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ABOUT OUR SCHOOLS

PROF. F. C. WILLIS WRITES

To Other More Progressive Counties the Stokes County School System is a Joke—Correspondent Offers Some Advice.

Editor Reporter:

It was with regret that I noticed in your last issue that Stokes county had recently voted down two special school tax districts.

I visit my home in Stokes each summer, after spending most of the year teaching in other parts of the State, and no where do I see more marked improvement along some lines than in Stokes. The people of our county are making great improvements in their farms and methods of farming, and are at last learning to make their soil produce what nature intended it should. But perhaps in no part of the State is there more neglect and indifference shown to the schools and the educational system than in Stokes.

Our county contains an honest, an industrious and intelligent citizenship, who seem to be intent upon the development of their natural resources, but are for the most part utterly indifferent to the development of the intellect of their children, the greatest gift which God has bestowed upon them.

Instead of spending a lifetime of toil to leave a good farm as an inheritance to their children, would it not be better to spend part of this labor in developing their minds and giving them an education, which would be worth far more to each child than any farm the county contains. No boy or girl after having obtained an education in its true sense would exchange it for all the land in a township.

It is humiliating to me to know that to other more progressive counties, the Stokes county school system is a joke, and when I say this I mean no reflection upon the Stokes county teachers, but it would be impossible for the best teachers in a four month's term in the crowded condition of our schools to do any real teaching. It would also be absurd to think the best teachers would engage in this work at a salary of thirty dollars per month for only four months in the year.

Thirty years ago this kind of a school was the best our people could afford, but now in this day of progress and prosperity, when the world demands from each State and each community an educated citizenship, it is a reflection upon that State or that community to neglect its educational system.

I know the old cry among our people is that they are too poor to tax themselves, but when it has been proven by all the world that this is the cheapest and most efficient means of educating the people, then we should realize that we are too poor not to tax ourselves. Of all our Stokes county schools, it seems that the one at King is the only one that has really caught the true spirit of progress. I do not know personally the conditions there, but from what I can learn, they are going forward along the right lines.

Germantown has conducted for three years a reasonably successful school, but not a teacher, school, and they

Madison.

Madison, June 14.—Mr. R. M. Cardwell is in a hospital in Baltimore, Md., where he had an operation performed last Tuesday and when last heard from was doing fairly well.

Mrs. C. B. Pratt jumped across a branch Saturday evening breaking her leg below the knee. She was attended by Drs. Matherson and Taylor. She is getting along very well.

Mr. J. M. Sharp, Sr., of Intelligence, died last evening about 8 o'clock. He was stricken with paralysis about eleven months ago; but finally got so that he could get about some and Friday he had in another stroke from which he never rallied.

Mr. B. F. Robertson is also on the sick list.

There was a show in town last evening exhibiting an animal half man and half frog; from his hips up a well defined man, while his legs and feet were like a bull frogs legs and feet, and he navigated by hopping along like a frog.

Messrs. M. L. Hutcherson & Sons are erecting near the N. & W. Railroad a furniture factory.

CITIZEN.

Board of Education Met Monday.

The Board of Education was in session at the court house a short while Monday. Messrs. N. A. Martin and F. P. Stone, members, and J. T. Smith, secretary, being present.

There was no business of importance before the board, the meeting having been called for the purpose of paying the claims against the board.

Coe will sell you a cultivator or double plow for \$2.75.

as the stage coach is as a means of travel. They may get a good teacher, one who will fill every seat with pupils, and when he has paid his assistants necessary to conduct a modern school, he will find he is not making a living for himself. Then this man will go where he can get an assured salary paying him much more than he could make out of his tuition.

To be plain, the people of that community will find after a few more years of experience that the man who will accept the position and stay in Germantown is not the man they want as a teacher, simply because a good man can do far better at a salary in a graded school.

