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## Hoover Cart Parade Attracts Big Crowd

Large Crowd Present to Witness Hoover Cart Rodeo—Teachers in Town—Court in Session and the Funeral of Capt. Skinner Bring Many Who Would Not Otherwise Have Come—Joe Daniels Speaks.

Smithfield, Oct. 5.—Yesterday afternoon the Johnston County Democrats staged what they were pleased to call a "Hoover Cart Rodeo" on the streets of Smithfield.

The meeting had been extensively advertised and a few cash prizes had been offered to induce the owners of those depression vehicles, erroneously called Hoover carts, to bring them in and join in the parade.

Josephus Daniels, of Raleigh, who had been billed to speak in the courthouse at one o'clock, was met one mile from town by a bunch of Johnston County Democrats, and was there mounted on a vehicle made up from parts of discarded automobiles, and drawn by a pair of mules. This was a two-seated affair and Mr. Daniels got into the driver's seat, took the reins and drove into town.

There were some 30 or 40 carts in the parade which extended about the length of a city block. The parade was staged soon after the speaking was over.

There were several hundred people in town, a large percent of them being women and children who just wanted to see the show. The crowd probably would have been much smaller but for the fact that a shower of rain the night before had wet the cotton in the fields, and those who had nothing else to do, decided to come to town. And too, there was a county-wide teachers' meeting held in Smithfield which brought hundreds of school teachers here from different schools; also there was in session the second week of a civil term of Superior Court; and again, the town had suffered the loss of one of the county's best known and much beloved citizens, Capt. H. L. Skinner, whose funeral and burial was held in the afternoon of the same day of the parade. All these things did much to add volume to the crowd of people in town on this occasion.

Some of those who read the inscription on the vehicles and banners passed them up as jokes; while others took the matter more serious, and denounced this and other such affairs as disgraceful reflections upon the President of the United States.

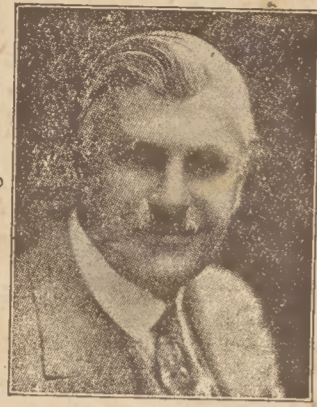
Several citizens of the county have been heard to express surprise that Josephus Daniels should have taken part in such a performance in view of the fact that he had been in the cabinet of former President Wilson when it was said that nobody would have been allowed to speak one word against the President under penalty of arrest and imprisonment.

Several Republicans have been heard to express the belief that the political effect of the meeting was in favor of the Republicans rather than the Democrats, because of the fact that many of our best citizens had become disgusted with the proceedings, both in Benson last Saturday and in Smithfield Tuesday, as well as those held in Goldsboro and elsewhere.

Several people have been heard to say that they believed the effect of the so-called Hoover Cart parades would be similar to that of the red shirt parade staged in Smithfield and Benson by the Democrats in 1900, which caused hundreds of the most honest and conscientious Democrats to become disgusted with their leadership and join the Republican party.

### A CORRECTION.

The editor of the Johnstonian-Sun made an error in last week's issue of the paper in our article referring to the placing of L. D. Mitchell on the Republican ticket for Register of Deeds by the Republican Executive Committee to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Clara McLeod whose health will not permit her to make the race. In this article we give Mr. Mitchell's initials as "D. W." whereas his correct initials are "L. D.", as will be seen from a list of the various Republican nominees appearing elsewhere in this paper.



EVANGELIST GEO. W. TAYLOR

Since the evangelist, Rev. Geo. W. Taylor, has a few days vacation between the close of our meeting and his next appointment he will very probably spend next Sunday, October 9th, in Selma. If so, he will bring us two more fine Gospel messages. His subject for the morning service will be: "Liberty and Truth", and for the evening: "Will the Old Book Stand?" The baptismal service will take place at 7:30 Sunday evening. The pastor is out of town a part of this week doing some special associational work.

