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This Week



By Arthur Brisbane
 A REVIVAL OF HOPE—
 PROSPERITY FOR FARMERS—
 IMPORTANT "CROP NEWS"—
 NATURE'S WISDOM—

There is revival of the hope that President Coolidge will consent to run for a second election this year. Everybody knows he meant it when he said "I do not choose." Everybody knows he means it when he says now he does not want any of his friends to lift a finger to nominate him.

But the oil scandal makes a difference in the situation, and every one of intelligence reserves the right to change his mind.

Cotton "pickers and strippers" replacing human fingers with machinery, are now working in northwestern Texas.

This is good news. Prosperity for farmers depends on machinery, on doing with the earth's products what Ford, first, did with automobiles.

In the Gary rolling mill half a dozen men roll out steel rails that ten thousand could not have produced with old sledge hammer methods. No human hand touches the iron, until a tall young Scandinavian runs his keen blue eye along the finished rail and signals another man, who straightens it. Machines dig the ore, put it in ships, unload it, handle it, cold and hot.

Six men, some day, will run a 1,000 acre farm, and multiply its crops by ten. Don't worry about over-population.

The infant death rate is down in Pennsylvania and New York. And that's the most important "crop news" this year.

Consider Nature's limitless fecundity. Mr. Ringling shows you this year a sea-elephant weighing four tons that eats 5 per cent of his weight, or 400 pounds of herrings at one meal.

Any one of a dozen fishes in one generation would fill all the oceans and seas of the world solid with fish if they and their descendants all survive. The elephant, on the other hand, lives a hundred years and only has two or three children at most. Wise nature.

Canada has hanged George McDonald, forger, confidence man and murderer. His young wife, saved from the rope by public appeals, sent him word, "I shall never cease praying for you." She, poor woman, will have time to keep that promise in her life imprisonment. In Canada it MEANS life imprisonment.

Sparing that woman is a step toward civilization. Once thousands a year were hanged for petty crimes. Hence the expression, "As well be hanged for a sheep as a lamb." Children were hanged and quartered in Franklin's childhood. "Civilization" has stopped hanging children, and gradually will stop hanging women, and finally

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Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield or Johnston County, and if the right one decipher his name and will present it to the Herald office, we will present him with a free ticket to the Victory Theatre. Tickets must be called for before the following issue.

Miss Mozelle Boyette recognized her name last issue.

Today's Tantalizer:
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Co. Health Board Urges Vaccination

Dr. Massey Gives Report of Work Done During Past Quarter; Board Commends Efficiency

At the regular quarterly meeting of the County Board of Health held here last week a resolution was passed in regard to vaccination for small pox that reads as follows:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Health very strongly urges that all children attending school and those who are to begin for the first time in the fall to be vaccinated now or at least before the opening of the fall term, and further that the Board of Education of Johnston County be requested to cooperate in seeing that this undertaking is carried out."

This resolution was passed because of the prevalence of this disease in Johnston County and eastern North Carolina this year.

Dr. C. C. Massey, county health officer, was present at the meeting and submitted his report which was commended by the board. His report was as follows:

"Since January 1, 294 contagious diseases have been reported. About 90 per cent of this number were measles, the prevalence of which at this time is not so great. Measles is the most highly contagious of all the contagious diseases of childhood. Epidemic spread occurs at irregular intervals, depending largely upon the size of the non-immune child population which has accumulated since the last epidemic, and when a case appears in a school, further spread depends chiefly upon, not so much the control measures instituted, but the immunity status of the children in the immediate vicinity of the original case, that is, the number of children in the community who have not had measles. At the present medical science has nothing effective and practical to offer for immunizing children against measles as it has for small pox, typhoid fever, and diphtheria. Perhaps no one of the childhood diseases so lowers the resistance of the individual rendering him liable to secondary invaders, especially of the respiratory tract, as does measles. Pneumonia, middle ear disease and mastoiditis are the more frequent secondary attackers. All infants under two years of age, regardless of their splendid physical condition, all mal-nourished, feeble, and debilitated children should have all possible safeguards thrown around them, for two-thirds of the deaths from measles occur in children under two years of age. The problem of control is an admittedly difficult one as it is frequently first recognized in the school room with the bloom of eruption well developed, and by this time numerous and untraceable contacts have been made, and the damage so far as spread goes, has already been done. Whooping cough is slightly less contagious than measles.

