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Micro Boy Meets Horrible Death

Elmer Woodruff, 14 Year Old Boy Is Caught Under Log And Literally Crushed to Death

One of the most tragic happenings ever to take place in the vicinity of Micro was the accident Tuesday afternoon which caused the instant death of Elmer Woodruff, fourteen year old son of Mr. Frank Woodruff.

After school Tuesday afternoon, the young boy and his brother went to a new ground to pick up roots. They worked for a time, and then the brother went to the house for a pitchfork to assist in moving the roots. While he was gone, Elmer sat down on a gum log that was in a pile nearby and began rocking to and fro. The log on which he was sitting, a log about 14 feet long and about 20 inches in diameter, was kept from rolling down a slight incline by a smaller log, and the jostling of the boy loosened its hold, caught the boy under it and literally crushed the life out of him. It is said there was hardly a bone in his body that was not broken. A little girl standing nearby was the only eye-witness.

The accident saddened the entire community where the young fellow was held in the highest esteem. He was a student in the Micro school, being a member of the ninth grade. He always stood near the head of his class. He was interested in church work, being a member of Carter's Chapel Baptist church where he was active in the Sunday school. He had the confidence of his elders as well as those of his own age.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at Carter's Chapel Baptist church, after which interment was made in the Woodruff family burying ground. The service was conducted by Rev. Arthur Creech. A very large crowd was present, the school turning out for the funeral. The entire ninth grade and the faculty attended in a body. Members of his class acted as pallbearers.

The bereaved family has the sympathy of the entire community in this sorrow.

SPEAKS TO CIVICS CLASS

The teacher of the civic classes in the local school, Mr. Kenneth Coates, has arranged for a series of vocational talks before his classes during the next few weeks. In fact they began some time ago with a talk on insurance by Mr. George Y. Ragsdale. Last Tuesday Rev. D. E. Earnhardt spoke to the classes on the ministry, its possibilities as a vocation and from the home mission standpoint. Mr. Edgar Watson will be the next citizen to address the classes and he will present law as a vocation.

Community Sing Sunday Afternoon

At courthouse at 3 o'clock. A choir of fifty voices. Singing will consist of negro melodies, interspersed with short addresses by Prof. A. J. Taylor, principal of Johnston County Training School, and Prof. J. D. Reid, president of the Commercial Bank of Wilson. The public is invited to attend. Special seats for white friends. Admission free.

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.

Frank Johnson recognized his name last issue.

Today's Tantalizer: merns.trdncaalnpoesho

New Baseball Idol



Andy Cohen, star of the first game of the season, who is taking the place in the Giants team left vacant by the trading of Roger Hornsby to the Braves. This young infielder made 'em wild over his snappy playing, and won the opening game for the Giants.

Fifty-Two Children At Pythian Home

Two New Boys Admitted Last Week; Home Is Inspected and Found Well Up to State's Average

CLAYTON, April 26.—Two new boys were admitted to the Pythian Home here last week which brings the number of children at the home up to fifty-two. This is possibly the largest number ever there at one time. The new admissions are Harry Edward Spence and Walter Howard Spence from Canton.

Mr. R. Eugene Brown, director divisions of institutions of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, with Miss Sara Dobson and Miss Rebecca Cushing, dietitians, from the same department, made a visit of inspection to the Pythian Home last Tuesday and from reports submitted to the superintendent they found the Home being well managed and well up to the state's standards.

The old Cable home on O'Neil Street was badly damaged by fire last Wednesday morning. The house was occupied by Mr. Wm. F. Morris and family. None of the family were at home when the fire occurred. Mrs. Morris and child were visiting in Burlington, and Mr. Morris went on a fishing trip about an hour before the fire was discovered. The contents were almost a total loss. The fire was discovered about four o'clock. Its origin is unknown.

