

## WOMEN OF COUNTY HAVE FINE MEETING

Council Of Betterment Organi-  
zations Have Interesting  
Session At Annual  
Gathering

REV. J. W. WHITLEY  
MAKES GOOD SPEECH

(Special to The HERALD)

Harrellsville, May 30.—The  
annual Betterment meeting  
was held at Harrellsville, May  
24, beginning at 11 o'clock.  
The program was as follows:

Opening hymn—America.  
Prayer, Rev. Mr. Waters, pas-  
tor Colerain Baptist Church.  
Address of welcome, by Rev.  
R. B. Lineberry, Colerain.  
Response to address, by Rev.  
L. C. Larkin.

Annual address, by Mrs. T. T.  
Parker, President of Hertford  
County Betterment organiza-  
tions.

Reports from both senior and  
junior betterments.

A talk by Mrs. K. C. Bridger,  
in the interest of the marker for  
the late war heroes.

An address, by Rev. J. W.  
Whitley, pastor Murfreesboro  
Baptist Church.

Community dinner at the noon  
hour.

A concert in afternoon under  
the direction of Rev. L. C. Lar-  
kin.

This get-together meeting marks  
the fourth year of the history of the  
county-wide community betterment  
work. It was gratifying to see the  
fine co-operation among the women  
of the different sections of the  
county; it was encouraging to hear  
the splendid reports of the women  
and girls.

Each one making a report mention-  
ed improvement of schools and church  
grounds, equipment for schools, social  
activities for both young and old  
people; also acknowledged, with ap-  
preciation, the services of their home  
demonstration agent.

The audience listened with keen  
interest to the poem, "Co-operation,"  
composed by the President of the  
County Council, Mrs. T. T. Parker,  
also the plea by Mrs. Bridger for  
funds for the World War marker to  
be placed at the county seat in the  
near future.

The stirring address delivered by  
Rev. J. W. Whitley, on the subject of  
"The Four Elements of Community  
Life," which he defined as good roads,  
schools, churches and homes, held  
the audience spellbound. One lady  
was heard to remark "I could listen  
to Mr. Whitley on an on—even if I  
were hungry."

Mr. Whitley gave a hearty endorse-  
ment to the big road movement, say-  
ing he accepted the plans of the di-  
rectors of the projects. He made a  
strong plea for the schools, saying he  
and many other persons present  
would be old and on the shelf before  
twenty-five years and that the present  
generation must be prepared to  
take our places.

He spoke of the church as the "Di-  
vine Institution that God had made  
for man" and defined the duties of  
christian men and women who sup-  
ports its services. He added: "A man  
who doesn't support the church is a  
parasite."

He spoke tenderly of the home and  
its influence. He declared that home-  
making was a profession, that our  
young girls should be trained for that  
position in the home, as lawyers and  
doctors are trained for their life's  
work. He paid a beautiful tribute to  
the work of the Home Demonstration  
and plead with women of the county  
to cooperate with the county agent.

Next came the dinner hour, when  
we were invited to a most beautiful  
spread that had been provided by the  
Harrellsville Betterment and others  
of the county. The table was set in the  
hall on the first floor of the splendid  
new school building; such dainty,  
tempting food, and cold lemonade  
soon quieted the crowd. All were  
busy enjoying the feast prepared by  
the good cooks in Hertford county.

In the afternoon, Rev. and Mrs. L.  
C. Larkin gave us a concert. They  
were assisted in rendering the pro-  
gram by Christian Harbor, Winton,  
and Holly Springs betterments.

This day of inspirational talks,  
good music and dinner had to close,  
but doubtless there was created a de-  
termination in the hearts of all pres-

## CONTRACTS FOR BRIDGE NOT AWARDED MONDAY

Road Board Holds Uninterest-  
ing Session And Spends Half  
Day At Winton

Some of the suggestions  
made, one of which was incor-  
porated in the form of a motion  
and unanimously passed by the  
members of Hertford County's  
road board in session last Mon-  
day was to revert to a purely  
township system of spending  
money and building roads, the  
anticipation of another \$10,000  
payment on the bonds, and an  
itemized report of the expendi-  
tures made in each township  
since the new administration  
took office.

The last suggestion sponsored by J.  
R. Garrett, was made a motion. Mr.  
Garrett wanted to know who was  
spending the larger amount of money  
and wanted to know who was getting  
the largest returns from the money  
spent. He strongly urged his motion  
which met with no objection from  
the remaining members. Dr. J. A.  
Powell, chairman, was not present,  
J. B. Worrell acting as chairman.

