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WHY A FARM LIFE SCHOOL

(Contributed)

If we will do our part North Carolina is destined to be the first state in the union in Agriculture and Animal Husbandry.

In creation and disintegration we are blessed with various types of soil which are adapted to the growing of varied plants, trees, and fruits; this together with our mild climate gives us natural advantages surpassed by no other state in the union. With exception of a few of the tropical fruits we can successfully and profitably grow any plant, tree, or raise any domestic animal that is grown in the United States, besides other that can only be grown in a limited way in other states. A large percentage of the world's supply of bright tobacco is grown in our state. The agricultural department tells us the Boll Weevil cannot materially injure us on account of our climate. Butter, beef, and pork are being produced by us cheaper than in the West or North.

The best of all, Warren county on account of its varied types of soil can grow as many different varieties of products as any county in North Carolina, and a good number that cannot be grown in a majority of the other counties. Eight tenths of our population live on the farm. Ninety five per cent of our children receive no education other than that they receive in our rural, graded and high schools, which is almost entirely literary, and does not fit them for agriculture and home making. It is a fact, undisputed by any intelligent, observant person, that agriculture is no longer a muscular occupation of Bull force and drudgery, but rather a scientific profession, demanding scientifically trained brains.

To successfully compete, the farmer of the future generation must be trained and educated in soil chemistry, habits and requirements of plants, trees, and animals as well as many other subjects too numerous to mention. This knowledge will create within them an interest in the farm, prepare them to live more comfortably, completely, and happily.

The Farm Life School would become an intellectual, social, industrial, and agricultural dynamo for the whole county. The instructing and training of scores of boys and girls annually in the best methods of farming, dairying, plant and stock growing, marketing, cooking, sewing, and many other branches pertaining to housekeeping and home making would send them back to the farm prepared to make farming more profitable; farm life more livable; farm homes more comfortable and beautiful. These in their various communities would become sources of inspiration and disseminators of agricultural information to their neighbors, thereby greatly aiding in the improvement of the agricultural conditions of the whole county, increasing the wealth and value of property and the general prosperity of our county and state. In a word, the boys trained in such a school would become in their communities eloquent apostles and living examples of better and of more profitable farming; the girls so trained would become in their homes, living epistles known and read in the sweetest and finest of all arts, the art of making a home more comfortable and beautiful in the best environment in the world for a home in the very heart of nature. Such a school could and would, through its faculty, carry on most valuable extension and demonstration work among the farmers and their wives in all parts of the county, meeting with them from time to time in their respective communities for instruction and demonstration in all things pertaining to their farm life and work, and in this way carrying to them new truths and light, pointing them to the better ways. From time to time, these farmers and their wives could and would be gathered about the school for instructions, for inspiration, for social intercourse, for organization, and for co-operation. May a young man and woman would not be satisfied but would drink more deeply at the larger fountain ever flowing in a copious stream in our agricultural colleges and prepare themselves for special leadership. Through the medium of such a school, rural intelligence would demand more money for churches, better roads, better implements, better live stock and farm machinery, and countless thousands of comforts and conveniences that would break the isolation and drudgery of farm life; thus in training our children to make use of the treasures God has hidden in the soil and streams, in

ARCOLA NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. Linda Arrington left Saturday to visit her daughter in Louisiana.

Messrs. Daniel Capps and Robert Arrington returned Friday night from a pleasure trip to Washington, D. C.

Mr. Lewis Capps took his eldest son, Clarence, to a hospital in Richmond Sunday. We hope his sickness will rapidly yield to the treatment and that Clarence will soon be at home entirely well.

Miss Hattie King visited Mrs. Linnie Gupton a few days last week.

Messrs. Robert Arrington and Herbert Tharrington, of Hollister, came home Sunday to visit relatives also their best girls later in the day.

Mr. Ben Robertson was in our little town Friday. Mr. Robertson is one of the brave old soldiers, and says he is ready to serve his country again should it need him.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Radford visited their relatives here from Tuesday until Thursday.

Mrs. Mary King visited her granddaughter, Mrs. Linnie Gupton, several days last week.

Several of this section were present at the burial of Mrs. Sam Hamlett Wednesday afternoon. After many months suffering the soul of the above mentioned took its flight to God on the 22nd of February. We extend sincere sympathy.

