

The Rural School

Now the compulsory attendance law has become effective, it should be put into practicable force, and should be carried out under the provisions that the act provides. Such a law is provided for our rural schools and I wish to say that I consider the rural school, or the public school as you might term it, the greatest factor in the development of rural communities, and not only that, but it is the most important feature of the educational system of America, because in the rural schools about 75 per cent of our boys and girls receive their primary education.

About 50 per cent of the rural schools of today are not fulfilling their mission, while some have made much progress, and perhaps some are doing ideal work. One great trouble with the rural school is that the people make it a side line and not a specialty, as they should.

Ordinarily they send their children to school a little in the winter season when there is nothing they can do on the farm, and perhaps a few weeks in summer short terms and irregular attendance are two of the greatest handicaps to the rural school.

Another great fault of the school is that its scope of work too narrow, simply going and reciting the answer in the text books and never having

anything in connection with the school work to arouse interest and give them inspiration. To remedy these faults, we might offer some helpful suggestions. Have the school building neatly finished and furnished as circumstances will permit--and they will permit often a great deal more than some people seem to think, make the building attractive and have the children take a part in beautifying the ground.

This is a good incentive to regular attendance.

In the course, of study, agriculture and nature study should be stressed more:

Corn clubs, girls tomato clubs, manual training and domestic science should be touched upon. In fact, these are the essential things of a rural school. Trained hands are what the world is now seeking. To know all the languages and "ologies" is all very well, but the men and women that are in greatest demand today are the ones that really know how to do something, outside of the regular work as above mentioned; the school should be the social center of the community, and until it is revolutionized, and has connected with it pleasant and profitable social functions that steady stream of boys and girls from the country to the city will never be stopped.

There is no end of amusement,

both harmless and simple that might be carried on under the auspices of the school, such as, singing and debating societies, basket suppers, spelling bees etc. Of course to have these, a hard working, big hearted teacher, with a strong desire to uplift and enlighten humanity, is very necessary.

One that is not working simply for a salary, but for the cause of education; one that can and will love a divided, gossiping community into one of harmony and union and fill them with a big school spirit, a longing for knowledge, love for home and reverence for God. When the schools have not these conditions they will be fulfilling their mission. With every school in the rural districts working in harmony on this basis, the country boy and girl will no longer flock to the city, but instead we shall see them building comfortable homes in the community that gave them birth, always working for its betterment. Our rural communities will be inhabited by the bravest and noblest manhood, the truest and purest womanhood of which any nation can boast.

The dear old south will be made to blossom as a rose, and from her inexhaustible lands her sons will feed a hungry world through the influence of her rural schools.

A Subscriber.

News from Kelford

The Primary Election held here Saturday, passed off smoothly, all the Candidates received substantial vote.

Rev. J. R. Matthews of Hexlena filled the pulpit of Kelford Baptist church Saturday and Sunday and preached two fine sermons.

Rev. Jno. F. Cale the Pastor is attending the Southern Baptist Convention.

Mr. E. E. Tyler was stricken with paralysis Thursday and is quite sick at this writing, his many friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

Kelford school will close Friday 22nd, the term has been a very successful one and the principal, Mr. Thomas A. Pope, and the assistants Miss Mary Burrus and Miss Mary Brown deserve great credit for the great work they have done and the excellent manner in which they have conducted the school.

Misses Mattie Hall, Fannie Tyler, and Louise Norfleet will graduate from the High School Department.

Mr. Samuel F. Evans, died on the 5th inst at the home of his son in law, Mr. J. T. Parker. Mr. Evans was the oldest citizen of Roxobel Township, having past his Eighty second birthday. He was a man that truly feared God and kept His Commandments. His Funeral was conducted from Kelford Baptist church and his remains laid to rest beside those of his devoted wife who preceded him ten years ago. Many of his friends attended the Funeral and laid flowers upon the grave, he had a host of friends and no enemies.

On account of the president of the Philathea Class (Mrs. J. E. Tyler) being sick, the Baraca Class postponed the entertainment they had planned for this week in honor of the Philathea class, the Baraca Class wishes for Mrs Tyler a speedy recovery.

Captain E. J. Haley, assistant road master of the A. C. L. R.R. Norfolk, Division, who has been at Wilmington for the past few weeks joined Mrs. Haley at home Saturday and Sunday.

