

Smithfield Defeated By Selma 3-2 Score

Clayton's Win Over Kenly Virtually Clinches First Half

JOHNSTON COUNTY LEAGUE	W.	L.	Pct.
Clayton	11	2	.846
Kenly	9	5	.643
Selma	8	6	.571
Princeton	5	8	.385
Pine Level	5	9	.357
Smithfield	3	11	.214

WHERE THEY PLAY FRIDAY
Selma at Clayton.
Kenly at Pine Level.
Princeton at Smithfield.

Selma defeated Smithfield here Wednesday afternoon by the score of 3 to 2, thereby breaking the jinx that Smithfield has held over them all season. Each team garnered 7 hits with L. Worrell leading Selma with 2, while Register and H. Parrish were best for the visitors with 2 each. Fuquay pitched for the locals and struck out 13 of the Smithfield batters. Lefty Caraway was the feature of the game with 2 spectacular catches of fly balls in center field. Caraway is a good pitcher we know, but he is also a good outfielder and batter. Red Parrish connected for a 3 base hit in the seventh inning and scored the winning run on McMillan's clean single.

Batteries
For Selma: Fuquay and Kemp.
For Smithfield: W. Parrish and Honeycutt.

Clayton, July 12.—Clayton defeated Kenly, 6-3, here today and virtually clinched first half honors in the Johnston County League. The win boosted the locals' lead to two and a half game—and only three more games remain on the first half program. One Clayton win or one Kenly loss in remaining play will give Clayton first half laurels. In today's game Moore held Kenly to seven hits and the locals got a dozen homers, and Poole hit a homer to feature Clayton's attack. Atkinson featured afield. Evans caught for Kenly; Barnes for Clayton.

PRINCETON ADVANCES.
Princeton, July 12.—Princeton defeated Pine Level, 8-5, here today and replaced Pine Level in fourth place in the standing. Author and Peedin pitched for the locals, giving nine hits. G. Strickland, Peatross and Barnes were reached for 13 hits by Princeton. B. White and Gardner caught for Pine Level; Beale for Princeton.

Author hit a homer and Neil hit a double and two singles to lead Princeton; Barnes, with a double and a single, led Pine Level.

SMITHFIELD DEFEATS SELMA.
Smithfield, July 7.—Smithfield collected 13 hits off Brown and Caraway to defeat Selma 9-8 Friday. The locals held a 9-3 lead at one time. This was the first Smithfield win in nine starts and incidentally the other local wins this season were over Selma.

Jimmie Eason led the Selma attack on Johnson and Ellington. Woodard and Honeycutt led the local attack.

The Score:
R H E.
Selma 021 003 020—8 11 2
Smithfield 212 220 00x—0 13 4
Batteries: Selma: Brown, Caraway and Kemp; Smithfield, Johnson, Ellington and Woodard.

CLAYTON WINS AGAIN.
Behind the air-tight pitching of Wilder, Clayton defeated Kenly Friday by the score of 7-5. Kenly rallied in the latter innings but it was too late.

Baucom and Poole led the Clayton hitting while Evans was best for Kenly.
Batteries: Clayton, Wilder and Barnes; Kenly, E. Pittman, Ballance and Evans.

PRINCETON BEATS PINE LEVEL
In a close nip and tuck battle Princeton defeated Pine Level 10-8 today in ten innings.
R. Oliver led the hitting for Pine Level. M. Toler led Princeton. S. Parker hit a home run.
Batteries: Princeton: Nichols and Brewer; Pine Level: Parrish, Edwards and White.

Mr. J. P. Temple's Sister Dies In Raleigh

Mrs. Rachel Temple Stelle, of Raleigh, widow of the late George Addison Stelle, died early yesterday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry C. Strickland, in Angier. Mrs. Stelle was visiting her daughter when taken ill.

Mrs. Stelle was born and reared near Wake Forest but had lived in Raleigh for nearly 30 years. She was 74 years of age and was a faithful member of the Primitive Baptist church.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. H. Bynum, 404 Elm street, this afternoon at 4 o'clock and Dr. J. Powell Tucker, of the First Baptist church, will officiate in the absence of Mrs. Stelle's pastor.

Surviving are the following children: Mesdames A. H. Bynum, Harvey J. Johnson and R. G. Ball, all of Raleigh; Mrs. James H. Pickard, Huntington Park, Cal.; Mrs. David Santsing, Newport News, Va., and Mrs. Henry C. Strickland, of Angier.

