

AHOSKIE BOARD OF TRADE AWAKES FROM IDLENESS

SEVERAL SPEECHES MADE County Demonstration Agent Makes Remarks, and is Followed by Mr. O. L. Joyner, on the Ahoskie Tobacco—A More Aggressive Policy Initiated—Meeting Tonight.

The Ahoskie Board of Trade has again been summoned out of its dormant attitude, having been apparently dead since last April. A called meeting was held in the Board's room last Thursday night, with about fifteen members and visitors present. It was, as one member aptly stated, "the second coming."

Nothing definite was accomplished at this meeting, the time being spent in short and enthusiastic talks by some of the members and visitors, who had been extended an invitation to attend. Mr. E. W. Gaither, County Farm Demonstration Agent, was one of the visitors who were present made some helpful and practical suggestions on the storage of sweet potatoes, and the tick eradication campaign. He exhibited several blue prints of storage houses for sweet potatoes. Mr. O. L. Joyner, proprietor of the Planters Tobacco Warehouse, also made a very encouraging talk on the prospects of a large tobacco market. He told of the growth and expansion of the Farmville market: how a few years ago this market was established being only nine miles from Greenville, one of the large markets of the State; and, how in a few years it has developed into a ten million pound market.

Mr. Joyner stated further that our land—the Hertford County soil—was the best tobacco land in North Carolina; that he traveled over thirty-six tobacco counties on horse and buggy, and that he knew what he was saying to be true. Farmer of this section, he said, is blessed with every natural advantage, and should begin at once to use these to the fullest extent. He plead for a larger acreage of tobacco in this immediate section and urged the Ahoskie people to give the glad hand to tobacco farmers from other sections who came to the local market. Mr. Joyner stated in the meeting that he was expecting to cast his lot with the people of Ahoskie, and that he was expecting to devote his entire time to the upbuilding of a tobacco market at Ahoskie.

A liberty loan speech was made by W. P. Johnson, which was followed by a plea by W. L. Curtis, of the Bank of Ahoskie. Just after the short addresses, a short informal conference was held between the members of the organization, at which time it was unanimously agreed that the Board of Trade meet again Thursday night, November 1, (tonight), for the election of officers, and to plan a more vigorous campaign for civic improvement and the promotion of a more determined drive for industrial growth.

Every member is wanted at the meeting tonight, and every citizen of the entire town and community, who is not already a member, is asked to come to this meeting and join this organization, and work together for the growth of Ahoskie.

Mrs. P. O. Stuchell Tells How She Cared Her Son of a Cold
"When my son Ellis was sick with a cold last winter I gave him Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It helped him at once and quickly broke up his cold." writes Mrs. P. O. Stuchell, Homer City, Pa. This remedy has been in use for many years. Its good qualities have been fully proven by many thousands of people. It is pleasant and safe to take. Adv.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect the Head
Because of its tonic and laxative effects, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness or ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, D.C.

Resolutions of Respect

Where as the ruler of all things, in his infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from us the sorrow and joys of this life our beloved sister, Eula A. Horton whose soul took its flight to brighter realms above on the 24th of July 1917 therefore be it resolved:

- (1) That in her death the women circle of Holy Grove No. 45 at Aulander, has lost a prominent worker; she was liked by all who came in contact with her, her general disposition won her many friends and her death will be keenly felt by all her friends,
- (2) That we bow in humble submission to the will of him who doeth all things well, and say, "thy will be done."
- (3) To her bereaved family in and hour of trouble we extend to them our sincere sympathy, and commend them to God who doeth all things for good for them that love and fear him, with blessed assurance that when this life is over we will meet our departed love ones on that bright and happy shore, where sickness and death are unknown.
- (4) That these resolutions be inscribed on the record book of our circle, and that copies be sent to the bereaved family and to the monthly tidings, Windsor Ledger, and Hertford County Herald for publication.

