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## MEN WHO DID GOOD WORK

With the election of a new force of county officials the old board of commissioners will give way to a new one at least in part. The retiring board has done a lot of good work for the county, but probably that which will live the longest will be the establishment of a new state road across the county from the Montgomery line to Lee. This road is now in process of construction, and work on it will be expanded more aggressively in a short time when more help will be available. This road takes a bigger amount of money than the county has been asked to contribute to anything in recent years, and it was a rather courageous step for the board to take. But they accepted the responsibility and ordered the road, and in doing it set the county on the way to a much broader development.

The new road as far as it has been worked up by the force now on the job shows that it will be one of the best roads in this part of the state. It will bring Moore county on the main line from Raleigh to Charlotte as well as from the North to the South. But the type of construction is in advance of anything that has been undertaken in the county so far. The character of the work sets an example for road building in this part of the State. Better grades, better alignment, greater width, solid construction, better bridges, and every thing that goes to make a good road, have entered into this new system, and the other roads that will follow will always have this one to serve as a model for construction.

Other things the commissioners have done to win the approval of the county. In dealing with the farm work, the home demonstration, with road work wherever they could lend a hand, with the county home, and with every problem that had for its solution the welfare of the county, Mr. McPherson, Mr. Blue and Mr. Tyson have dealt intelligently and with the county's progress in mind. They have seen the county expand much in their term of office, and grow to something wholly different than it was when they took charge of its business affairs.

It is a pleasure for the News to present the pictures of the retiring commissioners this week. They are pictures of three substantial business men of the county who have applied business methods to county affairs and got business results.

### DEATH MOZELLE HENNINGS

On Wednesday morning, October 27th, the death angel took from the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Hennings their bright and attractive daughter, Mozelle.

She was confined to her bed for the past four weeks with typhoid fever. During her illness her friends and loved ones did all that they could, but it seemed that her work on earth was finished and her Savior saw fit to take her to a better world.

Although her life in this world seemed so short for she was spared to her loved-ones only sixteen years, yet she gained the friendship of all who knew her. For several years she had attended the Thaggardsville school, and won the highest praise and commendation of her teacher and fellow students. We feel confident that she is safe in the arms of Jesus as we gazed at the calm and peaceful expression on her face as she lay in her beautiful white casket, for on her death bed she said she loved her Savior.

She leaves a father, mother, seven brothers and four sisters to mourn their loss, and their many friends extend to them their deepest sympathy in this sad hour.

The funeral service was held at Union church on Thursday morning and was conducted by Rev. J. E. Ayscoe of Carthage.

F. V. & F. K.

### THREE DEER

Henry Matthews and two or three others last week went down into the Little River country and the party came home with three deer that they encountered in that section. They are stepping high as the result of their catch.

### CARTHAGE ROUTE FOUR

Mr. Ilex Flinchum attended the pie and cake supper at Mt. Carmel Saturday night. He also paid a visit to the family of Mrs. John Hancock.

Mr. Joel Flinchum spent Saturday night with Mr. Oliver Flinchum at Mooahaunee.

Mr. Ralph Riddle has just returned from Cassett, S. C. Mr. Riddle took a load of people to the "faith doctor." Mr. Riddle reports the doctor to be a wonderful man. He also reports that banner crops were made in the Palmetto State this year.

Corn shuckings are in full sway this Fall, dancing is one of the main features, preferably the old Virginia reel. All this, taken with the tables heaped high with 'possum and taters and other good things, remind one of days gone by, and makes one think that the old H. C. L. is routed permanently. To the sentimental it brings James Whitcomb Riley's lyric into reality: "O it sets my heart a clickin. Like the tickin of a clock, When the frost is on the pumpkin And the fodder's in the shock."

The farmers in the vicinity of Fay community are much gratified over the election results. They feel that the Republican victory is a token of four years of unbounded prosperity.

Mr. Willie Irman is the proud owner of a new 1920 model Harley-Davidson motorcycle.

Mr. Charlie Dowdy and Miss Sallie Crabtree were among those who went to the corn shucking at Mr. Oliver Brady's Friday night.

Mr. Willie Irman and Joel Flinchum who took a load of tobacco to Winston have returned. They report that the prices of the leaf are slightly better than that of the local market, but that they were richer by the fact that they witnessed a fight over a political dispute, and that they were tendered a banquet on the warehouse floor.

Fay is to have a new enterprise. Mr. J. T. Flinchum and Mr. Ralph Riddle are the owners of what is to be a modern up-to-date garage. At present they are purchasing equipment and expect to be ready for business on or before December 15th.



