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Johnston County To Rent Own Textbooks

Johnston County First To Withdraw From State Set-up And Resume Its Own System of Renting School Textbooks-County Had Been Trying For Two Years To Get Out of The State System.

The State Textbook Commission and the Johnston County Board of Education settled their differences on the rental textbook question Wednesday, and the county was permitted to withdraw from the State set-up to resume its own system of renting school textbooks.

Settlement came after Johnston County paid \$6,005, which the commission said the county owed on backs for side that the county of the county o books furnished for its rental system. Johnston County had been trying for two years to get out of the State system, claiming it could rent books to pupils more cheaply than the State could. The 1941 legislature enacted a bill permitting withdrawal of any county, and Johnston became the first

"SWING OUT" AT 8:13 TONIGHT AT SCHOOL HOUSE

Home Talent Play With Interesting Musical Comedy Will Offer Evening of Fun And Fine Entertainment.

"SWING OUT," the scintillating nusical comedy, sponsored by the Selma Kiwanis Club, will be presented at the Selma high school auditorium tonight (Thursday) at 8:13.

Matinee this afternoon at 1:30. "Swing Out" is a story built around the Kissler family. T. J. Kissler, played by E. C. Perry, is a satisfied business man who has invented 'Kant Kum Off Kissable Lipstick.' Mrs. is a good soul but a little slow on the uptake

John Arthurs, Bill Thad Woodard, runs the Arthurs Advertising Agencv. and handles Mr. Kissler's advertising. Betty Kissler, played by Miss Naomi Smith, is just home from college and has definite ideas as to whom she wants to marry. Rita Phillips, interpreted by Mrs. Jimmie Woodard. is an attractive widow, and isn't above making eyes at any attractive.

Patsy Miller, Mrs. Bill Woodard, is a neighbor of the Kisslers and is a lisping scatterbrain. Perkins, the butler, played by A. K. Eason, and what a butler he is! Gus Nelson is a theatrical agent and the part is played by Mr. McGee of the local school faculty. Pierre Gaston, a Frenchman, is a lady killer, and has the adoration of every one, except Mr. Kissler. The part is played by Jimmie Woodard. One of the outstanding features of

the play will be the French Maid Chorus. These girls, dressed as little French maids, unite to form an exceptional chorus number.

Several special selections will be rendered. The entire program is found elsewhere in this issue of The John-

stonian-Sun. The baby contest winners will be announced tonight.

Rationing of Sugar Planned To Begin Soon

Washington, Jan. 24.—Government rationing of sugar, will begin early

to about a pound a week. Announcing the program, Price Administrator Leon Henderson said it was proposed, too, to recover excess stocks from persons who have hoard-

sumption of about 1 1-2 pounds per

shortage of about one-third in the and W. C. Bowen of Smithfield, resugar supply, and that this, rather cently named chairman of training strenuously during the past few days. than hoarding, necessitated this first and leadership for the council. foodstuff rationing of this war.

Rationing books have been designed and printing of them will begin at an early date.

COTTON MARKET

narket report as furnished by the awaited them on the continent. arm of Floyd C. Price & Son of Sel-

Strict Middling Middling Strict Low Bright 19 1-2c Strict Low Dark 19 1-4

Daylight Saving Time Begins February 9

The nation will start get-ting adjusted to a system of of daylight saving time in less than two weeks. Easterners who only a few months ago scratched their heads, ran their clocks up an hour as a means of conserving electrical power will join the rest of the nation in doing the same thing over again February 9th when the daylight saving scheme goes into effect.

The national daylight saving bill, signed by President Roosevelt, is directed towards conserving electric power and generally increasing the efficiency of the war effort. The "fast time" schedule will remain in effect for the duration of the war and for not more than six months thereafter, provided Congress does not nullify it in the interim.

The law provides specifically that clocks governing interstate transportation and allfederal activities must be moved ahead by one hour. Thus, when railroads, bus lines and interstate trucking lines begin observing the new schedule, other industries-whether or not they are mentioned in the law—must gear themselves accordingly.

Prominent Free Will Minister Dies At 92

Dunn.—Funeral services for the stood there pulling at the stub ends Rev. Hannibal W. Jernigan, 92-year of their favorite neckwear.

ter, is definitely a social climber and her whole life revolves around mak-At last reports the Johnston on the home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunity to win one of Mr. Ball's dollar home on Dunn, Route Five, were contunit from the Stoney Run Church. The Rev. J. A. Blalock, conference moder
Rev. J. A. Blalock, conference moderchurch cemetery.

