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Our cover photograph is of the officers of the North Carolina League of Municipalities, elected at the League's 50th Anniversary Convention in Asheville in September, 1959. Pictured are, in the usual order, Mayor W. F. Carter of Mount Airy, Second Vice President; Greensboro City Manager Gen. James R. Townsend, President; Charlotte Mayor James S. Smith, Third Vice President; and Mayor W. G. Enloe of Raleigh, First Vice President. For a report on the Convention, see page six.

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THE PLACE OF THE CITY IN THE GOVERNMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA

by
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In the September issue of POPULAR GOVERNMENT the land of North Carolina, the people of North Carolina, and the State of North Carolina, with the evolution of its county subdivisions, were described. The origin and development of the governments of cities and towns of the State are traced here.

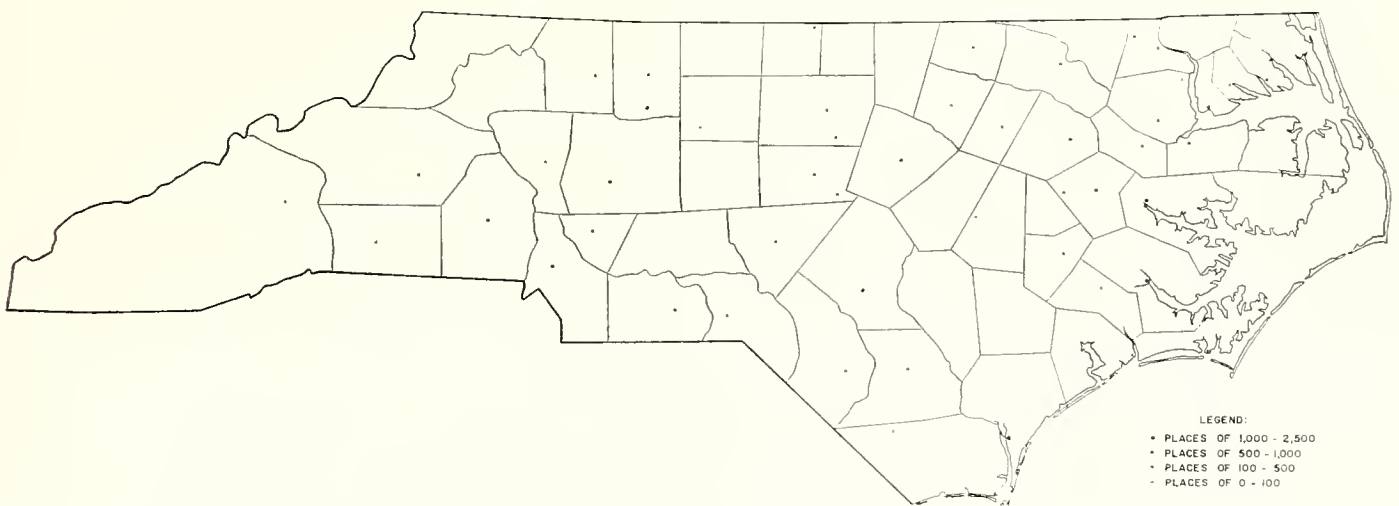
HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

The Charter from the Crown in 1663 authorized the Lords Proprietors to grant "letters or charters of incorporation" to "cities, boroughs, towns, villages . . . with all liberties, franchises and privileges, requisite and useful. . . ." Three towns were planned by the Lords Proprietors for the "County of Albemarle" as "port towns . . . it being of great consequence to the plantation that port towns shall be built and preserved . . ."

Special representatives in the General Assembly.

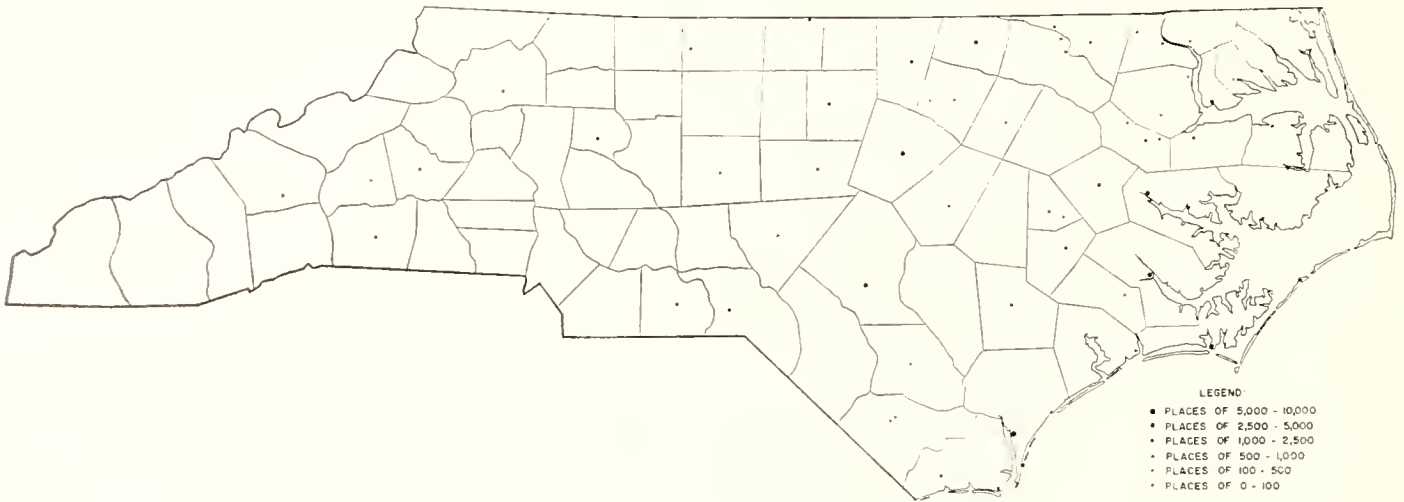
The importance placed upon cities and towns is illustrated by a law passed in 1715, allowing a special representative in the General Assembly for every town having as many as sixty families. At one time or another, as many as nine towns sent their own representatives to the General Assembly to look out for their own particular interests. These special representatives of the towns were eliminated in the 1835 Constitutional Convention, despite repeated and persistent argument that ". . . towns had interests—distinct from the counties in which they were located—often adversary interests—interests of which the agricultural portion of the community knew nothing—which could not be protected by county representation."

Most of these early towns were incorporated for the purposes of trade. Bath Town was located "in not the unpleasantest part of the county," with the thought that "in all probability it will be the



NORTH CAROLINA CITIES IN 1800

Accurate information about the number of North Carolina cities by population class in 1800 is not available. It is estimated that there were four places of more than 1,000 population; four places between 500 and 1,000; and 48 places of less than 500.

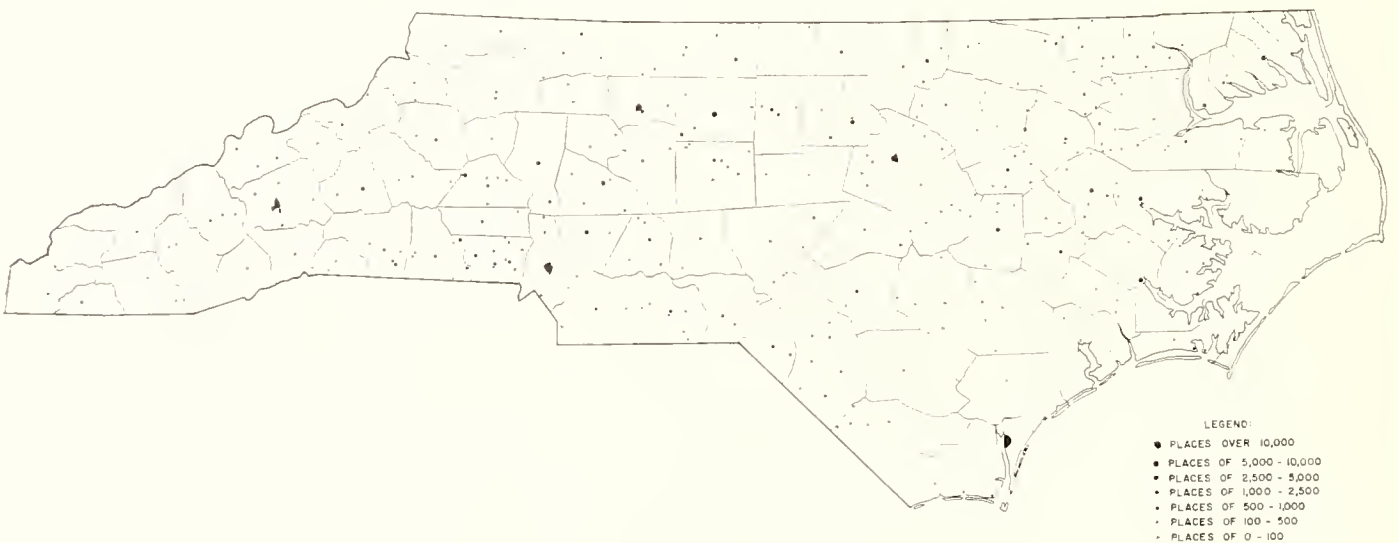


NORTH CAROLINA CITIES IN 1850

Accurate information about the number of North Carolina cities by population class in 1850 is not available. It is estimated that there were 11 places of more than 1,000 population; 14 places between 500 and 1,000; and 38 places of less than 500.

center of a trade," and its charter called for a "market place." Cambellton (Fayetteville) was located near the headwaters of the Cape Fear in the effort to draw trade to the Cape Fear ports from Charleston, where it centered "to the great prejudice of this province." Convenient locations for trade were often found near the mouths of rivers: as Newbern on the Neuse, Edenton on "Queen Ann's Creek," and Wilmington on the Cape Fear; or near the heads of navigation: as Gloucester and Halifax; or at crossroads: as "Newton

... where the road from Salisbury to the Cheraws crossed the road leading from Monks Ferry to Camden, and Williamsborough where the road from Petersburg to Fayetteville crossed the road from Halifax to Hillsborough"; or at county government seats, as Salem, Hillsboro, Salisbury, Charlotte, and Asheville. Another motive for creating towns was suggested by Thomas Miller in a letter to the Lords Proprietors in 1667: "... for we must assure you that it is your and our Concern very much to have some very good Towns in



NORTH CAROLINA CITIES IN 1900

According to the U. S. Census of 1900, there were in North Carolina five places of more than 10,000 population; six places between 5,000 and 10,000; 52 places between 5,000 and 1,009; and 212 places of less than 1,000.

your Plantations for otherwise you will not long continue civilized or ever be considerable or secure . . .”

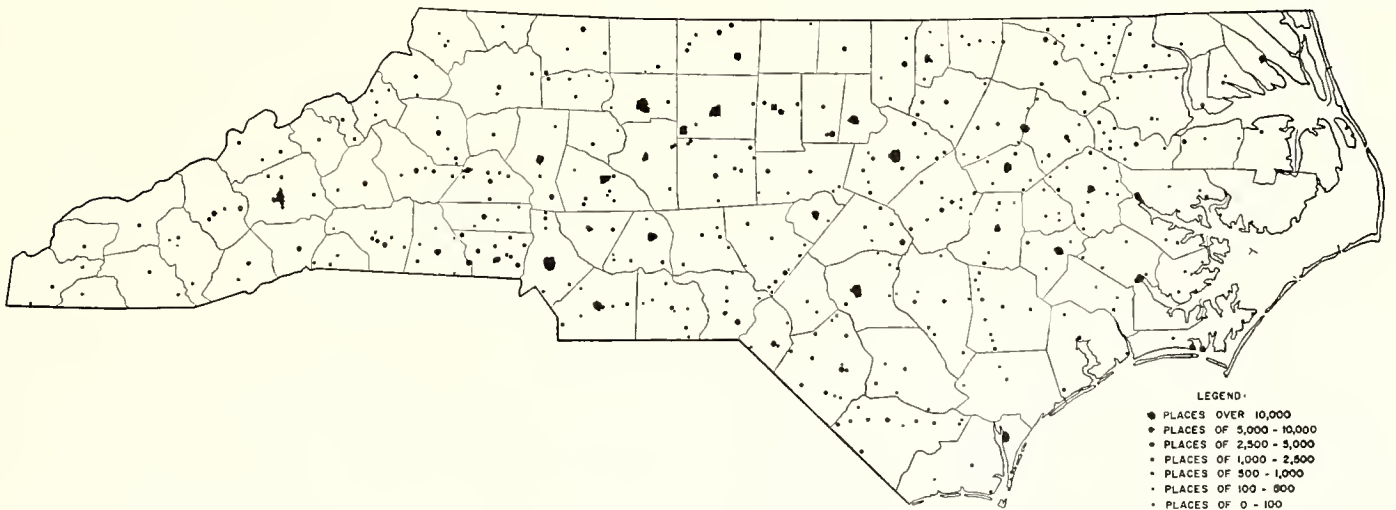
In addition to the need for trading centers, the town and city grew out of the needs of people crowded onto acre and half-acre, or smaller, lots—needs unknown to people living on hundred, or many hundred acre farms. To illustrate: when sparks flying from one man’s chimney started fires on another man’s roof, town people felt a need for fire-fighting services and building regulations which the county never had provided. When a private well and privy for every family on every lot became an economic waste and a healthy living hazard, town people felt a need for a public system of water supply and sewage disposal which the county never had provided. When mosquitoes from a neighbor’s stagnant water, flies and odors from a neighbor’s hog pen or stables, and kitchen refuse in the yards without chickens became next door nuisances with sickness in the offing, town people felt a need for sanitary regulations and garbage collection which the county never had provided. Power to meet these needs, said the Supreme Court of North Carolina, was given to “the citizens of the city or town at their solicitation and for their special benefit and advantage.”

CITY-COUNTY RELATIONSHIPS

Counties came into this governmental picture as administrative units of the State to carry out statewide policies laid down by the General Assembly, rather than as units of local self-govern-

ment. To illustrate: the General Assembly laid down statewide policies for connecting the colony and colonists with roads, bridges, and ferries, and gave the county authorities “full power and authority to make new roads and bridges, and keep in repair the roads and bridges already made, in such places and in such manner as they shall think convenient.” Likewise with statewide policies for common schools. The General Assembly continues to use counties as administrative units of the State: in holding elections; in conducting courts, in running schools; in effectuating statewide programs in health, welfare, agriculture and so on, and as basic units of judicial districts, solicitorial districts, congressional districts, state senatorial districts, apportioning members of the House of Representatives, highway divisions and so on.

Towns and cities came into this governmental picture as units of local self-government to meet the needs of people concentrated in specific spots without regard to statewide policies. But for a hundred years or more they have been steadily taking on the form and substance of administrative units of the State, as they have been called on to furnish people inside town and city limits with services formerly provided by the counties alone, but on a more intensive scale. To illustrate: the county road needed additional improvement when it ran through a more thickly populated town and city, and the town and city took on this portion of the county road as a town and city street. Many people living close together within town and city limits called for more and better police protection than the county sheriff could provide, and the town and city took on this added



NORTH CAROLINA CITIES IN 1950

According to the U. S. Census of 1950, there was in North Carolina one place of more than 100,000 population; five places between 100,000 and 50,000; 23 places between 50,000 and 10,099; 23 places between 10,000 and 5,000; 142 places between 5,000 and 1,000; and 279 places of less than 1,009.

law enforcement burden—at first through the night watch, and then through the town and city police. They called for more and better schooling than the county could afford and the town and city took it on in the special school district—co-extensive with the town and city limits. And so on with other services.

City-county cooperating points have multiplied since the turn of the century, as illustrated by the facts that (1) many counties are paying cities to furnish fire protection; (2) many cities are paying counties for tax listing and tax assessing services and library services for city residents; (3) many counties and cities contribute jointly to lo-

cal hospitals for rural and urban residents; (4) a few counties and cities support a joint Domestic Relations Court to handle juvenile and family problems throughout the county without regard to city limits; (5) and a few are consolidating city and county tax collecting departments and other agencies.

TOWN AND COUNTY COMPARISONS

Fifty-three cities and towns in North Carolina had over 5,000 people living within town and city limits in 1950. It is worthwhile to look at the land area covered by these towns and cities, the number of people living within the land area, and

PERCENT OF COUNTY LAND AREA, POPULATION AND ASSESSED VALUATION WITHIN NORTH CAROLINA CITIES HAVING 1950 POPULATIONS OF 5,000 OR ABOVE

<i>Unit</i>	<i>Percent Land Area</i>	<i>Percent Population</i>	<i>Percent Assessed Valuation</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>Percent Land Area</i>	<i>Percent Population</i>	<i>Percent Assessed Valuation</i>
Alamance Co.				Iredell Co.			
Graham	.55	7.1	8.10	Statesville	1.07	30.0	35.70
Burlington	1.82	34.5	47.34	Mooreville	.68	12.6	13.83
Beaufort Co.				Johnston Co.			
Washington	.22	26.1	32.04	Smithfield	.25	8.5	14.50
Buncombe Co.				Lee Co.			
Asheville	2.29	42.6	45.68	Sanford	1.76	42.6	55.47
Burke Co.				Lenoir Co.			
Morganton	.77	18.1	28.38	Kinston	2.20	39.9	47.82
Cabarrus Co.				Lincoln Co.			
Concord	1.17	25.8	27.48	Lincolnton	.65	19.7	30.52
Caldwell Co.				Mecklenburg Co.			
Lenoir	.88	18.2	33.74	Charlotte	6.13	68.0	67.13
Carteret Co.				Nash Co.			
Morehead City	.19	22.3	28.55	Rocky Mount	.81	23.6	37.74
Catawba Co.				New Hanover Co.			
Newton	1.97	9.8	11.04	Wilmington	5.36	71.9	55.14
Hickory	1.67	23.9	32.61	Orange Co.			
Cleveland Co.				Chapel Hill	.45	26.7	30.05
Shelby	1.52	24.1	32.28	Pasquotank Co.			
Kings Mountain	.86	11.2	11.48	Elizabeth City	.87	52.1	53.21
Craven Co.				Pitt Co.			
New Bern	.66	32.4	44.20	Greenville	.84	26.2	36.57
Cumberland Co.				Randolph Co.			
Fayetteville	2.13	36.2	56.62	Asheboro	.44	15.6	24.67
Davidson Co.				Richmond Co.			
Thomasville	1.09	17.9	20.71	Hamlet	.36	12.8	12.90
Lexington	.97	21.8	28.10	Robeson Co.			
Durham Co.				Lumberton	.54	10.5	22.46
Durham	7.32	70.2	52.64	Rockingham Co.			
Edgecombe Co.				Reidsville	.73	18.1	18.72
Tarboro	.78	15.7	19.31	Rowan Co.			
Rocky Mount	.39	24.9	48.15	Salisbury	1.18	26.7	26.65
Forsyth Co.				Scotland Co.			
Winston-Salem	7.24	60.1	47.84	Laurinburg	1.29	27.1	35.86
Gaston Co.				Stanly Co.			
Gastonia	2.49	20.8	30.75	Albemarle	1.40	31.8	35.99
Granville Co.				Surry Co.			
Oxford	.72	21.0	31.84	Mt. Airy	.45	15.8	24.06
Guilford Co.				Union Co.			
High Point	1.69	20.9	22.07	Monroe	.84	24.1	31.36
Greensboro	7.62	38.9	56.41	Vance Co.			
Halifax Co.				Henderson	2.27	35.3	46.50
Roanoke Rapids	.40	14.0	42.21	Wake Co.			
Harnett Co.				Dunn	.40	13.1	19.90
Dunn	.40	13.1	19.90	Haywood Co.			
Haywood Co.				Waynesville	.79	14.1	14.79
Waynesville	.79	14.1	14.79	Henderson Co.			
Henderson Co.				Hendersonville	.56	19.7	24.55
Hendersonville	.56	19.7	24.55				
				Wilson Co.			
				Wilson	1.82	42.2	58.06

the valuation of real and personal property within this area as compared with the totals for the counties where they are located.

In New Hanover County, Wilmington has around five per cent of the land area, 72 per cent of the people, and 55 per cent of the real and personal property.

In Cumberland County, Fayetteville has a little more than two per cent of the land area, 36 per cent of the people, and 56 per cent of the assessed valuation.

In Durham County, Durham has over seven per cent of the land area, about 70 per cent of the people, and 53 per cent of the assessed valuation.

In Guilford County, Greensboro and High Point have around nine per cent of the land area, 50 per cent of the people, and 78 per cent of the assessed valuation.

In Forsyth County, Winston-Salem has over seven per cent of the land area, 60 per cent of the people, and 48 per cent of the assessed valuation.

In Mecklenburg County, Charlotte has a little more than six per cent of the land area, 68 per cent of the people, and 67 per cent of the assessed valuation.

In Buncombe County, Asheville has a little more than two per cent of the land area, 43 per cent of the people, and 46 per cent of the assessed valuation.

These cities and counties in Coastal Plain, Piedmont Plateau, and Mountain regions illustrate the growing significance of cities and towns in the governmental structure of the state. The fifty-three cities and towns with 5,000 people or more cover 401.6 square miles of land in North Carolina, or less than one per cent of the State's 49,097 square miles; have 1,114,998 people, or 27.5 per cent of all the people in the State; and had real and per-

sonal property valued in 1957 at more than two and three-fourths billion dollars, or nearly 40 per cent of the total valuation of \$6,935,107,301 for the State as a whole. They have 1.7 per cent of the area of the counties where they are located, 38.9 per cent of the population of the counties where they are located, and 47.7 per cent of the assessed valuation of real and personal property.

GROWTH OF CITIES AND TOWNS

The General Assembly incorporated the Town of Bath in 1705 and Edenton, New Bern, Beaufort, Wilmington, and Brunswick in the years that followed. The Census listed 48 towns and cities in 1800, 339 in 1900, and in 1957 there were approximately 412 *active* cities and towns in North Carolina.

These towns and cities vary greatly in population. Among 474 *active* and *inactive* cities and towns, the 1950 Census reports that: twelve had less than 100 people; two hundred sixty-seven had populations from 100 to 1,000; one hundred forty-two had from 1,000 to 5,000 residents; twenty-three had populations from 5,000 to 10,000; twenty had from 10,000 to 25,000; four had from 25,000 to 50,000; four had from 50,000 to 75,000; one had a population between 75,000 and 100,000; and one had over 100,000 residents.

In 1800 the Census records 462,830 people, or 96.8%, living in rural areas, and 15,273, or 3.2%, living in cities and towns.

In 1850 the Census records 828,131 people, or 95.3%, living in rural areas, and 40,908, or 4.7%, living in cities and towns.

In 1900 the Census records 1,572,576 people, or 83.0%, living in rural areas, and 321,234, or 17.0%, living in cities and towns.

In 1950 the Census records 2,401,403 people, or 59.1%, living in rural areas, and 1,660,526, or 40.9%, living in cities and towns.



Principals of the opening session of the Convention view progress on the construction of Asheville's expressway from atop the Battery Park Hotel. (l. to r.) Mayor W. G. Enloe of Ralncigh, Greensboro City Manager Gen. J. R. Townsend, Richard Graves, Executive Vice President of the Philadelphia Development Corporation and Convention Keynoter, Mayor Earl W. Eller of Asheville, and Mrs. Davetta Steed, Executive Director of the North Carolina League of Municipalities.

LEAGUE'S 50th ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION

More than 700 persons attended the 50th Anniversary Convention of the North Carolina League of Municipalities which was held in Asheville, September 27-29, 1959.

In the opening address, President Earl W. Eller, Mayor of Asheville, traced the growth and development of the League from its organization in 1909 as "The Carolina Municipal Association," with only a few cities as members, to its present position as the voice of the municipalities of North Carolina, with more than 350 member cities and towns. Eller noted that the turning point in the League's history came in 1934 with the appointment of its first full-time staff. Growth of the organization both in size and in benefit to its members has been steady since that time. Cited especially for their contributions to the League were its first Executive Director, Patrick Healy, Jr., and its present Executive Director, Mrs. Davetta Steed, who has served the municipalities of the State for 25 years.

The Convention's keynote address was delivered by Richard Graves, Executive Director of the Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation. Graves predicted that North Carolina would experience rapid urban growth as a result of industrialization, but warned that with this growth would come serious troubles for the cities of the State unless there is careful planning and zoning to insure that growth is orderly and that the State's natural beauty is not destroyed.

Financing. Discussions at the opening session of the second day of the Convention centered on finance.

The first speaker was John Alexander McMahan, Executive Secretary of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners. McMahan stressed the need for coopera-



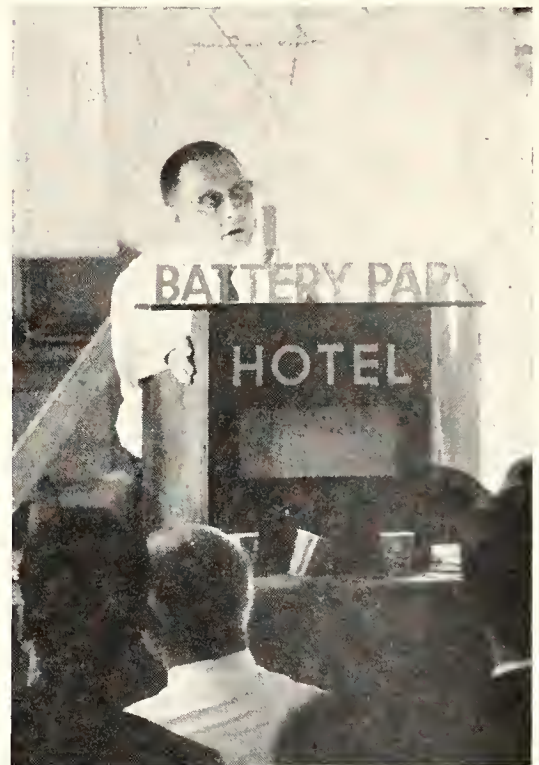
George H. Esser, Jr., Assistant Director of the Institute of Government, discusses financial policies of cities and towns during the Monday morning session of the Convention. To Esser's right are General J. R. Townsend, Greensboro City Manager, and W. E. Easterling, Secretary of the Local Government Commission. John Alexander McMahan, Executive Secretary of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners is on the right.

tion between counties and cities and noted that their real interests are mutual. In discussing the areas of cooperation, he emphasized the need for city-county cooperation in property tax administration and urged the cities to make their needs and wishes known to their county commissioners.

George H. Esser, Jr., Assistant Director of the Institute of Government, was the second speaker. Esser noted the growth facing North Carolina cities and suggested that careful attention to sound financial planning would be needed. To point up the differences in approaches to the financing of major capital improvements, he compared the results which might be expected from marked use of the pay-as-you-go approach as contrasted with heavy reliance on borrowing.

The third speaker on financing was W. E. Easterling, Secretary of the Local Government Commission. Easterling, while observing that North Carolina municipalities are generally in a strong position with respect to credit, emphasized the need for cities to retain adequate borrowing capacity in the years ahead. Easterling also reported that appropriations of the 1959 General Assembly would make it possible for the Local Government Commission to provide cities and towns with assistance in establishing uniform systems of accounting. He observed that uniform accounting would improve comparative studies of municipal operations in the State and would tend to improve the credit positions of the State's municipalities since bond buyers could be supplied with better information.

Highways and Streets. Highway Commission Chairman J. Melville Broughton spoke on the need for cooperation between the Commission and the municipalities of the State in providing better highways. Broughton noted that much of the work of the Commission is of direct benefit to cities and towns. As examples, he cited the residential subdivision policies of the Commission which help eliminate many problems which cities might otherwise inherit when they undertake annexations, the construction of bypasses around cities, cooperation in signalization and traffic engineering on system streets within cities, and aid in making traffic and other studies leading to major thoroughfare plans.

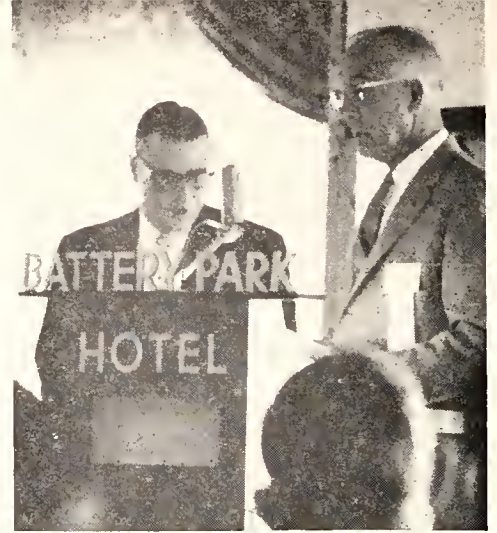


(Top) J. Melville Broughton, Chairman of the State Highway Commission, discusses relationships between the Highway Commission and municipalities.

(Center) Procedures in adopting a major thoroughfare plan are outlined by W. F. Babcock, Director of Highways.

(Bottom) Delegates at the Monday morning session.





Speaking on just one of these activities, the major thoroughfare plan, W. F. Babcock, Director of Highways, outlined the procedure to be followed in the joint adoption of a thoroughfare plan. In sequence, the steps are: (1) the city draws up its thoroughfare plan (based on land development and other trends); (2) the city holds hearings and adopts the plan; (3) the plan is approved by the State Highway Commission; (4) the Commission and the city agree on which streets shall be the responsibility of each; and (5) both parties agree on the priority of improvements.

Federal Legislation. United States Senator B. Everett Jordan opened the third session with a talk on Federal legislation of interest to cities and towns. Jordan noted three primary reasons for Federal programs affecting cities: the presence of military impacted areas, the exploding population with concentrations in urban areas, and the dispersal of industry during and since World War II. He then discussed such Federal programs as aid to airports, the hospital aid program, public housing, flood control and water conservation, and urban renewal.

Patrick Healy, Jr., Executive Director of the American Municipal Association followed Senator Jordan and outlined briefly the more significant actions taken by the last Congress with respect to municipalities.

Annexation. John Morrissey, General Counsel for the League, and S. Leigh Wilson, the League's Assistant Exec-

(Top left) Between sessions, delegates continued with the discussions in smaller groups.

(Top right) President Eller (right) recognizes Mayor Garcer Bagnel of Statesville, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, during the business session.

(Upper center) S. Leigh Wilson, Assistant Executive Director of the N. C. League of Municipalities, stresses the need for planning in connection with municipal growth. To Wilson's left is Mayor James Smith of Charlotte.

(Lower center) John Morrissey, General Counsel of the North Carolina League of Municipalities, discusses the new annexation laws with the delegates.

(Bottom) United States Senator B. Everett Jordan addresses the Monday afternoon session on Federal-City relationships. Mayor W. G. Enloe of Raleigh presided over this session and is shown to Senator Jordan's right. Patrick Healy, Jr., Executive Director of the American Municipal Association, is to the left of Senator Jordan. Healy discussed recent Federal legislation with the delegates.



utive Director, discussed the annexation laws adopted by the 1959 General Assembly, noting that the legislation presented both opportunities and challenges to the cities and towns of the State. Both stressed the importance of planning for growth and the need for a review of present financial policies to make sure that they are realistic in terms of the demands which the cities must meet.

The 50th Anniversary Celebration was held in connection with the Annual Banquet on Monday evening, September 28. J. O. Talley, Jr., City Attorney of Fayetteville and a former president of the League, served as toastmaster. Former presidents of the League who were present were: George W. Coan, Jr., of Winston-Salem (1932-33), Andrew Joyner, Jr., of Greensboro (1934-35), Ben E. Douglas of Charlotte (1937-38), J. E. L. Wade of Wilmington (1938-39), Henry Powell of Henderson (1946-47), Earl H. Tate of Lenoir (1947-48), J. Ray Shute of Monroe (1949-50), Talley (1952-53), J. W. Hoffer of Wallace (1953-54), H. L. Burdette of Greensboro (1954-55) and Marshall C. Kurfees of Winston-Salem (1955-56).

In recognition of her 25 years of devoted service, Mrs. Steed was presented a handsome diamond and platinum watch by the Executive Committee of the League. In making the presentation, Mayor W. G. Enloe of Raleigh, Vice President of the League, expressed the League's appreciation for Mrs. Steed's work and noted that she had made the job of all North Carolina city officials easier.

Joe Berrier, Street Superintendent of Winston-Salem, received the George C. Franklin Award in ceremonies at

the Banquet. Berrier received the Award as a result of being named the outstanding member of the Fifth Annual Municipal Administration Class conducted by the Institute of Government. The award is made by the League each year in memory of George C. Franklin, its former General Counsel.

(Above) The Finance Officers hear from (left) W. E. Easterling, Secretary of the Local Government Commission, and (right) Henry W. Lewis, Assistant Director of the Institute of Government. Ralph L. Dixon, Finance Director for Winston-Salem and President of the Finance Officers Association, presides.

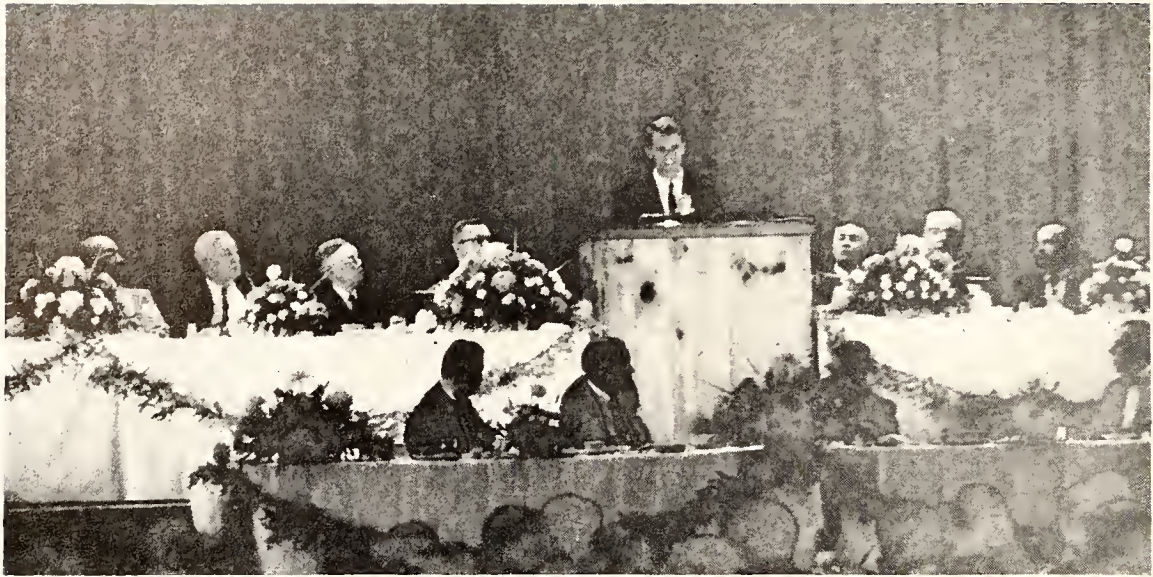
(Below—top left) City Planners listen to J. Ben Rouzie, City-County Planning Director for Winston-Salem and Forsyth County.