No little town in North Carolina has a better opportunity of a good cheap school than Walnut Cove. They are situated at the junction of two railroads which I understand if their tax districts were enlarged would pay a tax of more than five hundred dollars a year, and to this five hundred from the State, and the same from the county, if a good High School were established there, and we have fifteen hundred dollars which would cost the people of that school district absolutely nothing. Yet I regret to say twice recently has this tax been voted down. I understand the school at Walnut Cove has been quite a success this year, but I regret to know that this school can not continue to be successfully conducted with its present inadequate and uncertain means of support.

As a citizen of Stokes, there is no one who feels a deeper interest in her progress than I, and it is for this reason I write these words of advice coming from my experience as a teacher for thirty years.

Very truly,
F. C. Willis

IN EASTERN STOKES CAMP MEETING

GOOD FARMING BEING DONE

Big Fields of Corn, Wheat and Clover Good to Look Upon—Coming to Danbury August 6.

Stoneville Route 3, June 20.—Quite a large crowd attended church at Glenn's Chapel Sunday. Services were held by Rev. E. R. Suttentfield, of Mayodan.

Farmers are busy working corn, tobacco and harvesting one of the best crops of wheat for many years. We can grow good tobacco here in our section, but we do not plant all our fields in tobacco. We think it best to make our supplies at home. Many of our good farmers here, namely, the Joyces, the Claybrooks, Alex. Vernon, John Stowe, Rufus Suttentfield, the Webbs, the Grogans and many others have almost quit growing tobacco. Their big fields of corn, wheat and clover are good to look upon.

A number of people of this section are already planning to attend the old Soldiers' reunion at Danbury August 6th. It speaks well of the good people of Stokes county to give the old soldiers a good time. In a few more years the dear old loved ones will be but few.

Misses Dora and Bessie Suttentfield were visited by a number of their young friends Saturday night. Among them were Misses Ollie Webb, Naomi, Ruth and Della Webb, Messrs. Jesse Grogan, Willie Gann, Buford and Fletcher Webb and Joe Cardwell, of Danbury. They had quite a jolly time.

A series of meetings will be held at Beaver Island Missionary Baptist church in July, and in August a week's meeting will be held at Ayersville.

Mr. Fletcher Webb, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Webb, the past week, returned to his home at Bassett, Va., Sunday.

Z. Y.

Campbell.

Campbell, June 15.—Born to Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Gray Sunday, June the 12th, a little girl.

Addie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Biggs, is very sick from a serious complication of diseases. She has never recovered from the attack of pneumonia which was reported in our letter last March.

On Sunday morning, June 12th, the angel of death visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Hutchens, Madison N. C., and took from their arms the dear little baby, aged about 7 months. Little Noel was a bright and lively little one and the bereaved parents have the heartfelt sympathy of their many friends in this, their greatest trial. We feel that there loss is Heaven's gain, and that there is one more little angel around the throne, safe from the cares, toils and temptations of this troublous world. The interment was made at the family burial ground at Mrs. S. J. Watkins' on Tuesday, June 14.

Valuable Farm For Sale.

This farm is situated nine miles north of Greensboro, and within two miles of Summerfield depot, on one of the best macadamized roads in the county. It contains 750 acres; 300 acres are cleared and in high state of cultivation. 200 acres under wire for pasture, a large portion of which is pine and oak timber. 150 acres in meadow land from which there has been cut 350 stacks of hay in one season. The place has three tenant houses and is well watered.

This farm can be bought at a very low figure if bought before the 7th of July. For further information address

T. B. OGBURN,
Greensboro, N. C.

Good flour at \$2.90. Better grade for \$3.20. See L. R. Coe.

Few pairs men's and ladies' slippers left at 20 per cent off at Coe's, Dalton, N. C.

More goods for same money.

AT VADE MECUM JULY 20-30

Five Or Six Preachers Will Take Part In the Services, and a Pleasant Time Awaits Those Who Attend.

We will have a camp meeting at or near Vade Mecum Springs July 20 to 30. We want this to be an old-time Methodist camp meeting. Everybody is invited to come. Good board can be had at the Vade Mecum hotel by those who want to board. Cottages can be had either furnished or unfurnished at reasonable rates for those who want to board themselves. We have the assurance of the proprietor of the hotel that he will do all that he can to make it pleasant for all who may come. All who come will have access to the fine mineral waters of Vade Mecum Springs. The nearest station is Rural Hall, about thirteen miles away. It is in easy reach of Moore's and Piedmont Springs also. Please write the undersigned at Danbury early if you want a cottage, or let us know if you are coming and if you will want a cottage furnished or unfurnished. There will be five or six preachers present.

