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AHOSKIE BECOMES CENTER OF PEANUT INDUSTRY IN THIS SECTION

WORK BEGUN ON FACTORY

Building Has Begun on Large Peanut Factory in Ahoskie—Will Be Four-Story, Frame Structure, Seventy By One Hundred and Thirty Feet—Also Two Large Storage Warehouses.

Speculation, rumor, and frenzied talk has given way to actual building operations on the four acre plot of choice land situated alongside the Coast Line Railway, just two blocks South of the local depot. This plot of land was a few weeks ago purchased from J. A. Mitchell by Holmes and Dawson, commission merchants of Norfolk. The purchase price was four thousand dollars, or one thousand dollars per acre.

Since this land changed hands, speculation as to what would actually be erected has been rife in this town and community. Even the omniscient reporter of this paper has been utterly unable to get a substantial statement regarding the intended structures. However, with the timbers partly on the grounds, bricklayers, carpenters, and surveyors on the ground, this reporter is now able to give out the information that the buildings now under way consist of a peanut factory and two large storage warehouses. The factory will be four stories high, seventy by one hundred and thirty feet, and will be constructed of wood. The dimensions for the warehouses have not been learned, but it is known that one will be a two-story frame structure and the other a one-story frame structure, both of large dimensions.

Contractor Riddick of Suffolk will have charge of the construction work, and with favorable weather conditions prevailing, he expects to have all three of the buildings completed in ninety days. The present force of workmen will soon be augmented by another large force, and the construction work will be rushed to completion. They are expected to be ready for occupancy by the coming of the fall harvest.

The Columbia Peanut Company, of Norfolk, will operate the factory when completed. This Corporation already has constructed several storage warehouses in other eastern Carolina towns, one being at Lewiston and another at Edenton. With several storage warehouses in nearby towns, two large warehouses in Ahoskie, and the large factory building also here, this company can well take care of the peanut industry in this section.

Ahoskie, by the above arrangement, will become the center of the peanut industry this side of Suffolk, Va. This section is good peanut territory, and Ahoskie has for several years been one of the leading markets for Eastern Carolina.

Ahoskie welcomes this large enterprise and looks forward to just such industrial plants to make out of this town one of the smaller cities of North Carolina.

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KEEP THE COWPEAS

Raleigh, May 23 1917.

As the result of an inquiry made in the various counties as to the supply of field and garden seed available for the season's planting, Director, B. W. Kilgore of the Agriculture Extension Service calls the attention of merchants, farmers, bankers, and business men generally that those having a supply of cowpea, soybean, and sorghum seed on hand to reserve them for customers and neighbors within the state.

In a circular letter recently sent out to these men, he says, "The supplies of cowpeas, soybeans and sorghum are quite limited, and it is advisable in the extreme, in my judgement, that all merchants having these seed reserve them for their customers or neighbors in the State. There will be no difficulty in disposing of them in this way, and the necessity for increased food and food production makes it essential that our own farmers have these seed. Then there will not be more than enough to supply our own needs."

"The cooperation of merchants, farmers, bankers, and business men, generally, is necessary in this connection. Those having these seed should be informed of the absolute necessity of reserving them for home use and of furnishing them to growers at fair prices. "Will you not help?"

IN MEMORY OF JOHN S. MITCHELL.

On Saturday morning, April 28, 1917 just as the beautiful sun was appearing into this world, a Death Angel entered into our home and gently called from us our blessed husband and father, John S. Mitchell.

His death was very sudden, he being confined to his bed only six days, with measles.

The funeral services were conducted at his home, on Sunday evening by his pastor, Rev. C. L. Dowell. After which his remains were laid to rest in the family burial ground.

He has left to mourn their lost a widow, six children, six grand children, two brothers, one sister, and a host of relatives and friends. He will be missed in many places, but no where will he be missed to compare with what it will be in his home. Still we should be thankful that God spared him [as long as he did, and for the example he laid before his family.

He was faithful and true, kind and devoted, ever ready to lend a helping hand. "And, Oh! how can we make it feel like home again without the presence of Father?"

The thoughts of how happy home was when you were here, and your tender voice could be heard. But now you have gone to your reward and to spend your eternal days with Jesus, the One you so faithfully served here below.

Oh! How happy you are now, that you have shown in the light of God, and answered when He called your name, Saved through Jesus blood.

