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5,000 Soldiers Are Coming to Selma 29th

Street Commissioner E. J. Sasser Busy Supervising the Work of Preparing Selma's Airport For the Thousands of Soldiers Expected Here the Latter Part of September.

Col. Craig, of the United States Army, who was in Selma Sunday, announced that an Advance Guard of about 500 men will arrive about September 27th to make preparations for the 5,000 to 7,000 soldiers due to arrive on the afternoon of September 29th. They are expected to spend about two days here, but other troops will be arriving from time to time, Col. Craig stated.

The Colonel was well pleased with the site, stating that it was one of the best locations he had inspected. Mayor B. A. Henry says the field at the airport is being put in first class condition for the soldiers, which is one of the requirements asked by Col. Craig. Street Commissioner E. J. Sasser is supervising the job.

Water will be furnished the camp by the Wood Grocery Company free of charge.

Selma Kiwanians Go To Carolinas Convention

Rev. D. M. Clemmons, president of the Selma Kiwanis club; O. A. Tuttle, Lieutenant Governor Fourth Division of Carolinas Kiwanis District, and M. L. Stancell, publicity chairman of the local club, returned Tuesday afternoon from Myrtle Beach, S. C., where they attended the annual convention of the Carolinas District of Kiwanis International held at Myrtle Beach September 7th through the 9th.

This was one of the best conventions ever held in the district, the annual report having shown that Kiwanis made substantial gains in all departments during the past year.

Selma was among the few clubs in the district which received special mention for the unusual amount of publicity given Kiwanis activities through the press during the year, especially through the columns of the local paper.

The district convention for 1942 will be held at Pinehurst.

During the closing hours of the convention J. Marvon Saunders of Chapel Hill, N. C., was elected district governor. Saunders, executive secretary of the University of North Carolina Alumni Association, succeeds Ray Albert Furr of Rocky Hill, S. C. Lieutenant governors were elected as follows: Hugh Beam, Marion, N. C.; F. V. Fields, Mooresville; Marion Allen, Elkin; D. B. Teague, Sanford; W. Ernest Thompson, Graham; William J. Norwood, Roanoke Rapids; Aaron Goldberg, Wilmington; Jeff Bates, Columbia, S. C.; and Harry M. Daniels, Greer, S. C.

Herbert W. Henning of Darlington, who was reappointed secretary-treasurer, announced that the registration for the three-day convention was 485.

Cotton Growers Cooperative Ass'n Makes Appointments

Announcement has been made by the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association of the appointment of ten official warehouses and receiving agents in Johnston county.

The Cotton Association is prepared to bring farmers the full benefits of the government loan and in addition is prepared to make its own advance on cotton. The Government Loan in this county is 15.24 cents per pound, basis middling 15-16.

Warehouses and receiving agents of the Association in this county include:

Cotton Growers Cooperative Warehouse, Smithfield; Benson Cotton Warehouse, Benson; M. C. Hooks, Clayton; N. O. Wilder, Emit; J. A. Barbour, Four Oaks; L. G. Pope, Kenly; Dr. M. Hinnant, Micro; Dewey C. Taylor, Pine Level; L. D. Mitchell, Princeton; J. J. Sanders, Sanders Gin, Smithfield.

CLIMATE MAKERS

The Department of Agriculture explains how air conditions and other environmental factors can be made to vary as they do on ordinary days during a growing season. Special apparatus controls the temperature, humidity, and flow of air in each chamber. Soil temperature, moisture content, and nutritional value are under control. Varying lengths of day and different light intensities simulating cloudy or clear weather can be provided. Recording devices trace an accurate, continuous account of the manufactured weather and soil conditions inside the chambers.

MARKET SEEKING TO KEEP BUYERS

Smithfield, Sept. 8.—The Smithfield tobacco market has carried its fight for two sets of buyers to Superior Court and obtained from Judge W. C. Harris of Raleigh an order temporarily restraining the major companies from withdrawing any of their buyers from the local market.