## Capt. H. L. Skinner Dies In Smithfield

Smithfield's Veteran Tobaccoist Succumbs To Heart Attack; The Funeral Will Be This Afternoon.

Smithfield, Oct. 4.—H. L. Skinner, Smithfield's veteran tobaccoist, died at his home here this morning at two o'clock. About two weeks ago he was taken with a heart attack from which he never recovered sufficiently to give hope of recovery and for the past few days his death was expected momentarily.

The funeral will be held this afternoon at four o'clock at St. Paul's Episcopal church of which the deceased was a member with Rev. T. S. Clarkson, the rector, in charge of the service.

The deceased is survived by his wife, who was Miss Sallie Lawrence before her marriage, and one son, Frank Lawrence Skinner.

Mr. Skinner was 63 years of age. He came to Smithfield in 1898 when a tobacco market was opened here, and since that time he has been one of the town's most useful citizens. Besides his unceasing efforts to build a tobacco market, he has taken an active part in the civic life of the city. He has been mayor, and at the time of his death he was a member of the town board of commissioners, having held that position for a number of years.

## Selma Kiwanians Held Interesting Meeting

The Kiwanis club held its regular weekly luncheon last Thursday evening at the Community Building. Matt Wall had charge of the program.

After President Richardson read a letter from the District Secretary calling attention to the Carolinas convention to be held at Columbia, S. C. in November he appointed Andrew Holliday, Star Harper and Charles Seales to attend this convention as representative of the local club.

Dr. Blackman extended an invitation to all Kiwanis members and their wives and to the school faculty to attend a barbecue dinner which will be given at the school building Thursday evening October 13th at 7 o'clock. An arrangement and program committee was appointed for this meeting which is composed of John Wiggs, Star Harper, Charles Jacobs, Miss Margaret Creech and Mrs. Mabel Nordan Humphrey. An effort will be made to have Carl Goerch attend this banquet.

Charlie Jacobs presented the student Loan Fund plan to the club after which the club subscribed fifty dollars. This plan was inaugurated by Miss Rached Everett, Johnston County Home Demonstration Agent and bids fair to being a permanent thing in the county. It is hoped to raise five hundred dollars for this fund to be loaned to worthy students which will be paid back after the students gets her or his diploma and starts to work.

## Fine Old Mansion Is Burned Down

Memories of Ante-Bellum Days Recalled By Fire Near Smithfield.

Smithfield, Oct. 2.—Fire, of undetermined origin, completely destroyed the old Hastings mansion, located about a mile from Smithfield early Sunday morning. The house has recently been at the mercy of vandals, seeking to find supposedly hidden treasure within its walls, portions of the weatherboarding had been torn off and every chimney had been pulled down, in the hope of finding gold.

The dilapidated condition of this old house, occupied only by caretakers at the time it was burned, did not dim the recollection of the older citizens of this community, who remember it in the days of its splendor.

The Hastings home was one of the few remaining relics of the Civil War, and no place has had a more interesting and colorful history than this old mansion.

It was built by Agrippa Mitchener and used by him and his family years prior to the war. He was a large property owner, and upon the death of Mrs. Mitchener, it became necessary that a suitable teacher be had for his children. A young lady, Miss Frances E. Sector, a graduate of Claverick Institute, New York, was secured to teach the children in the Mitchener and Rand families.

Miss Sector was later married to Agrippa Mitchener, the occasion being one of the brilliant social events in this section. A band of musicians was engaged from Richmond; the delicacies were served by a caterer from that city, and a ball was given which extended over three days and nights and here were entertained many of the State's social favorites.

It is said that so great was the number of guests entertained at this wedding, the guests slept in relaxation and the many slave attendants joined in the festivities and danced, as was the custom in those days.

