

# ASHBORO'S CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN

All Citizens of the Town Urged to Cooperate in Effort to Make Asheboro a Clean Town.

## DIRT IS DEADLY



There was a dirty man. And he kept a dirty town. He cared not a button what was said, said, said.



So disease came and settled there. To make the town its own. And the dirty man was very promptly dead, dead, dead.

A city is as clean as its people.  
Well kept alleys pay bigger dividends than well kept cemeteries.  
A man is known by the company he keeps.  
A town is known by the streets it sweeps.



Chicago Health Dept Educational Poster No. 162. Designed by Dr. B. Young.

(This page is given to the Civic Department of the Asheboro Woman's Club, and is being used by them in a very appropriate way. Many reforms are needed in Asheboro in the way of cleaning up the town and these are urged by the editors of this page.)—Editor.

### Asheboro Clean-up Campaign.

With the hearty co-operation of our Mayor, a strenuous effort was made by the Civic Department a few weeks ago to have a systematic clean-up in Asheboro. Five hundred clean-up posters were printed and distributed, and a large amount of tin cans and trash hauled away by the town authorities. But on account of rain and other things interfering, the work was at first very much hindered, and we would again like to call attention to the fact that the town needs a more effectual clean-up. Visitors in town have been heard to remark that Asheboro particularly Main Street, never has looked so dirty. We would therefore invite the cordial co-operation of every individual to immediate and continued effort.

Clean-up campaigns, as Clarence Poe says, add not only in pride and respect, but in improved health conditions, and in the attractiveness of such a town to visitors. All towns and cities are awakening to the need. New York is making an effort to have the greatest clean-up campaign in her history, and distributing 4,000,000 clean-up circulars in three languages.

Asheboro has no such stupendous task, but we can all clean-up in one language.

The Civic Department has been assured of the willing co-operation of the colored people in a clean up campaign, and it is with pleasure that we call attention to the neat and tidy appearance of their school house and grounds, and the clean, attractive appearance of many of their homes.

Prof. McRae has done some effective work along this line, and feel sure with the help of all the ministers, and with the cheerful assistance of the women they inspire the people with renewed energy in this good cause.

They have expressed thanks for appreciative remarks, and the interest shown in them and their work.

The town is indebted to the Honorable Robert N. Page for a generous supply of sewer seeds which have been distributed all over town, and are beginning to show up nicely; and the Civic Department wishes to extend Mr. Page our hearty thanks for the seeds and repeated courtesies in former years.

### The Pup Army Heard From

The Pup Army, under the sanction and authority of the Mayor is considering the strict enforcement of the dog law in town. A dog pound will likely be established where dogs found prowling around the streets, without a muzzle or owner, will be impounded, and released only on payment of fine, and compliance with the law; otherwise the dogs will be sold or killed.

We print the dog ordinance below:

Any person owning or having in his possession or on his premises any dog, shall pay an annual license tax of \$1.00 on each male dog kept and an annual license tax of \$2.00 on each female dog so kept within the corporate limits of the town, provided, this shall not apply to puppies kept with their mother until they shall be three months old. The town constable shall furnish a tax tag which shall be worn by the dog on a collar, to be provided by the owner. The constable shall issue such license to every person paying the tax which said license shall expire on the 10th day of June next thereafter. Any dog upon which said tax has not been paid or which shall not wear a tax ticket shall be killed by the constable. No person shall own or keep a dog or dogs within the corporate limits of the town without having paid the tax as provided. Any one who shall violate this ordinance shall upon conviction pay a fine of \$2.00 for each offense.

### RAT KILLING.

In connection with our clean up in town, why not make an effort to exterminate the rats? Almost everybody is complaining of the rat here in town, and it is high time to begin an attack. They, as well as flies, are carriers of disease and if we are not in immediate danger of the bubonic plague, the rats are plagues and destroyers of property and should be annihilated. One town in Georgia had a famous rat-killing, and is reported to have killed 10,000 rats. Will not some one suggest a method for concerted action.

### Insist on Wrapped Bread.

If you buy baker's bread make a kick if they don't give you bread already wrapped at the bakery. It costs less to wrap it in wholesale fashion at the bakery while it is fresh than if it does for each grocer to hunt up a piece of string and piece of paper every time he sells a loaf. Furthermore, wrapped bread does not have the opportunity to dry out and become stale half so rapidly as unwrapped bread. The chief reason, however, for having bread wrapped at the bakery is to avoid the contact with dust, dirt, flies, dirty baskets, and baskets and so on.

People buy bread because it is a wholesome, nutritious and easily digested, economical food. They are willing to use bread made outside their own kitchens when they are satisfied that the process of making it are carried on under conditions about as good as those prevailing in their own kitchens under their own eyes. The cord-wood way of distributing bread—stacked up in a fly abounding sales room, stacked up in an open wagon, stacked up on the arm of a delivery boy, stacked up on the floor of the back porch until some one finds it and takes it in—prevents many a woman from buying bakery bread, and it should prevent more from doing so.