The date of presentation of the episode "Electricity" which was given by Clayton talent as a part of the pageant at the Eastern Carolina Exposition at Goldsboro has been set for Friday night, April 27. The big stage at the school auditorium will be fitted up to stage the episode in a manner to bring out every detail as planned by its author and the same beautiful costumes will be used. In addition to the pageant, other interesting features are being planned for the occasion including a selected program by the Clayton High School Quartette, Clayton's queen at the exposition, Miss Virginia Gillespie, will be presented from the stage in the costume that she wore at Goldsboro. These and other features are being planned which will make the occasion one to be remembered and enjoyed. Remember the date and be there. The proceeds from the sale of tickets will go to the fund for stocking the public library.

Mrs. Willis Hardee, of the Baptist Center section, was shopping in Clayton Tuesday morning. Mrs. R. W. Mitchell returned a few days ago from a visit to relatives at Greensboro. Mrs. Lola Branham spent a short while in Smithfield Wednesday morning. Mrs. W. J. Payne and little sons,

Much Interest In Four Oaks Revival

Rev. William V. Stuart Is Preaching Stirring Sermons—Day Service Is Held Up Town

Four Oaks is being stirred as it has not been before in years by the preaching of Rev. William V. Stuart, conference evangelist, who is conducting a revival at the Methodist church in Four Oaks.

This is the second week of the revival and the crowds have continued to grow at each service. The minister began having his lay service at the church at ten o'clock in the morning, but the attendance not being what was desired, the place for holding the morning service was changed to Mr. Adams' store uptown and now large crowds are there every morning at 9:45. Two-thirds of the morning congregation are said to be composed of men. At this service, Rev. A. L. Brown, pastor of the Baptist church, leads the singing.

Each evening, the spacious Methodist church is filled to hear the ringing messages delivered by Mr. Stuart. His sermons are the subject of conversation on the streets, and good results of the preaching are already being manifested. Mr. Hardee, a member of the Four Oaks school faculty, conducts the singing at the evening hour.

The Methodist pastor, Rev. E. D. Dodd, extends a cordial invitation to folks all around Four Oaks to attend these services.

WATCH SUSPICIOUS SYMPTOMS IN SPRING

SANATORIUM, April 26.—These lovely, warm spring days, do you tire so easily that it takes all of the pleasure out of the returning spring season? Are you losing weight, not much, but just a little under par? Bothered with indigestion, so much so that you don't enjoy spring vegetables? Did you have a cold last winter, or early this spring, and has the cough hung on? If you have any or all of these symptoms you may have tuberculosis.

Don't dismiss that tired feeling, that slight loss of weight, the indigestion, the cough, too easily. Early tuberculosis often begins with either or all of these symptoms. Delay in tuberculosis means advanced disease and ultimate death. For even with modern methods for the "cure" of the disease, advanced tuberculosis is not curable. Early tuberculosis is one of the most easily cured of all the major diseases mankind is heir to.

If you're easily tired, losing weight, have indigestion, a cough that hangs on, don't hesitate, go to a good physician at once. When you have gone to him insist upon a thorough physical examination, including your chest. If the doctor tells you that you have tuberculosis obey whatever instructions for the cure of your disease that he gives you. In that way you will cheat the tuberculosis death rate of one more victim, and save your own life.

Presbyterian Services.

Wildwood at 11: a. m. Sermon by Rev. L. Smith, Dedication of church, Flower's Mission at 3: p. m. Sermon by Rev. L. Smith, public cordially invited.

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Presbyterian services Smithfield Sunday night at eight o'clock, sermon by pastor followed by congregational meeting. No morning service.

Minter and John, left last Sunday for an extended visit to her old home in Chatham county, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Weisner Farmer and mother, Mrs. A. J. Farmer, motored to Winston-Salem last Wednesday for a few days' visit to relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gulley and children and Mr. Newton Gulley, of Nashville, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Godwin.

Messrs. R. T. Priddy, W. L. Bigelow and Misses Elizabeth Priddy and Snoddy returned to their home at Keysville, Va, last Tuesday after spending a few days here with Mrs. C. W. Carter.

