## THE BEST COUNTY THE STATE"

What the Rural Telephone is About to Accomplish in Georgia.

Practically every home in Hancock County, Georgia, will be equipped with a telphone when the plans of the Sparta, Ga., merchants are completed. The farmers are co-operating with their progressive city neighbors in bringing about this improvement. It will be of inestimable value, both to the rural residents and to the merchants. The universal spread of the rural telephone has perhaps never shown a more striking result.

It will be the best of 'phones, too, that this up-to-date community will have installed. The central exchange at Sparta is an adjunct of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, which, like all other Bell lines, is equipped with the latest improved appliances of the Western Electric Company, the largest manufacturers of telephones and telephone apparatus in the world. This company has already equipped many rural lines in the country surrounding Sparta.

The installation of a countywide service means the annihilation of all distances in Hancock. A farmer may have his home at the extreme end of the county, but he will be able to talk to his brother in Sparta with as little trouble as if the two lived on opposite sides of the same road. Busness men whose rural neighbors furnish them trade will have every customer practically at their finger-tips. It is difficult to estimate just how much this improvement will mean, expressed in terms of money, to Hancock County.

The Atlanta "Constitution recntly commented editorially on the subject, under the heading "Getting into Communication," as follows:

"Hancock County has taken a step in the direction of progress which others will do well to employ as a pattern.

"Instigated by the enterprising citizens of Sparta, there has been set in motion a project which will soon put a telephone into practically every farmhouse in Hancock.

"Realizing the importance, not only to the farmers, but to the business interests of Sparta, of such a system of communication, covering practically the entire county, Sparta business men raised a fund for the purpose of building rural telephone lines and bringing them into connection with the city system.

"From this fund approximately half of the expense of constructing the lines will be paid, the farmers paying the other half and cost of installing their telephones.

"It is, therefore, purely a local enterprise, which has for its object intercommunication of the entire county in general, and centralizing the county's business at the county seat, in particular.

"Both the citizens of Sparta and the farmers of Hancock are making a good investment; the farming interests will do their trading at home, instead of is an important item. A promi- wife was isolated from her played a game of ball on the

ple of the whole county will be of the city marked an epoch in brought, socially and commerciunity. They will have at hand most progressive steps ever tak means of rapid communication, en by a southern city.

"The value of the rural telephone is not problematic; it has been demonstrated and its proven worth is vastly more than its small cost.

"Hancock county has gone about it in the right way.

"It will result not only in material advantage to the individual citizens of the county, but in a broadening of view and of sphere of activity which are important community assets.

phone service.

"It is not only an indication of progress, but it is a positive facand growth."

Spartans are already boasting that when the improvement is rate conferences for teachers. completed they will have "the committeemen and for all who best county in Georgia."

A fund of \$500 has been raised to aid farmers in purchasing the necessary equipment for tele- ings and should be well attendphone lines, to be built into the ed. city and connect with the telephone exchange there. The com- ground. The Farmer Cornet mittee in charge of raising the Band will furnish music for the time" said he, "we have no less couragement, and it was declared at the time that an additional \$500 could be easily raised if needed. Seldom has any movement been given such an enthusiastic reception. The farmers in the section around Sparta were intense in their desire to secure telepone service in the home and eliminate the burden of isolation,

In less than a month after the fund was raised plans were made for the construction of several telephone lines, and almost one hundred telephones were added to the system. Inquiries came to the committee from all sections of the county, and the movement is yet in its infancy.

The matter was taken up by the city early last March, when a number of enterprising citizens realized that if the farmers' homes were connected with Sparta by telephone it would insure business that might otherwise go elsewhere. It means a great deal to the business men in the city and to the farmers. A mass meeting was called, and a committee appointed to secure subscriptions to the fund. In the course of a few hours \$500 was raised. A second mass meeting injuries and mindful only of benwas called, and the follwing act-

ion was reported: "The committee, consisting of Mayor J. D. Bennett, W. H. Burwell, M. L. Duggan, George White, Robert Holmes and R. E. Wheeler, appointed to solicit subscriptions from the business houses of Sparta, to be collected as needed, having reported that they had raised \$500, it was ordered that said sum be paid out encourage and aid in the conlines to be connected with the mile. It is understood that Dog." amounts so paid out on lines approved by said committee, are to

Sparta." ly cost more than \$25 per mile, to the city to attend to trifling the ball teams of the rival towns so that the bonus of \$10 per mile matters, and when the farmer's of Franklinville and Ramseur going into the adjoining county. nent citizen in discussing the neighbors and friends, is past. grounds the score being 4 to 3 in "But aside from that, the peo- matter declared that the action ally, into closer harmony and Georgia, and was one of the

# not only among themselves, but Great Educational Rally with the outside world.

### at Farmer Saturday August 28th, 1909

Next Saturday, Aug. 28th will be a great day for education ni southwestern Randolph. Farmer will be the meeting place, and all people interested in public education should be present. Committeemen and teachers are ur ged to be present.

In the forenoon will be gener-"There should be no county in al addresses on the subject of edthe State without its rural tele- ucation. Among the speakers will be Mr. J. B. Robertson of Burlington. Mr. Robertson the recently elected Superintendtor in continued advancement ent of the Randleman Graded School, and is an able speaker.

In the afternoon will be sepaare interested in the work of the en an ovation when he referred Woman's Betterment Association. These are important meet- being "the cream of the river."

fund met with every possible en- occasion. Everybody is invited to come.

