

Many Attending Educational Chautauqua Now Being Held at Farm Life School.

Gov. Angus Wilton McLean
Will Speak Friday Night,
September 23.

The Educational Chautauqua, which is being held at Farm Life School this week has exceeded even the expectations of its promoters. The idea was new, the program, an experiment; but results have been so gratifying that it is to be hoped that the Educational Chautauqua will be an institution in Moore County. Each evening the attendance has been large and representative, the speakers pleasing, and the speeches, the best possible.

On Tuesday evening Dr. Carl Taylor, dean of State College, opened the program with a speech on "Better Rural Conditions." He was presented to the audience by J. Talbot Johnson, of Aberdeen, in a few well chosen words. Dr. Taylor has spoken at Farm Life before, and his hearers knew that something good would be forthcoming. In a most interesting manner he traced the development of agriculture from pioneer days, when man raised and made everything that he ate and more on a little plot around the cabin, to the present time, when man specializes even in farming. Since three-fourths of the people of our State and county are engaged in agriculture, the speaker plead for scientific farming, and for the placing of it on a business basis. He urged that the farmer of the South so regulate his time and work as to have 365 days of production activity. Dr. Taylor stirred the minds of his hearers, and scattered many worthwhile ideas.

On Wednesday evening Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, State inspector of high schools, was the speaker, and he had in his audience, school men from every corner of Moore. W.



Dr. Carl Taylor, of State College.

applause when he said that the first bill to be passed by our next Legislature should be one providing for an eight-months' school term. "South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee are all ahead of us there," he said. "But," said Dr. Highsmith, "it is not so much to keep up with our neighbors, as it is to bring a square deal to our rural children, that we should have an eight-months' term." He proved conclusively that the boy whose elementary education is limited by a six months' term hasn't the same chance as his city cousin who has enjoyed the many blessings which good teachers and a long term bring.

Seldom, if ever, have the people of Moore County heard a better speech, coming from the experience of one who knows our State, our schools, and our folks as does Dr. Highsmith. It was such a speech as will make school men and citizens go back home and get busy.

On both evenings the people were entertained with attractive musical numbers. On Tuesday evening the Girls' Glee Club of the local school rendered well three pretty choruses. On Wednesday evening Superintendent Morton, of Pinehurst, and his teachers, gave an artistic program. Superintendent Morton never does things by halves and he and his teachers were experts in their line.

And to whom is the credit due for bringing such good things to the people of Moore County, on the eve of a new school year?

And to whom is credit due for getting together educational leaders from Vass, Aberdeen, Carthage, Pinehurst, West End, Jackson

Springs and other sections of the county and sending them all home thinking about the same things?

It was Supt. R. G. Hutcheson of Farm Life, who conceived, planned, and carried out the idea of an Educational Chautauqua. But it will be all Moore County that will be reaping.

ABERDEEN SELLS 250,000 POUNDS.

(Continued From Page One.) also who has been visiting the warehouses in the Eastern part of the State, says Aberdeen is holding its place among the leaders in prices, and he expects to see the local market again well toward the head of the list all through the season. He estimates from his contact with the trade that the two houses will handle not less than four million pounds, and possibly more. The markets this season are under the figures of last year, all over the State. He does

not attempt to say whether this will be overcome later or not, but does believe that Aberdeen has the quality of leaf to bring a price that will compare with anything handled any place.

The most of the farmers looked with complacency on the prices, although some were outspoken in their criticism of the lower figures than were anticipated a few weeks ago. Friday a big sale is expected, and by that time the observers say things will have settled down to where it will be easier to guess what the final outcome will be. But there is a general sentiment that Aberdeen has made a new place for itself in the handling of leaf tobacco, and that from now on it will have a place in the permanent markets.

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Supt. R. G. Hutcheson, of Sandhill Farm Life and Moore County Teachers' Training School, who conceived and planned the idea of a Educational Chautauqua.

Duncan Matthews, of Vass, in a happy speech, introduced him to the audience, and thereafter the audience was Dr. Highsmith's, for he held them from the start. After listening to Dr. Highsmith on Wednesday evening in a great speech on the Equalization of Educational Opportunities, the writer could understand how this one man can mold into form the various and sundry high schools of North Carolina, handle the great army of more or less docile high school teachers, and get them to do his bidding. For, the man was more than interesting; he was captivating. One had to listen to what he said, and one had to think with him, so sincere was his manner, and so forceful his personality. His speech was clever, witty and so simple that every school child present understood and enjoyed it.

Dr. Highsmith showed that to have equal opportunities, we must have three things, money, good teachers, and an eight months' term. Figures don't lie, and he proved that we are a rich State with many false standards, many luxuries and fads receiving more money than education. Dr. Highsmith urged that standards be readjusted, and that folks and little children and their welfare be given first place in the thoughts of our people.

In his second point Dr. Highsmith cleverly caricatured the flapper teacher; he also drew a beautiful picture of the real teacher, training, developing, and inspiring by example as well as by precept.

Dr. Highsmith struck a note of

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