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AHOSKIE HIGH SCHOOL OPENS 1916-17 SESSION UNDER FAVORABLE CONDITIONS

ABOUT 250 ENROLLED

A Large and Enthusiastic Gathering on Hand at the Opening Exercises—Betterment Association Re-Organized with Forty Eight Members, with Mrs. D. P. Baker President—Auditorium in Progress of Construction.

The 1916-17 school year at Ahoskie was given a telling and forceful impetus at an Educational Rally Service, held at the Baptist Church Sunday night, prior to the opening of the High School here Monday morning. Services at the Methodist Church were called off and preaching service at the Baptist Church was suspended in order to carry through this meeting. Invocation was given by the pastor, Rev. Dowell, and, following song service, several short speeches were made by the following gentlemen: Superintendent N. W. Britton, of Winton, Rev. C. L. Dowell, Professor F. Q. Barbee, Attorney W. W. Rogers, Rev. Braxton Craig, and Dr. C. G. Powell. The remarks by these men were optimistic as to the future of the Ahoskie High School, and all of their speeches were filled with pleasing and congratulatory facts concerning the growth and additions to the school here.

Dr. C. G. Powell read copies of two rules which had been previously drawn up and passed by the Board of Trustees, dealing first with the entering of new pupils into the Primary Department for the first time, and second, to require the parents of those who are in school here from outside this school district to pay their tuition charges promptly at the first of each month, and requiring the same of those who are to take music.

SCHOOL OPENED MONDAY, 18.

The Ahoskie High School opened for the current session on Monday morning, with a large gathering of patrons, friends, and pupils on hand, ready for the sounding of the bell at nine o'clock. Short exercises were held prior to the actual registering of new pupils and classifying of old ones. Professor Barbee opened with a few remarks of welcome and called on Rev. Dowell to offer prayer. In behalf of the Trustees, Dr. Powell made a few remarks, in which he gave some sound and wise advice to those entering school, and to those who were already in school. He cautioned them to stay in school and receive the full benefits of a High School education, which today offers more in a common school than any other system.

At the conclusion of these remarks, the school children were dismissed for a while, and the auditorium was left to the organization of the High School Betterment Association.

BETTERMENT ASSOCIATION.

Miss Mina Holloman, last year's efficient President, called the gathering to order, and made a few pertinent remarks in which the importance of the Association was emphasized. She further explained that, although the Association was essentially a woman's organization, this year men will be welcomed as members, and were even urged to hand in their membership. The men present took very kindly to this suggestion and invitation, and when the membership slips were passed around, practically all of the men present enrolled as active members. It is now the Betterment Association, not the Woman's Betterment Association. The following officers were elected for the current year: Mrs. D. P. Baker, President; Mrs. E. J. Gerock, Vice-President; Mrs. D. L. Myers, Secretary; Mrs. J.

P. Boyette, Treas. Miss Mina Holloman, who presided during the entire session, then appointed the following Committees: Membership Committee, Mesdames D. P. Baker, E. J. Gerock, J. A. Williams, R. J. Hoggard, M. O. Gerock, and Miss Margaret Hood; Program Committee, Misses Sallie Parham, Florence White, Roberta Crews, and Mesdames C. C. Hoggard, E. C. Hobbs; Refreshment Committee, Mesdames B. E. Copeland, S. H. Leary, W. J. Mitchell, M. D. Gatling, F. Q. Barbee, J. P. Boyette.

A few remarks by Professor Barbee reciting the things that can be done by the Association this year closed the meeting and the Association gave way to a re-assembling of the school children.

WORK ON NEW BUILDING

Simultaneously with the opening of school, workmen began removing the dirt for the foundation of the High School Auditorium and class rooms. The plot had been previously laid off, and the breaking of the ground was the real beginning of the construction of Ahoskie's High School building. The new structure is situated just back of the old building, and cannot be seen from the town. It faces the St. Johns road leading into town, and is so constructed that a connecting link may be made between the two buildings.

Winton Wavelets

Busy People From a Busy Town

Compiled and Arranged by the Herald Correspondent

We appreciate very much the kindness of the Editor of the HERALD for his article referring to the Winton High School.

Our teachers and pupils have commenced work in earnest. We hope that this will be the best season that the school has ever had. But the building! How much it is needed! May we, too, say in a few months "ground has been broken for the new building. Work will begin at once on the construction."

The Y. W. A. of Chowan Church had a most interesting and enthusiastic meeting with Miss Louise Taylor Friday night, Sept. 15. Every member was present and five visitors. State Missions was the subject. Each girl represented a state and told of the conditions in that state. Two new members were received: Esther Royster and Leta Hester. The next meeting will be at the home of Miss Louise Vann. The following officers were elected: Miss Mary Davenport, President; Ruth Vann, Vice-President; Lillian Shaw, Secretary and Treasurer; Bessie Lee, Pianist.

Through the efforts of Rev. J. N. Bynum the Winton Literary Club was organized Thursday evening at the home of Miss Mary Davenport. The officers are: Miss Royster President; W. D. Boone, Vice President; Miss Louise Vann Secretary and Treasurer. A committee was appointed to plan the course of study.

On account of the meeting in the Winton Church, the Chowan Club has postponed the meeting until Monday evening, Sept. 25. The Club will meet with Mrs. J. W. Boone.

