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## Farmville Organizes Live Chamber of Commerce Officially Launched Monday Night With Fifty-One Members.

### Membership Now Near The One Hundred Mark

Hons. Bion H. Butler and John A. Park the Principal Speakers, who Assisted Greatly in Launching New Organization that will Mean so Much for the Future Progress and Development of Farmville and Vicinity.

### Next Meeting To Be Held Monday Night, Aug. 21, in City Hall.

At Which Time Full Details of the Organization Will Be Perfected and Directors Elected—Entire Citizenship and Progressive Farmers of Farmville and Vicinity Enthusiastic.

Farmville's Chamber of Commerce was officially launched Monday night Aug. 15, at an enthusiastic meeting held in the Centre Hotel building, with a charter membership of fifty-one active business and professional men.

In response to a call issued several days ago by W. G. Sheppard, R. T. Martin, Dr. P. E. Jones, J. Loyd Horton and J. W. Holmes the committee, a large audience of representative citizens assembled to hear addresses by invited guests from other cities and to learn why Farmville has needed a chamber of commerce.

W. G. Sheppard presided. He briefly stated the purpose in assembling, claiming that such a town as Farmville, with 2,000 inhabitants and property exceeding a million dollars in valuation, is not doing its duty without an active business organization. He cited Durham, which at the close of the civil war was only an inconspicuous village, now a thriving, bustling growing city, home of the world's largest industries. Farmville, a comparatively young town, with every facility required in the building of a modern city, needs only to take advantage of its "makings" and to "roll their own" into success, as Durham did.

Mayor B. A. Joyner, in his address of welcome, expressed his keen delight as well as a feeling of surprise, at the generous response to invitations and hearty enthusiasm manifested.

In Dr. Joyner's opinion, every citizen should show some interest in his community and try to make it a better place to live in. He said that his greatest pride in holding public office is the thought that his friends have confidence in his desire to serve them, and now with the prospect of an active business organization, he believes it possible for public officials to do a great deal more through their operation which they will no doubt receive from the proposed organization.

Bion H. Butler of Southern Pines, delivered the principal address. Mr. Butler, who is a farmer by choice and a newspaper man by profession, told something of his wonderful Sand Hill country, pointing out the fundamentals necessary to successful community growth. In Moore county, said he, it is impossible to raise the crops afforded by Pitt county soil, but Moore county farmers have learned which crops they can raise to best advantage and are doing everything they can to enlarge and improve their crops.

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### KILLS HIS WIFE THEN HIMSELF

Dr. H. D. Harper and Wife were Spending Summer at Weaver-ville at the Time of Tragedy.

Asheville, Aug. 15.—Dr. H. D. Harper, a prominent dentist of Kingston, shot his wife while she was lying in bed asleep in their room in a boarding house in Weaverville near this city, this afternoon at 1 o'clock then turned the pistol on himself and inflicted a wound from which he died two hours later in a hospital here, where he was brought after the double tragedy. No cause was learned for the act other than the fact that Dr. Harper was drinking heavily.

### To the Ladies of Farmville:

Do you realize that the health of yourself and your family is never secure unless the neighborhood and community conditions under which you live are healthful?

Do you realize that you cannot safeguard your baby by keeping your own premises sanitary? That you must see that your neighbor, near and remote, is clean? In other words, you must safeguard your neighbors' baby if you will keep your own secure.

Do you realize that it is not safe to be a selfish or ignorant citizen?

If you would bring your own family to a higher maturity—you must first know what is the safe and sanitary method of living. Then you must employ this method yourself and have it adopted in your town. These are some of the problems that a Civic Club in Farmville would help us to solve.

Our town Aldermen, (sometimes called the fathers) are doing their very best, but apply this to the house keeping after the details of this city house-keeping as they should.

We have some of the most progressive men in the State right here and they are looking to the ladies of this town to take their part for the betterment of the town and community, so let's get together for a

Beautiful, Sanitary, Healthy Farmville

### THE LADIES OF FARMVILLE TO RE-ORGANIZE CIVIC CLUB.

Meeting to be Held in Christian Church Monday Afternoon at Five O'clock, August 21st.—Matter Taken Up by Magazine Club Wednesday Afternoon. All Ladies Urged to Attend.

That the ladies of Farmville are deeply interested in the future welfare of the town was evidenced Wednesday afternoon, when the members of the Magazine Club enthusiastically launched plans for the re-organization of the Civic Club, to work in harmony with the Chamber of Commerce formed Monday night of this week by the business and professional men of Farmville and vicinity.

It was decided to hold a meeting at the Christian church Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock, Aug. 21st and every lady in the town is urged to be present.

