

SMITHFIELD AGAIN TO HAVE A CHAUTAUQUA

To Be Held in a Large Tent—Afternoon and Evening Programs for Five Days.

PATRIOTISM TO PREDOMINATE.

Season Tickets for Whole Session to Sell for \$2. Special Plans Made for Boys and Girls Backed by Strong Local Association.

Smithfield will have a Chautauqua again next summer. A contract has just been completed by forty or more citizens of the city with the Community Chautauqua of White Plains, New York. They will furnish as last year a five-days' program which will be held in their large auditorium tent. Ten programs consisting of lectures, entertainments and concerts will be held—one on each of the five afternoons and evenings.

The Chautauqua system with which the local association has made its contract it will be remembered is the largest organization of the kind in the world. It conducts each summer more than 500 Chautauquas in as many cities and towns in twenty states throughout the east, south and central west.

The exact date of the Chautauqua has not yet been determined, but it will be announced as soon as it is assigned. The complete program, also, will be announced as soon as full plans are completed. It is said to include many speakers and artists of wide fame, and it is understood to be predominantly patriotic in character. This is to be expected and highly to be desired in view of the present national crisis, for chautauquas are in a position to render a tremendous service to the government. That they are rendering this service is shown by the universal favor and support which the government officials are giving them.

The Community Chautauquas especially are devoted to patriotic service. They were among the first to offer their services to the government when war was declared. They designated the first day in every town last summer as patriotic day, employing distinguished speakers to bring to the people on that day intelligent discussion of the war aims of the government, and the most authentic messages from the battle fronts. Much of their music was of a patriotic nature. Their General Manager has been appointed a member of the Executive Committee of the Speakers' Bureau of the Red Cross. By signing the contract at this time the citizens here are helping to perpetuate one of the greatest institutions for public service and service to the government that exists in America today.

Torpedo Destroyer Jones Was Blown to Pieces.

Base of The American Flotilla in British Waters, Dec. 11.—The American torpedo boat destroyer, Jacob Jones, was torpedoed just after she had completed target practice. The torpedo struck the destroyer amid ship, blowing the after part of the vessel to pieces. Some fifty men engaged in that part of the ship were killed. The remaining members of the crew got away on rafts and in boats, in which they remained until the next morning when the rescue steamer arrived. Several of the men died from exposure, while others suffered severely during the seventeen hours in the boats.

The survivors of the disaster are reported to be doing well.

The American who was taken prisoner by the crew of the German submarine which torpedoed the United States destroyer, Jacob Jones, spoke German, according to survivors. He was on a raft, and when hailed by the Germans, replied in their native tongue. Several of the men on the U-boat lifted him into the conning tower. Then the boat was submerged.

450,000 German Troops Added to Cambrai Front.

With the British Armies in the Field, Dec 11.—Germany is still bringing up troops around Cambrai.

To date prisoners have been identified from at least 27 different German divisions—indicating presence in this sector of at least 450,000 soldiers. All these have been brought up hurriedly since Gen. Byng's smashing blow.

This 450,000 is in addition presumably to regular garrison troops of the Cambrai sector.

The heavy German reinforcements are being rushed up close to front lines.—United Press.

Cotton Crop Estimate.

The early frost cut short this year's cotton crop a million bales according to the report of the Department of Agriculture made public Tuesday.

The crop is estimated at 10,949,000 bales of an average weight of 500 pounds.

The estimate for North Carolina is 570,000 bales.

TUESDAY IN THE BIG WAR.

Artillery Duels Along the Western Front. Intense Fighting On Italian War Front. Situation Around Moscow Still Serious.

Along the entire western front from the North Sea to the Adriatic sea artillery duels of great magnitude are being fought which doubtless are the forerunners of the expected great offensive the Teutonic allies have in view before the American troops can reach the battle fronts in great numbers.

On the Ypres and Arras fronts held by the British, on various sectors eastward from St. Quentin to Alsace in the hill country bordering the Italian plains and at points along the Piave river the big guns everywhere are in operation.

On the British front huge numbers of airplanes are continually winging their way over the lines, engaged in battles in the air, or searching out points where troops are being concentrated. The only infantry activity taking place on any of the fronts is in the nature of raiding operations.

The Teutons daily continue to reinforce by large numbers their already superior numbers on all the fronts. In the rush of troops and munitions to the theatre in which the British are operating, one German train is reported to have collided with another, resulting in a great explosion in which several hundred soldiers were killed.

Between the Brenta and Piave rivers on the northern front in Italy the artillery fighting is described by the Rome war office as intense and there is similar activity in the coastal region near the mouth of the Piave, where the Austrians Monday captured a position in the Capo Sil region but later were driven out with heavy losses and killed and prisoners.

