

**THE STATE'S TRINITY OF NEEDS.**

The three things most needed in North Carolina are:

1. Good Schools.
2. Good Roads.
3. Free Rural Delivery.

And they all three go hand in hand, are mutually dependent one on the other. The earnest efforts making in all parts of the State for the better schools is the best sign of the times, but without good roads the benefit of these schools must be denied to many children in disagreeable weather. The blessings of free rural delivery will add to the comforts of living in the country, but efficient free mail delivery in all portions of the rural districts is dependent upon good roads. The necessity for Good Roads is therefore of prime importance if the small children are to enjoy school advantages and their parents are to be favored with prompt delivery of their mail.

The Good Roads Convention that will be held in Raleigh on the 12th and 13th of February is the most important gathering held at the capital in this decade. The outlook is for a great meeting that will have a lasting and stimulating effect upon road building in the whole State.

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**WHAT IS NEEDED.**

EDITOR BEACON:—I notice in the last issue of your paper that you ask why certain manufactures could not be located in Plymouth. Permit me to say that to my mind the chief reason is that you have not the best freight arrangements for collecting the raw material at your point. True you are becoming something of a railroad centre, but your lines, and your freight rates are all constructed as they are in nearly every town in Northeastern North Carolina, with a view to getting business away from you. What is needed, and badly needed in Washington county, is a railroad extending from Plymouth to the coast via Roper, Skippersville, Seppernong, Creswell, Columbia, Alligator, etc.

Take the banking business for instance; Plymouth has an excellent bank, officered by as clever gentlemen as ever cashed a check, and for that reason the institution gets much business that otherwise it would not get, simply because transportation lines all run business out of the county. If a business man wants to get to a bank, transportation lines take him to Edenton and back in a few hours in the same day. But Plymouth is as far away as Norfolk, and is out of the line of travel for 80 per cent. of the county. And what is said of banking in Plymouth, is true of every other business in every town, or village, on the south side of the Albemarle, we exist simply as feeders for places with enough enterprise to get rail connections with us. And the freight rates are constructed to fit the occasion. If you would build a peanut factory in any town in the county, Norfolk is as near in transportation as that town to the bulk of the supply, and Norfolk as a distributing point. If you say cotton oil factory, the same conditions confront you. We have plenty of raw material, we have the capital, or could get it easily, and we have the men to manage these enterprises with eminent success, but we have not the opportunity. Transportation lines as now operated have isolated 80 per cent. of the people of Washington county from their county seat. And trade like every thing, but a monopoly, obeys the unerring laws of nature and takes the route of least resistance. That is, business in the end goes where it is most convenient, regardless of sentiment.

Now I am not finding fault with the transportation lines we have, far from it, for I recognize the fact that they have helped greatly to develop the country's resources. What I want is such a line as will help farther to build up our section, and enable us to live at home more.

Elizabeth City and Edenton, our neighboring towns, are both hustling to increase their rail facilities, and if there is any significance in the formation of a certain five million dollar syndicate in a certain city, a few weeks ago for the purpose of controlling our present freight outlets, it seems to me the time has come when we will do well to look after our own welfare, and the sooner the better. My word for it, in less than twelve months we will feel the necessity for it as we never felt it before. This

is a matter in which every citizen of the South Albemarle has a vital interest, both because the increase of wealth in our section would necessarily help all, and the more freight lines we have the less we are at the mercy of any of them.

What is the remedy? Induce the A. C. L. to extend its line farther east, or build an electric road from Plymouth to the Coast. Lake Seppernong will furnish the power in abundance, and the wealthy owners of the land about it could easily build the road if they were convinced of its feasibility.

Will not some one move in this matter? R.

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**COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS.**

The Commissioners of Washington county met in special session on Monday, Feb. 3, 1902, with Levi Blount, Chm.; Jos Skittletharpe, A. Alexander, J. M. Reid and E. R. Spruill present, and transacted the following business:

Minutes read and approved.

Ordered that the Clerk of the Board notify the Geo. E. King Bridge Co., Des Moines, Ia., at once to proceed with their contract immediately on Spruill's bridge, or the contract would be forfeited.

Ordered that all overseers of roads on presenting their bills for payment on the 1st Monday in Feb. each year shall be accompanied by his notice of appointment.

Ordered that Boland Phelps be allowed half rations.

Receiving bids for furnishing county poor, etc., being in order, and L. P. Horntal's bid being the lowest he was awarded the furnishing county for such purposes to Dec. 1st, 1902.

Ordered that T. L. Tarkenton be allowed \$5 for work on bridge on his road.

Ordered that Westley Martin be relieved of poll tax of 20¢.

The following amounts were allowed the persons opposite their names as road overseers:

D. M. Spruill	\$1.80
H. W. Bateman	1.80
J. J. Pows	2.04
Juo M. Furlough	2.40
Wilson Oliver	1.80
J. E. Norman	1.80
Franklin Tarkenton	2.40
J. E. Askew	1.20
H. T. Gurganus	.80
C. H. Oliver	.60
C. M. Kelley	.63
W. W. Browning	1.97
Edgar Bateman	1.41
E. D. Staley	2.40
A. J. Allen	1.35
O. M. Chesson	.42
C. W. Auge	1.20
E. M. Lamb	1.29
Saml. H. Woodley	.84
S. B. Davenport	2.40
Edgar Allen	1.80
L. C. Marriner	\$10 lumber Chapel Swamp bridge.

C. V. W. Ausbon \$6, publishing proceedings and bid for building County House.

Jos. Swain \$12.75, Supt. County House 1 month, &c.

W. M. Bateman \$6.42, stationery for Clerk's office.

D. O. Brinkley \$7.75, coal furnished Court House.

J. H. Skittletharpe \$58.58, furnishing county poor, jail, &c.

W. J. Jackson \$47.40, furnishing prisoners 1 month.

M. M. Alexander \$33.54, furnishing poor in Seppernong.

S. F. Spear \$45.45, furnishing poor in Seppernong.

Adjourned to meet 1st Monday in March 1902.

F. R. JOHNSON, Clerk.

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The speechmaking actor is often addicted to certain lectures.

The land of promise must be where people never pay their debts.

Many a man is a chronic kicker because he has come on his conscience.

The hotel man has to be inn keeping with the public.

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**NOTICE.**

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of Geo. Wiley, deceased, notice is hereby given to all those having claims against the said estate, to present them within one year from the date hereof, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All those indebted to the said estate, will please make immediate settlement. Nov. 14, 1901.

MOLLIE L. WILEY,  
Administratrix.

**NOTICE.**

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Geo. W. Holmes, deceased, notice is hereby given to all those having claims against said estate to present them within one year from the date hereof or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All those indebted to the said estate will please make immediate settlement. This Dec. 19, 1901.

ANNIE HOLMES,  
Administratrix.

**BAR-GAINS FOR ALL**

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**COTTIE M. CHESSON,**  
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