(Below—top right) Jim Carter, City Manager of Gastonia (right) presides over the Managers' session at which Gen. James R. Townsend, City Manager of Greensboro, and Milton S. Heath, Jr., Assistant Director of the Institute of Government, discuss the implications of the small watershed enabling legislation for cities and towns.

(Below—bottom left) Rupert L. Benson, Wrightsville Beach Clerk, and J. P. Franeis, City Clerk of Concord, at the group session for Clerks.

(Below—bottom right) Discussion of annexation problems continued in the group meeting for governing board members of smaller towns. Here, John Morrissey, League General Counsel, speaks.



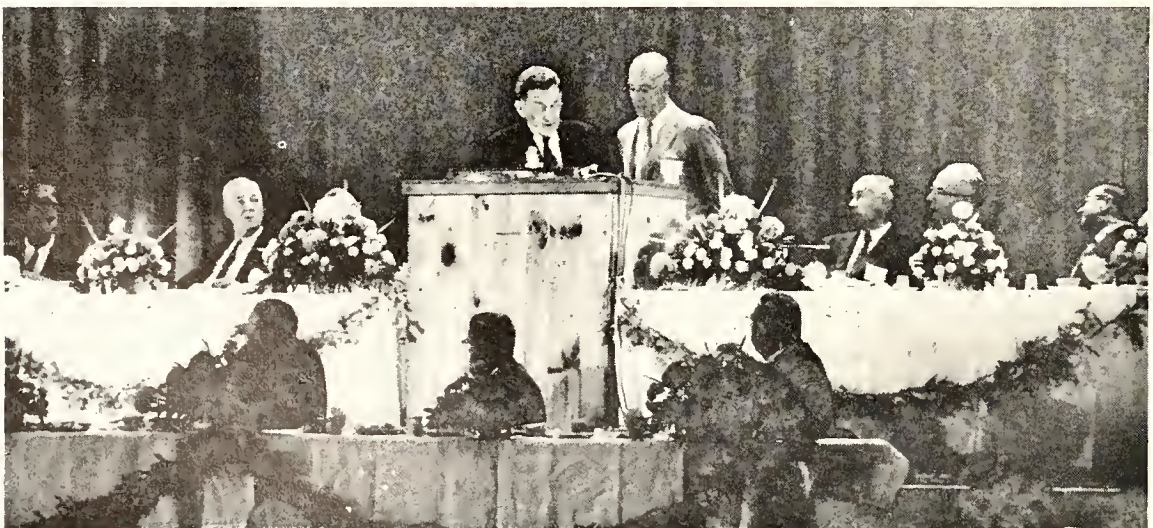


At the Annual Luncheon on Tuesday, delegates hear Robert F. Kennedy, former Chief Counsel, Select Committee of the United States Senate on Improper Activities in the Labor or Management Field.

To guide the League in its 51st year, the delegates selected as President Greensboro's City Manager, General James R. Townsend. Other officers elected were: First Vice President, Mayor W. G. Enloe of Raleigh; Second Vice President, Mayor W. F. Carter, Jr., of Mount Airy; Third Vice President, Mayor James S. Smith of Charlotte.

Elected to the Board of Directors, in addition to Past President Eller, were: Mayor J. Stanley Vinson of Ahoskie; City Manager C. L. Barnhardt of Jacksonville; Mayor Melvin G. Cording of Wallace; City Manager N. Jack Maynard of Wilson; Mayor Ferd L. Harrison of Scotland Neck; Mayor Carroll V. Singleton of Henderson; Mayor R. A. Hedgepeth of Lumberton; Mayor Thomas B. Hunter of Rockingham; Councilman George D. Lentz of Winston-Salem; City Attorney R. Lewis Alexander of Elkin; Mayor Harry L. Riddle of Morganton; and Mayor A. V. Edwards of Hendersonville.

Transfer of the gavel. Greensboro City Manager General James R. Townsend, in-coming President of the North Carolina League of Municipalities, receives the symbol of the office from the retiring President, Mayor Earl W. Eller of Asheville.



Directory of City Officials in North Carolina

This directory of the officials of the cities and towns of North Carolina is arranged alphabetically within five classes, based on 1950 population: (I) cities with populations of 10,000 and above; (II) cities with populations of 5,000 to 10,000; (III) cities with populations of 2,500 to 5,000; (IV) cities with populations of 1,000 to 2,500; and (V) cities with populations of less than 1,000.

In addition to the directory of officials, information is also given, when available, on the date of incorporation, the origin of the town's name, land area, assessed valuation and tax rate, and population.

The dates of incorporation which are given for each city and town are the earliest dates found. They sometimes refer to an act "to establish a town," or an act "to encourage the growth of a town" rather than an act "to incorporate a town." Particularly in the case of those towns formed during the 18th Century, the earliest act found which authorizes the establishment of a town, the laying out of boundaries, and the appointment of governing officials, has been cited as the charter.

In many cases, a town was never operative under the original charter and was re-incorporated at a later date; in other cases, original charters were repealed and others substituted. In both of these circumstances, the original dates are given, without reference to subsequent charters.

The origin of the names of cities and towns has been taken from *The State Magazine*, from Bill Sharpe's *A New Geography of North Carolina*, and from *How They Began—The Story of North Carolina County, Town and Other Place Names*, compiled by workers of the WPA Writer's Program in North Carolina.

The land areas given are those reported in *The Municipal Year Book, 1958*, and information on assessed valuation and tax rates is from *Statistics of Taxation, 1958*, published by the North Carolina Department of Tax Research. Population data are from the United States Bureau of the Census, unless otherwise noted.

The pictures of the city and town halls have been supplied through the courtesy of the municipal officials in each case.

I. Cities with Populations of 10,000 and Above

Albemarle

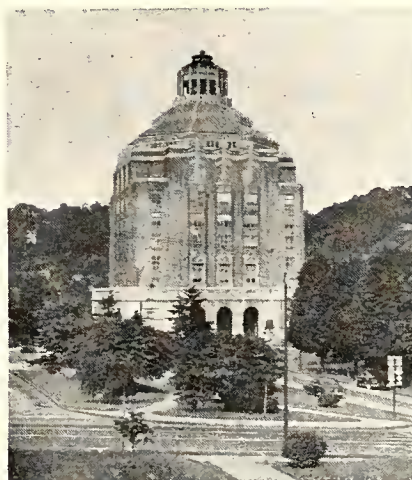
Albemarle (Stanley County) was chartered in 1857 [Ch. 119, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1856-57 Session], and took its name from General George Monck, Duke of Albemarle and a Lord Proprietor of North Carolina.

It had 5.6 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$18,700,692. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,829,800. According to the U. S. Census, 1,382 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 11,798 in 1950.

Mayor	D. A. Moose
Commissioner	George C. McManus
Commissioner	Robert H. Morgan
Commissioner	E. M. Langley, Sr.
Commissioner	Edward G. Harwood
Commissioner	Frank F. Thompson
Clerk	Henry T. Deane
Accountant	Henry T. Deane
Treasurer	Henry T. Deane
Tax Collector	C. Y. Morehead
Attorney	Henry C. Doby, Jr.
Chief of Police	C. C. Tarleton
Fire Chief	C. E. Morris
Engineer	G. H. Ehringer
Water & Sewer Supt.	George S. Moore
Building Inspector	L. H. Kirkpatrick

Asheville

Asheville (Buncombe County) was chartered in 1797 [Ch. 54, N. C. Laws, 1797 Session], and took its name from Samuel Ashe of New Hanover, Governor of North Carolina (1795-98).



It had 14.8 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$85,638,530. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.56. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$11,759,500. According to the U. S. Census, 38 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 502 in 1850, and to 14,694 in 1900, and to 53,000 in 1950.

Mayor	E. W. Eller
Councilman	Carter M. Preslar
Councilman	Clarence E. Morgan
Councilman	Frank M. Mulvaney
Councilman	Theodore B. Sumner
Councilman	J. W. McRary
Councilman	W. F. Aigary
Manager	Weldon Weir
Clerk	Margaret Simmons

Accountant	Mrs. Mary Eudy
Treasurer	Weldon Weir
Tax Collector	Fayne Bradley
Purchasing Agent	J. T. Hocking
Attorney	O. E. Starnes, Jr.
Chief of Police	A. R. Sluder
Fire Chief	J. C. Fitzgerald
Dir. of Public Safety	Carl B. Hyatt, Jr.
City Engineer	P. Greer Johnson
Water & Sewer Supt.	Jesse Jarne
Chm., Planning Bd.	J. M. Coleman
Planning Dir.	John Hampton
Building Inspector	Paul Dutcher
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	Herschel Harkins
Recreation Dir.	Augusta Barnett

Burlington



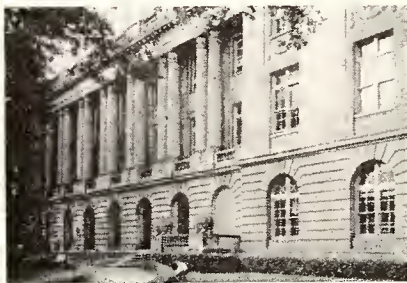
Burlington (Alamance County) was chartered in 1866 [Ch. 19, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1866 Session]. The town was called Company Shops until the name was changed in 1887 by a committee.

It had 7.9 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$68,

422,575. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$5,678,500. According to the U. S. Census, 1,716 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 3,692 in 1900, and to 24,560 in 1950.

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| Mayor | C. Almon McIver |
| Councilman | Jack M. Euliss |
| Councilman | W. E. Leloudis |
| Councilman | Guy E. Barker |
| Councilman | Roger B. Morris |
| City Manager | J. D. Mackintosb, Jr. |
| Clerk | R. P. Pope |
| Accountant | R. P. Pope |
| Treasurer | R. P. Pope |
| Tax Collector | M. R. McIver |
| Attorney | W. D. Madry |
| Chief of Police | Alfred H. Garner |
| Fire Chief | R. C. Fortune |
| City Engineer | W. M. Garrison |
| Dir. of Pub. Utilities | D. Y. Brannock |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | R. E. Garrison |
| Building Inspector | L. T. Smitn |
| Recreation Dir. | Joe C. Davidson |

Charlotte



Charlotte (Mecklenburg County) was chartered in 1766 [Ch. 11, N. C. Laws, 1766 Session], and took its name from Queen Charlotte Sophia of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, wife of George III.

It had 33.2 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$436,677,125. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.26. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$30,939,790. According to the U. S. Census, 122 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 1,065 in 1850, to 18,091 in 1900, and to 134,042 in 1950.

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| Mayor | James S. Smith |
| Councilman | Claude L. Albee |
| Councilman | Randolph Babcock |
| Councilman | Steve W. Dellinger |
| Councilman | Herbert Hitch |
| Councilman | Brevard S. Myers |
| Councilman | Gibson L. Smith |
| Councilman | James B. Whittington |
| City Manager | William J. Veeder |
| Clerk | Mrs. Lillian R. Hoffman |
| Accountant | George B. Livingston |
| Treasurer | L. L. Ledbetter |
| Tax Collector (Act.) | Roy Yarborough |
| Purchasing Agent | C. E. Beatty |
| Attorney | John D. Shaw |
| Chief of Police | Jesse R. James |
| Fire Chief | Donald S. Charles |
| Engineer | L. C. Cheek, Jr. |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Walter M. Franklin |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | George L. Sihley |
| Planning Dir. | William E. McIntyre |
| Building Inspector | James B. Bell |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | Franklin R. Jackson |
| Recreation Dir. | Marion Diehl |

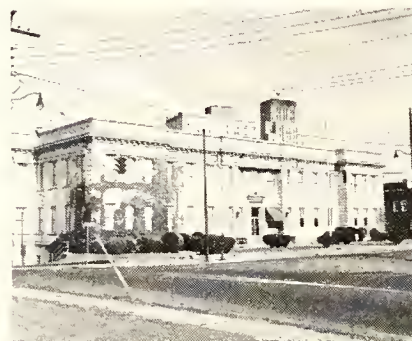
Concord

Concord (Cabarrus County) was chartered in 1798 [Ch. 69, N. C. Laws, 1798 Session], and its name came from the harmonious settlement of a dispute over the site for the town.

It had 4.2 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$31,854,813. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$3,108,500. According to the U. S. Census, 878 people lived within its limits in 1870; and this number increased to 7,910 in 1900, and to 16,486 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Jas. G. McCachern |
| Alderman | S. L. Myers |
| Alderman | Alfred M. Brown |
| Alderman | T. M. Schramm |
| Alderman | E. E. Barriar |
| Alderman | H. G. Blackwelder |
| Alderman | E. E. Broadway |
| Clerk | J. P. Francis |
| Treasurer | J. P. Francis |
| Tax Collector | J. P. Francis |
| Attorney | R. L. Warren |
| Chief of Police | A. L. Murr |
| Fire Chief | C. L. Miller |
| Engineer | Walter L. Furr |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Don T. Howell |
| Building Inspector | Ross A. Lentz |
| Recreation Dir. | Bert A. Weeks |

Durham



Durham (Durham County) was chartered in 1866 [Ch. 25, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1866-67 Session], and took its name from Dr. Bartlett Durham, physician, who gave land for the railroad station.

It had 21.9 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$164,956,108. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.46. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$11,962,500. According to the U. S. Census, 2,041 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 7,910 in 1900, and to 71,311 in 1950.

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| Mayor | E. J. Evans |
| Alderman | Floyd Fletcher |
| Alderman | Charles Steel |
| Alderman | J. S. Stewart |
| Alderman | J. E. Strawbridge |
| Alderman | Scovill Wannamaker |
| Alderman | R. W. Grabarek |
| Alderman | Mrs. R. O. Everett |
| Alderman | James R. Hawkins |
| Alderman | Luther H. Barbour |
| Alderman | W. A. Biggs |
| Alderman | Dr. R. S. Rankin |
| Alderman | Vance E. Fisher |
| Alderman | George H. Aull, Jr. |
| Manager | Mrs. Elsie N. Jones |
| Clerk | D. H. Umstead |
| Accountant | Mrs. Elsie N. Jones |
| Treasurer | R. A. Sorrell |
| Tax Collector | A. T. Crutchfield |
| Purchasing Agent | C. V. Jones |
| Attorney | W. W. Pleasant |
| Chief of Police | C. L. Cox |
| Fire Chief | John A. Andrea |
| Engineer | D. M. Williams |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | N. L. Clay |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Paul Brooks |
| Planning Dir. | E. H. Johnson |
| Building Inspector | John Berry |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | C. R. Wood |
| Recreation Dir. | |

Elizabeth City



Elizabeth City (Pasquotank County) was chartered in 1793 [Ch. 55, N. C. Laws, 1793 Session], and took its name either from Queen Elizabeth or from Elizabeth Tooley, on whose lands the town was built. The name was Reading until it was changed in 1794 to Elizabeth [Ch. 58, N. C. Laws, 1794 Session].

It had 2 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$19,496,300. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,579,700. According to the U. S. Census, 132 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 6,388 in 1900, to 12,685 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Levin B. Culpepper |
| Councilman | C. E. Richardson |
| Councilman | J. J. Gaskins |
| Councilman | W. H. Tunstall |
| Councilman | A. P. Midgatt |
| Councilman | W. L. Stanley |
| Councilman | W. E. Ingram |
| Manager | E. T. Hyman |
| Clerk | H. K. Houtz |
| Accountant | H. K. Houtz |
| Tax Collector | H. K. Houtz |
| Attorney | J. K. Wilson, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | W. C. Owens |
| Fire Chief | D. M. Jones |
| Engineer | E. T. Hyman |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | R. W. Luthet |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Frank Kramer, Jr. |
| Building Inspector | E. T. Hyman |

Fayetteville

Fayetteville (Cumberland County) was chartered in 1762 [Ch. 14, N. C. Laws, 1762 Session] as Cambelton. Its name was changed to Fayetteville in 1783 [Ch. 25, N. C. Laws, 1783 Session] in honor of General Lafayette, the first town so to honor the Marquis.

It had 14.1 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$69,243,237. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.08. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$9,342,300. According to the U. S. Census, 1,656 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 4,646 in 1850, to 4,670 in 1900, and to 34,715 in 1950.

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| Mayor | George B. Herndon |
| Councilman | Eugene Plummer |
| Councilman | J. W. Pate, Jr. |
| Councilman | Ernest L. Massei |
| Councilman | Sol C. Rose |
| Manager | G. W. Ray |
| Clerk | Mrs. Louise W. Talbot |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Louise W. Talbot |
| Tax Collector | Jarvis Jones |
| Attorney | J. O. Tally, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | L. F. Worrrell |
| Fire Chief | C. A. Cain |
| City Engineer | W. W. Baker |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Karl Sloan |
| Planning Dir. | R. A. Rumbough |
| Building Inspector | H. F. Bowen |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | James Teabeau |
| Recreation Dir. | Selwyn Orcutt |

Gastonia



Gastonia (Gaston County) was chartered in 1877 [Ch. 52, N. C. Public Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its name from William Gaston, jurist and author of the State song, "The Old North State."

It had 8.9 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$68,058,361. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$6,921,200. According to the U. S. Census, 236 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 4,610 in 1900, and to 23,069 in 1950.

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| Mayor | R. A. Ferguson |
| Councilman | Robert M. Howard |
| Councilman | Tom Ipeck |
| Councilman | Vie Phillips |
| Councilman | James Q. Falls |
| Councilman | Dan C. Gunter, Jr. |
| Councilman | Ansel P. Cavney |
| Manager | J. S. Carter |
| Clerk | John T. Beam |
| Accountant | T. W. States |
| Treasurer | Vie Phillips |
| Tax Collector | John T. Beam |
| Attorney | J. Mack Holland, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | G. F. Peninger |
| Fire Chief | John L. Farris |
| Dir. of Public Works | W. Thompson Cox |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Gordon L. Dwiggins |
| Building Inspector | Raymond A. Wallace |
| Recreation Dir. | J. W. Emmett |

Goldsboro

Goldsboro (Wayne County) was chartered in 1847 [Ch. 201, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1846-47 Session], and took its name from Major M. T. Goldsborough, civil engineer for the Wilmington & Weldon Railroad.

It had 5.3 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$36,167,848. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.46. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$4,580,800. According to the U. S. Census, 885 people lived within its limits in 1860; and this number increased to 1,134 in 1870, to 5,877 in 1900, and to 21,454 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Scott B. Berkeley |
| Alderman | Tom R. Robinson, Jr. |
| Alderman | Ray N. Rouse, Jr. |
| Alderman | A. T. Hawkins |
| Alderman | James E. Rollins |
| Alderman | B. S. Bridgers |
| Manager | L. P. Benton, Jr. |
| Clerk | Ralph G. Jones |
| Treasurer | Ralph G. Jones |
| Tax Collector | Frank M. Hauser, Jr. |
| Attorney | Edwin C. Inock |
| Chief of Police | H. A. Lane |
| Fire Chief | C. Wesley Howell |
| Engineer | E. G. Porter, Sr. |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Kernit N. Massey |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Scott B. Berkeley |
| Building Inspector | Dan Glisson, Jr. |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | C. F. Dees, Jr. |
| Recreation Dir. | Robert L. Buckner |

Greensboro



Greensboro (Guilford County) was originally chartered in 1808 [Ch. 76, N. C. Laws, 1808-09 Session], and took its name from General Nathanael Greene, leader of the patriot forces at the battle of Guilford Courthouse.

It had 49.6 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$374,582,803. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.18. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$22,625,400. According to the U. S. Census, 497 people lived within its limits in 1870; and this number increased to 2,105 in 1880, to 10,035 in 1900, and to 74,389 in 1950.

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| Mayor | George H. Roach |
| Councilman | Waldo C. Falkener |
| Councilman | Elbert F. Lewis |
| Councilman | Roy C. Millikan |
| Councilman | David Schenck |
| Councilman | W. L. Trotter, Jr. |
| Manager | E. R. Zane |
| Clerk | Gen. James R. Townsend |
| Director of Finance | Mrs. Hazel N. Burch |
| Accountant | J. R. Holshouser |
| Treasurer | C. M. Conway |
| Tax Collector | J. R. Holshouser |
| Purchasing Agent | W. T. Mason |
| Attorney | Herbert Winston, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | H. J. Elam, III |
| Fire Chief | Paul B. Calhoun |
| Dir. of Public Safety | C. W. Wyrick |
| Dir. of Public Works | H. L. Medford |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | David J. White |
| Planning Dir. | Ronald F. Scott |
| Building Inspector | R. L. Byrum |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | R. D. Douglas, Jr. |
| Recreation Dir. | Oka T. Hester |

Greenville



Greenville (Pitt County) was originally chartered in 1771 [Ch. 18, N. C. Laws, 1771 Session] as Martinsborough. In 1786 the name was changed to Greenville [Ch. 67, N. C. Laws, 1786 Session] and a year later it was changed to Greenville. It took its name from Nathanael Greene, Revolutionary Commander.

It had 5.5 square miles of land in

January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$27,399,386. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.32. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$3,299,600. According to the U. S. Census, 174 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 1,893 in 1850, to 2,565 in 1900, and to 16,724 in 1950.

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| Mayor | S. Eugene West |
| Councilman | Dr. M. W. Aldridge |
| Councilman | W. S. Stafford |
| Councilman | Charles M. King |
| Councilman | C. W. Harvey, Jr. |
| Manager | Leonard P. Bloxam |
| Clerk | H. H. Duncan |
| Accountant | Leonard P. Bloxam |
| Treasurer | W. C. Harria |
| Tax Collector | W. N. Moore |
| Attorney | R. B. Lee |
| Chief of Police | S. G. Gibbs |
| Fire Chief | George W. Gardner, Sr. |
| Engineer | C. A. Holliday |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | K. R. Rowe |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | F. L. Little, Jr. |
| Building Inspector | J. W. Wilson |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | James W. Butler |
| Recreation Director | J. Gordon Goodman, Jr. |

Henderson

Henderson (Vance County) was chartered in 1841 [Ch. 59, N. C. Laws, 1840-41 Session], and took its name from Leonard Henderson, Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court (1829-33).

It had 6.1 square miles of land, in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$18,225,964. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,475,000. According to U. S. Census, 186 people lived within its limits in 1860; and this increased to 545 in 1870, to 3,746 in 1900, and to 10,996 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Carroll V. Singleton |
| Alderman | Robert L. Daniel |
| Alderman | Opie Frazier, Jr. |
| Alderman | George V. Boyd |
| Alderman | Glenn W. Powers |
| Alderman | A. J. Finch |
| Alderman | Louis D. Horner |
| Alderman | R. B. Harrison |
| Alderman | C. E. Greene |
| Clerk | W. G. Royster |
| Accountant | W. G. Royster |
| Treasurer | W. G. Royster |
| Tax Collector | W. G. Royster |
| Purchasing Agent | W. H. Neathery |
| Attorney | J. H. Zollicoffer |
| Chief of Police | C. C. Harris |
| Fire Chief | C. G. Ellis |
| Dir. of Public Works | T. D. Gupton |
| Water System Supt. | Harold W. Robertson |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | S. T. Peace, Jr. |
| Building Inspector | W. H. Boyd |
| Recreation Dir. | Billy O. Williams |

Hickory



Hickory (Catawba County) was chartered in 1863 [Ch. 20, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1863 Session] as Hickory Tavern.

The name was changed in 1873 to Hickory [Ch. 23, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session]. It took its name from a log tavern, built in the 1850's by a descendant of the owner of the Lands of Weidner.

It had 6.8 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$42,-502,403. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.53. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$4,749,500. According to the U. S. Census, 2,023 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 14,755 in 1950.

Mayor	Julian C. Whitener
Alderman	Hugh H. Abee
Alderman	Foy C. Hefner
Alderman	George N. Hutton, Jr.
Alderman	J. J. Robiusion
Alderman	John W. Watts
Alderman	J. Paul Aiken
Manager	Richard W. Mayo
Clerk	Mrs. Margaret H. Baucum
Accountant	Mrs. T. P. Lewis
Treasurer	T. J. McIntosh, Jr.
Tax Collector	T. J. McLintosh, Jr.
Purchasing Agent	A. W. Milers
Attorney	Emmett C. Willis
Chief of Police	A. Glenn Buchanan
Fire Chief	E. G. Moser
Dir. of Public Works	C. Gienn Sigmon
Water & Sewer Supt.	S. L. Hoyle
Chm., Planning Bd.	Robert M. Bush
Planning Dir.	C. H. Davis, Jr.
Building Inspector	Carl F. Johnson
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	James J. Kiser, Jr.
Recreation Dir.	Walter J. Parker

High Point

High Point (Guilford County) was chartered in 1859 [Ch 218, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1858-59 Session], and was so named because it was the highest point on the North Carolina Railroad.

It had 11.0 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$146,-575,468. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.801. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$7,843,-100. According to the U. S. Census, 991 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 4,163 in 1900, and to 39,973 in 1950.

Mayor	J. H. Washburn
Councilman	Robert M. Bryant
Councilman	H. C. Iderton, Sr.
Councilman	B. C. Leonard
Councilman	Jas. D. McNeill
Councilman	J. B. Phillips
Councilman	Lynwood Smith
Manager	T. E. Hinson
Clerk	Mrs. Lois W. Smith
Accountant	H. L. Crowe
Treasurer	Mrs. Lois W. Smith
Tax Collector	Harold Black
Purchasing Agent	A. R. McMuller
Attorney	Knox Walker
Chief of Police	C. C. Stoker
Fire Chief	C. S. Canady
Dir. of Public Works	George B. Dean
Dir. of Pub. Utilities	L. C. Williams, Jr.
Chm., Planning Bd.	R. D. Tillson
Planning Dir.	Robert M. Griffin
Building Inspector	A. R. Strange
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	Horace S. Haworth
Recreation Dir.	Jesse L. Taylor

Kinston

Kinston (Lenoir County) was originally chartered in 1762 [Ch. 13, N. C. Laws, 1762 Session] as Kingston. The name was changed in 1784 to Kinston [Ch. 46, N. C. Laws, 1784 Session], in 1833 to Caswell [Ch. 170, N. C. Laws, 1833 Session], and in 1834 back to Kinston [Ch. 128, N. C. Laws, 1934 Session].

It had 8.6 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal

property was valued in 1957 at \$40,-641,984. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-59 was \$1.15. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$3,485,900. According to the U. S. Census, 107 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 455 in 1850, to 4,106 in 1900, and to 18,336 in 1950.

Mayor	Guy Elliott
Alderman	J. F. LaRoque
Alderman	Mrs. J. J. Hannibal
Alderman	Simon C. Sitterso
Manager	Max Holland
Clerk	T. W. Heath
Treasurer	T. W. Heath
Accountant	T. W. Heath
Tax Collector	T. W. Heath
Attorney	George B. Greene
Chief of Police	Marion Haskins
Fire Chief	Joseph T. Hailey
Streets	Milton C. Croon
Dir. of Public Works	(Vacant)
Chm., Planning Bd.	George B. Greene
Building Inspector	Deyo Southerland
Recreation Dir.	W. L. Fay

Lexington

Lexington (Davidson County) was chartered in 1827 [Ch. 51, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1827 Session], and took its name from the battle at Lexington, Massachusetts.

It had 5.3 square miles of land in January 1950. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$32,-734,163. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.05. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$3,257,800. According to the U. S. Census, 475 people lived within its limits in 1870; and this number increased to 1,234 in 1900, and to 13,571 in 1950.

Mayor	C. V. Sink
Councilman	B. C. Young, Jr.
Councilman	Archie Hames
Councilman	Arnold Weaver
Councilman	Arnold Tesh
Councilman	Arnold Walser
Councilman	J. L. Peeler, Jr.
Manager	Eugene T. Morris
Clerk	Eugene T. Morris
Accountant	Ralph L. Musgrave
Treasurer	Ralph L. Musgrave
Tax Collector	O. B. Stokes
Attorney	P. V. Critcher
Chief of Police	Vernon G. Price
Fire Chief	Norman Owen
Dir. of Public Works	Brooks Cole
Water & Sewer Supt.	W. M. Beck
Chm., Planning Bd.	J. V. Moffitt
Building Inspector	Norman C. Gambrell

Monroe

Monroe (Union County) was chartered in 1844 [Ch. 48, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1844-45 Session], and took its name from President James Monroe.

It had 5.4 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$10,738,075. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.38. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,276,500. According to the U. S. Census, 224 people lived within its limits in 1850; and this number increased to 448 in 1870, to 2,427 in 1900, and to 10,140 in 1950.

Mayor	Fred M. Wilson
Alderman	Zeb F. Jones
Alderman	Edwin Niven
Alderman	Robert B. Neill
City Manager	James E. Hinkel
Clerk	Clara H. Smith
Municipal Accountant	J. E. Bevis
Treasurer	J. E. Hinkel
Tax Collector	D. H. Hinson
Attorney	O. L. Richardson
Chief of Police	A. A. Mauney
Fire Chief	J. A. Helms
City Engineer	T. C. Dove
Water Supt.	John Gienn
Chm., Planning Bd.	R. A. Willis
Building Inspector	Hal J. Cear
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	Roy H. Moore

New Bern

New Bern (Craven County) was chartered in 1723 [Ch. 13, N. C. Laws, 1723 Session], and took its name from Bern, Switzerland, the homeland of its founder, Baron De Graffenried.

It had 4.8 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$17,-600,899. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$3,362,100, ranking 19th. According to the U. S. Census, 2,467 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 4,681 in 1850, to 9,090 in 1900, and to 15,812 in 1950.

Mayor	Robert L. Stallings, Jr.
Alderman	Lloyd T. Giliikin
Alderman	Paul M. Cox
Alderman	Mrs. Kathleen S. Orringer
Alderman	George L. Baliard
Alderman	Dale T. Mills
City Manager	Clifford Pace
Clerk	H. E. Russell
Municipal Accountant	Clifford Pace
Treasurer	H. E. Russell
Tax Collector	John F. Rhodes, Jr.
Attorney	A. D. Ward
Chief of Police	James E. Pearsall
Fire Chief	J. D. Reece
Utilities Dir.	W. B. Bartling
Chm., Planning Bd.	Edward C. Howard
Building Inspector	Cedric Boyd
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	S. T. Lewis
Recreation Dir.	W. F. Pierce, Jr.

Raleigh



Raleigh (Wake County) was chartered in 1794 [Ch. 59, N. C. Laws, 1794 Session], and took its name from Sir Walter Raleigh.

It had 15.3 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$141,-170,788. Its tax rate for the fiscal year was \$1.38. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$14,369,400. According to the U. S. Census, 669 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 4,518 in 1850, to 13,643 in 1900, and to 65,679 in 1950.

Mayor	W. G. Enlee
Councilman	John Coffey, Sr.
Councilman	J. S. Correll
Councilman	Jesse Helms
Councilman	Paul Hoover
Councilman	Robert Sessions
Councilman	Jim Reid
City Manager	W. H. Carpe
Clerk	Mrs. Mary D. Lassiter
Municipal Accountant	C. H. Pritchard
Treasurer	Mrs. Mary D. Lassiter
Tax Collector	Ernie T. Glover
Purchasing Agent	S. F. Taylor
Attorney	Paul F. Smith
Chief of Police	Tom Davis
Fire Chief	Jack Keeter
Dir. of Public Welfare	W. G. Mann
City Engineer	Vernon Peebles
Utilities Dir.	E. M. Johnson
Chm., Planning Bd.	Tom Powell
Planning Dir.	A. C. Hall, Jr.
Building Inspector	R. G. Williams
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	C. B. Shulenberger
Recreation Dir.	J. M. Chambers

Reidsville



Reidsville (Rockingham County) was chartered in 1873 [Ch. 28, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session], and took its name from Ruben Reid, first settler whose son, David S. Reid, became Governor of North Carolina, 1851-54.

It had 4.2 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$29,755,959. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.30. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,302,300. According to the U. S. Census, 1,316 people lived in its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 3,262 in 1900, and to 11,708 in 1950.

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| Mayor | D. R. Young |
| Councilman | C. S. Moore |
| Councilman | L. W. Rentz |
| Councilman | H. C. Atwater |
| Councilman | E. B. Collie |
| City Manager | J. L. Womack |
| Clerk | N. R. Baker, Jr. |
| Municipal Accountant | N. R. Baker, Jr. |
| Treasurer | J. L. Womack |
| Tax Collector | J. L. Womack |
| Attorney | Jule McMichael |
| Chief of Police | M. F. Loftis |
| Fire Chief | H. W. White |
| City Engineer | W. E. Edens |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | J. B. Bughe |
| Building Inspector | H. D. Leary |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | R. L. Blaylock |
| Recreation Dir. | J. C. Day |

Rocky Mount



Rocky Mount (Edgecombe and Nash Counties) was chartered in 1867 [Ch. 95, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1866-77 Session], and took its name from the rocky mounds and ledges on the site near the falls of the Tar River.

