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HERTFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEET.

The Board of County Commissioners of Hertford County met on the 1st day of November 1915, all of the Board being present except Dr. J. A. Powell.

Proceedings of last meeting read and approved.
The following Committees are continued, to wit: "Committee on Murfreesboro Bridge, committee on Thomas Bridge, committee on Hoggard Swamp Dam.

The Committee appointed to receive the bonds of F. T. Railey, B. N. Sykes and J. J. Parker report that F. T. Railey and B. N. Sykes have tendered their bonds which were placed before the board, and same was unanimously approved.

Request was received to change the place of supplying Adamant Juynier from J. M. Eley to Jeno Jenkins, which was complied with. On motion, it is ordered that \$1.50 per month be furnished to Ben Duck beginning with November, and to be continued until revoked.

L. T. Edwards is appointed by the Board as Constable of St. Johns township to fill the unexpired term of M. R. Sumner, resigned.

The Clerk of the Board is instructed to place notice in The Hertford County Herald that the Justices of the Peace of Hertford County should not commit to the Jail of this County, any prisoner charged with offenses committed in another county, if they do such justice will be charged with all expenses.

Mr. M. M. Browne Superintendent of the county home is instructed to take John Newsome to the Home.

Petition concerning Tar Landing Causeway is ordered referred to the Supervisors of Harrallsville Township for action.

The Superintendent of Health made his regular monthly report, showing the health conditions of the County.

The following accounts presented and approved for payment, to wit:
A. T. Newsome, nails.....40
P. C. Parker, waiting on grand jury &c.....9.09
J. E. Jones, board &c.....45.98
Thomas Askew, sand for Gates Causeway.....10.00
Hertford County Herald, tax receipts.....18.00
G. C. Picot, pipe and tar for Hills ferry.....3.04
U. Vaughan, supplies to L. F. Sumner October.....4.00
Pauline Lassiter, support for November.....3.00
Levi Boone, keeping Murfreesboro Bridge.....3.75
J. T. Barnes, balance on lumber.....155.68
M. M. Browne, amt. paid pump and pipe.....8.50
Fleet Brown, work at county home.....14.09
J. E. Matthews, supplies to county home.....6.76
Mary Wood, services as Stenographer.....55.00
Town of Winton, light bill for October.....1.95
W. B. Pollard, disinfectants &c.....28.29
B. Scull, bringing prisoners to jail &c.....6.60
A. E. Garrett, holding court and summoning jurors.....40.30
Edwards and Broughton, books for Clerk Court.....27.50
Edwards and Broughton, supplies for Clerk Court.....5.30
D. R. McGlohon, express and Telegram.....1.00
State Hospital, expenses taking insane to Goldsboro.....38.25
M. H. Isreal, work on Hills Bridge.....3.00
A. W. Liverman, repairs on pump.....1.75
A. I. Parker, services committee Gates Causeway.....10.00
Jno. E. Vann, services committee Gates Causeway.....10.00
Jordan and Parker, meals and lodging for jurors.....32.00

There is another thing that the farmers in Hertford County would think a crime; nine tenths of the farmers here in Willbarger County haven't even got a wind brake for their horses and cattle, much less a shed. There is nothing between them and the North Pole but a barbed wire fence. The farmer here will work his horse all day, turn him loose in the pasture to get what he can, and then work him all day the following day.

There is another class of people here that you never see there. They are known as travelers, and they travel in wagons with an eight or ten ounce canvass for a house. A man, and his whole family of wife and little child and all, cook, sleep and eat in and around a wagon for twelve months at a time and never go in a house. Now, you all that have never seen anything like that wouldn't believe me, but every thing I have told you is here to show for itself. Oh yes, you hear somebody say, go out West and get rich. Well, take it from me, it is all a mistake; take a fool's advice and stay there, for you can make as much on twenty acres there as you can on fifty here. If a farmer makes ten dollars on an acre here he thinks he is some farmer. You know that you can make more than that and not work at all.

