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Johnstonian-Sun Saves Tax Payers \$3,671.75 On One Single Deal

Cost That Much Less To Advertise Tax Sale Certificates In Johnstonian-Sun Than Same Advertising Would Have Cost In Smithfield Herald.

In Tuesday's issue of The Smithfield Herald appeared a glaring headline on the front page of that paper setting forth that The Johnstonian-Sun had been paid \$4,838.16 from county funds within the past 12 months. It is not the purpose of this article to try to set up a denial as to the amount of money specified in their windy article, but we do want to show to the people of Johnston county that, regardless of whatever amount The Johnstonian-Sun has been paid for county advertising and job printing, there are at least 773 tax payers in Johnston county whose burden has been lightened by the county advertising having been handled by The Johnstonian Sun in preference to The Smithfield Herald. Our reason for making this statement is as follows:

An act of the 1929 legislature makes it mandatory upon the clerk of the court that after land has been sold for taxes and bid in by the county, after a specified time said clerk must advertise these tax certificates looking to the final foreclosure proceedings preparatory to making a deed to the property.

There being a mass of such tax sales certificates in Johnston county where land had been previously sold for the taxes, the clerk of the court forthwith began to prepare advertisements of these various certificates. The first of these advertisements were run in The Smithfield Herald, for which they were paid \$8.75 each. The clerk of the court having discretion in placing this advertising, we discussed the matter with him and told him that we would handle this advertising at a much less figure than was charged by The Smithfield Herald. We were at first in hopes that we could run these notices for about \$2.50 each, but upon learning that there would be such a congestion of it at one time which would necessitate us having to employ outside assistance, we told Mr. Rose that we would run these notices at \$4.00 each, which we did. Our records show that we run 773 of these notices, which figured at \$4.00 each, comes to \$3,092.00. Had this business been given to The Smithfield Herald at \$8.75 each, it would have cost \$6,763.75. Subtract \$3,092.00 from \$6,763.75 and you have \$3,671.75, which has been saved to the tax payers of Johnston county in this one item of advertising. This means a saving of \$4.75 to every person who was caught in that great avalanche of tax sales certificates. We are not trying to hide anything we have received from the county for this advertising. We spent much time and effort to handle the business; bought paper in unusually large quantities and paid printers overtime and worked long hours ourselves besides contracting with the Medlin Printing Company at Smithfield to help us handle this great bulk of advertising which at times caused us to increase the size of our paper to 30 pages; and if we have done all this at less than half what it would have cost had it been given to The Smithfield Herald, we see no reason why any one should complain—except The Herald, and we imagine that is where the shoe pinches most.

We are ready to compare records as to prices Johnston County has paid us for printing and advertising with any other county in the state for the same class of business; and we believe that were this done it would be found that Johnston County has gotten out lighter than any county in the state for same volume of business.

M. L. STANCIL, Editor and Manager.

NEW HOME BEING ERECTED HERE

Mrs. Fred Hood has purchased a lot on North Pollock St., and work was begun Tuesday on a modern 6-room brick bungalow, which she will occupy when completed.

If you get a sample copy of The Johnstonian-Sun this week, it is an invitation to subscribe.

Special Term Of Superior Court Started Monday

Another special term of Superior Court for the trial of civil cases was begun Monday, Sept. 22, in the Johnston County Court House at Smithfield, the Honorable W. A. Devin, a judge of the Superior Court, of Oxford, N. C., being present and presiding when and where the following proceedings were had:

