

THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES.
By Cy Johnson.

"G'd ding those sugar dealers, dad-burn those coal men, hang those fertilizer scoundrels and confound the tax collector," and son on ad infinitum, is what I hear all over the country. But you bet they say it kinda low: and that's where the trouble lies. If we would put into action what we think and say there would be some results gotten.

The fact is, my friends, that we are a timid or, perhaps better, we are cowards. For example, why do sheep run themselves to death when a dog or wolf takes after them, and why does a dog or wolf take after them? The answer is simple. The sheep run because they are timid and afraid and the dog takes after them because it knows they will run and are timid. We farmers are the sheep and the dogs and wolves have us in a corner and there we stand hoping it gets the other fellow.

And by the way, did you ever notice how the buck faces the dog and seems to say to him, come on you cur, I'll make sausage meat out of you, and the cur takes his tail between his legs and beats it.

The signs of the times are that the folks who show fight are the ones who fare best.

Charlie M. Johnson Dead.

On Sunday evening, December 23rd, many hearts in this community were made sad by the telegram that read: "Charlie is dead." The summons came Sunday morning and he had to obey. The hour in which his soul took its flight heavenward we do not know. Measles after which pneumonia set up was the immediate cause of his death. Twenty-three days prior to his death he was sent to Camp Jackson for training. Having no place for him, he was there two weeks before being assigned to any company, and at the end of that two weeks he was taken to the hospital where he remained until the end came. Anxious as we know he must have been to hear from home he received no letter from mother, sister, or brother to bring a few cheery moments amidst the gloom. It is such as this that gives us heartaches, when we know he spent his last days among no other but strangers with no comforting words from the ones nearest and dearest to him, not because he had not been remembered, but because (not knowing where he was) his mail was not delivered. After hearing of his serious illness his brother, Mr. J. P. Johnson, started Saturday evening to see him, though he was too late to see him breathe his last.

Charlie was twenty-two years one month and fourteen days old. He was reared in a country home in Meadow Township, Johnston County. He spent his life on a farm. It was here his manly young heart was learning to love the noble things of life; it was here he was taught to emulate the good and true and shun the baser things. He was noted for his straight-forward conduct—this characteristic was ever noticeable.

Charlie was a young man of sterling qualities, one of which any community might be proud of. Now that he is dead this community mourns. He was for the upbuilding of his country, a steady business man; one of the most prosperous young farmers of Johnston County, and was well on the road to success.

Surely it can be said of Charlie, he loved his country and was anxious to work for it, but it cannot be truthfully said he left his home willing to enter into the disease he so much dreaded.

Another young man has fallen by the way-side. "Why surely he is not dead but sleepeth."

He had never united with any church, but from a small boy up he was morally good. No other can be said of him.

He leaves behind an invalid mother, Mrs. Margaret Johnson, and one sister at home, Miss Mary Johnson, also three other sisters, Mrs. G. P. N. Lee, Mrs. Jasper Lee, Mrs. J. W. Jones, and four brothers, Messrs. J. A., J. P., H. P., and A. G. Johnson, his father having preceded him to the grave just three years the 27th of this month, and two brothers several years ago. The funeral services were conducted from the home by Elder Xure Lee. The interment was at the Lee cemetery Wednesday afternoon about four o'clock.

H. M. W.

Registrants Making Complaint.

To The Editor:
As The Herald is accepted in these parts as authority in the explanation of questions affecting the citizens of the county, we ask that you explain to us through your next issue all the aims and purposes of the Questionnaires now being sent out to registrants.

There is quite a complaint with the registrants as to the way they are being treated by those appointed by the Board to help them fill out the Questionnaire blanks. The registrants understood from the first of the new plan that they were to get competent help in the filling out of these blanks free, and yet some are having to travel eight or ten miles through the snow two or three days in succession, with wife and babies, and being charged extortionately for the help they get. It does not satisfy a registrant to tell him you will fill out his Questionnaire free of charge and "beat the devil around the stump" and charge him three times the usual fee for administering a simple oath. Some registrants say they are being treated this way.

E. LILES.
Wendell, N. C., Dec. 28, 1917.

Enjoyable Box Party.

On Wednesday night, December 19, the people of that section enjoyed a box party at Pomona school house. A good string band was present to make music for the occasion. The program consisted of songs and recitations by the school. Mr. Johnson, the County Farm Demonstrator, was present and made an address.

The boxes were auctioned off by Mr. P. A. Holland and fetched good prices.

