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FAVOR OF GOOD ROADS

Would Be Willing to Be Double-Taxed For the Next Ten Years—Description of July 4 Celebration At Meadows of Dan.

Pazasro, Va., July 11.
Editor Reporter:

When I was last at home I looked over several Reporter's and was glad to see the stand you are taking for good roads. Good roads is the most needful thing to build up Stokes county. We have churches, school houses, and bridges over the most of the county, but no roads to get to them only gullies with a few rocks thrown in them. Now, Mr. Smarty will say he wants good roads because he travels all the time. I go in a light vehicle, and can travel over most any kind of roads, besides I do very little traveling in Stokes, while the farmers have to haul their crops to market and the fertilizer back. If you have a farm to sell and a buyer looks it over and likes it, then he will ask you where you market your produce, and about the roads. Nine times out of ten you will lose a trade and the neighborhood a good citizen. I wish to call your attention to a piece of road I have traveled over. Not long since, and there is lots of roads just as bad in the county. The road is from Piney Grove church to the Buck Island bridge. Its right up one steep bank and down another all the way. I met a team of mules scratching like they would burst their hearts out trying to get up the hill. Now every one of those banks could be graded around and make a fairly good road out of it. I think the thing to do is to work the roads by taxation, and that would furnish employment for the young manhood of our county; and they would not have to go to public works to find labor. They would stay in the county and help build it up. They say that the reason they were in favor of working roads by taxation was because they had no real estate. I have real estate, doesn't make any difference whose name it is in, the taxes are paid. If I owe any one anything, all they have to do is to present their claim and get the money for same. I would be willing for the taxes to be doubled for the next ten years, if we could have good roads.

I wish to give a little description of the fourth over here at Meadows of Dan, as it was on my way. Every one here goes to celebrate. The merchants all closes up their stores and go. Everyone seemed to enjoy the fourth. The Odd-fellows had a parade, a band, and a very able address on Oddfellowism. Old John Barlycorn was there. In evidence some of the refreshment stands had banjo playing and dancing, others had young ladies singing and graphones, and all carried flags. It rained in the evening. Some was down in the mud while others was leaning up against wagon wheels to stand. Had two or three fights, and you could hear shooting on the outskirts of the crowd, but for all they seemed to enjoy it. As I drove out in the evening I overtook five boys, all drunk, with bottles in their hip pockets. Their ages would range from 10 to 15 years old. I have never seen as many men and boys drunk in all of my life. There is no such in N. C. that can half way compete with them, but for all it did not seem to mar the pleasure of the crowd.

I wish to say to my friend A. J. F., of Walnut Cove, if he wants to go fishing to meet me at Snowville, Va. Friend Sam Hall, the Postmaster there who has a nice boat on Grason Town pond, invited me to come any time and stay as long as I please and have the use of his boat tackle. Then we could go to A. W. Dehart's at the mouth of Indian. He has a boat on little river, then go to Rufus Harris on Burks Fork, then to Ages Mill and from there back to Meadows of Dan. Now I have a special invitation to stop and fish with these people as long as I please. You need not to

FARMERS INSTITUTE

DANBURY AND WALNUT COVE

Dates August 9 and 10—Mr. I. G. Ross Very Anxious For The Farmers to Attend These Questions.

Mr. Editor:
I wish to use your paper to notify the people of Stokes county of our yearly Institute which will be held in Danbury on August 9 and at Walnut Cove on August 10. We will have a lady with them to talk to the ladies of our county.

Now I mean to extend a general invitation to every one in the county and ask them to either attend at Danbury or at Walnut Cove. I will also say that it is the duty of the men in the county to bring their wives out for our benefit and happiness largely depends upon the wives and mothers of our county, therefore they should have the very best and most instructive part of the days work, and that is the part they will get if they will attend. I want every one of the committee to work for a good crowd at both places, especially at Danbury for I was very much displeased at our crowd last year. There is nothing that has been more help to the farmers of North Carolina than the institutes that have been held in the State. Look at the science used in farming today, and it all came through the institute and today farming without science is a back number and the man that tries to farm without it is compelled to do a lot of hard manual labor, making the products of his farm cost much more than the scientific farmers would. I never have extended an invitation to the negro farmers of our county heretofore, but I now ask them to come out and hear our speakers and they had better come to Danbury as our room may be limited at the Cove. We want the negro farmer not to get behind in his farming, for that would pull us back wards instead of forwards. I will be at both places and hope to meet a good crowd. It shows our intelligence to turn out on that day and everybody is expected to bring their dinner unless they prefer going to the hotels, both are good and the rates as cheap as could be expected.

