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## A VISION OF FARMVILLE IN 1-9-2-0

These Improvements For Farmville are very Practical, and with Co-operation, Can be Made Possible—Here's Hoping.

Written By An Enthusiastic Member for the Civic Club.

(This is written in the form of a letter, as if the writer had been away for four years.)

### OUTLINE—BEAUTY AND HEALTH.

- (a) Streets. (b) Buildings. (c) Drives. (d) Park. (e) Playground. (f) School Grounds. (g) Cemetery. (h) Infant Welfare Stations. (i) Little Mothers' League. (j) Hospital. (k) People, Appearance, etc.

Springfield, Yt., Aug. 21, 1920. Dearest Emily:

I have just returned from a visit to my old home, Farmville, North Carolina. Of course you remember the glorious times we used to have there when you came on a visit. Well, I was there this month, the first time I have seen the place since I left in 1916. Living so far away it is an undertaking to go often.

Knowing how interested you are in your civic work and everything that means improvement, I want to tell you of the great changes in this town which were brought about by the wide-awake civic club in just four years. Of course I expected some changes but nothing as remarkable as the ones I found.

The first thing that impressed

me was the beautiful streets—wide, paved, clean, shady, and full of traffic.

Then the houses—palatial residences, built by sagacious men who saw a future for Farmville. I found Farmville, a small village four years ago, a prosperous town of factories and emporiums of trade, with a modern post office, museum, academy and conservatory.

A friend took me out upon a drive which the good roads club had built. This is a noble drive-way, extending some several miles out, and wide enough for five or six automobiles to drive abreast. On either side of this drive, here and there, you will find lattices covered with Dorothy Perkins roses which makes it a beautiful drive, as well as a delightful one.

I visited the park with its shady garden, provided with seats, fountains, etc., named for one of East Carolina's best business men and who is beloved by all who know him—Davis Park—for it was he who helped to agitate the movement, also assisting the civic club financially to establish their park.

Near the park are the playgrounds for the children. There are various sorts of swings, tennis nets with balls and racquets, bats and balls to be used on the two diamonds, with a competent person hired to direct the games. There are wading pools and other beautiful amusements for the children who crowd these playgrounds daily. The club women told me that this was very expensive but as they see how they have turned the self-activity of this mass of children into lives which will not only give happy wholesome exercise but make these young people stronger, enthusiastic, more law-abiding citizens, they feel repaid a hundred-fold for starting these playgrounds.

This club has established Infant Welfare Stations where ba-

## "Hello Santa Claus" We'll Expect You Christmas Eve.

### FARMVILLE TOBACCO MARKET CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Will Re-Open Tuesday, January 9th, With Practically All the Big Tobacco Concerns Represented, as Well as Independent Buyers.

At a recent meeting of the Farmville Tobacco Board of Trade it was decided best to re-open the Farmville market after the Christmas holidays as there is a good bit of tobacco yet in this section, which, on account of inclement weather, the farmers have been unable to get in shape to sell.

No market or set of warehousemen in the State has put forth greater effort for the farmers in getting the highest possible dollar for every pound of

Farmville market and its warehousemen, and their efforts have been crowned with success, as the Farmville market still retains its great and glorious record of leading the entire Eastern section of North Carolina in highest averages.

Not only in selling tobacco, but in every other industry for the welfare of its people, other sections of our grand old State would do well to follow the example set by Farmville and its progressive citizenship.

abies are weighed and examined periodically and mothers taught how to keep them well and rear them aright.

They have also organized a Little Mother's League where the young girls are taught how to bathe, dress, feed and care for the baby. Incidentally, they acquire the more fundamental rules of health, which they carry home to their mothers.

On a quiet street stands a modern hospital obtained by popular subscription and mortgage which the club has pledged itself to lift.

I attended a meeting of this splendid club and found avenues of service in every subject brought before them. It was a revelation to me and I intend to tell the civic league of this city just what it can do if it will wake up to its opportunities. Their motto is "Beauty and Cleanliness."

I know you are interested in (continued on page 4)

### THE HIGH COST PAPER CAUSES PRINTED TO PRINT ON FIG LEAVES

California Publisher Prints His Regular Edition on Five Fig Leaves, Said.

Santa Cruz, Cal., Dec. 14.—Because of the high cost of paper and the failure of subscribers to pay up, Luther McQuesten, publisher of the "Mountain Echo," at Boulder Creek, has an edition of his weekly on five fig leaves. The edition consists of dried leaves pinned together with twine and printed on both sides and contains news items, classified and legal advertising and an editorial in which McQuesten sets forth his reasons for "returning to first principles for printing."

