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Ahoskie, N. C., Friday, March 7, 1919.

ADDITIONS TO TOWN CHARTER.

This issue carries in full the extension bill that was prepared by the Ahoskie Town Council, and successfully passed in both branches of the General Assembly, now in session at Raleigh. It will be noted that, in addition to the extension of the corporate limits, provisions have been made for the equalization of tax values in Ahoskie. In providing this feature, the Ahoskie Town Council has gone the law-makers of the state one better. There has been much agitation at Raleigh during the current session for the equalization of tax values throughout the state, and a bill is now pending in that body to so change the Constitution of the State as to allow for a full valuation of property. Such a step is expedient and wise for many reasons. Prospective purchasers of municipal securities can be more easily attracted by a full valuation; inequalities will be remedied, and the perpetual wagging of tongues about what this man or that man lists his property at and the injustice done many by the hit and miss system will be eliminated by a full assessment. There is absolutely no doubt that many persons list their real estate at values that would not furnish purchase price for one fourth of what is listed. No attention is paid to the value of the property assessed; instead the taxpayer tries to see how low he can list his property and "get off with it." Such a system is in itself undesirable, if for no other reason than the gross injustice done the person who attempts to give a true valuation of his property. The liar is the most contemptible person at all, and the present system, instead of discouraging inconsistent lying, provides a means by which so many taxpayers can reach that end. There is absolutely no reason why property should not be listed at its value and a correspondingly lower tax rate accomplished. In fact, until this is done our tax system, whether State, County or municipal, is undesirable in that it does not make possible equalization; on the contrary, it promotes inequality.

Better keep that hog and cow off the streets of Ahoskie.

The North Carolina General Assembly is still wrangling with the State-Wide Road Law. Something must be done soon, or left undone for two more years.

With March has come a touch of spring. It is now time for the paragraphers to tell their readers about a "young man's fancy"; and other such "mushy," "willy-washy" stuff.

Our Anniversary Edition is rapidly taking on shape. Material has already started moving, and work will begin on this issue at once. Get busy now and give us a good write up of your town or community.

It is the observation of this paper that little or no attention is paid by the town police to the ordinance forbidding the placing of hog pens near streets. Still less attention is paid to the prevention of hogs and cows roaming about town at their leisure. What does the town want an ordinance if it is not to be enforced?

The Herald was made to feel glad by one of its subscribers Tuesday, who wrote us "it's worth twice the price." Our thanks are extended to this subscriber who at the same time enclosed his check for renewal of subscription. We also wish to express our appreciation of the great response that has been made to our appeal for renewals, and announcement that all "deadheads" would be cut off on March 1st. We do not usually tell our subscribers what our receipts are for a certain period; but, to show our people how they have responded, we will tell them that our receipts for last week from subscriptions was seventy-four dollars and twenty-five cents. Other weeks in February have also been gratifying to this office. We thank you all.

The new extension act provides also that no building shall be erected in line with any street in Ahoskie, making it a penalty for any person to violate this act, and providing that, if such is done, the said building can be removed at the expense of the owner. This is another good feature of this bill, and prospective builders will be careful where they construct their buildings. Talking about obstructions, Ahoskie already has a few obstructions in the way of dilapidated structures that provide eye sores to both residents of the town and to visitors. Even with waterworks and a fire fighting apparatus some of the wooden structures on Main Street would provide good kindling wood for other and more modern structures on the same street.

PASTOR COLLINS AND THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

This paper, in some respects, has almost come to believe that Rev. Fred T. Collins, of a local church, was right when he said in his remarks last Sunday morning, that we people needed some one to make our laws, and some to execute them, who had the interest of the people at heart, and who championed their cause, regardless of the subtle interests and influences that come across the paths of the ordinary legislators. The way politics is being played in Washington, or least, was played during the closing hours of Congress, is enough within itself to convince the ordinary voter that his representative is not in Washington to look out for the interests of the Nation, but rather, to play politics. Surely, that is what both Republicans and Democrats did in Congress. More interest was taken and a harder fight was made on seating one Congressman than all measures that have been considered during the past two years. The news dispatches said of this performance "it was perhaps the most interesting session of Congress during the current session."

However, this paper, and level headed people will not concur in the opinions expressed by this gentleman on last Sunday morning. Nothing this gentleman said on such serious condemnation good can result from such serious condemnation of public affairs, and questions of such far reaching consequence treated by Rev. Collins last Sunday morning. The argument advanced that it was a choice between the principles of Washington and those of Wilson will not hold water. Rather, the League of Nations would envelop the whole world with the principles of the Monroe Doctrine. The right of sovereignty would be given to all nations. Article X of the League of Nations covers the Monroe Doctrine, and extends to the entire world. The United States is not under this Constitution to be forced into actual war against its will. If the United States was right when she entered the war against Germany, she will be right if she adopts the League of Nations as an international agreement. If she was wrong in that American boys went across the water to fight German principles, then she is wrong in concurring with the other nations on a covenant to enforce peace. Ex-President Taft, in speaking of the opponents of the League of Nations said: "This league is to be regarded in conflict with the advice of Washington only with a narrow and reactionary viewpoint."

