

THE SMITHFIELD HERALD

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NOTE.—All correspondents should remember that we pay no attention to communications without the writer's name.

TOWN AND COUNTY TOPICS.

Mr. Bailey Williamson, of Knightdale, was in the city Sunday afternoon.

Dr. Farquard Smith, of Dunn, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. W. M. Sanders.

Mr. J. E. Atkinson, of Beulah township, was here yesterday and gave The Herald office a call.

Miss Margaret Lee Austin went to Richmond Saturday to visit her mother who is still in that city.

Miss Sarah Sanders, a student of Peace Institute, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. W. M. Sanders.

Miss Ruth Jones who has been teaching the school near Corinth church, is at home for the vacation.

Mrs. Sam Spence, who has been spending several days here with Mrs. C. R. Turner, has returned to her home in Kinston.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Woodall spent Sunday in Burlington with relatives. Mrs. N. T. Holland and little Mary Gattis Holland accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pou, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bailey, of Raleigh, spent a few hours in the city Sunday afternoon with relatives and friends.

The matter on page eight of this issue of The Herald was all contributed by the members of the Ninth Grade of Turlington Graded School.

Mr. J. H. Brady and Mrs. J. T. Gurley attended the Union Meeting at Creech's church, about eighteen miles from here, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Johnson, with children, Misses Lily, Susie and Margaret, went on Tuesday last to a reunion at Mr. Josephus Johnson's home in Elevation township.

Mr. D. H. Stancil and son, Wade C. Stancil, of Garner, accompanied by Miss Lula Stancil, passed through the city Sunday en route to Elevation township to visit relatives. Messrs. J. C. and M. L. Stancil accompanied them to Elevation.

Mr. O. P. Dickerson, Mr. E. S. Sanders and Edwin Sanders, Jr., motored to Goldsboro Sunday to visit the soldier boys in camp. They were accompanied home by Mr. George Sanders who will spend a few days with his father in the city.

Several of the young men of the town visited Raleigh yesterday. Some offered their services to the government and among the number was one of Smithfield's young attorneys, Mr. Robert A. Wellons. He will soon go to Fort Oglethorpe and spend some time in training.

Mr. R. W. Freeman, of Wilson, the district demonstration agent for the Eastern district of North Carolina, spent Monday with the county agent here. Mr. Freeman is urging the planting of all food and feed crops that can be taken care of. He also suggested that we begin to look after the seed that we will need next fall.

Mr. H. R. Cates and Mr. Albert A. Hansen, from the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., were here for a short time yesterday looking for suitable place to put in some experiments on the eradication of nut grass. They want a place that has about one or two acres in the plat. We hope that these experiments will prove successful as this grass is one of our bad pests.

Rather Lonesome Now.

The streets of Smithfield in one particular have had a lonesome appearance for some days now. Since the chicken ordinance went into effect on April 16th no chickens have been seen on the streets and front flower yards. No longer do autors have to dodge them.

A. M. COATES AGAIN HONORED.

The Student Body at U. N. C. Has Elected Him President of the University Athletic Association.

(By J. L. Stuckey.)

Chapel Hill, April 30.—Albert M. Coates was elected president of the Athletic Association of the University of North Carolina at its meeting Saturday afternoon. This Association is the only organization in college of which every student is a member.

Mr. Coates has been elected to and was initiated into the Golden Fleece last Saturday night. This organization is composed of the ten best all-around men of the Junior Class.

On the 20th of April in Greensboro, Mr. Coates won the State prize in the Peace Oratorical Contest. Since that time both the group and national contests have been called off, which will prevent Mr. Coates having another chance in the contest this year.

Kirby-Creech.

On Sunday, April 22nd, Mr. P. H. Kirby and Miss Carletta Creech were married by Justice of the Peace N. G. Wiggs, near Pine Level. After the marriage Mr. Kirby brought the bride back to Smithfield where she resumed her work in the telephone office which she carried along until yesterday when Mr. Kirby came and took her to his home near Selma.

Pleasant Grove Fair Officers.

On Saturday, April 28, the people of Pleasant Grove township met at the Township Court House and organized for the Township Fair to be held on October the 11th. The following officers were elected:

G. Willie Lee, President. Victor Penny, Vice President. J. C. Langdon, Secretary-Treasurer.

These three are among the most progressive young men in the township. With the enthusiasm and backing of all the people in the township we can look for Pleasant Grove to give us as great or greater surprise in the way of a Fair than it did last year.

There is more real good in one of these Community Fairs as far as the people are concerned than there is in any other Fair.—L. J.

THE "CAN" SONG.

Song of The Johnston County Rifle Association, "The Smithfield Home Guard."

Tune: Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys are Marching.

(By Lawrence C. Longstreet, retired officer U. S. A.)

In the land of German-ee Far away; across the sea, Where the Kraut is getting scarcer every day.

Then there is a submarine, Then there is a war machine, If the can; they'll hit us in their fail.

So! It's up, up, Tar Heels; let's be doing,

Brush the cotton from your clothes, Plant your corn in long straight rows; Then clean up your gun and drill; you may be called!

El Envoi:

We have lots of Starry Flags; We have lots of good old "Krag's"; That we carried just a few short years ago.

We've enough to shoulder hoes, For to feed the man who goes, Throw your head up boys, and just do all you can.

Notice Home Guard.

The drill of The Home Guard has been postponed from Tuesday night at 7:30 until Wednesday night at 7:30, at which time Lawrence C. Longstreet, ex-United States Officer and Drill master, will drill the boys. All member are urged to be present at The Banner Warehouse at 7:30 sharp. No visitors allowed.

GEORGE ROSS POU, Captain.