Dr. W. B. Pollard said he was just  
about ready to parcel the money out  
to townships and let each unit at-  
tend to its own business. Mr. Gar-  
rett was quick to admit that he had  
wanted it all the time, but was willing  
to do either way. All Mr. Garrett  
wanted was an accounting of the  
stewardship of himself and collea-  
gues.

Commissioner Harvey Snipes sug-  
gested the sale of another \$10,000  
slice of bonds, in order to finance the  
program of bridge building planned  
by the board. He never made a mo-  
tion to that effect.

For the second time, awarding con-  
tracts for bridge construction was  
postponed. The principal bridge un-  
der advisement is the one across  
Stoney Creek. Two bids are already  
in and another will be submitted be-  
fore the next meeting of the board.

Both of the bidders were present  
Monday, and when the awards were  
postponed, they called for their bids.  
Several other smaller bridges will also  
be constructed in the county,  
either by contract or by the existing  
road forces.

Little other business was attended  
to last Monday except the approval  
of payrolls and payment of bills  
against the road forces.

## CHAMBER COMMERCE "GET TOGETHER" BANQUET

Meeting Tuesday Night  
Mr. Chambliss To Speak

The members of the AHOS-  
KIE Chamber of Commerce will  
have a "get together" banquet  
on the occasion of their regular  
meeting next Tuesday night. An  
interesting program has been  
prepared for the event and not  
the least item of importance is  
a regular old-fashioned fried  
chicken menu, with all the trim-  
mings.

The principal speaker will be  
Mr. Norman Y. Chambliss, who  
is the president of the North Car-  
olina Commercial Secretaries  
Association, comprising all com-  
mercial workers in this state.  
Mr. Chambliss comes to speak on  
a topic of general interest to the  
local Chamber of Commerce  
and a full attendance of its mem-  
bership is desired. Reservations  
for the banquet should be made  
at once by notifying Secretary  
Frank Meadows or Mr. Paul E.  
Dukes, Chairman of the Enter-  
tainment Committee.

Salt serves as a spice or condiment  
which whets the appetite and in-  
creases the palatability of feed for all  
livestock.

ent to accept the teachings of the day  
and to incorporate the same in their  
daily activities, thereby being instru-  
ments of courage, progress, and up-  
lift in their communities.

## Roswell Britton, Son Of Hertford County Natives, Wins Scholarship

Roswell Sessions Britton, of  
Hertford County parentage, has  
been announced winner of one of  
the three traveling scholarships  
given each year through a Joseph  
Pulitzer bequest to the stu-  
dents in the School of Journal-  
ism of Columbia University.  
The scholarship carries with it  
\$1,500 for a year's travel and  
study in Europe.

Mr. Britton is the son of Rev.  
T. C. Britton and Mrs. Britton,  
both natives of Hertford County,  
who have been missionaries in  
China, representing the Southern  
Baptist Foreign Mission Board,  
since 1888. He is a nephew of  
N. W. Britton, superintendent of  
schools in this county.

His son was born in China,  
but attended Mars Hill College  
from 1912 to 1914, receiving his  
A. B. degree from Wake Forest  
College in 1917. During the war  
he was seaplane pilot in the U. S.  
Naval Flying Corps and in the  
summer of 1922 was a reporter  
for the Asheville Times. About  
two years ago he married Miss  
Blanche McConnell, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McConnell,  
of Asheville, who has also been  
taking work at Columbia Univer-  
sity during the present year and  
will accompany him on the Euro-  
pean trip. Their New York ad-  
dress is 414 West 121st street.

Mr. and Mrs. Britton will sail  
on the Cunard liner, Assyria, on  
June 16, for Londonderry and  
Glasgow, accompanied by Lee M.  
Merriman, of Chicago, and Miss  
Geneva Seybold, of Topeka,  
Kansas, the other two winners of  
scholarships.

After spending a brief vaca-  
tion in the highlands of Scotland,  
Mr. and Mrs. Britton go by way  
of London and Paris to Geneva,  
Switzerland, to attend the  
Fourth Assembly of the League  
of Nations. Later they will visit  
Germany, Austria, Czecho-Slo-  
vakia, Latvia, Russia, Poland,  
France and Italy.

Mr. Britton is specializing in  
Foreign relations and has recent-  
ly written special articles for  
the New York Times on the po-  
litical significance of the Shan-  
tung bandit raids in China.

