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Dr. Carl C. Taylor, of N. C. State College, who will speak at the Sandhill Farm Life School Tuesday night, September 20.

## TOBACCO OUTLOOK EXTREMELY GOOD

### Aberdeen Warehouses Look for Record Breaker Next Week.

That the tobacco opening at Aberdeen on Tuesday will be the biggest ever known in the county is the expectation of those best informed as to market conditions. The new warehouse can take care of about 150,000 pounds, which will be in addition to the floor capacity of the two old warehouses. But prophets are saying that the inquiries indicate that both old and new will have all they can handle on the opening day, and that the sales will see the biggest movement of bright leaf ever recorded in this section.

An interesting phase of the situation is the inquiry from planters at some distance who seem to have a favorable conception of the Aberdeen market. It looks now as if more tobacco will come from farther away than at any time in the past, while the increased amount in the immediate vicinity will swell the quantity handled. An enthusiasm has been kindled concerning Sandhills tobacco, and that has attracted attention over a wide area. Many strangers are expected next week to look over the market, and to study the quality of leaf grown in this section, and they seem to be of the tribe of Reuben and of the tribe of Simeon, and

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## MOORE COUNTY FOREST NOTES

### Schedule of Work for This Fall Is Now Taking Satisfactory Shape.

Moore county has started in the new year with increased interest. We are not contented with our creditable showing that was established last year. Our ambition and plans are to hold our place in the sun. Our schedule of work for this fall is now taking very satisfactory shape, we are tightening up our organization along all lines, also we are weeding out some who have not shown the proper spirit and qualifying new members in their place on account of the game and fish work being assigned to us we are forced to employ more people. In the danger fire section of this county we are organizing groups of men in parts of the county where it is possible under the agreement that they stand ready at all times to go and take charge of forest fires on a minute's notice. These groups are known to the work as "Minute Men."

Moore county has recently undergone a thorough inspection by the district forester and chief forest warden, J. A. D. McCormick. He was very much impressed with the condi-

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## COUNTY FINANCES IN GOOD SHAPE

### Situation in Better Shape Now Than Ever in History of Moore County.

BION H. BUTLER.

I was over in Carthage the first of the week, and when I go to Carthage I generally fall in with folks who want to talk about county affairs. This trip the subject that came up most frequently was the statement of the county general expenses for the past two years and the budget for the present year. The statement shows an increase of expenditure in the year just closed of over \$18,000, and some of the folks wonder why the increase. An examination of the statement shows that the recorder's court added one item of cost, although reducing the cost of the superior court by a material figure. Another moderate increase was the rural police, while the court house and grounds accounted for another material increase of expense. But the largest item was that which provided for the audit of the office of the clerk of court, and the indexing of the work at the clerk's office. As the three items, the court house grounds, the audit and indexing, will not be required this year, nor any other year, it is seen that these were temporary items, and it is plain enough to those who will look into the matter that they were necessary. To take the court house grounds first, that cost was entailed by the walks, shrubbery, lawns, etc., which were created around the building after the excellent plan made by Francis Deaton. The county got its money's worth there. That job had to be done, for it would be absurd to leave the court house standing indefinitely in rubbish and chaos as was the case after the building was put up and before the grounds were improved.

The indexing at the court house is the biggest item, and if it had been done years ago much money would have been saved. But when Judge McIver retired from the office he carried with him a knowledge that had to be replaced in some manner and the only way it could be done was by putting in a system of indexes that information which for years he has carried in his head, for the common welfare of every one having business at the county seat. The index system was for the clerk's office what the index system is in the recorder's office, a complete list of titles, and information as to where to find any thing pertaining to the transactions that have taken place in court. Judge McIver took the court work when the county had but little business compared with what it is now, and in a time when indexes had not reached the perfection that is necessary at the present time. As the county affairs grew he continued his personal acquaintance with them, and while he acted as clerk he was a mighty capable index. But the time came when he tired of the steadily growing burden of the office and he announced his intention of retiring. Everybody connected with the court house knew exactly what would happen when McIver stepped out. He would have to step in for consultation day after day about records and proceedings, for had a Solomon with all his wisdom come to the office it would have been impossible for him in a long time to gather up the routine and the detail of the office. John Wilcox is making a highly acceptable clerk, but that the affairs of the office have been indexed makes it possible for him to quickly gather up the thread of affairs, for no man could do it quickly in any other way. Fortunately Judge McIver has been ready at all times to give information about all that concerns the office. But now with the indexes the man who has business at the office can go to the indexes and

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## CHAUTAUQUA AT EUREKA SCHOOL

### Eminent Educators and Leaders at the Sandhill Farm Life School Four Days Next Week

Farm Life School will next week present an educational Chautauqua program which will be an event in county educational circles.