It had 7.7 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$56,302,513. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$5,124,200. According to the U. S. Census, 357 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 2,937 in 1900, and to 27,697 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Allan C. Mirs |
| Alderman | H. H. Strandberg, Jr. |
| Alderman | C. H. Felton |
| Alderman | L. B. Hoggard |
| Alderman | J. E. Bishop |
| Alderman | Jesse Morton |
| Alderman | Ben E. Fountain |
| Alderman | G. B. Kincheloe |
| Alderman | W. E. Kinr |
| Alderman | C. B. Capps |
| Alderman | Troy Eason |
| Alderman | W. E. Broughton |
| Alderman | R. E. Moore |
| Alderman | J. M. Daughtridge |
| Alderman | H. B. Hines, Jr. |
| City Manager | L. B. Aycock |
| Clerk | L. B. Aycock |
| Accountant | L. B. Hoggard |
| Treasurer | W. G. Cherry, Jr. |
| Tax Collector | A. D. Dozier |
| Purchasing Agent | Thorp, Spruill, Thorp & Trotter |
| Attorney | J. I. Nicholas |
| Chief of Police | W. B. Parris |
| Fire Chief | Frank H. Cothran |
| City Engineer | C. W. Bateman |
| Dir. of Utilities | C. Frank Watson |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | William H. Batchelor |
| Planning Dir. | G. K. Abbott |
| Building Inspector | Mrs. Fairy L. Bandy |
| Recreation Dir. | |

Salisbury

Salisbury (Rowan County) was chartered in 1770 [Ch. 17, N. C. Laws, 1770 Session], and took its name from Salisbury, England.

It had 6.0 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$42,836,668. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$5,336,300. According to the U.S. Census, 645 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 1,086 in 1850, to 6,277 in 1900, and to 20,102 in 1950.

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| Mayor | E. Linwood Foil |
| Councilman | James A. Sparks |
| Councilman | Paul L. Bernhardt |
| Councilman | L. F. Cox |
| Councilman | David S. Clay |
| Manager | C. L. Lineback |
| Clerk | J. W. Ellis |
| Treasurer | F. M. Luther |
| Tax Collector | F. M. Luther |
| Attorney | J. W. Ellis |
| Chief of Police | D. L. Shuler |
| Fire Chief | C. L. Burkett |
| Dir., Public Works | J. A. English |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Gregory Peeier |
| Building Inspector | B. D. Phillips |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | Gordon Earle |
| Recreation Dir. | Art T. Edwards |

Sanford



Sanford (Lee County) was chartered in 1874 [Ch. 76, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session], and took its name from Colonel Sanford, locating engineer of the Chatham Railroad.

It had 4.5 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$20,593,805. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.45. Its retail sales were esti-

mated in 1957 to be \$2,611,200. According to the U. S. Census, 236 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 1,044 in 1900, and to 10,013 in 1950.

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| Mayor | E. W. Fields |
| Alderman | Lynn Perry |
| Alderman | H. H. Brewer |
| Alderman | Jesse J. White |
| Alderman | Tommy C. Mann |
| Alderman | Roy Stewart |
| Alderman | A. Martel Harrington |
| Alderman | Bernice E. Kelly |
| City Manager | T. P. Watson |
| Clerk | A. B. Harrington |
| Accountant | J. C. Muse Co. |
| Treasurer | R. C. Rush, Sr. |
| Tax Collector | A. B. Harrington |
| Attorney | D. B. Teague |
| Chief of Police | Joe B. Watson |
| Fire Chief | J. O. Bridge |
| Streets | A. C. Thomas |
| Water | E. C. Hawley |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Fletcher Harris |
| Building Inspector | H. G. Wrenn |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | Dr. R. O. Humphrey |
| Recreation Dir. | J. M. Blakey |

Shelby

Shelby (Cleveland County) was chartered in 1843 [Ch. 33, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1842-43 Session], and took its name from Colonel Isaac Shelby, a Revolutionary commander.

It had 7.1 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued at \$28,332,244. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$3,229,500. According to the U. S. Census, 990 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 1,874 in 1900, and to 15,508 in 1950.

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| Mayor | H. S. Woodson |
| Alderman | Lester D. Roark |
| Alderman | James G. Henderson |
| Alderman | Earl H. Lutz |
| Alderman | George Corn |
| Clerk | Reeves Forney |
| Accountant | Darcilla Carpenter |
| Treasurer | Reeves Forney |
| Tax Collector | Reeves Forney |
| Attorney | A. A. Powell |
| Chief of Police | W. K. Hardin |
| Fire Chief | James Reid |
| Engineer | Marion Fackard |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Robert Van Sleen |
| Building Inspector | Z. C. Mauney |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | David White |
| Recreation Dir. | Robert Hartley |

Statesville



Statesville (Iredell County) was chartered in 1789 [Ch. 30, N. C. Laws, 1789 Session], and took its name from its location at a stage coach stop at an intersection of "state roads".

It had 6.3 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$30,983,849. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$3,358,100. Ac-

ording to the U. S. Census, 95 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 215 in 1850, to 3,141 in 1900, and to 16,901 in 1950.

- Mayor J. Garner Bagnal, Jr.
- Councilman C. N. Steele
- Councilman A. L. Mills, Jr.
- Councilman P. W. Shell
- Councilman J. C. McNeely, Jr.
- Councilman Earl L. Teague
- Councilman Paul Lingle
- Manager Herman E. Dickerson
- Clerk A. E. Guy
- Accountant Jano and Jones
- Treasurer A. E. Guy
- Purchasing Agent Ralph M. Sisk
- Attorney Scott, Collier, Nash & Harris
- Chief of Police William T. Ivey
- Fire Chief Frank W. Crowson
- Water & Sewer Supt. Edward F. Holcomb
- Chm., Planning Bd. W. S. Kivett
- Planning Dir. C. H. Davis
- Building Inspector Marshall W. Deal
- Chm., Bd. of Adj. R. A. White
- Recreation Dir. Jack Springer

Thomasville



Thomasville (Davidson County) was chartered in 1857 [Ch. 107, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1856-57 Session], and took its name from John W. Thomas, State Senator, 1854-58, whose home was first erected here.

It had 6.0 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$24,126,452. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.46. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,115,000. According to the U. S. Census, 308 people lived within its limits in 1860; and this number increased to 751 in 1900, and to 11,154 in 1950.

- Mayor George L. Handley
- Councilman Doak Finch
- Councilman Joe W. Bales
- Councilman A. L. Elliott
- Councilman G. E. Whitten
- Councilman T. E. Johnson
- Manager W. T. Green, Jr.
- Clerk Eva Jones
- Accountant Eva Jones
- Treasurer Eva Jones
- Tax Collector Kyle Williams
- Attorney Ford M. Meyers
- Chief of Police Paul M. Shore
- Fire Chief Lindsay Loftin
- Dir. of Public Works Lex E. Honeycutt
- Water and Sewer Supt. Clarence Robbins
- Chm., Planning Bd. George D. Finch
- Building Inspector James F. Miller
- Chm., Bd. of Adj. L. C. Dillo
- Recreation Dir. J. D. Foust

Wilmington

Wilmington (New Hanover County) was chartered in 1739 [Ch. 4, N. C. Laws, 1739 Session], and took its name from Spencer Compton, the Earl of Wilmington, patron of Governor Gabriel Johnston, who sponsored the founding of the town.

It had 10.4 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$68,028,899. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$7,936,900. According to the U. S. Census, 1,689 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 7,264 in 1850, to 20,976 in 1900, and to 45,043 in 1950.

- Mayor E. S. Capra
- Councilman W. Ronald Lane
- Councilman J. H. Batuyios
- Councilman R. T. Burney
- Councilman J. E. L. Wade
- City Manager James R. Benson
- Clerk Mrs. Mary B. Southerland
- Municipal Accountant D. B. Padgett
- Treasurer W. Ronald Lane
- Tax Collector Sam Johnson
- Purchasing Agent Rodney Breece
- Attorney Cicero P. Yow
- Chief of Police J. J. Padrick
- Fire Chief J. A. West
- City Engineer Robert F. Coleman
- Dir. Public Utilities C. F. Churhill
- Chm., Planning Bd. W. A. Fonville
- Building Inspector S. Warren Sanders
- Chm., Bd. of Adj. N. L. Foy
- Recreation Dir. Arnold Peterson

Wilson

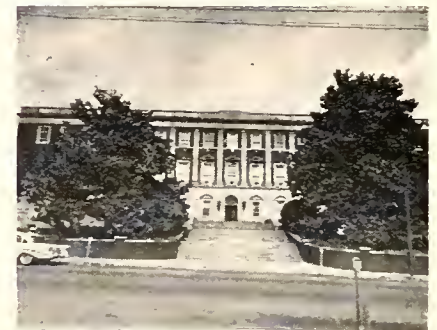


Wilson (Wilson County) was chartered in 1849 [Ch. 247, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1848-49 Session], and took its name from Louis D. Wilson, state senator from Edgecombe County and a general in the Mexican War.

It had 6.8 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$38,907,654. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$3,744,300. According to the U. S. Census, 960 people lived within its limits in 1860; and this number increased to 8,225 in 1900, and to 23,010 in 1950.

- Mayor John D. Wilson
- Commissioner H. P. Benton, Jr.
- Commissioner Earl Bradbury
- Commissioner T. I. Hackney, Jr.
- Commissioner Edgar Norris
- Commissioner T. L. Watson, Jr.
- Commissioner Winniett Peters
- City Manager N. Jack Mayoard
- Clerk Troy T. Lynn
- Director of Finance Troy T. Lynn
- Treasurer Edward Warren
- Tax Collector Blanche Woolard
- Purchasing Agent Bruce Boyette
- Attorney Lucas, Rand and Rose
- Chief of Police A. A. Privette
- Fire Chief Tyrus Bissett
- Dir. of Public Works J. S. Goodman, Jr.
- Utility Dir. Kermit D. Stewart
- Chm., Planning Bd. Talmadge Narron
- Building Inspector Don T. English
- Chm., Bd. of Adj. Dr. T. J. Blackshear, Jr.
- Recreation Dir. J. B. Gillette

Winston-Salem



Winston-Salem (Forsyth County) was chartered in 1915 [Ch. 180, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1915 Session], and took its name from Winston, which was incorporated in 1859, and Salem, which was incorporated in 1856. Winston took its name from Revolutionary Major John Winston and Salem took its name from the Hebrew, *Sholom*, meaning peace.

It had 30.7 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$270,662,991. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$17,645,900. According to the U. S. Census, 48,395 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 87,811 in 1950.

- Mayor Marshall C. Korfees
- Alderman George D. Lentz
- Alderman Archie Elledge
- Alderman Carl N. Chitty
- Alderman Rev. William R. Crawford
- Alderman Thomas L. Ogburn
- Alderman Paul O. Pegrain
- Alderman Carroll E. Poplin
- Alderman Luther C. Hodger
- Manager John M. Go'd
- Clerk Ralph L. Dixon
- Director of Finance Ralph L. Dixon
- Treasurer Henry B. Clodfelter
- Tax Collector J. Arvol Hepler
- Purchasing Agent Aaron C. Shepherd
- Attorney Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice
- Chief of Police James I. Waller
- Fire Chief E. M. Dixon
- Dir. of Public Works R. W. Neilson
- Water & Sewer Supt. S. E. Harris
- Chm., Planning Bd. E. Gaither Jenkins
- Planning Dir. J. B. Rouzie, Jr.
- Building Inspector Amos E. Speas
- Chm., Bd. of Adj. J. A. Hancock
- Recreation Dir. L. B. Hathaway

II. Cities with Populations of 5,000 to 10,000

Asheboro



Asheboro (Randolph County) was chartered in 1796 [Ch. 76, N. C. Laws, 1796 Session], and took its name from Samuel Ashe, Governor of North Carolina, 1795-98.

It had 3.5 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$22,315,397. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$3,093,700. According to the U. S. Census, 176 people lived within its limits in 1850; and this number increased to 992 in 1900, and to 7,701 in 1950.

Mayor	John C. Bunch
Commissioner	S. L. Cranford
Commissioner	Lloyd E. Brown
Commissioner	H. R. Trollinger, Jr.
Commissioner	Henry Klepacki
Commissioner	Emery C. Lofin
City Manager	John J. Gray
Clerk	Charles F. Hughes
Treasurer	John J. Gray
Tax Collector	Charles F. Hughes
Attorney	Archie L. Smith
Chief of Police	Clarence J. Lovett
Fire Chief	Clarence Rusa
Engineer	W. T. Cox
Water Supt.	W. T. Cox
Building Inspector	James L. Prillaman
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	Dr. O. L. Presnell

Belmont

Belmont (Gaston County) was chartered in 1895 [Ch. 97, N.C. Pr. Laws, 1895 Session] and was first called Garibaldi for the man who built the railroad water tank, but in 1886 it was renamed by the Benedictines, who founded a school here, for August Belmont, a New York Congressman.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$13,902,014. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.10. According to the U. S. Census, 4,356 people lived within its limits in 1940; and this number increased to 5,330 in 1950.

Mayor	Lawrence A. Brown
Commissioner	W. Price Han
Commissioner	J. Dewey Lingerfelt
Commissioner	Lige A. Abernathy
Commissioner	Robert L. Stowe, Jr.
Commissioner	R. Dave Hall
Clerk	Harley B. Gaston
Accountant	Walter Charnley Company
Treasurer	Harley B. Gaston

Tax Collector	Mrs. Edith S. Bowen
Purchasing Agent	M. E. Stewart
Attorney	Harley B. Gaston
Chief of Police	Frank E. Carpenter
Fire Chief	John A. Limerick
Street Supt.	M. E. Stewart
Water Supt.	Ralph Warren
Sewer Supt.	Ralph Warren
Building Inspector	M. E. Stewart

Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill (Orange County) was originally chartered in 1819 [Ch. 80, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1819 Session], and took its name from the Church of England New Hope Chapel which once stood at the crossroads on this wooded hill.

It had 1.8 square miles of land in January 1957. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$25,173,330. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.95. According to the U. S. Census, 831 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 1,099 in 1900, and to 9,177 in 1950.

Mayor	Oliver K. Cornwell
Alderman	Paul W. Wage
Alderman	F. E. Strowl
Alderman	Hubert Robinson, Sr.
Alderman	Adelaide Walters
Alderman	Roland McClamroch
Alderman	Roland Giduz
City Manager	Thomas D. Rose
Clerk	Mary Lovejoy
Accountant	Thomas D. Rose
Attorney	J. Q. LeGrand
Chief of Police	W. D. Blake
Fire Chief	J. S. Boon
Chm., Planning Bd.	Frank Umstead
Building Inspector	Howard L. Stewart
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	J. T. Dobbins

Dunn

Dunn (Harnett County) was chartered in 1877 [Ch. 23, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from Bennett R. Dunn, construction engineer of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad.

It had 2.4 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$11,307,230. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,117,900. According to the U.S. Census, 419 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,072 in 1900, and to 6,316 in 1950.

Mayor	George F. Blalock
Commissioner	B. A. Bracey
Commissioner	W. M. Bryar
Commissioner	J. H. Capps
Commissioner	J. Leon Godwin
City Manager	A. B. Uzzle, Jr.
Clerk	Chas. R. Storey
Accountant	Chas. R. Storey
Treasurer	Mrs. Frances Stewart
Tax Collector	J. E. Williams
Purchasing Agent	Chas. R. Storey
Attorney	Howard G. Godwin
Chief of Police	A. A. Cobb
Fire Chief	Ralph E. Hanna
Engineer	A. B. Uzzle, Jr.
Water Supt.	James E. Ward
Building Inspector	John E. Norris
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	R. A. Draughon

Graham

Graham (Alamance County) was chartered in 1851 [Ch. 347, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1850-51 Session], and took its name from William A. Graham, Governor of North Carolina, 1845-49.

It had 2.4 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$11,712,927. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 502 people lived within its limits in 1870; and this number increased to 2,052 in 1900, to 5,026 in 1950.

Mayor	Myron A. Rhyne
Councilman	M. Carson Hardie
Councilman	Thomas Harden, Jr.
Councilman	J. B. Carlyle Wooten
Councilman	Dnrward T. Stokes
City Manager	C. Bruce Turney
Clerk	Lawrence John Ohleyer
Municipal Accountant	Lawrence John Ohleyer
Treasurer	Lawrence John Ohleyer
Tax Collector	Lawrence John Ohleyer
Attorney	Clarence Ross
Fire Chief	Alton J. Utley
Dir. of Public Works	John Self
Water Supt.	Julius F. Thompson, Sr.
Sewer Supt.	Julius F. Thompson, Sr.
Chm., Planning Bd.	Paul Longest
Building Inspector	Clinton M. Euliss

Hamlet



Hamlet (Richmond County) was chartered in 1897 [Ch. 14, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1897 Session], and was named by Mr. John Shortridge, the town's founder. The word hamlet means a small cluster of houses.

It had 1.7 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$6,843,295. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.80. According to the U. S. Census, 639 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 5,061 in 1950.

Mayor	J. C. Liles
Commissioner	Jack Gibbons, Jr.
Commissioner	E. L. Robinson
Commissioner	Warren L. Calloway
Commissioner	C. J. Moore
Commissioner	W. N. Cosby
Clerk	Mrs. Fay White
Treasurer	Mrs. Fay White
Tax Collector	Mrs. Fay White
Attorney	Z. V. Morgan
Chief of Police	Ed Currie
Fire Chief	J. C. Worley
Dir. of Public Works	Carl Hodges
Building Inspector	J. C. Worley

Hendersonville

Hendersonville (Henderson County) was chartered in 1847 [Ch. 203, N. C. Pr. Laws 1846-47 Session], and took its name from Leonard Henderson, Chief Justice of North Carolina Supreme Court, 1829-33.

It had 2.2 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$15,-

486,920. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,922,600. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.78. According to the U. S. Census, 1,740 people lived within its limits in 1850; and this number increased to 1,917 in 1900, and to 6,103 in 1950.

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| Mayor | A. V. Edwards |
| Commissioner | B. L. Foster |
| Commissioner | Thos. D. Clark |
| Commissioner | J. Roy Williams |
| Commissioner | I. F. Johnson |
| Clerk | Lillian Perkins |
| Accountant | Lillian Perkins |
| Treasurer | Lillian Perkins |
| Tax Collector | Lillian Perkins |
| Attorney | Arthur B. Shephard |
| Chief of Police | Wm. V. Powers |
| Fire Chief | E. E. Edney |
| Street Supt. | Burgin A. Staton |
| Water Supt. | Wm. F. Stokes |
| Building Inspector | E. E. Edney |

Kings Mountain



Kings Mountain (Cleveland County) was chartered in 1874 [Ch. 73, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session], and took its name from the mountain which was the site of the Revolutionary battle, seven miles south.

It had 4.0 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$10,076,700. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 337 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 2,062 in 1900, and to 7,206 in 1950.

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| Mayor | G. A. Bridges |
| Commissioner | Ross P. Alexander |
| Commissioner | T. Luther Bennett |
| Commissioner | Boyce H. Gaut |
| Commissioner | R. Coleman Stroup |
| Commissioner | Ben H. Bridges |
| Clerk | J. H. McDaniel, Jr. |
| Accountant | J. H. McDaniel, Jr. |
| Treasurer | J. H. McDaniel, Jr. |
| Tax Collector | J. W. Webster |
| Attorney | J. R. Davis |
| Chief of Police | Martin S. Ware |
| Fire Chief | J. P. Tignor |
| Street Supt. | Grady Yelton |
| Water Supt. | Grady Yelton |
| Sewer Supt. | Grady Yelton |
| Building Inspector | J. W. Webster |

Laurinburg



Laurinburg (Scotland County) was chartered in 1877 [Ch. 92, N. C. Pub. Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its name from the McLaurin family who were among the Scottish settlers that came from the Cape Fear region.

It had 4.1 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$9,430,124. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.35. According to the U. S. Census, 908 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 1,507 in 1900, to 7,134 in 1950.

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| Mayor | W. D. Lytch |
| Councilman | Roy D. McLaurin |
| Councilman | J. B. Griffin |
| Councilman | W. Charles Barrett |
| Councilman | J. Kelly Pearson |
| Councilman | D. J. Sinclair, Jr. |
| City Manager | J. Guy Smith, Jr. |
| Clerk | Kirby Harris |
| Accountant | E. H. McGregor |
| Treasurer | Kirby Harris |
| Tax Collector | Kirby Harris |
| Attorney | Jennings King |
| Chief of Police | Roy Harris |
| Fire Chief | Joe Dean |
| Public Works Dir. | Robert Beacham |
| Supt. Water & Sewage Plants | Robert Beacham |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | W. G. Butler |
| Building Inspector | J. G. Purcell |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | John Henry Moore |

Lenoir

Lenoir (Caldwell County) was chartered in 1851 [Ch. 326 N. C. Pr. Laws, 1850-51 Session], and took its name from General William Lenoir, a Revolutionary leader.

It had 4.2 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$27,216,730. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.41. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$1,986,100. According to the U. S. Census, 446 people lived within its limits in 1870; and this number increased to 1,296 in 1900, to 7,888 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Earl H. Tate |
| Commissioner | James A. Barger |
| Commissioner | J. Harper Beall, Jr. |
| Commissioner | Walter T. Carpenter, Jr. |
| Commissioner | D. Archie Coffey |
| Commissioner | J. Talmadge Ennis |
| Commissioner | Paul Pendry |
| Commissioner | Joe J. Steele |
| City Manager | E. A. Poe, Jr. |
| Clerk | D. A. Poe, Jr. |
| Accountant | E. A. Poe, Jr. |
| Treasurer | Sadie Crisp |
| Tax Collector | E. A. Poe, Jr. |
| Attorney | L. H. Wall |
| Chief of Police | Stanley E. Crisp |
| Fire Chief | A. Y. Cottred |
| City Engineer | R. C. Wallace |
| Water Supt. | L. G. Huffstetler |
| Sewer Supt. | L. G. Huffstetler |
| Building Inspector | T. W. Younce |

Lincolnton

Lincolnton (Lincoln County) was chartered in 1785 [Ch. 63, N. C. Laws, 1785 Session], and took its name from General Benjamin Lincoln, Revolutionary leader.

It had 2.0 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$14,336,323. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.87. According to the U. S. Census, 92 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 886 in 1870, decreased to 828 in 1900, and increased to 5,423 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Emmett McE. Browne |
| Alderman | Willie S. Ramsey |
| Alderman | Bryan Craik |
| Alderman | Gene Wilburn |
| Alderman | Forrest Allen |
| Clerk | L. A. Heavner |
| Accountant | L. A. Heavner |
| Treasurer | L. A. Heavner |
| Tax Collector | L. A. Heavner |
| Attorney | W. H. Childs, Sr. |
| Chief of Police | B. A. Sigmon |
| Fire Chief | W. A. Armstrong |
| Public Works Dir. | A. E. Mullen |
| Water Supt. | Bryan Craik |
| Building Inspector | C. C. Randall |

Lumberton



Lumberton (Robeson County) was chartered in 1788 [Ch. 49, N. C. Laws, 1788 Session], and took its name from Lumber (Lumbee) River, a word of Indian derivation.

It had 5.1 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$17,155,698. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,683,500. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.85. According to the U. S. Census, 173 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 615 in 1870, to 849 in 1900, and to 9,186 in 1950.

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| Mayor | R. A. Hedgpeth |
| Councilman | F. K. Biggs, Jr. |
| Councilman | John C. Culbreth |
| Councilman | James W. Payle |
| Councilman | James F. Phillips |
| City Manager | A. B. Sansbury |
| Clerk | Joseph C. Taylor |
| Accountant | Joseph C. Taylor |
| Treasurer | Joseph C. Taylor |
| Tax Collector | James L. Jennings, Jr. |
| Attorney | E. M. Johnson |
| Chief of Police | W. M. Harris |
| Fire Chief | E. J. Glover |
| Public Works Dir. | Wallace T. O'Neal |
| Pub. Utilities Dir. | J. C. Outlaw |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | S. P. Douglas |
| Building Inspector | E. J. Glover |
| Chm., Bd. of Adj. | I. E. Weinstein |

Mooresville



Mooresville (Iredell County) was chartered in 1873 [Ch. 71, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1872-73 Session], and took its name from John F. Moore, donor of the first depot built in 1857.

It had 4.0 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$12,006,459. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 508 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number in-

creased to 1,533 in 1900, and to 7,121 in 1950.

Mayor	Dr. Boyce A. Brawley
Commissioner	R. T. Brantley
Commissioner	Henry R. Brawley
Commissioner	E. E. Bailey
Commissioner	Joe V. Knox
Commissioner	H. W. Rogers
Commissioner	Clyde L. Towell
City Manager	Phin. Horton, III
Clerk	Phin. Horton, III
Accountant	Phin. Horton, III
Treasurer	Phin. Horton, III
Tax Collector	Phin. Horton, III
Attorney	Z. V. Tarlington
Chief of Police	Lloyd B. Shumake
Fire Chief	Charles A. Troutman, Jr.
Public Works Dir.	Clark A. Sherrill
Water Supt.	T. R. Sherrill
Sewer Supt.	T. R. Sherrill
Chm., Planning Bd.	R. J. Holshouser
Building Inspector	J. Will Brown
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	R. J. Holshouser

Morehead City

Morehead City (Carteret County) was chartered in 1861 [Ch. 172, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1860-61 Session], and took its name from John M. Morehead, Governor of North Carolina, 1841-45, who bought the land and subdivided it.

It had 1.0 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$11,079,101. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 267 people lived within its limits in 1870; and this number increased to 1,379 in 1900, to 5,144 in 1950.

Mayor	George W. Dill, Jr.
Commissioner	S. C. Holloway
Commissioner	V. J. Garner
Commissioner	Walter S. Morris
Commissioner	Bud Dixon
Commissioner	Dr. Russell E. Outlaw
Clerk	John E. Lashley
Treasurer	Blanda L. McLohon
Tax Collector	John E. Lashley
Attorney	Hamilton & McNeill
Chief of Police	Herbert Griffin
Fire Chief	Joe Fulcher
City Engineer	J. V. Waters
Building Inspector	A. B. Roberts

Morganton



Morganton (Burke County) [Morgansborough] was chartered in 1784 [Ch. 36, N. C. Laws, 1784 Session], and took its name from General Daniel Morgan, Revolutionary commander.

It had 3.9 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$23,992,500. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. Its retail sales were

estimated in 1957 to be \$1,958,400. According to the U. S. Census, 130 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 558 in 1850, to 1,938 in 1900, and to 8,311 in 1950.

Mayor	H. L. Riddle
Alderman	K. Y. Lewis
Alderman	N. A. Thompson
Alderman	R. L. Braddock
Alderman	J. T. Clemmer
City Manager	Robert P. Carr
Clerk	Robert P. Carr
Accountant	Graham S. DeVane
Treasurer	Robert P. Carr
Tax Collector	Robert Bristol
Attorney	John H. McMurray
Chief of Police	E. P. Whisnant
Fire Chief	S. E. Horn
Street Supt.	B. O. Eller
Water Supt.	K. R. Williams
Sewer Supt.	K. R. Williams
Chm., Planning Bd.	Tux Bowers
Building Inspector	Wade S. Gibbs
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	E. M. Brunson

Mount Airy

Mount Airy (Surry County) was chartered in 1869 [Ch. 54, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1868-69 Session], and took its name from a nearby eminence called an "airy mountain" by a trapper.

It had 2.4 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$14,887,233. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,780,300. According to the U. S. Census, 1,768 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 2,680 in 1900, and to 7,192 in 1950.

Mayor	W. Frank Carter, Jr.
Commissioner	Wm. I. Monday
Commissioner	A. B. Withers
Commissioner	W. M. Beamer
Commissioner	W. F. Harris
Commissioner	Walter A. Poore
Clerk	J. C. Hill
Accountant	A. B. Withers
Treasurer	J. C. Hill
Tax Collector	Reid E. Stewart
Purchasing Agent	F. G. Doggett
Attorney	Barber & Gardner
Chief of Police	W. Howard Sumner
Fire Chief	J. Ed Brannock
City Engineer	F. G. Doggett
Water Supt.	F. G. Doggett
Sewer Supt.	F. G. Doggett

Newton



Newton (Catawba County) was chartered in 1855 [Ch. 247, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1854-55 Session], and took its name from Newton Wilson, son of Nathaniel Wilson who sponsored the act which incorporated the town.

It had 8.0 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$14,392,619. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$1,662,100. According to the U. S. Census, 291 people lived within its limits in 1860; and this

number increased to 1,583 in 1900, and to 6,029 in 1950.

Mayor	Edward Haupt
Alderman	J. Ray Wilkison
Alderman	J. W. Abernathy, Jr.
Alderman	Glenn W. Love
Alderman	W. B. Gaither, Jr.
Alderman	Grady V. Moser
Alderman	Henry C. Gantt
City Manager	G. Sam Rowe, Sr.
Clerk	Joe B. Gabriel
Accountant	Joe B. Gabriel
Treasurer	Joe B. Gabriel
Tax Collector	Joe B. Gabriel
Attorney	Jesse C. Sigmon, Jr.
Chief of Police	Thurmond A. Harve'l
Fire Chief	Perry V. Reitzel
Public Works Dir.	C. E. Lackey
Water Supt.	C. E. Lackey
Sewer Supt.	C. E. Lackey
Chm., Planning Bd.	Lock W. Lowrance
Building Inspector	Perry V. Reitzel
Chm., Bd. of Adj.	Lloyd Mullinax

Oxford

Oxford (Granville County) was chartered in 1811 [Ch. 65, N. C. Laws, 1811-12 Session], and took its name from Samuel Benton's plantation, on which the town was built.

It had 3.9 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$12,526,131. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 1,978 people lived within its limits in 1850; and this number increased to 2,059 in 1900, and to 6,685 in 1950.

Mayor	Hugh M. Currin
Commissioner	L. E. Breedlove
Commissioner	Geo. E. Daniel
Commissioner	J. W. Boring
Commissioner	S. B. Knott
Commissioner	T. G. Powell
Commissioner	Geo. P. Tarry
Commissioner	Louis R. Hutchinson
City Manager	W. F. Parham
Clerk	Thos. O. Mullins
Accountant	Thos. O. Mullins
Treasurer	Lucille Smith
Tax Collector	Thos. O. Mullins
Attorney	William T. Watkins
Chief of Police	D. E. White
Fire Chief	Allen Cozart
City Engineer	H. L. Lyon
Water Supt.	H. L. Lyon
Sewer Supt.	H. L. Lyon
Chm., Planning Bd.	George E. Daniel
Building Inspector	J. M. Blalock

Roanoke Rapids



Roanoke Rapids (Halifax County) was chartered in 1897 [Ch. 53, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1897 Session], and took its name from the rapids of the Roanoke River.

It had 2.9 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$27,108,662. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.15. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,077,400. According to the U. S. Census, 1,009 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 8,156 in 1950.

Mayor Leroy W. Morris
 Commissioner S. H. Crumpler
 Commissioner R. M. Taylor
 Commissioner Ray Smith
 Commissioner L. T. Oakes
 Commissioner H. W. Woodruff
 Commissioner R. T. Floyd
 Clerk Mrs. Dorothy S. Meyer
 Accountant Mrs. Dorothy S. Meyer
 Treasurer Mrs. Dorothy S. Meyer
 Tax Collector H. G. Stott
 Attorney W. B. Allsbrook
 Chief of Police T. J. Davis
 Fire Chief C. L. Bristow
 Public Works Dir. G. E. Justice
 Building Inspector Z. A. Powell
 Chm., Bd. of Adj. K. F. Adams

Street Supt. Glenn Carter
 Water Supt. R. W. Hunter
 Sewer Supt. R. W. Hunter

Tarboro



Tarboro (Edgecombe County) was chartered in 1760 [Ch. 9, N. C. Laws, 1760 Session], and took its name from the Tar River, which supposedly took its name from the Indian *Tau*, meaning "river of health."

It had 4.0 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$11,630,631. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$1,601,500. According to the U. S. Census, 523 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 1,048 in 1860, to 2,499 in 1900, and to 8,120 in 1950.

Mayor Herbert T. Bailey
 Councilman A. E. Bass
 Councilman Graham T. Harris
 Councilman M. M. Shepherd
 Councilman Curtis B. Leggett
 Councilman Dr. J. L. Roberson
 Councilman Frank Aifard
 Councilman J. Watson Smoot
 Councilman J. B. Green
 City Manager W. B. Howard
 Clerk R. B. Josey
 Accountant W. H. Still, Jr.
 Treasurer R. B. Josey
 Tax Collector R. B. Josey
 Attorney H. H. Taylor, Jr.
 Chief of Police John R. Spruill
 Fire Chief J. S. Doney
 Public Works Dir. W. L. Morgan
 Water Supt. Virgil Truitt
 Sewer Supt. Virgil Truitt
 Building Inspector W. L. Morgan
 Chm., Bd. of Adj. Larry Eagles

870,819. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.80. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$2,097,000. According to the U. S. Census, 601 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 2,015 in 1850, to 4,842 in 1900, and to 9,698 in 1950.



Mayor A. Thomas Stewart
 Councilman Dr. A. T. Jennette
 Councilman T. H. Patterson
 Councilman C. B. Carowan
 Councilman F. M. Cox
 City Manager R. H. Peck
 Clerk James W. Bowen
 Accountant James W. Bowen
 Treasurer F. A. Arthur
 Tax Collector James W. Bowen
 Attorney J. B. McMullan
 Chief of Police Phillip L. Pau
 Fire Chief Fred L. Potts
 Engineer Earl W. Bonner
 Water & Sewer Plant Supt. Bardon Allgood
 Building Inspector E. P. Martin

Waynesville

Waynesville (Haywood County) was chartered in 1810 [Ch. 61, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1810 Session], and took its name from Revolutionary General "Mad Anthony" Wayne. It was first called Mount Prospect.