It is very sad to know that this vacancy never again in our home can be filled. No more will we hear his pleading prayers. And as we gather around the fire-side, we are filled with grief to see the vacant chair. But why should we sorrow as those that have no hope?

May we look to God and say "He doeth all things well", and strive to meet him in his home above, where there will be no more parting. We love him, Yes we love him, But Angels love him more. They have sweetly called him to yonder shining shore. The Golden Gates are open. A gentle voice says come. And with all farewells unspoken, He has calmly entered home. Mother and Children.

BABY SHOW AND FAIR CONTEST SUCCESS

Many Beautifully Decorated Baby Carriage Form Parade and March Through Streets of the Town—A Large Crowd Present—Winners Not Yet Announced.

Ahoskie, N. C., May 19—Baby Day in Ahoskie has become a page in the life of the town. Last Thursday was the day.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church sought to give the people something worth while and they settled on Baby Day as something new and at the same time instructive.

At 10 o'clock a. m., the baby carriages and the little girls who were to push them assembled at the Methodist church, and at the command, the parade started led by the W. O. W. band. The street parade was beautiful. The parade marched down Main street, turning at the postoffice and going down Railroad street to Church street, thence down Church street to Katherine street back to Main street to the Copeland-Curtis Building. In this building everything had been arranged for the exhibit, examination and other work of the occasion. The State Board of Health had lent the management charts, lantern slides for instructing mothers in the care and rearing of their children, also an infant's measuring board. Each child registered was taken into the examination room where Dr. Y. M. Barber, of Winton, and Dr. J. B. Ruffin, of Powellsville, conducted the examination. Mrs. L. K. Walker was secretary to the Judges. Mesdames W. R. Johnson and Ernest Hays were the score keepers; Mesdames J. H. Robertson, Paul Brett and W. W. Rogers were the nurses.

Twenty babies were examined but the doctors have not handed down their decision as they have not finished the score sheets. When this is done the different prizes will be awarded. Which will be announced later. To decide which was the best decorated baby carriage was indeed a hard one, but the final decision gave the prize of one dollar to Mrs. W. L. Curtis. This prize was given by the Tongue and Needle Club of Ahoskie.

The carriages in the parade were as follows:
Mrs. E. C. Hobbs, Flowers and Ribbons;
Mrs. W. W. Rogers, Ribbons and Flowers;
Mrs. Carl Mitchell, Daisy;
Mrs. L. K. Walker, Ribbons and forgetmenots;
Mrs. L. M. Mitchell, Floral;
Mrs. J. H. Robertson, Stork's nest;
Mrs. S. J. Boyette, Butterflies, yellow and white;
Mrs. J. N. Vann, Blue birds;
Mrs. R. McGee, Blue and white rosesettes;
Mrs. S. E. Vaughan, Pink and white;
Mrs. S. J. Dillard, Ribbons, red, white and blue;
Mrs. J. E. Bozeman, Butterfly, blue and white;
Mrs. W. L. House, Checkerboard;
Mrs. L. T. Sumner, Floral, with arches;
Mrs. Paul Brett, Old Glory;
Mrs. W. L. Curtis, May basket;
Mrs. Thomas Forbes, Pink and white, with flowers.

The several booths run in the building were presided over as follows:
Fancy sale, Miss Hilda M. Johnson, Mesdames L. T. Sumner and E. C. Hobbs.
Exhibits, (child's welfare) Mrs. H. S. Basnight.
Doorkeeper, Miss Agnes H. Johnson and Mrs. W. L. House.
Ice cream and cake Mesdames A. E. Garrett, E. J. Gerock and L. S. Savage.

The Street parade was under the direction of Mrs. P. H. Mitchell president of the Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church, assisted by Mesdames D. P. Boyette, E. C. Hobbs and Carl Mitchell.

"HOE FOR CAROLINA"

Raleigh, May 23—"Hoe for Carolina" This is the motto hung conspicuously in the office of President J. D. Andrews of Catawba College at Newton. Dr. Andrews, writing to the North Carolina Food Conservation Commission, states that he is one of those who have been preaching and practicing diversified farming and increased food production for these many years. Dr. Andrews has nine sturdy children and rather hints that food production has been a necessity.