#### Revival Services.

Special Revival Services will begin at the follwing churches on the Richland Ct, of the M. P. Church, at the times specified. Browers Chapel, the 5th Sun-

day in Aug. 11, a. m. New Union, 1st Sunday in

Sept. 11, a. m. Flag Springs, 2d Sunday in

Sept. 11, a. m. Gile's Chapel, 3rd Sunday in Sept. 11, a. m.

Charlotte, 1st Sunday in Oct. 11, a.m.

These services will be held for the moral and religious benefit of the communities in which the churches are located, and we will be very glad to have the co-operation of all christian people and earnestly request all persons to attend and bring their friends.

### J. H. Stowe, Pastor.

## No Friend Like The Dog.

Where will you find a man always grateful, always affectionate, never selfish, pushing the abnegation of self to the utmost limits of possibility, forgetful of efits received? Seek him not; it would be a useless task. But take the first dog you meet, and from the moment he adopts you for his master, you will find in him all these qualities. He will love you without calculation. His greatest happiness will be to be near you; and should you be reduced to beg your bread, not only will he aid you, but he will not abandon you to follow a on approval of said committee to king to his place. Your friends may quit you in misfortune, but struction of farmers' telephone your dog will remain; he will die at your feet, or if you depart be-Central Exchange at Sparta, and fore him on the great voyage leading along approved routes in will accompany you to your last the county at the rate of \$10 per abode. - From "History of the

be in the nature of a bonus to to the farmer as to the business struck up"Red, White and Blue" at the old court house on Satursuch lines for the purpose of en- man in the city", he said. "The and old Glory was unfurled to day night, Aug. 28. and again o courageing a systematic rural lines in rural districts are a sign the breeze where she floated Sun. at 10:30 a. m. and 2:30 p.m. telephone system centering at of progress and prosperity. The proudly, yet defiantly over the time when it was necessary for great building. After the ex-Farmers' telephone lines rare- the farmer to waste time driving ercises of the evening were over Modern science has made it pos- favor of Franklinville. sible for the the farmer to have efficient telephone service in his home at such low cost that there is no reason why every progressive farmer should not have a telephone in his home."

# RAISING

Large Assemblage-Prominent Speakers-Ideal Weather-Ball Game.

(By C. H. Ellison.) The largest crowd of people ever gathered in this city for any occasion gathered at the Academy Saturday evening, when under the auspices of Victor Council No. 228 Jr. O. U. A. M. a Bible and flag was presented to the High School. The occasion was is a regular galla day and was great ly enjoyed by everyone present Prof. D. M. Weatherly delivered the address of welcome in short and concise speech and made everyone feel at home while in our town. He was givto the hospitality of our town as

Mr. C. B. Webb responded with a rousing speech showing clearly Dinner will be served on the the marvelous growth of the Junior Order. "At the present than thirty-four Graded School buildings in the good old State of North Carolina placed there by the direct vote of the Junior Order. More than one thousand Bibles have been placed in schools and flags erected over buildings by this grand old Order, which now claims over twenty-three thousand members in the state of North Carolina alone."

> Mr. L. D. Mendenhall was the next speaker and took as his subject "The flar." He spoke with great feeling and brought forth applause throughout his address especially when he related an instance that happened but a few days before and which can best be related in the speaker's own words:

"I was standing on board o a large American ship in Hamden Roads when we saw approaching a ship from Norway, the new Country. On the stern of our vessel floated the stars and stripes. On approaching our vessel the Norwegian lowered her colors and dipped them into the sea, and then I was prouder than ever that I was a citizen of a Country that was treated with so much respect by another Country." This called forth great applause especially by the members of the Junior Order.

In a few well chosen remarks Mr. C. B. Webb introduced Mr. G. H. Hastings of Winston-Salem who delivered the leading address of the occasion. 'Mr. Hastings spoke in a masterful way on 'The Principles of our Order' and received great applause. His wit and humor was especially pleasing to the vast audiance. The climax of the evening was address by presenting the Bible the county. and flag to the High School in behalf of Victor Council No. 228 Jr. O. U. A. M. The speech of acceptance was made by the principal of the school, Prof. D.

Some people who enjoy good the old man. health are very much mistaken when they say that invalids are the perplexed father. never happy.

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#### Greensboro District Meeting.

There will be an interesting Missionary meeting at the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in Asheboro Wednesday September the first. An attractive program has been prepared for Tuesday night and Wednesday. The meeting is to be held by the Woman's Foreign Missionary

Society of the Greenborn district. Delegates and speakers will be present from all over the district. It is hoped that ladies will be present from every Southern Methodist church in Randolph

### To Organize Farmers Union.

I will be at Pierce School House Saturday night August 28th for the purpose of organizing a local of the Farmers Union at that place. Farmers, please come out.

W. E. Farlow, Co. Organizer.

### Notice To School Officials.

meeting of the State Association Kidneys well. The Kidneys are which will be held at Henderson- body: they do the most work and ville, August 31st to September as a consequence get out of order 3d, I shall not be in the office after quickest. Monday of next week. Parties who have business with me of machinery without attention should present themselves at of some kind. Neither can you that time. The following week, expect to have good health if beginning September 6th, I you fail to look after your Kidreached when he concluded his shall be in the eastern part of ney Machinery.

E. J. Coltrane, County Superintendent.

### To Preach at Court House.

Elder L. H. Hardy, of the M. Weatherly. All eyes were Reidsville Primitive Baptist "The telephone is as essential turned skyward as the band Church, will preach in Asheboro

### Canceling the Obligation.

"You have saved my life!" said the old man, whom the they become deranged, can you tramp had saved from drowning, wonder at ill-health, and sick-"As a reward, you may have my ness? daughter there."

The life-saver glanced at the daughter, then bent again over

"What are you doing?" asked

"Going to drop you in again,"

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