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OFFICIALS VISITORS AT NEGRO SCHOOL

Sports And Class Organization At Hertford County Training School

AGRICULTURAL BOYS ARE LAYING PLANS TO EXCELL

(BY JAMES R. WALKER)

Heretofore, I have written almost wholly of the efforts and achievements of the Training school without. In this article, I am writing to reveal the praise-worthy workings of the school within. Be it understood that a noble without is a revelation of a noble within. That which is inwardly great has an affinity for that which is outwardly great. This is invariably true in nature, man or nation.

Thus speaking of the school within, there is a united effort on the part of the entire faculty to build up a real school spirit among the students. Yes, we are trying to put new life and enthusiasm in the school, for we realize that lifeless school makes a lifeless student; a lifeless student makes a lifeless man or woman; and a lifeless man or woman makes a lifeless citizen. We would have our colored citizens of tomorrow ambitious and enthusiastic. In order to do so, sports, yells and contests have been put into the school. The agricultural teacher on his victorious return from the state fair at Raleigh, brought a football with him. The boys have gone "wild" over the game. How frequently one is startled by the ringing cheers caused by some player making a sensational end run during a noon hour's game. The girls wait almost breathless for the basket ball that has been ordered for them two or three weeks ago.

In addition to the sports, the students are taught the value of organization. The classes have begun to organize with seventh grade breaking the ice. At a meeting in the agricultural class room, this class elected the following officers: Gladis Beverley, president; Anna Bell James, vice-president; E. Mae Peele, secretary; and Claude Holloman, treasurer. The class is now known as the "Sunshine Band."

According to the president, the class is going to excel others in both scholarship and deportment. The agricultural boys have planned big things. According to them, pure bred fowls and hogs will be common in Hertford county. One boy says he is going to break all records in Hertford county in growing corn. This same boy was third best stock judge at the State Fair at Raleigh and he may become the best corn grower in Hertford County. Who knows.

The other week, we were given a very pleasant surprise by an unexpected visit of the County Superintendent. While we were yet rejoicing Professor Ferguson, of the State Department, came in for his second visit this year. This made our cup overflow but it did not stop the visitors from coming. On last Thursday we were visited by Professor Bullock, the state teacher trainer of North Carolina.

This incoming of the men of authority makes me repeat—that which is inwardly great has an affinity for that which is outwardly great. If we can send these men of note and authority away from an old dilapidated school with faces of smiles how would we send them away from a modern twelve-room brick house? Build us a school and we will make Hertford County an educational center of attraction. If the county board does not believe this, try us.

SERVICES M. E. CHURCH

Rev. M. F. Hodges, who has just returned from the M. E. Conference at Raleigh, will preach at the Methodist church Sunday evening at half past seven o'clock. There will be no preaching services at the morning hour.

HAMILTON ROE MOVES ON

Hamilton L. Roe, proponent of and lecturer on "Farming With Electricity," has left Ahoskie and vicinity for another section of the State. He failed to secure a class at Ahoskie, although at Colerain and Aulander he explained his patent to groups of farmers.

THIS IS A MAYOR-LESS TOWN; COUNCIL MEETS

Council Accepts Resignation Of Curtis; Orders 1922 Taxes Collected

Ahoskie is Mayor-less. The resignation of W. L. Curtis as mayor was accepted by the Town Council at its regular meeting last Monday night. No action was taken in appointing a successor.

There is about six months intervening before the next regular town election, when all administration officers will be voted upon. With \$5,000 of municipal bonds coming due within thirty days, and a raft of other bills stacked up against the town, there is plenty of work ahead for the City Fathers.

Constable O. H. Britton was ordered to devote his efforts to collecting 1922 taxes, and to turn in every cent available within the next few weeks. In order to accelerate the payment of taxes, the Council voted to allow a discount of 1 per cent on all taxes paid this month.

