

Editorials and Local News

By Ninth Grade Pupils Turlington Graded School

NINTH GRADE DOING NEWSPAPER WORK.

The Ninth Grade in Turlington Graded School has been studying "The Making of a Newspaper" as suggested in their "English for Business." A part of the work that has been done is published in this issue of The Herald, through the kindness of the editor. Several short editorials, local news and two poems constitute the Grade's contributions to this issue.

The editorial staff is as follows: Editors - in - Chief—Rachel Jordan and Ermine Bundy.

Local Department—Helene Ives and Paul B. Johnson.

Contributors—John Grimes, Verney Peterson, Lily Johnson, Lucy Lee, Thelma Peedin, Ruth Smith, Cherry Gurley, Maie Sellers, Flora Vaile and Kirk Lassiter.

THE CHICKEN ORDINANCE.

(By Helene Ives.)

At a recent meeting of the town commissioners, an ordinance was passed making it a violation of the law for chickens to run at large. This will help the town and the people therein very much.

For instance, if you have a garden and your neighbor has chickens and makes no attempt to keep them at home, your garden will be eaten up entirely. And you can't but expect that the man whose garden will have to be planted over, can help from being mad.

Another reason also why this is a very good law is that the chickens will be kept out of the streets and drivers will not have to take care to drive around the chickens as a few people do. So let us all work together and keep our chickens in our own yards and so save money and time.

GOING TO THE TRAINING CAMP.

(By John Grimes.)

The Training Camp for boys under 18 years of age is a new thing. This is its second year, but it has been a big success and we hope to see it made a still bigger success this summer. It is a place where the Government trains boys free of charge for one month and it pays your railroad fares both ways, and your expenses while you are there. I think that every boy ought to attend it for one month, to be prepared to fight for his country when it calls for him.

NEEDS OF THE SCHOOL.

(By Flora Vaile.)

The pupils of Turlington Graded School are proud of their school. They are glad of the advantages which it affords. This makes them envious to see it push forward in every way. They want it to be the best school possible. Since this is the spirit of the needs of the school, there are two or three needs which the school recognizes. Among these the most important are:

1. We want to have our grounds leveled. There is a large mud puddle in front of our building which looks very ugly. Some one threatened putting up a sign: "No Fishing Here." But we don't want a fish-pond in front of our building.

2. This building would be a delightful back-ground for flowers and a green lawn in front would be attractive, but where would the children play? This brings out a third need.

3. We need more ground. If the smaller children are playing some games we have to walk on the edges of the campus. If the larger ones are playing they are nearly always running over some small child. Would it not be better if we had a larger play-ground?

4. We have not enough athletics. If we had a tennis court it would be used both summer and winter. It would be a pleasure to us, to have a tennis game on Field Day. But how can we have a representative from our school unless we have a tennis court?

5. On the inside of our building we need a much larger stage. When we have a chorus, we are all crowded on the stage. When Field Day is here, which is every year, we have not enough room for the ones who take part. When we have commencement, the graduating class, the speaker and school board hardly have room. The auditorium will not hold the school children, much less the children's parents and visitors. When the school has many visitors they have to stand up, sit in windows or anywhere they possibly can.

PUNISHMENT.

"Don't Know Why She Spanked Me."

(By Paul B. Johnson.)

Do you mothers ever stop to consider how tremendously important in a child's life is the matter of punishment? Every time punishment of any kind, no matter how slight, is administered to a child it must have some effect upon the child's future. Mothers should be extremely careful as to when and how they should punish their little one.

There was a tiny girl of three years who loved bright colors as all children do. She was attracted to a beautiful scarlet geranium growing in the garden. The little one toddled up to it and pulled the pretty flower from its stem. Her mother ran at her screaming: "Don't touch those flowers!" But the child had already pulled them. Her mother spanked her and hit her little hands and tore the flowers from her grasp. The child had not been told that it was wrong to pull flowers. She had been taught to love them and pick violets and field flowers whenever she wanted to. How was she to know that the lovely scarlet flowers were different? How was she to know that they must not be touched? Why she wanted them so—they looked beautiful.

