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THE 'CHILDREN WILL ALL HAVE A "SQUARE DEAL."

The children will ALL have a "square deal."

When? Not until every child in the County has the privilege of attending an eight or ten months term at some school where a diploma will mean something, and said diploma will be a passport to any college in North Carolina.

On another page we are printing a letter from Dr. Trabue, Professor of Educational Administration. Dr. Trabue has been working over the matter of County-wide reorganization for the past several weeks in the County, and makes some suggestions which we hope every father will think seriously about. Your child is just as smart and just as much entitled to the BEST as any other child, and if we allow the child of today to enter life ill prepared we can not hope to keep up our present high standard of citizenship. It is more necessary today that our children be prepared than it was in my day, or your day, because competition in life's affairs is becoming more keen each year, and while we may have been fairly successful with a limited education, the chances are very much against our children being so successful unless we fit them to compete with the child who has had these advantages.

Dr. Trabue says, "Person County should in five years have no schools of fewer than six rooms and an auditorium. It should be possible for every child in the County to attend a standard high school at public expense." We will agree with him, but to accomplish this it will be necessary to raise the money to pay for such a program.

Some of the things which he mentions are an eight room school for Mt. Tizah township, a similar building for the Hurdle Mills section, and a six room building for Cunningham township, and a sixteen room building for a County high school. Of course, he says, Roxboro is the logical place for this building. The time was when there was more or less prejudice against anything which was wanted or needed in Roxboro by some of the people from the country but we are glad to say, that day has passed, for every one today realizes that what benefits Roxboro benefits the entire County, and that Roxboro is always willing to come in for her share of any expense necessary for the upbuilding of the County.

Since the people of the County have made it possible for the outside world to see us—by building good roads, they have discovered that the little County of Person is easily one of the best counties in the State, and they are talking about the wonderful strides we are making, financially and educationally. We must keep up this reputation. Of course, we know and you know, taxes are high and are becoming burdensome—some few of our politicians, to the contrary notwithstanding, but when it comes to educating our children we can not afford to be stingy.

However, the truth told, the plan outlined by Dr. Trabue can be carried out, not in one year or five years, but within the next ten years without much additional cost. Roxboro and the townships being assessed for tax for their high schools will not have to increase their rate but very little, if any, while the other townships would only be paying what we are paying today, and would have the benefit of more than we did now obtain. So, you see, it will be very easy for us to adopt this splendid

system. We expect to have much to say about this reorganization plan during the next few weeks and will give figures from time to time to prove our assertions. Let's adopt the suggestion of Dr. Trabue and make our slogan, "The children will ALL have a "square deal."

We have received a copy of the announcement of Mr. Charles Ross' candidacy for Attorney General. The announcement is rather lengthy, and he states the things he will stand for, the most striking being that he will give his entire time to the duties of the office. That is commendable in Mr. Ross, but unless the office pays more than we had thought he must have more money than the average candidate.

They are getting so many fellows muddled up in that Teapot Dome scandal we are getting a little uneasy for any man who owns a flyover—for he has to deal in the commodity.

Mr. Denby, Secretary of the Navy, has tendered his resignation, to take effect March 10th. Well, we are predicting there will be at least one more before many moons.

When you educate your children you are not simply preparing them to make money—you are making it possible for them to enjoy life to the fullest.

Good roads are fine, good schools are better, but when you give that boy an education you have given him the BEST of all.

"The children will all have a square deal"—and why not.

ALLENSVILLE NEWS.

Well, did the readers of The Courier notice a letter last week from Justice. He seems to think because he is doing his trading with Josh that Richard has lost much business, when the facts are that while Justice is sitting around Josh's place of business and trying to advertise it to Richard's hurt, Richard's business has more than doubled, as we can easily show Justice. And so far as his, Justice, keeping pace with young Richard he should have known when he failed to produce but three children in three years that Richard was going to beat him, if he did have to resort to twinning.

Justice seems to think that our Governor wanted right much of the State's money last year. If this is true he certainly ought to have him prosecuted, but he better know for certain what he is talking about or the Governor might indict him for slander and employ Mr. Bailey to prosecute, and if he does Justice will be sorry that he ever made a display of wisdom.

Richard is always glad to hear from either friend or enemy through The Courier, for I do not expect everybody to agree with me about any one thing, but when I came to Allensville some fifteen years ago and found it one of the most backward and poorest townships in the County I resolved with the help of God and The Courier to make conditions better, and so doing I have made enemies as I knew I would, but have at the same time called the attention of the whole County to the fact that we had just as good men and women in Allensville township as anywhere else in the County, and today Allensville township has one of the best schools in the County, and in a public debate there last Friday young Miss Richard was pronounced the best speaker of the whole school which numbers some two or three hundred. So much for The Courier, Bro. Beam, and Poor Richard—with the whole township to say amen. There are certainly great things ahead for Allensville now that her eyes have been opened. With good committees and a corps of good teachers we must succeed. And by the way our teachers are going farther than this, they are assisting us in our Sunday School at Allensville Church, Miss M. J. Thompson and Mr. C. J. Thompson is without doubt the finest singer that has been in Allensville in a decade.

