

Farmer Parker Is Giving Experience

Editor HERALD—
If you will give me space in your paper would like to discuss "Soil Building" as I see it and give my experience and demonstrations that I have made. Now I don't claim to be a good farmer or an expert at the business, but I have made a good many demonstrations and have worked out some problems, and have learned how to make good land out of worn out and washed land. First, I would state that a farm is not complete without livestock upon it making all the barnyard manure we can, penning up the stock every night in the year and putting this manure on our soils in the spring for the crops we are to plant. Now I want to say right here that sheep, the most despised animals he have by nearly every farmer, is the best paying livestock we can have on the farm for the amount of money invested than any stock we can raise. I have 20 head of sheep and I feel safe in saying that I believe they make three or four tons of manure annually. They, with a few head of cattle penned every night, I make enough manure to go over three or four acres of land, and let me say I always make a crop where that manure is put. Another thing, I have worked on is to plant or sow stock peas between all of my corn rows. I plant my corn in 6 1-2 foot rows, 20 inches in the drill, don't ever thin out if two stalks in the hill. Plant in the middles black Wonderfeed peas and soy beans mixed and put a little fertilizer under peas to give them an early start. Wrap up the earth in your corn with pea vines making so much feed for your hogs and cattle in the winter. Our land is ruined for lack of humus in the soil. It is not the number of acres we work but the size of crop to the acre that makes a credit account in your bank. We are not really farming—just playing at it. Another thing I will mention, is we ought to quit pulling fodder from our corn two years ago. I tested out the loss by taking the fodder off. Where I took off the fodder there was a difference in weight of corn of just a cart load alip shucked, 150 lbs. light in weight than where I left the fodder on the stalks.

We are not using our brains in farming. I have been farming for over 30 years and I have never bought but four bales of timothy hay. And I can make all the long feed I need without pulling fodder. It is possible to make all the hay on one acre to feed a mule for 12 months. Say, sow oats four or five bushels per acre making four or five tons of hay. After this is cut and saved, sow some land in soy beans in June, sow thick and use plenty of fertilizer, your land will be better the next year than when you started with those crops. Think of farmers trying to farm and buying corn, oats and hay to feed their teams—not making it on their farms. No wonder they do not make any money and are always in trouble with creditors. They are not using their brains and a little common sense. Wakes up farmers. Quit buying hay and corn, you can make it right on the land you are now dragging over. Study soil building and at the same time making a crop on the same land. I have some acres of corn now which I think will make six or seven barrels per acre. The 6 1-2 foot middlings are covered up in peavines.

Farmers, wake up, change your old plans.
JOHN A. PARKER.

TURN ON LIGHTS IN YOUR HOME

"Ready to turn on the lights!" That, it is declared, is the thought back of the new, Installed-Price Plan of selling Delco-Light, the well-known farm electric plant, which the Company has just announced.

The announcement of this plan is especially directed to those who live in farm homes, it is stated. "We want to make it easy for the farmer to have electricity in his home, and to know beforehand, just what the whole thing will cost him," declared officials of the Delco-Light Company, in response to questioning about this remarkable plan.

Briefly stated, the plan is to furnish a standard model Delco-Light plant and storage battery, to install it complete, wire the house for ten lights, put in ten drop lights, complete even to the electric bulbs in the sockets, put in a general power outlet anywhere in the house the owner may choose, in short to furnish a complete Delco-Light installation, "Ready to turn on the lights," as stated above.

Low prices are assured, on all models and, in addition, financing of the purchase is taken care of, where necessary by an easy payment plan which calls for only a small cash payment.