Mr. Mitchener died during the war and his widow continued to live in the mansion. Food was scarce and Mrs. Mitchener had a hole cut in the top of each of the two large columns supporting the front porch, and in these columns were stored the corn and wheat that kept many of the people from starving.

As the Union Army came through, under the leadership of General Schofield, many of the homes in this section were burned, but he was so impressed with the beauty of this mansion he asked and was granted permission to set up his headquarters and he saved this home from the torch.

One morning a servant excitedly told her mistress there was a Yankee soldier at the door and he wanted to see her, calling Mrs. Mitchener by her name. Upon answering the call, Mrs. Mitchener saw one of her old school mates, later a distinguished member of the bench of New York, Judge Henry A. Gildersleeve.

Mrs. Mitchener was married to Maj. William Hastings. He had a mansion at Queensborough, but his wife had become so much attached to this old home and her friends, they hesitated to leave, and in 1869 Major Hastings purchased the interest of the Mitchener heirs in this property.

This house was one of exceptional beauty. The handsome doors, the paneled walls and the exquisite carvings reflected its grandeur of the olden days. Here was the gathering place for the elite social set; here were entertained the great and the near great, and while fire has razed this home and nothing is left but the recollection of its former splendor, this was truly one of the plantation mansions typical of the Old South.

## Fifteen Million Dollar Deficit Forecast For North Carolina

Fayetteville, Sept. 28.—The next North Carolina legislature will probably find a deficit of \$15,000,000.00, said Willard L. Dowell, secretary of the State Merchants association, speaking to the Fayetteville Rotary club on taxation problems. "Don't let anybody imagine there is going to be any tax relief in 1933," he cautioned. "There may be a shifting of the burden, but the total tax is going to be greater." He opposed a sales tax as taking no account of ability to pay.



HON. CLIFFORD FRAZIER

## Biographical Sketch Of Clifford Frazier

Clifford Frazier, senior member of the law firm of Frazier & Frazier, of Greensboro, North Carolina, is recognized as one of the State's ablest lawyers. He has refrained from politics, his ambitions finding complete satisfaction within the limits of his profession.

Decended from the early group of pioneers who settled in North Carolina before 1752, Clifford Frazier, like his ancestors, is quiet and unassuming. He is self-reliant, sober, honest and independent, boasting no prestige other than his own merit.

Born in Archdale, Randolph county, North Carolina, on December 16, 1884, Mr. Frazier is the son of Cyrus Pickett and Lucetta (Churchill) Frazier. On his mother's side, he is a grandson of Samuel Churchill, of Greene County, North Carolina, a Confederate soldier who gave his life for the lost cause. He is a descendant of James Frazier, early North Carolina settler, Tristram Coffin, Nantucket Island proprietor, and Charles Churchill, a captain in the Revolutionary Army. His ancestry is predominantly Scotch.

Cyrus P. Frazier was for many years prominently identified with the educational development of North Carolina, was one of the early teachers of Trinity College (now Duke University), and was superintendent of the first graded school in the State. He was nominated for the position of Superintendent of Public Instruction of the State and was also a candidate for Congress on the prohibition ticket in 1888.

Clifford Frazier spent his childhood in Greensboro where, as a newsboy for the Greensboro Daily Record, he first became known to the public. Later, he often spent his summers working in the cotton mills of Greensboro and as a civil engineer. He attended the public schools in Greensboro, graduated from Guilford College in 1907 and from the University of North Carolina in 1909, where he completed three years of work in two, receiving at the same time the degrees of A. B. and L. L. B. In college, he was distinguished not only as a student but also as a speaker, and to some extent as an athlete. He began the practice of law in Greensboro in 1909, first opening an office alone and later as a partner of the late John N. Wilson. He now practices with his brother, Robert H. Frazier.