After the boxes were sold a Lucky Number voting contest was engaged in. Mr. Thomas Stallings, being the winner of the lucky number, was awarded a nice box of candy. There was also a voting contest on the most popular girl present. Miss Bertha Rogers, the principal of the school, was the winner. She was awarded a nice box of candy. The fishing pond furnished much amusement to the children.

In spite of the inclement weather the box party was a success, the amount of \$60 being raised for school purposes.

Preacher Pounded.

On December 27, the Presbyterian manse was given the most pleasant surprise it has had since the present pastorate began. Everything was resting quietly when suddenly the whole house seemed alive with people bringing Santa Claus with them. After a short stay they departed leaving behind them a well filled larder. For this most pleasant surprise and bountiful Santa Claus the Andersons wish to express their thanks and appreciation to the good people of Smithfield.

Photographs of Soldiers Wanted.

The Herald is planning to publish from time to time short sketches of the soldier boys who have entered the service of their country, either as volunteers or through the selective draft system. Those who have good photographs of their friends and relatives in uniform will confer a favor by sending same to The Herald for the purpose of having a cut made. We already have several of these pictures and will begin publishing these short sketches in an early issue.

Our Thrift Column.

From time to time we are publishing a Thrift Column in The Herald. We are indebted to our friend, Mr. George T. Whitley, of the Turlington Graded School, for the matter that goes in this column. In today's paper are some choice selections on this live subject. One of the articles in the Thrift Column is written by Miss Cherry Gurley, a member of the Tenth Grade of Turlington Graded School. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gurley, of Smithfield.

General Leonard Wood in France.

News has been received on this side that Major General Leonard Wood, commander of the Eighty-Ninth Division, has arrived safely in France with his staff. These officers have gone over to study conditions pending the arrival of the troops they will command in our overseas army.

The County Board of Education.

There will be a regular meeting of the County Board of Education, on Monday, January 7th, 1918. At this meeting the money will be apportioned to the various districts in the County. Anyone having any matter, pertaining to the school work, may present it on the above mentioned date.

W. G. WILSON, Chairman.
L. T. ROYALL, Secretary.

WANTED: ONE FIRST-CLASS JOB composition, either Union, or capable of holding union job. Also one apprentice compositor, with ability to advance rapidly. Write, giving full particulars to Barbour Printing Company, Winston-Salem, N. C.

NOTICE TO REGISTRANTS.

The members of the Legal Advisory Board of Johnston County earnestly request all Postmasters, Justices of the Peace, County Officials and citizens to give aid and advice to registrants in filling out questionnaires. All attorneys in the county have volunteered their services, but it is impossible for them to do all the work, and too, it is inconvenient for registrants in all cases to reach an attorney. Especially is this true on account of the severe weather conditions.

Registrants can also materially assist in the work by filling out all questions which they understand, and only seeking the advice of the legal board, or others who are willing to aid them, upon questions which they do not thoroughly understand. The registrants can further aid in this work by ascertaining the information they are expected to give before seeking the assistance of the members of the legal board. To date, at least fifty per cent of the registrants have been unable to answer promptly their height and weight when stripped, and much time is consumed by them in framing answers to these questions, and in many cases the answers are merely guess work.

Registrants claiming exemption or deferred classification on account of dependents, should be prepared to answer promptly the amount of their income for the past twelve months, in cash, and other things of value, also the amount of his support to his wife and children during the past twelve months.

Registrants claiming exemption on agricultural grounds should be prepared to answer promptly the value of the products of their farm, the cost of production, and the value of the products in excess of the amount consumed by the persons living and working on the farm.

It is not necessary for registrants to appear before members of the legal advisory board in order to have their questionnaires filled out, but assistance and aid from the legal advisory board or associate members should be sought upon all questions wherein a doubt exists as to their correct understanding of the same.

The members of the legal advisory board have given their entire time to this work for the past two weeks freely. So great, however, is the undertaking that it is impossible for the board and the associate members to do all the work. The members of the board, therefore, feel confident that the citizens of the county will gladly respond to this appeal and will aid the board in its endeavors to render every possible assistance to the registrants; and to the end that the work may be made as light as possible for those who are willing to assist, it is again urged upon the registrants that they read the questionnaire carefully, prepare their answers thoroughly, and be prepared to answer all questions promptly.

A. M. Noble, Chairman.
Ed. F. Ward
J. D. Parker
Legal Advisory Board for Johnston County.

One day a teacher was having a first-grade class in physiology. She asked them if they knew that there was a burning fire in the body all of the time. One little girl spoke up and said: "Yes'm; when it is a cold day I can see the smoke."—Sx.

