

Smallwood Recalls Boyhood Days Here

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ache for the twelve months' period ahead. But so soon as another Spring sunny day rolled around, so would Mr. Clary and his bucket. If Mr. Clary's remedy ever failed him, he was wary enough never to divulge it. But if it did; and one can have faith sufficient to make the faith work; why not have faith?

I have implied that these clippers were for the general use of clearing around cuts and bruises on damaged heads resulting from fracas, or street brawls, so the same might be the better dressed and plastered, or maybe sewed up; and such was really the case. With liquor and license as plentiful as they then were, such affairs repeatedly occurred, but to no serious damage that I recall; nor did the participants seem to hold rage or rancor toward one another after the fracas was finished. But some of them then seemed serious enough to me, the youngster, who looked on, and often helped with the "doctoring".

Upon one occasion I saw two men wrangle out of a barroom door and continue the fight on the sidewalk, one hammering the other over the head with a beer bottle until he was so bloody his face could not be seen. Then over to the drug store he toddled, and lay down just inside the door, to be doctored. He was so tipsy, that about all he could say was, "Fix me up, Mr. Biggs, fix me up; that fellow didn't play fair."

Another time one of "the boys" got sufficiently "happy" as to become disgusted with himself; having imbibed to the remorseful stage, he flattened himself against the barroom wall, and said "I'm tired doing like I do, won't somebody please shoot me; I want to get shot; won't somebody please shoot me. Whereupon, another fellow about as fully soused, said, "Yes, partner, I always did like you, and if you sho' 'nuf want to get shot dast if I don't think enough of you to accommodate you, and thereupon popped a little "22" bullet at him which struck lightly in the forehead, but bounced off, the would-be "angel" shaking himself together and making for his "friendly assistant" for being "such a fool as to think he meant it."

And so the days wore into nights, and the nights back into days, and both into years, and years, and years, that will never be years any more; but others there are, with their joys and woes, and the world wags on in its way.

Then one day I heard a horse trade the likes of which it has not been my privilege to hear since, nor had I before. I cannot recall the identity of either party, but seem to remember that the seller was from out of town, and the buyer one of the boys of the town.

All that I heard took place in the drug store and stretched through several endeavors through several days. The would-be buyer surely thought that horse was a wonder, and wanted him "to be shore", while the would-be seller, just knew he was two wonders, but simply had to have some quick cash, or no mountain of gold would induce him to part with that horse. Therefore, such and such a price would take him for the sake of the cash, while the buyer contended no horse could be worth such a price, unless it be Maud S.

Then the argument would switch to the soundness of the horse; whereupon the seller was willing to "guarantee soundness in every respect," and so forth and so on, and so on and so forth, until reaching the point where the buyer was to write out the soundness guarantee in his own words, and to his own satisfaction.

This he did with a vengeance; coming in one day (they seemed to have the drug store for a trading mart) with a written instrument the seller said he must have sat up all night and searched every horse-disease dictionary in the land finding "ailments" to be guaranteed against. He seemingly had them all, and each was specifically guaranteed not to exist in that horse, and the instrument of writing so stated.

The seller endeavored to plod through it, finally becoming disgusted or apprehensive of its liabilities, saying he be-gar-dast if he'd put his name under such a piece of tom-foolery. The buyer flung back, you prom-

FOR DEFENSE



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New \$10,000 House Of Worship Will Be In Use First Time

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foundation for an uninterrupted and impressive movement. The following group of ministers served the church without interruption since 1885: Stanley Ayers, 1885-1886; Josephus Latham, 1889; H. C. Bowen, 1890; J. W. Trotman, 1891; Thomas Green, 1892-1893; J. L. Burns, 1894; J. S. Henderson, 1895; Thomas Green, 1896; J. L. Winfield, 1897; C. E. Lee, 1898-1907; J. R. Tingle, 1908; Asa J. Manning, 1909-1925; D. Guy Saunders, 1926-27; Joseph A. Saunders, 1928-1929; W. J. B. Burrus, 1930-33. Rev. Dennis Warren Davis, the present pastor, started his ministry there in 1934.