The unjustly punished baby cried. Her feelings were hurt more than the spanking hurt. She has lived many years since then, but to this day, she cordially dislikes red geraniums. That little incident in her babyhood affected her whole life. She really did not know why she was spanked. But the association of that unjust spanking with red flowers has remained in her consciousness for many years.

THE HIGH PRICES OF FOOD.

(By Cherry Gurley.)

Food and nearly everything else is very high and is still climbing. This doesn't hurt the farmer as it does the day laborer, because they get higher prices for their crops. The day laborer only gets his wages, and while food is going higher his wages are at a stand still. What shall we do? Something must be done or our best friends will be starving. Lower prices, raise wages, or we will soon hear the people cry out for food.

PATRIOTISM.

(By Lily Johnson.)

True patriotism is always greatly needed, but now, in the present crisis of America, it is very much more so.

It is very good to show one's love for our country by saluting the flag and singing patriotic hymns, and it is better to give one's services to our country as a soldier in uniform under arms, but how much better still it is to stay at home and work and save that these soldiers may be armed and fed and clothed. This is something in which every man, woman and child may have a part.

How many gardens might be planted or how many chickens might be raised in uncultivated back yards! In Europe there is hardly an inch of available ground which is not cultivated. Not a scrap of food is thrown away. Every rag and stick is pressed into service. When will America adopt these thrifty methods?

Let us work for thrift. Let us plant more gardens and raise more chickens. Let us be more saving and less extravagant. Only with the help and patriotism of every one can our noble and just cause succeed.

VACATION.

(By Thelma Peedin.)

Vacation is here! Vacation is here! Oh what a jolly time of the year! Forget your books, and your teacher's cross looks, And come to the meadow and play in the brooks. Get in your boat and give a shove with your oar, And oh, such a pleasure you ne'er had before; Up stream and down stream we will row with a will Till the twelve o'clock whistle sounds sharp and shrill.

Kirby-Creech.

Last Saturday-week Miss Carletta Creech, of this city, and Mr. P. H. Kirby drove to the home of Mr. Wiggs, Justice of the Peace, who lives near Pine Level, and were quietly married. This event was not known until last Saturday. We heartily wish them a long and happy life.

WHEN PA WAS COURTIN' MA.

(By Paul B. Johnson.)

When Pa went courtin' Ma to woo He'd hold her hand, that's what he'd do— And tell her how she was so sweet— That she had all the others beat. Then Ma would blush (she told me so) Until 'twas time for Pa to go.

One night Pa says to Ma, says he, "Say Ruby, will you marry me?" An' Ma says "Yes," so soft and low Just like an angel would, I know. My Pa just like to bust with pride When he brought Ma home as his bride.

They've kept on lovin' all these years, Though there's been heartaches, and some tears, But through it all they've worn a smile And held each other's hands the while. I guess I'd be for married life If a girl like Ma would be my wife.

HOW TO HAVE A FINE GARDEN.

(By Verney Peterson.)

If you like to make a fine garden join in with the other people and help destroy all the English sparrows and their nests that you see sticking up in most every tree and in old houses and lofts.

It takes about one quart of grain to feed a sparrow, or they will eat that much per day. They will return your kindness for letting them raise in your trees in this way. Pull up your peas, run off the helpful birds, stop up your gutters and valleys and will eat and destroy most anything that you plant in a garden.

One boy in this town went to work one morning and destroyed fifteen nests and thirty-nine eggs with four half-grown sparrows in one nest. Now why can't the other people in Smithfield kill the sparrows and feed themselves more. By doing this you won't have to be a soldier for Uncle Sam to help him, for you will help him most of all by helping to save food matter for him.

Let's all go out for the sparrow now. Will you?