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.

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

We are in a position to give all
Job Printing
Prompt and Careful Attention
Individuality in your letter-heads and other printed matter is helpful to your business. We are ready at all times to give you the benefit of our experience.

DISTRIBUTION OF CHRISTMAS MONEY BY JOHNSTON COUNTY BANK & TRUST COMPANY.

Nearly 100 Depositors in our Pin Money Savings Club have received substantial checks on Dec. 15th, as a return of The Pin Money Deposits made by them during 1917, including interest at four per cent on amount deposited. These checks issued range from \$5.00 to \$52.00.

Our Pin Money Savings Club for 1918 will begin January 1st, 1918. We invite you to join our Savings Club and be one of the fortunate depositors for Christmas 1918.

With best wishes to all for a Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year, Johnston County Bank & Trust Co.

SALE OF VALUABLE LAND.

Pursuant to the Decree of Sale in the special proceeding entitled "Alonzo Parrish and wife, Nellie Parrish, J. H. Godwin and wife, Eva Godwin, Julius Lee and wife, Nellie Lee, against G. C. Bryan and wife, Lillie Bryan," now pending in the Superior Court of Johnston County, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described lands located in the Town of Benson, County of Johnston, and State of North Carolina, described as follows, to-wit:

FIRST: One lot of land in the Town of Benson, and running back 300 feet to Harnett Street, composing lots Nos. 8, 9, 19 and 11, in Block "34," according to the revised plan of the Town of Benson, made by Riddick, Mann and Hales.

SECOND: One lot 75 by 140 feet, fronting on Mill Street, being lot No. 13 in Block "34" according to said plan of said town.

THIRD: A lot fronting on Wall and Mill Streets 140 feet by 90 feet, the same being lot No. 3 in Block "48" according to said plan of said town.

FOURTH: Three lots, containing three houses on Harnett Street, and said houses being now occupied by Charlie McLean, Neill Furgusson and Will Cazart, respectively, said three lots together comprising lots Nos. 2 and 3, in Block "33" according to said plan of said town.

FIFTH: Lot No. 8 in Block "20" according to said plan of said town.

SIXTH: Lot No. 5 in Block "36" according to the said plan of said town, said lot being known as the Home Place, fronting on Main Street about 397 feet, and running back 300 feet to Church Street.

SEVENTH: One house and lot known as the O'Neal lot, located near Benson on the Raleigh Road, bounded on the West by the lands of Della Brady; and the South by the lands of J. W. Wood, J. R. and John V. Moore, and on the East and North by the lands of Alonzo Parrish.

EIGHTH: A tract of land in the Town of Benson, N. C., bounded on the north by Harnett Street, on the East by the lands of Alonzo Parrish, on the South by the lands of J. W. Wood, and on the West by the lands of Nat McLamb, deceased, and containing 10 acres more or less.

Date of Sale: Monday, December 31, 1917, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Place of Sale: Post Office Door, Benson, N. C.

Terms of Sale: Cash, upon confirmation by the Court, 10 per cent cash deposited on day of sale required.

This 27th day of November, 1917.

N. A. TOWNSEND,
Commissioner.

Sale continued until January 8th, 1918, at 12 o'clock M., at the place above advertised.

AFTER SICKNESS
THEY GAVE
HER VINOL
And She Soon Got Back
Her Strength

New Castle, Ind.—"The measles left me run down, no appetite, could not rest at night, and I took a severe cold which settled on my lungs, so I was unable to keep about my housework. My doctor advised me to take Vinol, and six bottles restored my health so I do all my housework, including washing. Vinol is the best medicine I ever used."—Alice Record, 437 So. 11th St., New Castle, Ind.
We guarantee this wonderful cod liver and iron tonic, Vinol, for all weak, run-down, nervous conditions. HOOD BROS., Smithfield, N. C.

BUSINESS LOCALS

I HAVE A ROSIN BED FOR SALE. Apply at once if you want it. J. A. Alford, Smithfield, N. C., R. No. 1.

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS Desiring Peloubet's Notes on the Lessons for 1918 can get same from The Herald Office, by applying early. Our second supply will be in in a few days. Price \$1.25, by mail, \$1.35.

SEED BEANS FOR SALE. Johnston County Grown Navy Beans. Raised by E. F. Boyette, Smithfield, N. C. For sale by Peedin & Peterson and L. E. Watson, Smithfield, N. C.

