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FARMVILLE ONE OF BEST TOWNS IN THE COUNTY

Every Day Marks Improvement in This Fast Growing Little City. Live Business Men and all Necessary Conveniences are There

Farmville, that little town on Little Contentnea, is little in few things, being a town of big men, big brains, big things and a great big future. Well, it is not so little after all having near two thousand population and almost a daily increase. Yes, it is a great little town and its claim of being the best town of its size in North Carolina, meets the second of a large number of traveling men who take in the whole country.

You ought to go once in a while and take a look around. What town has prettier block of business houses? What town has better, more progressive business men? What town has better and more adequate banking facilities? And what town has better any thing else?

Its stores, its hotel, its residences, its manufactures, its streets and city improvements, water, lights and sewers are all up-to-date. New buildings are going up all about. Several new and modern residences are under construction. Many of them are not mere cottages, but represent an investment well up into thousands of dollars.

Farmville has recently voted bonds for good roads and good roads means so much for any town or community. Work is now in progress, and the county convicts under the supervision of Mr. R. E. Corbett are making an elegant high way of that old Contentnea crossing just north of the town.

But when you see that extra fine farm lands all around Farmville for miles and miles every way, you will know one of the secrets of Farmville's great prosperity and growth. But it takes men to make that land blossom as the rose and Farmville's farmers are those men. It takes men to grasp such opportunities as presented by its farms and farmers, and Farmville's business men are such business men. That's the secret, working together for the best interest of all. "K." Greenville Reflector.

Our Subscribers Take Notice

A preacher, at the close of one his sermons, said: "Let all in the house who are paying their debts stand up." Presently every man, woman and child, with one exception, rose to their feet.

The preacher seated them and said: "Now every man not paying his debts stand up." The exception, a careworn, hungry-looking individual, clothed in his last summer's suit, slowly assumed a peculiar position.

"Now sit, my friend," said the minister, "you are the only man not able to meet your obligations."

"Can a man ever," he answered, "and the preacher here approached up to my subscribers."

Atlantic Christian College Notes

Miss Mary Proctor, of Grimesland, is at home ill, but is improving, and will probably return to school soon.

President and Mrs. Ashley S. Johnson, of Johnson's Bible College, Kimberlain Heights, Tenn., were guests of the College May 5th.

Baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Pres. J. C. Caldwell May 21st, and Class Address by Supt. J. Y. Joyner, of Raleigh, May 25th.

On the evening of May 15th, the students of the Latin Department presented "Julius Caesar" in the College Auditorium under direction of Mrs. Aston, Prof. of Latin.

Atlantic Christian College baseball team won three victories in four closely contested games of the past week. They have planned to play a schedule away from home with some strong teams this week.

Friday evening, May 12th, Prof. Mulberger presented Miss Ruth Hardy, lyric soprano, in her graduating recital. Miss Hardy has a voice of unusual clearness and flexibility, and her cleverness of control reflects great credit on her teacher.

On the evening of May 8th, Miss Ruth Whitley gave an evening recital in Exposition. A large audience was present and thoroughly enjoyed an evening with James Whitcomb Riley. She was assisted by Miss Harriet Settle, Mozzo Soprano.

Through efforts of Prof. Harper, of the department of Mathematics, students and citizens of Wilson heard Helen Keller in her wonderful lecture on "Happiness" on evening of May 5th. Her speech is a mechanical marvel, and gives her a place as one of the world's leading celebrities.

The following were the guests at the College within the past week: Miss Stone of New York City; Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Whitley; Miss Christine Whitley; Miss Pauline Griffin; and Miss Maggie Richardson, of Wendell; Miss Fannie Moyer, of Farmville; Miss Vera Nobis, of Kinston; Miss Erte Nunn, of New Bern; and Mrs. W. E. Proctor, of Grimesland.

Miss Mable E. Stone, of New York City, Students' Secretary for Y. W. C. A. in South Atlantic States, visited A. C. C. May 4-7, speaking and conferring with the local College Y. W. C. A. The purpose of the organization is to unite girls in loyalty to Jesus Christ, to lead them into the Christian church, to build them up in character, and to tend to make the Kingdom of God come into hearts of all. Some of the girls plan to attend Blue Ridge N. C. Conference next June, which will also be attended by Miss Etta Nunn, of New Bern, State G. W. B. M. Secretary, who will "look after" all the girls of Christian church attending.

To the people of Pitt county. As a candidate for the House of Representatives, subject to the Democratic Primary, I will accept, be glad to hear any opinion on any public question that is likely to come before the next General Assembly. I want all times degree of knowing the will of the people.

