

SEEKING HIGHWAY TO VIRGINIA LINE

Gateville Citizens Want Road
Through That Town And
On To Somerton

HITS HEART OF COUNTY

Attorney T. W. Costen and Mr. J. A. Eason, both prominent citizens of Gatesville, were in Ahoskie Wednesday conferring with local business and professional men, and officials of the Chamber of Commerce about the route of the State highway through Gates County. They came here from Winton, where they also presented facts gathered by them showing the most equitable route to be taken by the highway. From here they drove over to Windsor where they presented the same plan.

For the last four or five months, a battle has raged between contending factions in Gates county about the route the highway to the Virginia line should take. The original route surveyed goes via Corapeake and touches the eastern edge of Gates county, running alongside the Dismal Swamp to Suffolk, crossing the Gatesville-Elizabeth City highway at Sunbury. The other wing or faction in Gates has been working on a road that would go in a direct line from Winton to Somerton, leaving Gatesville off the route.

In the latter move the Gates people have been ably backed up by the counties on this side of the Chowan river. The local chamber of commerce has endorsed the latter route, and the people of Winton have also been at work for the direct route. This, however, met with serious opposition by Gates county people, since it reached only one edge of the county.

The State Highway Commission has announced that this change was impracticable. The latest proposal, for which the visiting Gates county people were working this week, is to route the highway to Gatesville, and thence to Gates station and Somerton, connecting there with the Virginia line. This route strikes through the heart of Gates county, and will satisfy all contending factions, with the probable exception of only one township.

Persons living this side of the Chowan river are glad to accept the compromise and let it go via Gatesville thus cutting off ten miles from the original route via Sunbury and also making Edenton and Hertford about six miles nearer the Winton ferry.

Gatesville citizens are working for this route. Winton has lined up for it, and Ahoskie persons have said they believed it the best route. Proponents of this route will be sought in all of the counties on this side of the Chowan and they are expected to fall in line with the proposal.

Telephone Office In Ahoskie Opens For Full Service

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ment of the extra service without extra cost has been authorized for publication. An operator has been on duty at the local exchange since the 15th. of the month.

With this announcement of no extra charge and with the beginning of the service as now given, has also come several requests for the installation of phones. Already as many as seven new subscribers have asked for phones with the telephone company, and others will no doubt follow suit. The Chamber of Commerce is undertaking to locate many more telephones in the town and it expects to work to that end. It means better service, fuller service, and easier communication with a larger number and the Chamber of Commerce is working with that end in view.

Ahoskie telephone users thoroughly appreciate the position the telephone company has taken, and they are going to back the company's efforts to provide Ahoskie with a better service.

The Chamber of Commerce is interested solely for the benefit it will do the town. V. D. Strickland, president, are subscribing the names of those who want phones installed. The officials of the company have promised to give the service, install the phones and give Ahoskie a service it is entitled to by reason of its growing demands.

Fifty-five Johnston County club girls paid their expenses to the Tri-county club encampment at Wilson by selling produce at the new produce market recently opened at Smithfield, reports Miss Minnie Lee Garrison, the home agent.

HARRELLSVILLE NEWS

Mr. G. D. Askew and sister, Miss Lillian Askew left Monday afternoon to join Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Britton of Norfolk on an automobile trip to the mountains of Virginia and other points of interest.

Mr. H. C. Copeland returned to Norfolk Wednesday for treatment at St. Christopher's Hospital.

Mrs. W. B. Gilliam spent Friday afternoon in Ahoskie.

Mr. J. W. Taylor was a business visitor in Ahoskie Friday afternoon.

Mr. H. C. Holloman of Winton was in town Friday.

Mrs. Charles Miller of Fortress Monroe, Va., is spending some time with Mrs. Mal V. Lowe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gilliam and Mrs. F. S. White spent Sunday in Merry Hill.

Dr. J. A. Powell spent the week end at Virginia Beach. Mrs. Powell and children returned home with him Monday, after spending several days at the beach.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Scull left Saturday for South Mills to attend the burial of Mr. Pritchard, Mrs. Scull's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Harrell and children and Mrs. H. C. Copeland spent Sunday with relatives and also friends in Edenton.

Mr. M. R. Taylor and son, Julian,

and Mrs. Bettie Taylor are spending this week in Norfolk.

Rev. Walters and Mr. Yuya, Coleman, attended the B. Y. P. U. services at the Baptist church Sunday evening.

Mr. J. W. Taylor went to Edenton Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mitchell of Ahoskie were visitors in town Tuesday afternoon.

Jessie Harrell Mitchell of Ahoskie is spending this week with Evelyn Gilliam and Jane Walton Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Evans and children are spending this week with relatives in Edenton.

Mr. H. S. Baanight of Ahoskie was in town Tuesday afternoon.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET

Tuesday evening, August 21, at the Richard Theater there will be one big meeting of the Woman's Club. We want all those who are interested in cleaning our city cemetery and other community projects to be on hand. There are some interesting questions to be discussed. Be sure to come and bring a friend at 4 o'clock.

Generally speaking, Ben Forbes says the lie repeated most often is the one that "I'd just as soon sleep in an upper berth as in a lower."

NOTICE!

We wish to announce that we have purchased the HERTFORD AUTO & MACHINE CO.'S Machine Shop, Ahoskie, N. C.

We hope we have come here to stay

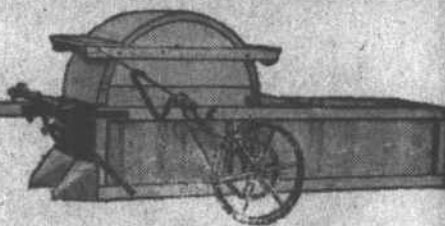
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