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NOW THEY CAN TALK IT OVER

Struthers Burt, a week or so ago, bemoaned the fact that all elements in Southern Pines were not working in unison for the good of the town. It is barely possible that this week's election may provide the remedy.

It is well known that for some time there has been an undercurrent of friction between the Board of Commissioners and the Chamber of Commerce. The Pilot does not know why, unless it has been that the suggestions of one have been considered unreasonable by the other. Naturally, a Chamber of Commerce works for a community's betterment, but it does not have the responsibility of the purse strings. The Board of Commissioners, just as interested in the town's welfare, has. It is but natural that there should be a difference of opinion about the importance, the necessity of various projects recommended by the Chamber. There has to be a "watchdog of the treasury."

Well, the election results show this: the placing on the city's governing body of the president and the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. Now the two factions will sit beside each other at the council table and thresh it out shoulder to shoulder and eye to eye, instead of by committee visitations and writing pretty letters back and forth.

It looks to us as if things had shaped up pretty well for the next two years.

MOORE COUNTY'S MATERNITY ASSOCIATION

This Sunday is Mother's Day. As a rule we fight shy of these "Days," believing that the sentimental ballyhoo which attends their celebration adds little to, if it does not indeed detract from, the dignity and beauty of the subject. But if there must be a day set aside in honor of motherhood, at least there is one most appropriate way in which it can be observed. It is by encouraging and supporting the work started last year by a group of Moore county women to improve the health conditions of the mothers of the county.

Moore county is a big county; there are many people in it who live far from a doctor. The conditions in some of the homes are almost primitive and the knowledge of health measures is very meagre. For some time the state health department has issued educational pamphlets about pre-natal care and the care and feeding of babies, but it is doubtful if they were ever read. Most of the women are ignorant of the dangers of pregnancy and the mid-wives on whom many depend for care are as ignorant as their patients. The record of mortality and invalidism due to poor care during and after childbirth has been a bad one.

With this situation in mind, a group of women under the leadership of Mrs. Wiibur Currie, formed the Moore County Maternity Association Committee last spring. Miss Margaret McQueen was engaged to start the work. Six pre-natal clinics were organized, and have been held every month in different parts of the county. Each clinic is conducted by a doctor who is paid five dollars for his services. He is assisted by Miss McQueen. Volunteer aids bring the patients to the clinics, take histories and help in other ways. Two of the clinics are held in doctors' offices, and the others in community centers.

The mothers who come to the clinics are given a physical examination including the various necessary tests. They are then told how to take care of themselves and how to prepare for the care of the baby.

CARO-GRAPHICS by MURRAY JONES JR



MISSIONARY
"HELLO MY SHEEP!"
JOHN BLAIR WAS SENT TO N.C. FROM ENGLAND AS A MISSIONARY IN 1704

DO YOU KNOW YOUR STATE?



DOCTORS
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF 1876, A BILL WAS INTRODUCED "TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE OF NORTH CAROLINA AGAINST DOCTORS"



NEW BERN
"HE OUGHT TO BE A FINE GOVERNOR - HE HADN'T ANYTHING TO LIVE UP TO"
THE FIRST GOVERNOR OF NORTH CAROLINA WAS SWORN IN HERE

DID YOU KNOW THAT ABOUT \$9,000,000 OF NORTH CAROLINA GOLD WAS COINED AT PHILADELPHIA BEFORE 1860? THIS WAS ONLY A SMALL PART OF THE GOLD TAKEN FROM THE MINES!

DID YOU KNOW THAT JOSEPH HUGHES, OF EDENTON WAS THE FIRST PERSON TO BRING BEFORE THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONGRESS, THE PROPOSITION OF INDEPENDENCE?

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• THE EDITORS OF CARO-GRAPHICS INVITE YOU TO SEND IN INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY •

There are sample layettes on exhibition which can be given away when there is need; educational pamphlets are available; every effort is made to teach the patient what she needs to know and guard against, and to impress upon her the need for care and good sense during her pregnancy and afterwards. Above all, the patients are urged to keep on coming to the clinics and, wherever possible, to get in touch with a physician and arrange for his care at the time of delivery. Between clinics, the maternity nurse calls on patients who are not well, hunts up others who need help, and takes cases to physicians where there is need for further examination or treatment.