### HYMAN EPSTEIN MARRIES THE SISTER THE MAN HE SHOT.

The Two Persons Who Played Such an Important Part Following Killing of Edwards Married in Charlotte.—Will Locate in Rocky Mount.

Rocky Mount, Dec. 16.—Hyman Epstein, of Goldsboro, recently acquitted of the murder of Leonard Edwards, and Miss Judith Edwards, sister of the slain man, were married yesterday in Charlotte, according to relatives here. The couple will come to Rocky Mount, where Mr. Epstein will enter business with an uncle residing here.

Miss Edwards, it was said, was visiting her sister in Salisbury, and joined Epstein in Charlotte, Thursday.

It was said that the testimony of Miss Edwards at the last trial of Epstein was responsible for the acquittal of Epstein, when she testified that her brother was armed when he engaged in the encounter that resulted in his death.



### Schools Raising Money For Improvements

As the Christmas season approaches, the schools are holding parties to raise money for school improvements almost faster than the tale can be told. King's Cross Roads made \$40.00 recently, while the Carraway school in Farmville township, recently converted into a two-teacher school, has made over \$60.00. Bynum school in the same township, has raised \$40.00 in the same manner. The teachers of the Shelmerdine school have just turned in the sum of \$35.40.

The fall series of grove teachers' meetings will be completed

this week, with the exception of Greenville and Pactolus townships, which will have to go over until after Christmas on account of delay in completing the building in which the meeting was to be held.

Miss Morris, of the Training School faculty, assisted the county superintendent in the second meeting on Wednesday, December 6th. This was for Belvoir, Bethel and Carolina townships, and was held at Bethel. Miss Morris did some very effective work in primary reading. The people of Bethel entertained the teachers in their homes for lunch.

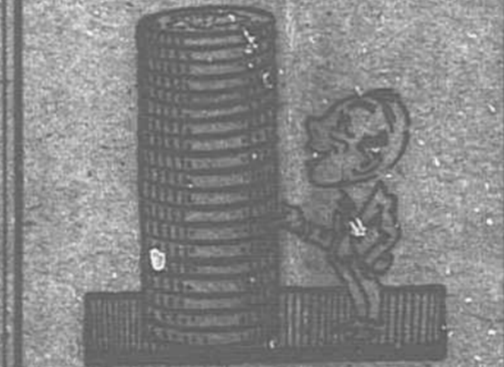
Miss Ray and Mr. Austin were in the meeting for Chocod township at Grinstead Wednesday, December 13th. All the teachers were present and some splendid work was done. The morning was given to serving the work of the Grinstead school, and the afternoon in a discussion of the morning's work. Miss May discussed the reading lessons, and Mr. Austin the geography. The people of the community served lunch in the school auditorium.

The Simpson school gave a basket party and Christmas tree at the school house Wednesday evening, December 20th. The teachers of Ayden and Winterville townships met at the Winterville school on Thursday, Dec. 14. The usual plan of observing the school work during the morning and holding the round table discussion in the afternoon was carried out. The round table conference in the afternoon was conducted by Miss McFayden of the Training School faculty and Superintendent Hoy Taylor of the Greenville Graded Schools. The Winterville teachers served lunch to the visiting teachers.

In spite of the unusually inclement weather, the majority of the teachers of Swift Creek township were present at Grifton for the meeting on Friday, Decem-

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### A Christmas Carol.

In the stillness of the midnight,  
In the silence of the Star,  
In the slumber of the white lambs,  
On the hillside, near and far,  
Came the Christ Child to his mother;  
To the humble oxen's stall,  
He, the Babe of Paradise, sweet,  
Lord of Christmas, King of all.

Hush, let not a word be spoken  
Of his sacrifice for men,  
Stopping from his world of glory,  
To be woman-born; a pen  
Of sweet straw to be his cradle,  
He is ours, just ours, today,  
Mark that mortal smile, that shining  
Of the halo in the hair.

While the palm trees rustle softly,  
While the lullaby, the breeze,  
Croons amid the angels' anthem,  
Which the star-lit heaven cleaves,  
We will claim him ours, our treasure,  
Christmas Babe, and Babe divine,  
Hail, thrice hail, O mystic stranger,  
Nestling in thy straw filled stable!

—Helen Chase in Brooklyn Eagle.

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