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## PINEHURST SHALL BE THE HEAD

(Southern Medicine and Surgery)

That the present president of the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina is a gentleman actively concerned in making a success of the job is manifest to those who have followed closely his activities since his election at the Pinehurst session a few months since. He is literally construing the section of the constitution and by-laws which provide that "Pinehurst shall be the real head of the profession of the State during his term of office, and, as far as practicable, shall visit by appointment the various sections of the State and assist the councillors in building up the county societies and in making their work more practical and useful." His recent visit to the extreme Western town of North Carolina, Murphy, to attend the Tenth District meeting was evidence of his active thoughtfulness and deep concern to foster the every interest of the organized profession. During the Murphy meeting Dr. Royster gave out an outline of his plans and purposes during his administration arranging for having a program at the next session which would be planned with a view to restricting the activities of "visiting medical statesmen" and emphasizing the importance of the Carolina doctor to the profession, to the society and to himself. The doctor also plainly expressed his desire to see the state society arrange for having its own journal and publishing the proceedings from month to month rather than a continuance of the present time-honored method of issuing an annual volume which too often appears many months following the state society's annual meeting. Dr. Royster plans to attend all of the district meetings, and is evincing the liveliest possible interest in lending a helping hand at every point where he may be of any service to the profession.

## COURT HOUSE MANNERS

Farmers around Vass are quick to note the kind of treatment accorded them when they go into the court house to transact business, and nothing galls them quicker than to run across inattention. We don't mean that they expect a clerk or a deputy or an official of any kind to get down on his knees and scrape and bow and toady to them. They would be just as much disgusted with this. But they do appreciate being waited on by one of their public servants just as carefully and as carefully and as quickly as they would be waited on by a clerk in a store. There are officials, many of them, who fail to realize that they are drawing their salaries from the farmers who transact business at the court house, and that they have no more right to neglect the taxpayer than a hired man of

## A GOOD RESOLUTION

In conversation with a well-known local man a few days ago he told us that he had made but one resolution at the beginning of the new year, and that was that he will take more pride in Vass during the months to come than he took in the months already gone.

We believe it is the best resolution we have heard of. And if ALL of our citizens would resolve to do the same thing just think what we would have to point to a year from now. The greatest trouble with smaller towns and cities of America today is they contain too many citizens of the "don't-care" type. That is, citizens who are satisfied to let things take their course. Sooner or later, when things do not go to suit them, they develop into knockers. And we all know how quickly a town or community loses the respect of every one once the knockers get to swinging their hammers. But in the town where men and women do care, where they take an interest in seeing that streets and walks and gutters are kept in repair; that school buildings and public buildings and the churches are spick and span, inside and out—there the knocker finds his seed of discontent being sown on stony ground and he quickly moves on to some other community, or learns to keep his mouth shut.

It is the easiest thing in the world to take pride in your home town, and to stop for a few minutes talk every day with your neighbors about what more is needed to make it still better. It doesn't cost anything to boast of your town's advantages to a stranger, or when you are in another community. All these little things count in the course of a year, and especially when we are all doing it. Boosting the home town gets to be contagious. Pretty soon you'll find outsiders joining in and doing the same thing. The returns are too great to be estimated. So that's why we believe the resolution to take more pride in your home town this year than you did last year is the best one you could make.

Last year there were not enough freight cars to move the crops and we suppose the alibi this year will be that there are not enough crops to move the freight cars.

We heard one man say yesterday that to him the saddest thing in the world is to see a woman who thinks she knows it all married to a man who thinks he's pretty.

any kind would have a right to "talk back" to his employes. Our county is pretty free of this sort, however, and that is why it is pleasing to note that when one of our farmers has occasion to mention his treatment at the court house it is usually to do so in an approving instead of a criticizing way.

## CAMERON

Miss Annie Pierce, of Borderlee, entertained, Saturday evening in honor of her friend, Miss Ruth Bullock of Carthage route.

Miss Vivian Matthews, Miss Lois Sanford, and Miss Annie McGill, of Vass, were week-end guests of Misses Lora and Nonnie Norman.