Mr. Arthur Wood, of Warrenton, was in our midst one day last week.

Mr. Joe King is suffering from erysipelas in one of his arms.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Odum spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. John Oriley.

The days of chivalry are not all of the past. We have in our neighborhood a boy who did a very laudable deed. He did all of the feeding of stock, house keeping, and cooking for a family of average size, got up all of his lessons and walked about four miles each day to and from school for one week. This noble son of the soil is not more than fourteen years of age and has a number of fine traits of character.

No one of my fellows can do that special work for me which I have come into the world to do; he may do a higher work, a greater work, but he cannot do my work. I must do it with these hands, or these lips, which God has given me.—John Ruskin.

rocks and trees, in plants and air and cloud, would country life not be transformed into the ideal life, and country men and women enter the rich inheritance prepared for them from the beginning—a healthful life of freedom, fullness, sweetness, peace and beauty. Then will men desire it more, seek it more, and live it more contentedly and happily.

The cost of such a school will be as nothing compared with the richness in money and life it will bring through the passing years. If we can but start them now, and set them on their way the battle will be won. The people seeing and enjoying the benefits would be more able and willing to contribute to its maintenance and enlargement. Some will say that this is over drawn, not so. It but portrays what has been demonstrated in other more progressive portions of our Union. Only through the portals of such a school as we have endeavored to describe can our country boys and girls enter into the promised land lying all about them.

Shall we provide it, or shall we not? Do not be misled, on your verdict, hangs the future of your child and the rural prosperity of your county.

If the people of Warren county and Warrenton Special Tax District will lay aside everything, but promotion of the best forms of public education I believe we can establish such a school as I have endeavored to describe. A school that will carry with it all of the features of the best high schools, and that without one cent extra levy on our District and a very small levy on the county.

Naturally you will want to know what you will get in return for your taxes. The farm life school law requires that each school have in connection a high school up to the standard laid down by the state high school law, Warren county together with Warrenton School District would have free access to both the high school and the farm life departments. Warrenton Special Tax District together with the state appropriation will have under our present levy sufficient funds to pay the expenses of both departments. Will our County Superintendent call a mass meeting so that the will of the people may be gotten.

BARACA PHILATHEA SOCIAL

The Old Army was a scene of merriment, and good cheer on last Friday evening from 8 'till 11:30 when the Baraca and Philathea Classes of the Methodist church of Warrenton held a delightful social.

As the guests entered the army they were delightfully served with punch served by Mr. William Barham, who was impersonating Uncle Sam, and by Miss Lucy Jones, who was dressed as a Colonial dame.

The old, but nevertheless always enjoyed, games of "Buffalo Wink," "Clap In and Clap Out," "Fishing," and "Going to Jerusalem" were played by all, and thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Candies, peanuts, and apples were served as refreshments, and were thoroughly enjoyed. As the robbing hands of Father Time approached midnight, the guests left for their homes with a feeling of reluctance.

The following were present: Misses Amma Graham, Lucy Jones, Nan Jones, Mary Chaucey, Mary Louise Allen, Sallie Davis, Mary Newell, Pauline Newell, Mattie Fleming, Laura Burwell, Sue Broom, Sarah Moore, Sallie Palmer, Annie Palmer, and Sue Palmer; Messrs. Jack Alston, Floyd Browning, Hal Macon, Earl Macon, Horace Robinson, Homer Rose, Morris Rose, Graham Boyd, Pettway Burwell, Harwell Burwell, Robert Broom, Malvern Palmer, James McKay, Edgar Brantley, Sherman Martin, Dalton Parker, William Davis, Dr. C. H. Peete, Dr. Phil Macon, John Hayes, and Mr. and Mrs. James Carr Moore.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

Don't forget that a full meeting of the Teachers' Association is desired Saturday. Let as many be present as possible. There are matters of importance to be discussed.

—HOWARD F. JONES, Superintendent.

