

UNITED EFFORT NOW TO BE MADE FOR ELIZABETH CITY FAIR THIS FALL

Effort Will be Made to Raise Twenty Thousand Dollars and Put Fair Association on Permanent Footing

Elizabeth City is to have a Fair association with an authorized capitalization of twenty thousand dollars. As soon as half of this amount has been subscribed, subscriptions become binding and an organization will be effected.

This is the program which was determined upon last night at a meeting at the Court House. Work on a fair in Elizabeth City has been at a standstill because there have been two fair associations here, and it was generally felt that there would have to be a union or forces before the movement for a fair could be made as big a success as the opportunity for a fair in this section justifies the people in expecting.

Last night the hope for consolidation was realized. The proposition of W. L. Cohoon to turn over to the association represented by W. G. Gaither and others the charter and subscription list of the organization which he had effected was accepted; and it was felt that the settlement of this vexing question cleared the decks for definite action toward organizing a permanent Fair Association. The name of the consolidated organization will be the Albemarle Agricultural Association.

After the decision had been made to attempt to raise twenty thousand dollars in subscriptions to stock, a central committee to take charge of the subscription campaign was appointed consisting of J. T. McCabe, Louis Selig, W. J. Woodley, S. H. Johnson and W. G. Gaither. A call was then made for volunteers who would give their time, for a half a day or more, to solicit stock and there were quite a number of responses.

The importance of reaching an early decision as to when the fair should be held was stressed and it was determined to announce that Elizabeth City's Fair will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday and Friday of the week following the Virginia State Fair at Richmond.

The solicitation of subscriptions to stock will be begun at once and numbers of business men last night expressed the belief that there would be little difficulty in securing the amount needed. There are several thousand dollars on the subscription list already in hand.

The meeting last night was presided over by Wesley Foreman, temporary chairman, with C. R. Pugh as temporary secretary.

RECEIVES NEWS OF GRANDMOTHER'S DEATH.

Mrs. Richard Owens received news Wednesday of the death of her grandmother, Mrs. M. L. Selby, near Columbia.

Mrs. Selby was seventy-eight years of age and had been quite feeble preceding her death. The funeral was conducted from the home of Dr. R. B. Drane of Edenton and interment was made in the family burying ground. Mrs. Selby was an active member of the Episcopal church and widely known throughout the eastern part of the state. She is survived by one son, Percy Selby of Columbia with whom she made her home; one daughter, Mrs. Lee Boomer of Hyde county; thirteen grandchildren and six great grandchildren; and also by three sisters, Mrs. Sharpe of Raleigh; Mrs. Laura Tucker of Camden;

SEE IT AT HOME SAYS MR. KRAMER

Will Bring to Elizabeth City Picture That Has Made Record Sensation

Norfolk Theatres have been rushing pell mell over each other to secure the return of the big film 'The Battle Cry of Peace' but Elizabeth City people—thanks to the brains and energy of Manager A. K. Kramer—do not have to go to Norfolk to see the most sensational American picture ever thrown on the screen.

'The Battle Cry of Peace' made its appearance before the American public at just the moment when their minds were stirred by the great problem of national preparedness, and the realistic portrayal of the result of unpreparedness has been more effective than the speeches of great men and the voice of the American press.

Appearing in Washington, D. C. for four weeks, it attracted the attention of the National Capital in no small degree, and according to press reports is literally setting the State of Florida afire with patriotic enthusiasm during its present tour of that section.

'The Battle Cry of Peace' will be shown at the Alkrama on Friday evening. The tickets for the afternoon show will not be honored at night, nor night tickets in the afternoon. All tickets are for reserved seats, and the demand for tickets will no doubt be immense. It is therefore wise to secure tickets as early as possible in order not to be everywhere talked of as sensational ten reel war drama. adv

FIRST BUILDING AND LOAN COMPLETES ORGANIZATION

Within the last two or three weeks there has been much talk of the organization of building and loan associations in Elizabeth City, but so far only one association has publicly announced the names of incorporators. This is the Elizabeth City Building and Loan Association for which Attorney Roscoe W. Turner is sponsor.

Speaking to a reporter for The Advance Monday Mr. Turner stated that in the organization of this association he was acting for a number of business men with large business interests in Elizabeth City, and that the Charter for the Association has already been received. The incorporators are: E. F. Aydtlett, S. R. Siff, M. B. Sawyer, M. B. Simpson, H. W. Morrisette, G. R. Little and R. W. Turner.