The number who attended clinics totals one hundred and forty. Eighty-eight of these patients have had their babies; twenty-seven were delivered by physicians and sixty-one by mid-wives. Five of the clinic patients were taken to the hospital on account of serious complications. These emergency cases were delivered there and all five survived.

Miss McQueen has, of course, worked under the County Health Department whose head, Dr. Symington, has given unflinching of his time and energy to this work. It has also had the support of the physicians of the county, with only a few exceptions. Dr. Mudgett and Dr. Monroe have given advice and encouragement, while, conducting the clinics, have been Doctors Stutz of Southern Pines, Bowman and Bowen of Aberdeen, Rosser of Vass, Eckerson of Cameron, McDuffie of Hemp, Davis of Glendon, Blue and Felton of Carthage, and Wilcox of West End. The county owes a debt of gratitude to these busy men. It is only another instance of the public spirited generosity of our doctors.

There is another branch of this work which has only been touched on; the question of the mid-wives. At present it is easier to get a license to practice mid-wifery in Moore county than it is to get one to run a car. All that is needed is to send an application and a dollar to Raleigh. With the license comes a two-page leaflet of rules to be followed, including a list of required supplies. Once a year the supplies are supposed to be checked by a doctor or nurse. Last year forty-eight mid-wives were known to be practicing in the county. Only sixteen were registered. A few of these women are intelligent and able, but the majority are, through age, mental or physical disability, or disease, unfit to perform this exacting and critically important service. It is highly necessary that those who are able among them be taught and the unfit eliminated from practice. Plans are under way for the development of this branch of the work.

Last year the County lost eight mothers who died at childbirth. This year, so far, the slate is clean. Of course this is undoubtedly due largely to luck or circumstance, but who can say that there might not have been five marks on the slate already if those five clinic patients had not been taken to the hospital. And if there had been no clinics for them to attend, if Miss McQueen had not known of their poor health, of the need for keeping in close touch with them; if they had not been seen when they were seen, it is almost certain that if they had reached a hospital at all it would have been too late to save them.

Such a record of achievement is offered in a plea for the help of all the people of this county. It is offered with thankfulness and also with

GRAINS OF SAND

The students in the class of biology have been making a collection of cultivated and wild flowers. Some of the industrious ones who are interested in the work have over 200 varieties of pressed specimens in their display. A familiarity with 200 flowers isn't a bad beginning. The youngsters have dug up positive proof of our great wealth of flowers.

For a number of years sightseers flocked into the peach belt during the blossoming season to see the trees when out in full bloom. Evidently it was worth the effort as they returned time after time. Just now we have the orchards equivalent in the dewberry fields, out in snowy whiteness, heavy with a fragrance the peach flower does not have. Those who appreciate the floral show of the dewberry will find acres and acres of them now at their best by traveling over some of the roads that touch near the Lakeview, Vass and Cameron neighborhoods and east as far as the Lobelia and Bear Creek section.

Many travelers in their search for beauty pass through the dewberry world unfortunately, without realizing what an exhibit they offer.

Mrs. Mary Jones has been seriously ill at her home in Southern Pines and an interest somewhat out of the ordinary is shown in her welfare. Mrs. Jones established her own rating in the village years ago among the older neighbors and at the same time encouraged a friendship in the children that has held through a gratifying period. She taught a boy's class in one of the local churches, and the result is that today young men remember a fine old character whether they hail from Kingsport, Kushequa or Lillington. Her Christmas mail for years brought cards of remembrance that ranged pretty well through the alphabet of names, and when the older boys and girls get back for an occasional visit they continue the friendly contact.

"Maytime" and "Romeo and Juliet," two unusually fine pictures filled the Southern Pines theater to capacity during their engagements here. Manager Picquet said he turned away enough on the last night of "Maytime" to fill the house again if it could have been held over for another showing. Some fans were not content with one entertainment but saw it several times.

If any North Carolinian thinks he has reason to be concerned over conditions of the State he might feel better when he looks over the report from the State's treasury showing a cash balance on hand of over twenty-seven million dollars, the figure given for the end of March, the highest balance for years. The State's bonded debt was also at its lowest level for a long period.