Sheriff A. J. Fitzgerald, of Johnston County, summoned the following good and lawful men of the County to be present and serve as jurors for the term: J. E. Stephenson, Jonah Crocker, E. L. Holley, B. O. Pope, T. A. Rose, O. B. Langston, W. V. Creech, Alonzo Smith, L. C. Smith, J. L. Faulkner, T. B. Benoy, W. M. Blackman, J. P. Rains, A. A. Raynor, C. D. Thompson, W. H. Garner, M. G. Langdon, J. C. Price, L. H. Johnson, L. S. Penny, K. J. Jernigan, E. L. Rhodes, J. Strong and O. F. Brown were summoned for the first week. For the second week these men were summoned: Austin Brown, J. W. Foster, H. A. Penny, R. H. Parrish, W. B. Coats, Z. H. Richardson, S. C. Turnage, J. F. Thornton, E. E. Massengill, H. M. Fitzgerald, L. O. Mathews, S. L. Coats, R. W. Childers, Bright Fields, C. T. Godwin, J. H. Langdon, W. A. Wiggs, W. M. Blackman, Charles Campbell, E. Penny, J. W. Hudson, Lee Pope, W. G. Picks and Millard Lane. These jurors were excused: L. C. Smith, Jonah Crocker, T. M. Benoy, J. P. Rains, Paul E. Johnson, J. R. Strong, W. H. Gardner, and O. T. Brown.

Then the following cases were tried:

Federal Land Bank of Columbia vs. H. H. Johnson. This is an action for the recovery of \$600. The issues and verdict are as follows: 1. Is the defendant indebted to the plaintiff, and if so, in what amount? Ans. \$600.00 and interest from Nov. 1st, 1928. 2. Did the defendant wrongfully convert the property of the plaintiff and if so, in what amount? Ans. \$200.

Citizen Drug Co. vs. Jack Bailey. This is an action on account.

Skinner and Stencil vs. Ira B. Raynor. Consent judgment in favor of the plaintiff vs. defendant in the sum of \$197.83 with interest from March 22, 1929, and cost.

Wichard Bros. vs. A. B. Hudson et al. Consent judgment by which A. B. Hudson is discharged, he being adjudicated a bankrupt, and judgment against Arthur Hudson in favor of plaintiff, in the sum of \$1354 and 76 one hundredths with interest from 21st day of March, 1927, and cost.

P. Godwin vs. S. E. Boykin et al. Judgment making trustee of P. Godwin party plaintiff.

United Cloak and Suit Co. vs. Preston Woodall. Two suits are consolidated by consent.

Moses Sessoms vs. Bertha Sessoms. Divorced action uncontested. Plaintiff charges defendant with immoral relations with a person other than her husband. The jury responded to the issues as follows: 1. Were the plaintiff and defendant married as alleged in the complaint. Ans. Yes. 2. Has the plaintiff been a resident of North Carolina and Johnston County for two years next preceding the institution of this action, and has this cause of action existed six months prior to the filing of this complaint? Ans. Yes. 3. Did the defendant commit acts of adultery as alleged in the complaint? Ans. Yes.

Mrs. C. A. Corbett vs. J. D. Montgomery. This is an action on account. Jury answered the issues in favor of the plaintiff and the judgment was accordingly rendered to the plaintiff.

Emma Lee vs. Dora Wilkins, Bama Wilkins, and Wayne National Bank. This is a hearing on a temporary restraining order. The restraining order heretofore entered is ordered dissolved.

Citizen Drug Co. vs. Jack Bailey. This is an action on an account of \$36.00 and interest from Sept. 1, 1927.

Johnston Farmer Brutally Slain

Two Held for Questioning in Mysterious Axe Murder near Kenly.

Wilson, Sept. 21.—Two young men are being held for questioning by Johnston county authorities who are investigating the mysterious murder of Robert Tally, 45-year-old farmer whose hacked and mangled body was found on a side street in Kenly early Saturday morning. His clothing had been rifled of \$36.75 received for tobacco sold here Friday.

The men, Wesley Hargett and Charles Lamm, were seen here with Tally Friday afternoon when the farmer is known to have sold a load of tobacco on the local market. Hargett was taken into custody here last night by Detectives L. T. Lucas and J. C. Pittman and was turned over to Sheriff A. J. Fitzgerald of Johnston county, about midnight.

Johnston county officers arrested Lamm at his home in Smithfield early Saturday night. Neither is believed implicated in the murder but both are believed to be able to throw a little light on the persons Tally was with when he left this city.

