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COLERAIN NEWS

Mrs. G. M. Holley went to Norfolk last Tuesday.

Dr. L. A. Nowell made a business trip to Windsor last Wednesday. C. B. Morris spent several days in Norfolk last week with his wife at St. Vincent's Hospital.

H. S. Basnight of Ahsokie was in town last Thursday.

H. I. Britton of Norfolk spent last Thursday night with his sister, Mrs. Nowell.

J. H. Myers and son went to Windsor last Thursday.

Maurice Bessley of Baltimore came last Thursday and will spend some time here.

Mrs. J. C. Mizelle left last Friday for Lake View Hospital, where she will undergo treatment.

Mrs. Winston of Windsor was in town last Friday in the interest of the Red Cross.

Mrs. Dora Saunders went to Suffolk last Friday.

Professor K. T. Raynor went to Ahsokie last Friday.

Miss Minor, the county supervisor, was here last Friday, and visited the school.

Dr. L. A. Nowell went to Norfolk last Friday.

There was no preaching at the Baptist Church last Saturday, Mr. Lineberry returning from the convention, failed to make connection but he filled the Sunday appointment.

Professor J. M. Andrews, who teaches at Mount Gould, was in town last Saturday.

Miss Lucie Mitchell of Windsor is visiting her brother, Dr. Zack Mitchell.

Messrs. Molly and Morris spent last Sunday in Norfolk.

C. C. Mizelle spent last Sunday in Suffolk.

Clarence Myers and Bennie Forbes of Ahsokie spent last Sunday here.

CONFERENCES OF INTEREST OF MIDWIVES

According to the Bureau of Vital Statistics, North Carolina State Board of Health, about every other child born in Eastern North Carolina has an ignorant midwife to see that it is started along the journey to a healthy life. This means that during the days before and after birth one half of the mothers trust their lives in the hands of these women.

Some midwives do very well or as well as they know how; others cause the deaths of mothers and babies. They know no better and must be taught. With the aim to improve the situation the Bureau of Epidemiology and the Bureau of Infant Hygiene and of Public Health Nursing of North Carolina State Board of Health, are carrying on an extensive campaign to educate women; most of whom are negro women.

Important things are to be done at the birth of the child other than rendering surgical and medical aid. There must be filled a complete and accurate birth certificate to assure the child its age for school attendance, etc. Silver nitrate must be dropped in the eyes to prevent blindness. Such must be done if physicians or midwife attend the birth and parents should see to it.

With view to instructing the midwives along these lines a nurse from the State Board of Health, Raleigh, N. C., will visit the following places. Please inform any one you know acting as a midwife and tell them to attend the meeting.

Gatesville, at Courthouse, 10 A. M., Friday, December 3rd. and Ahsokie, Colored School House 10 A. M., Saturday, December 4th.

County Offices Will Qualify

The following named candidates were elected by a majority of the qualified voters of Hertford County, in the election held on Tuesday, November 2 and are hereby requested to appear at Winton, Monday, December 6, 1920 for the purpose of qualifying for the various offices to which elected.

J. A. Northcott, Register of Deeds; B. Scull, Sheriff; Jno. O. Askew, Jr., J. C. Taylor, F. G. Tayloe, E. W. Whitely, J. M. Eley and E. H. Eure, Commissioners; S. E. Vaughn, J. L. Smith, W. H. Vinson and W. H. Hill, T. T. Parker and W. L. Matthews, tax collectors; L. P. Nichols, justice of peace and C. W. Howard, Constable St. Johns Township.

E. J. Gerock, Chm. Board Elections.

NORTH CAROLINA GOOD

ROADS ASSOCIATION AFTER NEW MEMBERS

The North Carolina Good Roads Association is making an intensive campaign in eastern North Carolina for members to the organization. Mrs. Kent J. Brown, of Chapel Hill, is this week in Hertford County in the interest of the organization, through annual members to the Association. She is making her headquarters in Ahsokie, working out of here for other points in Hertford and Gates counties. She came here from Chowan and Bertie counties, where, she says, she was accorded the active support and cooperation of the leading men of both of those counties and she is encouraged by the support she has received.

In Ahsokie, Mrs. Brown secured several members to the organization. She hopes to be able to enroll at least a hundred members in Hertford County. Although slow to move, the people of this county are beginning to realize deeply the need of better highways and they not fail to express their sentiment when called upon to do so. During the first few hours of canvassing the town of Ahsokie several leading citizens volunteered to assert that they would aid in the good roads movement by popular subscription, taxes or by any other feasible method.

The county seat to county seat highway proposed under the present law, calls for one fourth of the outlay to come from the county, one fourth from the state and the other half from the Federal Government. The purpose of the North Carolina Good Roads Association is to create sentiment for a change in this law by leaving out the county unit, the State paying one half and the federal government one half. Under the proposed changed law, counties whose commissioners refused to appropriate funds for their part of the highway funds under the present law, would not have to be consulted in the matter. Thus the State Highway would be constructed by the State as a unit instead of the county unit as at present. Hertford County is one of the several eastern counties that has not met the state and federal appropriations.