Committee:

Roxie Minton,
Mattie Jenkins,
Bessie Green.

Certain Cure for Croup

Mrs. Rose Middleton, of Greenville, Ill., has had experience in the treatment of this disease. She says, "When my children were small my son had croup continuously. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy always broke up these attacks immediately, and I was never without it in my house. I have taken it myself for coughs and colds with good results." Adv.

Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as administrator of D. B. Reynolds, deceased, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned, for payment, on or before the 27th day of October, 1918, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

All parties indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.
Roswell C. Bridger, administrator of D. B. Reynolds, deceased. 11-2

**THE DUST OF THE EARTH
A PLAY IN FOUR ACTS**
TO BE GIVEN BY AHOSKIE TALENT IN THE AHOSKIE GRADED SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, FRIDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 2ND, AT 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

CHARACTERS

David Moore, of Maple Farm Cottage..... Paul Holloman
Susan Moore, his wife..... Thelma Boyette
Elizabeth Moore, their daughter..... Florence Grock
Jerry, their son..... Mayon Parker
Rev. Dr. Templeton, a young divine..... Roy Parker
Miss Arbella, the village newspaper..... Venie Howard
John Ryder, the young master of the Maples..... Lee Copeland
Wandering Tom, a mystery..... J. H. Robertson
Old Mose, his companion..... Herbert Copeland
Neil, "the dust of the earth"..... Ellen Boyette

ACT I
Exterior of Maple Farm, September.

ACT II
Interior of Maple Farm Cottage, Christmas Day.

ACT III
Wandering Tom's Cabin, Christmas Night.

ACT IV
Same as Act II, morning of the day after Christmas.

Proceeds for Ahoskie Red Cross Chapter.

Admission 15 and 25 Cents

SOME TIMELY DONT'S

Don't fail to select your planting seed this fall. Corn, soya beans, velvet beans, peas and peanuts should be selected and chreefully stored. Seed may be scarce next spring.

Don't fail to plant cabbage—while the fall crop is large; it is thought there will be a heavy demand for the spring crop.

Don't fail to make your arrangements for seed potatoes. If Maine seed are used, have them shipped as to avoid possible transportation congestion.

Don't fail to carefully dig and properly cure and store your sweet potato crop. A storage house will save heavy loss.

Don't fail to plant a few acres in wheat, and then plant over cover crops such as clover, rye and vetch.

Don't fail to lay up stock feed for winter use. Fill the silos, cut sorghum and peavine hay and seed.

Don't sell your work stock. They are necessary for operating farms.

Don't fail to look over your live stock carefully. Select those animals which are productive and which ought to be kept, and sell those which are unproductive. Prepare the cull animals for early market, and save the room and feed for good stock.

Don't sell brood sows. Since the beginning of the war the number of swine in all countries has decreased. In France, for example, in the three years just before January 1, 1917, the number of swine decreased 38.12 per cent; during 1915 the number in Germany decreased 31.47 per cent. Breeding stocks are being depleted and the situation is already critical. The possible increase from one sow is 1,002 pigs, in four years, on the supposition that all litters consist of six pigs; that all live, that half are females, and that each gilt should farrow at one year and every six months thereafter.

Don't sell any heifer calves for slaughter; there is going to be a world shortage of cattle, and this country will have to supply the world's needs after the war.

Don't fail to write me if you think we can be of service, we are interested in everything that has a tendency to develop and improve our agricultural production and marketing systems.

Cotton Ginned in Hertford County.

There were 48 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, ginned in Hertford County, from the crop of 1917, prior to October 18, 1917, as compared with 1207 bales ginned prior to October 18, 1917.