Down at the electric light and water plant Superintendent Yert is drilling two deep wells, according to the instructions of the board. One well, completed at a depth of 65 feet, has not measured up to expectations, and to obtain the flow desired, it will be deepened. (About forty feet depth has been made on another well, which has been ordered drilled 100 feet or more.

Ahoskie has stood right at the top in the matter of deep water wells; but, when the deep well caved in several months ago, the water supply was dependent upon the wells ordinarily used for fire fighting and other emergencies. When the other two have been completed Ahoskie people will be drinking some of the purest and best water in North Carolina.

AHOSKIE B. Y. P. U. HOLDS ITS FIRST BUSINESS MEET

Glowing Reports Given, And An Hour Of Entertainment And Refreshments Follows

The B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist Church held its initial business session last Friday night in the home of Miss Ursie Vinson.

The meeting was called to order at seven-thirty o'clock by the president. The B. Y. P. U. hymn, "Loyalty to Christ," was heartily sung. After scripture reading and prayer the reports from the officers were submitted. These were the president; vice-president, as chairman of the membership committee; corresponding secretary, as chairman of the social committee; the program committee; group leader number one; group leader number two; group leader number three; group leader number four. These reports were written and showed vigorous activity in the different lines of work. The Union has recently begun special efforts to reach the standard of excellence and its present rate will realize its aim soon. Some of the officers were not present and there were no reports from them.

When the reports were ended, plans were laid to hold cottage prayer services with the shut-ins of the town during the next few weeks. Activities in a personal service way for Thanksgiving were decided upon also. After other business matters pertaining to the Union being settled the meeting was brought to a close by singing and prayer.

The body then enjoyed a social hour during which the hostess served parched peanuts and hot chocolate with saltines. Games were played during the evening and much conversation abounded. When the hour for departure came everyone felt fully repaid for having attended the business meeting and were appreciative of Miss Vinson's hospitality.

Those present were: Misses Ursie and Estelle Vinson, Lillian and Thelma Boyette, Mary Gatling, Bessie Gaddy, Rue Askew, Cornelia Pierce, Viola Odom, Beatrice Holloman, Mamie Newsome, Bessie Cowan, Marian Bazemore, Elizabeth Dilday, Arles Isenhower, Mrs. J. C. Sessoms, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Howard, Messrs. Spurgeon and Luke Isenhower, Lowell Powell, Jodie Matthews, and K. T. Raynor.

Winter injury follows fall neglect of fruit trees—they must have attention now.

LOCAL MARKET NOW ONE THE LEADERS

Tobacco Sold At Ahoskie This Year Estimated At Two Million Pounds

MORE THAN HALF CROP IN STATE IS MARKETED

As an open tobacco market town Ahoskie takes rank with the leading smaller towns of North Carolina. And, not only does Ahoskie afford an excellent market for the independents, but it is providing a regular market for the members of the Tobacco Growers Co-Operative Association. Two warehouses have been operating here all season, and up to November 1 more than a million and a half pounds was sold on their floors. Figures are not available for the Co-Ops, but it is reasonable to suppose that two million pounds had been sold in Ahoskie before November 1.

Of this amount 648,562 pounds were sold on the auction floors during October, at an average price of \$23 per hundred pounds. In 1921 the Ahoskie market averaged \$31.40 for the same month. During October Williamston sold 512,662 pounds of tobacco at an average price of \$25.67. For the entire State the October average was \$29.48.

The October report just issued by the Crop Reporting Service at Raleigh says:

"The season's first hand sales by auction warehouses to November 1st amounted to 129,644,634 pounds compared to 106,394,708 pounds to November 1st last year, or about 51 per cent of the crop that year. It is impossible however, to apply an estimate of the average per cent sold to date to the sales this year, due to the unknown receipts of the cooperative association.

"The Department of Agriculture, however, estimates the 1922 crop to be 299,720,000 pounds at a yield of 590 pounds per acre. The quality of the crop averaged 76 per cent of a normal. This was 7 per cent better than the average quality of the 1921 crop.