"Eight cases of small pox occurring over this period made it necessary to vaccinate a large number, most of whom were school children. Since the first of the year 3,129 have been vaccinated against small pox, decidedly raising the immunity status against this disease. People generally are coming to realize that small pox vaccination is an established scientific fact, that it is a safe procedure, and sure protection against small pox and that protection conferred by successful vaccination lasts for a very long time. The indifference of the multitude and the anti-vaccination propaganda of the prejudiced and misinformed is fast disappearing and vaccination is being accepted, not alone as an individual precaution, but as a community and social obligation.

"In this same period 28 schools were visited and many children examined for physical defects, tonsils and adenoids removed from a small number, refractive errors, and dental defects corrected in some, hookworm treatments given others, while many were instructed as to cure for scabies.

"Special examinations: For marriages, 45; children certificated for industry, 6; for admission to institutions, (benevolent) 5; for lun-

acy, 15.

"Twenty-six registered midwives report regularly their activities to this office.

"Visits to jail, 29; convict camps, 18; county home, 20.

"Specimens sent to State Laboratory for analysis, 33.

"Conferences, individual and group, 689.

"Car, miles driven, 3,350."

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Glorifies the Pig



Dr. Josef Franz Kapp, prominent medical man, who claims that a serum obtained from pigskin will restore grandma's complexion to rival that of her granddaughter.

Senator George Sounds Warning

Tyranny Lies Ahead If Hamiltonian Idea of Government Prevails; Johnston County Well Represented in Exposition Events

Tyranny lies ahead for the United States if the Hamiltonian idea of government prevails, is the opinion of Senator Walter F. George, of Georgia, who made an address at the banquet held in connection with the East Carolina Chamber of Commerce at Goldsboro Tuesday. The most needed reform of our government today, thinks Senator George, is in regard to the bureaus, commissions, and boards that administer national legislation. The power delegated to these bureaus has grown to an unprecedented extent, and now some of the bureaus have the last word in administering certain legislation. He cited the Interstate Commerce Commission which has supreme power in controlling and regulating the railroads of the country.

Senator George's address was characterized by earnestness, simplicity, and clearness of thought. He had a message for his hearers and it needed no illustrations or jokes to put it across. He made a fine impression upon the 150 or 200 persons who heard him, as he sounded a warning against the growing power of commissions thus crowding the legislative, judicial and executive departments of government out of their constitutional places. In his closing remarks, he indicated how America might perpetuate her greatness, not by emulating material things, but by helping the weak and underprivileged. America's place in civilization, he said, will in the end be determined by her position with reference to the other nations of the world.

The dinner which was presided over by Mr. Felix Harvey, Jr., of Kinston, president of the East Carolina Chamber of Commerce, was the outstanding event of the second day of the Exposition now staged in Goldsboro. Col. George Freeman of Goldsboro, made the address of welcome to those present to which Dr. A. S. Oliver, of Benson, responded. Others who made brief speeches were State Senator E. B. Dykes of Georgia and W. C. Neill, ex-speaker of the Georgia House of Representatives, who drove 600 miles just to spend the day with their good friend Senator George. Congressman Abernathy and Judge Francis D. Winston were also called upon for remarks.

The inclemency of the weather Tuesday prevented the afternoon program from being carried out at the Exposition Hall, though a few braved the rain and viewed the exhibits and automobile show.

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Six Intoxicated Drivers In Court

Six Other Violators of the Prohibition Law Before Judge Aycock in Recorders Court This Week

Six of the cases tried in Recorder's court here this week were against intoxicated drivers, and six others were against violators of the prohibition law. The court news this week goes to prove that whiskey has a large part in the Johnston county courts. The following cases came up for trial:

W. H. Batten, 45, a white farmer, entered a plea of guilty to possession of whiskey. He was sentenced to the county roads for 60 days, given a \$25 fine and taxed with the cost. The road sentence is to be suspended upon condition that the defendant does not violate the prohibition law in any form or manner whatever during the next two years.

Rowland Ivey, 21, a white mechanic, was found guilty of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated. A three month road sentence is to be suspended upon the payment of a \$50 fine and the cost on condition that the defendant does not violate the prohibition law in the next two years, and further that he does not violate the prohibition law again in three months.

Seth Ryals, a white farmer, plead guilty to possession and transportation. He was sentenced to the roads for 60 days, fined \$25 and taxed with the cost. The road sentence is to be suspended upon condition that the defendant does not violate the prohibition law again during the next two years.