DEMONSTRATOR'S REPORT

The following report was read at the District meeting at Southern Pines by F. B. Newell, County Agent, on February 20th:

You will please note the following report of 1916:

- I have 42 Corn Test Farms in Warren County who made an average of about 150 acres of corn—48 1-2 bushels to the acre.
- I have ten Cotton Demonstrators who made on 75 acres 1433 lbs. to the acre.
- I have 21 Corn Club boys to report on 21 acres an average of 51 1-2 bushels to the acre. The highest made 115 1-2 bushels to acre.
- I have succeeded in getting distributed in the County in 1916 75 Registered hogs. One of these hogs won the Gold Medal in the State, and the prize pig given by Mr. Shay, and won the first County Prize given by the Bank of Warren.
- I succeeded in getting the Bank of Warren and Citizens Bank and the County Commissioners to donate one Registered Bull each to the County. There are about ten Registered cows put in in 1916.
- Our County is in the Bright Tobacco Belt, and we have at least 50 per cent of this land in Rye.
- Our County since County demonstration work commenced in 1908 has gotten at least 33 1-3 of the corn land sown to clover annually. The pea crop has been increased from a small area to large fields on every farm to cut for hay or hog off or turn under to improve land for wheat or cotton in our rotation.
- There is over 50 per cent of our corn land in some kind of cover crop today.
- We have 5 new Silos.
- We have planted out in the County 200 new orchards in 1916 with 6082 trees, and have trimmed out and sprayed a lot of old ones. We vaccinated at least 1000 hogs for the Cholera and saved about 96 per cent of them.
- Farmers are growing home gardens that furnish something to boil every day in the year.
- There are at least 50 farmers shipping cream to Raleigh and others arranging to ship in the near future.
- We have one local organization under the Farm Loan Act.
- Education in our County is progressing very fast, and a consolidated school at County Seat will save patrons money and give best education possible to the children of Warrenton and Warren county.

—F. B. NEWELL, County Agent.

AN OBJECT LESSON TO US

In the Ninth Annual Report of Mr. N. W. Walker, State High School Inspector, we find the following useful information in respect to High School buildings:

New Buildings Erected or Under Construction

Avery—Elk Park.....	\$10,000
Beaufort—Aurora.....	8,000
Buncombe, Barnardville.....	10,000
Caldwell, Oak Hill.....	12,000
Cleveland, Grover.....	6,700
Currituck, Poplar Branch.....	10,000
Gaston, Belmont.....	35,000
Gaston, Cherryville.....	25,000
Halifax, Enfield.....	25,000
Haywood, Rockhill.....	4,000
Johnston, Benson.....	30,000
Lenoir, Pink Hill.....	7,500
Mecklenburg, Huntersville.....	20,000
Mitchell, Spruce Pine.....	5,000
Moore, Eureka.....	5,000
Orange, Chapel Hill.....	40,000
Polk, Columbus.....	8,000
Sampson, Samburg.....	8,000
Surry, White Plains.....	4,000
Warren, Macon.....	12,000

New Buildings Provided For by Bonds or Otherwise, Not Yet Under Construction

Beaufort, Pantego.....	\$5,000*
Bladen, Bladenburg.....	20,000
Buncombe, Mt. Carmel.....	12,000
Nash, Castalia.....	10,000
Pitt, Bethel.....	20,000
Tyrell, Columbia.....	8,000
Hoke, Raeford.....	35,000
Martin, Williamston.....	25,000
Sampson, Newton Grove.....	3,000
Sampson, Samburg.....	5,000*
Yadkin, Booneville.....	8,000*

* The sum voted is for dormitory.

With these communities pointing the way, can Warrenton afford to miss an opportunity to get in the line of progress.

MANSON ITEMS

Mr. W. W. Davis, of Raleigh, spent Thursday night in the home of Mr. S. G. Champion.

Mr. A. T. Edwards visited his people near Louisburg last week.

Mrs. Pattie Fleming, from Murphy, is the guest of Mrs. M. V. Fleming.

Mr. L. O. Reavis and family spent Saturday night with their people at Flat Rock.

We were pleased to have Messrs. Samuel Miller and Grey Parke spend Sunday morning with us. They returned to Weldon on train No. 12.

Miss Helen Wyckoff, of Ridgeway, was in our town a few days ago.

Mrs. S. G. Champion spent a day of last week in Henderson shopping.

Messrs. J. W. Reavis, W. W. Wilson, J. W. Dowling, and L. O. Reavis made a business trip to Richmond this week.