"The Government estimates for the United States this year show a crop of 1,330,275,000 pounds at an average yield of 754.6 pounds per acre.

"Comments from the warehousemen indicate that more than half of the crop has been marketed. The quality is reported from common to good. Offerings are growing lighter now. If the independents have received 60 per cent of their expected deliveries, the total to be auctioned will be about 215,000,000 pounds, leaving 85,000,000 pounds to be handled by the Association."

EASTERN CAROLINA TO STAGE BIG EXPOSITION

Business Men Of All Towns Have Entered Heartily In The Proposition

Ahoskie will be represented in the Eastern Carolina Exposition to be held some where in Eastern North Carolina in February or March of next year. The Exposition is being planned by secretaries of chambers of commerce in all towns of the territory. Just where the big project will be staged has not yet been decided. All towns expecting to bid for it have been requested to get their bids in not later than noon of November 24.

Secretary N. G. Bartlett, of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce, has visited several of the larger towns and at every place the business men have entered wholeheartedly in the proposition. "The interest is very keen," says Mr. Bartlett.

"It is the biggest venture ever attempted for Eastern North Carolina" is the unanimous opinion of the business men who have listened to the plans. It will bring people from other states to see what we have and then, too, it will give our own people an opportunity to know themselves. Every town in the territory will be invited to send exhibits, and to have representatives at the Exposition.

TEACHERS WILL MEET

School teachers of the Ahoskie Township Group will meet here Friday morning. Model lessons will be taught by the grade teachers in the Ahoskie school, and will be observed by the visiting teachers.

SHOWERS ARE GIVEN IN HONOR OF BRIDE-ELECT

Many Guests Call Tuesday At Events In Honor Of Miss Ursie Vinson

A kitchen shower was given in honor of Miss Ursie Vinson by Mrs. F. L. Howard on Tuesday afternoon. The guests were met at the door by Mrs. Howard, who asked each one to register in the guest book.

Entering the living room they enjoyed looking over the splendid collection of articles needed and used in the modern kitchen. From the living room the guests were ushered into the dining room where ice cream and cake was served.

On account of the large number into three divisions. Among those who came from 2:30 to 3:00 o'clock were: Mrs. R. G. Harrell, Mrs. W. A. Baker, Mrs. D. P. Baker, Mrs. A. W. Greene, Mrs. W. B. Newsome, Mrs. James I. Crawford, Mrs. L. W. Sykes, Mrs. E. L. King, Mrs. A. V. Greene, Mrs. S. F. Bowers, Mrs. Z. V. Bellamy, Mrs. Annie Pierce; from 3:15 to 3:45—Mrs. F. D. Plythe, Mrs. C. G. Powell, Mrs. J. J. Askew, Mrs. S. E. Dilday, Mrs. J. C. Jenkins, Mrs. J. H. Jenkins, Mrs. C. E. Harris, Mrs. H. F. Gatling, Mrs. D. L. Holloman, Mrs. D. L. Myers, Mrs. J. P. Boyette, Mrs. S. E. Vaughan; from 4:15 to 4:30—Mrs. M. J. Freeman, Mrs. R. F. Leary, Mrs. H. W. Stokes, Mrs. Ruth Powell, Mrs. S. J. Dilday, Mrs. J. A. Williams, G. J. Newbern, Mrs. H. A. Yert, Mrs. J. T. Parker, Mrs. F. G. Tayloe, Mrs. Earnest Hayes.

Miscellaneous Shower

The young people came at night for a miscellaneous shower from 8 to 10. Each guest registered.

Estelle Vinson and Earnestine King gave out contests on Books of the Bible, much fun resulting from the confessions made by the guests on their ignorance of the books. Mrs. J. C. Sessoms won the prize and Miss Mary Gatling the booby. Both were presented to the bride-to-be.