A. A. T. Newsome, Special Agent.

WINTON WAVELETT'S

Three of the Red Cross Auxiliaries of the Hertford County packed and shipped a box of hospital supplies and garments, Saturday. Other auxiliaries will make a shipment later. The following articles were sent: Convalescent robes 4, pajama suits 39, bed shirts 63, Tray clothes 5, pillars and covers 42, napkins 10 1-2 dozen, towels 7 2-3 dozen, wash cloths 8 1-2 dozen, handkerchiefs 3 dozen, substitute handkerchiefs 2 dozen. Harrellsville Auxiliary sent equipment for two patients, as follows: 3 pajama suits, 4 pairs of socks, 4 bed-shirts, 4 prs. of slippers, 1 convalescent robes, towels, wash clothes, and handkerchiefs.

Miss Myra Vann, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Vann, of Edenton, will be married to Mr. Ravenel C. Holland, Thursday, November 1, at 6:30 o'clock. The marriage will be a very quiet affair. The ceremony will be performed by Dr. R. T. Vann, a cousin of the bride. Miss Vann is a most attractive and lovable girl and has many friends here where she is well known, being a frequent visitor in the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Martha Vann.

Rev. E. F. Sullivan, of Murfreesboro, will preach in the Winton Baptist Church, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, and at Brantley's Grove in the afternoon. The W. M. S. will have charge of the services on Sunday night. At this service an offering for State Missions will be made.

The meeting at the school auditorium Saturday afternoon for the purpose of getting the women to register for food conservation was well attended. Professor N. W. Britton had charge of the meeting and made a practical talk, urging the women "to save the waste and win the war." A house to house canvass will be made this week so that the women, who were not present last Saturday afternoon, will have an opportunity to sign a card and helping in this great movement.

Miss Ruby Banks, of Chowan College, spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. E. F. Banks.

Miss Louise Vann left Tuesday for a visit of several weeks to friends in Boston and New York.

Misses Esther Ward and Irene Mitchell, of Chowan College, were the week end guests of Mrs. A. P. Hines.

Mrs. Jake Lassiter, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Northcott, for several weeks, will return to her home in Rich Square this week.

Miss Willie Boone visited her sister, Mrs. Bingham Copeland, in Ahoskie the past week.

Miss Susie Brett, student of Chowan College, spent Sunday and Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Brett.

Mrs. A. W. Taylor returned to her home Saturday from a visit to Norfolk.

Miss Morven, Art Teacher of Chowan College, was the guest of Miss Ruby Banks Sunday and Monday.

The Bank of Winton Gives Smoker to Farmers.

On last Friday night the Bank of Winton had as its guests the farmers of Winton and vicinity. In the invitations mailed out the first part of the week, each invited man was asked to bring or send a sample of one or more of his crops, most every one complying with this request. The hours were from 8 to 11 and the entire time was spent pleasantly and profitably.

At the beginning, Prof. N. W. Britton was made Chairman. He gave a good talk, explaining to the thirty or forty farmers present that the meeting was held simply as a get-together meeting, for the purpose of organizing in a way to help the farmers and other business men in making improvements, etc. At the conclusion of this talk, Prof. Britton introduced Mr. C. H. Phaup a tobacco warehouseman, of Rich-

MENOLA NEWS

Nearly all our people attended the Community Fair at Woodland last Saturday. The exhibits in all departments were very creditable and some were exceptionally fine. It makes some of us who live near the Northampton line rather ashamed, though, to see that Hertford County is content to be at ease and not put the least effort toward anything of the kind. We have intellect and talent in our County enough to plan things along progressive lines; but we lack something probably enthusiasm. We hope some leader or leaders, who possess the spirit of progress, will arouse our people to the point of having County Commencements and Community Fairs also before another year rolls by.

There was a township meeting of the Food Administration at Union last Saturday. The meeting was well attended and those present heard a very clear and convincing address by Prof. C. H. Jenkins, of Aulander. He presented very clearly the present situation, and the great need of falling in line and doing our part toward prosecuting this war to a finish, showing the great importance of conserving the food of home so that our Allies, as well as our own boys at the front may be fed. We hope that no housekeeper will fail to sign the cards and do her bit toward saving saving food in her own home. The Government must have the support of all the people.

