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And Many Volunteered for Moonlight School Work Which is to Begin January Third

Community Service Day in Pasquotank was observed last Saturday at the Alkrama with J. P. Thompson, presiding, J. K. Wilson as master of ceremonies and Prof. E. C. Branson as the speaker of the day. A considerable number of people of the city and many from the country were present.

The exercises were opened by the singing of America and with prayer by Dr. B. C. Henning. Introductory remarks were made by J. K. Wilson who urged that the local committees that had been appointed in the different districts make plans for definite work in "Community Service" and especially in Moonlight School work.

In the absence of Mr. Ashby, who was prevented by illness in his family from being present, Dr. B. C. Henning spoke very impressively on the Church's Place in Community Service, stating that the church should be active and efficient in Community Service and that this was really one of its greatest missions.

Mrs. James Fearing read the Proclamation for Moonlight School Month by the Governor and Mrs. Cam W. Melick read Supt. Joyner's letter calling upon the teachers, the preachers, the press and the unselfish citizenship of the state to enlist in Moonlight School work in their section. Mrs. Melick also told of her efforts to get an appropriation of \$250 from the county commissioners for Caning Club Work in Pasquotank county and urged those present to use their influence toward bringing the Commissioners to vote for the appropriation.

County Supt. of Education, W. M. Hinton, told of Pasquotank's place in the illiteracy column and urged a great crusade for the complete wiping out of this menace to the county's progress and further greatness. Pasquotank, he said, had much to be proud of in that illiteracy is less prevalent here than in most counties of the State, but nothing to be proud of because still one out of every fifteen of its adults is illiterate. Supt. Sprague of the Elizabeth City Graded School spoke of the need of education of the right sort among the negroes. He said that much of the money spent for negro education had been wasted because the money given was not what the negro needed and he urged that there be Moonlight Schools for negroes as well as whites during Moonlight School Month in Pasquotank.

Dr. R. L. Kendrick made a short address on Health and Sanitation. He stressed first that good health was an individual matter—that it was the duty of every citizen to protect himself from disease by making every effort to prevent it. The remedy for the carelessness of people in protecting themselves, he said would be found by educating the young of the land, through the public schools as to the causes of disease and its prevention.

Following Dr. Kendrick's address Congressman Small spoke very highly of the University Extension Work.

When volunteers were called for who would enlist to serve the cause of Moonlight Schools either by teaching or in some other way, all teachers present offered themselves along with about 150 other citizens.

The Climax of Interest

The climax of interest, came in Prof. Branson's address, whose subject was Pasquotank Today and Tomorrow. His talk was

FUNERAL MRS. MOLLIE WILLIAMS

The funeral of Mrs. Mollie Williams was conducted in Zeigler's undertaking parlors Sunday afternoon at three o'clock by Rev. E. F. Sawyer.

Mrs. Williams died Thursday in Brooklyn, New York, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nannie Mae Kershaw. The body reached this city Thursday. Mrs. Williams was born in Elizabeth City about fifty years ago. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brothers. She is survived by four children; Edgar Williams of this city, Thomas H. Williams, quarter master in the navy, Mrs. Nannie Mae Kershaw of Brooklyn, and Mrs. Bessie L. Dairy.

thoughtful, intensely practical, and pointed the way to righteousness, progress, prosperity and happiness in Pasquotank. He said:

"I have elected to talk to you about yourselves. You see I am trying to escape being a bore. A bore you know is a person who insists on talking to you about himself when you want to be talking to him about yourself.

"I know fairly well the story and the glory of Pasquotank in the Albemarle country in bygone days. But you will perhaps be willing to forgive me for a greater interest in Pasquotank today and day after tomorrow than in Pasquotank day before yesterday. A student of business, life and folks is given to the round about and forward look more than the rearward look.

The files of the North Carolina Club at the University are crowded with economic and social studies of Pasquotank, along with all the other counties of the state. I have sifted these studies and am presenting the results under three heads: (1) Things to be proud of in Pasquotank. (2) Problems to be Solved in Pasquotank, and (3) Co-operative Solution of Pasquotank Problems.