D. A. BINKLEY,
Danbury, N. C., June 21, 1910.

Hon. A. J. Burton For Judge In the Eleventh.

Reidsville, N. C., June 13, 1910.

Mr. Editor: At the forthcoming primaries it will be up to us among other things to indicate our preference for a Democratic candidate for the honorable and extremely important position of Judge for the Eleventh Judicial District.

We understand that the name of Hon. Andrew J. Burton will be presented for our support, both at the primaries and in the Judicial convention for this position. Without invidious reflection upon the merits of any other candidate, we desire to suggest to the voters of the district that Mr. Burton is eminently qualified for this position and recognized ability as a lawyer of wide experience, one that knows law and administers it without fear or favor.

Mr. Burton was honored by his former county of Halifax by electing him to the office of Solicitor of its Criminal court, and to a seat in the House of Representatives. He has twice been elected to the Senate from his adopted county of Rockingham, where his Judicial fitness was re-organized by appointment to the committee on Judiciary, as well as to any other of the most important committees.

He is at the present time the incumbent of the Recorder's seat in the Recorder's Court of the term of Reidsville, where in his record speaks for him in trumpet tones of commendation and approval.

Respectfully yours,
VOTER.

Smith.

Smith, June 14.—Mrs. Annie Rierson and children, of Bluefield, Va., are visiting friends and relatives of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Shelton spent Sunday with Mrs. Shelton's father, Mr. G. A. Martin.

Misses Kate Hollingsworth and Annie Fulton, of Mt. Airy, are visiting Miss Rachel Moore.

Mr. J. H. Sheppard had the misfortune to lose a fine cow last week, this is the second cow that Mr. Sheppard has lost this spring.

Mr. Sam Hall is on the sick list this week.

Lame shoulder is almost invariably caused by rheumatism of the muscles and yields quickly to the free application of Chamberlain's Liniment. This liniment is not only prompt and effectual, but in no way disagreeable to use. Sold by all dealers.

Germantown Personals.

Germantown, June 20.—Mr. Will Hill and son, Ashton, of Winston-Salem, are the guests of Misses Mollie and Alice Hill.

Mrs. John McKenzie and children returned to their home at Clemmons last Saturday after spending several weeks with her mother, Mrs. J. E. Crews.

Mr. L. M. McKenzie returned from Charlotte yesterday, where he attended the meeting of the Grand Lodge of the K. of P's.

Miss Nan Sanders, of Trenton, Ill., is the guest of Mrs. R. L. Tuttle. Miss Sanders is very much delighted with the country, and will probably spend the summer here.

Mr. and Mrs. Guthrie Crews and little daughter, of Dunn Ellon, Fla., arrived last night, and will remain several weeks with their father, Rev. Rufus Crews.

Mrs. S. C. Rierson, of Walnut Cove, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. L. M. McKenzie.

Mrs. W. D. Bennett and Miss Lizzie Vaughn, of Walnut Cove, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Charlie Boles, on Germantown Route 1.

Mr. John Kurfees and family spent Sunday with their father, Mr. F. E. Petree.

Miss Hattie Lou Potter, of Mars Hill, is the guest of Miss Sarah Styers.

Dr. Andrew Tuttle, of Spray, will visit his brother, Mr. R. L. Tuttle, this week.

Big show here Thursday, p. m. Oh, ye show!

L. M.

Mr. Buxton And Family To Take European Trip.

Hon. J. C. Buxton, Mrs. Buxton and Misses Anna and Caro Buxton will leave on July 2nd for Europe where they will spend the months of July and August. They will sail for Germany first and will visit a number of European nations while abroad, although they have not as yet decided which ones.

The trip is made primarily in the interest of Mr. Buxton's health, being designed to give him a good rest. His many friends throughout the state hope to see him return entirely recovered. Winston Sentinel.