Our County Demonstrator, Mr. E. W. Gaither, delivered an address at Menola on Tuesday night of last week. We regret that it was not generally known so that he might have had a larger audience.

We are sorry that Mr. J. F. Cowan is suffering very much with an inflamed foot. His physician, Mr. C. G. Parker, is doing all he can for relief and we sincerely hope that no serious complications will take place.

Mrs. R. G. Outland is very ill at this writing. She has been an invalid and unable to walk or use her hands for a year.

Mr. J. M. Eley left Monday for Baltimore to be gone for several days.

Misses Janie Parker, Mattie Macdon Norman and Louise Holland, of Chowan College, spent the week end with Miss Parker's mother, Mrs. H. U. Griffith.

Mrs. Margaret Best, of Carrville, Va., spent several days last week in the home of Mr. E. C. Parker and other relatives of Menola.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Griffith spent Saturday night with his sister, Mrs. Dora Vinson.

Mrs. Spencer Boyette, of Hopeville, Va., arrived Monday to spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Eley.

Messrs. I. F. Snipes, Harvey Snipes, E. C. Parker, Kelly, Harvey and Cleve Vinson, Fred Parker and Neal Baggett motored to Emporia to attend the fair one day the past week.

The ladies of Menola have organized a Ladies' Relief Society with Mrs. J. E. Griffith as president. This is a good movement toward the betterment of our school and community.

Messrs. Jethro Majette, of Como, John Tayloe and Jack Vaughan were callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Griffith Sunday evening.

Mr. Phaup, who made a very interesting talk on the growing of tobacco. Mr. Phaup was followed by the County farm demonstrator, Mr. E. W. Gaither, who made a strong and interesting talk on several food crops, sweet potato warehouses for the farmers and other interesting topics.

At the conclusion of his talk the chairman brought up the subject of organizing a Community Booster Club. Each man was in favor of same and voted to become members. The first meeting for same to be held in the Bank of Winton building Monday night, at which time officers of the club will be elected, and work begun for the betterment of the community and other things will be discussed.

The whole exterior of the Bank of Winton building was transformed and decorated with crop samples

SALARIED COUNTY OFFICERS ARE ADVOCATED

Judge Gilbert T. Stephenson, in an Address at the State University, Strongly Urges the Placing of All County Officers on a Salary Basis, and the Abolishment of the Fee System, so Commonly in Practice.

Chapel Hill, N. C. Oct. 16—Judge Gilbert T. Stephenson, of Winston-Salem, spoke to the North Carolina Club last night on Country Office—Legal Duties and Court House Customs. Little attention was given to the latter part of the subject, because, he said, there are as many court-house customs as there are different men holding county offices—say 3,000 all told.

The Constitution of North Carolina provides for the election of the following officers in every county: clerk of the superior court, sheriff, coronor, treasurer, register of deeds, surveyor, and five commissioners. But it also allows the general Assembly to modify, change or abrogate any or all of the provisions concerning county officers and substitute others in their place.

In addition to these constitutional county officers, others have been created by public—local statutes. As a result county officers average 30 to the county in North Carolina. At least 10 counties have county courts with a judge, a clerk, and usually a solicitor. At least six counties have highway commissions. Practically all have county physicians and superintendents of schools and county homes. Thirteen have whole-time health officers, some have county attorneys to advise all officers. Ninety-five have farm demonstration agents. Forsyth alone has a Public Welfare Officer under the new law.

The county auditor is an officer rapidly growing into favor. Already 11 counties have auditors, and every county should have such an office.

The office of treasurer should be abolished in every county with a reputable bank. Three counties have no banks. The office has already been abolished in some fifty counties.

The duties of the clerk of the superior court, sheriff, and register of deeds are multifarious. Their time is largely consumed in accommodating the public without charge. To get at their fees accurately is impossible because much of their work is gratuitous to their party supporters. Some officers have been so generous to their constituents as actually to fall in debt in office.