Officers of the church are, Messrs. H. C. Green, secretary and treasurer, and J. L. Holliday, clerk. The names of the deacons are, Messrs. Roy T. Griffin, Robert Lee Perry, Henry C. Green, Clarence Gurkin, Raleigh Lilley, Ben Whitehurst, Elders are, Fate Hodges, W. Amos Perry, Charlie Gurkin and Louis T. Holliday.

"The old church served well its purpose, and we rejoice now as we make ready to dedicate and set apart to the glory of God and to the praise of our Lord Jesus Christ the new church next Sunday morning." Deacon H. C. Green commented in announcing the special service.

Rev. John R. Smith also served the church in later years, but the dates of his pastorate could not be definitely determined.

For Factory Wear



Though designed by the Bureau of Home Economics for factory wear, this blue cotton denim mechanics overall outfit can be worn by women engaged in farm work, the National Cotton Council and Cotton-Textile Institute point out. The cotton denim will withstand countless washings and is designed for hard wear.

APPLICATIONS

Approximately 350 additional applications for soil conservation payments, or come-back monies as many farmers call them, were filed this week by the Martin County farm agent's office with the proper authorities in Raleigh. So far around 1,150 applications have been filed, leaving about 450 to be prepared and filed.

No checks have been received in the county, but the first payments are expected some time during the next month.

Making Plans For 'Victory Gardens'

Meeting in the county agricultural building next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, vocational teachers, farm security employees, extension workers, welfare workers and the school authorities will discuss plans for launching an extensive victory garden campaign in Martin County. The work will be handled under an organization known as the County Workers' Council, and appeals will be addressed to the people of the county, urging them to enlarge their gardens and produce more food. It has been pointed out already that "fair-weather" gardeners will not be included in the program, the authorities explaining that it is not advisable to use seed and fertilizer materials where the gardeners will start a project and then let the grass and weeds take over.

MacArthur Holds In Bataan While Japs Win In Other Areas

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Members of the American Expeditionary Force to Ireland are asking for action. They saw a small skirmish today when enemy planes visited them and when anti-air fighting took place. No damage was reported, however. No details have been made public, but President Roosevelt has intimated that there are possibly six or eight expeditionary forces already set up in various parts of the world.

No recent action by submarines along the Atlantic has been reported, but the count, according to the Navy Department, now stands at nine ships lost and two damaged. Germany claims more than 30 ships have been sent to the bottom along the Atlantic coast. Apparently the Germans are extending their operations, late reports state they have submarines from Canada to Florida. However, Secretary of the Navy Knox declares that counter-action is taking quite a few of the subs.

A reliable report heard today maintained that some of the food sent from this country to France was finding its way to Germany.

Recognized reports heard today stated that a supreme Pacific war council was being set up in Washington, that action in that part of the world would be directed from this nation's capital.

The price control bill, signed at noon today by President Roosevelt, is now law. In signing the bill, the President warned that some action would be necessary if farm prices, indirectly controlled by parity figures, boosted living costs too much and started an inflation spiral. The law's enforcement is up to Leon Henderson who, reports state, may effect a rationing system for all retail goods.

Military Miss



It's high style to be military these days, and this R. A. F. raincoat of waterproofed cotton gabardine is just the thing to give the right martial touch, the National Cotton Council and Cotton-Textile Institute report. Overseas cap, worn jauntily on the head, is made of the same material as the coat.

Vehicle Tax Stamps Go Like Hot Cakes

Hearing no complaints whatever, the local post office force today stated that motor vehicle tax or use stamps are going like hot cakes. Nearly 1,000 of the little stickers have already been sold at \$2.09 each, and the supply is nearly exhausted again. There were brief periods this week when the office had no stamps, but additional supplies were received and two shipments are now being awaited.

It is possible the stamps will be made available at the State automobile license bureau in the office of the chamber of commerce on Washington Street after the post office closes at 1:00 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Definite arrangements for handling the sale of the stamps at the bureau have not been completed, however.