It had 4.3 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$6,180,215. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$1,684,400. According to the U. S. Census, 225 people lived within its limits in 1880; and this number increased to 1,307 in 1900, to 5,295 in 1950.

Mayor J. H. Way
 Alderman T. Henry Gaddy
 Alderman S. Henry Miller
 Alderman S. Joe Linder
 City Manager G. C. Ferguson
 Clerk Mrs. Sue Hinkley
 Treasurer G. C. Ferguson
 Tax Collector G. C. Ferguson
 Attorney W. Roy Francis
 Chief of Police Orville Noland
 Fire Chief Felix Stovall
 Public Works Dir. Willie Mehahey
 Water Supt. Bradford Mehahey
 Chm., Planning Bd. Richard Bradley
 Building Inspector Ben Sloan
 Chm., Bd. of Adj. Chas. E. Ray

Smithfield

Smithfield (Johnston County) was chartered in 1777 [Ch. 15, N. C. Laws, 1777 Session], and took its name from Colonel John Smith who owned the land on which the town was built.

It had 2.0 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$8,920,810. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.15. Its retail sales were estimated in 1957 to be \$1,583,900. According to the U. S. Census, 329 people lived within its limits in 1850; and this number increased to 764 in 1900, to 5,574 in 1950.

Mayor Ben A. Baker
 Commissioner H. C. Taltan
 Commissioner B. W. Booker
 Commissioner Robert E. Bell
 Commissioner E. P. Cannirigham, Jr.
 Commissioner J. J. Dail
 Commissioner R. R. Holt, Jr.
 Commissioner Denton F. Lee
 Commissioner N. G. Edgerton
 Commissioner N. G. Edgerton
 Clerk James L. Taltan
 Accountant N. G. Edgerton
 Treasurer L. D. Brown
 Tax Collector Robert L. Spence
 Attorney W. H. Norton
 Chief of Police E. L. Woodall
 Fire Chief W. R. Broadwell, Jr.
 Street Supt. V. A. Flowers
 Water Supt. V. A. Flowers
 Sewer Supt. V. A. Flowers
 Chm., Planning Bd. J. P. Rogers, Jr.
 Building Inspector Theron Johnson
 Chm., Bd. of Adj. W. J. Huntley

Spray

Spray (Rockingham County) was chartered on Nov. 12, 1951, by the Municipal Board of Control, and took its name from the cloud of spray thrown by a large water wheel at the cotton mill belonging to J. Turner Morehead. It was first called Splashy.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$9,859,385. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 5,542 people lived within the community in 1950.

Mayor H. M. Nelson, Jr.
 Commissioner David W. Cook
 Commissioner Glenn Carter
 Commissioner O. C. Gibson
 Commissioner R. W. Hunter
 Commissioner White T. Reeder
 Clerk Mildred G. Adams
 Accountant Mildred G. Adams
 Treasurer Mildred G. Adams
 Tax Collector Mildred G. Adams
 Attorney H. L. Fagge
 Chief of Police J. L. Shelton
 Fire Chief Woodrow Vestal

Washington

Washington (Beaufort County) was chartered in 1782 [Ch. 27, N. C. Laws, 1782 Session], and took its name from George Washington at the instigation of Colonel James Bonner, the town's founder and a friend of General Washington.

It had 1.8 square miles of land in January 1958. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$12,-

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Ahoskie

Ahoskie (Hertford County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 4, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and took its name from the Wyanoake Indian fort town Auhotsky on the stream now known as Ahoskie Creek.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$6,341,308. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.70. According to the U. S. Census, 302 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 3,579 in 1950.

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| Mayor | J. Stanley Vinson |
| Commissioner | J. C. Sessoms, Sr. |
| Commissioner | W. T. Boone |
| Commissioner | Mervin Early |
| Commissioner | James M. Joyner |
| Commissioner | T. E. Ward, Jr. |
| Manager | J. E. Hulse, Jr. |
| Clerk | J. Hayes Brett |
| Treasurer | J. Hayes Brett |
| Tax Collector | J. Hayes Brett |
| Attorney | J. B. Burden |
| Chief of Police | J. A. Bunch |
| Fire Chief | J. D. Linkous |
| Streets | Grover C. Rawis |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Alonza Bland |
| Building Inspector | J. D. Linkous |

Beaufort

Beaufort (Carteret County) was chartered in 1723 [Ch. 15, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1723 Session], and took its name from Henry Somerset, Duke of Beaufort, a Lord Proprietor of Carolina.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,516,246. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 476 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 1,661 in 1850, to 2,195 in 1900, and to 3,212 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Wm. H. Potter |
| Commissioner | Bert Brooks |
| Commissioner | R. Math Chaplain |
| Commissioner | Billy Davis |
| Commissioner | Dr. David C. Farris |
| Commissioner | Wm. Roy Hamillor |
| Clerk | Ronald Earl Mason |
| Attorney | C. R. Wheatly, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | G. R. Spring'le |
| Fire Chief | Clarence L. Davis |
| Engineer | J. G. Hassell |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Odell Merrill |
| Building Inspector | G. F. Woolard |

Belhaven

Belhaven (Beaufort County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 366, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from the two words, belle and haven, meaning beautiful harbor.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,903,597. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 383 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,528 in 1950.

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| Mayor | James W. Younce |
| Alderman | Ralph W. Edwards |
| Alderman | Clyde B. Potter |
| Alderman | C. B. Tillman |
| Alderman | Dick Taylor |
| Alderman | Otis Johnston |
| Clerk | J. Harold Lupton |
| Treasurer | John R. Brinson |
| Tax Collector | Mrs. Thelma H. White |
| Attorney | D. D. Topping |

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| Chief of Police | William Chacon |
| Fire Chief | R. D. Windly |
| Engineer | Heber Wilkison |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Heber Wilkison |

Bessemer City

Bessemer City (Gaston County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 377, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and took its name from Sir Henry Bessemer, discoverer of the process for reducing iron ore, in anticipation of another "steel city".

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$4,389,187. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 1,100 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 3,961 in 1950.

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| Mayor | E. A. Hoak, Sr |
| Commissioner | Jim Kiser |
| Commissioner | Walt Heatherington |
| Commissioner | Carl E. Carpenter |
| Commissioner | P. O. Lutz |
| Commissioner | Miles Rhyne |
| Clerk | Henry R. Ormand |
| Treasurer | Henry R. Ormand |
| Tax Collector | Henry R. Ormand |
| Attorney | Henry L. Kiser |
| Chief of Police | Fred Wray |
| Fire Chief | P. R. Harmon |
| Dir. of Public Works | L. A. Poteat |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | L. A. Poteat |

Boone

Boone (Watauga County) was chartered in 1871 [Ch. 50, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1871-72 Session], and took its name from Daniel Boone.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,383,690. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 155 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,973 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Gordon H. Winkler |
| Alderman | W. R. Richardson |
| Alderman | S. Grady Tugman |
| Alderman | H. J. Cottrell |
| Clerk | S. G. Tugman |
| Treasurer | J. E. Joines |
| Tax Collector | J. E. Joines |
| Attorney | Wade E. Brown |
| Chief of Police | G. D. Richardson |
| Fire Chief | Howard Cottrell |
| Streets Supt. | Justin Ragan |
| Sanitation | Wayne Malba |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Carl Teague |
| Recreation Director | James H. Moore |

Brevard

Brevard (Transylvania County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 110, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from Revolutionary Colonel Ephraim Brevard, one of the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,422,176. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.45. According to the U. S. Census, 584 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 3,908 in 1950.

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| Mayor | B. H. Freeman |
| Alderman | Jack Bryant |
| Alderman | Roy L. Head |
| Alderman | W. M. Melton |
| Alderman | R. M. Neely |
| Alderman | Mark T. Osborne |

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| Manager | Thomas Henry |
| Clerk | Mrs. Opal C. King |
| Accountant | Mrs. Opal C. King |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Opal C. King |
| Tax Collector | C. M. Douglas |
| Attorney | Cecil J. Hui |
| Chief of Police | Paul L. Fisher |
| Fire Chief | Dan Merrill |
| Street Supt. | John Kilpatrick |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | John Kilpatrick |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Clayton Gardner |
| Building Inspector | James P. Galloway |

Canton

Canton (Haywood County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 168, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from Canton, Ohio, the origin of the steel for the bridge being built across the Pigeon River. It was originally called Buford and later Pigeon Ford before becoming Canton.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$9,595,139. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.95. According to the U. S. Census, 230 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 4,906 in 1950.

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| Mayor | H. W. Ramsey |
| Alderman | W. J. Stone |
| Alderman | L. M. White |
| Alderman | D. E. Morgan |
| Manager | Wm. Gary Head |
| Clerk | S. D. Reece |
| Accountant | Wm. Gary Head |
| Treasurer | E. M. Geier |
| Tax Collector | S. D. Reece |
| Attorney | Clark & Clark |
| Chief of Police | W. N. Stroup |
| Fire Chief | H. L. Setzer |
| Engineer | H. K. Terrell |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | G. R. Wood |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Bruce G. Nanaev |

Cherryville



Cherryville (Gaston County) was chartered in 1881 [Ch. 26, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1881 Session], and took its name from the cherry trees which bordered the rail fences of the farms in the vicinity.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,798,620. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.10. According to the U. S. Census, 1,008 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 3,492 in 1950.

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| Mayor | W. T. Robinson |
| Commissioner | Monroe C. Hallman |
| Commissioner | Robert H. Ballard |
| Commissioner | J. Ralph Beam, Sr. |
| Commissioner | Kenneth E. Anthony |
| Clerk | Paul Crocker |
| Treasurer | Paul Crocker |
| Tax Collector | Paul Crocker |
| Attorney | W. J. Allran, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | Yates R. McGinnis |
| Fire Chief | LeRoy Carpenter |

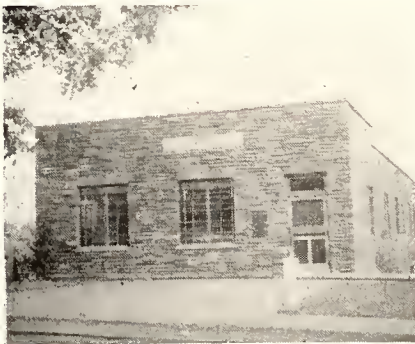
Clinton

Clinton (Sampson County) was chartered in 1828 [Ch. 130, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1828 Session], and took its name from Richard Clinton who gave five acres of land to establish the county seat here.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$8,038,871. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.66. According to the U. S. Census, 958 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 4,414 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Robert I. Powe'l |
| Commissioner | Hugh O. Turlington |
| Commissioner | A. E. Kennedy, Jr. |
| Commissioner | J. S. Eakes |
| Commissioner | B. O. Dunlap |
| Manager | W. Clyde Stone, Jr. |
| Clerk | Kathryn Barber |
| Treasurer | Kathryn Barber |
| Tax Collector | Howard W. Spell |
| Attorney | Harry M. Lee |
| Chief of Police | Harold A. Frank |
| Fire Chief | J. H. Bunch |
| Engineer | L. C. Kerr, Jr. |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Seth W. Parsons |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Peter McQueen |
| Building Inspector | Seth W. Parsons |

Draper



Draper (Rockingham County) was chartered in 1945 [Ch. 214, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1945 Session], and took its name from William F. Draper, founder of Draper Mills in 1905.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$6,071,681. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 3,629 people lived within its limits in 1950.

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| Mayor | H. R. Lindsey |
| Councilman | John S. East, Jr. |
| Councilman | Ernest L. Funderburk |
| Councilman | L. Vance Reece, Jr. |
| Councilman | Paul Shropshire |
| Councilman | Julian T. Slaydon |
| Clerk | Pearle N. Steagall |
| Accountant | Pearle N. Steagall |
| Treasurer | Pearle N. Steagall |
| Tax Collector | A. J. Talbert |
| Attorney | Earl W. Vaughn |
| Chief of Police | A. J. Talbert |
| Fire Chief | William C. Willis |
| Street Supt. | John S. East, Jr. |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | E. B. Harmon |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | R. H. Garrett |
| Building Inspector | Andrew Adkins |

Edenton

Edenton (Chowan County) was chartered in 1720 [Ch. 3, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1720 Session], and took its name from Charles Eden, royal Governor of North Carolina, 1714-22.

Its real and personal property was

valued in 1957 at \$9,264,908. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 1,302 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 1,607 in 1850, to 3,046 in 1900, and to 4,468 in 1950.

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| Mayor | John A. Mitchener, Jr. |
| Councilman | J. Edwin Buflap |
| Councilman | George A. Byrum |
| Councilman | Luther C. Parks |
| Councilman | Wm. C. Bunch, Jr. |
| Councilman | C. A. Phillips |
| Councilman | R. Elton Forehand |
| Clerk | Ernest J. Ward, Jr. |
| Treasurer | James M. Bond |
| Tax Collector | Ernest J. Ward, Jr. |
| Attorney | W. S. Privott |
| Chief of Police | George I. Dail |
| Fire Chief | W. J. Yates |
| Dir. of Public Works | Frank M. Hughes |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Richard N. Hines |

Elkin

Elkin (Surry County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 86, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from either an Indian who, pursuing an elk into the Yadkin River, shouted "elk in", or from a family of early settlers.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$9,094,454. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.30. According to the U. S. Census, 860 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,842 in 1950.

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| Mayor | George E. Royal |
| Commissioner | R. C. Freeman |
| Commissioner | J. W. L. Benson |
| Commissioner | A. M. Crater |
| Commissioner | E. C. Boyles |
| Commissioner | L. G. Meed |
| Clerk | Dixie Graham |
| Accountant | Dixie Graham |
| Tax Collector | Dixie Graham |
| Attorney | R. Lewis Alexander |
| Chief of Police | J. C. Wall |
| Fire Chief | J. Ted Brown |
| Engineer | J. W. L. Benson |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | C. M. Saylor |
| Building Inspector | J. Ted Brown |

Farmville

Farmville (Pitt County) was chartered in 1872 [Ch. 130, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1871-72 Session], and took its name from the farm lands of the region.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$4,970,112. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 262 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,942 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Charles S. Edwards |
| Commissioner | Howard D. Moye |
| Commissioner | Oliver Murphy |
| Commissioner | W. E. (Will) Joyner |
| Commissioner | W. C. (Lum) Wooten |
| Commissioner | John D. Dixon |
| Clerk | Harold M. Allred |
| Accountant | Harold M. Allred |
| Treasurer | Harold M. Allred |
| Tax Collector | Harold M. Allred |
| Attorney | John B. Lewis |
| Chief of Police | L. T. Lucas |
| Fire Chief | Haywood Smith |
| Street Supt. | E. G. Carraway |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | W. A. McAdams |
| Building Inspector | Haywood Smith |

Forest City

Forest City (Rutherford County) was chartered in 1877 [Ch. 136, N. C. Pub. Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its

name from Forest Davis, a lumber merchant. It was first called Burnt Chimney until 1887 when the name was changed [Ch. 244, N. C. Pub. Laws, 1887 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,780,215. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 1,090 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 4,971 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Robert R. Blanton |
| Councilman | William D. Harri' |
| Councilman | Marshall Matheny |
| Councilman | Parris B. Parz |
| Councilman | P. Howard Neighbors |
| Councilman | Charles V. Abernethy |
| Clerk | George C. Callison |
| Treasurer | George C. Callison |
| Tax Collector | George C. Callison |
| Attorney | J. Tolliver Davis |
| Chief of Police | Paul Kennedy |
| Fire Chief | Robert G. Harrill |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Thomas Petty |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Grover Bradley |
| Building Inspector | Thomas Petty |

Jacksonville

Jacksonville (Onslow County) was originally chartered in 1842 [Ch. 35, N. C. Laws, 1842 Session], and took its name from Andrew Jackson, President of the United States.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$15,232,880. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.70. According to the U. S. Census, 170 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 309 in 1900 and to 3,960 in 1950.

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| Mayor | A. J. Lewis |
| Councilman | A. D. Guy |
| Councilman | W. B. Quick |
| Councilman | Joe T. Morgan |
| Councilman | John V. Huff |
| Manager | Craig L. Barnhardt |
| Clerk | John L. Zang |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Joyce T. Oakley |
| Tax Collector | Maurice C. Capps |
| Purchasing Agent | John L. Zang |
| Attorney | Carl V. Venters |
| Chief of Police | Clyde R. Cook |
| Fire Chief | Jesse F. Starling |
| Engineer | Collier Cobb |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | A. V. Crouch |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | J. W. Bender |
| Building Inspector | J. E. Simpson |

Leaksville

Leaksville (Rockingham County) was chartered in 1874 [Ch. 133, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session], and took its name from John Leak, who established a plantation there in 1807.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$12,616,887. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 688 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 4,045 in 1950.

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| Mayor | D. Floyd Osborne |
| Commissioner | H. N. Anderson |
| Commissioner | Bair Burke |
| Commissioner | Jones W. Norman |
| Commissioner | Charlie B. Rakestraw |
| Commissioner | D. Fred Mitchell |
| Clerk | J. F. Kemp |
| Treasurer | J. F. Kemp |
| Tax Collector | J. F. Kemp |
| Attorney | A. D. Ivie |
| Chief of Police | M. O. Clark |
| Fire Chief | Glen Simpson |
| Street Supt. | Irving Adams |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Otho Yonnts |
| Building Inspector | Irving Adams |

Louisburg



Louisburg (Franklin County) was chartered in 1779 [Ch. 30, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1779 Session], and took its name from the capture by American forces of the French fortress at Louisburg, Nova Scotia.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,070,324. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 56 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 1,178 in 1900, and to 2,545 in 1950.

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| Mayor | William J. Benton |
| Councilman | J. M. Allen, Jr. |
| Councilman | G. M. Beam, Jr. |
| Councilman | George A. Dennis |
| Councilman | A. F. Johnson, Jr. |
| Manager | Jack C. Coss |
| Clerk | Mrs. Katherine D. Gupton |
| Accountant | Edward S. Foid |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Katherine D. Gupton |
| Tax Collector | R. Lee Johnson |
| Attorney | W. M. Jolly |
| Chief of Police | W. T. Dement |
| Fire Chief | G. H. Murphy |
| Street Supt. | S. C. Foster, Jr. |
| Water Supt. | C. E. Spencer |
| Sewer Supt. | S. C. Foster, Jr. |
| Building Inspector | C. E. Spencer |

Marion



Marion (McDowell County) was organized in 1844 [Ch. 49, N. C. Pr. Laws 1844-45 Session], and took its name from General Francis Marion, "the Swamp Fox," a Revolutionary Army commander.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$7,936,298. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.45. According to the U. S. Census, 1,116 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,740 in 1950.

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| Mayor | J. W. Streetman, Jr. |
| Alderman | Howard T. Hawkins |
| Alderman | Frank H. Jump |
| Alderman | D. Pat Davis |
| Alderman | George L. Conley |
| Alderman | Albert M. Neal |
| Manager | Reece C. Snyder |
| Accountant | Julia M. Stanley |

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| Treasurer | Reece C. Snyder |
| Tax Collector | Reece C. Snyder |
| Attorney | Proctor & Dameron |
| Chief of Police | D. W. Smith |
| Fire Chief | Glenn Laughridge |
| Street Supt. | William Jack Brown |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | William Jack Brown |
| Building Inspector | Reece C. Snyder |

Mount Olive

Mount Olive (Wayne County) was chartered in 1870 [Ch. 39, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1869-70 Session], and took its name from the Biblical Mount of Olives.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,984,838. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.70. According to the U. S. Census, 617 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,732 in 1950.

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| Mayor | B. E. Bryan |
| Commissioner | D. F. Odom, Jr. |
| Commissioner | Milford Ginn |
| Commissioner | Dr. R. H. Shackelford |
| Commissioner | W. W. Cobb |
| Clerk | James Francis |
| Accountant | Belle S. Fagg |
| Treasurer | E. B. Flowers |
| Tax Collector | Belle S. Fagg |
| Purchasing Agent | Edwin Patten |
| Attorney | Edwin Patten |
| Chief of Police | Don B. Ward |
| Fire Chief | H. B. Davis |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Edgar Summerlin |
| Building Inspector | Dudley Kornegay |
| | Edwin Patten |

North Wilksboro



North Wilkesboro (Wilkes County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 198, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from the county seat, Wilkesboro, which was named for John Wilkes, English politician, Lord Mayor of London, who on April 10, 1775, presented to the King a "remonstrance of the livery" with reference to coercion of the American colonies.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$9,098,095. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.70. According to the U. S. Census, 918 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 4,379 in 1950.

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| Mayor | A. A. Cashion |
| Commissioner | R. M. Brame, Jr. |
| Commissioner | Frank H. Crow |
| Commissioner | D. V. Deal |
| Commissioner | J. M. Eifer |
| Commissioner | N. S. Forester, Jr. |
| Clerk | J. M. Bentley, Jr. |
| Accountant | J. M. Bentley, Jr. |
| Treasurer | J. M. Bentley, Jr. |
| Tax Collector | J. M. Bentley, Jr. |
| Attorney | J. H. Whicker, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | W. G. Walsh |
| Fire Chief | J. T. Kenerly |

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| Street Supt. | A. A. Cashion |
| Water Supt. | C. B. Yates |
| Building Inspector | C. B. Yates |

Plymouth

Plymouth (Washington County) was chartered in 1807 [Ch. 48, N. C. Laws, 1807-08 Session], and took its name from the Massachusetts Pilgrim settlement.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,107,456. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.80. According to the U. S. Census, 951 people lived within its limits in 1850; and this number increased to 1,011 in 1900, and to 4,486 in 1950.

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| Mayor | A. J. Riddle |
| Councilman | J. T. Boyce |
| Councilman | D. J. Brinkley |
| Councilman | L. W. Gurkin, Jr. |
| Councilman | T. H. Whitley |
| Councilman | Roy Ragland |
| Councilman | R. J. Frymier |
| Clerk | W. A. Koebuck |
| Tax Collector | P. W. Brown |
| Attorney | W. L. Whitley |
| Chief of Police | P. W. Brown |
| Fire Chief | I. M. Warren |
| Street Supt. | P. W. Brown |
| Water Supt. | L. J. Wrightson |

Rockingham

Rockingham (Richmond County) was organized in 1784 [Ch. 45, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1784 Session], and took its name from Charles Watson Wentworth, Marquis of Rockingham, British Secretary of State, who advocated American independence.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$10,927,427. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.45. According to the U. S. Census, 1,567 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 3,356 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Thomas B. Hunter |
| Commissioner | James D. Blount, Jr. |
| Commissioner | Dewey W. Coleman |
| Commissioner | John W. Covington |
| Commissioner | W. H. Entwistle |
| Commissioner | Garland Norwood |
| Clerk | Zebulon Gibson |
| Accountant | Zebulon Gibson |
| Treasurer | Zebulon Gibson |
| Tax Collector | Zebulon Gibson |
| Attorney | Charles B. Deane |
| Chief of Police | Louis S. Allen |
| Fire Chief | Ferry C. Covington |
| Street Supt. | Jesse M. McKinnon |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Nicholas W. Dockery |
| Building Inspector | Forrest G. McBride |

Roxboro



Roxboro (Person County) was chartered in 1855 [Ch. 253, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1854-55 Session], and took its name from Roxburgh, Scotland.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$10,622,934. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 1,021 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 4,321 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Darcy W. Bradsher |
| Commissioner | Gordon C. Hunter |
| Commissioner | O. Teague Kirby |
| Commissioner | Thomas M. Bumpaja |
| Commissioner | J. W. Green |
| Commissioner | Aubrey S. King |
| Commissioner | Jack F. Nea |
| Manager | Aubrey S. King |
| Clerk | Jack F. Nea |
| Accountant | Gordon C. Hunter |
| Treasurer | Jack F. Nea |
| Tax Collector | Jack F. Nea |
| Attorney | A. M. Burns, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | George C. Robinson |
| Fire Chief | Thomas G. Gunter |
| Dir. of Public Works | Zeb K. Harris |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Collins M. Abbitt |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Dallas R. Taylor |
| Building Inspector | Collins M. Abbitt |

Rutherfordton



Rutherfordton (Rutherford County) was originally chartered in 1787 [Ch. 38, N. C. Laws, 1787 Session], and took its name from General Griffith Rutherford, Revolutionary Commander.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,972,251. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.35. According to the U. S. Census, 57 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 484 in 1850, to 880 in 1900, and to 3,146 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Louis W. Nannay |
| Councilman | Jack E. Keeter |
| Councilman | J. Hayden Sparks |
| Councilman | Gulmer A. Hires |
| Councilman | Jack M. Davis |
| Clerk | Charles R. Yopp |
| Accountant | Charles R. Yopp |
| Treasurer | Charles R. Yopp |
| Tax Collector | Charles R. Yopp |
| Purchasing Agent | Louis W. Nannay |
| Attorney | J. S. Dockery |
| Chief of Police | Wayne Ednerton |
| Fire Chief | William D. Walker |
| Engineer | Caswell Highland |
| Street Supt. | Fred Blanton |
| Sewer Supt. | Fred Blanton |
| Building Inspector | Fred Blanton |

Selma

Selma (Johnston County) was chartered in 1873 [Ch. 16, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1872-73 Session], and took its name from the town of Selma, Alabama.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,735,855. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.15. According to the U. S. Census, 816 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,639 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Joe A. Creech |
| Commissioner | James D. McMillan |

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| Commissioner | Dr. E. N. Booker |
| Commissioner | Rufus A. Bond |
| Commissioner | H. B. Jernigan, Jr. |
| Commissioner | W. O. Fields |
| Clerk | D. L. Broadwell |
| Treasurer | D. L. Broadwell |
| Tax Collector | Pauline Smith |
| Attorney | E. Craig Jones, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | Rufus Bond |
| Fire Chief | Rufus Bond |
| Street Supt. | C. A. Pyals |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | W. O. Fields |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | B. C. Dubose |

Siler City

Siler City (Chatham County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 88, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from the Siler family who settled near the intersection of the Raleigh-Salisbury and Greensboro-Fayetteville stage roads.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,515,609. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 254 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 2,501 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Russell Williams |
| Commissioner | Dr. J. B. Earle |
| Commissioner | Dr. Mott P. Blair |
| Commissioner | John T. Talley |
| Commissioner | K. C. Budd |
| Commissioner | Willis Wrenn |
| Clerk | Mrs. Margaret S. Vestal |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Margaret S. Vestal |
| Tax Collector | Novia Jordan |
| Attorney | T. Fleet Baldwin |
| Chief of Police | J. S. Moody |
| Fire Chief | Richard Edwards |
| Building Inspector | Lloyd Womble |

Southern Pines

Southern Pines (Moore County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 159, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from its location at the edge of the long leaf pine belt.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$7,760,381. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 517 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 4,272 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Robert S. Ewing |
| Councilman | James D. Hobbs |
| Councilman | John S. Ruggles |
| Councilman | Harry H. Pethick |
| Councilman | Felton J. Capel |
| Manager | Louis Scheipers, Jr. |
| Clerk | Mildred P. McDonald |
| Accountant | Louis Scheipers, Jr. |
| Treasurer | D. E. Bailey |
| Tax Collector | F. F. Rainey |
| Attorney | W. Lamont Brown |
| Chief of Police | C. E. Newton |
| Fire Chief | Harold B. Fowler |
| Street Supt. | Roland Norton |
| Engineer | William J. Wilson |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Joel Q. Stutts |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Ralph L. Chandler |
| Building Inspector | Mark L. Whitesell |

Spencer

Spencer (Rowan County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 109, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its name from Samuel Spencer, president of the Southern Railroad.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,724,371. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.55. According to the U. S. Census, 1,915 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 3,242 in 1950.

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| Mayor | T. R. Burdette, Jr. |
| Alderman | John H. Riley |
| Alderman | T. D. Focie |
| Alderman | Dr. G. A. Palmer, Jr. |
| Alderman | Reid S. Earnhardt |
| Alderman | Joseph Hackett |
| Alderman | Neil A. Hatley |
| Manager | Quay T. Smith |
| Clerk | Thomas M. Gemayel |
| Accountant | Quay T. Smith |
| Treasurer | Dr. G. A. Palmer, Jr. |
| Tax Collector | Quay T. Smith |
| Attorney | T. K. & Graham Carlton |
| Chief of Police | J. W. Meacham |
| Fire Chief | Marvin Rore |
| Street Supt. | Guy R. Pettigrew |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Guy R. Pettigrew |
| Building Inspector | Douglas P. Heilig |

Spindale



Spindale (Rutherford County) was chartered in 1923 [by the Municipal Board of Control], and took its name from its location in a valley in which mills for spinning cotton yarns were established.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$6,195,654. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.12. According to the U. S. Census, 3,891 people lived within its limits in 1950.

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| Mayor | C. B. Deviney |
| Commissioner | Dr. L. P. Mitchell |
| Commissioner | Charles Melton |
| Commissioner | Max G. Padgett |
| Commissioner | E. Grady Hines |
| Commissioner | Fred Crowe |
| Clerk | Joe Wylie |
| Treasurer | Joe Wylie |
| Tax Collector | Joe Wylie |
| Attorney | A. Clyde Tomblin |
| Chief of Police | D. R. Mayse |
| Fire Chief | Carl L. Beatty |
| Street Supt. | E. E. Davis |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | E. E. Davis |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | L. E. Sherrill |
| Building Inspector | Carl L. Beatty |

Valdese



Valdese (Burke County) was chartered in 1920 [by Municipal Board of Control], and took its name from Peter Waldo, founder of the Waldensian sect.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$10,393,425. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.45. According to the U. S. Census, 2,730 people lived within its limits in 1950.

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| Mayor | Valdo S Martinat |
| Alderman | Frank Pascal |
| Alderman | Roy Fox |
| Alderman | A. A. Pons |
| Alderman | W. J. Spencer |
| Alderman | James E. Garron |
| Manager | Lee Ribet |
| Clerk | James E. Garron |
| Treasurer | Frank Pascal |
| Tax Collector | Glen A. Ramsey |
| Attorney | W. Harold Mitchell |
| Chief of Police | I. N. Ramsey |
| Fire Chief | Lee Ribet |
| Street Supt. | D. E. Whisnart |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | D. E. Whisnart |
| Building Inspector | A. O. Anderson |

Wadesboro

Wadesboro (Anson County) was originally chartered in 1783 [Ch. 47, N. C. Laws, Feb. 1783 Session] as Newton. Its name was changed in 1787 to Wadesboro [Ch 54, N. C. Laws, 1787-88 Session] in honor of Thomas Wade, colonel of the Minute Men of the Salisbury district, and State legislator.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,582,346. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.35. According to the U. S. Census, 1,198 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 3,408 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Frank C. Little |
| Commissioner | David D. Blalock |
| Commissioner | John J. Crawford |
| Commissioner | Robert W. Huntley |
| Commissioner | Joe M. Liles, Jr. |
| Commissioner | W. A. Stahl |
| Manager | Alvin R. Butler |
| Treasurer | Joe M. Liles, Jr. |
| Tax Collector | Lex Burch |
| Attorney | Taylor, Kitchin & Taylor |
| Chief of Police | Lex Burch |
| Fire Chief | J. H. Burns |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Clyde Ratliff |
| Chm., Planning Bd. | Jim Trowbridge |
| Building Inspector | M. J. Hamer |

Wake Forest

Wake Forest (Wake County) was chartered in 1880 [Ch. 1, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1880 Special Session], and took its name from the wooded land of northern Wake County.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,540,535. Its tax rate for the fiscal year was \$.90. According to the U. S. Census, 823 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 3,704 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Ben T. Aycock |
| Commissioner | Paul K. Brixhoff |
| Commissioner | Walter H. Holding |
| Commissioner | Stewart A. Newman |
| Commissioner | Nash H. Underwood |
| Commissioner | John T. Wayland |
| Clerk | W. F. Carmichael |
| Treasurer | W. F. Carmichael |
| Tax Collector | W. F. Carmichael |
| Attorney | J. C. Keefer |
| Chief of Police | Sam A. Memory |
| Fire Chief | Albert Perry |
| Street Supt. | B. H. Hobgood, Jr. |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | G. G. Hill |
| Building Inspector | G. G. Hill |

Whiteville



Whiteville (Columbus County) was chartered in 1810 [Ch. LX, N. C. Laws, 1810 Session], and took its name from either John White, Governor of the Raleigh Colony on Roanoke Island or from John B. White, State Senator (1809-10).

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,980,356. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.25. According to the U. S. Census, 643 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 4,238 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Titus C. Williamson |
| Councilman | Sam T. Gore |
| Councilman | N. H. McNeill |
| Councilman | W. M. Hastv |
| Councilman | C. D. Dutton |
| Manager | W. S. Huggins |
| Clerk | Mrs. Meda Williamson |
| Accountant | W. S. Huggins |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Meda Williamson |
| Tax Collector | Mrs. Meda Williamson |
| Attorney | R. H. Burns, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | Wade L. White |
| Fire Chief | A. A. Rushing |
| Dir. of Public Works | W. J. Porter |
| Building Inspector | A. A. Rushing |

Williamston

Williamston (Martin County) was organized in 1779 [Ch. 35, N. C. Laws, 1779 Session], and took its name from William Williams, Colonel of the county militia during the Revolution, and the town's first state senator.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$7,176,952. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 248 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 912 in 1900, and to 4,975 in 1950.