Secretary John Paul Lucas of the Food Conservation Commission was much pleased with Dr. Andrews' letter, except for one clause that rather riled him. "Your theory has been my practice for all these years," wrote the doctor.

"I have no theories," declared Lucas, "I am practicing what I preach. I work eight horses on my farm and, as I was already practicing diversified farming, I had only 50 acres of cotton last year. I have put about 25 extra acres of land into cultivation and have cut the cotton acreage 20 per cent from the small acreage of last year. In addition to a considerable acreage of wheat, oats, rye and corn, I am planting 40 acres of soy beans for food and seed, enough sorghum to make 600 to 1000 gallons of syrup, several acres of each sweet and Irish potatoes, and forage on every acre of stubble land that does not go into soy beans or corn."

Trinity Commencement.

This office acknowledges the receipt of the following invitation:
The Senior Class of Trinity College requests the honor of your presence at the exercises of Commencement Week, June Third to Sixth, Nineteen hundred and seventeen, Durham, N. C.

Commencement Program.
Sunday, June 3, 8:30 P. M., Baccalaureate Address, by President William Preston Few.

Tuesday, June 5, 11 A. M., Baccalaureate Sermon, by the Reverend James S. Montgomery, D. D., Washington City.

Tuesday, June 5, 1 P. M., Alumni Dinner Address, by John Franklin Crowell, Litt. D., New York City.

Tuesday, June 5, 8:30 P. M. Graduating Orations.

Wednesday, June 6, 10:30 A. M. Commencement Address, by Hamilton Holt, L. L. D., New York City. Conferring Degrees.

Mrs. J. W. Godwin, Supervisor. Hon. W. W. Rogers was Master of ceremonies.

The Society is grateful to Drs. Ruffin and Barber for their great assistance in examining the babies without pay.

The Baby show brought a good sized crowd to town and there was a splendid success, financially, besides the instruction to mothers will be of lasting benefit.

The children of today will soon be the women and men, and the reins of management will be placed in their hands, and how essential it is that they should have hearty bodies, for with hearty bodies they have more active minds. So, then, it is highly important that the parents have all the instruction possible, for the most of our ills come from ignorance; and what a pity it is that the child should be made to suffer through life on account of the ignorance of the parent! But when the parent is ignorant through choice, then his or her ignorance is a crime.

Professor Highsmith's address at the Ahoskie School Commencement was along this line. He told of one old lady who, when told that her child had adenoids and how necessary it was that they be removed, answered, "Well, God put 'em there, and, if he wants 'em out, He'll have to take 'em out, for I certainly ain't gwine to have it done."

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SIGNS OF AGRICULTURAL AWAKENING

Production of Food and Feed Crops in Cotton and Tobacco Counties A Good Sign—Demonstration Work A Large Factor in Feed Campaign.

The production of food and feed crops in typical cotton and tobacco counties is one of the signs of agricultural progress. Moved not only by a sense of patriotism, in assisting in the growing of staple food stuffs, but also by the feeling that it represents a more profitable type of agriculture, former one crop farmers are beginning to give attention to diversification in all of its significance.

As a prominent factor in bringing about this agricultural change, the county demonstration agent of the Agricultural Extension Service looks up as one of the most valuable assets any county may possess. Edgecombe County employs the services of County Agent Zeno Moore. For a number of years prior to the present economic crisis, Mr. Moore has been urging the growing of grains, permanent and temporary pastures, the production of hays, the feeding of livestock and the management of poultry.

Seeing is believing. On B. F. Shelton's farm in Edgecombe County, one of Agent Moore's best demonstrations is a ten acre field of oats, planted at the last cultivation of cotton. In spite of the bad season this year, which resulted in the killing out of a good deal of grain, this field of oats is in excellent shape. It was sown broadcast, just as the cotton rows were given their last cultivation, and when the soil was in excellent seed-bed condition. No extra preparation of the soil was necessary; the amount of labor was reduced to a minimum; the field has a cover crop all during the winter; the oats could have been used for grazing purposes or for grain; the total cost of seeding the grain was represented by the cost of one bushel to the acre.

