

NOBODY'S BUSINESS

BY GEE McGEE

CHURCH NEWS FROM FLAT ROCK

rev. will waite, pasture of rehober church, preached one of the strongest sermons ever heard of in flat rock last sunday morning. the pulpit was also occupied by rev. hide skinner of cedar lane, but he never said or done nothing except read out the songs.

in his manny remarks and refferences, rev. waite tetchod on licker, tourist camps, low-naked dresses, gambling dens, shooting at craps, betting on this and that, and sunday breaking. he biled some of his members down for sins of omissions as well as commissions, and accused them of looking upon the bottle when it is red.

hon. holsum moore got up enduring the sermon and went out, but he explained this action by saying he thought he heard the tire on the front wheel of his ford blowout, but when he reached the place where he thought he parked it, he happened to re-collect that he did not come to the church in it, but walked with bro. c. m. necked.

bro. art square, who took up the collection, turned very red in the face when rev. waite shook his finger towards him while emphysizing some strong pint that he was fetching out. it seemed that art took it personal. he talked like he would call for his letter if verry much more harsh preaching is done in rehober. (he has called and rec'd it so many times and returned it back in the past, he has almost worn in out).

sister sue lumkins done a right smart of a menning while the service was going on, and in doing so, she always looked around and stared at the member which she thought the shoe fitted. she has had a chip on her shoulder for severral years omner count of certain members of the missionary society not inviting her to everything.

rev. waite endeared himself anew to the majority of the members who have been behaving themselves, but it seems that he grewed weaker amongst those that have not liked him much since he preached a hot sermone last summer. it mought serve to put a halt to what is going on in certain places.

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The Smithers Clan Stages A Big Re-union In Flat Rock
—a big supprise re-union of the john bob smithers family was hell last sunday at the home of grandpaw smithers who did not know what

MACEDONIA

Mr. Astor Hampton gave a dance at the home of his parents Thursday night. Those present were: Miss Winna Cooke, Miss Marie Teague, Mrs. Vaul Frankum, Louise Regsby, Mrs. O. W. Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie, Messrs. Clinton, Clyde, Clarence, Astor, and Dull Hampton, Von Cook, Lowin Little, Richard Rhodes, Ford

was going on till he was invited into his spacious dining room where a large meal of all kinds of vittles was spread befoar his smiling face.

—nearly every one of his oncestors was present except his 2 sons who could not get out for the occasion, but they will be able to attend the next one tha comes up provided it is 4 months off from this riting. nearly every kind of meat and vegetable known to culinerry art was on the screeching table.

—a nice long blessing was asked by grandpaw and then everboddy set in to eat what they saw befoar them. within thirty minues all food had benn devoured, plates sopped up and coffee drunk up. it was a hungrier croud than the contributors had counted on.

—several nice and costly presents were fetched to the honor guess, grandpaw, including 4 cob pipes, 2 briar pipes, 3 plugs of tobacker and a mustash cup. (p. s. he has not shaved since the bank broke in 1920) after the croud was satisfied that everthing was et up, thew repaired to the parlor room where musick was sung, played and danced.

grandpaw smithers has decended from a long line of smithers which reached into the camp at valley forge where his great, great, great, uncle kept the powder dry for george washington and gen. lee who camped there waiting for the snow to melt so's they could attact the yankees at gettysburg.

several members of the original familey which migrated from virginny enduring the early 80s have passed on befoar, but their pitchers were all hanging on the wall. four or five tunes were deddercated to each one of these diseseased rellatives and a good time was enjoyed by all.
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THE CO-OPERATIVE WAY

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Throughout North Carolina we have many encouraging examples of vegetable markets which are each year paying thousands of dollars and bringing a measure of prosperity to communities, merchants, banks, and supply houses, which could hardly be conceived of before these communities started raising vegetables. Many of these communities have national recognition for quality and quantity production of only one or two vegetables or fruits. To the produce man, Chadbourn means strawberries because scores of refrigerator cars and many truckloads of them leave this point each night during the season. Clinton means green corn; Elizabeth City, Cobler potatoes and English peas; Mount Tabor and Fairmount, snap beans, and Faison and Calypso mean cucumbers. Several other points such as Mount Olive and Wallace are noted for a wide variety of products which last through a long season.

Vegetable markets do not just happen. They are the result of foresight and careful planning of someone or some group of people who are interested in marketing the products grow on the farms in an orderly

Little and Winfred Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Crisp entertained a group of young people at their home Saturday night. Among those present were: Misses Mae and Lovell Little, Stella Mae and Delois Crisp, Mrs. Tom Raper, Mr. Von and Beauford Cook, Lowin Little, Clyde Hampton, Garvin Little, Clyde Rhodes and Ford Little.

The Macedonia Grammar school term ended Wednesday. Mr. Alden Cook was the teacher.

Miss Jean Del Cook spent Monday night with Miss Geraldine Thomas.

Mr. Given Craig was a visitor of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rhodes.

Mr. Wilton Newman was a business visitor in Murphy Monday.

Mary Walker of New York City sent C. B. Goodwin, city manager of Son Jose, Cal., a check for \$20 to ease her conscience for having loafed on the job while employed in a local city office.

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manner. Sometimes it is a merchant or group of merchants who are interested in buying produce from the farmers and selling them their supplies. Often it is a group of farmers who join together in an association and agree to raise sufficient produce of one kind to attract the attention of buyers. Whatever the sources of the groundwork, markets are not built without a great deal of hard work, close cooperation and often some sacrifices from those most interested in the results.

Over thirty-five years ago in a small and poverty stricken section of Eastern North Carolina a group of farmers who had decided that they could not make a living by general farming, met to discuss crops they could grow and to work out methods of getting them on the markets of the country. Since experimental shipments had indicated that strawberries had possibilities, they agreed to grow enough of them to make car lot shipments to Northern markets.

This plan was carried out. Though the volume of business was small for several years, due to lack of experi-

ence in growing the crop, the success of the enterprise was far beyond their expectations. Solid car loads were shipped on consignment to the markets of the North and the proceeds of the sales were divided among the growers. Buyers soon appeared in numbers and bought the berries at the tracks. Solid train loads began to move out each night. The railroad company built a large icing plant and built seven miles of side track to take care of the traffic. Chadbourn became the largest strawberry shipping point in the country and individual growers became prosperous.

This did not all come easily. Crop failures were many. An expensive lawsuit with the railroad company over lack of cars and spoiled berries discouraged many growers but the final result was well worth the effort. A hundred little Eastern North Carolina communities with the same opportunity are still undeveloped and backward because no group of cooperative minded farmers took the responsibility of pioneering a new crop and building a market.

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