"Farmer" Begins Courthouse Talk

Well, you know that I said I might have somethin' to say 'bout them dippin' vats. Now here is what I think. The dippin' vat is a mighty good thing and we orter had 'em when we had cattle to dip, but our legislators have a mighty hard time tryin' to please folks and some folks just won't be pleased nobow, but if the member from this county had of just took the bull by the horns and give us a dippin' vat some years ago, the folks would of cussed but it would not of been long before the'd of ris up and called his name blessed. Why if we'd had of had them vats say 15 years ago when the cows was a'runnin' in the woods we could of killed a bushel of ticks that was a'suckin' all the strength near 'bout outen the cow, but we didn't have 'em and there's no use cryin' over spilt milk. Now, Mister Editor, I don't know, but I was in Ahoskie several days ago, and I heard a man say that the cost of the vats in Hertford county was a heap more than the cattle come to on the tax books. Understand Old Farmer don't know, he is just sayin' what he heard another man say. But let that be as it may, let's go ahead and dip our cattin'. I am proud to know that no man has been lowdowned 'nuff to blow up a single vat in Hertford county. The man that would do a thing like that is a bad citizen; I don't keer how rich or how poor he may be.

Mister Editor, please take down your telephone piece and call up my old friend Henry Clay Sharp and ask him why the Confederate Veterans ain't had a meetin' this year? Tell him, please, to call a meetin' and have it at Ahoskie where everybody can get to and come away again. Don't forget it. I just don't understand why the few that's left don't have their annual re-union. They didn't have no meetin' last year and certainly they must meet this year. If my friend Sharp needs any help just tell him to pull down that thing you hear through after he has rung the bell good and hard and then say "hello!" "I want to talk to Mrs. R. C. Bridger at Winton", and then when she answers tell her that she is needed to get up a re-union of the Confederate Veterans and By Golly! she'll whoop things up and don't you forget it and a meetin' will be held.

The reason that I want the meetin' of the Confeda held in Ahoskie is for the reason that everybody in Hertford county loves to go to Ahoskie, and the folks that don't live in the county love to go there. The truth is, the County-Seat ought to be at Ahoskie. I don't mean to have wheels put under the courthouse at Winton and have it rolled up there, but sell the property there and let the proceeds go on the building fund for a new courthouse. I'll bet my friend Dr. Jess Mitchell and Jesse Garrett would either one give a piece of land to put the courthouse on and the jail and if they didn't they would sell it so cheap that it would look like the'd give it away. I'd name others in Ahoskie that would contribute but if I was to try to give you the list I might leave off one of the best men you've got and I don't want to hurt his feelin's. Why all you folks would be in a blaze of enthusiasm. Just see what Ahoskie up and done when they wanted to git Chowan College there! Oh Yes! I know them was flush times but a dollar now will buy what two would then and sometimes three.

Some years ago when there was some talk of movin' the county seat to Ahoskie the commissioners ups and made a lot of improvements on the old house and then stuck their hands deep down in their pockets and strutted around and said "We've spent too much money on the old courthouse to talk 'bout buildin' a new one." That was the game. Fix up the old one and block the movement. It worked. There's no argument in keepin' it where it is now but there is every argument in favor of having it at Ahoskie. Hertford is a progressive county and let's do things, while doin' is good. Why, we lose a half day every court at the beginnin' because the Judge can't git there unless he rides on Sunday and then when he gets ready to leave he loses another half day to catch the train and you know that he generally gits off and on the train at Ahoskie and rides back and forth. I know the Winton folks will cuss me but that's all right, if they git any fun outen it, but while they're cussin' they know at the same time what I say is true. You can go out to a big meetin' in the country and when the subject of moving the county seat is brung up the folks will say right off the bat, "it ought to be in Ahoskie and will be some day." Now ain't that so? You know it is. I am going to stop pretty soon for I have been talkin' straight stuff that will be helpful to Hertford county and help to give us a real town. Ahoskie is the only town in the county with any prospect of becomin' a town of some size, where we farmers can carry our vegetables and truck and find a ready market. Just think how much sallet, turnips, tomatoes, onions, squashes, butter beans, musk melons and water melons we could sell if we had a town large nuff to give us a market. And then in five yers, the chances are Ahoskie would have a hospital. Yes, a county hospital where a fellow wouldn't have to go round totin' his appendix and thinkin' he had the cramp colic and every other trouble could be treated in its incipency and not wait till it become chronic and when it does get chronic all the doctors on earth couldn't cure you half the time. We farmers ain't able to carry our folks to Richmond, Suffolk or Norfolk every time one of our younguns has to have his tonsils clipped out. Whoop 'er up boys, Whoop 'er up. Hertford county wants one real town and we've got the chance to have it. Take Old Farmer's advice, he ain't gwine ter lead yer wrong.