'Since the incorporation of the Association', said Mr. Turner, 'application has been made for stock to the amount of four thousand dollars. Membership certificates will be issued calling for payments of twenty-five, fifty, seventy-five cents and a dollar a week at a par value of one hundred dollars.'

'The Association will make loans only to its members and the stock is at any time good for ninety per cent of its par value as collateral. The books of the Association are now open for subscription of stock and for members.'

BACK WITH BLOODHOUNDS

J. W. Shores who spent last month at Newport News and was reported to have moved to that city permanently, is back in town again with his bloodhounds and announces that he will make Elizabeth City his permanent headquarters still.

Store For Rent—No. 15 South Water St., next door to Melick's. Apply to Dr. J. H. White. feb15

BELVIDERE WILL LEAD THE STATE

Old Community of Friends Will Put Themselves in Van of Progress

Belvidere, in Perquimans, is the first community in the State to come under the organization and registration plans of the State Bureau of Community Service. In a statement to The News & Observer W. C. Crosby, executive secretary of the bureau, spreads the gospel of this absolutely new step community organization.

The organization at Belvidere was accomplished at a meeting of the people in their schoolhouse. The story of Secretary Crosby is brimful of the inspiration of a community awake and at work on the lines of progressive activity. For years Belvidere—sober, conservative Belvidere—has pointed with pride to those of her sons and daughters who have come back home at intervals with records of achievement and laurels of accomplishment out in the world. But no thought has been given to holding these sons and daughters of the upbuilding of Belvidere as a community. Now it is all changed. The whole community is alive to its needs. Education, health, agriculture and social life have received an impetus that the old friend community has never before felt.

Belvidere is one of the fine old settlements of Eastern North Carolina known for conservatism. It is largely settled by Friends, although other denominations are strong in the community and have a church there. The boast is that for seventy-five years their schoolhouse has stood at the same spot. One woman, Miss White, was principal of this school for twenty-two years. It was established by the Friends church, but five years ago it was deeded to the county board of education. It is a large building with, with three large classrooms and one class-room and an auditorium above. The auditorium is large enough to seat the entire community of about a hundred families.

The school population of the community, is 120, though the average daily attendance is 95 in a territory of thirty square miles.

Local Tax Campaign.

The task set out for the work of the committees for the next six months includes a campaign for a local school tax. This will be the duty of the educational committee. For seventy-five years the school has been in existence at Belvidere, and in these seventy-five years not a cent of money has been raised by special tax in that district. Every one of the men and women present pledged their support to the special tax, not only their moral support but their active efforts, to secure its passage in an election.

The farm progress committee will insist in the next six months that the farmers sow at least some kind and amount of cover crop during the coming winter and to sow, this year, some land in peas to plow down, having in mind making it a self-feeding community with money crops as surplus crops.

The crop marketing committee will foster the pooling of community products, such as cotton seed and soy beans and the standardization of marketable products.

The health committee will devote itself to improvements of the public health of the community, lending its energy toward sanitary disposition of waste, toward screening against flies and toward installation of fly traps. Efforts against preventable diseases will be a big part of this campaign.

The social life committee has set for itself the task of encouraging

ENDORSES W. T. OLD FOR FEDERAL RESERVE AGENT

Col. E. F. Lamb on yesterday gave this paper the following statement for publication:

Eastern North Carolina is very much interested in the appointment of Col. W. T. Old to the position of Federal Reserve Agent and Elizabeth City friends have approached me, asking that I should make public their endorsement of Col. Old for that position.

'Col. Old, as a youngster was active in organizing the First National Bank of Elizabeth City, N. C., and was made Teller. He soon advanced to the position of Cashier, which position he held until he moved to Norfolk, Va. While here he organized the Elizabeth City Savings Bank and Trust Company and was elected President. He also organized the Bank of Plymouth, and was its first President. And he was active in the organization of the Citizens Bank of Edenton, N. C. The successful career of each of these banks attest the merits of Col. Old as a banking man. His connection with the Seaboard National Bank, Norfolk, Va., is of recent history, and also reflects great credit on his ability as a successful banker, and a man of constructive genius.

'While he is conservative to a marked degree, he is progressive and his record places him in the front column in the march of progress. He is broad in his views, delving into the elements of development and is far reaching in grasping such advantages as tend to the acquisition of and the utility of Banking Service.