Another Case Smallpox Here

Second Case Develops at Cotton Mill This Week; Dr. Makes Statement

Not long ago, a case of smallpox developed at the Ivanhoe Cotton Mill, and Tuesday another case developed. Milton Capps, an employe of the Mill is the second smallpox patient. Mr. Honeycutt, after the first case was diagnosed urged the vaccination of the Mill population, but now he is requiring the employes of the mill to be vaccinated, and strongly urging all others in that section to take the precaution of being vaccinated, in order that an epidemic of the disease may be avoided, if possible.

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KENLY LADIES HEAR NEGRO SPIRITUALS

KENLY, April 26.—In response to invitations from J. H. Skinner, principal of the colored school, a group of ladies visited the school on Friday afternoon and spent an enjoyable hour listening to negro spirituals sung by the students. The visitors were impressed with the ease, freedom, and natural abandon with which the students interpreted these songs. They expressed their interest in this distinctive contribution of the negro race and urged the students to cultivate their talent along this line. A short talk by Mrs. J. M. Woolard, Jr., on values in life was listened to with interest. Among other things Mrs. Woolard stressed the value of an education and said that the successful man is he who works, who keeps plodding on while others sleep. Other visitors were called upon and they responded with a few remarks.

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FIRE SALE TO BE HELD IN GOLDSBORO

N. J. Edwards had the misfortune to have a fire in his store at Goldsboro, next to Woolworth's store, a few days ago and is now preparing for a big fire sale to begin Saturday, April 28, for the period of 10 days, in order to remodel the store. Now will be the exact time to buy your trunks, hand bags, suit cases, wardrobe trunks and all kinds of diamond rings, watches, pocket and wrist watches. All kinds of jewelry, sporting goods for school commands and graduation classes, vacation presents at less than one-half manufacturing price. You cannot afford to miss this opportunity to visit this sale, April 28.

Dr. Kerr Speaks On Public Health

Reveals Startling Facts In Address at Kiwanis Luncheon; Sees Need Sanitary Medical Officer

Decidedly the most impressive address that has been delivered before the Kiwanians this year was the public health address by Dr. A. H. Kerr of Wayne county and Goldsboro Board of Health yesterday at the regular weekly luncheon. Dr. Kerr spoke on the need of a sanitary medical officer to guard the health of the people of Smithfield and Johnston county. "You have a great county," said the speaker, "but you are not doing nearly enough to protect your people from the fly and mosquito pests, and you are doing practically nothing to see that your people are getting good fruits, good milk and good meats." Diphtheria, tuberculosis and scarlet fever can come from bottles that are improperly handled by dairymen. Where the bottles are not properly sterilized they act as carriers of these diseases. Cows that are infected with tuberculosis germs are often found in herds that are supplying milk for the people to drink. The speaker told of an incident that has come under his observation. A man, his wife and three daughters started in the dairy business. They bought a carload of dairy cattle that were not properly inspected and started their dairy. In a year one of the daughters was ill of tuberculosis. After three years the mother died a victim of this dread disease. The three daughters are in tuberculosis sanitariums and the aged father killed himself in a fit of despair. In another case Dr. Kerr stopped an old man who was infected with syphilis and tuberculosis from starting a dairy. "How many people who would have died if that old man had gotten into the dairy business nobody knows," said the speaker. "I am telling you these things to arouse you to think about this whole question of public health and to get your fine county to awake to its responsibilities in this matter."

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Whiskey Cases In Recorder's Court

Seven of Ten Cases Tried Had to Do With Violation of Prohibition Laws

Only a few cases were tried in Recorder's court this week. The following were disposed of on Tuesday and seven of the ten cases were for violation of the prohibition law:

Robert Whitley was sent to the roads for 60 days and taxed with the cost for violating the prohibition law. John B. Jernigan was charged with careless and reckless driving and for violation of the prohibition law. Upon being convicted he was fined \$10 and required to pay the cost. For possession and transportation, Teeny Jernigan was fined \$10 and taxed with the cost. Frank Young was convicted of possession and transportation of whiskey. He was fined \$10 and taxed with the cost. J. D. McLamb was convicted of possession of beer. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of cost. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of cost in the case against A. O. Lee, charged with possession of whiskey.