P. L. Clifton, 29, a white farmer, was convicted of driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated and of operating without proper lights. He was sentenced to the roads for 12 months for operating car while intoxicated. He is not to operate a motor vehicle again in North Carolina during the next 12 months. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of cost for operating car without proper lights. The road sentence of 12 months is to be suspended upon condition that the defendant does not violate the prohibition law in any form or manner whatsoever during the next two years and that he pay a fine of \$100 and the cost.

G. E. Watson, white, a telephone operator, plead guilty to giving worthless check. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of the check and cost.

Eddie Thomas, a colored farmer, entered a plea of guilty to beating a ride on a train. He was sent to jail for 30 days to be hired out. He was also taxed with the cost. Zeb Adams and Jodie Adams were convicted of assault with a deadly weapon. They were sentenced to the roads for 60 days each and required to pay half the cost each. They gave notice of appeal, and their bond was fixed at \$100.

C. D. Lackey, 29, white, line-man, received a 60-day road sentence.

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DEBATE BETWEEN LOCAL SCHOOL AND FOUR OAKS

Friday, April 20. Time 2:45 p. m.—Four Oaks high school civics class will debate Smithfield high school civics class on the subject: "Resolved, that student government as practiced at the University of North Carolina should be adopted in the high schools of North Carolina." Four Oaks will uphold the affirmative side while Smithfield will defend the negative. Time: 2:45 o'clock.

DELMA PEACOCK IS KILLED BY LIGHTNING WEDNESDAY

Delma Peacock, son of W. B. Peacock of near Peacock's Cross Roads, was struck by lightning and instantly killed Wednesday morning about 11 o'clock. The young man went out in the yard to feed a dog that was chained to an oak tree in the yard. The lightning struck the tree killing the boy. The dog was unhurt.

He was eighteen years of age. The remains were laid to rest in the Peacock graveyard near Peacock's Cross Roads yesterday afternoon at three o'clock.

CASE OF SMALL POX AT COTTON MILL HERE

According to County Health Officer Dr. C. C. Massey, a case of small pox developed this week at the cotton mill. Miss Christine Lee who works in the mill is the patient. While there has been a number of exposures to the case, none of the children in the home are of school age. Mr. J. T. Honeycutt, superintendent of the mill, has assured Dr. Massey that he will urge the vaccination of all mill employees. Already several who were known to have been exposed to the case have been vaccinated.

County Art Exhibit Begins April 18

Will Be Held In Court House; Several Attractive Prizes Offered For Best Drawings

By MRS. W. T. WOODARD
 SELMA, April 12.—Beginning next Wednesday, April 18, Johnston county's first art exhibit will be open to the public in the courthouse in Smithfield. This exhibit is under the auspices of the Woman's club of the county and is to encourage an appreciation of art.

The school children are especially invited to attend on Friday or Saturday as an effort will be made to have a potter present, to demonstrate clay modeling. There will be a display of Johnston county pottery.

The clubs are offering the following prizes: \$5 for the boy or girl in high school making the best original drawing; \$5 for the boy or girl in the grammar grades; \$5 for the boy or girl between the ages of 16 and 25, not in school, making the best original drawing; \$5 for the boy or girl making the best exhibit of manual training; \$5 for the club making the best exhibit as a whole. A prize will be given the individual sending the best original drawing.

The first four prizes are offered by the combined Woman's clubs of the county; the last two are offered by Mrs. B. A. Houtt, of Clayton, district president.

While the Woman's club of the county are sponsoring this movement, everybody is invited to send exhibits and attend.

Attend Moravian Easter Services. Mr. Geo. F. Brietz and family, Messrs. Joe Morgan and John Hughes, and Miss Ruth Brooks attended the impressive Easter ceremonies at the Moravian church in Winston-Salem on Saturday and Sunday. They were present at the "Love Feast" at 2:30 on Saturday given for visitors where throngs were turned away after the church was taxed to its capacity.

"Home Love Feast" was given on Good Friday. These interesting and sacred Easter observances have become nationally known and a crowd estimated at 35,000 attended. Visitors were present from Ohio to Texas. A feature of the occasion is the numerous bands that played the Easter anthems. Mr. Brietz had five nephews and four other near of kin playing in the bands this year.

TO GIVE UNIQUE PROGRAM

Mrs. Joe Davis's group will have charge of the program at the meeting of the Business and Professional Women's club to be held in the Woman's club room next Tuesday evening. This promises to be one of the most interesting meetings of the year. Contests in voice, piano, reading and story-telling will be put on and a three-minute debate on the query, "Will a B. & P. member make a good wife?" is to be a feature of the evening. All the members are urged to take part in one of these contests, and are requested to notify Mrs. Davis before noon Tuesday which contest they will enter. Most attractive prizes have been secured to present to the winners.