Recently bacterial examinations were made in Chicago of wrapped and unwrapped bread. Of the unwrapped bread it was found that at least 39 per cent. of the loaves had an average of 14,000 bacteria on them. Such loaves were classed as "dirty". Nearly 39 per cent more of the loaves examined showed an average of at least 4,000 bacteria and were classed as "fair"; while but 27 per cent. of the loaves could be called clean, with an average of 2,500 bacteria.

Of the wrapped bread, 45 per cent. was found to average only 848 bacteria. In other words according to the bacteria found unwrapped bread has from seven to twenty times as much dirt and filth on it as unwrapped bread.

Cough and sneeze on the Q. T. Get behind a handkerchief when you do it. The other fellow doesn't want your germs coughed out and sneezed at him any more than you want his.

### The Cemetery.

Every one who has visited Asheboro within the last ten years has noticed the remarkable improvement in conditions at the cemetery. For years at stated periods, generally before Easter, the ladies of the town would visit the place armed with brooms, rakes and shovels, and labor hard trying to make the place presentable. The last time such an effort was made, two of the town's prominent lawyers and a few other gentlemen kindly assisted, but the futility of such spasmodic efforts was keenly felt, and it was realized that some other method of caring for the place had to be devised. After some discussion of the subject, Mr. D. B. McCrary generously took hold of the proposition, and to him is due the entire credit of present conditions. Ten years or so ago strangers remarked that Asheboro seemed a nice little town, but their cemetery was a disgrace; and even a little boy happening to attend a funeral there, plaintively remarked to his mother, "Isn't this a bad looking place. I don't ever want to be buried here. I want to go back in the country." And there was nothing derogatory said about the place to which we could not all agree.

But to what extent are we able and willing to appreciate the change in "God's Acre." It has taken money and continued oversight; and are we contributing anything to the cause? Many of us have loved ones laid away there, and while some are not able to pay anything toward the upkeep of the cemetery, it is more than likely that there are many who would gladly contribute if they knew how badly it was needed, and it was brought to their attention. Not only the town residents, but those at a distance. In explanation as to the financial matters, those who could have been asked to give six dollars a year, but the contributions are so few that it is impossible to keep a man all the time. Barely one hundred and thirty dollars is received and this with one hundred dollars from the Methodist church for janitor's services simply makes less than twenty dollars a month.

In addition to the constant care and responsibility of looking after the Cemetery, Mr. McCrary built the fine brick retaining wall at his own personal expense; and the very least of the majority of us can do would be to send in some regular contribution. If one hundred people each subscribe three dollars, a good man could be obtained for the work. Will you not kindly lend a helping hand and begin contributing regularly to this work? Address any communication to Mr. D. B. McCrary, Secretary and Treasurer of Park Committee.

### Frazier Park Improvement.

The Park Committee of the Civic Department reports that in March 16, 1914, they had Frazier Park resurveyed by Mr. R. Allen who kindly gave his services free of charge, and have various work done at different times, beginning February 12th, and have outlined walks and driveways with bulbs, rustic fencing and vines, and have done considerable planting, including the following:

Five bunches of ornamental grass.

Violets, narcissi, spirea, lilacs, dogwoods, hollyhocks, clematis vines, nasturtiums, poppies and other seeds.

Hedging, more than 200 roots, privet and euonymus.

42 young cedar trees, averaging about three feet.

85 canna bulbs, making three large beds of choice varieties.

The dirt thrown out in ditching the spring outlet last summer has been levelled, making a walkway at the side; and dirt has also been hauled to fill some washouts in the driveway through the park.

The work is still pending the first possible day for its continuance.

In the name of the Club the Committee wishes to extend thanks to Mr. Allen for surveying, to Mr. Will Coffin, Mr. York, Dr. Moore, Mr. R. R. Ross, Dr. Fox, Mr. Orrie Fox, Mr. Sam Porter, Mrs. Winningham and the younger helpers and Masters Fred Parrish and Wm. Fox and Zella and Flaud Johnson for assistance in the work; and to Mrs. Wm. C. Hammer and Mr. Winslow for cedar for the fencing, though in the latter case we were deprived of the main

part of the gift by its appropriation by others.

In addition to the above we wish to express our appreciation to Mr. Wiley Ward and to Mr. Oscar Redding for contributions of oak lumber for seats in the park.

### Migratory Bird Protection

Appropos of an awakening interest in bird life, communications have been received from our Senators, Hon. Lee S. Overman and Hon. F. McL. Simmons, signifying their interest in the Agricultural Appropriation Bill, with assurance of their earnest and serious consideration when the bill comes up before the Senate.

This was in response to letters asking that they see that the Weeks-McLean bill is not made a dead letter, which provides for wardens to guard American bird life, but it is in danger of being nullified by an amendment cutting off all appropriations. The necessity of bird protection is universally known and acknowledged, and we can no longer plead ignorance as an excuse of the outrageous torture to which our finest birds have been subjected.

The good example set by Congress at its last session by passing the law prohibiting importation into this country of wild bird plumage is very favorably commented on by the Virginia-Pilot, and which we quote below; and it would be a matter of great mortification and regret if we could not enforce the good effects of such a law in our own country.