Earl Starling was found guilty of possession and transportation. He was sentenced to the roads for twelve months and fined \$100. 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. Dennis Narron was found guilty of assault. He was fined \$10 and taxed with the cost. He gave notice of appeal.

Clayton Girls Organize Club

Third Junior Woman's Club In Johnston County; Officers Elected at Initial Meeting.

CLAYTON, April 26.—On Tuesday evening, April 17, a group of young ladies of the town at the request of the Woman's club met at Rotary Hall. There they were entertained with a most delightful three course dinner after which the real object of the meeting was presented by Mrs. Hugh A. Page. This object was the organization of a Junior Woman's club in Clayton. The nature of a junior club was presented to the girls from all angles by Mrs. Page and Mrs. B. A. Hocutt and after only a brief discussion it was decided to organize. The following officers were elected: president, Miss Annie Ellis; vice-president, Miss Bernice Gurley; secretary, Miss Iris Duncan; treasurer, Miss Ashta Durham; press reporter, Miss Iris Yelvington. Mrs. Hugh A. Page had already been appointed by the senior Woman's club as leader.

This is the third junior Woman's club to be organized in Johnston county. Kenly and Selma having already organized. These three Johnston county clubs are the first in our district. Clayton girls have long felt the need of such an organization and if one would judge by the interest shown it will do most successful work and be not only a benefit to the girls themselves but to the entire community. There were nineteen charter members. The next meeting will be held Tuesday evening, April 24 with Miss Anne Cooke.

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DEATH OF R. A. BAILEY.

The death of my dear father, A. R. Bailey, occurred on Easter Sunday morning, April 8. I hated to give him up but God knew best and took him away from us. His will be done and not ours. Father had been in feeble health for about two years but did not give up until about two weeks before he died. He bore his suffering with patience. Much of the time he was unconscious but by his pitiful groans I knew he was suffering. None could tell how father was suffering, for he could not tell us. All that kind physicians and loving friends could do seemed to be done but nothing could stay the icy hands of death. He seemed to pass away very easily. Father broke up housekeeping about two years ago after a spell of sickness. His health was bad and he had no one to look after him, so he made his home with me. I cannot tell anyone how much I miss him. His place is vacant in my home; his voice can't be heard, and I can't see father by the fire-side or when I go to eat.

FINE INTEREST SHOWN IN REVIVAL AT BAPTIST

The churches of Smithfield have shown a splendid interest in the revival services now being conducted at the Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. S. L. Morgan. The midweek prayer meetings were called off and next Sunday night the several congregations will worship at the Baptist church. The crowds have been good at each service. No day service is held, but each evening at 7:45, the song service which precedes the sermon begins. Mr. H. B. Smith, of Clayton, who is well known here having been in former revival meetings here, is conducting the singing. His saw solos and his vocal solos have been enjoyable features of the services each evening. The pastor, Rev. S. L. Morgan, is preaching earnest sermons, and is doing personal work that is sure to have results.

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Tractor Turns Over And Injures Driver

Mr. Millard Smith Is In Local Hospital With Broken Hip; Other News From Bentonville

BENTONVILLE, April 26.—Mr. Millard Smith happened to a very serious accident last Saturday when the tractor which he was driving turned over on him, breaking his hip. He was immediately taken to the Johnston County Hospital for medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Beasley and children attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Sallie Whitfield, last Friday afternoon. The funeral was conducted from the home by Rev. R. A. Adkins, of the Christian church at Goldsboro. Mrs. Whitfield was sixty-five years of age, and had been in feeble health for several years. She leaves a husband and many relatives and friends to mourn their loss. She was a member of Selah Christian church.