When arrested here Hargett said he had not seen Tally after 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, but police learned that Hargett had been drinking Friday night and did not go home until about 4 o'clock Saturday morning.

Hargett and Lamm, both musicians, have been playing string instruments around tobacco warehouses here, and Friday afternoon Tally was seen to take up collections for them while they played. Lamm is said to have left this city early Friday night for his home at Smithfield. He told officers that when he last saw Tally and Hargett both were almost intoxicated. He said, however, that he didn't see either of them take a drink.

Johnston county authorities indicated Lamm would not be detained long, that Hargett is believed to hold the key to the mystery surrounding Tally's murder. Hargett is being held at Smithfield pending further investigation into the case.

With the discovery of a number of small pools of blood in a filling station driveway, investigating officers believe they have located the place where Tally was killed. The pools of blood were reported to officers when the proprietor of the station learned of the murder. The filling station is about three miles from Selma on Highway 22, but was not open at the time of the murder is believed to have been committed.

Tally was slain with either an axe or hatchet. He was attacked from the rear and was struck several blows with the weapon. Examinations of the wounds revealed that a dozen ribs had been cut or smashed from the spinal column. After being hacked to death Tally's body was tied to the rear of a car and dragged along the highway to Kenly where it was left on a side street.

Young Smithfield Minister Supplies For Selma Pastor

A very interesting program was rendered at the Selma Presbyterian church Sunday night, in the absence of Rev. D. F. Waddell, the pastor. Rev. J. C. Lawrence, a young minister and at present a member of the Smithfield High School faculty, supplied for Rev. Mr. Waddell, using for his text, "Why Stand Ye Here Idle." He made a strong appeal for real action in the service of the vineyard and drove home a few thoughts relative to idleness as hindrance to real christian service.

One very interesting part of the service was the singing by the Smithfield male quartette, composed of Messrs. F. C. Fitzgerald, tenor; J. O. Hinton, soprano; W. T. Davis, first bass; Joe Royall, second bass.

Special Services To Be at Baptist Church Sunday Morning

There will be a special service at the local Baptist church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Dr. Chas. E. Maddry, of Raleigh General Secretary of missions in North Carolina, will deliver an address. The various objects of the Co-operative Program, will be represented by different members. This service will be one from which every one can gain information and inspiration. Every member of the church is urged to be present. Visitors are welcomed. Evening services at 7:30.

Hon. Geo. M. Pritchard To Be In Smithfield Monday Night, Sept. 29

Will Speak in Court House at 7:30 Next Monday Night. Ladies Especially Invited.

The coming of Hon. Geo. M. Pritchard to Johnston County next Monday night to address the voters of Johnston County in the county court house at 7:30 P. M., is one of



the most important events in connection with the present campaign. Mr. Pritchard is a candidate for the U. S. Senate on the Republican ticket and is opposing Josiah William Bailey. Don't fail to hear Mr. Pritchard on this occasion as this will probably be his only visit to Johnston County during this campaign. He is especially anxious to meet the ladies of the county, so let the men go out to hear him and carry their wives and daughters.

Visiting Speaker Is Heard by Kiwanians

President Norman Sheppard of the Smithfield Kiwanis Club, was the principal speaker at the weekly meeting of the Selma Kiwanis Club Thursday night, taking for his subject "The Constitution of the United States." President Sheppard made a very interesting talk, discussing briefly each article of the Constitution. Misses Louise Stallings and Margaret Creech rendered a very enjoyable musical program. Program Chairman J. S. Flowe announced to the members that Lieutenant-Governor Robt. N. Page, of the Fourth Carolina District, would be in Selma on next Thursday evening and speak to the members of the Kiwanis Club. J. C. Diehl, president of the local Building and Loan association, was a guest of the club and made an interesting talk. President Armigate appointed H. H. Lowry program chairman for the month of October.

