### BENJAMIN BRODIE WINBORNE



Herlford County, and, also, for study or leisurely reading, "Judge" Wimborne, as he was best known and familiarly called, died at his home in Musfreeshore Fe zunny 24, 1919.

In addition to his History of Herlford County, he was author of a biography of the Wimborne family, a publication which antedated his other work. From his research in family seconds developed the idea of peparing the county history. Manley Wimborne, Utilities Commissioner of North Carolina, and B. B. Wimborne, p., who still resides in Mustreeshoro, are the sons of the author, and from them the publishers of this newspaper secured permission to reprint the chapter from his history entitled "Herlford County's List of Officers."

Indge Wimborne, in his published work on his family history, wrote his autobiography, as follows:

The eldest son of Samuel D. Wimborne was born on April 14, 1854, at the family homestead, Gedar Hill, in Maney's Neck, Herlford County. North Canakina. At the time of his birth his nucle, Dr. R. H. Wiborne, was attending lectures at the University of Virginia, and at the stuggestion of the latter he was named Benjamin Brodie, in honor of a distinguished English surgeon, for whom Dr. Wimborne had great admiration. In youth he attended Bruckhorn Academys, a flourishing classical school, of which Capit, J. H. Picot, a graduate of Caumbia College, of New York, was principal. In 1854 in entered Wake Forest College, where he remained for one year, and thereafter continued his studies in Columbia Ottos and the studies of Columbia College, of New York, was principal. In 1854 in entered to the State he preceding February and before he had attained his majority. He soon won his way to the front rank of his profession, and for a number of years has been one of the leading and most successful members of the State. In 1879 he was elected Solicitor of the Interior Count of Herlford County-a court of imited crumnal priesidiction—and screen of years has been one of the leading and most successful members of the State. One of the State

after its adjournment by Governor Carr.

From 1878 to 1894 he served as chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee of Heriford County, and it was under his management that the ascendancy of the Republican Party in the county was overcome. He was one of the thirty-three Democrats in the State, elected to the House of Representatives in the fall of 1894, and in the Legislature of 1895, he took an active and leading part. In 1896 he was one of the North Carolina delegates to the National Democratic Convention in Chicago. He was again elected a member of the Legislature, and served in the session of 1905. In this body he was chairman of the Democratic cancus, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, and of other important legislation, and took a leading part in the debates of the session. On December 23, 1879, he married Miss Nellie H. Vaughan, a daughter of Col. Uriah Paughan, of Murpeesboro, N. C., and a lady of exceptional beauty and rare loveliness of character. They were blessed with the following children:

Uriah Paughan Winborne, born May 13, 1884, who died

Uriah Vaughan Winborne, born May 13, 1884, who died infancy on August 5, 1884.

Stanley Winborne, born August 25, 1886, and now a young man of bright fromise and a student at the University of North Carolina. He was named for Judge Stanley Matthews, whose intellectual and legal ability his father greatly admired.

Benjamin Brodie Winborne, Jr., born November 10, 1889. d now attending school in Murfreesboro, N. G.

Micajah Winborne, born February 3, 1896, died June (1896. A more comprehensive sketch of the subject hereof winbe found in the Biographical History of North Carolina, published in 1905.

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AHOSKIE, NORTH CAROLINA

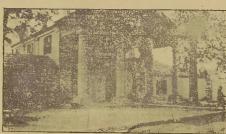
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HERTFORD

Eminent historians, each a leader in thought and action during his time, wrote and published their works before Ahoskie, which celebrates its Golden Anniversary this year, had attained any place in the life and affairs of Hertford County. Two of them had passed away before Ahoskie, as a town, had entered the picture, and the other, Judge Winborne, completed his historical work only fourteen years after the postoffice was established and before Ahoskie had gotten beyond the baby stage. Consequently scant reference is made to the town; the name, in its several spellings, denoting either a "ridge" lying next to a swamp and extending all the way from the present town to the village of St. Johns, the swamp itself, or the Baptist Church, which was organized and built 85 years before there was a post office at Ahoskie and 89 years before the turn of the century ago. Other views of the courthouse—before and since this one—appear in other sections of this issue. the village of St. Johns, the swamp itself, or the Bap-tist Church, which was organized and built 85 years

and for many years been approved textbooks in North breeder of historians.

## HERTFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE



Carolina schools. Both of these men were born in the Hertford County has been the native home of of-ficial North Carolina historians for almost a century. page of this edition. These two men, and Judge Win-Wheeler's and Moore's histories have at various times borne, have given the county an unofficial ranking as

Volunteer historians who have prepared articles for this newspaper entered into their work with the knowledge that they had a record to "shoot at" and, though the time for material gathering and writing was limited to a few weeks, or months, they have produced sketches that should command wide reading. and all of them have contributed new and interesting facts about their towns and sections. There has been no attempt by any of them-nor were they expectedto write detailed local histories. (Sketches, or brief reviews, were asked for.)

From the material gathered here, it is to be hoped that some future historian—maybe, one of the contributors to this edition—may gather data, facts, and leads for a future historical work on Hertford County and its people, bringing up to date the history by Judge Winborne. To do that, several years and many dollars will be prime necessities. What has been done by the contributors to this edition was voluntary and without compensation.

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For many years prior to 1938, this group of buildings served as the Hertford County Home for the aged and infirm. It is now the site for one of the State's modern prison camps, having been sold in 1937; and the county home was at that time transferred to Winton, adjoining the courthouse property. The former county home property shown here is located on the suburbs of the village of Union.

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