Misses Earnestine King and Estelle Vinson brought in the gifts and passed them around for inspection by the guests, after which they were served with ice cream and cake.

Those present were: Misses Audrey Newsome, Rue Askew, Lillian Boyette, Sara Brett, Nannie Newsome, Estelle Barker, Thelma Boyette, Bessie Gaddy, Emily Gayle, Mina Holloman, Margaret Sessoms, Mary Gatling, Mrs. J. C. Sessoms, J. Stanley Leary, Mrs. William Myers, Mrs. R. R. Copeland, Mrs. A. L. Copeland, Mrs. Joe Brwn.

COTTON BRINGING GOOD PRICE; PEANUTS SCARCE

Large Per Cent Of Cotton Is Already Ginned And Much Now Marketed

Although the cotton ginning report of this year shows a few more bales ginned to November 1, 1922, than in the same time, 1921, the cotton crop as a whole in this community and throughout the County is much shorter than last year. The large amount ginned is attributed to the favorable weather conditions existing during the picking season this year.

But few farmers have allowed their cotton to stand in the field this fall, for there has been little or no hindrance in getting it picked out. The weather has been mild and generally fair, and the bolls opened early.

Locally, there has been few cotton buyers, and not a single dependable buyer has been on the market. However, the prices paid have been much better than last year, and altogether the farmers will realize more for their crops than in 1921.

Peanuts in this section are probably not over fifty per cent normal yield. In many sections of the County the crop is almost a total loss, and fields have not even been plowed up. Others have been keenly disappointed in the yield. With prices ranging around five cents per pound, the peanut farmer of Hertford County will lose heavily on this crop. Local buyers and speculators are not giving any more than they have to, and are unusually active in getting hold of every peanut marketable.

R. L. Brown, receiving agent for the Peanut Exchange, is handling a large volume of the crop. First advances made by the Exchange have been fixed at 3 cents on the better grades.

Ahoskie Joins Eastern Chamber of Commerce; First Membership Meet

WORK NOW ADVANCING ON CHOWAN STRUCTURE

Thanksgiving Week Will Be Filled With Receptions And Entertainments

Chowan College, November 22.—A three act play "Daddy", will be presented by the Academy students in the College Auditorium Tuesday evening, November the twenty-eighth at eight o'clock. The admission will be thirty-five cents.

CASTE OF CHARACTERS

Mr. Wiexson Browne...Lucille Holloman
Mrs. Browne...Nannie Pritchard
Nellie Browne, (a debutante)...Page Morehead
Ted Browne, (a college lad)...Mary Edith Cobb
Mrs. Chester, (Mr. Browne's sister)...Mary Spruill
Paul, (a young doctor, Mrs. Chester's nephew)...Jewell Askew
Jane, (the Browne's maid)...Winnie Whitley
Thompson, (the butler)...Irma Vaughan

Invitations are out to the Y. W. A. reception to be held on the evening of Thanksgiving.

Workmen are making good use of the fine weather to push the work on the new auditorium. It is difficult to tread your way through the back yard; brick, sand, rock, steel, lumber, etc., have the right of way. But we are willing.

The proofs for the "Annual" have come, and everybody is loud in praise of the Manning Studio. The girls did not know they are so good looking, and the views of the Campus are very attractive. If friends of the College desire to own an "Annual," it will be well for them to get their order in very soon as only a limited number will be printed.

Rev. Mr. Essex, pastor at Jackson, preached a fine sermon in the College Chapel Sunday morning. Mr. Essex is a consecrated man of God, and won the hearts of his hearers by his gentle manner and earnest appeal.

Mrs. Morehead of Weldon was a welcome visitor to her daughter, Page, last Sunday.

Miss Sue Brett was shopping in Suffolk Monday.

Miss Emma Riddick Parker spent Sunday with her parents in Winton.