T. P. A. RECEPTION

The T. P. A. Association will give a reception, honoring the Selma school faculty on Friday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Woodard. All parents and friends of the school are invited. There will be no invitation issued.

Selma Woman's Club to Have School For Illiterates

The Literary Committee of the Selma Woman's Club is planning to have a school for the illiterates in Selma. If you know of any man or woman who has not learned to read and write, you can do a good deed by giving the name to Mrs. J. M. O'Neal, president, Mrs. R. A. Ashworth, chairman of literary committee, or Mrs. M. F. Candler, teacher. Mrs. Candler has had experience in the teaching of illiterates and is very eager to render service of this kind to people of Selma.

RECEPTION FOR TEACHERS

There will be a reception given by the Parent-Teachers Association at the home of Mrs. E. V. Woodard on North Pollock St. on Friday evening, October 3rd from 8 till 10 o'clock honoring the teachers. No invitations will be sent out, but teachers, parents and interested friends are invited to attend.

Republicans Hold Enthusiastic Meeting In Barbour Town

Last Thursday several hundred men, women and children gathered at Barbour School House in Elevation Township to mingle together in a Republican rally. Long before the hour the meeting was scheduled to open, automobiles began rolling in, and when the meeting was called to order in the school house at eleven o'clock by County Chairman A. J. Fitzgerald every available seat was occupied by anxious listeners. Chairman Fitzgerald reviewed briefly some of the things the Republicans have done to help the tax payers of Johnston County by showing them how the county commissioners had reduced salaries of Republican office holders and also made an earnest effort to treat the Democratic office holders just as well or a little better. He showed up some of the extravagant expenditures by the former Democratic administration, giving actual figures from the county records for his authority.

Other speakers were Elder H. F. Hutchen, legislative candidate; Hon. Ezra Parker, Judge of Accorder's Court, and Mr. James T. Creech, now a member of the board of County commissioners. Each speaker held the strict attention of the audience and brought forth frequent applause. After about two hours spent in discussion of the political issues of the day, announcement was made that dinner was waiting on the outside, so an hour's recess was taken to participate in one of the biggest fish fries ever staged at this place. 300 pounds of fresh fish had been crisply fried under the direction of Mr. Joel B. Lee and others, and everybody thoroughly enjoyed a full feed.

The Thornton String Band was present, and immediately after dinner the crowd reassembled in the house and for an hour or more the older people made to feel young and the young to feel younger by listening to these expert musicians. Those furnishing the music were: Raymond Brockwell, James Thornton, Paul Byrd, Robert Thornton and Len Cook. The meeting then adjourned in the spirit of a real family reunion.

HOWARD WOODALL DIES OF WOUNDS SUSTAINED IN WRECK

As the result of severe wounds sustained in an automobile wreck between Wood's ice truck and a new Ford log truck on highway 23 about 3 miles south of Smithfield Friday, September 5, in which W. C. Stewart was killed, Howard Woodall, of Smithfield died in the Johnston County Hospital Friday, Sept. 19. Mr. Woodall was brought to the hospital immediately after the wreck occurred, having sustained a broken arm and severe cuts and bruises. Those attending him thought him to be getting along nicely, but he passed away about 11:30 Friday morning as the result of a blood clot.

MANY NEW FEATURES ON FORD TRUCKS

"Enthusiasm shown by visitors to recent automobile shows over the improved Model AA Ford one-and-one-half ton truck chassis is being repeated in our display room here," said D. F. Reid, local Ford dealer at Smithfield.

"The ways in which this chassis has been strengthened and the improvements that have been adopted make of it practically a new product," he continued.

"Outstanding among the new features to be found in the new Ford truck chassis are the four-speed transmission, the spiral bevel gear rear axle which is of the three-quarters floating type, larger brakes, and heavier front axle and spring.

"Ample road speed for rapid transportation, together with improved low-speed pulling power for moving capacity loads out of soft ground, are some of the advantages gained by the new four-speed transmission.