Respectfully,
D. M. Owsen

LOCALS AND PERSONALS OF INTEREST TO Farmville and Surrounding Sections

"Try 90 feet on us."

Mrs. Howard of Raleigh is visiting Mrs. Rufus Knott.

Miss Mosley of Kinston is the guest of Miss Annie Laurie Lane.

Miss Tabieta De Visconti spent a part of last week in Greenville.

Miss Ila Blue of Aberdeen was the guest of Mrs. Carl Turnage Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Woodard of Laurinburg, spent Monday with Mrs. J. E. Wright.

Mrs. W. J. Raspberry returned last week from an extended visit to her mother in Raleigh.

Mrs. Wm. Lang and Mrs. L. Humphrey spent Sunday with Mrs. C. E. Moore.

A number of Farmville people attended the meeting of the Primitive Baptist at the Meadow Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah Hassell formerly of Roanoke Rapids is spending some time with Mrs. T. C. Turnage.

Friends of Mr. T. L. Turnage will regret to know that he is confined to his room on account of illness.

Mr. H. L. Humphrey left Sunday for Asheville where he is to be confined to his room on account of illness.

Friends of Mr. John Joyner will be glad to know that he is slightly improved under the treatment at Hot Springs, Ark.

Mrs. George Buchone and daughter, of Henderson, and Mr. N. H. Whitfield of La., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Turnage.

Mr. John Myers came home to be with his mother sometime. From here he will go to Colorado for treatment. His friends hope for him a speedy recovery.

Rev. Fleurnay Morton and family came Tuesday to take charge of the Presbyterian work in this section. They will occupy the country home of Mr. Leslie Smith at King's Cross Roads.

Rev. Wm. Black, D. D., the well known and able Evangelist, of this State will begin a meeting at Falkland, next week. These services will be interdenominational and all are cordially urged to attend.

See the big advertisement of J. T. Harris, local agent of the Thomas Jeffrey Co., selling an automobile worth while. For style, beauty, service and comfort the Jeffrey six is second to none. Read the advertisement and see Mr. Harris for further particulars.

"Try 90 feet on us."

Mrs. J. N. Edwards and Mrs. T. H. Smith were called to Greenville last Friday on account of the critical illness of their sister, Mrs. McGowan. Mrs. McGowan had been in feeble health for several years and her death Sunday morning not altogether unexpected to those familiar with her condition.

The Spring Wheat and the Rice crop are both showing a promising outlook. The rice crop is particularly good and is expected to yield a large amount.

The young men of the town will give a dance Thursday night May 18th, over W. C. Askes's care, complimentary to the school faculty. The public is invited.

It can be truly said of Farmville township that to tickle the soil with the hoe makes it laugh at the harvest, but this long dry season we've had was about to make this impossible it seemed. However, the splendid downpour Sunday night will be the salvation of the crops and the farmers will take courage.

Miss Mary Alice Bamm was charming little hostess Monday afternoon to her young friends in honor of her 18th birthday. The merry faces of all bespeak the pleasant moments of fun and they enjoyed, after which delightful refreshments were served.

That Miss Mary Alice may celebrate many such happy birthdays is the wish of all her friends.

"Try 90 feet on us."

This be commencement week at our High School, it is not unwise to cite the graduating class in the meaning of the word. Having got the required preparation at the school it is supposed to

fulfill its mission, commencing a career, your character building, your responsibilities, and the fulfilling of the aims these instilled and the ambitious inclined. It is a serious period in any person's life, right here the die is cast for success or failure. The question arises—Have you taken advantage of your opportunity to equip yourself for the battle with self and the world? If so, then your future is safe and you can commence your vocation with confidence and joy.

True Bill Reported Against John A. Wiggs

Wilson, May 15—The grand jury this afternoon found a true bill against John A. Wiggs, chief of the Wilson police force, for killing Phil Worth—a negro who claimed Alamance county as his home—as the afternoon of March 24 of this year.

It is customary that when such a grave charge is made that if defendant's attorneys should ask for a continuance, it is invariably granted by the court. The attorneys for defence will meet tonight and decide whether or not they will ask for a continuance.

America

(Composed by J. B. Lovdell)

America, fair America, who dost thou stand,
To see other nations of the world,
Wrap thee around their head?
To be insulted and humbled,
By a weak nation of this land?
America, proud America, will
Not thou be a man?