Just before the start of the season two weeks ago, it was announced that the market here was being granted a second set of buyers for a limited period of two weeks. During the two weeks' period, tobacco has flooded the market here and sales have far more than doubled last year's sales for the first two weeks.

With this additional evidence of Smithfield's claim, the warehousemen last week renewed their efforts to maintain two sets of buyers permanently. When they failed they decided to resort to court action.

The restraining suit was brought by R. A. Pearce, F. L. Skinner, and O. L. Boyette, trading as Gold Leaf warehouses Nos. 1 and 2; H. B. Wallace, trading as Wallace warehouses Nos. 1 and 2; and N. L. Perkins, trading as Dixie Warehouse. The law firm of Abell and Shepard are appearing for the tobaccoconsists.

Defendants are Imperial Tobacco Company of Great Britain and Ireland, Export Leaf Tobacco Company, J. P. Taylor Tobacco Company, American Suppliers, Inc., R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company and Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company.

In their complaint, the warehousemen allege that all defendants except the Imperial Company have been willing for some time to provide two sets of buyers for Smithfield and that the Imperial announced it would remove one of its buyers from Smithfield at the close of the market today and that therefore the plaintiffs had reason to believe that the other defendants would do likewise.

Such action on the part of the defendants acting in concert, the complaint alleges "is an unlawful combination in restraint of trade and commerce in the State of North Carolina."

Defendants were ordered to appear before the Judge presiding at the September term of Johnston County Superior Court at 2 p. m., Monday, Sept. 22, and show cause why the temporary injunction should not be made permanent of continued to final hearing.

Judge John J. Burney of Wilmington is scheduled to preside over the September term.

Northwest Areas Have Snowstorm

Denver, Sept. 8.—A Chicago hiker collapsed from exhaustion and barely escaped with his life in the mountain West's earliest widespread snowstorm on record, which raged down the Rockies today from Montana to southern Colorado.

(Yesterday was a sizzler in North Carolina, with Raleigh's maximum temperature reported at 99 degrees.)

A Chicago capitalist's daughter and two companions were marooned nearly 24 hours in a blizzard-stalled truck in Montana until ski-equipped rescuers reached them.

Two fishermen, marooned overnight in Forest Canon in Rock Mountain National Park, whittled wet sticks until they managed to build a fire that saved them from freezing. No deaths were reported.

Whipped by strong winds, the snow piled into drifts five feet deep on the Trail Bridge Road in Rocky Mountain Park. Temperatures fell far below freezing at high elevations.

The temperature atop Pike's Peak was nine degrees above zero. The Pike's Peak Highway was closed by snow.

Prominent Princeton Man Died Monday

L. D. Grantham, Sr., 66, of Princeton, died Monday noon at his home here following an illness of about 2 years. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Eunice Grantham; three sons, Lawrence and Henry of Philadelphia and Luther D., Jr., of Mount Olive; three daughters, Mrs. R. T. Boykin of Wendell, Mrs. Bailey Perry and Mrs. L. H. Teachey of Wilson, and 13 grand children.

Funeral services were held at the home at 5 o'clock, Daylight Saving Time. Burial followed in Riverside Cemetery in Smithfield Tuesday. Mr. Grantham was one of Princeton's most prominent citizens and was rural carrier from this Post Office for 30 years.

HOT DAYS BOOST COTTON OUTLOOK

Raleigh, Sept. 9.—Cotton farmers throughout North Carolina were cheered yesterday by a report of the State Department of Agriculture indicating their 1941 crop "will be approximately 4 per cent larger than indicated earlier, resulting chiefly from favorable weather during August."

"Hot and dry weather that left Tar Heels sweating and complaining about general weather conditions last month brought cotton growers prospects of an additional \$2,000,000 return on their investment, based on mid-August price quotations," T. L. Stuart, assistant statistician, said on the basis of the September 1 cotton summary issued by the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service.