In Russia the counter-revolutionary movement, headed by General Kaledines, is growing in strength. Realizing the seriousness of the situation considerable forces of troops from the Russian front are being rushed from the trenches to give battle to Kaledines' Cossacks.

The situation in Moscow, which is held by the Bolsheviks, is said to be serious. Unofficial advices say street fighting already has occurred there and that the garrison is showing signs of mutiny against the Bolsheviks, who have placed machine guns in the streets to combat a threatened uprising. Starvation is menacing the populace of the city.—Associated Press War Summary.

Death of a Baby.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson was made sad on Wednesday, November 7, when their darling baby Ruby was taken from them by the hand of Death. Little Ruby was born March 31, 1916, and died November 7, 1917, making her stay on earth one year, seven months and seven days. She was sick only two weeks. Good physicians, kind and loving parents and relatives did all they could for the little sufferer, but nothing could keep her for the home. The Lord Jesus said: Suffer little children to come unto Me and forbid them not. For of such is the kingdom of heaven. Father and mother, brother and sister are left behind to mourn for their loved one.

The little girl's funeral was preached by the pastor of the family, Elder D. C. Johnson, on the fourth Sunday in November near the place where she was laid to rest, at the home of the child's grandfather, Mr. Joseph E. Johnson.

"Safe in the arms of Jesus, Safe on His gentle breast, There by His love o'ershadowed, Sweetly her soul shall rest." X. Y. Z.

REPORTS BOTH AMENDMENTS.

For Nation-Wide Prohibition and Woman Suffrage As Amended.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Constitutional amendments for nation-wide woman suffrage and prohibition were placed before the House for action today by the Judiciary committee which reported both resolutions.

The prohibition resolution already has passed the Senate and requires only passage in the House to submit it to the Senate. The suffrage resolution must pass both House and Senate.

The Judiciary committee amended both resolutions to provide that unless the States ratify or reject them within seven years from the date of their adoption in Congress they shall die. The prohibition amendment would become effective one year after the date of its ratification.

Governor Bickett inaugurated the war savings campaign in his home county Franklin Monday by purchasing one hundred dollars of United States War-Savings Certificates at the local post office.

BUSINESS LOCALS

KEROSENE ENGINES, GASOLINE Engines, wood sawing outfit, flour mills, grist and feed mills. Let us figure with you on an engine outfit. Roberts Atkinson Co., Selma, N. C.

NICE LINE OF CHRISTMAS POST cards and seals at Herald Office.

HARROWS—DISK AND SMOOTHING harrows, riding cultivators, grain drills, anything in farm machinery, and wire fencing. See our lime spreaders. We are agents for International Harvester Co., and Walter A. Wood. Full line of farm machinery. Roberts Atkinson Co., Selma, N. C.

BUGGIES, BUGGY HARNESS AND Robey, one and two horse wagons, stalk cutters. Anything in farm machinery. Coles Hot Blast heaters and Ranges, Poultry and farm fence. Roberts Atkinson Co., Selma, N. C.

WAGONS—A CAR OF ONE AND two horse wagons just received. Our prices are right. Roberts Atkinson Co., Selma, N. C.

THREE GOOD HORSES FOR SALE at a bargain. H. E. Upchurch, H. L. Lee, Four Oaks, N. C.

SELMA'S DOLLAR DAY, THURSDAY, December 13th. Watch for big ads.

THE SMITHFIELD BUILDING & Loan Association has helped a number of people to build homes. It will help others, and maybe you. New series of shares now open. See Mr. J. J. Broadhurst.

SEE US FOR LATHS AND PLASTER. Cotter Hardware Co.

BUY YOUR FLOUR AT AUSTIN-STEPHENSON Co.'s big sale. Best Patent Flour 10.95 per barrel. You might not be able to get it later.

FOR SALE. ABOUT ONE HUNDRED bushels seed wheat. Also Koger bean and wheat thrasher in first class condition. Smith Form-A-Truck also for sale. W. A. Phelps, Four Oaks, N. C., Route 3.

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FOR DISC HARROWS, BUGGIES and wagons, feed-stuff, and many things you have need for call on Selma Supply Co., Selma, N. C.

NITRATE OF SODA FOR SALE BY the Farmers Mercantile Company, of Selma. Buy early and be safe.

IT IS OUR DESIRE TO PLEASE you. We appreciate your business large or small. Selma Supply Co., Selma, N. C.

MULES FOR SALE—WE HAVE several good farm mules for sale. See us before buying. Farmers Mercantile Co., Selma, N. C.

FOR DEEDS, MORTGAGE DEEDS, Bank Notes and Magistrate's Blanks, Call on the Princeton Pharmacy Co., Princeton, N. C.