Why let Germany or England,
Abuse thy name, too,
To make thy rights as a neutral or
Smirch our flag of blue?
O'er heroic statues, take a
Defiant stand,
Be bold and firm in what is right
And what is right demand.

Give our markets, home up System
To the world, and let them see
The power of our great nation,
The power of our great nation,
The power of our great nation.

Progressive North Carolina

"Sometimes by going away from home we can learn better what is being done by our own community," says The Winston Salem Journal. "Often great things are transpiring all around us, but our familiarity with them causes a tendency on our part to take them as a matter of course and we seldom stop to think about them as anything more than common-place occurrences. Wonder how many North Carolinians have paused to think of the wonderful progress that is being made in their own State? The March issue of Progress, the organ of the Southern Sociological Congress and a national journal of education, industry and social service, has the following editorial on what North Carolina is doing:

"Of all the States of the South North Carolina shows the most intelligent progress. There seems to be a spirit of constructive activity in that State that is actually doing things, a feeling of pride in community service that promises well for the future. A State wide campaign of 'know your home community' is in progress, and with the University as the center, there are radiating into the uttermost recesses of the State great influence that work for good.

Supply Will Run Out

Rome.—A discussion of "How to Find a Husband After the War" is being carried on in the columns of the Piccola. Intense interest is indicated by the number of letters received from young women readers who confess their fear that there will not be enough men to go round. One of these declares her intention to emigrate to the United States in the hope of finding a husband.

Another points out that the unmarried men remaining after the war who have suffered deeply by its hardships will be inclined to select as wives women unspoiled by the new freedom which the absence of men at the front has given women, that the women to find a husband will have to be modest and obedient. "Girls nowadays are becoming too frivolous," she states, "and such girls do not make good wives." This same young woman then quotes the counsel of Arab, Sidi Ahmed Ben Arun, to his daughter about to be married, telling her that the successful wife "must be as earth under the feet of her husband; appear to obey him in all things; never offend his vanity, or his ears with too much talking; and never contradict him. So shalt thou become both master and mistress in thy house."

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Solicitor of the County court of Pitt County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

This 1st day of May, 1918.

J. Lloyd Horton

Candidate for Register of Deeds.

To the Democratic Voters of Pitt County:

I hereby announce my candidacy for the Office of Register of Deeds of Pitt County, Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary of Pitt County.

Bursey Bell.

SEWERAGE SYSTEM COMPLETED AND ACCEPTED

Light Plant Now Being Enlarged and Town Will Soon be Supplied With Day Current. Streets Now Being Greatly Improved

The sewer system is now completed and has been accepted by the town, and it can be truly said that Farmville has as good sewerage system, as any town in Eastern North Carolina.

We are enlarging the light plant, putting in new machinery which will make our electric light capacity about four times larger than it is at present, and we expect to furnish day current soon.

Our water supply is sufficient to take care of all the requirements, and no town can boast of having better drinking water than Farmville has.

We have had a squad of hands at work on the streets for the past several weeks and we are going to continue the street work through the summer.

Our cemetery needs to have some work done and perhaps enclosed with a fence. Some people are permitting their hogs to run at large, and they are rooting up the flowers on the lots. We expect to make quite an improvement in our Cemetery, in the next few weeks.

Farmville now has all the modern and sanitary improvements that the larger towns have. Electric lights, water works and the most appreciated of all, Sewerage.

Now that we have water and sewerage it behooves our citizens not to delay but to install water and sewerage in their homes, and by doing this they will not only help to make Farmville one of the most sanitary towns, but they will add the greatest known convenience to their home.

I believe that every man, woman and child here are glad that they are citizens of Farmville and we all realize that some day Farmville will be a real city, many of us may pass into eternity before Farmville develops into a large city, but there is one degree of greatness which we can attain before another year goes by, and to accomplish this every man, woman and child has a part to perform.

Therefore I urge every citizen of Farmville, to take an interest and lend their best efforts and help to make Farmville the most sanitary town in Eastern North Carolina.

I wish to thank the colored citizens of Farmville for the interest they manifested and the manner in which they cleaned up their premises last summer, and I urge them to keep the good work up, and do even more this summer.

It seems to be generally conceded that Farmville is the best town of its size in the State, and I urge all citizens to clear off their side walks, clean up their back lots, and make their premises sanitary and flyless.

Ben A. Joyner, Mayor.

The Editor of this paper has advised that the best way to get the most out of the paper is to send in a subscription order for the year in advance. This will insure the paper being sent to you every week, and you will have the paper for the year for the price of one year's subscription.