True, there is opposition to this league. It is not altogether a partisan affair, but much of the opposition is coming from those of the opposite party. Views held by Senator Lodge and others will, to be sure, influence some of the articles of the League, but, to condemn the league with no substitute relief is not befitting any person. There is work for such a league, and if we Americans believe that our democracy and pure sovereignty is good for us, it is befitting this country to guarantee this same form of government to less fortunate nations. The statements made on last Sunday morning were of a reactionary spirit, and, if reflected in a much larger degree would develop into the real spirit of the Bolsheviks, whose principles Rev. Collins said he hated. It would be well for the cautious person to study this great question and other measures seriously condemned by the local pastor, before asserting boldly such reactionary views. In plain America don't be a wearer of the red—the sign of Bolshevism.

According to the program as outlined by General Pershing, our own James Samuel Vinson, manager of the Herald, will not sail from France until late summer.

The peanut growers of North Carolina and Virginia are called to meet in Suffolk, Va., on Tuesday, March 11, at which time the interests of both farmers and business men will be thoroughly discussed. Farmers of this section should let no opportunity slip to acquaint themselves with the true condition of the peanut market.

Of course the old "army boys" are going to defend the court martial system now in vogue by the American army and navy; but the ordinary layman—the person who goes from civil life to that of the military regime—the imposition of sentences by the court martial are in so many cases akin to sentences imposed in the medieval times. To be sure, the American court martial should be greatly modified.

The Herald does not know what plans are entertained by the Ahoskie Town Council regarding the calling of an election for the vote on bonds for water and streets. But, it is generally thought that this election will be held before the regular May election. It is the opinion of the ordinary person who is at all familiar with local conditions that to mix this election with that of May will probably result in pushing the bond measure in the background. With the election of town officials, and three trustees of the Ahoskie Graded School in May who would be so oblivious to the spirit of Ahoskie's voters as to assert that the bond election should be held at the same time?

It is gratifying to the constituents of Hon. Stanley Winborne to know that he has met the wishes of the people and engineered the several bills affecting Ahoskie through the present legislature. We must also not forget the good work that has been done by the Ahoskie Town Council. They are to be congratulated on the results accomplished, for they have secured an extension of the corporate limits solely by their interest, which, of course, was sanctioned and backed by a great majority of the town voters. Representative Winborne took occasion to slightly modify the tax rate as set out in the bill drawn by the Town Council; but, the clause that gives the Commissioners power to appoint a board of appraisement will offset the reduction made in the bill as enacted.

MR. T. H. KELLAM OF CAPE CHARLES, VA.

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Dr. J. E. Masrow,
405 Dickson building,
Norfolk, Va.

Dear Sir:

This is to inform you that I suffered with headaches for a great many years, and I have consulted five or six specialist in different cities but they could not give me even temporary relief. My condition became very bad and hearing so much of your ability through friends of mine, for whom you have done work and reading in the papers of so many instances in which your glasses have brought prompt relief, I thought I would consult you. If you remember about two months ago you fitted me with glasses. I feel like I am in a new world. My eyes feel better, I can read the paper and see off at a distance just as good as when I was a young boy. I got rid of my headaches and in fact, I feel like a new man since I have been wearing your glasses. You have my permission to publish this letter in the Norfolk papers or in any other paper you wish, so anyone who is suffering with their head or eyes I would advise them to consult you, as I honestly believe you can relieve them as you have me. With continued success I am,

Yours truly,
T. H. KELLAM.

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NOTICE!

Sale of valuable Lands.

By virtue of an order made in the Superior court of Hertford county, in the special proceedings now pending in said superior court, entitled, Mary O. Parker et als, Ex parte.

The undersigned commissioner will on March 29th, 1919, at 12 o'clock M., offer for sale in front of Matthews store in the village of Union, Hertford county, N. C., to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate:

Lying and being in St. Johns township, Hertford county, N. C., adjoining the lands of Bessie Hall, Dewey Parker and others and bounded as follows: On the north by the lands of Bessie Hall and Jess Vann, on the south by Dewey Parker, on the east by the lands of Mary O. Parker and Bessie Hall and touching the public road leading from St. Johns to Union, containing 54 3-4 acres more or less.

Place of sale: In Front of Matthews store, Union, Hertford county, N. C.
Time—Saturday, March 29th at 12 o'clock M.

Terms—Cash.

This Feb. 28th, 1919.

W. R. JOHNSON,
Commissioner.

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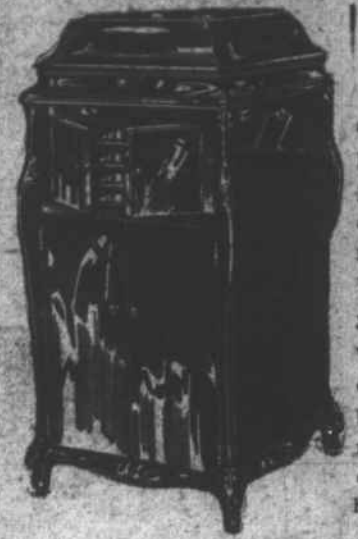
is the name of a Reliable and Perfect Laxative which soon relieves Sick Headaches, Dizziness, Indigestion, Stomach Trouble, Gas and Flies caused by a Torpid Liver and Constipation. Always use a Reliable Laxative in the treatment of Colds, Grip and Hoarseness.

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