MRS. MILLIE MYATT DEAD.

News reached here yesterday of the death of Mrs. Millie Myatt, widow of the late Mr. J. Walter Myatt, which occurred at the home of her brother, Mr. Barbee, in Raleigh, Wednesday. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon. Miss Annie Myatt and Mrs. E. S. Edmondson of this city attended the funeral.

Issues Last Call For 1927 Taxes

Tax Collector Grimes Urges Payment Before Law Must Take Its Course; Soon Be Listing Time Again

Johnston county's tax collector, Mr. W. F. Grimes, is doing everything he can to get the tax money due now, before another levy is on. He has no desire to be hard on any one, and he is therefore issuing an appeal to those who have not yet paid their 1927 taxes in the following statement:

"I will say that May 1st is advertising time. All who want to avoid paying cost and advertising expenses can do so by paying before the first Monday in May. At that time, the law demands that I advertise the land, but I hope there will be none to advertise, though at this time there seems to be right much that the books has not been paid on. It seems on my part, a very hard duty to perform, but it is my aim to carry out the demands of this law as nearly as possible. I sincerely hope that those who have not paid will take advantage of this opportunity and pay between now and the first Monday in May. After that time I shall send out men in the various townships to collect from those who have not paid. If the taxes are not paid at once the law will force them to garnishee, levy upon, seize and sell personal property, which will be a very disagreeable duty for an officer to perform. Why not come and pay at once and avoid this trouble and expense? Your tax seems high enough without your waiting and causing this extra expense to come on you.

"I would like to ask the question, 'What is the cause of people waiting so long to pay their taxes?'—when they know, or should know, that it is their legal, moral and Christian duty. Is it hard times, thoughtfulness, or carelessness? At this time we have many good men that have not paid their 1927 tax. Men who are supposed to set good examples along this line, men of responsible position, professional men, good business men, and good men that I understand are thinking of running for responsible positions in office. We also have on the tax books at least one thousand young men who are due only a two dollar poll tax. These young men seem to be going about, having a good time, looking prosperous, feeling good, and yet paying little or no attention to their legal duty as a taxpayer. I want to say to you, young men, get busy and pay your tax. If you don't, the tax collector will soon come to see you and he then will add a dollar or more cost to it, for the service of a notice is now, under the law, a fee of one dollar.

"May 1st is tax listing time for 1928 tax. How do men that hold back, and in one sense, act the part of Annanias and Sapphira, men who do not readily carry out their part of the burden of the governmental affairs by cooperating and paying their tax early, expect men in charge of affairs such as especially our county commissioners, to give us genuine and good economic government? I often hear of men making the statement that it pays them to hold back their tax money and if necessary let our county commissioners borrow lots money and pay big interest. Now ask yourself this question, 'Is it treating my neighbor and fellowman who has paid his tax, fair?' If your conscience tells you it is, then I will say no more at present.

"Dear editor, let us thank you for this space in your valuable paper and your hearty co-operation of the furtherance of good governmental affairs in our grand old county of Johnston.

"W. F. GRIMES,
 "Tax Collector."

Presbyterian Services.

Smithfield Sunday morning at 11 o'clock; Progress at 2:30 p. m. Smithfield Sunday evening at 8 o'clock, sermon by Rev. Joe Walker, of Raleigh. Public cordially invited.

For heavy hauling get a Graham Brothers truck. Phone 364. adv.

Body Of Negress Is Found In Ditch

Ditch "With Boots On"



On the platform of a hall at Delaware, O., where he was about to address his followers, Frank B. Willis, of Ohio, pictured above, candidate for the Republican nomination for President, was suddenly stricken and died.

Road Engineer Submits Report

Details of Operations During The Month of March In The Five Districts

Mr. J. B. Lodor, superintendent of highways of Johnston county, submitted to the Highway Commission the following report of operations during the month of March:

District No. 1.

W. N. Holt, Commissioner.
 Clayed and graveled, 293 yards; culverts placed, 495 feet; bridges repaired, 8; roads rebuilt, 1 1/2 miles; roads built, 2 3/4 miles; roads dragged, 1275 miles; machine ditched, 99 miles; hand ditched, 706 yards; shoulders pulled, 43 miles; fill in place, 138 yards.

District No. 2.