Surviving also are two brothers, J. P. Temple, Selma, and Levi Temple, Lakeview, S. C., and two sisters, Mrs. Rufus Ford, Marion, S. C., and Mrs. John Mason, Hendersonville, N. C.

Mrs. Stelle was a sister of the late Dr. Henry Temple and Joseph Temple, both of Kinston.

MISS MARGARET MOZINGO GUEST OF KIWANIS CLUB

Miss Margaret Mazingo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Mazingo, who has been attending a Presbyterian College in Tennessee, was a special guest of the local Kiwanis Club Thursday night and made a very interesting talk. Miss Mazingo was introduced by the program chairman, Rev. W. J. Crain. She gave an analysis of Johnston county soil and stressed the importance of better training along this line in our local schools. The speaker also stressed the need for greater emphasis being laid upon the guiding of our young people in the various vocations of life. Miss Mazingo made a very favorable impression upon her hearers. Miss Lillian Louise Woodard rendered two vocal numbers, accompanied by Miss Ellen Singleton. J. C. Avery, Jr., gave a report of the engineers' fair held at State College some time ago. Young Avery was appointed as representative from the local high school. Rev. A. T. Lassiter, who is conducting a series of meetings at the Presbyterian church in Selma, was a guest of the club.

Commencement Program by Bible School

The Bible School which has been in progress at the Selma Presbyterian church for the past week and a half, will give a commencement program tomorrow (Friday) night. The public is cordially invited to these exercises and enjoy the program and see some of the work done during the session.

UNION OPEN AIR SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT

The union open air service will be held Sunday night in the grove on the west side of Kiwanis Hall at Community Building. You will enjoy these cool open air services during the summer. Make your plans to attend the church services at the churches in the morning and the open air services in the evening. Comfortable seats for all. Good music, short practical Gospel messages. Service at 8 o'clock in the evening.

NOTICE TO SELMA PEOPLE.

To patrons of Selma post office and especially those who receive mail by village carrier. To comply with the post office department's economy program, whereby carrier has to be furloughed 3 days per month or 9 days per quarter, without pay, it is necessary to discontinue the afternoon delivery of mail on Mondays and Saturdays. This will extend through September 30th.

J. D. MASSEY, Postmaster.

Cotton Essay Contestants



J. W. Stephenson, of Smithfield, director of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association, is shown presenting prizes to the three contestants in the central district essay contest of the cooperative. Reading left to right the contestants are: Miss Eunice Grey Fulghum, of Kenly, who won first prize; Miss Martha Hilliard, of Norlina, second; and Miss Mildred Speight, of Grifton, third. All spoke on "Rural North Carolina's Greatest Need."

Ennis Batten Killed When Hit By Truck

One of Johnston County's Most Prominent and Highly Respected Farmers Meets Sudden Death As Fish Truck Crashes Into Him Near His Home.

Our community was shocked beyond measure when the startling news of the awful accident and killing of our friend and neighbor Mr. B. E. Batten near Selma about 5:30 o'clock on Friday morning, July 7. Mr. Batten and his son, Sanders Batten, had started to Mr. Eldridge Batten's with a mule and trucks to barn tobacco. His two daughters and granddaughter were behind. They were the only eye witnesses to the awful tragedy, the driver and the men with him admitting that they were asleep.

Mr. Batten was 58 years old on May 10, having been a life-long citizen of this community. He was a good citizen, neighbor and a splendid farmer.

The funeral was conducted at the home Saturday afternoon, July 8th, at 3 o'clock, by Rev. Debro Stangil and Rev. Jim Worley, in the presence of a large gathering of sorrow-stricken friends and relatives.

After the funeral, interment was made in the family plot near his home, by the side of his first wife, Mrs. Zilphia Batten, who preceded him to the grave eleven years ago, to await the final judgment.

The floral offerings were beautiful, these bearing the mute testimony to the esteem that he was held in throughout his community and the surrounding sections.

He leaves to mourn their loss a wife and five children as follows: Sanders, Eldridge, George, Ella and Minda Batten, besides a host of relatives and friends.

The sympathy of the community goes out to Mrs. Batten and the children in this sad hour.

CARD OF THANKS.

The undersigned wish to express their heart-felt thanks and appreciation to everybody who rendered service in any way during the awful death and burial of our husband and father, Mr. B. E. Batten who was killed on Highway 22 July 7, at 5:30 a. m.