Farmers indicated on September 1 that they expected a 1941 cotton crop of 516,000 bales, 30 per cent under last season and 18 per cent below the State's 10-year (1930-1939) average, despite the indicated increase in production of four per cent compared with prospects a month ago.

"The yield per acre is now indicated at 315 pounds, a reduction of 26 per cent compared with the all-time record set last year, but 10 per cent above the past 10-year average," Stuart said.

"The acreage for harvest is now placed at 788,000, the lowest since 1878 with the exception of 1939. Abandonment of acreage has been unusually heavy in the Piedmont this season due to excessive grassiness, brought about by heavy July rains. In the Coastal Plain abandonment of acreage has been lighter than average although heavier than last year."

"August weather was generally favorable for cotton development. Hot and dry conditions checked boll weevil activity and it now appears that total damage from this pest will be less than was earlier expected. Damage from weevils earlier in the season was particularly heavy in the southwestern part of the State. The Piedmont crop is considerably later than usual with the final yield still somewhat uncertain."

A United States crop of 10,710,000 bales was reported by the Agricultural Marketing Service, showing a decline of 15 per cent from last year and 19 per cent from the 10-year production. Conditions during August were reported "improved" in Texas, Oklahoma and North Carolina, but declined in practically all other major producing States.

The total United States indicated production was indicated to be one percent less than August 1 estimate.

Clinton Man Is Held As Death Car Driver

Carl Simmons, 25, of Clinton, driver of the automobile which had the collision with a motorcycle, causing the death of Richard Morris Upchurch, 18, of Apex, on August 30, was tried in Recorder's Court Tuesday morning and, probable cause being found, was placed under \$1,500 bond for his appearance at Superior Court under a charge of manslaughter.

Simmons had been in Johnston County jail since the accident until Tuesday, after which Henry Vann of Clinton posted bond for him.

Upchurch and J. B. Regan of New Hill were on a motorcycle going to White Lake when the accident occurred around 11 o'clock Saturday night at the intersection of Highways 70 and 40 just east of Clayton. The car was said to have been entering the highway from a filling station as the motorcycle came along and caught it head-on. Upchurch sustained a broken leg, broken neck and skull fracture. He was rushed to Rex Hospital and died around 12:30. The warrant alleged that he is permanently injured.

Clayton Boy, 17 Dies Of Accident Injuries

Wilson, Sept. 8.—William Moser, 17-year-old Clayton youth, died in a local hospital yesterday from injuries sustained in an automobile wreck here last Friday night when cars driven by William Wilkins, 16 of Clayton, and Carl Quinn, prominent local man, collided at the intersection of Tarboro Street and Seven Hills Road.

Moser was the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Moser of Clayton. Chief of Police C. P. Hocutt said here today that both Wilkins and Quinn would be charged with reckless driving in the case. Wilkins and Miss Dorothy Mitchell, 17, of Clayton, were both injured, but not critically. The two cars were demolished.

Brief funeral services for young Moser will be held at the home in Clayton Tuesday at noon and will be conducted at the graveside at 3 p. m. at Oxford. Surviving are his parents, four brothers and two sisters.

The Navy is considering plans which may lead to the adoption of bales of cotton as protection for warships against torpedoes.

Filling Station Operator Held Up Robbed And Shot By Negroes

REVEL HELD ON CHARGE RECEIVING STOLEN CATTLE

J. H. Revel of Raleigh was ordered bound over to Superior court under a \$500 bond after probable cause was found against him in recorder's court Wednesday on a charge of receiving stolen cattle. W.S. Murchison and L. S. Hall, Raleigh men who faced similar charges were acquitted.

Evidence tended to show that Revel, an employee of Murchison and Hall, proprietors of Southern Packers, had purchased cows which Walter Edmondson, alias W. R. Johnson of Wayne county had stolen from Norman Edgerton and W. C. Daniels of Beulah township; and that Revel had known, or at least suspected them to be stolen.