According to unofficial information received here today, those owners operating cars after next Monday without the stamps will be made subject to a fine of \$25.

WANTS

WANTED! LIBERAL ALLOWANCE made for good used suits in trade on new ones. 500 suits to select from. This offer good on made-to-measure suits also. Pittman's. j30-2t

OIL HEATER FOR SALE: LARGE Plymouth-Washington oil heater. One year old. For immediate sale for less than one-half price. Dr. R. G. McAllister.

APARTMENT FOR RENT: FURNISHED or unfurnished. Call or see Mrs. Eloise Bennett.

Tomorrow Last Day To List Properties For 1942 Taxation

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poll tax while in the Army, Navy or Marines, they will have personal and real property taxes charged against them. These taxes are not payable however as long as the owners are in the service, but will be payable within a certain period after the men are discharged from the armed services.

Discussing the trend of values in the county this year, Supervisor C. D. Carstarphen said today that it is apparent that several townships will report small losses, that others will show gains ranging in size from a few dollars to possibly a quarter million dollars. "The reports from Goose Nest, Hamilton, Robersonville and one or two other townships indicate that small losses can be expected," Supervisor Carstarphen said. "Bear Grass and Griffins are likely to show some gains, and the increase in Williamston will possibly approximate a quarter million dollars," Mr. Carstarphen said, basing his report on estimates coming from the individual list-takers.

Little Work Is Scheduled For County Commissioners

There's little work on the calendar for consideration at the hands of the county commissioners when the officials meet in regular session here next Monday morning. "They'll be needing some new jurymen for the March court, but other than drawing the jury and handling routine matters there's nothing else on the business calendar at this time for the commissioners," Clerk J. Sam Gettlinger said.

Three Divorce Cases Are Filed In Superior Court

Three divorce cases, based on two years of separation, were filed in the Martin County Superior Court here recently by colored residents, as follows:

Alexander Hill against Carolina Hill; Wesley James against Stella Peel James; and Orphelia Clark against Bennie Clark.

Returns After Long Stay In Greenville Hospital

After a stay of more than three weeks in a Greenville hospital recovering from an operation, Mr. Claude E. Jenkins returned home this week. He is able to be out but will not return to his work within the next week or ten days.

Cabarrus Poultry Flock Averages 225 Eggs In '41

Best of the 13 demonstration poultry flocks for 1941 in Cabarrus County was that of Mrs. T. M. Query, Harrisburg, Route 1, each layer in that flock averaging 225 eggs during the year.

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Dealer Discusses Collection Of Old Scrap For War Use

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And this point is noteworthy. If the United States had cut off exports of scrap to Japan earlier, the Japanese would have built up a blast furnace industry and therefore would have been much better equipped today for raw materials for its steel industry.

Wandering Youths Are Detained Here

Running away from their homes in Bellaire, Ohio, the middle of last week, Vernon Hughes, 16, and Pete Corapi, 17, were forced to halt their wanderings here last Tuesday. Penniless and hungry, the youths wired home for money, but instead of sending the boys money their parents notified local police to hold them. Wednesday night the mothers of the boys arrived here and started the return trip yesterday morning. "Just wait until I get you home, and we'll settle things," Mrs. Corapi was quoted as saying to her son.

Striking out on their own, the boys applied for work in Norfolk, but unable to identify themselves they were refused employment. Turning to the open road, the youths were on their way to Florida when their money ran out, and they wired home for help.

used to guarantee him in every respect, and if them ailments ain't covered by them words then it's no trade for them cash dollars. Then the exasperated seller says, Gimme the blamed thing, I'll put my name to it if it makes a fool outn me, well as you.

And so the trade wound up. I do not know if the horse ever died; but if he did, and of one those "ailments" mentioned in the guarantee, and the seller was himself yet alive, I'm sure that buyer went after him with his document tucked safely under his arm. I have mentioned "Uncle" Tone Bagley and his democracy, but such Democracy in the hands of "Uncle" Tone, deserves still further mention.

