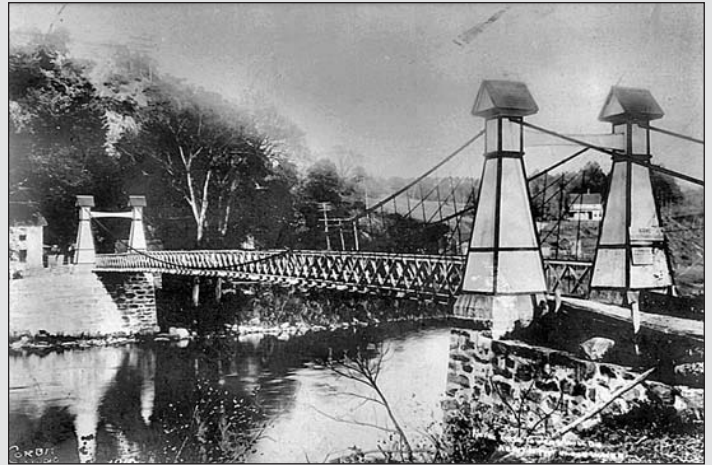


A Dam good time in Oxford

The Oxford Historical Society sweetens history with its annual Peach Festival, this Saturday, Aug. 25, in St. Peter's Church, at 421 Oxford Road. John Babina will give an illustrated talk at 2:30 p.m. on the construction of the Stevenson Dam, part of the day's focus on the history of the Town of Stevenson, the old Zoar Bridge, and the dam.

From 4 to 7 p.m., photos and newspaper articles showing the dam's building will be on display in the church hall, along with pictures and memorabilia from the Hale-Coleman Orchards of Seymour and Oxford. Homemade peach shortcake with "all the trimmings" will be on sale from 4 to 7 p.m. Admission is \$1, with proceeds going toward continuing restoration and operation



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of the Twitchell Rowland Homestead Museum at 60 Towner Lane. The old Zoar Bridge, seen here, was a suspension bridge across the Housatonic

River between Oxford and Monroe. The cables were cut and the bridge sunk into the Housatonic River when the Stevenson Dam was built.