Miss Geneva Seawell who represents America in Parade of all Nations at the Sandhill Fair.

### GENEVA SEAWELL

When Charlie Picquet proposed to have a county election to pick the Moore county girl who should be the representative of America in the pageant at the Sandhills Fair, it was hardly expected that it would prove as interesting a contest as it did. From the start the balloting was lively, and towards the close it was about as keen as a horse race. Good natured competition on the part of those who favored the particular candidates kept up the enthusiasm, and a big vote came out.

The papers of the county printed the ballots each week and announced the results, and although at times some criticism was heard regarding the contest, the News gladly testifies that Mr. Picquet carried on the whole campaign with absolute fairness. For a long time the result was in doubt, and different candidates at times appeared likely to win. Each of the girls had a lot of good friends, and every one of them deserved all the effort made in their behalf for any of the whole lot would have served with the highest credit in the place for which they were

### competing.

The last vote decided that Miss Geneva Seawell should be the victor and Mr. Picquet so announced. The other contestants assented cordially, and the young woman was informed that she had won by the issue of the News that told the story to the rest of the people of the county.

Geneva Seawell is a young woman of the Bethlehem section. She lives some four miles out of Carthage and is an attendant at school in Carthage. Her father is J. Wesley Seawell, and the family is one well regarded in their neighborhood. The friends and neighbors of Miss Seawell worked for her victory, and that part of the county is gratified that it has carried off the prize in the contest, for it shows that the Sandhills Fair is not overlooking the upper part of the county in its interests in the people. Miss Seawell's champions promise to see that she is given welcome at the Fair that she has earned in her campaign, and it is right apparent that others than her acquaintances will be giving her a word of commendation in her triumph.

## BIG PROPERTY GOES ON SALE

One of the finest locations in the county goes on sale over near Southern Pines, Pinehurst and Aberdeen. This is the 500-acre tract owned by W. A. Blue and M. N. Sugg, fronting on the road that leads from Southern Pines to Aberdeen, and on the two cross roads that run through the tract connecting with the roads from Aberdeen and Southern Pines to Pinehurst.

This tract is within two or three miles of Aberdeen and Pinehurst and is at the edge of Southern Pines, adjoining the Sugg home and the Abraham and Sweezy orchard, and a short distance from the lower end of the country club at Southern Pines at the eastern end, and not far from Pinehurst golf courses at their eastern extension near the West end of the tract.

Clay roads have been made from the Aberdeen and Southern Pines road one to connect with the Pinehurst road near the Wicker place and the other comes out on the road from Aberdeen to Pinehurst near the Sweet Valley plant. These roads are destined to be much traveled routes eventually for they are of excellent grade and they run to points that are of constant interest, the towns and the big orchards, the golf links and the farms.

Along the road fronts a number of small sites have been cut for building spots, these running from three or four acres up to around ten acres. Bigger tracts are laid out for farms and small orchards. The surface of the tract is so nearly level that it makes one of the best prospects in the county, the only depressions being a few small ones that line the branches of the stream that waters the tract on the edges. As a farming proposition that would be one of the best in the section, for the soil is of more than usual strength. But it is probable that it will not be long until the acreage will be taken up by holders in lots of moderate size for fruit and for homes outside the towns.

As a home prospect this tract is finely located. It is but a short distance from the country club at Southern Pines, not over 2,000 feet to the corner of the property from the holes on the golf links, while both Aberdeen

and Southern Pines railroad stations, postoffices and other institutions are convenient.

The ground in the tract is high enough for good peach orchards, and it is also good tobacco land, with a market only a couple of miles distant at Aberdeen. It is in this tract that Clyde Davis bought his farm of 73 acres, after he had seen all the Sandhill country and known where to pick the piece of land that suited him best.

The sale of this block of land will open about the last big acreage in the Southern Pines section, and will have a tendency to extend the town out into the country between the two towns of Aberdeen and Southern Pines and to connect them much as the Midlands and Knollwood developments will connect Southern Pines and Pinehurst with an intermediate and continuous settlement.

### CHRISTMAS PRESENT

#### TO CARTHAGE SCHOOL

The pupils of the elementary school want a library and have decided to give one to the school for a Christmas present. Each pupil from the second grade to the seventh inclusive, has promised to contribute fifty cents to this fund. They have never given a Christmas to the school and by this means every pupil will get the benefits of this gift. We have two hundred and twenty-four pupils in the lower grades. This means that we will get one hundred and twelve dollars with which to purchase books. Of course we will use some of this fund to purchase the book-case. We will put a little metal plate on the book-case. "Presented by the Elementary Grades 1920." We want this fund paid in soon so we may get the books by Christmas.