'I can safely add that this people recommend Col. Old for the position, and that they unqualifiedly endorse him as a safe, efficient and successful banker of experience and mature judgement.'

DOMESTIC SCIENCE TAUGHT AT BELVIDERE ACADEMY

Belvidere, N. C. February 8—The eighth and ninth grades of Belvidere Academy have organized a Domestic Science Class and it is doing good work with every member showing much interest. The class meets twice a week, Mr. L. N. Hollowell giving them the privilege of using his house and kitchen utensils.

wholesome sports and recreation by a community playground and indoor games for idle people. This committee will also make community surveys and maps.

In the meeting for organization Secretary Crosby was aided in his presentation of the cause of community service and its purpose in the state by Mr. J. H. Montgomery, executive secretary of the Virginia Co-operative Educational Association which promotes community leagues in the State of Virginia. He was at Belvidere on invitation of Mr. Crosby.

With the selection of Rev. S. A. Wood, president; Dr. I. A. Ward, vice-president, and Miss Lucy White, secretary-treasurer, the community organization agreed to meet once each month in the school auditorium.

The February meeting will be devoted to a lantern slide lecture furnished by the State Board of Health and given by the chairman of the committee on health. It will likewise be the occasion for the launching of a local tax campaign.

Organization Formed

The chairman and secretaries of the committees for the organization are:

Educational committee, Mr. E. L. Chappell, chairman and Miss Mary White, secretary; farm progress committee, Mr. T. R. Ward, chairman and Mr. John Ward, secretary; crop marketing committee, Mr. Brag Perry chairman and Mr. W. J. Askell, secretary; organization and social life committee, Miss Eunice Park, chairman; Miss Columbia Wright, vice-chairman, and Miss Little Mae Raeford, secretary.

NEW HOME FOR SAVINGS BANK

Growing Institution's Stockholders Discuss Plans at Unique Banquet

The banquet enjoyed by stockholders and directors of the Savings Bank and Trust Company in the Masonic Hall Friday evening, the first social function of its kind in this section of the State, was an uniquely successful affair.

Celebrating the close of twelve years remarkable growth and bringing stockholders in closer touch with each other and with the directors of the banking institution, the occasion was marked by happy acquaintanceship and timely speeches.

The Savings Bank and Trust Company was organized in 1903 with W. T. Old as president and George B. Pendleton as cashier. In 1906 H. G. Kramer was elected Cashier and the present officers are: P. H. Williams, president; E. F. Aydtlett, vice president; H. G. Kramer, Cashier; W. H. Jennings, Assistant Cashier.

About sixty-five stockholders were present on Friday evening and with P. H. Williams as toast master, E. F. Aydtlett, W. T. Old, Dr. J. H. White, W. J. Woodley, C. E. Thompson, and W. L. Small responded in speeches emphasizing the following facts concerning the history of the Savings Bank and Trust Company:

'This Bank was the first in the city to remain open Saturday nights. It was the first to pay interest on deposits.

'It was the first to increase the rate of interest from three to four per cent.

'It was the first to open a Trust Department.

'It was the first to start Christmas Savings Club.

'It was the first to pay out clean or new currency

'This bank is now one of the leading financial institutions in this section of North Carolina and has resources of over half a million dollars.

'In the near future the Savings Bank and Trust Company will erect for its constantly growing business a new home.'

The menu, one of the most elaborate ever served to so large a number of guests, was prepared by W. C. Twiddy of Deans.

BIG DAY IN BELVIDERE

Belvidere, N. C. February 9—The Betterment Association met today for the purpose of organizing. Mr. Crosby of Raleigh, N. C. and Mr. Montgomery of Richmond, Va. made excellent speeches. The morning was taken up with the speaking and at noon a free dinner was given by the people of the vicinity and the Domestic Science Class. In the afternoon organization took place. Rev. Wood was elected president of the Society. One of the first things the Society will do will be to try to get a High School here.

UNDER NEW NAME

Last Sunday the Philathea Class of the First Baptist Church changed their name to the Athenaeum Bible Class and the Baracas changed theirs to the Acme Bible Class calling their Union the Double A Union.

The Double A Union (formerly the Baraca Philathea Union) of the First Baptist Church will postpone until a later date the Sugar Stew they were to have on Tuesday evening the 15th.

MOVING GROCERY STOCK

The D. R. Morgan Company of this city will this week move their stock into a store on Water Street recently vacated by Fowler & Company.