He served as Referee in Bankruptcy under Judges James E. Boyd, E. Yates Webb and Johnson J. Hayes. With possibly one exception he has tried more cases than any other present member of the Greensboro Bar. His cases have ranked from the smallest, which involved the rights of the poor, to the largest tried in the courts of this section. His service to his community has been marked by loyalty. He is known as one with a knowledge of public affairs and has shown himself capable and successful in handling his own business as well as that of his clients.

In 1917, Mr. Frazier married Margaret R. Armstrong, and they have three children: Lucette Churchill, Mary Power and Clifford, Jr.

Mr. Frazier is a member of the American and State Bar Associations, President of the Greensboro Bar Association, a member of the Greensboro Merchants and Manufacturers' Club, Jr. O. U. A. M., Moose, Odd Fellows, Elks, and other organizations. He is a birthright member of the Society of Friends in fact, he is a seventh generation Quaker.

## County Schools Opened On Wednesday, Oct. 5

### Proceedings Johnston County Civil Court

John Goff vs. Gabriel Holt. An action involving sale of 17,000 feet of timber. Upon hearing the pleadings read and the contentions of the parties, it was ruled by the court that the action is barred as against both plaintiff and defendant. Judgment charging plaintiff with costs.

Court adjourned at 1:00 p. m., for the purpose of holding a mass meeting of the Democrats of the county to name a nominee on the Democratic ticket to succeed Sheriff R. H. Richardson who was claimed by death on September 16th. R. U. Barber, of Elevation township, was duly nominated.

### September 29th.

Etheridge Gin and Supply Co. vs. E. M. Pope. Action brought to set aside and vacate a deed, amount of controversy being \$2500.00. There were issues submitted to the jury but after deliberating until noon on Friday, September 30, the jury could not reach a verdict. The court then withdrew the jury and a mistrial was ordered and case continued.

W. H. T. Boykin vs. Mary Nichols, administratrix of F. L. Nichols, deceased. Order directing resale of property on Monday, November 7, 1932. Sale to be made by Weisner Farmer and Norman C. Shepard, commissioners.

### September 30th.

Graham C. Smith vs. C. R. Cable. Order. It is found that papers are lost. Plaintiff given 30 days to file complaint and defendant given 30 days to file answer.

C. T. Johnson vs. A. G. Parker and Mrs. A. G. Parker. Action on account \$200. Issue submitted to jury and verdict: In what amount, if any, are the defendants indebted to the plaintiff? Answer: \$200, with interest from October 1, 1931.

Farmers Bank (Loris, S. C.) vs. J. C. Hodges and A. W. Hodges. Action on account. Issue to jury and answer: In what amount, if any, are defendants indebted to plaintiff? Answer: \$646.00 with interest from December 30, 1930.

W. E. Nichols vs. B. F. Wood, et al. Action on account. Issue and answer: In what amount, if any, are defendants indebted to plaintiff? Answer: \$500.00 with interest from December 23, 1931.

R. H. Pittman vs. Mamie Pittman. Action for absolute divorce brought upon a charge of adultery on the part of the defendant. Issues to jury and verdicts: Were defendant and plaintiff married as alleged in complaint? Answer: Yes. Did defendant commit fornication and adultery with one Roland Pearce as alleged in complaint? Answer: Yes. Is the plaintiff the party wronged? Answer: Yes. Has the plaintiff been a citizen and resident of the state for two year next preceding the bringing of this action and the filing of complaint? Answer: Yes. Judgment for plaintiff. Cost paid \$17.45.

### Monday, October 3rd.

Jurors excused for cause: W. H. Hayes, Alton Creech, M. F. Langdon, D. O. Neighbors. Talis Jurors for the week: J. H. Griffin, T. V. Wilkins, P. L. Massey.

Lloyd Batten vs. Reba Batten. Action for absolute divorce. Complaint charging adultery on part of female defendant. Issues to jury and verdict: Were the plaintiff and defendant married as alleged in complaint? Answer: Yes. Has plaintiff been a resident of the state for more than two years next preceding filing of complaint? Answer: Yes. Did defendant commit adultery as alleged in complaint. Answer: Yes.