The many friends of Dr. C. F. Griffin and family will regret to know that they will leave Winton the first of the year. Dr. Griffin has purchased a large farm in Gates County and will move there the first of the year.

Little Dorothy Hale was bitten by a dog on Sunday afternoon on her way home from the home of Mr. Jas. Mitchell. The dog was not killed for fear it was mad.

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FARMERS UNION PRESIDENTS MISQUOTED

Editor of Progressive Farmer Requests Newspapers Friendly to Farmers to Correct a False Statement Sent out by The Associated Press.

We now call upon all farmers and all papers friendly to farmers to help correct one of the most damnable falsehoods yet perpetrated to cheat growers out of a fair price for this year's cotton crop.

With startling surprise and astonishment cotton farmers read in the daily papers last week that a meeting of State Farmers' Union Presidents, held in New Orleans, had recommended twelve cents as minimum price for cotton.

And this was reported on a day when even new-crop middling cotton was bringing 15 cents all over the South! It was reported also the day after Superintendent Hester published the cotton statistics printed elsewhere on this page and in the very city where he published them!

From Virginia to Texas this statement of leaders representing the growers of the crop was hailed with ballelujahs by the bears and with amazement by farmers. The price of cotton slumped quickly afterward, and this report was no doubt partly the blame.

Now what are the facts? The facts are that this report was not only a lie but a lie promoted by high-handed forgery and fraud. The facts are that instead of naming twelve cents a pound as a reasonable minimum for this year's crop, the Farmer's Union Presidents named fifteen cents and say it should bring twenty cents. "We find that conditions warrant a price of twenty cents, and we urge farmers not to sell any cotton at all at less than fifteen cents," is the official statement signed by those Union Presidents who remained in New Orleans after the discovery of this amazing fraud.

The tragedy of it is that the Associated Press which sent out the false report to all dailies seems to have sent out no correction whatever. We therefore urge all papers friendly to farmers to copy this article, and for fear many editors will not see it we urge every cotton growing reader to send it to his newspaper.

The fight for fair prices cannot be defeated by such knavery. Conditions now are such that farmers should get back the millions they lost two years ago and every farmer should help in this crusade.—Progressive Farmer.

POLICY HOLDERS MEETING

The regular annual meeting of the policy holders of the Northampton, Hertford and Bertie Branch of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association of North Carolina was held at Ahoskie, Sept. 14th, 1916.

The meeting was called to order by the President. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The question of insuring cotton peanuts and tobacco, when party wanted insurance for one year only, was discussed, it was moved and carried that the admittance fee on such insurance be 90c on the one hundred dollars worth.

The term of directors J. W. Boone, of Winton, and Dr. R. P. Thomas of Coiled, having expired they were reelected for a term of three years.

President Albert Vann and Secretary-treasurer R. W. Outlaw were re-elected for next year at the same salaries paid in 1916.

The Secretary-Treasurer made his report showing a balance on hand of \$13,547.38 to this credit of the Association, all bills paid to date.

There appearing no further business the meeting adjourned.
R. W. Outlaw, Sec. Treas.

A LETTER BY PROFESSOR R. E. WILLIAMS

Principal of the Winton High School Invites Pupils from Other Schools to Take Advantage of the Eleventh Grade Work—No Tuition Charges for Hertford Residents.

The Editor, THE HERTFORD COUNTY HERALD:

Sir: I am taking this means of making a statement to the people of the County generally in regard to the Winton High School.

This year the school is offering the full four year High School course, with two teachers giving their entire time to High School subjects. There is in addition a very competent music teacher connected with the school. The classes are small and there is abundant opportunity for individual instruction to each pupil.

The school receives aid from both the county and the state and it is the desire of the management to serve as many of the people as possible. No tuition is charged to any resident of Hertford County.

The undersigned will be very glad to get in touch with any boy or girl in the county who has completed the course in the public school in his or her neighborhood and will give prompt attention to any requests for information in regard to the school.

Especial attention is called to the desirability of entering school promptly in order to obtain credit for work done.

Yours very truly,
R. E. Williams,
Principal Winton High School
Winton, N. C.,
September 15, 1916.

WHY SO MANY LITTLE GRAVES

Three fifths of the babes that die during the first month and a third of those who die during the first year die because of defective parentage. They die because of weakness inherited from unsound parents—usually the father.

The second commonest cause of infant deaths is disease of the breathing tract, due to the lingering belief that damp air or night air breeds disease, and to lack abundant fresh air in bed rooms, summer and winter alike. The result is adenoids, enlarged or diseased tonsils, frequent sore throat, and diseased ears, bronchitis, pneumonia, and tuberculosis, especially tuberculosis of the bones, which, according to the report of recent investigators, is more common among country than among city children.

A third case of frequent trouble is due to poorly balanced rations, improper cooking, irregular eating, and in older children to neglected teeth. The baby is started out on a taste of everything the mother eats to keep it from having the colic. It is given fats and poorly cooked starches; in fact anything it wants at any and all times. Its stomach is overworked, and there is no escape from the indigestion commonly reported by the mothers. The child falls into disaster through the misguided and overzealous care of an untrained mother.—Dr. Francis Sage Bradley.

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