## Public Hearing On Chowan River Bridge Held In Winton

DO YOU KNOW OF ANY  
"SPOTS OF INTEREST"

Ahoskie and Hertford County  
stand a nice chance of "getting  
on the map" with tourists from  
every section of the Atlantic  
Seaboard and even farther re-  
moved. The HERALD recently  
received a letter from a New  
York advertising agency, asking  
for information about "spots of  
interest" in this section.

Frank P. Meadows, secretary  
of the Ahoskie Chamber of Com-  
merce, has also received one of  
these letters, and is anxious to  
compile facts about any places of  
interest known to any person in  
Ahoskie or Hertford County.  
Anyone having any information  
that might be of interest is re-  
quested to tell us about it, or  
drop in at the Chamber of  
commerce office and give Mr.  
Meadows the "dope."

The HERALD will be glad to  
publish letters describing spots,  
and could use photos.

The letter from the advertis-  
ing agency follows:

THE H.K.McKANN COMPANY  
61 Broadway, New York City,  
April 30, 1923.

Secretary of  
Chamber of Commerce,  
Ahoskie, N. C.

We want to compile a series of  
tours for motorists and we are  
looking for "spots of interest"  
in your vicinity.

Not just the celebrated histor-  
ical places that are rather well-  
known, but obscure spots of  
local interest, whether the work  
of man or Nature. Falls, cliffs,  
gorges, bridges, churches, birth-  
places, first settlements, first meet-  
ings, first elections, first any-  
thing.

We think this will be a most  
interesting compilation, and will  
get motorists to seek out places  
of real beauty and interest that  
are off the beaten track. We do  
not ask you for photographs—  
simply a list of spots with any  
explanatory words you wish to  
add. Of course if you can fur-  
nish views, so much the better,  
but we are willing to send our  
own man to the spot after we  
know what and where it is.

Thanking you for your co-op-  
eration in this matter, which  
ought to be of mutual benefit,  
we are

Yours sincerely,  
E. W. MANN,  
Vice-President.

## CHESTER HARRIS BUSY

Chester O. Harris, former sec-  
retary of the Ahoskie Chamber of Com-  
merce, in a communication to an  
Ahoskie man says he is now sec-  
retary of the chamber of commerce at  
Harriman, Tenn., a town of 5,000  
inhabitants.

## EXTENSION SERVICE NOW EXPERIMENTING LOCALLY

Tests Are Being Made To De-  
termine Best Rate Of Nitrate  
Application

The North Carolina Exten-  
sion Service is carrying on some  
interesting and valuable exper-  
iments this year, in the various  
cotton counties, to determine,  
under local conditions, which  
is the most profitable rate of  
application of nitrate of soda  
and also at what time during  
the crop's growth, that it  
should be applied.

The County Agents are conduct-  
ing these tests, and with farmers  
who live along public highways, at  
points most convenient for the most  
people to see. The soda for these  
experiments is being furnished free  
by the Extension Service, and the  
plots to which it is applied are meas-  
ured and the soda weighed out ac-  
curately so as to get some dependable  
results at the end of the year.

The farms in this county on which  
these tests are being carried on are  
as follows: Tom Vaughan, Ahoskie;  
Taylor farm at Fraziers Cross Roads;  
T. T. Parker, near Murfreesboro;  
Jethro Majette, Com; Henry Jones,  
Coffield and B. N. Sykes, Harrel-  
ville. These farms pretty well cover  
all of the general soil type in the  
county, so by watching the farm that  
is nearest like yours in soil, you can  
get a very good idea as to what you  
might expect on your own farm un-  
der similar conditions. Soda (ni-  
trate of soda) is highly recommended  
for the growth of cotton under the  
best weevil conditions, and we hope  
by these tests to prove to the farm-  
ers' satisfaction, why and how it  
should be used. If you are farming  
or are interested in farming, you owe  
it to yourself to keep in close touch  
with one or all of the above mentioned  
farms, for the tests are being car-  
ried on as much for your benefit as  
for the benefit of the farmer who is  
actually doing the work. The own-  
ers of these farms will be glad to  
show you the location of the differ-  
ent plots and its treatment, etc.

## DIRECT ROUTE NOW SEEMS IN PROSPECT

Late advice from persons in  
Gates county and from others  
living in Virginia near the  
North Carolina line indicate a  
probable change in the routing  
of the North Carolina highway  
to meet the Virginia highway.  
The route now approved is at  
Corapeake; but, by Commis-  
sioner Hart's own statement, it  
is subject to change, based up-  
on the will of the people of  
Gates county.