STILL ON HAND A FEW COPIES of Arnold's Practical Commentary on the Sunday School Lessons for 1918. Price sixty cents. By mail, 66 cents. Herald Office, Smithfield, N. C.

MONEY TO LOAN ON IMPROVED farm land at 5 per cent interest. Five, seven and ten years time. Amount unlimited. A. M. Noble, Attorney-at-law, Smithfield, N. C.

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

FOR SALE—BUILDERS LIME Agricultural Burnt Unslacked, Slacked and Oyster Shell Lime in bulk or bags, ear or cargo shipments. Clyde MacCallum State Agent, Hertford, N. C., for Limestone Products Corp. and Chesapeake Shell & Lime Company.

SEE S. T. HONEYCUTT, H. G. GRAY, J. H. ABELL, of the Johnston County Realty and Auction Company, Smithfield, N. C., if you have farm lands or town lots to sell for the High Dollar.

A WHITE STOCK HOG ABOUT two years old was taken up by me about a week ago. Owner can get him by paying expense of advertisement and other troubles. M. M. Woodall, Pine Level, Route No. 1.

FRESH JERSEY MILK COWS FOR sale. See E. F. Boyett, Smithfield, N. C.

ONE FULL BLOOD JERSEY MILK Cow for sale. J. C. Snipes, Wilson's Mills, Route No. 1.

WANTED—A TOBACCO MAN to raise tobacco for the year 1918. E. L. Breedlove, Smithfield, N. C., Route No. 1.

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

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.

"MY FOUR YEARS IN GERMANY," by James W. Gerrard, former Ambassador to Germany. This is one of the important books of the year. Price \$2.00. At Herald Book Store.

THE JOHNSTON COUNTY BANK & Trust Co., invites you to join their Pin Money Savings Club for 1918. You can save amounts of \$5.00, \$12.50, \$50.00 or \$100.00 during year commencing January 1, 1918, which will draw 4 per cent. Books are open and Deposits are being received for 1918. Start right for the New Year by depositing your Surplus Monies in our Pin Money Savings Club. Johnston County Bank & Trust Company.

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.

WANTED—SECOND HAND FEED Bags—burlap or cotton—in good or bad condition. Smithfield Milling Company, Smithfield, N. C.

FOR RENT: SEVEN-ROOM HOUSE on Bridge Street near the Myatt House. Apply to Mrs. W. G. Yelvington, Smithfield, N. C.

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

NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

That on Saturday, January 19th, 1918, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M., in the town of Selma, North Carolina, in front of The First National Bank, I will offer for sale: All of the goods, wares and chattels of the Late D. A. Wallace, deceased, consisting of:


One mule, one Dixie boy plow, one two-horse plow, one riding plow, one cotton plow, one mowing machine and rake, one stack of hay, one distributor, one cotton sower, one saw mill, one 25 H. P. Erie City Engine, one Edger, one log cart, one planing machine, casting and pulleys, one-half interest in Lathe Mill and fixtures, one log cart, one cut off saw, and reaper and binder.

All of the property will be sold in Selma, in front of The First National Bank, with the exception of the Saw Mill and fixtures, which will be sold at their present location which is about three fourths of a mile east of Levi Lancaster's residence.

Terms of sale: Cash.
This December 28th, 1917.
R. C. WALLACE,
Administrator of
D. A. Wallace, Deceased.

PAUL D. GRADY
Attorney-at-Law
KENLY, N. C.
Money to Loan. Titles Abstracted.

When Housework Drags
Keeping house is hard enough when well. The woman who has a bad back, blue, nervous spells, and dizzy headaches, has a hard lot, for the family tasks never let up. Probably it's the result of kidney trouble and not the much-feared "woman's weakness." Strengthen the kidneys with Doan's Kidney Pills. They are as harmless as they are effective and may be used for children with weak kidneys, too.

A Smithfield Case.

Mrs. R. L. Sanders, Smithfield, says: "I had dull pains in my back. I was stiff in the morning. I had headaches and dizzy spells and at times my sight was blurred. I bought Doan's Kidney Pills at Hood Bros.' Drug Store and they relieved me very much, putting my kidneys in good shape. I gladly recommend them."

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which I am selling to my friends and customers at
TEN CENTS A POUND
I am also supplying some of the merchants at the several towns in Johnston County with sugar this week. Remember that I carry at all times a complete line of goods for the general public. See me for your New Year's wants.
W. M. SANDERS
SMITHFIELD, NORTH CAROLINA