THE HIGH STAND T. G. S. HAS TAKEN ABROAD.

(By Lucy Lee.)

When Albert Contes, a member of the class of 1914 of T. G. S., won the "Peace" prize at Greensboro, Friday night, one more laurel was added to the record of the Turlington Graded School pupils. This school has had an unusual record of which the entire community is proud. Albert has won many other prizes besides this and the school is very proud of him.

SWAT THE FLY.

(By Hazel Gillette.)

In practically every town and city in the United States ever since people can remember there have been flies upon flies. Various means have been used to kill these little insects and to encourage fly killing.

Millions upon millions of these little disease carrying flies have been destroyed and a great many cases of typhoid and other germ diseases have been decreased in the places where the "swat the fly" idea has been the slogan.

In Smithfield we want a flyless town and we must all work to have one. Let us all prevent as far as we can the hatching of flies and swat one whenever we see one and can. And maybe if we try all together we will soon have a flyless Smithfield.

Social by X-Y-Z Club.

Last Friday evening at 8:30 a party was given at the school house by the X-Y-Z Club.

The guests were met at the door by Miss Rachel Jordan, who ushered them into the office. Many delightful selections having been played on the Grafonola and after engaging in different games, delicious cream was served.

These meetings of the Club have been a delightful diversion of the school work during the year and it is hoped they will be continued.

Bridge Club Entertained.

Mrs. George Ross Pou entertained the Bridge Club last Friday afternoon at the home of her mother, Mrs. E. W. Pou. The home was tastefully decorated, yellow and white color scheme being carried out. At the close of the game delicious ices and cakes were served. Mrs. Robin Hood, of Kingston, and Mrs. F. H. Brooks were guests of honor. F. M. V.

Misses Carrie Brodie Sanders and Lily Ruth Johnson competed for the best short story from our school to represent us in a State-wide contest given by the State Normal College. Although both wrote good stories, Miss Sanders won, the title of her story being "Not through fire but through water." We hope that our school will win out in this contest.

Local and Personal

Mrs. P. H. Kirby spent Sunday in Benson.

Miss Flora Vaile spent Sunday in Kenly visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Perkins spent Sunday in Wendell with Mr. Perkins' parents.

Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Noble, of Raleigh, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Noble.

Miss Cora Leigh-Becton, of Fremont, spent the week-end with Miss Blanche Bailey.

Mrs. L. H. Lee and daughter, Lucy, spent Saturday and Sunday in Selma with Mr. Henry Barrow.

Mr. John White Ives left Thursday for Raleigh where he goes to work in Martin Street Pharmacy.

Miss Eva Coats spent a few days last week with Miss Bettie Adams, who lives near Four Oaks.

Mr. D. H. Jones and family, of the Bethesda section, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Johnson.

A Captain of the Third Regiment was in our town yesterday inspecting his troops down at the bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Woodall attended the commencement exercises at Four Oaks Thursday night.

Mr. Albert Sellers and family and Mr. Lexie Johnson went to Hickory Grove Sunday to attend church.

Messrs. Robert Wellons, Cornelius Ward, William Wellons and Dixon Wallace went to Raleigh Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robin Hood, of Kingston, are spending a few days with Mr. Hood's mother, Mrs. D. B. Hamilton.

Miss Nova Stevens returned home Sunday from Lake View, where she has been visiting friends and relatives.

Miss Mary Royall Hancock, a member of the faculty of the Dunn Graded School, spent Sunday with Miss Mary Shaw.

Mrs. N. L. Jackson, who has been visiting Mrs. D. H. Wallace for the past week, went to Kenly Sunday to visit Mrs. G. D. Davis.

Mrs. H. A. Peterson and little Edith Creech, of Sanders Chapel section, spent Saturday and Sunday in the city visiting friends.

Mrs. C. A. Bundy and daughter, Mary, of Pineview Farm, near Raleigh, were in town last week visiting at the home of Mr. J. R. Bailey.