Seeing further is believing further. When compared to the ordinary method of sowing oats in the early winter by scarifying the soil, a prevalent method in many sections, the outstanding advantages of Mr. Moore's plan are only too readily noticed. Mr. Shelton's oats are a foot higher and a month nearer maturity than his neighbor's grain. Mr. Moore's rotation plan for this field of oats is, to follow the grain with soybeans or peas, which in turn will be followed by clover. Then the clover will be plowed under and the field put into corn. Rye will follow the corn as a winter cover crop and will be succeeded by cotton. Oats will begin the new rotation, which included the two grain crops, two legume crops and two, clean-cultivated, cash crops.

Mr. Moore's campaigns for pastures and legume crops have resulted in a good sprinkling of fields of alfalfa, crimson and bur clover, lespedeza and grass pastures. Right now the clovers are veritable food carpets of green, crimson and yellow. Bur clover seed itself will yield a very handsome profit to the acre; and the lespedeza or Japan clover, sown broadcast on grain land two years ago, on one of Mr. Moore's demonstration fields, is now carpeting the ground with the tiny leaves providing one of the most excellent pastures.

Grain, corn, hay, pastures, livestock and poultry, plus cotton and tobacco, is Mr. Moore's plan of work for the farmers of Edgecombe County, arranged in such a way as to fill out the farmers' time for 365 days of work with the assurance of maximum profits for the year. The signs of progress are pointing to a new and better type of agriculture for North Carolina.

S. G. Rubincov, Asst. Club Agent, N. C. Agricultural Extension Service.

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ECONOMY IN THE KITCHIN

All the women of North Carolina are eager to do their part in the crisis which is upon the nation, but many of them are unable to do so from lack of sufficient training. Economy and efficiency in the kitchen has been called attention to many times by officials from the Extension Service of the College and Department. There is probably no better aids to efficiency and economy than the two circulars recently prepared by the Home Demonstration Division.

Extension Circular No. 7, "Manual Foods and Household Conveniences," by Miss Minnie L. Jamison, is the first of the publications. This circular is of great interest to every housewife who wants to know the short cuts in home economy. It tells how to plan meals, balance meals, use left-overs, prepare home conveniences, and, in general it is a manual for the home, whether located in the city or the country.

Mrs. Jane S. McKinnon has prepared the second circular, which is No. 11 of the Extension Service, and contains the recipes used for canning, pickling, and preserving by the Girls' Canning Clubs. All of the recipes have been tested by Mrs. McKinnon personally over her own stove and are safe to use. The circular has been of great value to many women of the State in their canning work, as it has insured them of complete preservation of their fruits and vegetables when the instructions have been followed closely.

Now both of these circulars—Extension Circulars 7 and 11—are free to the women of the State as long as the supply lasts and they may be had on application.

"DO YOUR BIT"

Raleigh, May 23.—Experts of the Department of Agriculture at Washington have estimated that if just one ounce of edible meat or fat is wasted by each of the 20,000,000 families in the United States each day it means a total waste of 1,250,000 pounds per day, or the staggering total of 465,000,000 pounds in a year, the equal of 875,000 steers or 3,000,000 hogs.

If one ounce of bread is wasted by each family each day it means the throwing away of 875,000 pounds of flour each day, or 1,500,000 each year—sufficient flour with which to make 365,000,000 loaves of bread. Stated in terms of wheat it is 7,000,000 bushels.

Secretary Lucas of the North Carolina Food Conservation Commission has figured out North Carolina's part of such a waste. There are approximately 600,000 families in the State. An ounce of meat or fat and an ounce of bread wasted each day means in a year's time in this State a loss of 13,680,000 pounds of meat, the equivalent of 90,000 hogs, and 10,950,000 loaves of bread or 210,000 bushels of wheat.

"These figures simply show," stated Mr. Lucas, "what a very small waste amounts to in aggregate. As a matter of fact an ounce a day of meat and bread does not begin to approximate what we destroy of those two products, to say nothing of the waste in vegetables, milk, poultry products and other edibles. North Carolina's part of the national waste of \$700,000,000 in households is approximately \$20,000,000. A very great part of this waste is unnecessary and preventable. Of course there will be some waste under the most careful and economical management, but even if we would cut our waste in half we would save \$10,000,000. These figures are based on normal prices. At the present level of prices they would be just 100 per cent higher, making the total waste in North Carolina \$40,000,000.

"Just as our women are responsible for most of our economies the are largely responsible for this waste, and in its prevention they can most effectively 'do their bit'."