I. G. ROSS, Chairman.

Never leave home on a journey without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is almost certain to be needed and cannot be obtained when on board the cars, or steamships. For sale by all druggists.

If you should undertake to pick tobacco worms off one by one, in some sections your neighbors would laugh at you and wonder if you knew that Lee had surrendered. Get an Acme machine and you will wonder why you never thought of it before. You can not afford to hire a man to pick tobacco worms when you can do it for less than his board. Price \$1.90. For further information address ACME DISTRIBUTING CO., Reidsville, N. C.

ESCAPED WITH HIS LIFE.

Twenty-one years ago I an awful death," writes H. B. Martin, Fort Herrelson, S. C. "Doctors said I had consumption and the dreadful cough I had looked like it, sure enough. I tried everything, I could hear of, for my cough and was under the treatment of the best doctor in Georgetown, S. C. for a year, but could get no relief. A friend advised me to try Dr. King's New Discovery. I did so, and was completely cured. I feel that I owe my life to this great throat and lung cure." Its positively guaranteed for coughs, colds and all bronchial affections. 50c & \$1.00 Trial bottle free at all Druggists.

if you want any snake bite medicine better bring it along as this is dry territory. I don't think you need to fear bumble bees as I haven't seen but one since I come over and he did not seem vicious.

J. M. WOOD WRITES

ENDORSES SIMMONS BILL

Former Stokes Citizen Enthusiastic On The Question of Good Roads —The Chance For the Farmers Union.

Lexington, N. C. July 10.
Editor Reporter:

I have just finished reading the speech of Senator Simmons on "Government Aid for Improvement and Maintenance of Postal Roads." In this speech the Senator has touched a note for which I have been listening for a long time, and has advanced an idea which could be taken up with profit by the Farmers' Union. I beg to say this because good roads is the most important issue with which the farmer has to deal today, for of what good is a low Tariff or Reciprocity if the farmer cannot get to market what he has to sell without the burden of the heavy cost of transportation known in the commercial world today?

The Farmers' Union is organized in order to enable the farmers to get together on questions of equal benefit to all, and by joining together in some concerted movement, their influence would soon be felt to an extent which would cause the Government to realize that every other industry has had help in one form or another and that now the time has come to extend the helping hand to the men who are in all reality the back-bone of the nation.

We have seen what it meant to the manufacturers to have that aid. We have seen what it meant to the railroads to have that aid. It has enabled them both to grow to an extent that is almost incredible and the end of growth is not yet. The manufacturers and railroads got the aid because they went and asked Uncle Samuel for it, which the farmers have never done except once. The farmers can get aid if they will act in a close body, and in a few years the matter of roads being settled they will be on the highway of prosperity in a manner which can not come about through any other source.

I have been over a great portion of the South and I find that in every instance where the roads are good, people are in good shape and the reverse where they are bad. I don't know whether prosperity follows good roads or the other way around, but certain it is prosperity and good roads go hand in hand.

J. M. WOOD.

New Arrivals at Piedmont.

Misses Emery Barber, Edwina Lockett, Kate and Lillian Jenkins, Kathleen Simpson, Pearl and Mary Medearis, of Winston-Salem; Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Ricks, and son Pearson, Mrs. Phin Horton and son, Phin, Jr., Mrs. A. F. Moses and daughters, Misses Elsie and Marguerite, Mrs. Capt. Crutchfield, Mrs. Mrs. Ralph Siewers, and children, L. A. O'Brien, and Mr. and Mrs. John T. Simpson and son James and other children, of Winston-Salem; C. E. Hughes and Mrs. Hughes, and daughter, Miss Sarah Hughes, and other smaller children, of Danville, Va.; Mrs. C. S. Walters and son, of Pilot Mountain; N. R. Medearis of Winston; T. M. Puryear, Danville; A. D. Barnes, Atlanta; Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Fleshman, and daughter, Geradine, of Kernesville; Mrs. A. D. Murray and son, Jack Murray, of Greensboro; W. M. Walters, H. H. Harrison, of Mayodan; Young, R. J. Chilton, C. L. of Danbury; Miss Senith Johnson, of Ohio; Miss Zilla Simmons, of Greensboro; Herbert Thurston and J. N. Kaufman, of Richmond, Va.; R. A. Everett, of New Haven, Conn.; Misses Bonnie Moore, of Altamahaw; and Miss Daisy Richardson, of Liberty; and many others.

