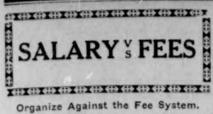
THE SMITHFIELD HERALD.



At the recent convention of the dividual and the public to contribute the purposes they have in view. There is great virtue in organization, legislative elections, unless the peo-

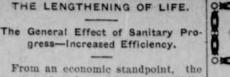
ple take similar steps to make ef-The fee system will not be tives. to be engineered by the officials most concerned in perpetuating it."

That covers the case. The fee system will be continued unless men are elected to the Legislature who are the State tens of thousands of dollars they could keep in their own pockets if the Legislature would pass a law putting all the State and county officers on a straight salary basis. There are men in the State to-day who are making more than \$20,000 the year out of the places they fill and the people are "paying the freight." We would give every man who fills a publie office a living salary, but we would make his compensation conand would not fatten him at the exrense of the people with fees which he has not fairly earned. The only way that the organization of the office-holders can be successfully met is by the organization of the people

who elect them, and this should be made a vital issue in the election of members of the General Assembly .-Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Destroys Individual Opportunities.

A few months ago, a county treasurer in Virginia, charged with being short in his accounts something like \$25,000, committed suicide. He had been a trusted officer for nearly thirty years-so thoroughly trusted, indeed, that an examination of his books, although required by law. would have been considered a personal reflection. It is significant that no evidence of any shortage WES discovered until after he had been in office over eight years. The people of Virginia will make a serious blunder if they do not vote overwhelmingly against the amendment to the Constitution allowing indefinite tenure of office to county and city treasopportunities and proves not infre-



average American child is a liability until its seventeenth, year, after which time it becomes an asset, That is to say, it is necessary for the in-

Clerks of Courts, Senator Martin urg- to the physical, mental, and moral deed upon them the necessity of or- velopment of a child until it reaches ganization for the accomplishment of its seventeenth year. After the seventeenth year the average American child becomes self-supporting, and, in addition to its own support, becomes unquestionably. In the present con- a source of revenue for other inditions it is absolutely necessary to 'dividuals and for the government or the success of any movement, and public. Death before seventeen means in the settlement of questions of a financial loss of all that the inlarge public importance it is neces. dividual and public have invested in sary to meet organization with or- the child; after seventeen, the longganization. This is perfectly plain returns on the investment. Anything, to the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, which therefore that diminishes the probabwill be "much surprised if the ef- ility of death before seventeen and road land is worth from \$50 to \$100 rieted by J. E. Parker. fect of this movement (the organiza- increases the probability of life after tion of the Clerks of Courts) is not seventeen is financially an individual reflected very palpably in the next and public blessing. Such a blessing is sanitary progress from a busines standpoint.

abclished if the nomination of mem- teenth century the average duration bers of the General Assembly is left of life was 21.2 years; at the beginning of the nineteenth century about 30 years; at the present the average

duration of life is 44 years. During opposed to it. It costs the people of average duration of life increased at the rate of 25 years per century, and rock or gravel roads to afford between 1890 and 1900 the increase in Massachusetts was at the rate of 40 years per century. The following table summarizes present progress in the lengthening of life:

years. Present rate in Europe 17 years. Present rate in Prussia 27 years.

In India, where sanitation is unknown, the average duration of life sensible man should welcome any imtingent upon the value of his services, is 23 years, or what it was about 40 years ago.

Just as the light of sanitary science rises nearer the meridian of perfection, so the shadow of death shortens .- Health Bulletin.

> Vacation. Sae old ten days, Same old train; Same old country, Same old rain. Same old farmhouse, Same old trunk:

Same old back room. Same old bunk.

Same old brooklet, Same old trees: Same old fishes. Same old fleas.

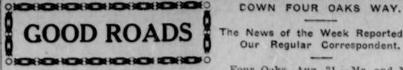
Same old tackle. Same old flies: Same old bottles. Same old lies.

-Memphis News-Scimitar.

The Country Paper.

I am glad to commend the work which men of political belief may beurers. An officeholding trust, like of the country newspaper. It can be come united. That question is good all other trusts, destroys individual owned by the editor who edits it and, roads. Stanly county boasts of retherefore, has behind it a conscience sources and its splendid pure Saxo quently a very expensive incubus up- and character which can be identi- citizenship, and rightfully may do fied, which is close to the people and so. Stanly county is advancing along can give voice to the sentiments of many lines as rapidly as any counits readers. We have to depend ty in North Carolina and is fast

more and more upon the country pa- forging herself toward the front. Her



Roads and Land Values.

on land values, a correspondent of tives and friends, the Kansas City Star makes some interesting comparisons. As an example he cites the fact that two and around town last week. roads run in a western and southwestern direction of Washington, Mo. Carolina, was home Sunday for One is an ordinary dirt road and the short while. cther is a turnpike. There is no material difference in the land lying ing for the State University to comalong the two highways. So far as plete his course. productiveness is concerned it is about a stand-off, but "the land on the earth road sells at from \$60 to \$80 per acre, while at an equal distance from town on the gravel per acre." The correspondent adds: "The construction of good roads a boy,

near Springfield, Mo., is increasing the land valuation along these roads Going back to the oldest reliable 25 per cent and upward. In Boone fective their choice of representa- statistics on the duration of life in County, where the gravel roads mings passed through Tuesday enexistence, we find that in the six- have existed almost since pioneer route for Smithfield and Raleigh. times, the lands along these roads sell for 20 per cent more than lands on the ordinary dirt roads and yield an income greater in the same prothe last quarter of the nineteenth portion. The same is true in Pike, century-the most active period in in Ralls, in St. Louis county, in Cape the growth of natural science-the Girardeau, in Jackson, everywhere gill left this morning for Norfolk, throughout Missouri, where are the comparison.