FOR SALE AT AUCTION—THE Gillam Stencil Dwelling and Store in town of Middlesex on Dec. 22, 1917, 2 p. m. Don't write, come." Y. Z. Parker, Attorney for Gillam Stencil.

A FULL SUPPLY OF HORSE AND mule feeds—Molasses feeds, oats, hay and seed oats at Farmers Mercantile Co., Selma, N. C.

FOR SALE—A FIVE PASSENGER Ford car, 1917 model, in private use since first of last June. In good running condition. See S. R. Lee, Selma, N. C.

IF YOU HAVE A FARM, LARGE OR small, or town lots you wish to sell, call, or write, or phone, Johnston County Realty & Auction Company, Smithfield, N. C.

IF YOU WANT THE HIGHEST prices for your cotton and cotton seed carry them to Austin-Stephenson Co. and buy your goods at their big sale.

CALL ON BEATY & LASSITER FOR your Letter Heads and Envelopes or anything in the Printing line.

WE HAVE A BIG LINE OF CHRISTMAS Cards at penny each, at Herald Office.

ENGRAVED VISITING CARDS make a fine present for a friend. See our line of samples and give your order at once and avoid delays.

IF YOU WANT THE BEST SUIT OF clothes for the least money go to Austin-Stephenson Co.'s big sale.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

I HAVE A GOOD TWO-ROOM CEILING house, and would like for a family to move to it so I could get a regular hand to work with me. Could give work to other members of the family if desired. P. D. Edwards, near Smith's Chapel church, Princeton, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1.

200 BUSHELS PEAS FOR SALE AT \$6.00 per bushel at Austin-Stephenson Co.'s Big Sale.

FLOUR MILL. BUY ONE OF OUR Meadows Whole Wheat flour mills. They are small investments for good results and profit. We also have corn and feed mills. Roberts Atkinson Co., Selma, N. C.

HEART CEDAR SHINGLES CAN be found at Cotter Hardware Co.

The Herald Office.

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JOHNSTON COUNTY REALTY & Auction Company, of Smithfield, conduct Auction Sales of farm lands and town lots for the High Dollar.

NEW TESTAMENTS AND BIBLES for sale at The Herald Office.

IF YOU WANT TO BORROW MONEY on your farm at only 5 per cent interest, see A. M. Noble, attorney-at-law, Smithfield, N. C.

FURNITURE TO SUIT YOUR POCKET book at Austin Stephenson Co.'s big sale.

WE HAVE IN STOCK A GOOD LOT of second sheets at a bargain. Give us your order at once, as we can save you MONEY now. Beaty & Lassiter.

BUY YOUR FAMILY SHOES AND Clothing at Austin-Stephenson Co. to save money.

TO THE PEOPLE OF SMITHFIELD. Your Town Taxes are now due. Please come forward and settle at once. W. M. Ives, Town Tax Collector.

JOHNSTON COUNTY REALTY & Auction Co., of Smithfield, will sell your farm for the High Dollar.

IF YOU HAVE TOWN LOTS OR farm land you wish to sell for the High Dollar, let the Johnston County Realty & Auction Co., of Smithfield sell it.

DON'T FORGET NOW IS THE TIME to buy your furniture at Austin-Stephenson Co.'s big sale.

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LADIES AND CHILDRENS CLOAKS Going Cheap at Austin-Stephenson Co.'s Big sale.

MEET ME AT AUSTIN-STEPHENSON Co.'s big sale.

MILLING PROFITS. THERE IS good money in mills at the present high prices of grain. No more expense to run and your toll is doubled in the price of grain. We have the best flour, corn and feed mills made. Roberts Atkinson Co., Selma, N. C.

CAR PIEDMONT WAGONS EXPECTED Friday at Austin-Stephenson Co.

PEAS ARE SCARCE, BUT YOU CAN get them at Austin-Stephenson Co. at \$6.00 per bushel while they last. Buy now.

BUY YOUR SHOES AT AUSTIN-STEPHENSON Co. during their sale to save money.

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Positive—Convincing Proof We publish the formula of Vinol to prove convincingly that it has the power to create strength.

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City Grocery

Smithfield, N. C.

We Want to Help You in Your FOOD CONSERVATION

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We can help you Materially. We are prepared to buy all of your PRODUCE. We will pay you the highest market price for all our Chickens, Eggs, and other country produce. Don't let ANYTHING go to waste this year. Save it all. We'll help you turn it into cash.

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Toys! Toys!!

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Buy Your Toys Early

We can furnish everything that's needed for Christmas Trees. Do not wait until the Rush to buy for a Christmas Tree.

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Get your Christmas Cards and Christmas Post Cards at the Herald Book Store. On sale on and after December 1st.

5 per cent money for 5 years. 6 per cent money for 1 to 20 years.

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Make your arrangements now in order to be ready for January 1st.

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