A PEEP INTO HIS POCKET.

would show the box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve that E. S. Loper, a carpenter, of Marilla, N. Y. always carries. "I have never had a cut, wound, bruise, or sore it would not soon heal," he writes. Greatest healer of burns, boils, scalds, chapped hands and lips, fever-sores, skin eruptions, eczema, corns, and piles. 25c at all Druggists.

AT NETTLE RIDGE

REFRESHING RAIN FALLS

But Tobacco Is Very Sorry—Death of Matt Louis Allen—Other Items.

Nettle Ridge, July 14.—Dear Reporter I am glad to tell you since our last letter we have had a good refreshing rain.

Corn crops are looking well, but there is very little tobacco around here that is worth a good plowing.

Messrs. John and Williard Simmons, from Missouri, and Fulsa Okla are spending their vacation with their parents here.

Mrs. J. A. Ashburn, who has been visiting here returned home this morning, accompanied by Mrs. J. T. Ayers and two sons.

Miss Jennie C. Clark continues very low.

Mr. Matt Louis Allen, was killed by a passenger train at Marion Va., and was brought home and buried in the family burial ground Friday. Mr. Allen had been sent off for his health and was reported doing nicely until Tuesday when a telegram was received announcing his death. He leaves a good wife and several small children, one sister and mother to mourn his loss besides his many friends. It has just been a few days over 5 months since his brother, Will committed suicide by cutting his throat.

Miss Alpha Simmons gave her young friends an enjoyable birthday party last Tuesday night, refreshments being served at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Turner Shockley from Roanoke was in our midst Wednesday night.

SIX HORSES BURNED

AT WALNUT COVE SUNDAY

Early Morning Fire Destroys Livery Business of Mr. Light Isom—No Insurance.

Early last Sunday morning fire completely destroyed the livery stable of Mr. Light Isom at Walnut Cove, including six head of horses, a lot of feed stuff, harness, 50 bushels of corn, etc. Mr. Isom had no insurance, and his loss is about \$1,200.

It is not known how the fire originated. The stable, which was just in the rear of the Fulton store, was discovered by some one to be afire, and the alarm was quickly given. An effort was made to get out the stock, but the poor frightened animals perished before they could be rescued. One of the teams lost cost \$550.00, and had been purchased only a short while.

General sympathy is felt for Mr. Isom, who loses about all he possessed by the fire.

If we are not able to build good roads now will you kindly tell us when we will be able to build them.

PARSON'S POEM A GEM.

From Rev. H. Stubenvoll, Allison, Ia., in praise of Dr. King's New Life Pills. "They're such a health necessity.

In every home these pills should be.

If other kinds you've tried in vain,

USE DR. KING'S

And be well again. 25c at all Druggists.

PIEDMONT THROUGH

THE CROWD GROWS LARGER

About 325 Guests At the Popular Resort—Some Idea of What Good Roads Would Mean.

At this writing there are 147 guests in the hotel at Piedmont, while all the cottages are full, numbering something like 150, making close to 325 people attending the popular resort.

This is one of the most successful seasons in the history of Piedmont. It is learned that Moore's Springs are also taxed to their fullest capacity.

The large crowds of people constantly coming in from various parts of the United States, principally the Carolinas and Virginia, only give one some idea of the immense patronage this region would enjoy from the outside world if we had transportation.

A gentleman who is a wealthy resident of Winston-Salem told the Reporter the other day that with a good road to this section the number of visitors we would have for several months every year would be limited only by our capacity to accommodate them.

The guests all have money to spend, and all must eat, and all must be waited on. This would mean the spending of thousands upon thousands of dollars, in this community, ninety per cent. of which would necessarily go into the pockets of the farmers.

For summer diarrhoea in children always give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and castor oil and a speedy cure is certain. For sale by all druggists.

HOW TO ATTRACT WEALTH.

A Georgia gentleman, who is spending some time in this section, expresses surprise at the inaction of the people of Stokes county, with reference to the public roads, when, he observes, they have such a resourceful country, that might bring them riches. He says that only a few years ago his country built good roads, and that the enterprise had the effect of turning a naturally poor region into a very wealthy one. Property values were enhanced from 3 to 5 hundred per cent. Two millionaires from the north attracted by the easy transportation, bought land and established estates either of which is finer than Vanderbilt's "Biltmore," near Asheville. Every class of people was benefited by the influx of wealth and industry that followed the good roads.