A high balance in anything, State

humility and a full realization of the task ahead. The work is begun; it can only go on if the people of Moore County are behind it. Funds are needed to buy medicine, baby clothes, tonics, in some cases food; to pay the doctors who hold the clinics, to buy equipment. Is there any better way to celebrate Mother's Day than to contribute towards this work for the Mothers of Moore County?

Contributions may be sent to Mrs. Walter MacNelle, Pinebluff, or to Mrs. James Boyd, Southern Pines.

affairs or your own, never fails to bring an agreeable surprise we all like to experience.

Cars passing Swinnerton's stable last Friday between the fashionable hours of four and six stopped out of curiosity when they saw so many people crowded about the door. Automobiles for more than half a block had taken up the available parking space. Dogs were arriving and departing in many directions. Dr. Neal, the popular veterinarian, was staging a sort of afternoon at home for a lot of his friends and many recognized their cordial host. Members of the canine tribe were strutting out with shiny new jewelry attached to their collars saying they had been inoculated for rabies.

Some of the unsuspecting visitors arrived in expensive cars with uniformed chauffeurs, some rolled up in the ordinary automobile that accommodated the whole family, and others like Sarah Maud in the Bird's

April Weather

Mercury Fluctuated Between High of 89 and Low of 30 During Month

A succession of cold mornings, the thermometer dropping to a low of 30 on the 11th and 12th, with the wind continuing in a northerly quadrant for a number of days, offset the high temperatures of the afternoon hours so that the average temperature for April was 1.25 degrees lower than normal, and 3.25 degrees below that of last April.

Sixteen days of the month were all clear, five part cloudy, six cloudy, and seven with more or less rain. Twenty three days had a maximum temperature of 70 or above. A high of 89 was reached on the 25th. A total of 5.97 inches of rain fell, 2.51 inches on the 5th. This precipitation was a little over two and one-half inches more than normal for the month, and increases the rainfall for the first four months of the year to a total of 20.60 inches.

Long time	Max.	Min.	Aver.
Average	73.6	48.9	61.3
1936	68.05	43.57	55.8
1937	74.96	44.25	59.05

BASEBALL DANCE

The Southern Pines High School baseball team will end their season with a dance at the Civic Club tonight at 8 o'clock. The admission price will be 35c.

Christmas Carol, found it "sech a pleasant evenin' 'n' sech a short walk that they left their hats to home" and walked or were led by a string. The pup proud of lineage, and the scrub was there. The invitation was extended to all alike. It was not only a democratic affair but one where diplomacy figured also. All those inclined to argue were held back from the center of activity and like a lot of other social gatherings a few had to be suppressed now and then so peace was maintained.

The number attending was much larger than first anticipated with over a hundred registered, and from all signs, it was a successful afternoon for all of those who paid their respects to Dr. Neal.

CONTEST FOR COUNTRY NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENTS

The third annual contest to find the champion country newspaper correspondent of the United States was announced this week by Wheeler McMillen, editor of the Country Home Magazine, a national farm publication. Prizes totalling \$400 will be awarded by the magazine, and the winner also will get a trip to New York and Washington, as in previous years.

In announcing this year's contest Mr. McMillen stated the belief that "throughout the country there are hundreds of men and women who do a fine job of writing and reporting in their local newspapers, as good a job in their own field as do many famous reporters on the big city dailies. Our annual Country Correspondents Contest is an opportunity for these able rural correspondents to gain wider recognition."

Entries for the 1936-37 awards should be sent to the magazine by June 15th. The contest is open to country correspondents in cities of 10,000 population or less. Entries may be submitted by the editors, the writers themselves, or by readers, and the awards will be made by a committee of eminent journalists.

SEWELL D. WALKER DIES AT HOME IN CAMERON

Sewell D. Walker, 83, formerly of Boston, died at his home at Cameron Sunday night from a stroke of paralysis. Mr. Walker, a retired landscape gardener, came to Moore county a number of years ago. He lived for several years in Niagara. He had been in good health until five days ago, when he suffered an attack of paralysis.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist church in Cameron Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with the Rev. Mr. McNeil officiating, followed with burial at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Southern Pines, later in the afternoon.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Nobel Thompson Walker of Cameron, and three daughters, Mrs. Philip Butler of Auburndale, Mass., Miss Carrie E. Walker of Norridgewock, Me. and Mrs. Burt Stanion of Niagara.

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