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Sale Of Real Estate For Taxes At Courthouse Door Sept. 3rd

The following real estate will be sold at the Courthouse door in Winton, N. C., Monday, October 1, 1923, for failure to pay 1922 taxes and pursuant to order of the Commissioners of Hertford County.

Murfreesboro Township	
White	
W. J. Boyette, store lot	3.85
H. V. Buck, Carey Parker	37.22
John Blythe, Sumner land	7.64
Ivy J. Hare, John Hare	22.68
J. S. Lawrence, Wynn	111.34
J. D. Phelps, Trader	16.20
COLORED	
Margaret Bishop, Bridger	2.16
William Barnes, Bridger	4.36
Edward Eley, Bridger	8.21
Robert Eley, Jr., Eley	2.78
Robert Gatling, Bridger	7.57
Bettie Sue Gatling, Pipkin	1.36
James Gatling, Boyette	7.76
R. L. Hill, J. T. Griffith	17.97
Bennie Joyner, 1 lot	18.81
G. T. Lassiter, Wiley Carter	30.89
R. H. Lewis, Everette	14.95
Lulu Moore, town lot	3.02
Annie M. Southall, lot	12.65
Lulu Shamblee, Moore	2.71
James Stephenson, Carter	9.64
Carey Vaughan, kitchen	22.17
Atlas Vaughan, Elijah Vaughan	13.21
T. T. PARKER, Tax Collector, Murfreesboro Township.	
St. Johns Township	
WHITE	
T. E. Futrell, 102 acres Joyner and Baker; 1 7-12 acres Cooke and Saunder; 75 acres Grant; 58 acres Leggett; total taxes	90.00
W. H. VINSON, Tax Collector, St. Johns Township.	
Maneys Neck Township	
WHITE	
M. W. Picot, 3-4 acres, home lot	34.84
Jno. T. Riddick, 75 acres, home place	12.71
J. J. and Jno. T. Riddick, 45 acres part Jno. Riddick tract	4.41
W. J. HILL, Tax Collector, Maneys Neck Township.	
Winton Township	
COLORED	
Lake Eley, 17 acres	5.45
Robert Greene Heirs	8.02
Ernest Reid, 24 3-4	7.44
Charlie A. Butler	.50
A. T. Tyner	3.37
Blanche Vann	3.37
W. L. Matthews, Tax Collector, Winton Township.	
Ahoskie Township	
WHITES	
M. D. Curtis, Powell land, 1921 taxes, \$25.10; 1922 taxes, \$23.75	49.86
Lassiter, Marshall, 25 acres home place	30.94
Lassiter, Mrs. Nannie R., one town lot	2.64
Phaup, C. H., 42 4-10 acres, Newsome	70.42
Rogers, W. W., 70 acres Riddick, 28 acres Riddick	122.02
Rogers, Mrs. Nina, 1 lot McGlohon street, 1 lot Main street	96.79
COLORED	
Everett, Lora I., 2 vacant lots	.61
Earley, Goodman, 78 acres home, 20 acres Holloman	27.52
Helson, W. L., 1 lot Maple street	9.20
Moore, Lonnie, 1 lot Catherine street	5.51
Scott, J. R., 1 lot Lawrence	6.74
Taylor, Luther, 1 lot Mitchell	3.23
Whitley, Willie B., 1 lot Garrett	6.22
Williams, General, home place	33.17
Porter, Jno. T., 1 lot, D. H.	3.95
Peele, L. A., 1 lot	4.60
S. E. VAUGHN, Tax Collector, Ahoskie Township.	

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Announcement

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The Ahoskie Tobacco Market Opens August 30th

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- STYLE PLUS CLOTHING
- JOHN B. STETSON HATS

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