Now, what I have told you is the life of the Far West. If you like it, then this is the place for you, but as for me, give me old Eastern North Carolina. I have been in and through eleven different states; but to me Hertford, Bertie and Northampton counties are the garden spot of the world. And for a county paper, the Hertford County Herald can't be beat.

With best regards for old Hertford County and Ahoskie,
C. P. Modlin.

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LETTER FROM FORMER HERTFORD COUNTY BOY.

Mr. C. P. Modlin Tells of Conditions in Texas. North Carolina Good Enough for Him.

We are printing below the substance of a letter we recently received from Mr. C. P. Modlin, a former Hertford County boy and well known by the majority of the people in Ahoskie.

Vernon, Texas Nov. 6, 1915.
Dear Mr. Editor:

Oh how I long to be back in old Hertford County and good old Ahoskie, where everybody lives at home, and where everybody goes to church and have a good time together. But here it is different. Now, some of you may think that I am imposing on good nature, but I want to say a few words to those that might be thinking about coming out West. I have been here some little time, and I know something about the country and the way the people live here. The people here live harder than at any place I ever was; and you all that are thinking about coming out here take a fool's advice and stay where you are and live easy. Now, for instance, take the farmer here, he has got to have two thousand dollars to start with to make a crop, and; then, seven times out of ten he will plant a hundred and fifty acres in cotton and a drouth comes on, along with hot winds, and he will make five or six bales of cotton or ten at the greatest. Then he has got from four to six head of horses to buy feed for, and all of his fuel to buy, for there is no timber here at all. He then has to buy his groceries, for they do not have any gardens here, but lives out of a paper sack. Instead of taking something to town to sell, it is the other way; he goes to town, buys and brings home in a sack. When the farmer there in Hertford County gets ready to build, he can go to the woods, haul his lumber to the mill and have his lumber sawed, but here it is different. He has not even got a shade tree, much less a tree for timber, so there he is. He has to go to the lumber yard, and get some lumber that was grown and cut in North Carolina or some other Eastern State, and pay from three to five dollars per hundred feet.

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RALLY DAY, AHOSKIE M. E. CHURCH.

Special Program Consisting of Recitations, Good Music, and Instructive Talks.

The following program was rendered at the Rally Day Exercises held at the Methodist Church of Ahoskie, Sunday, November 7.

Program

1. Song—By Children.
2. Prayer—By Superintendent.
3. Song, "We March,"—By the Choir.
4. Recitation—By Rose Mitchell.
5. Violin Solo—By Miss Agnes H. Johnson.
6. Recitation—By Agnes Brett.
7. Song, "Make this World Better,"—By Choir.
8. Recitation—By Elmire House.
9. Song, "Victory,"—By Choir.
10. History of Ahoskie M. E. Sunday School.
11. Song—By Miss Agnes H. Johnson.
12. Talks—By Messrs Johnson and Snipes.
13. Song, "Hear the Rally Cry,"—By Choir.

A large crowd was present, and Baptists and Methodists alike enjoyed the services from every standpoint. The services began at eleven o'clock, giving those who had attended the Baptist Sunday School an opportunity to be present for the entire program.

The songs and recitations by the little children not only showed that they had received careful training, but also that they were capable of performing their parts well and with credit to those who had drilled them. Every number on the program, in which these young boys and girls took part, was a feature, and proved an inspiration to the receptive and attentive congregation of listeners.

The recitations by little Misses Mitchell, Brett and House were among the very best and fully enjoyed of all the numbers on the program.

The history of the Ahoskie M. E. Church, which was submitted by Mrs. A. E. Garrett and Miss Nellie Baker, and which was read by W. R. Johnson, will be found in another column.