### Good Example Spreads.

When Congress, at its last session, prohibited by statute the importation of egretts and the plumage of other wild birds, it gave practical start to a humane movement that has been swift to spread. An anti-plumage bill, patterned after the American law, has been introduced in the British House of Commons and already passed its second reading by an overwhelming vote, while Germany is reported to be seriously considering a similar enactment. In France, we are told, the milliners who set the fashions for the civilized world, are beginning to discard bird plumage on hats, very largely because their best customers are found in the United States and in England, the first of which countries has already prohibited the importation of plumaged headwear and the second is about so to do. Of course, the hunting of the white heron and other wild birds of their plumage will fall off in proportion as the demand for plumes is lessened and the marketing of them becomes consequently less profitable. This is the real object sought, and it is anything but a creditable commentary on our boasted civilization that the law has to be resorted to prevent the women of enlightened christian nations from continuing to encourage solely for the sake of gratifying their personal vanity, the practice of semi-savage bird hunters of all sorts of barbaric cruelties upon different species of the feathered tribe. For it goes without saying that the women could have put an end to these cruelties at any time that they so willed, all that was necessary to that end being the concerted refusal to purchase, and wear the plumage.

"The early fly's the one to swat. It comes before the weather's hot, and sits around and files its legs, and lays at least 10,000 eggs, and every egg will bring a fly to drive us crazy by and by. Oh, every fly that skips our swatters will have 5,000,000 sons and daughters, and countless first and second cousins, and aunts and uncles, scores and dozens, and 57,000,000 neices; so knock the blame thing all to pieces. And every neice and every aunt, unless we swat them so they can't lay enough dodgasted eggs to fill up ten 5 gallon kegs, and all these eggs, ere summer hies, will bring forth 20 trillion flies. And thus it goes, an endless chain, so all our swatting is in vain unless we do that swatting soon, in May time and in early June. So men and brothers, let us rise, gird up our loins and swat the flies. And sisters leave your cozy bowers where you have wasted golden hours; with ardor in your souls and eyes, roll up your sleeves and swat the flies."

—Walt Mason.

Clean up Asheboro.

### OUR COUNTY HOME

There is no matter of more universal importance to this community than our "county home," so called by courtesy only, but not applicable. While efforts have been made especially during the last year, for a radical change in our county home, we still need to be constantly reminded of the glaring necessity. Every intelligent person in the county is somewhat responsible for the conditions as they are and have been, and it is not possible that they can be permitted to remain as they are much longer.

The first requisite is, of course a new home, and it to be hoped and urged that the County Commissioners will take up this vigorously, and at least outline tentative plans for immediate consideration.

New let us keep the city clean.  
Let's keep the swatter high.  
Be ever alert for filth and dirt  
And swat the nasty fly.

There was a man in our town  
Invested all his health  
With maddy avaricious aim,  
To win the goal of wealth.  
And when the same he had attained,  
With all his might and main,  
He vainly lavished all his wealth  
To get his health again.  
—Amos R. Wells.

"Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," School Auditorium, May 22.

The members of the Ninth grade of the Asheboro graded school will present "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" Friday evening, May 22.

The play has been dramatized from Alice Hegan Rice's popular work, which has delighted many people. Proceeds go towards improving the Park. General admission 15 cents, reserved seats 25c, children 10c.

### Smoking and Fires.

How many fires are actually caused by smokers will never be known, but occasionally one reads in the press that a lighted match or cigar stump thrown in a box or waste basket was responsible for fires that resulted in loss of property. Some men have the habit of smoking a cigarette or cigar during the night, the match being stuck on a chair near the bed and flipped aside as if it were perfectly harmless. A curtain is frequently lighted, and more frequently the lighted cigar or cigarette catches bedding, and thus starts a serious fire. Many employees, forbidden the use of stores and factories for the purpose of their smoking in basements or other places where those paper or excelsior may be exposed. Smokers and employers cannot exercise too great a care in handling matches and "smokeables" around exposed places.

### Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

For your own sake be sure it's

The Velvet Kind  
The Cream of All Ice Creams

For Sale by  
STANDARD DRUG COMPANY  
Asheboro, N. C.  
Manufactured by  
PURITY ICE CREAM CO.  
RICHMOND, VA.  
MOST SANITARY ICE CREAM PLANT  
IN THE SOUTH.

### State of North Carolina Department of State CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION

To all to whom these presents may come—  
Greeting:  
Whereas, it appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceedings for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office that the Liberty Mercantile Company, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated at Swanano Street, in the town of Liberty, County of Randolph, State of North Carolina, (A. W. Curtis being the agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served), has complied with the requirements of Chapter 21, Revised of 1905, entitled "Corporations," preliminary to the issuing of this Certificate of Dissolution;  
Now, therefore, I, J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 11th day of March, 1914, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceedings aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.  
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at Raleigh, this 11th day of March, 1914.  
J. BRYAN GRIMES,  
Secretary of State.