Handling county affairs in most counties is the product of antiquity and is usually unbusiness like in the extreme. The new officer usually employs the former incumbent or his assistant to pilot him along until he learns the ropes. County officers are not often expert bookkeepers, and this is why I so strongly advocate a county auditor in every county. It is rare that a county officer who comes out short in his accounts has willfully misappropriated one cent of the funds.

In conclusion Judge Stephenson made the following suggestions:

1. The abolishment of the office of county treasurer in every county with a reputable bank.

2. Creation of the office of auditor in every county, with the annual auditing of the books of every officer and the publishing of these reports in simple language. Groups of counties could combine in employing an auditor.

3. Placing county officers on a salary basis solely; and, as naturally follows, the annual accounting for all fees, commissions, and compensations of every sort received by him in virtue of his office. The surveyor and coronor might be left on the fee basis.

which included samples of corn, cotton, tobacco, peanuts, sweet potatoes, hay, etc., and appeared more as a fair exhibit than a bank building. During the meeting cigars, cigarettes, and fruits were served.

OPINION IN AHOKIE GRADED SCHOOL MATTER

Supreme Court of North Carolina Says Old Trustee Board, With Addition of W. W. Rogers and P. H. Mitchell, Are in Control Until Courts Decide Otherwise in an Action Properly Brought—Judge Clark Dissents.

Sunday's issue of the News and Observer carried the decision of the North Carolina Supreme Court in the case of Rogers et al vs Powell et al, which case was referred to editorially in our last issue. Both the majority opinion and the dissenting opinion, by Chief Justice Clark are published in full in the Observer.

In the majority opinion, the Court holds that Superior Court Judge, Wheelbee, W. H., was not in error when he dissolved the temporary restraining order, granted by Judge Kerr, to restrain the defendants in this action from interfering in any way with the plaintiffs in the conduct of the Ahoskie Graded School, and commanding defendants to turn over the school property to plaintiffs. The Court, in the majority opinion, does not attempt to say who are lawful trustees; they hold that title to a public office cannot be determined by injunction.

The following extract is copied from the Court's opinion: "Two of plaintiffs were duly elected by the voters. No one disputes their right; as members and to act as such. The third member who was elected positively declined to serve, and this is one of the vacancies filled by the old Board, claiming the right to do so under the Statute of incorporation. It was stated on the argument and accepted as true that an action in the nature of quo warranto has been instituted for the purpose of determining this question between these boards and for that reason we have not deemed it advisable to refer in detail to the testimony bearing on the claims of the respective parties. But a casual perusal of this record and facts in evidence disclose that defendant board is in possession and control of the schools, its buildings and other property and at least in under color of right, and under the principles stated their management and efforts to carry on the school and serve for the public should not be interfered with by injunction until this question has been finally decided in this action, brought especially for the purpose. There is no error in dissolving the injunction and the judgment of Superior Court to that effect is armed.

The following is copied from the dissenting opinion written by Justice Clark: "The court should have continued the injunction and should have issued a mandatory injunction that the two newly elected members of the board (W. W. Rogers and P. H. Mitchell) and Powell, who was the only one of the old board, not defeated, and who alone was not holding another office in violation of the Constitution, should meet and organize. As there were only three legal members of the board (two of the plaintiffs and Powell) they would have been the entire board and these three could have legally filled vacancies till the next election."

According to facts brought out and mutually admitted by counsel before the Supreme Court, suits have already instituted in the County court to determine the lawful trustees, and, until this is decided by court, the old board together with W. W. Rogers and P. H. Mitchell are to have control of the school property and administer the affairs of the school.

For A Weak Stomach

As a general rule all you need to do is to adopt a diet suited to your age and occupation and to keep your bowels regular. When you feel that you have eaten too much and when constipated, take one of Chamberlain's Tablets.