BOOKS SUPPLIED FREE BY THE STATE

Books on many different subjects are loaned to residents of North Carolina by the Library Commission, at Raleigh. The special collection of books on advertising, book-keeping, salesmanship, etc., are of practical value to business men. They are finding that it pays to get the opinions of experts who have written books on the various phases of business activities.

Boys and girls are borrowing books from the Library Commission dealing with the business and professional vocations. One boy is studying wireless telegraphy through books secured from the Library Commission. Farmers are investigating the results of their experience through books. One man wrote that he wished an extension time on his book on concrete as the construction of a septic tank was under way and the book was needed. The collection of books on agriculture is very complete and includes material on subjects most useful to farmers.

1309 package libraries containing 11047 books and pamphlets were sent out by the Commission in the year ending September 30th. The following list includes a selection from the subjects on which material was supplied during the last two months—compressed air, school hygiene, diseases of dogs, dressmaking, farm sanitation community improvement elementary electricity, panama canal, apple culture, child welfare, bungalows, machine shop practice, fertilizers Bolshevism consolidation of rural schools, canning, county government, woman citizen.

The only cost to the borrower for this service is that of the postage which can be refunded to the Library Commission when the books are returned. Unless the request is very unusual, material is sent out the day the application is received at the Commission office.

The Columbia State ask, are women Democrats? They sure are in North Carolina.



Brush and Breathe are the Two B's of the Health Crusade. Clean bodies outside come from brushing and cleaning. Clean bodies inside come from deep breaths of fresh, pure air. These children are a few of the thousands whom Tuberculosis Christmas Seals help give its two B's in North Carolina.

THE HOUSING SITUATION

Lack of new houses for people to live in is a national calamity. For five years construction has signally failed to keep pace with demand. Everywhere, in small town and city alike, the cry is the same. Where can I get a house? Yes, bad as the situation is, it worsens as months go by. Monday's papers say that 1,000,000 weddings were celebrated in 1919 and parallels the statement with another that only 70,000 new homes were constructed. In other words marriages, home building last year were as 100 to 7. Had the proportions been even in previous years, such state of affairs would call for serious thought, but coming on after years of extreme building deficiency a problem of alarming magnitude, confronts the nation. Congestion in cities, not only in slum districts but in more respectable quarters, is such that not only is convenience and privacy at a high premium but a new breeding ground of moral delinquency is found. While the public is disturbing itself unnecessarily over less important matters, the building situation grows from bad to worse.

The home is the foundation of all our institutions. Family life, safe and unhampered, is bedrock. When hundreds of thousands of people cannot maintain their own family privacy but must be driven from pillar to post, the foundation is truly shaken. People develop their best when they own their own habitations. The next best thing to owning homes is to rent them and live in the same dwelling long enough to become attached to it and grow up in harmony with the environment. But when there is irregular or no security of occupancy, the people thus affected lose something of good citizenship and incentive to follow American traditions. A homeless person is a dissatisfied person. Self-interest becomes his ruling passion. He begins to fight progress. He has few local interests. He inclines to be grasping and cold-blooded or develops a grudge against his fellow-man.

Many people see the economic side of the question. They understand how cramping to business and convenience the want of dwelling places is. The psychological aspect of the case, by no means the least impressive, is not fully grasped.

To build hundreds of thousands of new homes is very necessary. How to do it, is another question, but our industrial and social leaders ought to and must find a way to improve conditions.

Will Hold A Bazaar

The Woman's Missionary Society of Holly Spring will have a Bazaar for the benefit of the Mission work.

After the Bazaar we will serve hot coffee oysters and sandwiches. Every body invited December 3, at half past seven o'clock.—adv

BISCUIT BAKING CONTEST

The following letter has been mailed to the teachers of Hertford County: "Just a word to explain further our approaching biscuit contest for Hertford County which takes place next month, Friday, December 3rd, the contest in the schools will take place. Principal of the school will provide judges to select the four best biscuit makers in the school. These four girls are invited to the Township contest for Friday, December 10th. At that time the judges will be present to decide upon the best biscuit makers in the township. On December 17th one representative, chosen at this contest will come to Winton to enter the County wide contest, making in all six contestants for the final.

Recipe for Making Biscuit
BAKING POWDER BISCUIT—1 cup flour, 2 level teaspoonfuls of baking powder, 1-4 teaspoonful salt, 1-2 table spoon of lard, milk or water to make soft dough.

CLABBER BISCUIT—1 cup flour 1-4 teaspoonful salt, 1-8 teaspoonful of soda, 1-2 teaspoon baking powder, clabber to make soft dough.

Sift flour and dry ingredients two times; add lard and work until mealy add milk gradually until mixture is soft and spongy. Turn into a slightly floured board and roll until uniform, thickness about one half inch. Cut with a floured biscuit cutter placed on a greased tin and bake for twelve or fifteen minutes. Biscuit should always be separated on the pan as they will be more delicate and lighter.