Belew's Creek.

Belew's Creek, June 13.—Miss Flora Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Pinkney Marshall made a pleasant visit to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Neal Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Newton Taylor returned home from Winston yesterday.

Among the visitors at Mr. Elijah Nelson's yesterday were the following: Mr. and Mrs. Coonie Crickman and children, President Rice, Mr. Richard Johnson and Mr. J. W. Calhoun.

Mrs. Lelia Rice is expecting to visit her grandma, Mrs. Amanda Nelson, before very long.

BLUE BELL.

In the development of North Carolina's industries, the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts is taking a foremost part. Its students are giving their lives to improving our farming, our trucking, our dairying and stock-raising. They are rapidly making their way into our factories, our electric power-houses, and our shops. They are helping to build our roads, our bridges, and our railroads. Indeed they are just the men needed at this stage in the State's growth. We are glad to note that more young men than ever before are seeking, through this well-equipped institution, a place in our industrial progress. We call attention to the advertisement in this issue.

If you are not satisfied after using according to directions two-thirds of a bottle of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets, you can have your money back. The tablets cleanse and invigorate the stomach, improve the digestion, regulate the bowels. Give them a trial and get well. Sold by all dealers.

Paying 12c. a pound for hens at Coe's, Dalton, N. C.

THE FARMERS' UNION

HELD MEETING SATURDAY

The Time Was a Most Busy One With the Tillers of the Soil. But Many Attended—Date Set For County Rally and Picnic, July 30.

Although an extremely busy time with the farmers, a goodly gathering of the tillers of the soil attended the county meeting of the Farmers' Union here Saturday, representatives being present from nearly every local in the county. Very important business was transacted, which consumed the greater part of the day. County Organizer and Lecturer C. W. Glidewell addressed the Union, his remarks being confined largely to an interesting account of his trip to the big farmers' gathering at St. Louis recently.

The date for the annual rally and picnic of the Union at Danbury was fixed for Saturday, July 30. A committee was appointed to have a table built 400 feet long in the grove behind the M. E. Church. It is expected that the crowd in attendance will be the largest ever seen in the county, eclipsing in size the big Old Soldiers' meetings of the past. The Union has 2,300 members in the county now, and if anything approaching a full attendance of the members, with their families, is secured, the crowd will be enormous.

Mizpah.

Mizpah, June 21.—Mr. and Mrs. James Hicks, of Meadows, spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Smith.

Miss Charlie Johnson visited Miss Primmie Tillotson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Southern spent Sunday with Mrs. Southern's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Holland.

Misses Mabel Smith and Annie Blair visited Misses Harriette and Martha Ross Friday P. M.

We think Mr. Charlie Neal must be liking some one down about Mr. J. P. Smith's as he spent most of last week there.

Miss Mabel Smith will attend the Institute at Danbury in July.

Miss Annie Mounce, of High Point, is spending some time with friends at Meadows.

PAT.

Ice Cream Supper and Meeting of Juniors.

There will be an ice cream supper at Mountain View on next Saturday evening at 5 o'clock p. m., June the 25th, 1910. Ice Cream will be furnished by Messrs V. T. Hartgrove and E. C. Slate. Everybody invited to come. There will also be a meeting of Juniors in their Hall at 8 o'clock p. m.

Revival At the M. E. Church.

A revival is in progress at the M. E. Church here conducted by the pastor Rev. D. A. Binkley, assisted by Rev. J. S. Hyatt of the Forsyth circuit. Mr. Hyatt is preaching some strong and earnest sermons, and much interest is being manifested. The public is cordially invited to attend the meetings both morning and night.

For Treasurer.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Stokes county, subject to the action of the Republican county convention to be held July 23rd, 1910.

R. H. R. BLAIR,
Danbury, N. C.

Notice.

False reports have gone out over the county that this mill would close June 18th, for overhauling. It will not stop before July 2nd, then for only a short time.

Yours very truly,
C. H. SHEPPARD.

The tobacco crop in Stokes is seven-eighths planted.