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| Mayor | N. C. Green |
| Commissioner | W. M. Baker |
| Commissioner | H. L. Barwood |
| Commissioner | G. W. Corey |
| Commissioner | R. A. Critcher, Jr. |
| Commissioner | W. O. Griffin |
| Clerk | J. B. Godwin |
| Treasurer | J. B. Godwin |
| Tax Collector | J. B. Godwin |
| Attorney | Charles H. Manning |
| Chief of Police | Jack E. Jernigan |
| Fire Chief | G. P. Hall |
| Street Supt. | R. E. Manning |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | R. E. Manning |
| Building Inspector | G. F. Hall |

IV. Cities with Populations of 1,000 to 2,500

Aberdeen

Aberdeen (Moore County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 220, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and took its name from the Scottish seaport. It was called Blue's Crossing until 1887.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,427,008. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 559 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,603 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Dr. E. M. Medlin |
| Councilman | J. J. Greer |
| Councilman | E. O. Freeman |
| Councilman | George D. Anderson |
| Councilman | H. W. Doub |
| Councilman | Leo Arey |
| Clerk | Robert A. Vatta |
| Tax Collector | L. K. Smith |
| Attorney | Johnson & Johnson |
| Chief of Police | L. K. Smith |
| Fire Chief | A. J. Smith |
| Street Supt. | W. B. Phillips |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | W. B. Phillips |

Andrews

Andrews (Cherokee County) was chartered in 1905 [Ch. 135, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session], and took its name from Colonel A. B. Andrews, a leader in the development of the Western North Carolina Railroad.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,501,606. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 936 people lived within the limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,397 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Percy B. Ferchee |
| Alderman | J. Luther Trett |
| Alderman | Galusha Pulliam |
| Alderman | Zeb Conley |
| Alderman | A. B. Chandler, Sr |
| Clerk | Mrs. Zora R. Bryson |
| Tax Collector | Frank H. Mehaffey |
| Attorney | H. L. McKeever |
| Chief of Police | Frank H. Mehaffey |
| Fire Chief | Jeff Brooks |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Olen H. Hughes |

Angier



Angier (Harnett County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 181, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its name from Colonel John C. Angier, one of the town's founders.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,678,580. Its tax

rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 221 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,182 in 1950.

Mayor	W. B. Williams
Commissioners	Edward Matthews
Commissioner	P. L. Campbell
Commissioner	J. M. Byrd
Commissioner	Clyde R. Ferrell
Clerk	Mrs. Jane S. Tutor
Tax Collector	Mrs. Jane S. Tutor
Attorney	Robert R. Morgan
Chief of Police	Woodrow Hockaday
Fire Chief	Charles G. Noidan
Dir., Public Works	Ray Ferrell
Water & Sewer Supt.	Ray Ferrell

Apex

Apex (Wake County) was chartered in 1873 [Ch. 52, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1872-73 Session], and was so named because it was supposedly the highest point on the Seaboard Air Line Railroad between Richmond, Virginia, and Jacksonville, Florida.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,609,864. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 269 people lived within its limits in 1890, and this number increased to 1,065 in 1950.

Mayor	E. B. Tindal, Jr.
Commissioner	W. H. Livesay, Jr.
Commissioner	G. T. Rogers
Commissioner	S. B. Jones
Commissioner	B. Calvin Perry
Commissioner	H. F. DeWitt
Clerk	Mrs. Della Mozingo
Tax Collector	Mrs. Della Mozingo
Attorney	Carl P. Holleman
Chief of Police	E. A. Capel
Fire Chief	Ray Scott
Water System Supt.	E. A. Capel

Aulander

Aulander (Bertie County) was chartered in 1885 [Ch. 84, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1885 Session]. It was called Harmon's Crossroads until named Aulander in 1885.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,135,769. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 163 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,112 in 1950.

Mayor	Cohen W. Parker
Commissioner	T. J. Hoggard
Commissioner	D. W. Patrick
Commissioner	Junious Holloman
Clerk	T. H. Griffith
Tax Collector	T. H. Griffith
Chief of Police	George Leonhirth
Fire Chief	E. W. Burden
City Engineer	R. E. White

Ayden



Ayden (Pitt County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 27, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,287,192. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 557 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,282 in 1950.

Mayor	S. Frank Peterson
Commissioner	Harry Mumford
Commissioner	Ross Persinger
Commissioner	Robert Harris
Commissioner	Norman Daal
Commissioner	Edison Gibson
Commissioner	Cleveland Paylor
Clerk	Cleveland Paylor
Tax Collector	Robert Booth
Attorney	H. V. Chandler, Jr.
Chief of Police	Larry Tripp
Fire Chief	J. W. Barfield
Street Supt.	

Benson

Benson (Johnston County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 155, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from M. C. Benson, pioneer settler and land owner.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,629,161. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 191 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 2,102 in 1950.

Mayor	J. Ed. Jobusco
Commissioner	Emery L. Miller
Commissioner	Ralph B. Whittington
Commissioner	Robert G. Adams
Commissioner	Y. Ira Tart
Clerk	Julian Godwin
Tax Collector	Julian Godwin
Attorney	Levinson & Levinson
Chief of Police	J. G. Medlin
Fire Chief	Joseph O. Dixon

Bethel



Bethel (Pitt County) was chartered in 1873 [Ch. 20, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session], and took its name from the Old Bethel Meetinghouse.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,626,908. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 377 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,402 in 1950.

Mayor	C. W. Everett
Commissioner	W. E. Andrews
Commissioner	J. M. Butterworth
Commissioner	J. R. Cullifer
Commissioner	M. L. James
Commissioner	R. J. Whitehurst
Clerk	M. L. James
Attorney	C. W. Everett
Chief of Police	Walter Gray
Fire Chief	George Abeyoun's
Public Works Dir.	Walter Gray

Biscoe

Biscoe (Montgomery County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 24, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its

name from Major Henry Biscoe, a lumber commission merchant.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,395,394. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 697 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,034 in 1950.

Mayor	E. R. Burt, Jr.
Commissioner	Robert L. Ashill
Commissioner	Nelson Foushee
Commissioner	D. W. Huriev
Commissioner	W. C. Martin, Jr.
Commissioner	Oscar L. Stevens
Clerk	Margaret B. Dunn
Tax Collector	Margaret B. Dunn
Attorney	Garland B. Garris
Chief of Police	Earl McNeil
Fire Chief	D. C. Deaton, Jr.
Water System Supt.	D. A. Dunn, Jr.

Black Mountain

Black Mountain (Buncombe County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 243, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and took its name from the local mountain range.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,492,321. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 200 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this increased to 1,174 in 1950.

Mayor	Richard B. Stone
Alderman	A. F. Tyson, Jr.
Alderman	W. L. Wheelon
Alderman	Marcus Begley
Clerk	Richard T. Greene
Tax Collector	Richard T. Greene
Attorney	Ronald E. Finch
Chief of Police	L. A. Allen
Fire Chief	L. A. Allen
City Engineer	Robert J. Martin
Water System Supt.	S. E. Brackett

Boiling Springs

Boiling Springs (Cleveland County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 279, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session], and took its name from a boiling spring, known since the days of the Cherokee.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,019,833. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 672 people lived within its limits in 1930; and this number increased to 1,145 in 1950.

Mayor	Marvin Bridges
Commissioner	James Beason
Commissioner	O. P. Hamrick
Commissioner	Robert Hamrick
Commissioner	Grover McSwain
Commissioner	Graham C. Hamrick
Clerk	Hubert C. Dixon
Tax Collector	Hubert C. Dixon
Attorney	A. A. Powell
Chief of Police	C. O. Jones
Fire Chief	Robert Hamrick
Water Supt.	Graham C. Hamrick
Sewer Supt.	Robert Hamrick

Bryson City



Bryson City (Swain County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 11, N. C. Pr.

Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from Col. Thaddeus Bryson, a prominent citizen. It was originally called Charleston.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,953,281. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.70. According to the U. S. Census, 417 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,499 in 1950.

- Mayor
- Alderman
- Alcorman
- Alderman
- Alderman
- Clerk
- Tax Collector
- Attorney
- Chief of Police
- Fire Chief
- Engineer
- Water & Sewer Supt.

- W. T. Hyams
- R. E. Medford
- C. F. Platt
- Glenn Conley
- James Sneed
- Jack Welch
- Jack Welch
- E. B. Whitaker
- H. H. Sandlin
- W. T. Hyams
- Claude Tallent
- Claude Tallent

Burgaw

Burgaw (Pender County) was chartered in 1879 [Ch. 23, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1879 Session], and took its name from a small tribe of Indians.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,858,226. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.70. According to the U. S. Census, 366 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,613 in 1950.

- Mayor
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Clerk
- Tax Collector
- Attorney
- Chief of Police
- Fire Chief
- Street Supt.
- Water Supt.

- W. M. Baker
- Charles M. Harrel
- L. P. Beverage
- Dr. John T. Dees
- Hubert G. Westbrook
- Paul C. Nanney
- Grace B. Ferrell
- Grace B. Ferrell
- Leon H. Corbett
- J. P. Ward
- D. V. Harrell
- R. E. Batson
- R. E. Batson

Burnsville

Burnsville (Yancey County) was chartered in 1857 [Ch. 100, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1857 Session], and took its name from Otway Burns, privateer of the War of 1812.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,603,819. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.25. According to the U. S. Census, 866 people lived within its limits in 1930; and this number increased to 1,341 in 1950.

- Mayor
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Clerk
- Tax Collector
- Attorney
- Fire Chief
- Street Supt.
- Water & Sewer Supt.

- Dover R. Fouts
- A. F. Bryson
- Max Penland
- Mrs. Victoria L. King
- Mrs. Victoria L. King
- C. P. Randolph
- Robert B. Hilliard
- D. M. Sholes
- F. R. Higgins

Carolina Beach

Carolina Beach (New Hanover County) was chartered in 1925 [Ch. 117, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1925 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,645,896. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.15. According to the U. S. Census, 95 people lived within its limits in 1930; and this number increased to 1,080 in 1950.

- Mayor
- Councilman

- A. L. Mansfield
- N. E. Moore, Jr.

- Councilman
- Councilman
- Councilman
- Manager
- Clerk
- Tax Collector
- Attorney
- Fire Chief
- Street Supt.

- C. R. Leman
- Cliff Lewis
- A. N. Goodson
- Stacey Thomas
- W. W. Carlyle
- Sam W. Johnson
- Addison Hewlett Jr.
- J. A. Knox
- W. H. Hardee

Carrboro



Carrboro (Orange County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 315, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session], and took its name from Julian S. Carr, who established a mill there. Carrboro was called Venable before 1913 [Ch. 97, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913, Ext. Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,230,493. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.93. According to the U. S. Census, 1,129 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 1,795 in 1950.

- Mayor
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Clerk
- Tax Collector
- Attorney
- Chief of Police
- Fire Chief
- Street Supt.
- Water & Sewer Supt.

- R. B. Todd
- Eugene Sturdivant
- W. M. Lackey
- E. O. Hardee
- C. T. Ellington
- H. W. Dark
- O. M. Durham
- W. E. Williams
- W. E. Williams
- L. J. Phipps
- J. A. Williams
- C. W. Clark
- C. H. Wilson
- C. H. Wilson

Carthage

Carthage (Moore County) was chartered in 1796 [Ch. 85, N. C. Laws, 1796 Session], and was called Fagansville until 1806 [Ch. 48, N. C. Laws, 1806 Session] when it was renamed for the ancient city in Africa.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,837,139. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.70. According to the U. S. Census, 605 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,194 in 1950.

- Mayor
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Clerk
- Tax Collector
- Attorney
- Chief of Police
- Fire Chief
- Public Works Dir.

- George H. Carter
- Wilton H. Brown
- Lee R. McDonald
- William "Doyle" Miller
- H. G. Poole
- G. K. Suggs
- Jessie Wallace
- Jessie Wallace
- Boyette & Brogden
- W. P. Lane
- Hugh W. Jackson
- Hugh W. Jackson

Cary

Cary (Wake County) was chartered in 1871 [Ch. 80, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1870-71 Session], and was first called Page or Page's Siding, but was renamed for Senator Cary of Ohio, a prohibitionist leader.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,763,076. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.95. According to the U. S. Census, 333 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,446 in 1950.

- Mayor
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Clerk
- Tax Collector
- Attorney
- Chief of Police
- Fire Chief
- Public Works Dir.
- Water & Sewer Supt.

- H. W. Rood
- James Hogarth
- G. E. Wiles
- T. H. Griffin
- George Oliver
- Dr. W. H. Justice
- Annie L. Jones
- Anne L. Jones
- H. H. Sink
- W. A. Sparkman
- J. C. Griffin
- W. G. Carr
- W. G. Carr

Chadbourn

Chadbourn (Columbus County) was chartered in 1883 [Ch. 93, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session], and took its name from a family of lumber merchants.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,925,133. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.85. According to the U. S. Census, 156 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this increased to 2,103 in 1950.

- Mayor
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Commissioner
- Clerk
- Tax Collector
- Attorney
- Chief of Police
- Fire Chief
- Water & Sewer Supt.

- F. M. Brown
- David Thompson
- W. J. Rabon
- I. L. Bost
- J. M. Rawie
- Paul B. Avant
- Estelle B. Carter
- Estelle B. Carter
- Hilliard E. Kinlaw
- D. C. Taylor
- M. A. Carter
- Belton Todd

China Grove

China Grove (Rowan County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 180, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from a beautiful grove of chinaberry trees.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,663,703. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 174 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,491 in 1950.

- Mayor
- Alderman
- Alderman
- Alderman
- Alderman
- Alderman
- Clerk
- Tax Collector
- Attorney
- Chief of Police
- Fire Chief
- Street Supt.
- Water Supt.

- Carl E. Sloop, Jr.
- Clyde R. Graeber, Sr.
- Robert J. Davis
- C. E. Menius
- C. H. Safrit
- M. E. Whicker
- H. A. Lentz
- H. A. Lentz
- Stable Linn, Jr.
- Thomas G. Kyles
- E. A. Freezz
- M. B. Kluttz
- M. B. Kluttz

Clayton

Clayton (Johnston County) was chartered in 1869 [Ch. 133, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1868-69 Session], and was first called Stallings Station for a local family, but changed to Clayton for an academy of that name established there.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,463,766. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 754 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,229 in 1950.

Mayor John W. Mayo
 Commissioner Howard Hocutt
 Commissioner M. W. Knott
 Commissioner M. P. Stallings
 Commissioner R. W. Sanders
 Commissioner Charles J. Jones
 Clerk W. P. Creech
 Tax Collector W. P. Creech
 Attorney T. Yates Dobson
 Chief of Police C. D. Allen
 Fire Chief Delma Blinson
 Water & Sewer Supt. Eugene Canady

Coats

Coats (Harnett County) was chartered in 1905 [Ch. 362, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session], and took its name from Elder Tom Coats, founder of the town.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$876,363. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 169 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number has increased to 1,047 in 1950.

Mayor C. J. Turlington
 Commissioner Lester B. Williams
 Commissioner Sherrill Coats
 Commissioner Grady Matthews
 Commissioner J. D. Lamm
 Clerk Lester B. Williams
 Tax Collector L. A. McLeod
 Attorney B. F. McLeod
 Chief of Police W. P. Peagram
 Fire Chief Haywood Roberts

Columbia

Columbia (Tyrrell County) was chartered in 1793 [Ch. 41, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1793 Session], and was known as Heart's Desire and the town of Elizabeth, until renamed for the United States in 1855 Ch. 269.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,576,758. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.10. According to the U. S. Census, 382 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,161 in 1950.

Mayor H. T. Davenport
 Alderman Wiley Armstrong
 Alderman E. S. Brickhouse
 Alderman Lloyd B. Davenport
 Alderman Abner Harrell
 Alderman Borden McClees
 Clerk Louise A. Hales
 Tax Collector J. L. Poston
 Attorney H. L. Swain
 Chief of Police J. L. Poston
 Street Supt. J. L. Poston
 Water & Sewer Supt. J. L. Poston

Conover



Conover (Catawba County) was chartered in 1877 [Ch. 54, N. C. Pub. Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its name from the Italian sculptor Canova, whose statue of George Washington was destroyed by a fire that leveled the Statehouse in Raleigh, 1831.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$4,551,582. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.35. According to the U. S. Census, 337 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,164 in 1950.

Mayor Charles C. C. Bott
 Commissioner Floyd K. Brown, Sr.
 Commissioner James P. Isenhower
 Commissioner Fred Y. Fox
 Commissioner J. Olin Winters
 Commissioner Harvey O. Hawn
 Clerk W. A. Moehlmann
 Tax Collector W. A. Moehlmann
 Attorney W. J. Sherrod
 Chief of Police James A. Fairchild
 Fire Chief John Alvin Bolick
 Public Works Dir. Floyd K. Brown, Sr.
 Water & Sewer Supt. Alvin E. Flowers

Cornelius

Cornelius (Mecklenburg County) was chartered in 1905 [Ch. 367, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session], and took its name from John Cornelius, textile manufacturer.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,754,882. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 833 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,548 in 1950.

Mayor B. S. Sherrill, Sr.
 Commissioner James L. McConnell, Jr.
 Commissioner Robert Goforth
 Commissioner Sam L. James
 Commissioner Bill Torrence
 Commissioner Clontz Robbins
 Clerk Steve Brotherton
 Tax Collector Steve Brotherton
 Attorney William E. Poe
 Chief of Police W. B. Jetton
 Fire Chief S. M. Honeycutt
 Street Supt. Kermit W. Ballard
 Water Supt. Kermit W. Ballard

Dallas



Dallas (Gaston County) was chartered in 1863 [Ch. 44, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1862-63 Session], and took its name from George W. Dallas, Vice President of the United States (1845-49).

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,017,623. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.10. According to the U. S. Census, 441 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 2,454 in 1950.

Mayor A. J. Maxwell
 Alderman Harry Shelton
 Alderman Howard W. Lay
 Alderman J. Harris Fields
 Alderman James W. Paysner
 Alderman Willard F. Best
 Clerk J. J. Moore
 Tax Collector J. J. Moore
 Chief of Police S. R. Davidson

Fire Chief C. S. Cloninger
 Water & Sewer Supt. W. D. Thornburg

Davidson

Davidson (Mecklenburg County) was chartered in 1879 [Ch. 32, N. C. Pub. Laws, 1879 Session], and took its name from General William Lee Davidson, Revolutionary leader.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,020,034. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.65. According to the U. S. Census, 481 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 2,423 in 1950.

Mayor F. L. Jackson
 Commissioner J. Barry Caldwell
 Commissioner J. T. Kimbrough
 Commissioner T. F. Lothier
 Commissioner E. T. McEvet
 Commissioner C. A. Potts
 Clerk M. W. McGill
 Tax Collector Mrs. S. A. Thompson
 Attorney H. B. Arbuckle
 Chief of Police Joe Wally
 Fire Chief James Fortner

East Spencer

East Spencer (Rowan County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 74, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its name from Spencer, to which it is adjacent. It was first known as Southern City.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,663,083. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.2966. According to the U. S. Census, 1,729 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 2,444 in 1950.

Mayor J. R. Gobble
 Alderman W. H. Rusher
 Alderman G. L. Lyeily
 Alderman C. A. Myrick
 Alderman S. R. Secrest, Sr.
 Clerk Mrs. William Thompson
 Tax Collector Claudie Beck
 Attorney George R. Uzzell
 Chief of Police Claudie Beck
 Fire Chief H. L. Waller, Jr.
 Street Supt. Claudie Beck
 Water Supt. Claudie Beck

Elizabethtown

Elizabethtown (Bladen County) was chartered in 1843 [Ch. 30, N. C. Laws, 1842-43 Session], and took its name either from Queen Elizabeth of England or from a sweetheart of Isaac Jones on whose land the town was laid out.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,176,425. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 144 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,611 in 1950.

Mayor C. P. Edge
 Alderman Chatham C. Clerk
 Alderman Wilton H. Melvin
 Alderman Roy Jessup
 Clerk Mrs. Lillian J. Keith
 Tax Collector D. S. Hair
 Attorney H. H. Clark
 Chief of Police D. S. Hair
 Fire Chief Robert M. Cain
 Street Supt. W. E. Gooden
 Water & Sewer Supt. D. S. Hair

Elon College

Elon College (Alamance County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 315, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and took its

name from the Hebrew word for oak because of a beautiful grove of oaks on the site. It was first called Mill Point because of a freight depot for mill products manufactured nearby.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$925,833. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.15. According to the U. S. Census, 638 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,109 in 1950.

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| Mayor | J. D. Schmidt |
| Commissioner | E. S. Lankford |
| Commissioner | C. Dwight Wall |
| Commissioner | L. D. Martin |
| Commissioner | L. W. Wagoner |
| Commissioner | J. L. Dixon |
| Clerk | Mrs. Walter E. Cox |
| Tax Collector | Mrs. Walter E. Cox |
| Attorney | John Zanthos |
| Chief of Police | H. F. Hilliard |
| Fire Chief | William F. Clark |
| Street Supt. | H. F. Hilliard |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | H. F. Hilliard |

Enfield



Enfield (Halifax County) was chartered in 1861 [Ch. 165, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1860-61 Session], and took its name from the birthplace of John Wesley in England. It was originally called Huck-leberry Swamp.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,398,834. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 568 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 2,361 in 1950.

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| Mayor | R. E. Shervette, Jr. |
| Commissioner | Tom Williams, Jr. |
| Commissioner | A. P. Coltrain |
| Commissioner | T. B. Slade, III |
| Commissioner | J. L. Bellamy |
| Clerk | C. D. Graham |
| Attorney | Rom B. Parker, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | F. C. Sykes |
| Fire Chief | Harold E. Burrows |
| Public Works Dir. | C. N. Strickland |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | J. E. Forrest |

Fair Bluff

Fair Bluff (Columbus County) was chartered in 1873 [Ch. 84, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1872-73 Session], and took its name from the physical characteristics of the region.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$779,175. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.70. According to the U. S. Census, 243 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,056 in 1950.

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| Mayor | W. A. Bracy |
| Commissioner | Spruell Britt |
| Commissioner | Garlen Coie |

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| Commissioner | M. J. Atkinson |
| Commissioner | J. L. Minton |
| Commissioner | W. D. Small |
| Clerk | Mrs. D. E. Parrish |
| Tax Collector | Mrs. D. E. Parrish |
| Attorney | J. B. Eyre |
| Fire Chief | Garlen Coie |

Fairmont

Fairmont (Robeson County) was originally chartered in 1899 [Ch. 112, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session] as Union City. It had been known as Ashpole prior to 1899, and in 1901 it became Ashpole again [Ch. 82, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session]. Then, in 1907 its name was changed again, this time to Fairmont [Ch. 42, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,148,234. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.80. According to the U. S. Census, 432 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,319 in 1950.

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| Mayor | P. L. Fisher |
| Commissioner | G. H. Floyd |
| Commissioner | J. H. McCollum |
| Commissioner | J. Wilton Lewis |
| Commissioner | Herman Campbell |
| Clerk | J. E. Bristow |
| Tax Collector | W. R. Rogers |
| Attorney | David M. Britt |
| Chief of Police | W. R. Rogers |
| Fire Chief | W. O. Jones |
| Street Supt. | Marvin Pittman |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Marvin Pittman |

Franklin



Franklin (Macon County) was chartered in 1855 [Ch. 257, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1854-55 Session], and took its name from Jesse Franklin, Governor of North Carolina (1820-21).

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,427,440. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 335 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,975 in 1950.

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| Mayor | W. C. Burrell |
| Alderman | A. G. Cagle |
| Alderman | W. P. Bryant |
| Alderman | E. C. Shock |
| Alderman | Dr. J. W. Kahn |
| Alderman | P. J. Dryman |
| Alderman | Frank L. Herry, Jr. |
| Clerk | Ray Swafford |
| Tax Collector | Ray Swafford |
| Attorney | R. S. Jones |
| Chief of Police | C. D. Baird |
| Fire Chief | A. C. Tysinger |
| Water Supt. | Herman L. Childers |

Franklinton



Franklinton (Franklin County) was chartered in 1842 [Ch. 32, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1842-43 Session], and took its name from Benjamin Franklin.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,698,905. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 761 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,414 in 1950.

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| Mayor | W. A. "Bill" Haray |
| Commissioner | G. L. Appleford |
| Commissioner | G. L. Coker |
| Commissioner | Raymond Harris |
| Commissioner | C. A. Payne |
| Commissioner | W. P. Pearce, Jr. |
| Clerk | Mrs. Ormond M. Collins |
| Tax Collector | Mrs. Ormond M. Collins |
| Attorney | T. F. East |
| Fire Chief | E. V. Whitaker |
| Street Supt. | W. W. Vaughan |
| Water Supt. | C. G. Hight, Sr. |

Fremont

Fremont (Wayne County) was chartered in 1867 [Ch. 23, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1866-67 Session], and took its name from an official of the old Weldon and Wilmington Railroad. It was called Nahunta until the name was changed to Fremont [Ch. 75, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1868-69 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,045,191. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 435 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,395 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Robert L. Root |
| Alderman | Thomas H. Whitford |
| Alderman | Jesse S. Stewart |
| Alderman | Leonard D. Hooks |
| Alderman | R. Glenn Hooks |
| Alderman | Paul C. Blalock, Jr. |
| Tax Collector | Mrs. Gela F. Muagrave |
| Clerk | Mrs. Gela F. Muagrave |
| Attorney | B. F. Aycock |
| Chief of Police | W. B. Rich |
| Fire Chief | Oscar E. Turlington |
| Street Supt. | M. C. Tew |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | M. C. Tew |

Fuquay Springs

Fuquay Springs (Wake County) was chartered in 1909 [Ch. 292, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1909 Session], and took its name from David and Stephen Fuquay, early settlers.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,806,212. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 127 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,992 in 1950.

Mayor S. I. Lane
 Commissioner Lloyd Sugg
 Commissioner John Rogers
 Commissioner Windfred Meddlin
 Commissioner G. W. Seett
 Commissioner James Adams
 Manager W. O. Council
 Clerk W. O. Council
 Tax Collector W. O. Council
 Attorney R. A. Cotten
 Chief of Police Leon Smith
 Fire Chief W. L. Rowland
 Public Works Dir. W. L. Rowland
 Water & Sewer Supt. W. L. Rowland

Garner

Garner (Wake County) was originally chartered in 1883 [Ch. 88, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session], as Garner's Station and took its name from its founder, H. C. Garner. This charter was repealed in 1891 [Ch. 284, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and the town was re-incorporated in 1905 [Ch. 358, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session], as Garner.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,779,438. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 284 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,180 in 1950.

Mayor G. Earl Weaver
 Alderman W. R. Rana
 Alderman John Wiley Jones
 Alderman W. L. Lloyd
 Alderman George A. Frising
 Alderman Kenneth W. Hall
 Town Supt. M. M. Peacock
 Clerk Mrs. Evelyn C. Whitaker
 Tax Collector Mrs. Evelyn C. Whitaker
 Attorney Samuel H. Johnson
 Fire Chief W. R. Johnson

Gaston

Gaston (Northampton County) was chartered in 1949 [Ch. 1153, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1949 Session], and probably took its name from William Gaston, North Carolina Supreme Court Justice who wrote the song "Old North State."

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$803,991. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 1,218 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor John C. Gay
 Commissioner R. L. Colston
 Commissioner C. W. Powell
 Commissioner Aubrey L. Baird
 Commissioner B. L. Cannon
 Commissioner S. M. Copelane
 Clerk Geraldine T. Jones
 Tax Collector Geraldine T. Jones
 Chief of Police Russell Shoular
 Fire Chief J. T. Knowles

Gibsonville



Gibsonville (Guilford County) was chartered in 1871 [Ch. 20, N. C. Pr.

Laws, 1870-71 Session], and took its name from Alfred and Joseph Gibson, local land and slave owners.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,008,491. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.98. According to the U. S. Census, 521 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,866 in 1950.

Mayor Paul W. Edwards
 Alderman John O. Harper
 Alderman Cannon B. May
 Alderman W. J. Randolph
 Alderman Edward M. Burke
 Alderman Richard E. Woodburn
 Clerk M. O. Wyrick
 Tax Collector M. O. Wyrick
 Attorney Beverly E. Moore
 Chief of Police M. W. Millikan
 Fire Chief Joe N. Ledbetter
 Public Works Dir. C. S. Whitesell
 Water & Sewer Dir. C. S. Whitesell

Granite Falls

Granite Falls (Caldwell County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 323, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from a waterfall near the town.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$8,683,556. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.90. According to the U. S. Census, 277 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,286 in 1950.

Mayor Robert C. Wakefield
 Commissioner Mrs. Evelyn H. Keat
 Commissioner C. D. Macke
 Commissioner Boyce H. Mackie
 Commissioner Worth A. Yount
 Commissioner J. O. Terrell, Jr.
 Commissioner O. M. Hice
 Clerk J. L. Putnam
 Attorney L. M. Abernethy
 Chief of Police Ralph H. Barlow
 Fire Chief Junior T. Duffley
 Public Works Dir. G. P. Marshall

Havelock

Havelock (Craven County) was chartered in 1959 [Ch. 952, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1959 Session]. It is said to have been named in honor of Sir Henry Havelock. Its population at the time of incorporation was estimated at 2,200.

Mayor George W. Griffin
 Commissioner H. C. Wynne
 Commissioner Jesse Lewis
 Commissioner Norwood Sanders
 Commissioner Irving Bech
 Commissioner R. S. Lee
 Attorney Kennedy W. Ward

Hazelwood

Hazelwood (Haywood County) was chartered in 1905 [Ch. 91, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session], and took its name from the hazel bushes in the vicinity.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,604,694. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.65. According to the U. S. Census, 428 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,769 in 1950.

Mayor C. L. Fisher
 Alderman L. B. Hooper
 Alderman Talmadge Woodard
 Alderman Glenn H. Wyatt
 Clerk J. R. Carswell
 Tax Collector Gene Wyatt
 Attorney William Medford
 Chief of Police O. L. Sutton
 Fire Chief George Bischoff
 Street Supt. Jerry Crawford
 Water & Sewer Supt. Jerry Crawford

Hertford



Hertford (Perquimans County) was chartered in 1758 [Ch. 6, N. C. Laws, 1758 Session], and took its name from the borough of Hertford, located in Hertfordshire, England.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,804,575. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.35. According to the U. S. Census, 99 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 269 in 1850, to 1,328 in 1900, and to 2,096 in 1950.

Mayor V. N. Darden
 Commissioner R. L. Hollowell
 Commissioner A. W. Hefreu
 Commissioner W. A. White
 Commissioner H. C. Sullivan
 Clerk R. C. Elliott
 Tax Collector R. C. Elliott
 Attorney Charles E. Johnson
 Chief of Police V. N. Darden
 Fire Chief R. C. Elliott
 Street Supt. F. T. Britt
 Water & Sewer Supt. F. T. Britt

Hillsboro

Hillsboro (Orange County) was chartered in 1759 [Ch. 13, N. C. Laws, 1759 Session], as Childsburgh, for an attorney general of the colony; it was renamed by Governor Tryon in 1766 for the Earl of Hillsborough, English Secretary of State for America.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,245,169. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.75. According to the U. S. Census, 474 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 857 in 1900, and to 1,329 in 1950.

Mayor Ben G. Johnston
 Commissioner V. M. Forrest
 Commissioner Fred T. Claytor
 Commissioner Frank Walker
 Commissioner A. W. Crabtree
 Commissioner H. H. Strayhorn
 Tax Collector Charlotte Coie
 Attorney A. H. Graham
 Chief of Police George W. Hunt
 Fire Chief George W. Gilmore
 Water Supt. M. P. Lloyd

Holly Ridge

Holly Ridge (Onslow County) was chartered August 15, 1941 by the Municipal Board of Control. It was named for the slight elevation and holly which once grew in the vicinity.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$122,901. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 1,082 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor W. Gerald Hines
 Commissioner Earl M. Hine
 Commissioner K. E. Howard
 Commissioner Calvin D. Kelly, Jr.

Commissioner William Rowe
 Commissioner Ewell Woolard
 Clerk W. Gerald Hines
 Tax Collector William Rowe
 Attorney John D. Larkins, Jr.
 Chief of Police M. J. Wilson
 Fire Chief Robert E. Hines
 Water Supt. M. J. Wilson

Hope Mills

Hope Mills (Cumberland County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 349, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and was first named Rockfish until it was changed in 1891 to Hope Mills after the Civil War when the mills were rebuilt.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,246,831. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 881 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,077 in 1950.

Mayor James A. Gray
 Commissioner Paul K. Thames
 Commissioner Robert L. Jackson
 Commissioner Alfred N. Brafford
 Clerk L. A. Priest
 Tax Collector L. A. Priest
 Attorney Coy E. Brewer
 Chief of Police Burnice L. Short
 Fire Chief Cicero Deaver

Jonesville

Jonesville (Yadkin County) was chartered in 1852 [Ch. 212, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1852 Session], and took its name from a family of early settlers.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,148,811. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 621 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,768 in 1950.

Mayor Charles C. Check
 Commissioner Tom L. Osborne
 Commissioner M. Z. Smith
 Commissioner Aubrey Martia
 Commissioner D. S. Ingram
 Commissioner Walter Ros
 Clerk Lon R. Vestal
 Tax Collector Lon R. Vestal
 Attorney H. B. Holcomb, Jr.
 Chief of Police Charlie Montgomery
 Fire Chief Harold Holcomb

Kenly

Kenly (Johnston County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 92, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from J. I. Kenly, an official of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,014,891. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 137 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,129 in 1950.

Mayor Ernest Y. Wilkinson
 Commissioner Stephen A. Bass
 Commissioner Charles E. Boykin
 Commissioner Gilbert R. Whitley
 Commissioner Harold Hinnant
 Commissioner Johnnie Wiggs
 Clerk Hazel P. Alford
 Tax Collector Hazel P. Alford
 Attorney Paul D. Grady, Jr.
 Chief of Police N. E. Hinton
 Fire Chief Blenn Hinnant

Kernersville

Kernersville (Forsyth County) was chartered in 1871 [Ch. 63, N. C. Pr.

Laws, 1870-71 Session], and took its name from the Körner family.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,643,149. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 652 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,296 in 1950.