Too, we had 17 acres of tobacco to house and had started to the work of housing it when he was killed. Of course, everything stopped. So on Monday morning and Tuesday all day our neighbors and friends from near and far came in and helped us barn all the tobacco (about 1700 sticks). We can't thank as we really feel, since words fail to express our gratitude as we feel it toward these good people. May the Lord bless every one hundred fold in this life, and a home in heaven at the end.

—Mrs. B. E. Batten and Children
Selma, N. C., Rfd. 2.

Miss Eunice Fulghum Wins First Prize

Kenly High School Girl Wins \$10 Prize and Right to Enter State Finals by Defeating Two Other Contestants in Central District.

Smithfield, July 12.—Miss Eunice Grey Fulghum, of Kenly High School in Johnston County, won first prize of \$10 and the right to enter the State finals when she defeated two other contestants in the central district essay contest of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association.

Miss Fulghum, who was winner of her school and county contests, will now represent the central district, composed of Wayne, Wilson, Wake, Chatham, Lenoir, Warren, Johnston, Durham and Franklin counties, in the State final contest which will be held in Raleigh July 28th. First prize in the final contest will be a one-year college scholarship.

Second prize of \$7.50 was awarded to Miss Martha Hilliard, of Norlina, who represented Wake, Franklin and Warren counties, and third prize of \$5 went to Miss Mildred Speight, of Grifton High School, representing Wayne, Lenoir and Duplin counties.

M. G. Mann, of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer of the cotton association, who presided over the contest, announced that in the central district every student in the following schools participated in the contest this year: Bunn, Edward Bet; Kenly, Pink Hill, Brogden and Eureka. Mr. Mann also touched upon the American Institute of Cooperation, to meet in Raleigh July 24-28, and issued an invitation for those present to attend.

Delivering the prizes, J. W. Stephenson, of Smithfield, director of the cotton association, told of the "great educational work the essay contest is doing" and declared the hope of a new day for agriculture rests with the boys and girls of today. "And these boys and girls are learning how to be better farmers and better citizens through the essay contest," he said, pointing out that more than 4,000 participated in the contest this year.

In her prize-winning essay Miss Fulghum termed "Cooperation" the State's greatest need and called upon farmers to cooperate not only in marketing and purchasing but also in production.

FISH FRY TUESDAY EVENING

Circle "C" of the Methodist church will serve a Fish Fry on Tuesday evening, July 18, at the stand formerly occupied by the Home Pride Tea Co. Come out and enjoy a real good fish supper.

Cotton Reduction Drive Is Successful

Meetings Planned For Sales Tax Discussion

First Meeting To Be Held At Court House In Smithfield To-night (Thursday, July 13th) at 8 o'clock To Explain Workings of Sales Tax To Merchants.

A series of meetings has been arranged by the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce of merchants throughout Eastern Carolina to hear the working of the sales tax explained. Hon. Harry McMullen, the Director of the sales tax division has arranged to attend these meetings of merchants and explain to them just how the sales tax will work.

The first of these meetings will be held at Smithfield, Thursday night of this week, July 13th, at 8 o'clock at the Court House. All merchants in Johnston County and the surrounding counties are especially urged to attend this meeting at Smithfield. The Revenue Department at Raleigh is very anxious that the merchants become familiar with just how this tax will be collected.

The second meeting of this kind will be held at Kinston, Friday night of this week, July 14th, at 8 o'clock at the Court House. The merchants in Kinston and surrounding territory are expected to attend this meeting. President Guy Elliott of Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce will preside over the meeting at Kinston and Secretary N. G. Bartlett will have charge of the meeting at Smithfield. Much interest is being manifested in the new sales tax and it is very likely that these meetings will be well attended.

Mr. Doug. Driver Seriously Ill.

The many friends of Mr. Douglas Driver will regret to learn that he is seriously ill at his home in Smithfield. On last Saturday Mr. Driver suffered a nervous breakdown and was in an unconscious condition until Monday. He is a son of Mr. A. V. Driver, of Selma, and is manager of the Smithfield Dry Cleaning Company and very popular with a large circle of friends.

Sunday School Class Elects Officers.

The Alma Edgerton Bible Class of the Methodist Sunday School on last Sunday morning elected the following officers for the ensuing six months:

President, R. E. Suber; Vice-President, C. L. Duggins; Secretary, Herbert Ward; Assistant Secretary, Robert Jeffreys; Treasurer, Joe Morgan; Teacher, Eli Taylor; Assistant Teachers, William I. Godwin and J. C. Diehl. This class was named in honor of Mrs. Alma Edgerton, of Raleigh, who was its efficient teacher for a number of years.