W. C. Strowd, Supt.

### PUTNAM

Mr. Hardie Autry of Roseboro spent Thursday night at Mr. C. H. Phillips'.

Mr. W. A. Matthews left Saturday for Hamlet.

Mrs. S. E. Tillman spent Sunday afternoon at Mr. J. H. Nall's.

Mr. Dewey Phillips of Glendon spent a while at Mr. J. W. Davis' Sunday.

Mrs. and Mrs. John W. Nall of Carthage Star Route spent Sunday with their people here.

Mrs. N. L. Johnson spent a while on Sunday at Mr. J. L. Warren's.

Mr. J. C. Fields of Glendon and Mr. T. T. Fields visited friends here Sunday night.

Mrs. R. E. Brown of Hamlet is visiting her people here this week.

Mr. J. C. Nall and mother went to Carthage Monday.

Mrs. Lula Smith went to Greensboro last Tuesday to spend a few days.

Mr. A. A. McLeod of Carthage made a business trip here Monday.

### HILLCREST

Mr. Thaddeus Fry, who is in school at Wake Forest, visited home folk and friends recently.

Mrs. Ben Fry, who has been very ill, is much better, we are glad to state.

Mrs. W. C. Hough spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Salmon.

Mr. Salmon asked his neighbors to a corn shucking last week. After shucking, all enjoyed a good supper.

The school at Summer Hill is progressing nicely, with Miss Bessie Holly and Miss Edith Markham as teachers.

### CARTHAGE STAR ROUTE

Mr. Edd Wilcox of Route Four was a visitor at Mr. O. U. Alexander's on Sunday.

Mr. June Harrington of Elise High School, spent the week-end at home.

Mr. Frank Cander and daughter, Miss Daisy of Tramway, spent Sunday with Mrs. W. B. Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Fields of Route Four visited at Mr. H. A. McCallum's Sunday afternoon.

Miss Katie Campbell of Carthage spent the week-end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Harrington visited relatives near Glendon Sunday.

Miss Margaret Yow of Elise High School spent the week-end with home folks.

Mr. Leon Fields of Route 4, was a visitor on this route Sunday.

Mr. Gilbert Councilman of Prosperity called on this route Saturday.



Z. V. Blue, Member Board of County Commissioners



H. P. McPherson, Chairman Board of County Commissioners



W. G. Tyson, Member Board of County Commissioners

### ROADS IN THE RIVER SECTION

D. J. Blue who has been appointed superintendent of road work in the county by the new road commissioners will devote as much of his attention as possible to the townships of the upper counties until winter drives him out from there. He has been looking over the river townships, and says that the roads up there can be made good with less cost than has been suspected, and that they can be kept in good shape by timely attention when they need work.

At a meeting of the commission last week the whole question of roads was gone over from every point of view, and the first jolt that came up was the lack of funds. But it was decided to try to fix up the roads in the various townships to hold them together until money could be brought in, and then to plan a general county campaign, the

big work at first to be in the townships that have the least improved roads. Some of the government trucks that cannot be used to advantage will be turned back to the state, and probably mules will be secured for the work of the townships where repairs are the principal feature at present.

### VICTORY MEDALS FOR SOLDIERS

The announcement in the News last week of medals offered the soldiers by the State calls to mind that the medals offered by the government are called for but slowly. At a recent meeting of the Red Cross this came up and it was suggested that an effort be made to get the boys interested in calling for their medals from the government as well as from the State.

Some of the soldiers have already

called for both, but those who have not applied can see or get in touch with T. A. Cole, commander of the Legion at Carthage, or with J. Alton McIver at Carthage, or with the post at Aberdeen.

The impression among some of the men entitled to the medals is that the government should send them out without application on the part of those entitled to them, but this is impossible. The government has not been able to find a large number of the soldiers who have been discharged, and agents have been in Moore county in search of some of them without avail. It is necessary for the government to know where to find the men to have them make application. Blanks will then be furnished which when sent into the persons named above or

to the Red Cross any place will get the medals. These medals are worth having for as the days go by the soldier who is entitled to one will have a memento of a great experience that he will be proud of as long as he lives.

Anybody who knows of a soldier who has not asked for his medals should try to see that he is informed as to the situation, and if he is backward about it that he is persuaded to apply for his medals, both to the State and the Nation.

Sheriff Blue has started out after the taxes and will put in most of the month on his errand. The faster we come across with the money the quicker we will get through complaining of the roads and other things that it takes money to provide.