L. Gilbert, Commissioner.
 Clearing and grubbing, 250 yards; culverts placed, 72 feet; bridges repaired, 16; roads rebuilt, 2 1/4 miles; roads built, 6 1/2 miles; roads dragged, 728 miles; machine ditched, 6 miles; hand ditched, 265 yards; shoulders pulled, 46 miles; cutting right of way, 3040 yards; fill in place, 130 yards; bridges built, 6.

District No. 3.

S. E. Barbour, Commissioner.
 Clayed and graveled, 239 yards; culverts placed, 61 feet; bridges repaired, 1; roads dragged, 525 miles; hand ditched, 180 yards; cutting right of way, 2040 yards.

District No. 4.

C. P. Harper, Commissioner.
 Clayed and graveled, 780 yards; culverts placed, 272 feet; clearing and grubbing, 200 yards; bridges repaired, 4; roads rebuilt, 5 3/12 miles; roads dragged, 1022 miles; hand ditched, 925 yards; cutting right of way, 1800 yards; fill in place, 205 yards.

District No. 5.

Dr. J. C. Grady, Commissioner.
 Clayed and graveled, 1580 yards; culverts placed, 120 feet; bridges repaired, 8; roads dragged, 1222 miles; machine ditched, 49 miles; hand ditched, 469 yards; shoulders pulled, 469 yards.

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SAVES THREE STILLS

Last Saturday Mr. R. D. Mahler, deputy sheriff of Bentonville township, captured two whiskey stills in Banner township. One of the stills was in operation and W. A. McLamb was arrested. He gave bond for his appearance in Recorder's court on May 1 to be tried for violating the prohibition law. Five gallons of whiskey and two barrels of beer were found and destroyed.

Within half a mile of this still another was found. This was not in operation but the complete outfit was seized. Four barrels of beer were poured out.

On Tuesday afternoon Deputy Mahler, assisted by Mr. A. B. Hood, captured a 100-gallon still in Meadow township. The still was not in operation and no one was arrested. Two barrels of beer were destroyed.

Sarah Wright Who Defied Officers In O'neals Township Had Been Missing 71 Days

Coroner Kirkman was called to O'neals township Wednesday to hold an inquest over the dead body of Sarah Wright, colored woman who was found in a ditch Tuesday morning by a negro youth who made report of his findings to the sheriff's office here. The woman was lying in a ditch face down when found, and parts of her body were covered with several inches of water. The woman had been missing for seventy-one days, though the county health officer was of the opinion that she had been dead only about a week.

It will be recalled that Sarah Wright was the woman who defied officers some time ago when they made an effort to have her vacate the house in which she had been living. When she was finally ousted from the house she fled through the woods and had not been seen since until she was found dead.

Coroner Kirkman impaneled the following jury for the inquest yesterday: A. N. Smith, L. T. Davis, N. M. Narron, Howard Stancil, Luners Strickland and D. M. Green.

The witnesses examined included J. C. B. Houtt, J. L. Eason, Lee Houtt, R. M. Whitley, B. W. Whitley and James Privette.

The jury rendered the decision that the woman came to her death from unknown causes.

FUNERAL RITES LATE EXUM ELLIS HELD WEDNESDAY

Funeral services for Exum Ellis of 1827 White Oak Road, who died Monday at Rex Hospital following a short attack of pneumonia, were held from the First Baptist church in Clayton Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. He was 33 years of age.

A sign writer by profession, Mr. Ellis who was prominent in local fraternal circles, had lived in Raleigh for the past eight years and was well known. He was a member of the First Baptist church and a member of Raleigh Lodge, No. 1318, Loyal Order of Moose. At the time of his death he was captain of the degree staff and was engaged in the organization of a Moose Lodge in Durham. He was also a member of Capital City Council, Jr. O. U. I. A. M., of this city.

Mr. Ellis was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ellis, of Clayton, who survive him. He is also survived by his widow, who was formerly Miss Lona Monk, and two children, Exum, Jr., and Peggie Lee.

Raleigh Moose had charge of the funeral.—Raleigh Times.

Baptist Church Sunday.

Sunday school at 9:45. F. H. Brooks superintendent. Preaching by the pastor at 11 and 8. Revival meetings begin on the fourth Sunday. All services are preparatory to these meetings. Special prayer service Wednesday night at 8 p. m.

Aunt Roxie Opines By Mc—



I s'ont my ole man arter sum pills, and comin' back heeds s'yar got in a mix up wid another and de road got dat dose of pills, and I hopes hit shows ez much improvement by hit ez I wuz hopin' to.