Selma Baptist Picnic.

The Selma Baptist Sunday school will hold their annual picnic at Pullen Park, Raleigh, N. C., on next Thursday, July 20. An attractive program has been arranged which will interest every one from the youngest to the oldest member of the church and Sunday school. Special attractions for the children will be swimming, hobby-horse riding, viewing the wild animals, birds, etc. Dinner will be served about 12:30. Ice cold lemonade will be served free to all. Short talks will be made at the dinner hour. Rev. F. C. Feezor, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church, will be the principal speaker. All are asked to take well filled baskets. Transportation will be provided for all who do not have a way to go. It is hoped that every member of the Sunday school will plan to go and enjoy this annual feast and outing. All are requested to meet at the church at 9 or 9:30 A. M. Let us make it a day of wholesome recreation for all.

Where To Leave Vegetables.

If those who will contribute vegetable for canning will leave same at Etheredge & O'Neal's store between now and next Tuesday same will be called for. These are being canned for the benefit of the relief of Selma Township.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ray and Miss Frances Ray, of Sanford, spent the week end at Morehead City.

Canvassing Comes to Close, With Wallace Optimistic Over Late Returns—Reduction May Exceed Hopes—Possible That 4,000,000 Bales Will Be Taken Out of Production.

Washington, July 12.—The campaign to reduce cotton acreage this year in 16 states was brought to a close at midnight, with the first major acreage control effort of farm administration described as a success.

Secretary Wallace said that in his opinion, when all returns have been received, "it will be shown that the South has made one of the greatest demonstrations of intelligent and unified action in the history of American agriculture."

Official figures showing the acreage offered to date were not available, but it was said unofficially that the aggregate offer of farmers might greatly exceed their original goal of ten to eleven million acres.

However, the administrators are less interested in acreage than in the assurance that the acres to be plowed up will substantially reduce this year's potential crop.

Administrators were confident that the crop would be reduced 3,000,000 bales, with some prospect that the figure might be closer to 4,000,000 bales.

It was said that the 2,400,000 bales of government-held cotton used as options for the plan might all be required to meet contracts signed by growers.

Growers were offered alternative plans, one under which they would be paid cash for plowing up from 25 to 50 per cent of their crop, with payments to be based upon estimated yields; the other a combination of smaller cash payments, options on an amount of government cotton equal to the estimated production of the area they agreed to destroy. These options were offered on the basis of six cents a pound.

About 60 per cent of the growers have favored the combination plan and if these exhausted the amount of government-held cotton, the production of the acres they agreed to plow up, together with the 40 per cent not covered by options, would bring the reduction of the potential crop to about 4,000,000 bales.

Wallace said "the latest reports from the cotton belt indicate that the campaign for the acreage reduction is moving rapidly, and apparently successfully, to a conclusion. "We will not know the final outcome until the result of these concluding days' efforts have been received and compiled.

"It is my own belief, however, that when all the returns have been received, it will be shown that the South has made one of the greatest demonstrations of intelligent and unified action in the history of American agriculture.

Seen Along The MAIN DRAG

YANNIGAN TAM CORBETT left the Maindrag for a few days this week—for a business (?) trip to Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and other northern points—JIT YOUNGER says he had a great time at the World's Fair—he saw a game on July 6 between the all stars, attended by 60,000 fans—he brought home with him as a souvenir a ball knocked into the grandstand, said he didn't know whether it came from Babe Ruth's bat or not—"Why are you limping?" asked Mr. TALTON, the barber, of STAR HARPER when he entered his barber shop Monday morning—"Why, I've been to a Democratic Convention" replied STAR—ROBERT TYNER climbed on the tip top of the tower on the Municipal building Tuesday and installed a big electric light, which can be seen for miles—wonder if that isn't about as high as he will ever get—New faces were seen at the ball park yesterday, EDITOR STANCIL, of the Johnstonian-Sun, JUDGE BROOKS and the clever manager of HUDSON-BELK, of Smithfield—ARMY MITCHNER always takes a chair along—too big to stand all through the game, besides he says he can "root" better sitting—that fellow "ESSO" DEAN is some "rooter"—wish we had more like him—let's all go to Clayton Friday and pull for the Creechites.