Miss Nancy Parker spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. E. V. Vaughan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Holloman, their son, William, and Miss Bessie Brown of Weldon were visitors at the College Sunday.

SLANDERED MONEY

There used to be an old adage to the effect that money could buy everything except health. Was it true?

At this moment there are 2,500 people in North Carolina who are doomed to die within the next twelve months of tuberculosis, a preventable, curable disease, unless they have help.

All these people need medical care, good food, fresh air—and most important—a knowledge of how to care for themselves.

All of these services—Sanatorium care, medical and material relief in the homes, experts to diagnose the disease and educational work—cost a little money. But the lives of the 2,500 doomed people, and the health of unknown thousands of others, are worth a little money, are they not?

Tuberculosis Christmas Seals are dedicated to stamping out this preventable, curable disease. Take some of your slandered money—a few cents, a few dollars—and let it retrieve this smirch on its reputation. It means death to tuberculosis instead of death by tuberculosis. Let it buy health for your city. The 1922 Sale begins Thanksgiving Day and extends through Christmas.

N. G. Bartlett of Goldsboro And Willard T. Keyzer of Kinston Make Addresses Before Local Organization Last Monday Evening

SPIRITED DEBATE ONE OF THE BIG FEATURES

Two-County Fair And New Hotel Are Two Projects For Which Ahoskie Chamber Of Commerce Will Strive

Ahoskie jumped into a class all by itself Monday night when the chamber of commerce voted unanimously to become a member of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce. The local body not only said it would join the larger chamber, but took upon itself the task and responsibility of seeing that Hertford County goes one hundred per cent strong in this gigantic program of development, by farm diversification, now in the process of actual accomplishment through the efforts of the business men, banks, and commercial organizations of the forty six eastern counties.

After every member present, including about sixty in all, had voted to subscribe Hertford County's quota of individual \$10 memberships, the board of directors of the chamber of commerce was delegated with the power and authority to speak for the entire membership at the next meeting of the county commissioners. The commissioners will be asked to appropriate funds to the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce and finish the job of placing Hertford to the forefront in promoting the larger organization.

N. G. Bartlett, Secretary of the Eastern Carolina Chamber, was the principal speaker in Ahoskie's first membership meeting since the final organization of the chamber of commerce.

It was an evening filled with fun, mirth, and the more serious business of eating, with quick and prompt dispatch of business following the speech of Secretary Bartlett.

"I am not handing you any undeserved bouquets when I say the crowds that have faced me at Ahoskie upon the occasion of two visits here have been the most determined bunch of men I have yet met in all my travels through 21 counties of the East," said Mr. Bartlett. "Whether you join the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce or not, Ahoskie is going to accomplish something worth while through its local chamber, and it's not going to be long before Ahoskie is known and recognized as one of the liveliest and best towns in the whole of North Carolina," he said.

After the unanimous vote to join the Eastern Chamber, Willard T. Keyzer, Secretary of the Kinston Chamber of Commerce, took the floor and handed Ahoskie the palm in being the "liveliest town in Eastern North Carolina, not excepting his own wonder city of Kinston."

Mr. Keyzer was enthusiastic over the prospects of what the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce could do, if every county were to get solidly behind it, and help promote unity of work. He was so strong in his belief of what could be accomplished he spoke as follows: "I dreamed that if Eastern North Carolina would combine in her efforts that she could produce hogs, cows and mules thusly—if all the hogs could be combined into one great hog he would be large enough to root out the Panama Canal in one roof; if all the cows were combined into one great cow she could eat all the grass East of the Mississippi River and drink the Gulf of Mexico dry; if all mules were combined in one great mule he could stand on the Equator, kick fiddles off the North Pole and with one pawish of his tail wipe out the Aurora Borealis."

The aim of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce was outlined as being to develop the livestock and poultry industry in the counties of the East, to combat the ravages of the boll weevil, and create a live-at-home policy among the folks in this territory.

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