Mrs. Eff. L. Paschall and little daughter Florene, of Oine, spent Thursday with her sister Mrs. J. B. Brack.

Mr. Charlie Hayes, of Warren Plains, was in town Friday.

We are glad to say that Mr. S. J. Bartlett, who has had a bad spell of 'Grippe, is improving.

Misses Pearle and Clare Reavis, of Flat Rock, were pleasant visitors in our midst recently.

Miss Lillie Brack spent Friday of last week in Raleigh.

Miss Agnes Burton, of Oine, delighted friends here by a visit this week.

Miss Lillian Edwards, of Gray Stone spent Thursday night with the Misses Brack.

WILLOW BRANCH ITEMS

Mr. Tom Shearin, of Churchill, one of our most successful saw mill men, was on our streets Sunday. He was accompanied by his wife and two of his little children. We presume they were on their way to Rev. W. N. Bobbitt's.

Mr. T. B. Fleming finished killing hogs a few days ago. His smoke house does not indicate hard times at all. He is one of our most ideal farmers and stock raisers. He has five shoats left over for next season. The shoats are about three months old, and the writer is sure that they will tip the scales now at over a hundred pounds. Isn't it nice to be on the farm, and to live at home?

Mr. R. D. Fleming, one of our most successful tobacco raisers, is busy preparing for another fine crop of tobacco. We wish for him much success.

We are glad to report a good Sunday School met Sunday as usual. We were glad to have our Superintendent Mr. H. E. Sadler with us again for he makes a good one.

The Sunbeams met Sunday, and we were glad to see so many little bright

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COUNTY LEGISLATION AGAIN

(Editorial)

The Headlight in speaking of our editorial of Tuesday, the 19th inst., in reply to its criticisms of County legislation, uses these words: "He walked right in, turned around and walked right out again." Yea, verily, brother, we took a look at your criticisms, answered them, dissected them with the words of truth and soberness and "walked right out again"—didn't even tarry to watch the patient slowly recover. Now we are going to administer a hyperdermic of truth, and "ease the patient."

The Recorder informs us that the salaries of Recorders are not less than fifty dollars per month in any instance in which a salary is paid by other counties, and in the large cities range as high as \$2,000 per year. As the Recorder's court is saving the county twice the amount of his salary, we see no hardship to the taxpayer in this instance.

The increase of two hundred dollars to the Clerk of Court was not mentioned by the Headlight in the long list of complaints; but as he holds that up to public gaze, we will throw a little light into our neighbor's mind on that subject. The fees belonging to the Clerk from the Recorder's Court are now paid into the "salary fund", but as Clerk of the Superior Court, and for the extra duties as Clerk to the Recorder's court the salary was fixed at \$1800, rather than part salary and part fees. Does the Headlight think it too much for both duties?

Yea, brother, the "law creating the census taker for the county was done for another purpose, rather than a saving to the taxpayers." There was never a claim that it saved a penny to the tax payers, but you tried to leave the impression that it was a great burden—"increased taxes." It was suggested in the Annual Meeting of Superintendents at Raleigh that the present method of getting "a true and accurate census" was a failure. And the suggestion that possibly a County census taker would solve the problem, if the cost would not be prohibitive. The Superintendent of public schools of Warren county drew Mr. Daniel's attention to the suggestion, and such a law was made for Warren county because it would give us a true and accurate census without a penny extra cost. A true and reliable census is a great protection to the Register of Deeds' office. Not many years ago, the Register of Deeds, relying on the Census blank and on the testimony of the applicant, issued a marriage license. The parents indicted him, but the suit did not come to trial for some reason or other. The Register of Deeds produced the census blank as authority for the age of the party. After the case was settled (or settled itself) it was brought to light that the Census taker had met the little brother of the girl in question on the public road, and that the age of the party put down on the census blanks was given by this little boy—not a true and accurate census. What is that kind of census worth? Under the new plan (which does not cost a penny more), the Census taker has to make oath that he visited the home of the parents or guardian of the child and received the information from said parents or guardian. Under the plan of County Census, we shall advocate a "card system" in which each card bears all the facts connected with a family, and only one family on a card, and each card arranged as a permanent index of the children of the county—the races being separated by different colored cards.