Suffolk wants the Somerton  
connection, Hertford and Ber-  
tie counties want the Somerton  
route, and all of southwestern  
Gates favors it. Only a section  
of Gates, and Chowan County  
favor the Corapeake road.  
Counties beyond the Roanoke  
river at Williamston, whose  
only exit into Virginia is via  
Winton favor the Somerton  
highway.

A gathering of interested  
persons was held at Whaley-  
ville Monday afternoon. Plans  
for sounding out sentiment  
were outlined, petitions drawn  
up, and program of action  
planned, by the proponents of  
the Somerton route. It is re-  
ported locally that petitions  
will be circulated in several  
counties dependent upon the  
highway to connect with the  
Virginia highway.

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## ATTENDS COMMENCEMENT

Mrs. B. E. Copeland leaves Friday  
for Greensboro, where she will at-  
tend the commencement at North  
Carolina State College for Women,  
formerly known as the State Normal.  
Mrs. Copeland will accompany her  
daughter, Miss Margaret Copeland,  
home from the college. Mrs. Cope-  
land is a graduate of the class of '95  
at the State Normal.

## TWO BOARDS HAVE A LIVELY SESSION

County Commissioners Are  
Asked To Approve Budget  
For County Schools In  
Ensuing Year

TAX LEVIES WILL  
BE MADE MONDAY

Hub-bub reigned for a while  
last Monday in the courthouse  
at Winton, during a joint ses-  
sion of the county board of edu-  
cation and the county commis-  
sioners. Dr. J. H. Mitchell  
started the ball rolling when he  
fired the first verbal shot at the  
administration of the county's  
school affairs. He wanted a  
statement of expenditures from  
the board for last year's opera-  
tions, and he thought it should  
be published in a newspaper in  
the county.

In accordance with the 1923  
school laws, the meeting Mon-  
day was for the purpose of se-  
curing the commissioners' ap-  
proval of a school budget for the  
ensuing year. Because the  
school board included in the  
1923 budget appropriations for  
additional trucks to carry pu-  
pils to schools and a few extra  
teachers the commissioners  
hesitated to approve the expen-  
ditures; and, at least, wanted  
to know how the finances had  
been run heretofore.

Jno. E. Vann, member of the  
board of education, sharply replied to  
Dr. Mitchell after the latter had called  
for a statement and had further  
muddled the waters by delivering  
himself of a lecture about how little  
education had ever been engendered  
by gasoline trucks. Mr. Vann upheld  
the work of the school board, told the  
commissioners and room full of listen-  
ers that education had suffered for  
lack of funds, and asked for addi-  
tional appropriations for work to be  
carried on in 1923.

There was a considerable gathering  
of citizens on hand for the meeting,  
many of whom came from the Har-  
rellsville and Christian Harbor school  
districts. The committeemen of these  
two districts have asked for a raise  
in their special tax rate for schools.

A partial approval was given to the  
education board's budget, although  
the commissioners reserved the right  
to further revise the appropriations  
when they meet next Monday for the  
regular session. Members of the  
board of education are looking for  
still more verbal sessions next Mon-  
day when the commissioners meet.

The first Monday in June is set  
aside as the day for the commis-  
sioners to make tax levies in the special  
school districts in the county. The  
general county expenses and road  
tax rate will also be set on that day.

There will probably be no change  
in the road tax rate, but the 1923  
levy for county expenses is expected  
to be boosted, principally to take  
care of the expense of constructing  
dipping vats and the work incident to  
the dipping of cattle, and horses.

A lively session is in prospect for  
next Monday when the levies are  
made, for, when taxes cannot cause  
lively discussions, all other things are  
hopeless as interest-makers.

## STILL CAPTURED ON GOOSE CREEK ISLAND

Revenue Officer Snell, Sheriff Bis-  
mark Scull, and Deputy John Tayloe  
captured a 20-gallon still and all ac-  
cessories on a small island on Goose  
Creek, below Harrellsville, last Tues-  
day afternoon. Approximately 600  
gallons of mash was also found near  
the still. No whiskey was discovered,  
although the still was warm when  
taken by the officers.

E. L. Farmer, well known to offi-  
cers of the law and said to be an  
alias, is owner of the captured still.  
He made his getaway while the offi-  
cers were seizing the outfit. He was  
in custody the day prior to this, but  
the officers could not locate the still  
on that day and he was turned loose.  
The still was captured the next day,  
but Farmer had scented trouble, and  
beat it.

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