Cameron Hardware Company is the name of the new firm that will open next week in the Womack-Thomas building. The members of the firm are J. A. Thomas and J. W. Cameron. Both men being good carpenters, they are making the furniture required for a hardware store. The furniture is neat and quite artistic. Their motto being, "A place for everything and everything in its place."

Dr. Rosser of Vass, was called, Sunday, to see Mrs. Lula Muse in the absence of Dr. O'Briant, her attending physician. Mrs. Muse is reported better.

Mr. G. M. McDermott and family have rented rooms at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Irvin. Mr. McDermott has purchased two lots on McPherson street, opposite the Irvin home, and expects to begin the building of a home at an early date.

Messrs. George W. Cole and Dan Vick attended Carthage court Monday.

Mr. Buie and family from near Raeford have moved to Cameron. Mr. Buie is employed by D. W. McNeill. Cameron extends to Mr. Buie and family a cordial welcome.

Messrs. D. J. McNeill and Tom Phillips, of Union church, two of the best hearted scouts in Moore county, called, Saturday, at the home of the correspondent.

Rev. M. D. McNeill was called, Monday, to Sanford to assist Rev. W. M. Gilmore in the funeral services of Mr. John D. Gunter, Jr., of Sanford.

Dr. A. L. O'Briant was called home Saturday on account of the illness of his father who has pneumonia.

Mrs. Lula Stephens, of Lakeview, is nursing Mrs. L. H. Joyner, who we are pleased to report, is improving from a recent illness.

Pleased, also, to report Miss Christie McLean improving after a weeks illness.

Mr. Aaron Rogers, a well known citizen of this community, passed away Monday morning at his home near Cranes Creek. The burial took place at Hays Chapel by the side of his wife who passed several years ago. Of him can be said, as of Nathaniel, "A man in whom there was no guile."

Mr. Carl Yarborough, of Jonesboro, (Continued on page eight)

## USEFUL LITTLE BOOKLET

The Legislative Reference Library of the North Carolina Historical Commission has just issued a very useful little booklet of 68 pages entitled "Directory of State and County Officials of North Carolina" which con-

## DELEGATES FOR COTTON ASSOCIATION MEET

Last Wednesday delegates selected by the various county conventions met in Hamlet. Mr. J. W. Graham, of Aberdeen, represented Moore county. A full quorum was present. Mr. L. M. Blue, of Gibson, was made permanent Chairman and Mr. Graham secretary.

Mr. J. M. Dockery, of Rockingham, and Mr. A. A. McEachern, of Raeford, were nominated for directors of this cotton district. The district is composed of Hoke, Moore, Scotland and Richmond counties. These nominees will be presented to all the members of the association and a ticket prepared for ballot. Each member will be asked to mail this ballot to Mr. E. P. Pearce at Hamlet by January 30th, when with the assistance of Ryan McBride of Red Springs and T. B. Baxley of Roberdell, they will count ballots and declare the proper delegate as director. M. W. WALL, County Agent.

## MEETING OF PEACH GROWERS

There will be an important meeting of all peach growers on January 27th, 1922, at 2 o'clock p. m., in the Community Building at Pinehurst, for the purpose of formulating plans for the institution of a vigorous suppression campaign against the peach curculio in the Sandhills fruit section of North Carolina. All growers and others interested in the welfare of the peach industry are urged to be in attendance and offer hearty co-operation in getting the work under way so that the peach crop for 1922 may suffer no loss through attacks of the curculio as was the case last year with the crop in many orchards.

The speakers will be: Mr. J. B. Gill of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Dr. R. W. Leiby of the State Department of Agriculture, and Prof. Franklin Sherman, Chief of the Division of Entomology, State Department of Agriculture. Growers should by all means go to Pinehurst to attend this important meeting and get first hand information as to the best methods for fighting and controlling the peach curculio.

tains a complete list of North Carolina Congressmen, State officers, heads of the various State departments, boards and commissions, State institutions and presidents, judicial officers, members of the Legislature and of county officials with their postoffice addresses. It gives for each county the name and address of the clerk of the court, register of deeds, sheriff, treasurer, coroner, surveyor, auditor, superintendent of health, superintendent of schools, superintendent of public welfare, chairman of the board of elections, county and highway commissioners. Copies of the booklet may be obtained upon application to H. M. London, Legislative Reference Librarian, Raleigh.

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