Mayor W. H. Morton
 Alderman C. Leon Lasley
 Alderman E. E. Shore
 Alderman J. M. Pinnix, Sr.
 Alderman Mrs. Margaret Burks
 Alderman J. F. Thompson
 Clerk Ken B. Johnston
 Tax Collector Ken B. Johnston
 Attorney I. Carlyle
 Chief of Police D. M. Sykes
 Fire Chief Ned Stuart
 Public Works Dir. John T. Morgan

La Grange

La Grange (Tenois County) was chartered in 1869 [Ch. 100, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1868-69 Session], and took its name from Lafayette's home near Paris.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,939,239. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.80. According to the U. S. Census, 853 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,825 in 1950.

Mayor H. C. Williams
 Alderman Sid J. Myers
 Alderman Tyson H. Creech
 Alderman E. C. Denmark
 Alderman James B. Corbin
 Alderman H. G. Poole
 Clerk Roy L. Rouse
 Tax Collector Mrs. Velma C. Faulkner
 Attorney Mrs. Velma C. Faulkner
 Chief of Police Thomas B. Griffin
 Fire Chief P. O. James
 Water & Sewer Supt. E. W. Kinsey
 E. B. Walters

Landis

Landis (Rowan County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 245, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its name from Judge Kennesaw Mountain Landis, who imposed a 20-million-dollar fine on the Standard Oil Company during the time when the community was selecting a name.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$4,858,371. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.90. According to the U. S. Census, 437 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,827 in 1950.

Mayor J. Frank Lipe
 Alderman Marshall L. Deadman
 Alderman Anthony A. Linn
 Alderman David Daugherty
 Alderman Clay Wright
 Clerk Richard S. Carlisle
 Tax Collector Richard S. Carlisle
 Attorney W. Talmadge Shuford
 Chief of Police Major Robert Stewart
 Fire Chief Harold Osborne
 Public Works Dir. Harrison Beaver
 Water & Sewer Supt. Harrison Beaver

Liberty

Liberty (Randolph County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 16, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and was named by John Leak, who established a plantation here in 1807.

Its real and personal property was

valued in 1957 at \$3,722,694. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 366 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,342 in 1950.

Mayor C. Troy Smith
 Commissioner T. A. Johnson, Jr.
 Commissioner W. B. Stamey
 Commissioner H. P. Kime
 Commissioner Wm. L. Hardin
 Commissioner Dr. J. B. Griffith, Jr.
 Manager J. A. Culbertson, Sr.
 Clerk J. A. Culbertson, Sr.
 Tax Collector J. A. Culbertson, Sr.
 Attorney Archie Smith
 Chief of Police Clarence M. Hinshaw
 Fire Chief Durwood Martin
 Water Supt. Hoyt Hinshaw

Lillington

Lillington (Harnett County) was chartered in 1859 [Ch. 220, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1858-59 Session], and took its name from Colonel Alexander Lillington, Revolutionary leader.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,359,370. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.70. According to the U. S. Census, 65 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,061 in 1950.

Mayor C. S. Fowler
 Commissioner John A. Senter
 Commissioner Frank Lewis
 Commissioner W. H. Randall
 Commissioner Geo. M. Norwood, Sr.
 Commissioner Selwyn O'Quinn
 Clerk Frank Lewis
 Tax Collector Mrs. Marjorie S. Taylor
 Attorney W. A. Johnson
 Fire Chief W. P. Sutton
 Street Supt. W. F. Hockaday, Jr.
 Water & Sewer Supt. W. F. Hockaday, Jr.

Littleton

Littleton (Halifax and Warren Counties) was chartered in 1877 [Ch. 375, N. C. Pub. Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its name from William P. Little.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,767,702. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 534 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,173 in 1950.

Mayor D. A. Rose
 Commissioner Mrs. Nancy P. Myrick
 Commissioner R. G. Gupton
 Commissioner B. M. Hawfield
 Commissioner J. M. Stokes
 Commissioner Jos. P. Newsom
 Commissioner Jesse D. Pegram, Jr.
 Commissioner E. K. Fishel
 Clerk Margaret B. Moore
 Tax Collector Margaret B. Moore
 Attorney J. M. Picot
 Chief of Police M. L. Pinnell
 Fire Chief Ferdie R. Moore
 Public Works Dir. Jesse D. Pegram, Jr.

Longview

Longview (Catawba County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 430, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,966,620. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 243 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 2,291 in 1950.

Mayor S. Burl Winebarger
 Alderman I. M. Frye
 Alderman P. A. Sherrill
 Alderman Joe Biannock
 Alderman A. D. Frye
 Alderman Carl Yates
 Clerk Gerald K. Fleming
 Tax Collector G. K. Fleming
 Attorney Joe P. Whitener
 Chief of Police James E. Parker
 Fire Chief Charlie Eggers
 Supt. of Public Works Roy D. Hofman

Lowell

Lowell (Gaston County) was chartered in 1879 [Ch. 62, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1879 Session], and took its name from the textile center, Lowell, Massachusetts.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,449,053. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.75. According to the U. S. Census, 290 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,313 in 1950.

Mayor Banks L. McArver, r.
 Alderman Coit M. Robinson, Jr.
 Alderman James M. Blair
 Alderman Fred D. Fullbright
 Alderman Woods Mitchell
 Alderman Harold Rankin
 Clerk W. H. Holmes
 Tax Collector W. H. Holmes
 Attorney Wade W. Mitchem
 Chief of Police Jack Ridley
 Fire Chief Joe T. Roberts
 Street Supt. Harold Rankin
 Water Supt. S. J. Hand

McAdenville

McAdenville (Gaston County) was chartered in 1883[?], and took its name from R. Y. McAden, textile mill operator.

According to the U. S. Census, 1,144 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number decreased to 1,060 in 1950.

Mayor W. J. Pharr
 Commissioner W. Neal Pharr
 Commissioner W. D. Lucas
 Commissioner George A. Costner
 Clerk J. Crawford Poag
 Water Supt. L. M. Devinney

Madison



Madison (Rockingham County) was chartered in 1815 [Ch. 62, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1815 Session], and took its name from James Madison, President of the United States.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,093,692. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 813 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,789 in 1950.

Mayor W. N. Shultz
 Commissioner R. A. Cardwell, Jr.
 Commissioner John S. Webster
 Commissioner John S. Yow, Jr.
 Commissioner T. A. Burton
 Commissioner Thomas O. Tuttle
 Commissioner S. F. Webster
 Manager R. F. Scott
 Clerk S. F. Webster
 Tax Collector R. F. Scott
 Attorney Junius C. Brown
 Chief of Police Paul C. Case
 Fire Chief T. W. Highfill
 Water & Sewer Supt. G. T. Martin

Maiden

Maiden (Catawba County) was chartered in 1883 [Ch. 103, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session], and took its name from Maiden Creek.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,092,168. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 264 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,952 in 1950.

Mayor Paul A. Wilkinso
 Alderman David Bolyk
 Alderman Glenn Hodges
 Alderman Glenn Manney
 Alderman Tom Carpenter
 Alderman Webb Wilkinson
 Clerk Grady A. Hewitt
 Tax Collector Grady A. Hewitt
 Attorney Richard A. Williams
 Chief of Police Garland A. Biezerstall
 Fire Chief C. Banks Whisenant
 Water & Sewer Supt. E. A. Hawn

Mars Hill

Mars Hill (Madison County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 20, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and took its name from a hill in Athens, Greece.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$791,228. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 289 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,404 in 1950.

Mayor John O. Tilson
 Alderman R. Bruce Sams
 Alderman Paul A. Tucman
 Alderman Arthur Wood
 Clerk Paul A. Tucman
 Tax Collector John P. Smith
 Attorney Joseph B. Huff
 Chief of Police Charles A. Duce
 Fire Chief Carl Eiler
 Street Supt. Manuel Briscoe

Marshville

Marshville (Union County) was chartered in 1877 [Ch. 94, N. C. Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its name from the Marsh family who donated land for school and churches. The town was first known as Beaverdam and later as Griffinsville until the name was changed to Marshville in 1897 [Ch. 209, N. C. Pub. Laws, 1897 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,500,383. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 349 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,258 in 1950.

Mayor R. B. Stegall
 Alderman J. L. Bivens
 Alderman Frank M. Morgan
 Alderman B. H. Walters
 Clerk Fred L. Plyler
 Tax Collector Fred L. Plyler
 Attorney Thomas & Griffin
 Chief of Police W. E. Ashcraft

Fire Chief J. C. Griffin, Jr.
 Street Supt. Lloyd B. Efire
 Water & Sewer Supt. Lloyd B. Efire

Maxton

Maxton (Robeson County) was chartered in 1874 [Ch. 121, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session], and was first called Quehele (Gaelic, shoe heel, for shape of stream), and later, Mackstown, because of the numerous Scottish settlers whose name began with Mac. The name was shortened by postal authorities to Maxton.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,620,343. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.85. According to the U. S. Census, 935 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,974 in 1950.

Mayor W. Howard Hasty
 Commissioner F. E. James
 Commissioner G. B. Stearns
 Commissioner W. A. Johnson
 Commissioner W. H. Stewart
 Clerk I. L. McConeghy
 Tax Collector C. M. Castevens, Sr.
 Attorney A. G. Williamson
 Chief of Police R. W. Fisher
 Fire Chief James Drennan
 Public Works Dir. J. A. Jones, Sr.
 Water Supt. J. A. Jones, Jr.

Mayodan



Mayodan (Rockingham County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 69, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and so named because it is located at the junction of the Mayo and the Dan Rivers.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$4,364,792. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 904 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number has increased to 2,246 in 1950.

Mayor Rohah C. Veach
 Commissioner Clyde H. Dalton
 Commissioner R. L. Blackard, Jr.
 Commissioner James A. Collins
 Commissioner John V. Highfill
 Commissioner Albert R. O'Steer
 Clerk Mrs. Gladys M. Lundcen
 Tax Collector Eddie Weston
 Attorney J. C. Johnson, Jr.
 Chief of Police Eddie Weston
 Fire Chief Eddie Weston

Mebane

Mebane (Alamance and Orange Counties) was chartered in 1880 [Ch. 7, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1880 Session], and took its name from the Mebane family, whose ancestors were Revolutionary soldiers. It was first called Mebansville until its name was changed in 1883 [Ch. 132, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,133,514. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.80. According to the U. S. Census, 218 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,068 in 1950.

Mayor M. G. Walker
 Commissioner B. F. Warren, Sr.
 Commissioner J. W. Latta
 Commissioner Mrs. Lola Hurdle
 Commissioner C. L. Malone
 Commissioner Ray Payne
 Clerk L. C. Gardner
 Tax Collector L. C. Gardner
 Attorney Lee W. Settle
 Chief of Police D. W. Smith
 Fire Chief J. E. Copley
 Street Supt. A. M. Michael
 Water Supt. A. M. Michael

Mocksville

Mocksville (Davie County) was chartered in 1839 [Ch. 66, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1828-39 Session], and took its name from the Mock family, who owned the site on which the town was founded.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$6,306,837. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 745 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,969 in 1950.

Mayor D. J. Mando
 Commissioner C. F. Arndt
 Commissioner L. S. Bowden
 Commissioner R. W. Collette
 Commissioner J. G. Hartley
 Commissioner C. W. Young
 Clerk H. C. Tomlinson
 Tax Collector H. C. Tomlinson
 Attorney L. P. Martin, Jr.
 Public Works Dir. Andrew Lagle
 Fire Chief C. H. Tomlinson

Mount Gilead

Mount Gilead (Montgomery County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 90, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from a nearby mountain, which in turn took its name from the Biblical place name.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,551,884. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.30. According to the U. S. Census, 395 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,201 in 1950.

Mayor Homer Haywood
 Commissioner Albert L. McAulay
 Commissioner R. B. Jordan, III
 Commissioner Billy Frank Haywood
 Commissioner Jerry M. Ingram
 Clerk Albert L. McAulay
 Fire Chief John J. Russell
 Water Supt. Linwood M. Scarborough

Mount Holly

Mount Holly (Gaston County) was chartered in 1879 [Ch. 94, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1879 Session], and took its name from Mount Holly, N. J., where fine yarns were manufactured. It was first called Woodlawn.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,903,973. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.65. According to the U. S. Census, 472 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 2,241 in 1950.

Mayor W. G. Alligood
 Alderman W. M. Beatty
 Alderman J. L. Davenport
 Alderman J. D. Hart
 Alderman W. F. Moore
 Manager Lewis Price
 Clerk Mrs. June B. Patterson
 Tax Collector Mrs. June B. Patterson
 Attorney Max L. Childers
 Chief of Police W. L. McKinney
 Fire Chief J. F. Dameron, Sr.
 Street Supt. C. D. Beatty
 Water & Sewer Supt. C. D. Beatty

Mount Pleasant

Mount Pleasant (Cabarrus County) was chartered in 1859 [Ch. 208, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1858-59 Session], and took its name from the elevated site between Buffalo and Adams Creeks.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,324,271. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 444 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,019 in 1950.

Mayor Hoy A. Moose
 Commissioner L. Herman Barringer
 Commissioner Archie B. Fisher
 Commissioner Michael L. Polk
 Commissioner Arthur Lee Klutz
 Commissioner H. L. Fisher
 Clerk H. L. Fisher
 Tax Collector H. L. Fisher
 Attorney Webster S. Medlin
 Chief of Police D. W. Coley
 Fire Chief L. Herman Barringer

Murfreesboro

Murfreesboro (Hertford County) was chartered in 1786 [Ch. 59, N. C. Laws, 1786-87 Session], and took its name from William Murfree who gave land at Murfree's Landing for the town site.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,698,741. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 253 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 466 in 1860, to 809 in 1900, and to 2,140 in 1950.

Mayor Richard T. Vann
 Commissioner Albert E. Hill
 Commissioner W. Vaughan Wiggins
 Commissioner Bynum R. Brown
 Commissioner C. M. Forehand, Jr.
 Commissioner R. A. Parker
 Clerk H. C. Council
 Tax Collector H. C. Council
 Attorney J. Wm. Copeland
 Chief of Police W. T. Liverman
 Fire Chief E. P. Banks
 Street Supt. W. T. Liverman
 Water & Sewer Supt. W. T. Liverman

Murphy

Murphy (Cherokee County) was chartered in 1851 [Ch. 342, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1850-51 Session], and took its name from Archibald Debow Murphey, "father of public education in North Carolina." Through a clerical error the "e" was dropped in the Legislative Act incorporating the town.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,338,384. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.80. According to the U. S. Census, 803 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 2,433 in 1950.

Mayor L. L. Mason, Jr.
 Councilman Cloe Moore
 Councilman W. A. Singleton

Councilman Dr. Wm. R. Gossett
 Councilman F. Bourne, Jr.
 Councilman Alvin Buchanan
 Councilman John Jordan
 Manager C. E. Johnson
 Clerk C. E. Johnson
 Tax Collector C. E. Johnson
 Attorney McKeever & Edwards
 Chief of Police Neil Sneed
 Fire Chief W. S. Dickey
 Water Supt. Max Sneed

Nashville

Nashville (Nash County) was originally chartered in 1784 [Ch. 47, N. C. Laws, April 1784 Session], and took its name from General Francis Nash, brilliant young Revolutionary officer who fell at Germantown.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,242,786. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 479 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,302 in 1950.

Mayor Milton Strickland
 Commissioner J. R. Nelms
 Commissioner John M. Evans
 Commissioner Paul A. Moore
 Commissioner Allen C. Cooper, Jr.
 Clerk Billie G. Kennedy
 Tax Collector Billie G. Kennedy
 Attorney L. L. Davenport
 Chief of Police Thurman S. Hyde
 Fire Chief W. W. Ward, Jr.
 Street Supt. J. B. Manning, Jr.
 Water Supt. J. B. Manning, Jr.

Norwood

Norwood (Stanley County) was chartered in 1881 [Ch. 18, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1881 Session], and took its name from the Norwood family. William Norwood was the first postmaster.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,263,249. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 159 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,735 in 1950.

Mayor Herbert J. Lentz
 Commissioner George W. Heafner
 Commissioner Robert L. Isenbour
 Commissioner Jeter L. Lee, Sr.
 Commissioner Kermit L. Young
 Commissioner W. Crowell Thompson
 Clerk Mrs. Dorothy H. Teeter
 Tax Collector Mrs. Fred E. Teeter
 Attorney R. L. Smith
 Chief of Police Floyd W. Lucas
 Fire Chief Franklin Hutchinson
 Street Comm. W. Crowell Thompson
 Water Supt. C. S. Russell

Pembroke



Pembroke (Robeson County) was chartered in 1895 [Ch. 171, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1895 Session], and took its name from Pembroke Jones, an official of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,150,532. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.90. According to the U. S. Census, 258 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,212 in 1950.

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| Mayor | James C. Oxendine |
| Commissioner | William A. McCormick |
| Commissioner | Ted R. Tyner |
| Commissioner | Simeon Godwir |
| Commissioner | Grady G. Oxendine |
| Clerk | James A. Jacobs |
| Tax Collector | James A. Jacobs |
| Attorney | E. M. Johnson |
| Police Chief (Act.) | Percy Brooks |
| Fire Chief | Harry W. Locklear |
| Water Supt. | R. Seavie Lowry |
| Sewer Supt. | R. Seavie Lowry |

Pilot Mountain

Pilot Mountain (Surry County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 138, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from the nearby mountain, which had served as a guide to Indian hunters and trappers.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,034,945. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 710 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,092 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Walter B. Thomas, Jr |
| Commissioner | Glenn Stone |
| Commissioner | Carl Clifton |
| Commissioner | Clem Thomas |
| Commissioner | Henry Harding |
| Clerk | Edward W. Elliott |
| Tax Collector | Edward W. Elliott |
| Attorney | W. W. Norman |
| Chief of Police | S. C. Patton |
| Fire Chief | V. I. Boyles |
| Public Works Dir. | Frank M. Adams |

Pinetops

Pinetops (Edgecombe County) was chartered in 1903 [Ch. 164, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session], and took its name from the tree tops left by timber cutters.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,094,396. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 211 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,031 in 1950.

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| Mayor | W. E. Phillips, Jr. |
| Councilman | J. C. Dunn |
| Councilman | H. P. Jenkins |
| Councilman | M. V. Scott |
| Councilman | A. W. Hedgepeth |
| Councilman | Sam G. Crisp |
| Clerk | Milton Carlton |
| Tax Collector | Milton Carlton |
| Attorney | D. C. Sessoms |
| Chief of Police | Walter A. Fulford |
| Fire Chief | W. R. Langley |
| Street Supt. | R. R. Langlev |
| Water Supt. | R. R. Langley |

Pineville

Pineville (Mecklenburg County) was chartered in 1873 [Ch. 41, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1872-73 Session], and took its name from the pine forests of the region.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,915,573. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.85. According to the U. S. Census, 585 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,372 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Frank A. Ferguson |
| Commissioner | Charles R. Yandell |
| Commissioner | Hoyt J. Wigginton, Jr. |
| Commissioner | T. C. Robertson |
| Commissioner | J. K. Paris |
| Clerk | Jack G. Crump |
| Tax Collector | Jack G. Crump |
| Chief of Police | Barney O. Sutton |
| Fire Chief | Wm. E. Coak |
| Sewer Supt. | Lewis R. Osborne |

Pittsboro

Pittsboro (Chatham County) was chartered in 1785 [Ch. 60, N. C. Laws, 1785 Session], and took its name from William Pitt, Earl of Chatham, defender of the Colonists rights in the British Parliament.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,086,730. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 135 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 424 in 1900, and to 1,094 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Harold Seagraves |
| Commissioner | F. C. Justice |
| Commissioner | J. H. London |
| Commissioner | F. P. Nooe |
| Commissioner | C. W. Walker |
| Commissioner | L. C. Williams |
| Clerk | T. J. Morgan |
| Tax Collector | T. J. Morgan |
| Attorney | D. L. Bell |
| Chief of Police | Julian G. Thomas |
| Fire Chief | Sam Beard |
| Street Supt. | Sam Beard |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | A. B. Johnson |

Raeford

Raeford (Hoke County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 125, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its name from the last syllables of two of the town's founders, J. A. MacRae and A. A. Williford.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$6,061,715. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.05. According to the U. S. Census, 739 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 2,030 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Alfred Cole |
| Commissioner | Angus J. Currie |
| Commissioner | Marion H. Gatlif |
| Commissioner | J. D. McMillan |
| Commissioner | John K. McNeill, Jr. |
| Commissioner | Clyde E. Unchurch, Jr. |
| Clerk | Charles E. Morrison |
| Tax Collector | Charles E. Morrison |
| Attorney | H. D. Harrison, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | Lawrence W. Stanton |
| Fire Chief | H. A. Green |
| Street Supt. | Vance Wiggins |
| Water Supt. | J. C. McKenzie |
| Sewer Supt. | J. C. McKenzie |

Ramseur



Ramseur (Randolph County) was chartered in 1895 [Ch. 308, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1895 Session], and took its name

from General Stephen D. Ramseur, a Confederate commander.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,070,510. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 769 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,134 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Fred A. Thomas |
| Commissioner | M. A. Teague |
| Commissioner | June L. Beane |
| Commissioner | Bill Wright |
| Commissioner | Odell Cox |
| Commissioner | C. C. Dorsett |
| Clerk | Mrs. Betty J. Dorsett |
| Tax Collector | Mrs. Betty J. Dorsett |
| Attorney | Archie L. Smith |
| Chief of Police | J. W. Craven |
| Fire Chief | C. Reece Hodgkin |
| Street Supt. | G. E. Kivett |
| Water Plant Supt. | C. C. Craven |

Randleman

Randleman (Randolph County) was chartered in 1880 [Ch. 2, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1880 Session], and took its name from John B. Randleman, who, with John H. Ferree in 1872, acquired a cotton mill in the town.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,050,532. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.55. According to the U. S. Census, 1,754 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 2,066 in 1950.

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| Mayor | J. I. Memory |
| Alderman | Leland E. Smith |
| Alderman | Millard Wright |
| Alderman | Watt Cooley |
| Alderman | Harold Myers |
| Alderman | Dennis H. Redding |
| Clerk | Charles Lassiter |
| Tax Collector | Charles Lassiter |
| Attorney | L. T. Hammord |
| Chief of Police | Wade H. Harris |
| Fire Chief | Worth Greeson |
| Water Supt. | Jennings Curtis |

Red Springs



Red Springs (Robeson County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 129, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from mineral springs whose waters were colored by red pigment.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,996,065. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 858 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,245 in 1950.

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| Mayor | W. S. Barham |
| Commissioner | Earle A. Watson |
| Commissioner | Hiram Grantham |
| Commissioner | L. E. Baldwin |
| Commissioner | Duncan McGoogan |
| Commissioner | Glenn E. Parler |
| Commissioner | Coit Norwood |
| Clerk | W. D. Hines |
| Tax Collector | W. D. Hines |
| Attorney | Z. V. McMillan |

Chief of Police
Fire Chief
Street Supt.
Water Supt.

Murray McNeill
Murray McNeill
H. A. Beacham
H. A. Beacham

Robbins



Robbins (Moore County) was chartered in 1935 [Ch. 63, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1935 Session]. It was once called Mechanicsville, later Elsie, and then Hemp before becoming Robbins.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,554,107. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 1,158 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor	J. L. Fre
Commissioner	J. W. Cranford
Commissioner	H. L. McLaurin
Commissioner	C. F. Barringer, Jr.
Commissioner	E. C. Kennedy
Commissioner	C. B. Brooks
Clerk	Mrs. Marjorie M. Turbeville
Tax Collector	Mrs. Marjorie M. Turbeville
Attorney	Boyette & Brogden
Chief of Police	Roy F. Alexander
Fire Chief	Wayland R. Kennedy
Water & Sewer Supt.	Eugene Stutts

Robersonville

Robersonville (Martin County) was chartered in 1870 [Ch. 29, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1869-70 Session], and took its name from Henry D. Roberson, local landowner.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,527,952. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 275 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,414 in 1950.

Mayor	H. S. Everett
Commissioner	Charles R. Gray
Commissioner	Dr. Walter E. Ward
Commissioner	Charles L. Wilson, Jr.
Commissioner	J. Gilbert Smith
Commissioner	Vance L. Roberson
Manager	James E. Gray
Clerk	James E. Gray
Tax Collector	James E. Gray
Attorney	Paul D. Roberson
Chief of Police	William T. Smith
Fire Chief	Wiley B. Rogerson
Street Supt.	J. S. Simpson
Water & Sewer Supt.	J. S. Simpson

Roseboro

Roseboro (Sampson County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 279, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from Colonel Charles M. Rose of Fayetteville, chief counsel of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,180,421. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 63 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,241 in 1950.

Mayor
Commissioner
Commissioner
Commissioner
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Commissioner
Clerk
Tax Collector
Chief of Police
Fire Chief
Street Supt.
Water & Sewer Supt.

Dr. A. D. Underwood
Murray H. Butler
Faison Butler
J. P. Caison
H. J. Carr
Rupert Holland
Ossie L. Butler
W. L. Johnson
C. A. Herring
W. L. Johnson
W. L. Johnson

Chief of Police
Fire Chief
Water Supt.

W. C. Brown, Jr.
Alton Cobb
S. R. Williams

Southport

Southport (Brunswick County) was originally chartered in 1792 [Ch. 62, N. C. Laws, 1792 Session], and took its name from the fact that it was the most southerly seaport in North Carolina. It was originally named Smithville in honor of Governor Benjamin Smith (1810-11). The name was changed in 1887 to Southport [Ch. 76, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,484,058. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 1,336 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,748 in 1950.

Mayor	Roy Robinson
Alderman	Crawford Kourk
Alderman	Otto Hickman
Alderman	Fred Spencer
Alderman	Harold Ainsage
Alderman	John Vereen
Alderman	G. C. Kirkpatrick
Manager	C. D. Pickett
Clerk	Crawford Kuark
Tax Collector	Walter Aldridge
Attorney	James C. Bowman
Chief of Police	James F. Howard
Fire Chief	Ormond Leggett
Electric & Water Supt.	Joe Spencer
Street Supt.	Hubert Livingston

Spring Hope

Spring Hope (Nash County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 55, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from the hope of earlier settlers that success would spring from their enterprise.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,691,865. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 248 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,275 in 1950.

Mayor	Jimmie Pearce
Commissioner	S. L. Lamm
Commissioner	W. E. Scott
Commissioner	Dr. A. G. Insole
Commissioner	Ray Colhe
Clerk	John J. Dunlap
Tax Collector	John J. Dunlap
Attorney	O. B. Moss
Chief of Police	J. N. Jeffries
Fire Chief	Johnnie Sykes
Water Supt.	J. N. Jeffries

Spruce Pine

Spruce Pine (Mitchell County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 31, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session], and took its name from a large Carolina hemlock (spruce pine) that grew near a tavern operated by Issac English.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,912,149. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 717 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 2,280 in 1950.

Mayor	Ed Boone
Alderman	Claude Parker
Alderman	David G. Blevins
Clerk	Lewis Jarrett
Tax Collector	Lewis Jarrett
Attorney	Warren Pritchard
Chief of Police	James F. Burleson
Fire Chief	George Barlette
Street Supt.	Hobart Pitman
Water Supt.	Clifton Gibbs

Rowland

Rowland (Robeson County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 266, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from Colonel Alfred Rowland, II, a Confederate officer. It was originally called Alfordville and then Plainview.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,176,003. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 72 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,298 in 1950.

Mayor	Benjamin O. Burns
Commissioner	G. C. Wilson
Commissioner	David Townsend, Jr.
Commissioner	Marvin C. Shoots
Commissioner	McMurray McKellar
Clerk	Mrs. Virginia P. Lynch
Tax Collector	Mrs. Virginia P. Lynch
Attorney	R. L. Campbell
Chief of Police	Floyd A. Bracey
Fire Chief	J. W. McPhail
Street Supt.	J. H. Godfrey
Water & Sewer Supt.	J. H. Godfrey

Saint Paul's

Saint Paul's (Robeson County) was chartered in 1909 [Ch. 119, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1909 Session], and took its name from the early Presbyterian church.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,867,791. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 1,062 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 2,251 in 1950.

Mayor	Dr. L. A. Cameron
Commissioner	N. T. Alford
Commissioner	E. Z. Musselwhite
Commissioner	James Powers
Commissioner	M. L. Everett
Commissioner	Jesse Welsh
Commissioner	Dr. R. E. Hooks
Attorney	John B. Regan
Chief of Police	H. H. Epps
Fire Chief	J. C. Duncan
Street Supt.	Daniel Green
Water Supt.	Daniel Green

Scotland Neck

Scotland Neck (Halifax County) was chartered in 1867 [Ch. 39, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1866-67 Session], and was named for a bend in the Roanoke River by Scottish settlers from Virginia.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,315,909. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 1,348 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,730 in 1950.

Mayor	Fred L. Harrison
Commissioner	F. G. Shearin
Commissioner	J. I. Walston
Commissioner	R. R. Blackwell, Jr.
Commissioner	W. T. Partin
Clerk	J. A. McDowell
Tax Collector	J. A. McDowell
Attorney	Stuart Smith

Stanley



Stanley (Gaston County) was chartered in 1879 [Ch. 20, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1879 Session], and took its name from an old prospector. It was first known as Brevard Station for Robert Alexander Brevard, who donated land for the old Carolina Central Railroad in 1861. It was later called Stanley Creek where prospectors lived, [Ch. 68, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session] and in 1911 it was shortened to Stanley [Ch. 233, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$4,053,445. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 441 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,644 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Robert Glenn Rhyne |
| Alderman | James V. Stroupe, Jr. |
| Alderman | John H. Derr |
| Alderman | George Derr |
| Alderman | J. V. Lineberger |
| Manager | Ralph Handsel |
| Clerk | Wm. S. Withers |
| Tax Collector | Wm. S. Withers |
| Attorney | Oscar F. Mason |
| Chief of Police | Ralph Handsel |
| Fire Chief | Ralph Handsel |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | Ralph Handsel |

Sylva



Sylva (Jackson County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 139, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from William Sylva, a Dane employed as a carpenter by General E. R. Hampton, who erected buildings on the site.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,555,546. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.42. According to the U. S. Census, 281 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,382 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Roscoe Poteet |
| Alderman | Lawrence Reed |
| Alderman | Grayson Cope |
| Alderman | H. J. Landis |
| Alderman | Andrew Wilson |
| Alderman | Edwin Allison |
| Manager | W. B. Cope |
| Clerk | W. B. Cope |
| Tax Collector | W. B. Cope |
| Attorney | W. B. Cope |
| Chief of Police | Marcellus Buchanan, III |
| Fire Chief | George Evans |
| | W. B. Cope |

Tabor City

Tabor City (Columbus County) was chartered in 1905 [Ch. 40, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session], and took its name from Mount Tabor Presbyterian Church which was named for the Biblical mountain.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,891,800. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 418 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 2,033 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Howard Harrelson |
| Commissioner | Willard C. Wright |
| Commissioner | Phil Hughes |
| Commissioner | W. W. Woody |
| Commissioner | Kenneth Ray |
| Clerk | Marion G. Garrell |
| Tax Collector | Marion G. Garrell |
| Attorney | D. F. McGougan, Jr. |
| Chief of Police | J. R. Barker |
| Fire Chief | Bruce Watts |
| Public Works Dir. | H. D. Stevens, Jr. |
| Water & Sewer Dir. | H. D. Stevens, Jr. |

Taylorsville

Taylorsville (Alexander County) was chartered in 1851 [Ch. 327, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1850-51 Session], and took its name from either John Louis Taylor, Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court or from President Zachary Taylor.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,132,360. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.35. According to the U. S. Census, 413 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,310 in 1950.

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| Mayor | C. K. Sherrill |
| Commissioner | Mrs. Asa Thurston |
| Commissioner | W. D. Cooke |
| Commissioner | Waverly Moose |
| Clerk | Mrs. Dan Fincannon |
| Tax Collector | Mrs. Dan Fincannon |
| Attorney | J. H. Burke |
| Chief of Police | Joe James |
| Fire Chief | Henkle Mills |
| Water Supt. | G. S. Carrigan |

Troy



Troy (Montgomery County) was chartered in 1852 [Ch. 220, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1852 Session], and took its name from J. B. Troy, North Carolina legislator.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,757,709. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 878 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,213 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Ralph L. White |
| Commissioner | J. Quincy Deaton |
| Commissioner | J. I. Hickman |

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| Commissioner | J. H. Lemons |
| Commissioner | Eben R. Wallace, Jr. |
| Commissioner | Harry B. Lewis, Jr. |
| Attorney | Garland S. Garriss |
| Chief of Police | M. L. Green |
| Fire Chief | H. R. Hot |
| Water Supt. | Wiley R. Howell |

Tryon

Tryon (Polk County) was chartered in 1885 [Ch. 106, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1885 Session], and took its name from Tryon Peak, in turn named for William Tryon, Governor of North Carolina (1765-1771).

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,905,703. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 324 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,985 in 1950.

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| Mayor | R. E. Brantley |
| Commissioner | Bob Adams |
| Commissioner | Raymond McGuinn |
| Commissioner | Charles Lankford |
| Manager | Alex Arledge |
| Clerk | Alex Arledge |
| Tax Collector | Alex Arledge |
| Attorney | M. R. McCown |
| Chief of Police | W. B. Foster |
| Fire Chief | Jack Ford |
| Street Supt. | Jack Ford |
| Water Supt. | E. B. Arledge |

Wallace

Wallace (Duplin County) was organized in 1899 [Ch. 211, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from a local family.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,185,102. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 218 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,622 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Melvin G. Cording |
| Commissioner | S. W. Gowan |
| Commissioner | T. J. Baker |
| Commissioner | G. G. Walker |
| Commissioner | Roy S. Cavanaugh |
| Commissioner | W. N. Rose |
| Clerk | J. Luther Powell |
| Tax Collector | J. Luther Powell |
| Attorney | Mrs. Winifred T. Wells |
| Chief of Police | E. W. Whitaker |
| Fire Chief | Robert F. Boone |
| Street Supt. | J. W. Hilliar |

Walnut Cove

Walnut Cove (Stokes County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 60, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from a grove of walnut trees.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,286,093. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.65. According to the U. S. Census, 320 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,132 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Jack D. Gentry |
| Commissioner | Ralph D. Tuttle |
| Commissioner | H. J. Fowler |
| Commissioner | Jack Tuttle |
| Commissioner | Charles G. Hill |
| Clerk | James H. Mitchell |
| Tax Collector | James H. Mitchell |
| Attorney | Alfred J. Ellington |
| Chief of Police | Burke Smith |
| Fire Chief | Carlton Dunlap |

Warrenton

Warrenton (Warren County) was chartered in 1779 [Ch. 20, N. C. Laws,

1779 Session], and took its name from the county, in turn named for Joseph Warren killed at Bunker Hill.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,332,176. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.15. According to the U. S. Census, 238 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 1,242 in 1850, decreased to 836 in 1900, and increased to 1,166 in 1950.