> "These enhanced values are permanent and not temporary and fluctuating."

The results are the same every-Present rate in Massachusetts 14 where, Good roads unquestionably increase land values, but there are Kentucky, will open a school known land owners, it is regrettable to say, who balk at road improvement on new brick building of Mr. D. the score of increased taxation. Any Sanders and will open Sept. 26th. provement which adds to the value of his land. And in pondering the expression we all like to hear, and road question the farmer who fears taxation should sit down and figure a bit on the indirect tax he is paying because of the lack of good roads .- Louisville Courier-Journal.

Good Roads.

No more important movement has ever been started in Stanly county than the one that is now being set fellows have been to see Ethel this in motion for good roads. Every two years our citizenship array themselves for a struggle for a political victory, does it?" "No; I heard Sis say and both sides are represented by the very best of men. Strong men oppose each other and fight for the right as they are given to see the right. Furthermore, our citizenship is divided on religious questions. In fact, almost any issue that may come up, the people align themselves, part on one side and part on the other side. But there is one question now springing up which should have as its exponent every true citizen of the county; a question upon which men of every religious sect, upon which men of every calling of life, upon

olina; no greater possibility for mak-

ing the very best of roads are wrap-

may be a Democrat, what does that

matter? We are all neighbors when

who loves his country will from this

time on agitate this great question

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The News of the Week Reported by Our Regular Correspondent. Four Oaks, Aug. 31 .- Mr. and Mrs.

J. W. Hollowell, of Rocky Mount, formerly of this place, arrived last Discussing the effect of good roads night to spend some time with rela-Capt. T. F. Watkins and family, of

Wilson, were visiting relatives Mr. D. C. Lassiter, of Western Un-

ion Telegraph Company, in South Mr. Walton Johnson left this morn-

Miss Nan Hollowell, of Goldsboro, the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. is R. Adams.

Mr. Ira W. Keene has moved his stock of general merchandise across the railroad to the new building com-

C. C. Lee is one bappy man. It's Mr. J. T. Cole's two sons, Chester

and Victor, left Tnesday for Buies' Creek Academy to enter school. Miss Floy Johnson and Kate Cum-

W. E. Barbour spent the past week

in Princeton and Goldsboro. Mr. Rufus Austin, of Benson, con-

ducted services at M. E. church here Sunday morning during absence of Rev. Mr. Satton.

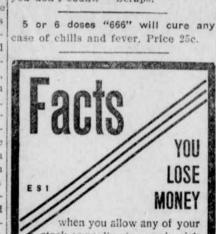
Messrs, I. M. and W. A. Massen-Va, where they go to buy hardware, the etc., and for a short vacation at Ocean View, Va.

The farmers of this community are bewailing their fate during this conder lost.

Mr. Hubert B. Coats, formerly Professor of Latin at Union College, as the Four Oaks Academy. school will be located in the hall of

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Mr. Troy Henry is with me now and will be glad to have

on a community.-Charlottesville (Va.) Progress.

Against Fee System.

The fee system of paying county officers is doomed and mainly so siness point of view. The only sensible method is the salary and it is coming, too, just as soon as our people wake up to a business way of doing things. Would a merchant hire a clerk and pay him a certain commission on the goods sold? Well, hardly so, and for the same reason the fee system will have to go. Of course nothing will be done until the present nominees have served out their terms, but it is to be hoped that by that time the modern methods will be ready for actual use .---Wadesboro Ansonian.

Abolition of the fee system for county officers and substitution of salaries is coming in for a big revival just about now, especially in view of the nearness of the next legislature, and it is ilkely tha he lawmakers at their coming session will and that county officers hereafter in North Carolina, that is at least after present terms, will be placed on a salary basis, which will be something definite and will be more business like. The county commissioners, in annual session last week at Charlotte, evidently heartily favored the salary system, as those who spoke upon the subject strongly expressed approval .- Wilmington Evening Dispatch.

Tobacco growing in Hawaii is very promising, although it was started but two years ago.

pers for an educational work that is progress should in no way be retardnecessary to a correct understanding ed. of public questions. There is a lot of An eminent speaker was heard to because it is indefensible from a be- difference between a man who writes say the other day that the best stanwhat he is told to write and the man dard by which to judge a community who writes what he believes is a was its schools, its churches, and message to his readers. At this time, its roads. when the great dailies are becoming Stanly county has schools and more and more business enterpriss school facilities right along with the rather than exponents of opinions, best. Stanly county has churches and especially when a number of that may well call forth the pride of them have become the property of the citizenship of our community. predatory interests, the country What about the Roads? No better newspaper increases in importance. road-bed can be found in North Car--William Jennings Bryan.

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Michigan has a population of 2,810, of Good Roads until the roads of handle the matter. It looks at pres- 173, an increase of 389,191, or 16.1 per Stanly county rival those of any ent as if a general law will be made, cent., compared with 2,420,982 in County of North Carolina.-Albemarle 1900.

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