Things To Be Proud of in Pasquotank

1. A brisk and beautiful little capital city of 10,000 people. Frankly Elizabeth City takes me by surprise after a lapse of twenty years. More than half the population of this county is in this one city, which grows at a thirty two per cent rate during the decade, or two and a half times faster than the country population.
2. Small illiteracy rates. Only three counties have smaller ratios of illiterate whites, 10 years old and over; and only four counties make a better showing in the literacy of white voters.
3. A high rate of church membership, 58 per cent of the total population. It is 18 per cent above the average for the state. In per cent of church membership Pasquotank county outranks 94 counties. Nevertheless, 3,100 people in the county, 10 years of age and older, were not on the church rolls of any denomination in 1906.
4. The willingness of the people to bear local tax burdens. In 1913-14, the rate was \$2.31 per thousand of assessed valuation; and in this particular Pasquotank county stood ahead of 84 counties in the State.
5. In per capita country wealth, Pasquotank with \$351 ranked 17th among the counties of the state in the census year. It is not a large amount, it is barely a third of the average of the country people of the United States, and about a tenth that of the food and feed farmers of Iowa; but it is beyond the average of 83 counties.
6. Livestock wealth. In the census year the county had 32 cattle per thousand acres and a rank of 22nd; but the number of hogs was 74 or nearly twice the average for the state. In this particular only 12 counties made a better showing. It may be interesting to know, however, that there were 5000 fewer pigs in the county in 1910 than in 1860. Pasquotank is also one of the 17 counties that gained instead of losing sheep during the census period. Her sheep more than trebled in

ARMY DESERTERS CAUGHT AT HERTFORD

Hertford, December 10—When it comes to catching army deserters Lieut. C. F. Sumner Jr. of this city is one of the ablest. Some time ago a couple of young white men, garbed in United States army togs, got off at this city and asked for employment. They gave their names as Lewis Dye of New Jersey and Jack Hanothy of Ohio. They said that they were strangers in this part of the country, and after a day or two secured employment on the farm of Mr. Whit Matthews near here and worked with him during the month of October and November.

On the night of December 3rd Lewis Dye, while in a state of hysteria, shot himself in the side and was rushed to the Elizabeth City hospital. As he had no relatives the county assumed the burden. In the meantime Lieut. Sumner an ex-army man himself, wrote to Washington and made inquiries concerning Dye and Hanothy. Thursday night he received a message from Washington asking him to detain these men if possible. As a result Hanothy is lodged in jail awaiting further orders. The reward in each case is fifty dollars, besides a good boost for the local detective.

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ten years, and her gain of 205 per cent puts the county first in this detail.

However, live-stock farming in a free range tick infested area is at a great disadvantage. Grades and breeds count for more than mere numbers.

Problems To Be Solved in Pasquotank

1. Fewer and better schools with larger salaries for the teachers. The last report shows the average salary for white country teachers to be only \$164. Only six counties pay them smaller salaries. The teachers deserve better pay. Every white teacher in the county but one has a first grade license; three-fifths of them have had normal training, and fifteen of them have college diplomas.
2. An ill balanced farm system. Pasquotank is not a self-feeding and therefore not a self-financing farm community, or not so in the census year. At that time the money sent out of the county for food and feedstuffs was around \$175,000. In two years it equals the total farm wealth accumulated in Pasquotank in 238 years. It was \$400,000 more than the total farm wealth produced in the census year. It was nearly \$900,000 more than the cotton money of that year. (Three hundred and eighty-seven or nearly one-third of the farmers bought feed for their farm animals. The average spent for this purpose was \$34.99 per farm.

In 1860 the farmers of Pasquotank had their barns and bins, pantries cribs and smoke houses filled to bursting with home raised supplies. Their stock of farm animals averaged 530 lbs. of dressed meat per inhabitant; in 1910 it was 210 lbs. In the census year the county ran ahead of home necessities in meat products but far behind in grains, hay and forage.