Leonard Creech vs. Mollie Raper; First Carolinas Joint Stock and Land Bank and Leonard Creech vs. Mollie Raper. The two cases were consolidated by order on September 26th, 1932, and were set for trial so that they may come on for trial at this term of court and on this date. Issues to jury and answers: Are the plaintiffs the owner and entitled to possession of lands described in complaint? Answer: Yes. If so, is the defendant in the wrongful and unlawful possession of the lands? Answer: Yes. What is a fair rental value of the lands in question? Answer: \$75.00.

Luesta Tart Lee vs. Lester C. Lee.

### County-Wide Meeting of Teachers Held In Smithfield—Meeting of Local Board and Opening of the Selma Schools On Wednesday.

A county-wide meeting of the various Johnston county teachers was held in the Smithfield school building Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock to perfect the county organization and discuss plans for the school year. Practically all of the teachers in the county were present.

The chief speaker on this occasion was Hon. Jule B. Warren, of Raleigh, who is Secretary of the North Carolina Educational Association.

Talks were also made by Supt. H. B. Marrow and Miss Mary F. Wells who also spoke on the general plan of county organization.

Complete Local Organization. A meeting of the local school Board with the Selma school faculty was held at the Selma school building at 2:30 Tuesday afternoon where plans for perfecting the local organization were completed. The chief speaker on this occasion was Mr. Geo. F. Brietz, a member of the local Board.

Selma Schools Open. Selma schools opened for business Wednesday morning with devotionals led by Rev. L. T. Singleton, who made a strong appeal for full cooperation on the part of parents, teachers and students.

Then came the assignment of classes, etc. After the opening of the city schools, the local School Board went to Corbett-Hatcher where they attended the opening session of that school.

The total attendance at the opening was 885—703 in the elementary grades and 182 in the high school for the whites, and 352 present in the colored school—290 in the elementary grades and 62 in the high school.

Corbett-Hatcher had 125 present in the elementary grades.

### COTTON GINNED PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 16TH IN N. C.

The Department of Commerce, through the Bureau of the Census, announces the preliminary report of cotton ginned to September 16, 1932, by counties, in North Carolina, for the crops of 1932 and 1931. The total for the state was made public Friday, September 23rd.

County	1932	1931
Anson	4,423	3,600
Cleveland	6,621	2,369
Cumberland	3,194	2,468
Duplin	1,141	401
Edgecombe	2,318	906
Harnett	5,533	4,355
Hoke	2,772	2,097
Johnston	5,097	2,753
Lincoln	1,116	677
Nash	2,422	506
Richmond	1,508	1,095
Robeson	7,451	5,397
Sampson	5,658	3,655
Scotland	4,039	3,693
Union	1,569	431
Wayne	3,331	1,809
Wilson	2,146	490
All other	8,103	3,421
For the State	68,442	40,323

### DIME CIGARETTES MAY LEAD TO NEW TRADE PRACTICES

Danville, Va., Oct. 2.—The tobacco trade here has learned unofficially that the makers of the standard brands of cigarettes are moving to meet competition from the dime cigarette and that they will soon issue the cigarette packages with coupons redeemable through the purchase of other cigarettes.

Action for absolute divorce. Cost paid in full.

### October 4th.

O. D. Hinnant vs. American Fire & Marine Insurance Co. Action to recover insurance for loss of Nash Automobile, amount \$1500. When plaintiff rested the defendant made a motion for non-suit. Motion allowed and action will go off docket by judgment of non-suit.

R. A. Wall vs. United Bank and Trust Co. Action to set aside and declare void a note of \$2750.00, the plaintiff alleging incompetency at time of execution of the note. By order the United Bank and Trust Co., is made a party and is allowed to plead as such.