No, say anything you want to about Poor Richard. Mrs. Richard or any of the little Richards we are not afraid of criticism but come, it is just because you do not think a Richard does is no reason that which should not fight for a higher and morally better Allensville in the future than just as he has in the past. And

because I differ with you or you differ with me is no sign I dislike you, for I would not hurt a hair on your head if I had the power to do so. Poor Richard.

PERSON COUNTY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION.

The Person County Teachers' Association held its last meeting for this school year on Saturday, Feb. 9, at Roxboro. The attendance, while good, was not so full as usual, owing to the fact that several schools were closed on account of contagious diseases. Teachers were urged, again and again, to report to Dr. Bradsher each case of contagious disease, even if it is only suspected. Only in this way may epidemics be avoided.

Much general business tending to the rounding up of the year's work was disposed of Saturday. Only five of the eleven delegates due to represent the local Association at the Assembly in March were reported as having been elected, Mrs. J. A. Beam, Mr. A. C. Gentry, B. I. Satterfield, Miss Gladys Warren and Mrs. Sam Barnette; with Miss Sallie Wilkerson, Miss Mabel Montague and D. H. Crumpton as Alternates. It was requested that the other names be sent to Mrs. Beam or to Miss Ella Thompson, Roxboro, Route 3, without delay.

Teachers who attend the assembly need not furnish substitutes for that time, but may close the school for the two days, provided they attend the Assembly.

In regard to substitute teachers in general, it has been decided that hereafter every substitute employed in the public schools must be approved by the County Board. A just and uniform rate of paying substitutes was also discussed, but decided upon only in part.

One of the biggest matters before the Association this year has been the County-wide Plan. The teachers realize that this splendid plan put into effect will mean tremendous advancement for the people of Person County along all educational lines, and they express not only willingness, but eagerness, to help in any possible way toward its accomplishment. Clear-cut information is the first thing. This the teachers will be able to find in Mr. Beam's series of articles for The Courier, and this they can give out to their communities with conviction and faith.

All teachers were asked to send in at once a complete list of the children in their districts under fourteen who were legally excused from attending school this year—that is, children excused to work; also a list of those under fourteen who were out of school without legal right; and those over fourteen not in school because engaged in work.

Teachers are expected to have, in their final reports and their copies of the Elementary course of study along with their vouchers for the last month of school.

There will be no county summer school in Person this year, because the number of prospective students is not sufficient to justify the expense.

Before the meeting closed, there was a unanimous vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Beam for their faithful and loving service for the people of Person County.

Ella Graves Thompson, Secretary

A NOTED SINGER!

MRS. FRANCESKA KASPER LAWSON, NOTED SOPRANO, will sing on Tuesday night, February 26th, at Bethel Hill High School auditorium. The music loving public is to have an exceptional opportunity in hearing this splendid singer. Don't miss it. Prices for admission will be 50 cents.

MARY HAMBRIK MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Mrs. Lee Johnson of Weldon Visits the Society.

Last Tuesday afternoon the Mary Hambrick Missionary Society met in the main auditorium of the church and held an unusually interesting meeting. There were many members present and a number of invited guests from the Methodist Auxiliaries in the surrounding community.

The Bible lesson was read by Mrs. W. T. Pass, and Mrs. B. C. Thompson, from the Concord Society, led in prayer. A duet by Miss Carney and Mrs. Preston Satterfield and a solo by the latter was much enjoyed. Mrs. W. F. Long was accompanied by both members. After the regular program Mrs. Lee Johnson of Weldon, Social Service Dept. of the N. C. Conference, addressed the society on social service work. She is an attractive speaker and her talk was very interesting and helpful.

At the conclusion of the program Mrs. H. W. Winstead invited all present to the basement for a social hour. It being near St. Valentine's Day the decorations carried out the Valentine idea. On the tables were red carnations and there were red

hearts everywhere. Block cream and cake was first served and then coffee with whipped cream. Red baskets filled with heart-shaped mints were given as favors. Much of the success of the meeting is due to the social committee—Messdames H. W. Winstead, M. R. Long, O. B. McBroom and Ralph Cole—E.

A NOTED SINGER!

Mrs. Franceska Kasper Lawson, a noted soprano, will sing at Bethel Hill High School Auditorium on next Tuesday night, February 26th. If you appreciate good music don't miss this opportunity. Prices for admission will be 50 cents. Get your ticket now.

A RARE MUSICAL EVENING!

Come to Bethel Hill High School next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock and enjoy a most delightful time listening to Mrs. Franceska Kasper Lawson, a noted soprano, sing. You will not regret it, but will be sorry if you miss it. Don't miss it. Prices for admission will be 50 cents. Get your ticket now.

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Our Milliner,

Miss Louise Chilcote,

will arrive Saturday and begin her work Monday, 25th. Miss Chilcote is a Baltimore lady who has had large experience in the millinery business and comes to us highly recommended as a high class milliner and a splendid lady. Many of her purchases are already here. A good shipment is now open for your inspection. The balance will be put on sale as fast as it can be done after Miss Chilcote's arrival. We will not have an opening this season but will put all hats on sale as fast as they arrive. Come and let us show you. We expect to sell you your complete outfit for the season.

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