There are three things necessary in making good biscuit provided the proportions are correct and the material is good. First, the dough should be made too soft to handle easily, second it must be quickly and lightly handled third, a quick oven is necessary. Biscuits should not be more than two and one half inches in diameter. Bake in a stove with a strong undercurrent until smooth on top. Then place on the rack to brown. Pupils may make clabber or baking powder biscuits.

List of Premiums for the Contest
Colgate and Co., a tube of tooth past to every girl between the ages of ten and twenty one years that enters the contest.

Five dollars to be given to Murfreesboro Township to best biscuit maker by the First National Bank of Murfreesboro. Five dollars to be given to Maney's Neck Township to best biscuit maker by the First National Bank of Murfreesboro. Five dollars to the Ahsokie Township best biscuit maker by the Farmers-Atlantic Bank. Five dollars given to Harrellsville Township by the Bank of Winton. Five dollars given to St. Johns Township by the State Extension Service. Five dollars given by the county board of commissioners to Winton Township.

At the County wide contest December 17th \$5 will be awarded to the winner of the first prize, some Pyrex ware to the second best, one pound of

REGARDING OUR LATENESS

As this is being written on Thanksgiving Day, the management is unable to forecast the appearance of this edition of the Herald. Our machinery is entirely out of commission and we have made many attempts to have the defective parts replaced without success. For four weeks we have labored under disadvantages seldom undergone. Finally, we are forced to hold up work altogether on account of the breakdown.

Everything is being done that can be by us to publish the paper in the face of these obstacles. We live in hopes, that can only be realized by the response—and quick response—of those responsible for the defective machinery. To date, they have lain down on the job.

(Friday night—The Northampton Progress of Jackson has again aided us by allowing us to use their machinery, whereby we are enabled to publish this edition.—Editor.)

WANTED A CHANGE

So the country wanted a change did it? And it voted for Harding to get it. As far as the returns are in, the change is coming. Corn is down below 70 cents so the corn belt is getting its change. Wheat is around a dollar-seventy, and the wheat belt is getting its change. Cotton is unspeakably low, but the cotton man is the victim of the change, not the cause of it, for the cotton belt did not vote for a change. The factories are laying off hands, and there the change is in evidence. The railroads are dropping large numbers of men, and they have the change. Investment securities are showing the change. All along the line the change has shown signs of its arrival.

For the first time in years labor is facing a reduction in wages. In the places the hands have voluntarily assented to reductions in the hope of keeping the mills at work. That is a change. For the last eight years wages have been moving upward. Now the motion is in reverse. The change has arrived.

Undoubtedly all this adjustment is going to result in some stable conditions if the course of time, but let no man delude himself in the belief that it is not a change. The prosperity that has followed the advent of a Democratic administration at Washington eight years ago may not be wholly the result of that administration, but certainly the unsettled situation that has followed the election of Harding and a big Republican majority in Congress did not come as the result of the change from Republican to Democratic.

The country voted for a change, and the change is arriving. Probably it is not all here yet, for a lot of jockeying for place is to transpire before we settle down to that changed condition that has been started. Probably it will be satisfactory when we get thoroughly fitted to it, but those who voted for the change are not in order if they complain that it has begun to arrive. We have passed the day of silk shirts and cream and sirloin steak. We are going to wear calico again, and drink skim milk and eat chuck and work a while. We have procured a change and it will be with us for some time.

Quoted values continue to melt away, says a dispatch telling about conditions on the New York stock market. The one value that is mounting now is that of Uncle Sam's dollars. Those who have some of them salted away are the only ones who can look with some degree of equanimity on present conditions.

If the income tax payers of the country had thought about it, they would have voted for Cox and the League of Nations because if the league gets well under way Europe can cut out its big expense for armament, pay Uncle Sam what it owes and thus lighten the load on American taxpayers. But that craving for change in this country would probably have won out any way. When the folks set their heads, it is useless to get in their way.

We Still Make Excuses, REASONS

We are again asking that our readers do not be too hasty in condemning the lateness and appearance of the Herald this week. We have worked, schemed, telegraphed, wrote and worried along four weeks until we surely thought we would be able to come out on time this week. But the pleasure has been denied us again and we are indebted to a neighbor for the use of his office—that we are able to issue at all.

We can not afford to make any promises now; but we are sincerely hoping that we can make a more pleasant announcement in our next issue.

Does your label bear the numerals '1921'? If not, we suggest that you send remittance.

Walter Bakers Cocoa third winner, Savers Flavoring extract-fourth winner. Extract for fifth winner and the sixth winner one can of Rumford's Baking Powder. To all the second winners at the Township contests a lb of Rumford's Baking Powder will be given. For the best composition on bread written by any school girl \$5.00 will be given by the county Board of Education.

Other details and further announcements will appear in the Herald next week, owing to our breakdown at present.