On Tuesday night, September 20, the first number will begin promptly at 8 o'clock in the Auditorium and continue through four evenings, and each program will furnish an opportunity for the citizens of the county to hear an address by a speaker of State-wide prominence. The speakers for the four nights are as follows:

Tuesday, September 20, at 8 p. m., Dr. Carl C. Taylor, dean of the graduate department of N. C. State College.

Wednesday, September 21, 8 p. m., Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, State High School Supervisor.

Thursday, September 22, 8 p. m., Mrs. Jane McKimmon, State Supervisor of Home Demonstration Work.

Friday, September 23, 8 p. m., Governor Angus W. McLean.

The central location of the Sandhill Farm Life School makes it pos-

sible for people to attend the Chautauqua from all sections of the county. In addition to the address on each evening, excellent musical numbers will be rendered by Moore county's best musical talent. A double quartet from the Sandhill Sixteen and the Round Dozen Music Club of Carthage, along with other talent of a high order, are the musical features which will furnish entertainment. There will be no admission charges. Farm Life School is advancing materially under its new relation to the county, its opening term starting off with practically a full house in the various departments, both high school and vocational schools having a large attendance. The attempt to broaden with the Chautauqua program has for its aim to give the students a varied selection of educational features on the side with the regular daily instruction, and also to bring before the people of the com-

munity some of the advantages that an institution of this sort can afford the neighborhood. The speakers are all closely identified with educational work, Governor McLean being, of course head of all educational activities in the State. And no one will resent the classification when Mrs. Jane McKimmon is mentioned next in order, for no man needs to be ashamed to give precedence in a biographical paragraph to Mrs. McKimmon. Possibly she has been of more help to the people of North Carolina in her days of public effort than any man in the boundaries, for her work has been among the women, and especially the women who have most needed what she can do for them. Dr. Taylor, who opens the program on Tuesday night is one of the brightest thinkers in the State, and while he is not a native he has made himself a place in educational work that is enviable, and which is appreciated by those who know him. Dr. Highsmith, the State School



Mrs. Jane McKimmon, State Supervisor of Home Demonstration Work, who will make a talk at the Sandhill Farm Life School Thursday night, September 22.

## SALLY REMODELS JOHNSON HOUSE

### Begins on Big Job of Reconstruction at Pinehurst Dwelling.

A. B. Sally, who is finishing up the Dunlap house at Pinehurst, one of the finest dwellings in Central North Carolina, this week has started on another extensive contract, that of remodeling the Redfield property which Eldridge Johnson bought in the spring before going North. The Redfield house is a big and interesting old place, being one of the first large houses in Pinehurst. Besides being large and comfortable and interesting its years have given it the advantage of a wonderful collection of trees and shrubbery on its large space, and that shrubbery is a factor in the remodeling of the building. Mr. Johnson would probably have torn down the present house and built a new one, but to do that would have been to inflict much damage on the trees and plants and he would not permit that to be done.

So Mr. Sally is overhauling the interior of the big house and reshaping many of the rooms and changing partitions and rebuilding many of the walls, and giving portions of the roof a new design, and when he is through with a cost of sixty or seventy thousand dollars the Redfield home which has been one of the outstanding homes of Middle North Carolina, will have become the Eldridge Johnson home, still one of the foremost homes of Central Carolina, and also an outstanding and interesting feature of Pinehurst.

The work will go forward as fast as men and material can push it along, and it will be ready for use possible during the latter part of the season.

Pinehurst has made some radical changes which will meet the approval of the winter colony as well as of the home folks. Francis Deaton has relocated street lines and sidewalks all over the village, and curbs and gutters have been pushed back farther toward the building lines, giving more street and walk room, and street and walk lines have been defined, shrubbery relocated and brought out more strikingly, until the whole central part of the village and the main roads leading to the country have been brought out in a wholly new dress. Around the Carolina brick piers have been set up to define the entrances to the hotel grounds, and a picturesque appearance marks that section of the village. All around the village new houses have added to the growing signs. The State has improved the Carthage road, and the road to Greensboro, and also taken hold of the road by Midlands to Southern Pines, and is maintaining that. The golf courses are as green as a country lad just arrived at the freshman

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Supervisor, is another of the salt of the earth, as he has devoted his days to the advancement of school work, and is largely to be credited with the amazing progress our public schools have made. And while comment is in progress concerning this venture at Farm Life the county Board of Education and the Farm Life organization are to be included for they are doing a progressive work over there that is emphatically worth while.

It's surprising how many things a girl can learn at a boarding school that will never be any use to her.

The weight of a woman's first baking is usually equal to twice the weight of the ingredients.

If a young man sows wild oats mixed with old rye he is reasonably sure to raise a disturbance.