BIG HOME COMING WEEK.

Great Coming Together of the People of Johnston County to Be Characterized as Patriotic Week. Eloquent Address by An Ex-Governor of Nebraska, Intermingled With Music and the Chatter of the Hosts of Merry-Making Home-Comers.

There is much discussion at this time about America and the war, duty and patriotism. Patriotism can be expressed in a number of ways. Have you stopped to think as to whether or not you are patriotic? Smithfield and Johnston County are going to have a big Home-Coming Week beginning on June the 10th and lasting for five days.

You mothers ask your boys to come home and meet all the folks in Smithfield during this week. Why not plan to have a family reunion. If you want to have all your family here on a certain day notify them and ask each one to bring a big basket and make a memorable day out of it.

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Medical Officers Reserve Corps.

The doctors of the State are being called on to do their part toward getting ready for the war. Meetings have been in various centers and the Physicians, many of them, have joined the Medical Officers Reserve Corps.

Dr. Thel Hooks, of Smithfield, and Dr. George D. Vick, of Selma, have been appointed President and Secretary respectively, of the Johnston County branch of the Medical Officers Reserve Corps, and the physicians of this county who desire to enroll can send their names to either, Dr. Hooks or Dr. Vick.

Look Out for the Flies.

These past few days have been fine for flies, and unless everybody keeps busy with a swatter there will be millions of the pesky creatures before the coming of dog days.

Hens at Some Price Now.

Six hens for \$7.77 is some price for hens, but that's what they brought in Benson last week, according to the Benson Review.

Enlisted in the Navy.

Since April 1, 1917, the following young men have enlisted in the navy from Johnston County: William E. Driver, of Selma, and Walter Caudle, of Benson. The call of the navy for an increase of 30,000, allots to North Carolina about 400. Up to April 24th only 70 had been accepted from this State.

WORLD ALMANAC FOR 1917.

We have on hand a few copies of the New York World Almanac for 1917. It is a paper bound book of nearly 1000 pages, filled with valuable and interesting information. Price 35 cents. Get a copy and see how many things worth while you may learn.

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More About the Road Bond Issue.

There seems to be some misunderstanding in Smithfield township as to the proposed Good Roads bond issue, and I agree that there is excuse for this, as the matter has not been generally discussed.

The bill under which this election has been called was published in full in The Herald on the 9th day of March, 1917, in order that all the people of the township and county could read the bill and familiarize themselves with the provisions of the bill in order to be able to intelligently vote on the question.

This bill was worked out and introduced by Representative Clark and is considered one of the most constructive pieces of legislation enacted by the last General Assembly.

This bill provides that the State shall semi-annually sell \$400,000 four (4) per cent bonds and lend that money to the counties and townships of North Carolina at five (5) per cent, for forty-one years, and this would automatically pay off the bonds for money loaned to the various counties and townships.

In Smithfield township we have a levy for roads of 25 cents on \$100 worth of property and 75 cents on poll, and collect in round numbers \$8,800 annually. We can take from this \$2,500 annually to pay the 5 per cent interest on the \$50,000 proposed bonds for Smithfield township and then have \$4,300 left to put in building and keeping up the roads of this township.

We will always have the levy of 25 cents and 75 cents for roads in Smithfield township, in my opinion. It looks it would be a pity to not take advantage of the provisions of this bill and vote the proposed \$50,000 of bonds in the election next Tuesday. With this money we can probably build all the 80 miles of road in this township, and as a large part of the roads of the township have already been prepared, graded and considerable already gravelled and in good condition. If this should prove insufficient to build all the roads, there could be another election called and more bonds issued, as Smithfield township could vote \$75,000 and still have left out of present taxes collected \$3,050 for upkeep of the roads in this township and yet the present rate of taxes for roads would not be increased.

I have no interest whatever in this matter except that interest that every good citizen should have in building up our township and county. I have done what I could to get the election called, advertised and held, although I have been too busy to make a thorough campaign for the issue. I have not and do not expect any attorney fee or any reward except the consciousness of knowing that I have done what I could to build up my township and county.

I hope the citizens of Smithfield township will vote for this bond issue.

Very respectfully, F. H. BROOKS.

April 30, 1917.

THE SMITHFIELD MARKET.

Table listing market prices for various goods: Cotton 17 1/2 to 20, Cotton Seed 85 to 90, Wool 15 to 22 1/2, Fat Cattle 5 to 6 1/2, Eggs 20 to 25, Fat cattle, dressed 10 to 12, Granulated Sugar 9 to 10, Corn per bushel 1.65 to 1.75, C. R. Sides 21 to 22, Feed oats 90 to 95, Fresh Pork 12 1/2 to 14, Hams, per pound 20 to 22, Lard per pound 20 to 24, Timothy Hay 1.40 to 1.50, Cheese per pound 35, Butter per pound 30 to 35, Meal per sack 4.00 to 4.25, Flour per sack 7.00 to 7.25, Coffee per pound 15 to 20, Cotton seed meal 2.25 to 2.30, Cotton seed hulls 1.00, Ship Stuff 2.60 to 2.75, Molasses Feed 2.60 to 2.75, Hides, green 12 1/2 to 15, Sweet potatoes 75 to 80, Stock peas per bushel 2.00, Black-eye peas 2.25, Beef Pulp 2.50, Soup peas 3.00.

TWO BOOKS OF VALUE

We have on hand a few books of great value which we are pricing down very low. Here are some \$1.00 and \$1.25 books going at 50 cents:

Rienzi: The Last of The Tribunes, by Bulwer Lytton. A story of Rome of the 14th Century. A book worth reading. 438 pages.

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