"The construction of the rear axle permits the entire weight of the truck and load to be carried on the housing. This means that the axle shaft serve only to turn the rear wheels.

"Increased braking area has been gained by enlarging the front wheel brakes to the same size as those of the rear wheels. The brakes fully enclosed, are of the internal expanding type with individual adjustment provided on each wheel."

Services for Deaf At Fayetteville Next Sunday Afternoon

There will be a meeting of the Deaf held in the First Presbyterian Church at Fayetteville next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock instead of Monday as appeared in the News and Observer yesterday.

Chaplain McCain of Fort Bragg will preach the sermon and will be assisted by Rev. R. C. Fortune of Durham the regular Pastor for the Deaf in Durham.

This meeting is one of a series being held at different points in Eastern North Carolina for the benefit of the Deaf and the hearing people that they may have better understanding of each other. The services will be interpreted in order that both the Deaf and the Hearing may understand every word that is said.

Other meetings will be held at Goldsboro, N. C., on the 5th of October and in Raleigh, Durham, Hillsboro and Greensboro at dates to be announced later. These people have no regular Church in this part of the State and therefore meet where they are invited and at an hour of the day that does not interfere with other Church Services.

All of these meetings are arranged by R. W. Etheredge of Selma and if any town would like to extend the Deaf an invitation to meet with them, they can take this up with him.

LIST OF SELMA SCHOOL FACULTY

The following group of teachers form the faculty of the Selma schools for the 1930-1931 term:

Supt. F. M. Waters—Selma, N. C. Music—Miss Mildred Perkins—Selma, N. C.

English teacher—C. G. Jervis—Mars Hill, N. C. History—J. G. Boyette—Kenly, N. C.

Mathematics—Mrs. R. D. Blackburn, Selma, N. C. Home Economics—Miss Della Straupe, Cherryville, N. C.

Science—Miss Irene Bolick—Hickory, N. C. French and Latin—Miss Ernestine Shippe, Clinton, N. C.

7th grade—Misses Elizabeth Whitaker, Littleton, N. C.; Annabelle Jones, Fletcher, N. C.

6th grade—Misses Margaret Harrison, Duncan, S. Car.; Edith Pride Harris, Kembridge, Va.

5th Misses Trixie Jenkins, Jacksonville, N. C.; Charlotte Nixon, Hertford, N. C.

4th and 5th—Miss Dorothy Lee, Smithfield, N. C.; Annie Spivey, Rich Square, N. C.; Lucile Robertson, Raleigh, N. C.

3rd grade—Miss Mary Martin, Danbury, N. C.; Mrs. C. A. Bailey, Selma, N. C.

2nd and 3rd grades—Miss Roberta Spiers, Smithfield, N. C.; Mrs. W. D. Perkins, Selma, N. C.

1st grade—Misses Marguerite Winn, Clarksville, Va.; Misses Annie Laurie Smith, Alta Vista, Va.; Dorothy Adams, Savedge, Va.

Rep. Charles Stedman Dies

Washington, Sept. 23.—Representative Charles Manly Stedman of North Carolina, the only Civil War veteran in Congress died today in his ninetieth year.

The Confederate veteran, who attained the rank of major for his campaigning under Lee and Jackson, had been in Mount Alto Hospital since September 9 when he suffered an apoplectic stroke.

Fayetteville, Sept. 24.—Major Charles M. Stedman, the last veteran of the civil war to serve in the United States Congress, will be buried with full military honors. At the funeral here tomorrow morning the coffin will be borne on a caisson from the 16th field artillery, United States army, and will be escorted by the 17th field artillery band, both from Fort Bragg, while the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry company will march in the procession clad in their full dress uniform of Confederate gray.

At the grave a salute of three volleys will be fired by the latter company and taps will be sounded by the bugler of this old command, with which Major Stedman served in the earliest days of the civil war. Major J. Ross Josnes, a veteran of the world war and commanding officer of the Fayetteville Light Infantry, will have command of the entire military escort.

J. J. Reynolds
Selma, N. C.

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