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| Mayor | W. A. Miles |
| Commissioner | A. C. Blalock |
| Commissioner | A. C. Fair |
| Commissioner | H. W. Holt |
| Commissioner | Walker P. Burwell |
| Commissioner | A. D. Johnson |
| Commissioner | B. G. White |
| Commissioner | W. L. Wood |
| Clerk | R. E. Hunter |
| Tax Collector | R. E. Hunter |
| Attorney | W. W. Taylor |
| Chief of Police | H. H. Salmon |
| Fire Chief | W. P. Burwell |
| Street Supt. | H. H. Salmon |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | H. R. Skillman |

Warsaw



Warsaw (Duplin County) was chartered in 1855 [Ch. 258, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1854-55 Session,] and probably took its name from the Polish capital city.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,420,910. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 576 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,598 in 1950.

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| Mayor | J. E. Strickland |
| Commissioner | D. J. Rivenbark, Jr. |
| Commissioner | Sanford Packer |
| Commissioner | W. E. Bartlett |
| Commissioner | John A. Johnson |
| Commissioner | W. J. Middleton, Jr. |
| Clerk | Mrs. Annie T. Harmon |
| Tax Collector | Mrs. Annie T. Harmon |
| Attorney | A. Mitchell Britt |
| Chief of Police | W. E. Coombs |
| Fire Chief | R. Carroll Best |
| Street Supt. | W. E. Coombs |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | W. E. Coombs |

Weaverville

Weaverville (Buncombe) was chartered in 1875 [Ch. 108, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1874-75 Session], and took its name from Mentraville Weaver, who owned most of the original town site.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,368,943. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.30. According to the U. S. Census, 216 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 1,111 in 1950.

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| Mayor | W. W. Shope |
| Commissioner | Dr. L. T. Sprinkle |
| Commissioner | F. W. Reagan |
| Commissioner | J. R. Reagan |
| Commissioner | T. H. Sawyer |
| Commissioner | T. W. West |
| Clerk | A. D. Closson |
| Tax Collector | A. D. Closson |
| Attorney | E. L. Loftin |
| Chief of Police | A. B. Ken. |
| Fire Chief | Glen West, Jr. |
| Street Supt. | S. S. Hensley |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | S. S. Hensley |

Weldon

Weldon (Halifax County) was chartered in 1843 [Ch. 28, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1842-43 Session], and took its name from Daniel Weldon, on whose land was built the terminus of the railroad from Virginia.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,873,446. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.83. According to the U. S. Census, 1,433 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 2,295 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Sterling B. Pierce |
| Commissioner | W. A. Pierce, Jr. |
| Commissioner | C. R. Turner |
| Commissioner | F. H. Clark |
| Commissioner | S. D. Brown, Jr. |
| Clerk | Nathalie V. Cole |
| Tax Collector | Nathalie V. Coie |
| Attorney | C. R. Daniel |
| Chief of Police | Floyd Whitman, Jr. |
| Fire Chief | Joe L. Willey |
| Street Supt. | C. R. Morris |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | U. Bixby Pierce |

Wendell

Wendell (Wake County) was chartered in 1903 [Ch. 316, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session], and took its name from Oliver Wendell Holmes, the American writer.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,558,542. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 759 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,253 in 1950.

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| Mayor | Joe K. Henderson |
| Commissioner | C. Proc Dean |
| Commissioner | Willard E. Perry |
| Commissioner | Mossey E. Faison |
| Commissioner | Curtis Todd |
| Manager | R. R. Thompson |
| Clerk | R. R. Thompson |
| Tax Collector | R. R. Thompson |
| Attorney | J. Harold Griffin |
| Chief of Police | Alex Wall |
| Fire Chief | Dover Hinton |
| Street Supt. | John Edwards |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | S. S. Creech |

Wilkesboro

Wilkesboro (Wilkes County) was chartered in 1847 [Ch. 205, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1847 Session], and took its name from John Wilkes, English politician, Lord Mayor of London who on April 10, 1775, presented to the King a "remonstrance of the livery" with reference to coercion of the American Colonies.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,894,816. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 635 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,370 in 1950.

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| Mayor | C. G. Bumgarner |
| Alderman | George D. Kennedy |
| Alderman | Joe H. Pearson |
| Alderman | D. M. G. Edwards |
| Alderman | Dr. James T. Kinlaw |
| Clerk | Mrs. DeLoss Holbrook |
| Tax Collector | Mrs. DeLoss Holbrook |
| Attorney | Kyle Hayes |
| Chief of Police | Eugene Joines |
| Fire Chief | Carl Bullis |
| Street Supt. | Eugene Joines |
| Water Supt. | Eugene Joines |

Windsor

Windsor (Bertie County) was originally chartered in 1766 [Ch. 26, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1766 Session], and took its name from the royal castle near London, England.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,880,800. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 597 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 1,781 in 1950.

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| Mayor | J. B. Spivey |
| Councilman | Lewis Thompson |
| Councilman | Robert C. White |
| Councilman | J. B. Gillam, Jr. |
| Councilman | G. T. Davis, Jr. |
| Councilman | F. M. Dunstan, Jr. |
| Clerk | O. L. Spivey |
| Tax Collector | O. L. Spivey |
| Attorney | J. A. Pritchett |
| Chief of Police | Melvin E. Pierce |
| Fire Chief | J. B. Spivey |
| Street Supt. | Lloyd Early, Sr. |
| Water & Sewer Supt. | W. L. Brewer |

Zebulon



Zebulon (Wake County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 84, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session], and took its name from Zebulon B. Vance, Governor of North Carolina (1862-65).

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,170,019. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.85. According to the U. S. Census, 483 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 1,378 in 1950.

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| Mayor | T. E. Hales |
| Councilman | G. K. Corbett |
| Councilman | J. Raleigh Alford |
| Councilman | P. O. Farmer |
| Councilman | Thurman Hepler |
| Councilman | Mrs. Elizabeth Ellette |
| Manager | W. B. Hopkins |
| Clerk | W. B. Hopkins |
| Tax Collector | W. B. Hopkins |
| Attorney | Ferd L. Davis |
| Chief of Police | W. B. Hopkins |
| Fire Chief | W. B. Hopkins |
| Street Supt. | W. B. Hopkins |
| Water Supt. | W. B. Hopkins |

V. Cities with Populations of Less Than 1,000

Alexander Mills

Alexander Mills (Rutherford County) was chartered in 1925 [Ch. 5, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1925 Session], and took its name from a textile plant, founded by J. F. Alexander, pioneer industrialist, philosopher and philanthropist of Rutherford County.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$716,743. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.15. According to the U. S. Census, 831 people lived within its limits in 1930; and this number increased to 885 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

M. G. Allen, Jr.
G. B. Hollan

Ansonville

Ansonville (Anson County) was chartered in 1885 [Ch. 107, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1885 Session], and took its name from Admiral Lord George Anson, English circumnavigator who was sent to protect the Carolinas' coast from pirates and Spanish invaders between 1723 and 1735.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$267,332. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 486 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 545 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Ray Hendley
T. B. Dunlap

Arlington

Arlington (Yadkin County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 275, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$295,366. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 440 people lived within its limits in 1940; and this number increased to 525 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Horace Vestal
Kenneth Brown

Atkinson

Atkinson (Pender County) was chartered in 1909 [Ch. 125, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1909 Session], and took its name from an engineer involved in completing the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$271,100. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 115 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 294 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Frederick Coville
F. R. Foyles

Atlantic Beach

Atlantic Beach (Carteret County) was chartered in 1937 [Ch. 433, N. C. Pub. Loc. Laws, 1937 Session], and took its name from its location on the

Atlantic coast. According to the U. S. Census 49 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

A. B. Cooper
Milton G. Coyie

Aurora

Aurora (Beaufort County) was chartered in 1880 [Ch. 5, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1880 Session], and took its name from a former county newspaper, AURORA BOREALIS. It was originally a free Negro settlement called Betty Town.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$615,445. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 314 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 525 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

W. P. Bryan
Frank M. Beacham

Autryville

Autryville (Sampson County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 191, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name to induce Captain James W. Autry, turpentine distiller, to subscribe \$10,000 for stock in the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$102,400. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.6666. According to the U. S. Census, 61 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 151 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

I. L. Vinsor
Margaret V. Jaynes

Bailey's

Bailey's (Nash County) was chartered in 1908 [Ch. 36, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1908 Ext. Session], and took its name from Joe Bailey, an early settler.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$951,986. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 195 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 743 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Roland C. Glover
Mrs. Belle Batts

Bakersville

Bakersville (Mitchell County) was chartered in 1870 [Ch. 116, N. C. Pr. Laws, 870 Session], and took its name from an early settler, Josiah Baker. It was first called Davis.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$372,903. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 332 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 428 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Fred G. Brummitt
Mrs. Ruth B. Vinson

Banner Elk

Banner Elk (Avery County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 158, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session], and took its name from the Banner family, early settlers on the Elk River.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$277,429. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.65. According to the U. S. Census, 264 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 462 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Lawson Tate
A. M. Kalbfleisch

Barnardsville

Barnardsville (Buncombe County) was chartered in 1959 [Ch. 841, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1959 Session].

Mayor

E. W. Cannon

Bath



Bath (Beaufort County) was originally chartered in 1705 [Ch. 52, N. C. Laws, 1715 Session, states that Bath was incorporated by an Act of the General Assembly, passed March 8, 1705.], and took its name from the English town of Bath.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$285,577. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.40. According to the U. S. Census, 100 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 381 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

B. A. Brooks
Mrs. B. A. Brooks

Battleboro

Battleboro (Nash and Edgecombe Counties) was chartered in 1872 [Ch. 99, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1871-72 Session], and took its name from James and Joseph Battle, large stockholders in the Wilmington & Raleigh Railroad.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$556,252. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 229 people lived within its limits in

1900; and this number increased to 329 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

C. B. Hardee, Jr.
F. H. Collins

Bayboro

Bayboro (Pamlico County) was chartered in 1881 [Ch. 54, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1881 Session], and took its name from its location in a section where the bay tree, the Carolina magnolia, is extremely luxurious.

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$628,962. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 252 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 453 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Lawrence Harris
Juanita B. Miller

Bay Shore Park

Bay Shore Park (Carteret County) was chartered in 1959 [Ch. 699, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1959 Session].

Mayor

Randolph Fravel

Beaulaville



Beaulaville (Duplin County) was chartered in 1915 [Ch. 378, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1915 Session].

Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,271,082. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.15. According to the U. S. Census, 354 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 724 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

C. S. Muldrow
H. J. Brown

Bertie

Bertie (Bertie County) was chartered Nov. 18, 1939 [by Municipal Board of Control].

Its real and personal property was value in 1957 at \$142,422. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 259 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

L. L. Craig
A. C. Mitchell

Biltmore Forest

Biltmore Forest (Buncombe County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 318, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session] as

Biltmore. It was reincorporated in 1923 as Biltmore Forest [Ch. 32, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1923 Session]. It took its name from the forest plantations created by Gifford Pinchot on George W. Vanderbilt's estate, and on which this residential village was established. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$5,145,817. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.35. According to the U. S. Census, 96 people lived within its limits in 1930; and this number increased to 657 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Edwin S. Hartshorn
J. T. Sevier

Black Creek

Black Creek (Wilson County) was chartered in 1870 [Ch. 104, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1869-70 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$209,434. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 191 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 316 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

J. Y. Aycock
J. D. Boyette

Bladenboro

Bladenboro (Bladen County) was organized in 1903 [Ch. 66, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session], and took its name from Martin Bladen, one of the Lord Commissioners of Trade and Plantations (1717-46). Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,215,551. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 276 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 796 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

C. B. Hasbrouck
Pauline S. Pa't

Blowing Rock

Blowing Rock (Caldwell and Watauga Counties) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 199, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from a peculiar rock formation rising above the Johns River Gorge which creates a current of air that returns to the sender a light article thrown over the void. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$4,292,119. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 331 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 661 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

R. B. Hardin
Nettie S. Green

Bolivia

Bolivia (Brunswick County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 119, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session], and took its name because of importation of fertilizer from Bolivia. According to the U. S. Census, 199 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number has increased to 215 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

S. H. Hilborn
H. Foster Mintz

Bolton

Bolton (Columbus County) was chartered in 1915 [Ch. 240, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1915 Session], and took its name from the Bolton Lumber Company. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$359,142. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 699 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number decreased to 606 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

E. S. Thornton
Miss Bertha L. Long

Boonville

Booneville (Yadkin County) was chartered in 1895 [Ch. 44, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1895 Session], and was named for Daniel Boone, who once camped on this site. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$660,000. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.60. According to the U. S. Census, 205 people lived within its limits in 1940; and this number increased to 502 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Harvey Smith
G. V. Stinson

Bostic

Bostic (Rutherford County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 234, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$212,300. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 97 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 227 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

J. G. Michael
Sherman H. Padgett

Bridgeton

Bridgeton (Craven County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 208, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session], and took its name from the bridge across the Neuse River, connecting with New Bern. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$428,801. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 348 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 805 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

J. W. Rhodes
Ruby Y. Litty

Broadway

Broadway (Lee County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 398, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session], and took its name from the local Broadway Lumber Company mill. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$685,274. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.90. According to the U. S. Census, 149 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 469 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Mrs. Thelma C. Sloan
Eva C. Hayes

Brookford

Brookford (Catawba County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 230, N. C. Pr.

Laws, 1907 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,062,137. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 725 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 768 in 1950.

Mayor Willard H. Overcash
Clerk Mrs. Katherine Y. Pope

Brunswick

Brunswick (Columbus County) was originally chartered in 1745 [Ch. 12, N. C. Laws, 1745 Session], and took its name from the Prince of Brunswick. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$91,602. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.30. According to the U. S. Census, 416 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number decreased to 190 in 1950.

Mayor Clyde R. Williams
Clerk Mrs. Hugh M. Williamson

Bunn

Bunn (Franklin County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 214, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from a local resident, Green Bunn. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$240,201. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 150 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 255 in 1950.

Mayor Willbur V. Green
Clerk J. C. Murphy

Calypso

Calypso (Duplin County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 264, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from the sea nymph in the Odyssey. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$797,363. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.10. According to the U. S. Census, 405 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 688 in 1950.

Mayor W. H. Hurdle
Clerk Slanton Barwick

Cameron

Cameron (Moore County) was chartered in 1876 [Ch. 14, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its name from the Cameron family of Virginia. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$275,541. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.30. According to the U. S. Census, 236 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 284 in 1950.

Mayor Hubert Nickens
Clerk Albert Co'e

Candor

Candor (Montgomery County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 189, N. C. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from the term given by three local merchants who visioned a "town of frankness and sincerity." Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,216,693.

Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.45. According to the U. S. Census, 160 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 617 in 1950.

Mayor V. W. Burkhead
Clerk Robert M. Gero

Cape Carteret

Cape Carteret (Carteret County) was chartered in 1959 [Ch. 727, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1959 Session].

Mayor Howard C. Cobb

Castalia

Castalia (Nash County) was chartered in 1873 [Ch. 64, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1872-73 Session], and probably took its name from an early settler. According to the U. S. Census, 159 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 421 in 1950.

Mayor R. C. Pullen
Clerk Mrs. J. E. Harper

Catawba

Catawba (Catawba County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 274, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and took its name from the Catawba Indians who once inhabited the region. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,127,817. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.85. According to the U. S. Census, 196 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 506 in 1950.

Mayor R. Wayne Lowrance
Clerk David A. Hunsucker

Claremont

Claremont (Catawba County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 11, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and probably took its name from Claremont Female College. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,071,754. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.90. According to the U. S. Census, 160 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 669 in 1950.

Mayor W. J. Kirkman
Clerk Mrs. Rowe Morrow

Clarkton

Clarkton (Bladen County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 299, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its name from General Thomas Clark, prominent colonial resident. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,249,169. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 276 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 589 in 1950.

Mayor Dr. Julian F. Keith, Jr.
Clerk Mrs. Madeline G. Clark

Cleveland

Cleveland (Rowan County) was chartered in 1883 [Ch. 71, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session] as Third Creek. Its name was changed in 1909 to Cleve-

land [Ch. 289, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1909 Session] in honor of either (a) Grover Cleveland, or (b) Colonel Benjamin Cleveland, Revolutionary leader. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$770,627. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 198 people lived within limits in 1900; and this number increased to 580 in 1950.

Mayor S. Page Graham
Clerk W. Preston Barber

Clyde

Clyde (Haywood County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 189, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from a member of a firm of railroad construction engineers. It was first known as Lower Pigeon. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$614,006. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.85. According to the U. S. Census, 90 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 598 in 1950.

Mayor Amos Medford
Clerk Mrs. Phyllis McCracken

Colerain

Colerain (Bertie County) was chartered in 1794 [Ch. 90, N. C. Laws, 1794 Session], and took its name from the town in Londonderry County, Ireland. It was named by its founder, John Campbell. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$548,277. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.35. According to the U. S. Census, 14 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 367 in 1950.

Mayor J. L. Parker, Jr.
Clerk E. L. Stokes, Jr.

Columbus

Columbus (Polk County) was chartered in 1857 [Ch. 124, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1856-57 Session], and took its name from Dr. Columbus Mills, state legislator who was instrumental in the formation of the county. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$347,624. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 334 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 486 in 1950.

Mayor Paul T. Smith
Clerk Mrs. Barbara S. Smith

Conetoe

Conetoe (Edgecombe County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 154, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from a tribe of Judeans. It was once called Shotsuch and later Warren's Station. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$146,295. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 132 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 172 in 1950.

Mayor G. H. Bennett
Clerk W. W. Roberson

Conway

Conway (Northampton County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 161, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from the wife of the first president of the Seaboard Airline Railroad Co. It was known as Martin's Crossroads until 1888. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,246,194. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.35. According to the U. S. Census, 618 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor F. Ennis Martin
Clerk Wilson Bridgers

Cove City

Cove City (Craven County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 64, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session]. It was known as Core Creek until the name was changed to eliminate confusion with a Corepoint, and the word City substituted by a Mr. Rickwah who planned to establish a knitting mill there. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$234,135. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.25. According to the U. S. Census, 308 people lived within its limits in 1910 and this number increased to 465 in 1950.

Mayor D. M. Grady
Clerk Mrs. B. A. Woolard

Creedmoor

Creedmoor (Granville County) was chartered in 1905 [Ch. 398, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,134,958. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.15. According to the U. S. Census, 324 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 852 in 1950.

Mayor I. E. Harris
Clerk Katie L. Fleming

Creswell

Creswell (Washington County) was chartered in 1874 [Ch. 60, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session], and took its name from John A. J. Creswell, U. S. Postmaster General. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$329,417. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 224 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 425 in 1950.

Mayor C. N. Davenport, Jr.
Clerk Mrs. Kitty D. Norman

Crossnore

Crossnore (Avery County) was chartered in 1925 [Ch. 86, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1925 Session], and took its name from a general store keeper, George Crossnore. According to the U. S. Census, 240 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor H. L. Moldenhaver
Clerk Obie Johnson

Danbury

Danbury (Stokes County) was chartered in 1957 [Ch. 1302, N. C. Sess Laws, 1957 Session]. According to the U. S. Census, 400 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor James Joyce

Denton

Denton (Davidson County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 490, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session]. It was first named Finch Roads (1875) and later Sycamore. In 1885 the Post Office Department asked for suggested names and selected Denton, proposed by a former resident of Denton, Texas. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,139,537. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 320 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 766 in 1950.

Mayor Wesley P. Morris
Clerk Allen Myers

Dillsboro

Dillsboro (Jackson County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 177, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from William Dills, member of the General Assembly (1889-91). Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$241,529. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 279 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number decreased to 198 in 1950.

Mayor M. Y. Jarrett
Clerk J. C. Cannon, Jr.

Dobson

Dobson (Surry County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 282, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from William P. Dobson, justice of Surry County in 1776. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,088,736. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.10. According to the U. S. Census, 327 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 609 in 1950.

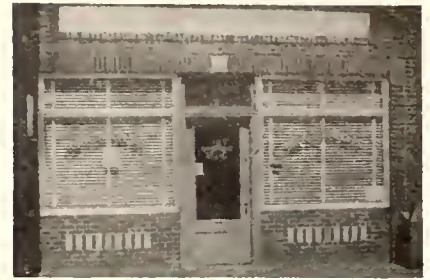
Mayor W. B. White
Clerk J. Herman Coz

Dover

Dover (Craven County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 375, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its name from Dover, England. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$197,699. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 737 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number decreased to 638 in 1950.

Mayor S. L. West
Clerk C. L. Humphrey

Drexel



Drexel (Burke County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 24, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from the only switch to a railroad siding between Hickory and Morganton on the Southern Railway, at which site the town was located. It was originally called Baker. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,620,522. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.90. According to the U. S. Census, 988 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor Charles E. (Pat) Poteat
Clerk John C. Ramsey

Dublin

Dublin (Bladen County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 23, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Ext. Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$332,459. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 99 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 243 in 1950.

Mayor Wade Taylor, Jr.
Clerk Edith B. McIntyre

East Bend

East Bend (Yadkin County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 144, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from its location near the east bend of the Yadkin River. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$326,400. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 444 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 475 in 1950.

Mayor Frank H. Pickett
Clerk K. M. Matthews

East Laurinburg

East Laurinburg (Scotland County) was chartered in 1903 [Ch. 224, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session], and took its name from the McLaurin family, who were Scottish settlers. It was called Scotland Village until 1909 when the name was changed [Ch. 221, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1909 Session]. According to the U. S. Census, 577 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 745 in 1950.

Mayor William C. Clark
Clerk J. A. Hardwick

Elk Park

Elk Park (Avery County) was chartered in 1885 [Ch. 130, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1885 Session], and took its name from

elk that once were numerous in the vicinity. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$182,736. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 498 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 545 in 1950.

Mayor B. H. Winters
Clerk Mrs. F. P. Guinn

Ellenboro

Ellenboro (Rutherford County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 64, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from Miss Ellen Robinson, daughter of the president of the Carolina Central Railroad. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$420,000. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 172 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 537 in 1950.

Mayor O. R. Coffield
Clerk A. B. Harritt

Ellerbe

Ellerbe (Richmond County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 25, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session], and took its name from a family of settlers. It was first called Adams Fair Ground. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$993,159. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 473 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 773 in 1950.

Mayor Joe Comer
Clerk W. K. Aubry

Elm City

Elm City (Wilson County) was chartered in 1873 [Ch. 17, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session], and took its name from elm trees in the town. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$801,502. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.70. According to the U. S. Census, 725 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 839 in 1950.

Mayor George E. Tyson
Clerk Mrs. Pauline B. Harrison

Emerald Isle

Emerald Isle (Carteret County) was chartered in 1957 [Ch. 1291, N. C. Session Laws, 1957 Session], and probably took its name from the physical characteristics of the island.

Mayor A. L. Nichols

Eureka

Eureka (Wayne County) was chartered in 1879 [Ch. 90, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1879 Session]. It was called Saul's Cross Roads until 1901. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$254,312. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 123 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 192 in 1950.

Mayor Wiley E. Sauls
Clerk G. E. Yelverton

Everetts

Everetts (Martin County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 70, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from Simon P. Everett, who donated the railroad station site. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$234,184. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 127 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 244 in 1950.

Mayor J. W. Peet
Clerk George W. Taylor

Faison

Faison (Duplin County) was chartered in 1872 [Ch. 125, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1871-72 Session], and took its name from Elias Faison, landowner and stockholder in Wilmington & Raleigh Ry. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,404,426. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 256 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 768 in 1950.

Mayor C. D. McCullen
Clerk Mrs. Dorothy Armstrong

Faith

Faith (Rowan County) was chartered in 1903 [Ch. 363, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session], and took its name from Faith [Quarry, a granite quarry opened by J. T. Wyatt. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$670,368. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.55. According to the U. S. Census, 352 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 490 in 1950.

Mayor Eugene McCombs
Clerk Mrs. Carol R. Retallick

Falkland

Falkland (Pitt County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 109, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and supposedly took its name from Falkland, in Scotland, long the home of Scottish kings. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$111,960. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 139 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 174 in 1950.

Mayor Carson R. Jones
Clerk Lewis S. Lawrence

Fountain

Fountain (Pitt County) was chartered in 1903 [Ch. 115, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session], and took its name from J. L. Fountain, a local resident. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$529,195. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 189 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 451 in 1950.

Mayor J. M. Horton
Clerk P. M. Cory

Four Oaks

Four Oaks (Johnston County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 185, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from four oaks growing from the stump of a tree that had been cut down in an opossum hunt. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,096,151. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.10. According to the U. S. Census, 62 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 942 in 1950.

Mayor R. L. Hockaday
Clerk C. W. Bandy

Franklinville

Franklinville (Randolph County) was chartered in 1847 [Ch. 200, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1846-47 Session], and took its name from Jesse Franklin, Governor of North Carolina (1820-21). Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,468,972. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 778 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor B. C. Jones
Clerk H. A. Saunders

Garland

Garland (Sampson County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 44, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$46,604. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 301 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 539 in 1950.

Mayor Milton Carter
Clerk Mrs. Sarah M. Tingle

Garysburg

Garysburg (Northampton County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 334, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from Rodney Gary, an early innkeeper. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$358,854. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.25. According to the U. S. Census, 344 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor William C. Conwell
Clerk Mrs. L. I. Howell

Gatesville

Gatesville (Gates County) was chartered in 1830 [Ch. 69, N. C. Laws, 1830 Session], and took its name from General Horatio Gates, commander of the Revolutionary army forces that defeated Burgoyne at Saratoga, October 1777. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$654,105. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.75. According to the U. S. Census, 200 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 323 in 1950.

Mayor Paul F. Edmond
Clerk R. C. Hawkins, Jr

Gibson

Gibson (Scotland County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 163, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$692,216. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 264 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 609 in 1950.

Mayor L. T. Gibson
Clerk J. M. Joye

Glen Alpine

Glen Alpine (Burke County) was chartered in 1883 [Ch. 61 N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session], and took its name from its physical characteristics. It was first called Turkey Tail from an old tree roost which resembled a gobbler's tail, and then Sigmonsborg for the General Store keepers. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$854,302. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.85. According to the U. S. Census, 252 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 695 in 1950.

Mayor Crawford C. Melton
Clerk Robert T. Pitts

Goldston

Goldston (Chatham County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 108, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session], and took its name from Joe W. Goldston, on whose land the town was built. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$617,379. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 246 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 372 in 1950.

Mayor F. M. Barber, Sr.
Clerk A. D. Pearce

Granite Quarry

Granite Quarry (Rowan County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 259, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its name from local quarries. It was called Woodside before 1905. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,702,692. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.25. According to the U. S. Census, 363 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 591 in 1950.

Mayor L. W. Brown
Clerk Arnold A. Walton, Sr.

Grifton

Grifton (Pitt County) was chartered in 1883 [Ch. 72, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session], and took its name from the Grifton family of New York and North Carolina. It was first called Bell's Ferry. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,579,489. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 121 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 510 in 1950.

Mayor W. A. Gaskins
Clerk Joyce Braxton

Grimesland

Grimesland (Pitt County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 222, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and took its name from the Grimes Plantation founded by Dempsie Grimes I, in 1793. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$297,173. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 277 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 414 in 1950.

Mayor Leslie Elks
Clerk Della M. Galloway

Grover



Grover (Cleveland County) was chartered in 1885 [Ch. 12, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1885 Session], and took its name from President Grover Cleveland. It was first called Whitaker for a nearby mountain. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$824,262. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 126 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 535 in 1950.

Mayor C. F. Harry, Jr.
Clerk Carley Martin

Halifax

Halifax (Halifax County) was chartered in 1757 [Ch. 5, N. C. Laws, 1757 Session], and took its name from George Montagu Dunk, Earl of Halifax (1716-71) and president of the British Board of Trade. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$622,259. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 382 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number decreased to 192 in 1860, and increased to 346 in 1950.

Mayor C. E. Shaw
Clerk P. A. Harriss

Hamilton

Hamilton (Martin County) was chartered in 1804 [Ch. 45, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1804-05 Session]. The town was called Milton prior to 1804. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$337,540. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 781 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number decreased to 514 in 1950.

Mayor J. H. Harrell
Clerk Alvin D. Everett

Harmony

Harmony (Iredell County) was chartered Feb. 10, 1927 [by Municipal Board of Control], and took its name from the "protracted" or "harmony" meetings held for many years in the vicinity by religious organizations. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$423,973. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.40. According to the U. S. Census, 374 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor O. A. Dearman, Sr.
Clerk T. B. Wetmore

Harrellsville

Harrellsville (Hertford County) was chartered in 1883 [Ch. 138, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session], and took its name from the Harrell family, donors of the townsite. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$259,133. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 110 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 167 in 1950.

Mayor J. C. Evans
Clerk E. L. Holloman

Hassell

Hassell (Martin County) was chartered in 1903 [Ch. 96, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session], and took its name from Elder Sylvester Hassell, Primitive Baptist preacher. It was first called Sycamore Grove. According to the U. S. Census, 90 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 137 in 1950.

Mayor E. C. Edmondson
Clerk George H. Leggett

Hayesville

Hayesville (Clay County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 79, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from George W. Hayes, member of the General Assembly who was instrumental in the formation of Clay County. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$472,341. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 257 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 356 in 1950.

Mayor James H. Walker
Clerk William E. Carter

Highlands



Highlands (Macon County) was chartered in 1879 [Ch. 43, N. C. Pr.

Laws, 1879 Session], and took its name from its high elevation. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$918,206. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.25. According to the U. S. Census, 233 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 515 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Charles C. Potts
Louis E. Potts

Hobgood

Hobgood (Halifax County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 160, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from the principal of the Oxford Female Academy. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$478,801. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.35. According to the U. S. Census, 122 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 603 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

R. G. Anthony
Mrs. Helen C. Lawrence

Hoffman

Hoffman (Richmond County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 74, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from R. C. Hoffman, president of the Raleigh and Charleston and Seaboard Airline Railways. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$240,438. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.20. According to the U. S. Census, 184 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 398 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

D. M. Bryant
J. B. Teal

Holly Springs

Holly Springs (Wake County) was organized in 1877 [Ch. 55, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its name from the holly trees growing near a spring in the vicinity. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$346,497. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 218 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 406 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

T. B. Johnson
R. A. Jones

Hookerton

Hookerton (Greene County) was originally chartered in 1817 [Ch. 52, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1817 Session], and took its name from a family of settlers. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$210,817. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 173 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 253 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

George D. Allen
Mrs. Irene L. Coston

Hot Springs

Hot Springs (Madison County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 24, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name

from the thermal springs in the vicinity. It was first called Warm Springs. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$938,179. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 695 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 721 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Joe R. Henderson
Bill Whitten

Hudson



Hudson (Caldwell County) was chartered in 1905 [Ch. 239, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session], and took its name from David Hudson, the town's founder. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,443,146. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 411 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 922 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Ernest M. Bear
Evelyn Raby

Huntersville

Huntersville (Mecklenburg County) was chartered in 1873 [Ch. 44, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1872-73 Session], and took its name from Robert Hunter, who lived here in 1860. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,239,582. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 431 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 916 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Thomas L. Ward
H. E. Whitener

Indian Trail

Indian Trail (Union County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 322, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$166,065. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.30. According to the U. S. Census, 154 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 308 in 1950.

Mayor

Allen Hargett

Jackson

Jackson (Northampton County) was chartered in 1818 [Ch. 40, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1818 Session], and took its name from Andrew Jackson, after the Battle of New Orleans. It was first known as Smithville & Northampton Courthouse. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,105,309. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 750 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 843 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

A. A. McKellor
Ruby H. Spivey

Jamestown

Jamestown (Guilford County) was chartered in 1816 [Ch. 109, N. C. Laws, 1816 Session], and took its name from James Mendenhall, an early settler. The first name was used after the Quaker fashion, to avoid ostentation. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$4,475,111. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.55. According to the U. S. Census, 69 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 748 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

T. C. Ragsdale
S. H. Strickland

Jamesville

Jamesville (Martin County) was chartered in 1785 [Ch. 62, N. C. Laws, 1785-86 Session], and took its name from the James family. The town became Jamesville in 1854 [Ch. 278, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1854-55 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$407,461. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 346 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 529 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

O. W. Hamiltor
Muriel Holliday

Jefferson

Jefferson (Ashe County) was chartered in 1855 [Ch. 255, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1854-55 Session], and took its name from Thomas Jefferson. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$835,138. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.40. According to the U. S. Census, 413 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number decreased to 359 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Tom Corberhom
L. P. Colvard

Kelford

Kelford (Bertie County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 27, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and took its name from a ford in Scotland. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$278,928. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 167 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 405 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

J. G. Hall
Mrs. D. M. Humphrey

Kenansville

Kenansville (Duplin County) was chartered in 1816 [Ch. 134, N. C. Laws, 1816 Session], and took its name from Thomas Kenan, Congressman (1805-11). It was known as Grovemont and Duplin Courthouse until 1820. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,120,090. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 674 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Lauren R. Sharoe
C. C. Hester

Kill Devil Hills

Kill Devil Hills (Dare County) was chartered in 1953 [Ch. 220, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1953 Session], and one story has it that it took its name from a rum made in the region so potent it would "kill the devil". Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,577,703. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.25. According to the U. S. Census, 735 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

R. H. Cook
Mrs. Love D. Register

Kittrell

Kittrell (Vance County) was chartered in 1885 [Ch. 136, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1885 Session], and took its name from George Kittrell, who gave the land for the railroad station. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$80,710. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 168 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 189 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

O. E. Perkinson
Stuart Woodlief

Knightdale

Knightdale (Wake County) was chartered in 1927 [Ch. 155, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1927 Session], and took its name from its founder, H. H. Knight. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$503,100. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 461 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

E. F. Harper
O. W. Hedrick

Kure Beach

Kure Beach (New Hanover County) was chartered in 1947 [Ch. 1248, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1947 Session], and took its name from the Kure family, who came here from Denmark. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$699,120. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.90. According to the U. S. Census, 228 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Stanley G. Cheek
Mrs. W. O. Fickling

Lake Lure

Lake Lure (Rutherford County) was chartered in 1927 [Ch. 179, N. C. Pr.