Those attending the Benson Commencement Monday night were Misses Eva Bain, Ethel Coats, Eva Coats, John Grimes, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Grimes.

Mr. T. W. Johnson and son, Willie, went to Goldsboro Sunday, to see Mr. Johnson's son, Clarence, who is a member of the Second Regiment now in camp there.

Mrs. W. S. Stevens and son, Everett, and Misses Hazel Doles and Zilla Faison spent Sunday afternoon in Goldsboro, with Mrs. Stevens' daughter, Mrs. T. L. Ginn.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Peterson and daughter, and Misses Thelma, Josephine and Hilda Peedin spent Sunday in Durham with Mrs. Peterson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peed.

One of Smithfield's soldiers, Mr. George Sanders, spent Sunday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Sanders. Mr. Sanders is a member of the Second Regiment now stationed at Goldsboro.

Misses Mabel Wellons, Margaret Pou, Eva Bain and Messrs. Claude Edgerton, of Kenly, and William Wellons went to Four Oaks Friday, spending the night at the home of Miss Florence Adams.

Mr. F. H. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Lassiter and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dickens, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lassiter and family, and Rev. H. F. Brinson attended the Sunday School Institute at Pisgah, Sunday.

Mrs. T. L. Ginn, of Goldsboro, who has been visiting her parents here, accompanied by Miss Margaret Lee Austin, left Sunday night for New York. They will join Dr. Ginn, who has been taking lectures for some time there.

Those attending the Benson Commencement Tuesday night were Misses Florence Muns, Helene Ives, Margaret Muns, Lily Belle Johnson, Lucile Johnson, Flora Vaile; Messrs. Ira W. Whitley, Adam Whitley, Harvey Strickland and D. H. Wallace.

FAMILY HOLDS A RE-UNION.

Mr. Josephus Johnson, of Elevation Township, Attains His Seventy-fourth Year.

(By Lily Johnson.)

On Tuesday, April 24th, a family reunion was held at the home of Mr. Josephus Johnson, of Elevation township, in honor of Mr. Johnson's seventy-fourth birthday. Every one of his sons and daughters were there, and almost all the grandchildren. There were also several old friends of the family, making seventy in all. About nine o'clock, the wagons, carriages and cars began to roll up. By eleven all were there. There was much handshaking and many reminiscences on the part of the old folks and much joy and delight on the part of the younger set at such a delightful holiday.

The climax seemed to be reached when a large table was set in the shady yard, and loaded with all manner of food—old fashioned, home-cooked food. There were cakes and chickens and hams galore. Not once were hard times or high prices mentioned.

After the meal was over, the older people sat under the trees and swapped yarns about the good old days gone by, while the children "played round."

About the middle of the afternoon, Mr. Langdon, from Four Oaks, arrived with his camera and the picture of the whole gathering was taken. Finally, good byes were said, and everybody declared in hearty tones this to be the correct idea of a good time.

Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Johnson and children, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Johnson and children, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Moore and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Johnson and children, Mrs. J. Ruffin Johnson and three youngest children, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Johnson and children, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Barbour and children, Mr. A. S. Johnson, Mr. Allan Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Johnson and children, Mrs. Lucy Woodall, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lassiter, Mrs. Ellie Johnson, Mrs. Easter Tiner, Mrs. John King and children, Mrs. Zilla Hardee and daughter, Mr. Victor Barbour and sister, Mrs. Winnie Massengill and Mrs. Matthews and children.

Misses Florence Muns, Helene Ives, Elizabeth Cotter and Messrs. John Stancil and Kenneth Parrish motored to Wendell Sunday.

Miss Helene Ives, Florence Muns and Mr. Hubert Johnson attended the commencement exercises at Four Oaks, Friday night.

News reached here Saturday of the death of Miss Mabel Kevil, sister of Mrs. E. S. Sanders. The whole community sympathizes with Mrs. Sanders in this the second death which has occurred recently in her family.

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