Johnston County Fair Week Of October 20th

Plans are going forward for Johnston county's annual fair to be held at the Legion fair-ground October 20-26. "It will be bigger and better than any held yet," Dr. J. W. Whitehead, secretary-treasurer of the fair organization announced this week.

Featured in the celebration this year will be the Penn Premier Shows, widely known in fair circuits.

Premium books are being completed, Dr. Whitehead said, and will soon be ready for distribution throughout the county. Around \$600 to \$700 worth of prizes will be given away at the fair.

Farmers in the county will learn details about the different types of fair exhibits when the premium books are issued.

William A. Starling Died Suddenly Monday Morning

William Ayden Starling, 67, one of Johnston County's leading farmers died suddenly Monday morning at 10:15 o'clock in his back house near the home, of a heart attack.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, E. S. T., from Pleasant Plain Church. Interment took place in Batten Cemetery at Call's Crossroads.

Surviving are two sons, Jasper Starling of Selma, Route 1, and Arthur Starling of Washington, N. C. three daughters, Misses Mary Jane and Elizabeth Starling of Selma, Route 1; and Mrs. A. C. Vann of Selma.

Women Get Praise For Sewing Project

Smithfield, Sept. 9.—Mrs. E. L. McDonald and Mrs. B. L. Owen of Smithfield have done outstanding work on the Red Cross layettes, having made 100 garments each, according to a report from Mrs. The Hooks, production chairman of the Johnston County chapter.

Despite the faithful work of these and other women and of Mrs. Hooks herself, the first shipment had to be postponed. All of the garments have not yet been turned in, and, besides, there is still some work to be done on baby quilts. Mrs. Hooks is anxious for the layettes to be completed as soon as possible and requests that cutters and sewers meet her at the Red Cross sewing room at the Legion Hut on Thursday from 10 a. m. until 5 p. m. If the women prefer, they may go and get the work and take it home with them for completion.

Four Oaks Man Hurt As Two Cars Collide

James C. Allen, Four Oaks, Route 3, was taken to Rex Hospital Saturday night with a broken knee cap and other injuries received in an automobile collision with a car of Fort Bragg soldiers on Highway 301, three miles north of Four Oaks.

None of the soldiers was seriously injured, though Robert Matthews of the Cleveland section of this county was knocked unconscious but regained consciousness on the way to the Johnston County Hospital, where he and others received first aid for minor injuries. In the car with Woodrow Little, the driver, besides Matthews, were L. E. Adams, Jr., Dan Smith and Wilson Buskirk from Fort Bragg. Allen was alone.

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Negroes Hold Up Young Edesell Crumpler, Rob and Shoot Him—One of Assailants Was Shot Before Escaping In Car Having Connecticut License Plates.

OFFICERS CHASE NEGROES TO WILSON

Edesell Crumpler, 19, was held up by Negroes at Crumpler's Filling Station, three miles north of Selma on Highway 301, about 9:30 o'clock Wednesday morning and shot in the arm.

The Negroes, three men and a woman, stopped at the station and asked for 10 gallons of gas. After inquiring the price, one of the men ran his hand in his pocket as if for the money, but drew out a .22 automatic gun instead and ordered Crumpler, who was alone, inside the station and asked where his money was.

Johnston Boy Writes Of Wildlife Project

Franklin Batten of the Micro 4-H Club and Doris Braswell of the Pine Level 4-H club were the winners of the Johnston County wildlife project contest, it is announced by C. C. Clark, Jr., assistant farm agent in Johnston county. They received a trip to the State 4-H Wildlife Conference at Camp Millstone.

In describing his 4-H Wildlife project, Franklin Batten wrote the following under the title: "My Contribution to the Wildlife Conservation Program."

