boys back to Church, he opened a place for the boys and they responded with enthusiasm. Mr. Teah is a native of Davidson county and was reared in Arcadia township. Going North some years ago he was a travelling salesman until Oct. 1900, and since that time he has been Secretary of this world wide movement travelling over 20,000 miles in its interest.

A Good Showing

In this issue we are publishing the standing of each contestant. If you are not in the lead this week, you should see that you are leading the next time. Ask your friend to subscribe and give you their votes. Remember you can get the buggy if you will only do a little work.

The range to be given away in the Contest is sold by the Myers-Green Furnishing Co. Call at their store and look at it.



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Miss Blanche Burgess	510
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Miss Carrie Cox	130
Miss Ida Mae Yow	1,110
Miss Greta Mason	200

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Miss Roxie Sheets	920
Miss Edith Greer	500

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Miss Chapel Surratt	520
Miss Lula Kinney	220
Mrs. Walter Daniel	170
Miss Della Kinney	110
Miss Grace Elliott	640
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Mrs. Clyde Hanner	140
Miss Lola Cranford	120
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Miss Lillian Lentz	500
Miss Willa Warner	1,550
Miss Mettie Peacock	240
Miss Nannie Skeen	930
Miss Genie Garner	190
Miss Edna Snider	530
Miss Lizzie Beck	100
Miss Treva Lanier	213
Miss Laura Hanner	230
Miss Bessie Pope	500
Miss Annie Welborn	510
Sam Smith	100
Miss Emma Thompson	270

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Mrs. Frank Plummer	580
Miss Edna	120
Miss Mand Wall	610
Miss Pearl Green	240
Miss Lula Mottsinger	1,120
Dr. J. A. Dimmette	150

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Grand Prize—This buggy will be given to the one having the largest number of votes at the close of our Popularity Voting Contest. These buggies are carried and sold by the Lexington Hardware Company, Lexington, N. C.