The day has come when all must put aside petty grievances and work together in one big body in order to accomplish the best results.

Remember the meeting Monday afternoon, and that if you are a woman with any interest whatever in the welfare of the town, you are requested to be present.

### TWO TOWNS IN PITT COUNTY VOTE BONDS

Ayden and Winterville Have Joined the Good Road Forces. Each Carried the Election for \$50,000 Bonds.

The two townships of Winterville and Ayden each voted Tuesday to issue \$50,000 for the purpose of building good roads, and the election was carried in both townships by a small majority. In Ayden township with a registration of 349, there were 181 votes for and 168 against, giving a majority of three votes over the number necessary to carry. In Winterville township out of a registration 328, there were 153 votes for and 175 against giving a majority of eleven over the number necessary to carry the election.

Steps will be taken at once to sell the bonds, and work on the roads will begin as soon as the bonds are sold and the money secured. The addition of this \$100,000 worth of roads in Pitt county will give us improved roads in almost every part of the county, and will put us in the front ranks in regard to good roads.

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### FARMERS BUILDING DIPPING VAT FOR CATTLE

Dr. Holt, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Here Supervising the Construction. The First Dipping Will Probably Take Place Saturday of Next Week.

Mr. Redding Lewis and brothers, some of Pitt County's most progressive farmers have decided to construct a dipping vat for use in getting rid of the cattle ticks which have for several years infested their cattle and pasture lands four miles west of Farmville.

Dr. C. L. Holt, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, who is supervising the construction of dipping vats and assisting Pitt county stock owners to free their cattle and lands of ticks and incidentally secure the release of the County from quarantines visited Mr. Lewis' farm Wednesday and arrangements were made to build the vat on next Monday or Tuesday. It is probable that by Saturday of next week the vat can be filled with water and the necessary medication so that the first dipping can take place on that date.

There are many people in this section interested in this work and to those who have never

### Farmville's Tobacco Market Opened Tuesday—Prices Way Up.

The High Prices Paid Exceeded Expectation of All, and Brought Smiles to the Growers of the Weed that Won't Fade.

### Break Averaged Around Twenty Dollars Hundred

Opening Sales Lightest in Several Years, There Being Only About 40,000 Pounds on the Market Due to Late Crop. However, Each of the Warehouses Had Good Break

Farmville's tobacco market for the season 1916 (7) opened Tuesday with the highest prices ever paid. Only first ground opening were sold and the average for the entire three breaks was around the \$20.00 mark.

There is a full corps of buyers everyone of whom seems anxious for the weed, and its indeed pleasing to all interested to watch them bid for it.

There were a large number of farmers of this and surrounding counties here Tuesday to witness the opening and everybody was wearing a smile over the prices the farmers received. If you want the highest prices for all your tobacco then bring it to the Farmville market. Its past record is sufficient to convince you that Farmville is the place for highest average the season through.

### BUTLER ON THE STATE FAIR

The Election of Leonard Tufts as President of the State Fair Gives New Impetus to all

Bion H. Butler, who was associated with the state fair last year, served the association to such purpose that he has been engaged for this season again. He was in Raleigh, and farther east last week looking over the situation, and to the Citizen he said: "If we can get a crack of the weather this fall we are going to have a fair that will be a credit to the association and a profit to the people of the state. The election of Leonard Tufts as president has made a hit all over the state, for North Carolina folks have a confidence in Mr. Tufts' ability. I can tell you about the earnest effort of men like Colonel Pogue, Captain Parrish, Colonel Cameron, and thirty or forty of the bunch of men who have the fair and the state at heart, and who appreciated that Leonard Tufts with his fashion of doing things could help to push along the work they have been engaged in for years.

"President Tufts has already taken an active hand, and with the backing of the directors he has started the re-modeling of the buildings and provided a new scheme of expansion that will make the fair this fall better than ever, besides preparing for the future. Remodeling and rebuilding are in progress, changing the housing facilities completely. Colonel Pogue is already arranging for new entertainment features and the remarkable organization of the farm extension service of the state is planning to make use of the state fair to an extent that will be a fair in itself. "Mr. Tufts' idea is to have the fair this year one of action. The canning club exhibit will be the actual process of canning fruit or vegetables. It is hoped to have butter and cheese makers make butter and cheese at the fair to show how it is done. Wherever action is possible action will be the feature. "Another important feature will be the effort to make the fair a big fall time stock and produce sale. Breeders who have raised good stock will be urged to send to the fair what they have for sale, and offer it there to buyers. Mr. Tufts says he makes more sales of fine stock

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