The Atlantic Bottling works have purchased ground and let out contract for a branch plant at Kelford.

Dr. C. C. Joyner of Farmville, N. C. has located at Kelford for the practice of medicine. Dr. Joyner is a man of fine ability and pleasant personality and comes to Kelford highly recommended as a gentleman and physician, he graduated from Jefferson medical Colledge, Philadelphia and has had Fifteen years as a practitioner, the leading physicians and citizens of Pitt county say of him that he is a safe, conservative and skillful physician, and every inch a gentleman, the people of Kelford feel themselves highly congratulated in securing such a professional citizen as Dr. Joyner is.

To the Defendant Henry Chavis

You are hereby notified and commanded to be and appear before the Judge of our Superior Court, at a term of court to be held for the county of Bertie, at the court house in Windsor, N. C. on the first Monday in September 1914, being the 7th day of September 1914 and answer the complaint now on file in this office, or otherwise plead thereto; and you will take notice that if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time required by law, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded therein; you will further take notice that this action is brought by the plaintiff above named to obtain from you an absolute divorce on the grounds of fornication and adultery committed by you as alleged in said complaint.

Herein fail not and of this summons take due notice.

Given under my hand this April 29th. 1914.

W. L. Lyon,
Clerk Superior Court.
Winston & Matthews, Att'ys.

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of the power and authority vested in me by an order of the Superior Court of Bertie county, North Carolina, in the special proceeding therein pending, entitled, "Haywood W. Cherry, administrator of Sampson Cherry, deceased, vs Haywood W. Cherry, Rebecca Cherry, Sampson Mitchell, Silvania Smith and husband, Thomas Smith and others", I will, on the 15th day of June, 1914, at 12 o'clock M., at the courthouse door of Bertie county in the town of Windsor, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following real estate situated, lying and being in Bertie county, North Carolina to-wit:

A certain tract of land in Snakebite Township, adjoining the Samuel Cherry's heirs, W. R. Cooper, John D. Spivey and others, containing 10 acres more or less; and being the same lands conveyed by William Daniel Cherry to Sampson Cherry by deed of record in Book 180 page 162.

Place of Sale--Courthouse door, Windsor, N. C.
Time of sale--12 o'clock M., June 15th 1914.

Terms of Sale--Cash.
Jno. W. Davenport,
Commissioner.