Laws, 1927 Session], and took its name from the scenic attractions of the region. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,098,434. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.45. According to the U. S. Census, 204 people lived within its limits in 1930; and this number decreased to 174 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

J. Paul Wilson
Mrs. Blanche B. Liles

Lake Waccamaw

Lake Waccamaw (Columbus County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 282, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session], and took its name from the Lake in turn named for an Indian tribe that once inhabited the region. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$953,075. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.70. According to the U. S. Census, 237 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 575 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

W. Avery Thompson
A. J. Williamson, Jr.

Lansing

Lansing (Ashe County) was chartered in 1928 by the Municipal Board of Control. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$279,917. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.40.

Mayor
Clerk

Roey G. Hart
Walter Osborne

Lasker

Lasker (Northampton County) was chartered in 1895 [Ch. 281, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1895 Session], and took its name from Hezekiah Lasker, conductor on the Seaboard Air Line Railroad. According to the U. S. Census, 121 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 177 in 1950.

Lattimore

Lattimore (Cleveland County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 52, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from Confederate Captain Audley M. Lattimore. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$383,870. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.30. According to the U. S. Census, 108 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 286 in 1950.

Mayor

D. B. Washburn

Laurel Park

Laurel Park (Henderson County) was chartered in 1925 [Ch. 100, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1925 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,659,120. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.30. According to the U. S. Census, 127 people lived within its limits in 1930; and this number increased to 302 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

W. R. Royall, Jr.
T. H. Roberts

Lawndale

Lawndale (Cleveland County) was chartered in 1903 [Ch. 105, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session], and took its name from the spreading green lawns of Maj. H. F. Schenck, owner of mills and power company in the town. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$995,530. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.75. According to the U. S. Census, 568 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 964 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Durham Whisnant
Mrs. Foy Southard

Lewiston

Lewiston (Bertie County) was chartered in 1881 [Ch. 91, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1881 Session], and took its name from an early settler. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$353,353. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.75. According to the U. S. Census, 373 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number decreased to 339 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

T. Lester Jones
Roy L. Lowe

Lilesville

Lilesville (Anson County) was chartered in 1874 [Ch. 66, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session], and took its name from Nelson P. Liles, one of its earliest settlers. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$421,657. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 222 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 605 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Rubye Hedrick
Mrs. Juanita R. Williams

Linden

Linden (Cumberland County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 398, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from a grove of linden trees nearby. It was first known as Cheefington and later Little River Academy until 1910 when it became Linden. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$118,216. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.10. According to the U. S. Census, 191 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 194 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

K. C. Raynor
Jesse H. Byrd, Jr.

Long Beach

Long Beach (Brunswick County) was chartered in 1955 [Ch. 1067, N. C. Session Laws, 1955 Session], and took its name from its physical characteristics. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$617,271. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 43 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

E. M. Underwood, Jr.
Dan Shannon

Lucama



Lucama (Wilson County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 209, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session]. Legend has it that three girls were asked by Governor Aycock to name or rather suggest a name for this town. Their names were Lucy, Carrie, and Mary. The first two letters of each name spells "LUCAMA". Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$552,296. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 236 people lived within its limits in 1900, and this number increased to 405 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk C. R. Harn
Mrs. Letha J. Watson

Lumber Bridge

Lumber Bridge (Robeson County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 151, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from the wooden bridge across Little Marsh Swamp. According to the U. S. Census, 181 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number decreased to 154 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk W. H. Schell
J. N. Maxwell

McDonald

McDonald (Robeson County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 443, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session], and took its name from Donald MacDonald, leader of the Tory forces at the Battle of Moores Creek Bridge. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$89,580. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 120 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number decreased to 78 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk Arther V. Britt
Mrs. Margaret Price

Macclesfield

Macclesfield (Edgecombe County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 365, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its name from Macclesfield, England. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$505,675. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.35. According to the U. S. Census, 294 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 370 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk D. F. Batts, Jr.
Mamie F. Pittman

McFarlan

McFarlan (Anson County) was chartered in 1885 [Ch. 102, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1885 Session], and took its name from Allan MacFarlan (1819-69), a native of Scotland. According to the U. S. Census, 112 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 136 in 1950.

Mayor G. C. Northcutt

Macon

Macon (Warren County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 260, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from Nathaniel Macon, U. S. Senator (1815-28) and president of North Carolina Constitutional Convention (1835). Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$197,117. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 159 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 238 in 1950.

Magnolia

Magnolia (Duplin County) was chartered in 1870 [Ch. 71, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1869-70 Session], and took its name from magnolia trees in the vicinity. It was first called Strickland's Depot until 1858, being settled by the Strickland family. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$692,863. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 460 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 585 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk L. H. Fussell
Marjorie B. Pickett

Manteo



Manteo (Dare County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 66, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from an Indian taken to England by Amadas and Barlow in 1584. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,526,595. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.05. According to the U. S. Census, 312 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 635 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk G. T. Westcott
Juanita Parker

Marshall

Marshall (Madison County) was chartered in 1863 [Ch. 48, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1862-63 Adj. Session], and took

its name from John Marshall, Chief Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court (1801-35). Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,132,203. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.10. According to the U. S. Census, 203 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 983 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk Clarence S. Nix
J. C. Dodson

Matthews

Matthews (Mecklenburg County) was chartered in 1879 [Ch. 60, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1879 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,179,096. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 335 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 589 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk W. Alexis Hood
Clyde Baucom

Maysville

Maysville (Jones County) was chartered in 1897 [Ch. 171, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1897 Session], and took its name from the Mays family, landowners in the vicinity. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$552,348. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.70. According to the U. S. Census, 98 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 818 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk John R. Holdon
Milan O. La Roque

Micro

Micro (Johnston County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 254, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from its small size. It was first called Jerome for Jerome Creech, a landowner. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$298,032. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 61 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 310 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk Ira Creech
Earl Thorne

Middleburg

Middleburg (Vance County) was chartered in 1880 [Ch. 3, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1880 Special Session], and took its name from the fact that it was midway between the terminals of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$84,344. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 104 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 217 in 1950.

Mayor Clerk I. J. Jackson, Jr.
Fannie M. Fuller

Middlesex

Middlesex (Nash County) was chartered in 1908 [Ch. 21, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1908 Ext. Session], and took its name from the English town, Middlesex. Its

real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$451,468. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 467 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number decreased to 446 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

G. G. Fulgherm
Hazel David

Milton

Milton (Caswell County) was chartered in 1796 [Ch. 48, N. C. Laws, 1796 Session], and took its name from (a) Robert Milton, Virginian, who settled on the Dan River nearby; (b) Thomas Milton, who operated a mill where planters held community meetings in the early days. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$147,057. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.40. According to the U. S. Census, 705 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number decreased to 317 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

M. S. Angle
Lottie Tucker

Morrisville

Morrisville (Wake County) was originally chartered in 1875 [Ch. 40, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1874-75 Session], and took its name from Jerry Morris, who owned the town site. Morrisville's charter was repealed in 1933 [Ch. 190, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1933 Session], and the town was re-incorporated in 1947 [Ch. 776, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1947 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$192,681. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 149 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 221 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Johnnie H. Robertson
Mrs. D. H. Ferrell

Morven

Morven (Anson County) was chartered in 1883 [Ch. 130, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$558,755. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 447 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 601 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

John S. Robinsor.
J. L. Staton

Newland

Newland (Avery County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 275, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from Lieutenant Governor William C. Newland (1909-1913). It was first called Old Fields of Toe, because of its proximity to the Toe River. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$419,615. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 289 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number was increased to 425 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Frank M. Hoilman
Ruth H. Colloway

New London



New London (Stanly County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 285, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from London, England. It is believed that the town was once called Bilesville. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$202,032. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 299 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number decreased to 285 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

C. B. Casper
W. P. Austin

Newport

Newport (Carteret County) was chartered in 1866 [Ch. 17, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1866 Session], and took its name from Newport, Rhode Island. It was first called Bell's Corners but when Quakers from Rhode Island came to the section they changed the name. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$838,086. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.95. According to the U. S. Census, 218 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 676 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Leon A. Mann, Jr.
Edith Lockey

Newton Grove

Newton Grove (Sampson County) was chartered in 1879 [Ch. 53, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1879 Session], and took its name from Sir Isaac Newton, the English scientist. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$580,178. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 63 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 374 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Maddrey W. Bass
Warren J. Smith

Norlina

Norlina (Warren County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 119, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from a contraction of the words, North Carolina. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,079,220. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58

was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 673 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 874 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Graham P. Grissom
Mae C. Gums

Oakboro

Oakboro (Stanly County) was chartered in 1915 [Ch. 51, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1915 Session], and its name dates from about 1905 with the establishment of a blacksmith shop near the village of Big Lick. It was once called Furr City. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$517,549. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.35. According to the U. S. Census, 282 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 631 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Bryce Whitley
Helen Austin

Oak City

Oak City (Martin County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 100, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and was formerly called Goose Nest. It was incorporated in 1891 as Conoho and in 1905 changed its name to Oak City [Ch. 155, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$424,559. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.10. According to the U. S. Census, 115 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 518 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

J. C. Johnson
M. C. Allsbrook

Ocean Isle Beach

Ocean Isle Beach (Brunswick County) was chartered in 1959 [Ch. 887, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1959 Session].

Mayor
Clerk

Odell Williamson
Mrs. Willa Rae Sloane

Old Fort



Old Fort (McDowell County) was chartered originally in 1872 [Ch. 70, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1871-72 Session], and took its name from the fort built in 1757 for protection of the settlers and the friendly Catawba Indians from the Cherokee. It was called Catawba Vale until the name was changed in 1873 [Ch. 24, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1872-73 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$798,665. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 249 people lived within its limits in

1890; and this number increased to 771 in 1950.

Mayor Vann Hughes
Clerk Mrs. Lorean Burnette

Oriental

Oriental (Pamlico County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 184, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from a ship wrecked off Pamlico Sound. It was selected after 13 names had been submitted to the Post Office Department. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$960,296. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.60. According to the U. S. Census, 300 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 590 in 1950.

Mayor Amy W. Lupton
Clerk H. H. Smith

Orrum

Orrum (Robeson County) was chartered in 1903 [Ch. 128, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session]. According to the U. S. Census, 214 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number decreased to 162 in 1950.

Mayor J. H. Lovell
Clerk J. D. Teague

Pantego

Pantego (Beaufort County) was chartered in 1881 [Ch. 93, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1881 Session], and probably took its name from Pantego Creek. According to the U. S. Census, 151 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 275 in 1950.

Mayor John L. Ratcliff
Clerk Frank Thompson

Parkersburg

Parkersburg (Sampson County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 78, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from William J. Parker, who subscribed for stock in the railroad when it was built. It is possible that Parkersborough (New Hanover County), which was authorized to be established in 1798 [Ch. 72, N. C. Laws, 1798 Session], was the forerunner of Parkersburg. According to the U. S. Census, 57 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 114 in 1950.

Parkton

Parkton (Robeson County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 165, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and some say that it took its name from a British officer in Cornwallis' army. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$466,650. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 219 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 527 in 1950.

Mayor L. L. McDonald
Clerk Mrs. Muriel Canady

Parmele

Parmele (Martin County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 60, N. C. Pr. Laws 1893 Session], and took its name from a partner in the Parmele-Eccleston Lumber Company, which once operated at this site. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$228,807. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.30. According to the U. S. Census, 336 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 406 in 1950.

Mayor Earl R. Flemming
Clerk G. C. James

Peachland

Peachland (Anson County) was chartered in 1895 [Ch. 197, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1895 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$209,587. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.60. According to the U. S. Census, 156 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 485 in 1950.

Mayor M. F. Cordell
Clerk J. David Harris

Pikeville

Pikeville (Wayne County) was chartered in 1891 [Ch. 108, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1891 Session], and took its name from a local inn keeper, Nathan Pike. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$765,489. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.75. According to the U. S. Census, 168 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 464 in 1950.

Mayor Martin A. Vail
Clerk Mrs. Janet F. Price

Pinebluff

Pinebluff (Moore County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 340, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from the long leaf pine of the region. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$656,073. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.80. According to the U. S. Census, 92 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 575 in 1950.

Mayor E. H. Mills
Clerk Mrs. Adelaide M. Schneck

Pine Level



Pine Level (Johnston County) was chartered in 1874 [Ch. 43, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session], and took its name from the pine forest and level

land of the region. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$658,452. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 264 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 602 in 1950.

Mayor Edward L. White
Clerk Alvin Kornegay, Jr.

Pink Hill

Pink Hill (Lenoir County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 487, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$779,950. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 58 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 386 in 1950.

Mayor Ethro D. Hill
Clerk A. H. Strond

Polkton

Polkton (Anson County) was chartered in 1875 [Ch. 158, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1874-75 Session], and took its name from Bishop Leonidas L. Polk, who was also a Confederate brigadier general. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$315,772. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.75. According to the U. S. Census, 247 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 459 in 1950.

Mayor E. F. Billingslev
Clerk Vernon S. Godwir

Pollocksville

Pollocksville (Jones County), was originally chartered in 1834 [Ch. 139, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1834 Session], and took its name from George Pollock, holder of a land grant in the vicinity. It was first known as Trent Bridge because of its location on the Trent River. According to the U. S. Census 143 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 420 in 1950.

Mayor J. B. Simmons
Clerk W. H. Parker

Powellville

Powellville (Bertie County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 166, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from a local resident. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$208,827. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.40. According to the U. S. Census, 44 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 250 in 1950.

Mayor W. S. Tayloe
Clerk E. Rawls Carter

Princeton

Princeton (Johnston County) was chartered in 1861 [Ch. 161, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1860-61 Session], and took its name from the town in New Jersey. It was first known as Boone Hill. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$707,425. Its tax rate for

the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 248 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 608 in 1956.

Mayor S. S. Lee, Sr.
Clerk Mrs. G. B. Ray

Princeville

Princeville (Edgecombe County) was chartered in 1885 [Ch. 29, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1885 Session], and took its name from Turner Prince, a local resident. It was first called Freedom Hill as a result of its being settled by slaves. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$112,029. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.37. According to the U. S. Census, 428 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 919 in 1950.

Mayor W. Ray Matthewson
Clerk Rosa B. Dancy

Proctorville

Proctorville (Robeson County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 369, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from Edward Proctor, Jr., promoter of the Raleigh and Charleston Railway. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$144,500. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 204 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 232 in 1950.

Mayor W. P. Graham
Clerk Romulus C. Hedgpeth

Rhodhiss

Rhodhiss (Burke and Caldwell Counties) was chartered in 1903 [Ch. 84, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session], and took its name from the Messrs. Rhodes and Hiss who established a local cotton mill in 1902. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,407,862. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.3850. According to the U. S. Census, 370 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 923 in 1950.

Mayor W. M. Childers
Clerk Ben S. Pearson

Richfield

Richfield (Stanly County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 341, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from the Ritchie family. According to the U. S. Census, 73 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 237 in 1950.

Mayor David L. Mauney
Clerk Clarence H. Barrier

Richlands

Richlands (Onslow County) was chartered in 1880 [Ch. 8, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1880 Special Session], and took its name from the fertile soil of the region. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,513,684. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census,

198 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 877 in 1950.

Mayor Larry B. Jones
Clerk Mrs. Eva M. Grady

Rich Square

Rich Square (Northampton County) was chartered in 1869 [Ch. 111, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1868-69 Session], and took its name from corruption of Rick's Square which was so named in honor of the owner of the town site. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,418,647. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 643 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 971 in 1950.

Mayor J. G. Collier
Clerk Grover C. Parker

Robbinsville

Robbinsville (Graham County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 126, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1893 Session], and took its name from the Robbins family, early settlers. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$885,245. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.40. According to the U. S. Census, 122 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 515 in 1950.

Mayor J. S. Howell
Clerk Eloise D. Wall

Rockwell

Rockwell (Rowan County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 93, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session], and took its name from a rock well nearby. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,959,086. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.90. According to the U. S. Census, 453 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 852 in 1950.

Mayor Samuel A. Troxell
Clerk E. W. Poole

Rolesville

Rolesville (Wake County) was chartered in 1941 [Ch. 84, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1941 Session], and took its name from William Roles, the first settler. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$355,600. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 150 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 288 in 1950.

Mayor H. E. Perry
Clerk A. V. Gulley

Ronda

Ronda (Wilkes County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 79, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session], and took its name from the Cleveland plantation, "Roundabout," so called because of bends of the river. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$377,792. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.75. According to the U. S. Census, 344 people lived within its limits

in 1930; and this number increased to 545 in 1950.

Mayor A. C. Hendrix
Clerk Mrs. Richard Martin

Roper

Roper (Washington County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 24, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session], and took its name from the John Roper Lumber Company. It was first called Lee's Mill for Thomas Lee who operated a mill on the site. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$402,320. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 819 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number decreased to 793 in 1950.

Mayor T. R. Spruill
Clerk A. R. Phelps

Rose Hill

Rose Hill (Duplin County) was chartered in 1875 [Ch. 84, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1874-75 Sessions], and took its name from the wild roses of the region. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,818,963. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 364 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 896 in 1950.

Mayor C. W. Surratt, Jr.
Clerk C. T. Fussell, Jr.

Rosman

Rosman (Transylvania County) was originally chartered in 1901 [Ch. 172, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and was named by an industrialist, J. S. Silverstern, who formed the word from the names of two associates, Rosenthal and Osmansky. It has been known at various times as Toxaway, Estator, and Rosman. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$265,213. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.90. According to the U. S. Census, 145 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 535 in 1950.

Mayor A. M. White
Clerk Mrs. B. E. White

Roxobel

Roxobel (Bertie County) was chartered in 1895 [Ch. 238, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1895 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$250,000. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.40. According to the U. S. Census, 330 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 394 in 1950.

Ruth

Ruth (Rutherford County) was chartered in 1893 [Ch. 55, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1895 Session], and took its name from the first four letters of the name of the county. It was known before 1906 as Hampton, which was named for S. D. Hampton, its first mayor. Its real and personal property was valued in

1957 at \$172,904. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.65. According to the U. S. Census, 175 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 324 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

David H. Briscoe
J. G. Haynes

Salemburg

Salemburg (Sampson County) was chartered in 1905 [Ch. 129, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session], and was just named by Rev. Isham Royal as Salem, a biblical word meaning peace. It changed to its present name to avoid confusion with the town of Salem, now a part of Winston-Salem. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$426,126. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.66. According to the U. S. Census, 215 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 435 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

J. V. Boggett
John A. Tew, Jr

Saluda

Saluda (Polk County) was chartered in 1881 [Ch. 5, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1881 Session], and took its name from the Indian word "salutah", meaning river of corn. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$526,185. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 211 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 547 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

John T. Coates
Lucile G. Robertson

Saratoga

Saratoga (Wilson County) was chartered in 1874 [Ch. 81, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$311,250. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 102 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 366 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

H. R. Gay
James V. Sawrey

Seaboard

Seaboard (Northampton County) was chartered in 1877 [Ch. 208, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its name from the Seaboard Airline Railroad. It was originally called Concord. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$836,243. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 201 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 745 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Henry Russell Harris, Jr.
L. S. Ford, Jr.

Seagrove

Seagrove (Randolph County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 270, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from Edward Seagrove, a railroad official. Its real and personal property

was valued in 1957 at \$436,832. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.40. According to the U. S. Census, 189 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 319 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Ray Hogan
O. W. Parks

Seven Springs

Seven Springs (Wayne County) was chartered in 1881 [Ch. 44, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1881 Session], and took its name from the seven mineral springs in the region. It was first called White Hall. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$230,505. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 197 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Horace L. Shivar
David R. Shivar

Severn

Severn (Northampton County) was chartered in 1919 [Ch. 39, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1919 Session], and took its name from Severn Ayers, a stockholder in the Seaboard Airline Railroad. It was first called Meherrin for an Indian tribe which once had a town on Meherrin River nearby. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$515,404. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 284 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 340 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

R. D. Johnson
Stuart M. Martin

Shalotte

Shalotte (Brunswick County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 339, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from Shalot Inlet mentioned in Colonial Records, 1761, which may have been named for the shallot, an onion like plant growing in the vicinity. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$504,581. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.75. According to the U. S. Census, 149 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 493 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Roney White Cheers
Henry Carter

Sharpsburg

Sharpsburg (Edgecombe, Nash and Wilson Counties) was chartered in 1883 [Ch. 62, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1885 Session], and took its name from John L. Sharp, a state representative. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$359,703. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 121 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 415 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

W. O. Batchelor
Mrs. Estelle Eason

Sims

Sims (Wilson County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 293, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$136,865. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 122 people lived within its limits in 1930; and this number increased to 207 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

C. S. Nichols
A. J. Nichols

Snow Hill

Snow Hill (Greene County) was chartered in 1811 [Ch. 69, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1811-12 Session], and took its name from a nearby hill covered with white sand. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,437,046. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.65. According to the U. S. Census, 283 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 946 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

Melvin Oliver
Ray B. Rayford

Sparta

Sparta (Alleghany County) was chartered in 1879 [Ch. 22, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1879 Session], and took its name from the ancient city of Greece. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$700,403. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.90. According to the U. S. Census, 95 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 820 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

G. Glenn Nichols
Ethel M. Fender

Speed

Speed (Edgecombe County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 319, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$212,851. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.60. According to the U. S. Census, 95 people lived within its limits in 1930; and this number increased to 103 in 1950.

Mayor
Clerk

J. K. Turner
Mrs. Pattie Godwin

Spring Lake

Spring Lake (Cumberland County) was chartered in 1951 [Ch. 670, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1951 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,625,144. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.15.

Mayor
Clerk

Grady Howard
Mrs. Frances Bell

Staley

Staley (Randolph County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 386, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session], and took its name from the pioneer Staley family or from Colonel John W. Staley, a Confederate officer. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$264,279. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.25. According to the U. S. Census,

157 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 236 in 1950.

Mayor Stamey E. Denton
Clerk Mrs. Mary W. Siler

Stanfield

Stanfield (Stanly County) was chartered in 1955 [Ch. 1210, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1955 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$356,254. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 528 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor Wade H. Love
Clerk Brooks Jerome

Stantonsburg

Stantonsburg (Wilson County) was chartered in 1835 [Ch. 133, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1835 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$838,621. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 204 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 627 in 1950.

Mayor L. F. Hales
Clerk Mrs. Pauline C. Batts

Star

Star (Montgomery County) was chartered in 1897 [Ch. 50, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1897 Session], and was named by Angus Leach, a merchant, who predicted that the place would become a star-town of upper Montgomery County. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,156,440. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census 211 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 677 in 1950.

Mayor O. T. Stuart
Clerk Mrs. Ruby M. Hanlon

Stedman

Stedman (Cumberland County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 67, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from Major Charles M. Stedman of Greensboro, a Congressman. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$395,486. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.30. According to the U. S. Census, 121 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 424 in 1950.

Mayor B. C. Blake
Clerk Mrs. Thomas McDonald

Stem

Stem (Granville County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 183, N. C. Pr. Law, 1911 Session], and probably took its name from Thad Stem, a poet from Granville County. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$315,789. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.25. According to the U. S. Census, 245 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number decreased to 217 in 1950.

Mayor L. D. Franklin
Clerk George H. Gooch

Stokes

Stokes (Pitt County) was chartered in 1903 [Ch. 58, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1903 Session], and took its name from William Stokes, a local land owner. According to the U. S. Census, 79 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 217 in 1950.

Stoneville

Stoneville (Rockingham County) was chartered in 1877 [Ch. 183, N. C. Pub. Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its name from Pinckney M. and Francis J. Stone, who operated a store here. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$2,376,946. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.60. According to the U. S. Census, 115 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 786 in 1950.

Mayor Robert B. Stone
Clerk Mrs. Gertrude G. Joyce

Stovall



Stovall (Granville County) was chartered in 1883 [Ch. 134, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session], and took its name from John W. Stovall, who gave the site for the railroad station. It was first called Sassafras Fork because of a large sassafras tree on the crossroads. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$378,839. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.60. According to the U. S. Census, 305 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 410 in 1950.

Mayor G. E. Crutcher
Clerk J. B. Pittard

Surf City

Surf City (Pender) was chartered in 1949 [Ch. 512, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1949 Session] and was named probably because of its proximity to the Ocean.

Mayor R. T. Batts
Clerk Charles L. Gaskins

Swansboro

Swansboro (Onslow County) was chartered in 1816 [Ch. 132, N. C. Laws, 1816 Session], and took its name from the wild swans in the vicinity. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,045,045. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 149 people lived within its limits in 1800; and this number increased to 559 in 1950.

Mayor M. N. Lisk
Clerk Mrs. Frances E. Woolerton

Teachey

Teachey (Duplin County) was chartered in 1874 [Ch. 45, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$243,066. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 154 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 226 in 1950.

Mayor Jack C. Stuart
Clerk Mrs. Charles H. Hearn

Trenton



Trenton (Jones County) was chartered in 1784 [Ch. 43, N. C. Laws, 1784 Session], and took its name from the town and battle site in New Jersey. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$450,416. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.80. According to the U. S. Census, 207 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 469 in 1950.

Mayor M. E. Henis
Clerk Lois Brock

Trent Woods

Trent Woods (Craven County) was chartered in 1959 [Ch. 718, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1959 Session].

Mayor George R. Scott

Troutman

Troutman (Iredell County) was chartered in 1905 [Ch. 44, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1905 Session], and took its name from Mrs. Annie Troutman and her sons, Sydney and Jacob, who settled here and opened a wagon shop. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$959,579. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 230 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 613 in 1950.

Mayor J. U. Massey
Clerk J. P. Sherrill

Turkey

Turkey (Sampson County) was chartered in 1913 [Ch. 82, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1913 Session], and took its name from the abundance of wild turkeys in the area. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$136,754. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.50. According to the U. S. Census, 146 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 223 in 1950.

Mayor J. E. Wright
Clerk Lena H. Wright

Vanceboro

Vanceboro (Craven County) was originally chartered in 1877 [Ch. 114, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1876-77 Session], and took its name from Zebulan B. Vance, Governor of North Carolina (1862-65, 1877-79) after he delivered a campaign speech here. It was first called Swift Creek. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$691,334. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25. According to the U. S. Census, 291 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 753 in 1950.

Mayor Jather McLawhorn
Clerk A. F. Whitley

Vandermere

Vandermere (Pamlico County) was chartered in 1871-74 [Ch. 132, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1873-74 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$395,229. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.40. According to the U. S. Census, 90 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 475 in 1950.

Mayor E. H. Holton
Clerk Ivy W. Morris

Vass

Vass (Moore County) was chartered in 1907 [Ch. 407, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1907 Session], and took its name from William Worrell Vass, Treasurer of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad from 1845-1890. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$823,364. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.75. According to the U. S. Census, 273 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 757 in 1950.

Mayor A. G. Edwards
Clerk Mrs. Irene F. Mullinix

Waco

Waco (Cleveland County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 22, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and was named by George W. Hendrick for Waco, Texas. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$187,233. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.15. According to the U. S. Census, 105 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 310 in 1950.

Mayor M. C. Whitworth
Clerk Walter H. Sellers

Wagram

Wagram (Scotland County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 161, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session], and reputedly took its name from a town in lower Austria where a battle was fought in the Napoleonic Wars (1809). Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$368,176. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.30. According to the U. S. Census, 174 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 397 in 1950.

Mayor John A. McKay, Jr
Clerk A. E. Shaw, III

Walstonburg

Walstonburg (Greene County) was chartered in 1908 [Ch. 34, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1908 Ext. Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$289,327. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.75. According to the U. S. Census, 127 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 177 in 1950.

Mayor H. L. Shackelford
Clerk Isaac J. Rouse

Washington Park

Washington Park (Beaufort County) was chartered August 28, 1923 [by Municipal Board of Control]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$930,284. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 421 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor W. Z. Kennedy
Clerk R. A. Dunston

Waxhaw

Waxhaw (Union County) was chartered in 1889 [Ch. 119, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1889 Session], and took its name from the Waxhaw settlements (N. C. and S. C.) made by Scotch-Irish and Germans in 1740. The name Waxhaw comes from the Waxhaw Indians who once claimed the land between Rocky and Catawba Rivers. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$530,084. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.60. According to the U. S. Census, 752 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 818 in 1950.

Mayor Collins D. Thompson
Clerk Mrs. Martha M. Steele

West Jefferson

West Jefferson (Ashe County) was chartered in 1915 [Ch. 36, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1915 Session], and took its name from Thomas Jefferson. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,358,718. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 462 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 871 in 1950.

Mayor Carl B. Graybeal
Clerk Harold Stringer

Whitakers

Whitakers (Edgecombe and Nash Counties) was chartered in 1872 [Ch. 44, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1871-72 Session], and took its name from Richard and Elizabeth Carey Whitaker, first settlers. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,001,392. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 388 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 962 in 1950.

Mayor R. S. Cutchin
Clerk W. F. Overman

White Lake

White Lake (Bladen County) was chartered in 1951 [Ch. 511, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1951 Session]. It was originally chartered in 1923 [Ch. 206, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1923 Session] and this charter was repealed in 1925 [Ch. 151, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1925 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$860,351. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.25.

Mayor J. Jack Womble
Clerk Mrs. Sara Ann Hester

Winfall

Winfall (Perquimans County) was chartered in 1887 [Ch. 145, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1887 Session], and took its name from a church blown from its foundation by a high wind. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$204,526. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.30. According to the U. S. Census, 222 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 421 in 1950.

Mayor Elijah White
Clerk J. H. Jordan

Wingate

Wingate (Union County) was chartered in 1901 [Ch. 55, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1901 Session]. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$515,211. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.20. According to the U. S. Census, 353 people lived within its limits in 1910; and this number increased to 793 in 1950.

Mayor F. Bernard Helms
Clerk Sam A. Love

Winterville

Winterville (Pitt County) was chartered in 1897 [Ch. 95, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1897 Session], and took its name from a local family. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$881,428. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 243 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 870 in 1950.

Mayor Burney L. Tucker
Clerk T. E. Cannon

Winton

Winton (Herford County) was chartered in 1766 [Ch. 12, N. C. Laws, 1766 Session], and took its name from the De Winton family of England. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$606,466. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.00. According to the U. S. Census, 419 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 834 in 1950.

Mayor John R. Jordan
Clerk P. S. Jordan

Woodland

Woodland (Northampton County) was chartered in 1883 [Ch. 136, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1883 Session], and took its name

from the physical characteristics of the region. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$754,345. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.50. According to the U. S. Census, 247 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 590 in 1950.

Mayor Dr. John H. Stanley
Clerk Mrs. Mary Ruth Outland

Woodville

Woodville (Bertie County) was chartered in 1911 [Ch. 27, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1911 Session], and took its name from Richard Wood, an early Quaker settler. It was first known as Little River. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$250,680. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.20. According to the U. S. Census, 381 people lived within its limits in 1920; and this number increased to 387 in 1950.

Mayor Charles B. Griffin, Jr.
Clerk J. M. Burden

Wrightsville Beach

Wrightsville Beach (New Hanover County) was chartered in 1899 [Ch. 305, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1899 Session], and took its name from Wrightsville Sound, in turn named for Judge Joshua Wright, who owned an estate bordering the sound. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$3,427,080. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was

\$2.00. According to the U. S. Census, 22 people lived within its limits in 1900; and this number increased to 711 in 1950.



Mayor J. C. Thompson
Clerk R. L. Benson

Yadkinville



Yadkinville (Yadkin County) was chartered in 1857 [Ch. 105, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1857 Session], and took its name

from the Indian word "Yeatkin," a challenge to a fight, which the Indians chanted across the river to the settlers. The town was first called Wilson. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$1,171,264. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$.70. According to the U. S. Census, 175 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 820 in 1950.

Mayor F. D. B. Harding
Clerk Mrs. Audrey H. Gough

Yaupon Beach

Yaupon Beach (Brunswick County) was chartered in 1955 [Ch. 624, N. C. Sess. Laws, 1955 Session], and took its name from the Yaupon, a species of holly, which grows in the area. According to the U. S. Census, 29 people lived within its limits in 1950.

Mayor Clinton E. Bellamy
Clerk Lorraine H. Bellamy

Youngsville

Youngsville (Franklin County) was chartered in 1875 [Ch. 111, N. C. Pr. Laws, 1874-75 Session], and took its name from John Young, doner of the land for the town site. It was first called Pacific. Its real and personal property was valued in 1957 at \$490,344. Its tax rate for the fiscal year 1957-58 was \$1.90. According to the U. S. Census, 265 people lived within its limits in 1890; and this number increased to 619 in 1950.

Mayor A. E. Hah
Clerk W. R. Evans

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