"Since the cave man began to kill wildlife and eat the raw meat for food, wildlife has been an important factor in every man's life; but now wildlife is getting very scarce. Thus it has to be preserved. This is the major purpose of the Wildlife Conservation Program. I am proud to be a contributor to a program that's purpose is to protect nature and the natural things of life. During my four months of actual protection of wildlife, I have contributed very much of which I am now proud and do not regret. I have long had a desire to conserve and protect the wildlife on my farm and now I have finally succeeded.

"In four months I sowed three well-located and good-sized food patches for game to feed on this winter. I also got my father to leave small strips of lespedeza, soybeans, wheat, etc., around the field borders adjacent to the woods. I built bird boxes enough to allow twenty pairs of adults to nest, but I only got sixteen nests of birds in these boxes for the required four months. I posted my land with wildlife posters and fixed the cardboard poster so as to be exempt from rain touching the cardboard and soiling it. This required much time and labor because I put them on the farm at every angle from my home. I reduced the number of cats and dogs on the farm. I spent numerous hours collecting insects and leaves and mounting them. I let the ditch bank weeds and briars grow up and I can truthfully say that our weeds are much thicker now than when we first posted the land.

"Besides labor, I spent money buying lespedeza, soybeans, cane, wheat, peas and other seeds that went with my mixture for sowing the food patches. I spent money buying timber to place the posted land signs and to make them water-proof.

"I have done everything I could to increase and protect the game on the farm in the last four months. I also aided in making squirrel dens. As a result I see more game on our farm than there has been in approximately ten or eleven years. Since taking wildlife for a project I can truthfully say that I have learned to like wildlife more by protecting it and I have learned to appreciate the essence of wildlife more."

Merit Examinations To Be Held Soon

Anyone interested in trying for a state or county job through the Merit System, should contact County Welfare Supervisor W. T. Woodard, Jr., Smithfield, N. C., or write to Dr. Frank T. De Vyver, Merit System Supervisor, Box 2328, Durham, N. C.

The time limit for filing applications for taking these examinations is September 15, 1941.

There are many clerkships, stenographers bookkeepers and machine operators to be filled through this system of hiring helpers, with salaries ranging all the way from a few hundred dollars a year to as high as \$1,500.00 a year. Mr. Woodard at Smithfield will be glad to give full information about the Merit System examinations.

Seen and Heard Along THE MAINDRAG

By H. H. L.

But for a "strike" in the last box, made by DAVID BALL, MRS. MAGGIE CHAMBLEE would have carried off the honors in a bowling contest last night at Holt Lake—DAVID defeated MAGGIE by only a few points

—MRS. BALL took MAGGIE'S husband in tow, defeating him in two games by only ONE point in each—but it takes PARSON CLEMMONS to lick the whole bunch—just before the games last night DAN JONES, the clever manager of this famous bathing, fishing, and boating resort, "set up" the crowd to some of the best bass you ever ate—the fish, DAN said, were caught around five o'clock and were on the platter red hot at seven—it was a race between EUKIE and MAGGIE which could dispose of the most—the men folk just looked (?) on and enjoyed the race—MAGGIE having the advantage of EUKIE in avoidance of the Maindrag—MR. HICKS, who hails from the Corbett-Hatcher section, has accepted a position with FLOYD C. PRICE & SON as salesman and field representative—the Editor of this paper and PARSON CLEMMONS left the Maindrag last Sunday afternoon for Myrtle Beach, S. C., as delegates from the local Kiwanis Club to the District Convention, which convened in that famous resort Sunday, lasting through Tuesday noon—"we have reached an agreement among ourselves," the REVEREND told us just before pulling out, "that we will not tell on each other"—LIEUT.-GOV. TUTTLE had to be on the job early Sunday morning, so he left Saturday night—the party returned Tuesday evening after having had a wonderful time—the popular manager of the Dunn Furniture Company, TALMAGE CORBETT is a proud "papa" today—when asked, "what is it?" TAM replied, "why, he's a girl"—HAROLD HALE writes the Maindrag scribe that he is now working in the Government Printing Office in Washington—"but I'd rather be back with WALT GODWIN", he says.