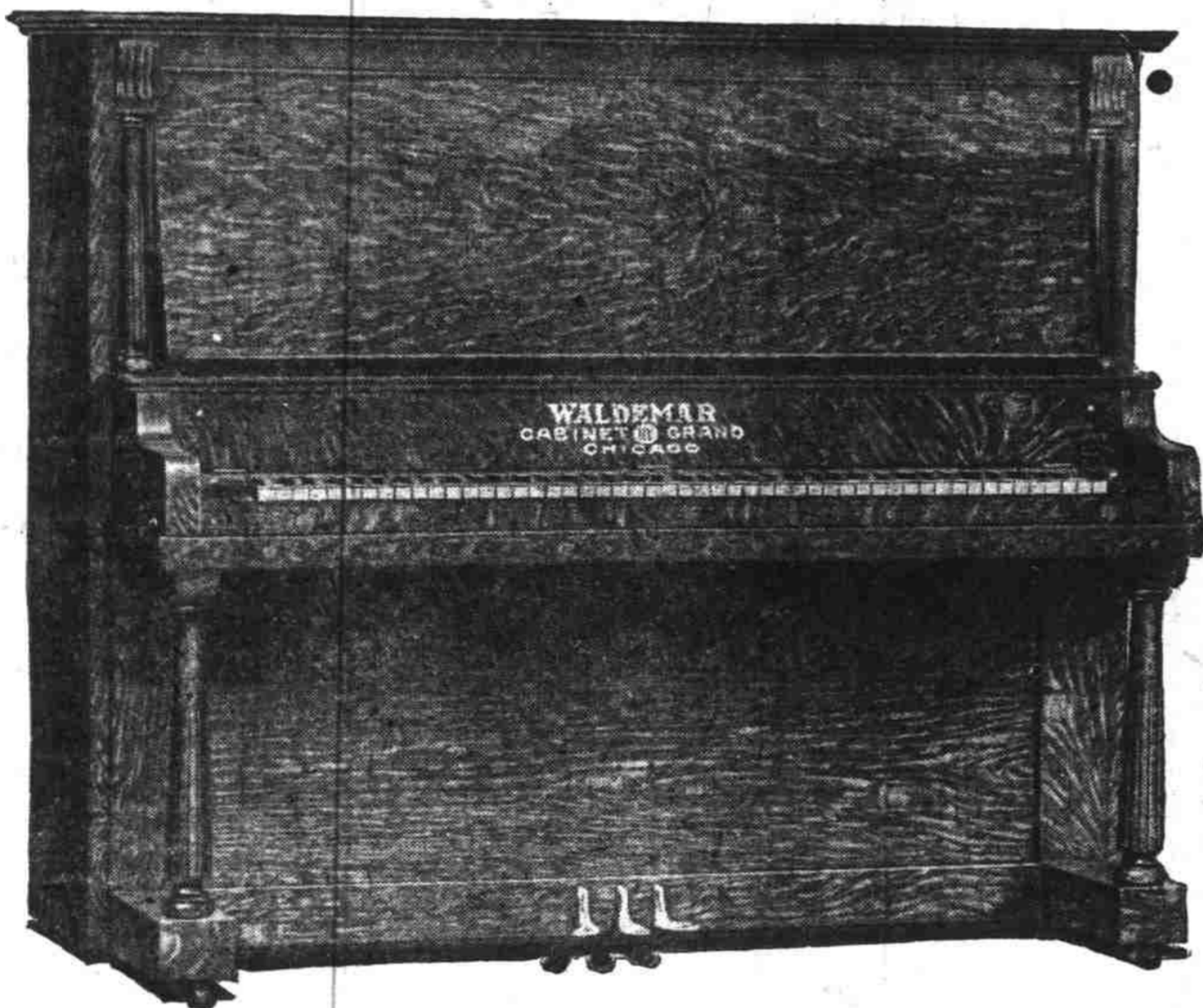
Gillam & Davenport, Att'ys.

For Sale or for Rent

My residence and several lots for sale or rent--in Lewiston.
B. F. Renfrow



R.C. Bazemore's



\$185.00 ALL CASH

\$200.00, \$100.00 Cash; \$5.00 per month. \$225.00, 50.00 Cash, \$5.00 per month

DEPARTMENT STORE SHOW WINDOWS

HAVE BEEN REMODELED Enlarged and Improved

which enables to show my goods to a much better advantage

Keep Your Eye on Them

Stop and look, there might be something in them you are looking for. This will only be a sample and I can only show you a few things in them. My aim is to draw you inside where I have a store filled to its utmost with almost any and every thing you may call for

Remember EASTER is near and every body wants something new for that occasion. I have just gotten in a new and up-to-date line of Clothing, Hats, Caps, Shoes, Dress Goods and Notions. I think my line of Ladies and Gents Furnishings is complete. Come and judge for yourself. We will take pleasure in showing you

R. C. BAZEMORE

CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION

State of North Carolina, Department of State.

To all to whom these presents may come.

Greeting:

Whereas, it appears to my satisfaction, by duly authenticated record of the proceeding for the voluntary dissolution thereof by the unanimous consent of all the stockholders, deposited in my office, that the Colerain Farmers Union warehouse company, a corporation of this State, whose principal office is situated at No. --- street, in the town of Colerain, county of Bertie, state of North Carolina (H. E. Wilson being the agent therein and in charge thereof, upon whom process may be served), has complied with the requirements of chapter 21, Revisal of 1905, entitled "corporation," preliminary to the issuing of this certificate of Dissolution:

Now, therefore, I, J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the said corporation did, on the 11 day of March, 1914, file in my office a duly executed and attested consent in writing to the dissolution of said corporation, executed by all the stockholders, thereof, which said consent and the record of the proceeding aforesaid are now on file in my said office as provided by law.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand and affixed my official seal at Raleigh, this 11th day of March, A. D. 1914.

J. Bryan Grimes,
Secretary of State.
(Official Seal)

NOTICE
North Carolina, Superior Court.
Bertie County, Sept. Term 1914
Corina Chavis, Plaintiff,
vs.
Henry Chavis, Defendant.