Then the farmers raised 70,000 bushels of wheat, 575,000 bushels of corn, 39,000 bushels of rye, and 7,000 bushels of oats—all told, 690,000 bushels of grain or 77 bushels for every man woman and child in the county. In 1910 the wheat crop was only 142 bushels and the corn crop fell to 15 bushels per person. In potatoes alone of all the standard food crops was there a per capita increase during these sixty-five years. Then the county raised no cotton; in 1910 cotton alone produced \$6 per

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BOUND OVER FOR HOUSE-BREAKING

In police court Tuesday Ed Martin, colored, was bound over to the next term of Superior Court by Judge Sawyer on the charge of housebreaking. Martin on December 2nd, is said to have entered the home of Dr. Cardwell, a colored physician of this city and to have stolen a number of valuables. Officer Holmes picked the offender up on the street after he had disposed of part of the stolen property.

FARMER'S DAY AT OIL MILL

Thursday afternoon, December 10th will be farmers' day at the plant of the Elizabeth City Oil Fertilizer Company, that corporation as already stated in the columns of this paper, having issued the farmers of this section who are interested in soja beans a special invitation to come at that time and watch the manufacture of Soja bean oil and other soja bean products. The farmers will also have opportunity of meeting Prof. Williams of the Division of Agronomy at Raleigh and also Mr. W. J. Morse of the United States Department of Agriculture.

The occasion promises to be an interesting one, and farmers who attend will no doubt find it profitable as well.

The Elizabeth City Oil and Fertilizer Company are now in the market for beans and those who have any to offer for sale will do well to get the mill's prices before selling.

BASKET BALL FRIDAY

The Elizabeth City High School Boys and the Elizabeth City Blues will play a game of basket ball on the Y. M. C. A. floor Friday evening.

STOKES—PIERCE

William George Stokes of Portsmouth and Miss Clara Ward Pierce of Pinetown, N. C., were married here at the home of R. C. Abbott on Riverside Saturday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Dr. B. C. Henning.

FUNERAL OF INFANT

The funeral of Steina, the baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jennings was conducted this afternoon at half past two o'clock at the home on Parsonage street by Dr. B. C. Henning. Interment followed in Hollywood cemetery.

TEMPERANCE MEETING DEFERRED

The meeting of the W. C. T. U. of this city, which was to have been held at the First Methodist church last Sunday afternoon, has been deferred until next Sunday. The inclement weather of last Sunday prevented the meeting.

SOLD SAME GOOSE THREE TIMES AND STILL HAS GOOSE

Charlie Bryant, a young negro about 20 years of age, was before Judge Sawyer today on the charge of stealing a goose. According to testimony in court Bryant sold the goose once and got part of the money for it; but when the person to whom he sold the foul failed to pay the balance, Charlie went to the house at night and got the bird. The same performance was twice repeated; and in court Charlie was acquitted and still has possession of the goose. He denies that he ever got any money from the parties to whom he sold the goose.

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SPECIAL MEETING WEDNESDAY NIGHT

There will be a called meeting of the members of Blackwell Memorial Church Wednesday night following the prayer service for the purpose of making arrangements about the disbursements of the church's Christmas charity funds. The church has also received many donations in merchandise this season, and arrangements will be made for their distribution.

BLUES DEFEAT REDS

The Elizabeth City Blues defeated the Reds in a hard fought game of basket ball Friday night on the Y. M. C. A. floor, by the score of 22 to 28. The line up was as follows:

Blues	Position	Reds
Cropsey	F	Evans
Raper	F	Reid
Weatherly	C	Williams
Bundy	G	Jackson
Brothers	G	Blades

MRS GRICE ENTERTAINS

The social event of last week was the delightful reception given by Mrs. Francis Marion Grice Saturday afternoon between the hours of four and five-thirty at her home on Main street in honor of Mrs. Baxter Bell of Asheville and Miss Eva Rodney of Laurel Delaware.

Misses Millicent Grice and Margaret Bondurant received the cards at the door, after which the guests were invited into the hall by Mrs. L. S. Bades and Miss Mattie Reid and greeted at the living room door by Mrs. C. W. Hollowell and Miss Mattie Whitehurst. In the receiving line were: Mrs. F. M. Grice, Miss Maude Grice, Mrs. Baxter Bell, Miss Dora Grice, Miss Eva Rodney, Miss Nell Grice, Mrs. B. B. Fearing, Mrs. C. W. Grice, Mrs. R. T. Whitehurst, Miss Ruth Gover, Mrs. Amire Whitehurst, Miss Sue Grice, Miss Mamie Mae Lay, and Miss Lillian Whitehurst.