The talks by Messrs W. R. Johnson and E. T. Snipes, coming as they did at the end of the program, were to the program as salt and pepper to a well prepared repast. Mr. Johnson confined his talk to remarks on the Sunday School, and a short history of the Sunday School. He earnestly exhorted the small children to attend every Sunday, and develop themselves into men and women of strong character, and informing minds. In the course of his talk, by the illustration of John Wannamaker, himself a Sunday School man, Mr. Johnson showed the influence for good that regular attending Sunday School would have upon one's business associates.

Mr. Snipes, who followed in vigorous and enthusiastic words, plead with one and all to attend Sunday School regularly, and thus keep up the vital connection in the lessons. His line of reasoning was orderly arranged, and every word carried with it the ring of earnestness and vim, convincing every listener of the intrinsic value of a well rounded, symmetrical body and mind, one side of which must be developed by attending Sunday School. His, as well as Mr. Johnson's address, was never lacking in interest, and carried with it true earnestness.

No report of these exercises could be given without some words of praise to the good music rendered by the choir, assisted by Miss Agnes Hope Johnson, on the violin. The vocal solo by this young lady was also of high order, and together with her violin solo, was the feature of the musical program.

Just before the last song was sung by the choir, Superintendent Gerock, in a very few words, showed his appreciation to the little folks by thanking them for the part they had performed in making the occasion a success, and commended them very highly in behalf of the Sunday School as a whole.

League Social.

On Monday evening, November 1st, there was a Halloween Social given by the Murfreesboro Epworth League at the home of its 3rd Superintendent Miss Marie Evans.

After the guests had arrived, and had been seated, a historical contest was the next thing. Ghosts appeared representing some historical character. The prize was won by Miss Sara Vaughan.

Fortunes were told by Miss Elma Grimes, who was the "Black Witch."

Refreshments were served which consisted of salads, fruits, salted peanuts and pop-corn.

Soon the guests departed giving the most sincere thankfulness to Miss Evans for the occasion.

Roger Vinson, Press Reporter.

HERTFORD COUNTY TEACHERS' MEETING.

The Hertford County teachers' association held its first meeting in the court house at Winton, Friday, November the 5th.

The board of education and the committeemen and attendance officers of the various districts met with the association.

Superintendent Britton presided and outlined his program for this his first session. Mr. Britton's every utterance breathed the spirit of progress and advancement.

Among the things planned for this session are; moonlight schools, reading circles and a vigorous campaign for local school taxes and better school houses. A movement which will mean much for the increased efficiency of the teachers of the county is the division of the teachers into township teachers associations. These associations will meet monthly and will discuss thoroughly and in detail every phase of the school work.

John E. Vann, chairman of the board of education, spoke upon "The Condition of our School Houses and How to Better it." Mr. Vann outlined the way in which the board of education would aid in the building of new school houses and emphasized the importance of local school taxes. Mr. Vann also discussed the way in which teachers and patrons should cooperate.

E. T. Snipes, attorney at law of Ahoskie, spoke upon the importance of the moonlight schools, and pledged his services as a teacher in them. Practical plans for the establishment of these schools were discussed. Fifteen per cent of the voters of Hertford County are unable to read or write. It was agreed that this was a condition that could not be ignored.

Mr. F. Q. Barbee, principal of the Ahoskie High School spoke upon the importance of reading circles and suggested that the teachers supplement the prescribed books upon professional subjects with current literature. These circles are to be formed from convenient groups among the teachers.

J. Roy Parker, editor of the Hertford County Herald, had been invited to address the meeting, but was prevented from being present by another engagement. However, a letter was read from Mr. Parker pledging his active support in the advancement of education in the county and offering the free use of his columns to the teachers of the county.

A general discussion, led by Superintendent Britton, on the compulsory school law. Mr. Britton spoke upon the relative standing of Hertford County among the counties of the state. He pointed out the fact that while Hertford stood near the top of the list in the amount of her wealth and fertility of her soil, that she was near the bottom from an educational standpoint.

It was decided to hold a county commencement in the spring of 1916. It is believed that this is a much needed step and will mean much for the cause of education in the county.

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