(To be continued.)

Mrs. C. A. Harrison returned yesterday from a visit with her mother, Mrs. Blanche Anderson, in Letgetta.

Judge R. L. Coburn Holds Short Session Of Recorder's Court

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ing him with non-support, C. B. Tyler was sentenced to the roads for a term of six months. The road sentence was suspended on condition that the defendant pay \$8 a month into the court for the use and benefit of the illegitimate child, and to pay the court costs in the case. Judge Coburn stipulated in the judgment that the amount is to be paid on or before the first Monday in each month during the next year, and required a bond guaranteeing fulfillment of the judgment in the sum of \$100.

Extend Time For Joining Officers Retirement Fund

The Board of Commissioners of the Law Enforcement Officers' Benefit and Retirement Fund at its meeting in Raleigh January 28th, extended to April 1, 1942, the deadline for law enforcement officers to become members of the fund and still receive prior service credits.

The retirement feature of the Law Enforcement Officers' Benefit and Retirement Fund was inaugurated July 1, 1940, and past service credit was allowed all officers who became members prior to January 31, 1941, provided contributions were made on all earnings from July 1, 1940. The board received several petitions from law enforcement agencies stating they did not receive notice of the former deadline, and in order to make the retirement plan available to all officers the deadline was extended to April 1, 1942. All officers who become members prior to April 1, 1942, must pay contributions on earnings since July 1, 1940, in order to receive credit for past years service.

Youth Gets Term On Roads For Vagrancy

Loafing around the streets for several weeks and sleeping in warehouses and other places more or less exposed to the weather, Sam Lee, colored youth, was arrested this week and later sentenced to the roads for 30 days on a vagrancy charge. Lee says he is from Erwin and that he was just wandering around.

Thieves Shoot And Steal Hogs In Island Section

Operating in the Davenport islands of Williams Township, thieves are shooting and stealing hogs from Farmer Herman Bowen. At least twelve hogs have been shot and stolen there during the past few days.

Soldiering With Claude Corbett Down In Georgia

Advising his mother and friends here that he is getting along all right, Howard Cone explained a few days ago that he was soldiering side by side with Claude Corbett, former shortstop for the Martins in Williamston. The young men are in an Army camp down in Georgia.

Rising Prices For Potatoes Cause Farmers To Sell

Advancing prices for Irish potatoes are causing Avery County farmers to sell some of their stored crop, reports C. B. Baird, Farm Agent of the N. C. State College Extension Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bowen have moved into their new home on Church Street. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bowler will move into the home vacated by the Bowers on Warren Street. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dunn will move to the home vacated by the Bowers. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lindsley will move into the home vacated by the Dunns on Watts Street.

Rev. and Mrs. John Hardy, Mrs. C. B. Clark, Jr., and Mrs. J. Paul Simpson attended a two-day church meeting in Goldsboro this week.

Waste Highly important for wartime needs, approximately 450,000 tons of waste paper have been collected in England since the war began 25 months ago.

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LOST ON THE STREETS OF WILLIAMSTON last Tuesday a check drawn in favor of Sylvester Peel on the account of the North Carolina Pulp Co. Finder please turn it over to either of the Williamston banks.

WHITE WAITRESS WANTED FOR dining room at Plymouth Country Club. If interested, get in touch with Mrs. Mary Horton, manager, Plymouth, N. C.

FOR RENT: THREE-ROOM APARTMENT furnished. Mrs. Kate York.

NOTICE!
 North Carolina, Martin County, In The Superior Court.
Alexander Hill, Jr., vs. Carolina Hill.
 The above named defendant Carolina Hill, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Martin County, North Carolina, by the plaintiff to secure an absolute divorce from the defendant upon the ground that plaintiff and defendant have lived separate and apart for more than two years next preceding the bringing of this action; and the defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Martin County, in the Courthouse in Williamston, North Carolina, within thirty days after the 28th day of February, 1942, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.
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