Mrs. Wesley Foreman, Mrs. William Skinner and Mrs. Louis Selig invited the guests into the dining room where they were met by Mrs. Dan Morgan. Serving in the dining room were: Mrs. Francis Jacobs, Mrs. Roland Sawyer, Miss Nell Wood, Miss Lou Shelton Zoeller, Miss Annie Lee Cohoon, and Miss Almeda Carr. The guests were ushered from the dining room into the library by Miss Edna Kramer and Mrs. Walter Small. Here they were greeted by Mrs. C. O. Robinson, and Miss Fannie McMullan. Punch was served by Mrs. M. Leigh Sheep and Mrs. O. F. Gilbert assisted by Miss Bessie Cahoon and Mrs. Carl Blandes. Miss Dorothy Zoeller and Miss Maxine Fearing were in charge of the Victrola.

The entire interior of the home was brilliant with holiday decorations of holly, pine, and red candles and nearly a thousand guests called during the afternoon.

WANTED Loan of \$400 on desirable Road street. Property payable 1, 2, 3, & 4 years after date. Address 'AA' care of Advance. t & f n pd tf.

FOR SALE—Farming utensils, carts buggies, one 1100 pound 7 year old lady-broke mare, one 8 year old mule, cattle, hogs poultry, furniture, on 21st day of December at the Stokely farm near Elizabeth City.

S. W. Hastings, Elizabeth City, N. C. dec 14 3t pd

FOUND One Dark cow. No milking. Owner can have same by proving ownership and paying costs. Have had cow about four weeks.—Ezra Jennings, R. F. D. 1, Elizabeth City, N. C. dec 14 3t

The child died Sunday night between eleven o'clock and midnight. She was thirteen months old.

GROWING SOJAS IN MANCHURIA

And What The Chinese Manufacture From Bean Now Increasingly Produced Here

Raleigh, N. C., December 8—It might be of interest to know that the chief soy bean producing countries in the Orient are Manchuria, Korea Japan and the two northern provinces of China. More than one million tons of soy beans are produced annually in Manchuria. Because of poor facilities for transportation of these beans from the interior points, they are not brought down until after snow has occurred. This frequently makes a late and congested condition for shipment of beans to other parts of the world. Rudely constructed sledges are used by the growers to bring the beans to market. The beans produced in Northern Manchuria are generally more highly priced than those produced in Southern Manchuria. Practically all of the beans grown in Manchuria that find their way into the outside world come through the ports of Dairen, Antung, Newchwang, and Vladivostok. Those beans which are sent to the latter port are chiefly consigned for shipment to European countries, but most of those that go through the other three ports are crushed in the mills before shipment abroad.

In 1912 there were at Antung fifteen power mills used in pressing the oil from the seed. The output from these mills during that year was 35,875 tons of bean cake and 4,300 tons of oil. At Dairen during the same year there were forty six power mills that had a combined output of 304,515 tons of cake and 29,954 pounds of oil. In 1913 at this latter port there were established three other mills, and the combined output of forty-nine mills at Dairen during this year was 309,159 tons of cake and 25,223 tons of oil. At Newchwang there were in 1912 15 power mills used in crushing the beans. The output from these during that year was 107,245 tons of cake and 14,679 tons of oil. Besides the power mills located at these places there are numerous hand and horse power mills used in crushing the beans. The power mills at Dairen are operated chiefly by kerosene engines imported from Japan. There were in the city of Mukden thirty two mills operated by horse power. In the Harbin district of Manchuria there are three power mills whose output was approximately 12,280 tons of cake and 1,214 tons of oil in 1913. It will be seen from the figures given above that Dairen stands out clearly as the great soy bean milling center of all Manchuria.

Dairen was the first city in Manchuria to see the advantage of crushing and exporting the bean products rather than the beans

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ELIZABETH CITY, N. C.

NOTICE: The regular meeting of stockholders of this bank for the election of directors will be held at the office of the First National Bank, Main Street, on Tuesday, January 11th, 1916, between the hours of two and three p. m. W. G. Gaither, Jr., Cashier.

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