In respect to the Board of Education: In the first place they do not receive four dollars per day; there is no reason why they should not except the law says three dollars per day. The question of one vacancy or two on July 1st, 1917 is a matter which doubtless Mr. Daniel has investigated, and is understood by all parties. It is a matter which meets the approval of both the Representative and the Senator from Warren.

The State of North Carolina has passed a bill offering to the counties of the State four per cent bonds in exchange for Warren county (or any other counties) five per cent bonds for the purpose of Highway Construction. The difference in four per cent and five per cent will establish a sinking fund to pay off the debt due the State in forty years. As a part of this plan

TO WELCOME SOLDIERS

A meeting of a number of the ladies of the town and a few of the men was held in the Court House last Thursday night to perfect arrangements to suitably welcome Company "H" on its return from the Border.

Dr. P. J. Macon was called to the Chair, and after discussing informally the form in which the welcome home to the boys should take, a committee of ladies and a committee of men were appointed to put into effect the purpose of the meeting.

This committee was composed of Mrs. Hal T. Macon, Chm., Mrs. Van Alston, Mrs. Henry Boyd, Miss Amma Graham, and Mrs. W. A. Graham; the Committee of men are: Mr. W. A. Connell, Dr. G. H. Macon, and Messrs. William Burroughs, J. E. Rooker, John Palmer, and Howard F. Jones. Mr. Jones was made chairman of the joint committee. Other ladies present were asked to become members of the committee; but they thought the committee was large enough, but they pledged their earnest support.

The meeting adjourned to meet in the office of Mr. Alex Macon on Tuesday night at 8 p. m. to perfect plans. It was the determination of all present to give the boys a royal welcome, and to make the day one of great pleasure to the citizens of the town and county.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

The first Quarterly Meeting of the Warrenton Circuit for the current year 1916-17 was held in Macon last Friday February 23, 1917.

Rev. L. E. Thompson, the new presiding elder, was present, and it is certain that he made a most favorable impression. He preached a strong, helpful sermon out of Hesekiah 3:21-23 the Christian's Possessions. His presidency of the Quarterly Conference was satisfactory.

The following officials were present to represent their respective churches, viz: J. D. Ellis, H. J. Ellis, W. G. Finch, and J. R. Robinson, Hebron; F. Bobbitt, A. F. Brame, W. G. Egerton, W. S. Gardner, W. E. B. Harris, Grover Harris, W. A. Overby, Dr. M. P. Perry, T. E. Powell, T. A. Reeks, P. M. Stallings, and E. W. Thompson, Macon; J. H. Fleming, H. H. Hawkes, S. D. Tucker, A. S. Webb, and S. G. Wilson, Warren Plains; R. B. Boyd, Warrenton.

The reports for the quarter were probably the best in three years. The review of the work for the year 1916 showed gratifying progress in all directions. Sixty-six new members were received making the total number six hundred and fifty. All financial claims were fully met, the grand total paid having been \$5,015.40 more than \$7.50 per member. The prospects for the new year are bright and inviting.

Mr. A. S. Webb acted as secretary. Revs. M. Y. Self and J. C. Strowd, pastors of the Warren Circuit, were welcome visitors.

GRADED SCHOOL EXERCISES

The pupils of Miss Willie Macon, under her direction, gave a very interesting program in celebration of Washington's birthday Friday afternoon. The room was decorated with colors appropriate to the occasion. The children had recitations and songs and went through the program with a great deal of credit. After the exercises in Miss Macon's room fruit was served, and each pupil presented with a red-red hatchet, and doubtless reminded of Washington's experience with his new little hatchet and his father's cherry tree, and the lesson it taught.

Miss Nan Jones also entertained her pupils in her room with appropriate exercises.

After the program, witnessed by several visitors, the pupils and teachers adjourned to the front of the building and raised "Old Glory" to the breezes of Heaven—a patriotic inspiration.

NOTICE

Don't forget the meeting of the committees on "Welcome Home" to be held at eight o'clock in the office of Hal T. Macon Ins. Agency.

We are presenting the bill for the Highway Commission to handle all other matters connected with the roads of a county, but the Headlight is sitting down counting the brass pennies of cost, and taking no heed to the dollars of benefit.

Ephraim is joined to his idol, let him alone.