The deceased retired from business which were barely audible. and stanted preaching when he was in the conference, including Stoney moderator of the Cape Fear Association for 20 years.

In 1938 he received nation-wide publicity when his daughter, grandgraduated in the same class at the Dunn High School.

Leslie Hudson, Mrs. George W. Jernigan, Miss Evelyn Jernigan and Miss brother, R. J. Jernigan of Dunn, Rt. 5; and two sisters, Mrs. B. H. Jernigan of Dunn, Route 4, and Mrs. Ellen Jernigan of Godwin, Route 1.

Johnston Scouts Hold

The Boy Scouts' Court of Honor next month, with each person limited for the Johnston district was held at the Legion Hut in Smithfield Monday evening, with 85 scouts present from five different troops in the county. Smithfield troop, No. 21, was winner in total number of points scored in the various contests, but Clayton The prospective allowance of one was far in advance in number of pound per person a week compares scouts receiving merit badges and son Friday from their summer home with average per capita home con- advancement certificates. Judges were at Little Switzerland. C. H. Westin of Goldsboro, Tuscarora Council executive; the Rev. J. T. Henderson said there was an actual Green, scout master at Four Oaks; tion the night before because he felt

"Hearty Welcome"

Berlin, (From German Broadcasts.) Jan. 28.—A Berlin broadcast said today that any American soldier who lief committees in Johnston County reached Northern Ireland "rearing are requested to send all contributions for action" against the Reich could be they have on hand to the County assured that a "hearty welcome" Treasurer, Hugh M. Austin, Smith-The following is today's cotton assured that a "hearty welcome"

The broadcast said the arrival of Send all you have on hand whether the troops in Northern Ireland was you are through canvassing or not, as not unexpected because American we are very anxious to know the extechnicians had been there preparing act amount raised up to that time. bases since before the United States

The Selma Kiwanis club was the scene of an unusual program on last Thursday evening, put on by Program Chairman David S. Ball. Mr. Ball anounced he was going to give a quiz program, but that only two persons ELLIS HAD LONG would be in it. Names were written down and the first two drawn were Solicitor W. I. Godwin and Mayor B. A. Henry, who were asked to stand n full view of the audience. Mr. Ball then explained that he would give \$1 each for all correct answers and that for failure to answer correctly any question would mean the one being questioned would have to pay 50c. penalty, the money to go into the Kiwanis fund for the underprivileged children of the community. Pulling a roll of bills from his pocket, Mr. Ball said the money would be deposited in advance, but both Mayor Henry and Solicitor Godwin explained that they didn't have 50 cents. To this Mr. Ball replied that each would have to pawn something worth at least \$1. He examined their neckties and was assured that each of them were wearing \$1 ties, therefore he was ready to proceed. Mr. Godwin was given the first question but failed to give the answer. It was passed on to Mayor Henry and he, too, failed to give the correct answer. Turning to Bill Godwin he pulled his beautifur necktie through his fingers and placed a keen-edged pocket knife under the center preparatory to cutting it in half. Bill inquired in a rather startled tone, "you don't mean you're going to cut my tie!" Mr. Ball reminded him that since it was a \$1 tie, half of it belonged to him, and intwo it went. The Solicitor's countenance bespoke his utter astonishment as a roar of laughter went up from the members. Turning to Mayor Henry, who was wearing a brand-new tie for the first time, Mr. Ball repeated the same operation on the Mayor's tie that he had just performed on the one Mr. Godwin was wearing. Mayor Henry was equally astounded as he saw his nice tie fall in half before that razor-like knife blade in the hands of Mr. Ball The audience work wild with the served 30 police dragged the lake for a while sunday morning, but recovered no body. A more thorough investigation of the disappearance is expected if the missing man does not show up weeks, helping around before he within a few days.

Selma, as reported in these columns last week, was \$352.74.

Will this good town let the faculty and students of her school raise more money than the citizenship of the enwithin a few days. Ball. The audience went wild with laughter and applause as the two men

W. B. Strickland, the Rev. E. A. Kil-the questions given them. While the lette and the Rev. J. Edward Johnson audience realed with laughter, the officiated. Burial took place in the two stood there with the dry grins and uttering half-muffled chuckles

Then Mr. Ball announced that he 50 years of age. He was the oldest would introduce the main speaker of minister in the Cape Fear Conference the evening, who, he said, was one of tion. During the past 40 years he had who had held practically every office Run, Wood's Grove, Hodge's Chapel, about to name his man, the Rev. D. Benson, and Collier's Chapel. He was M. Clemmons and Raleigh Griffin both came to their feet, declaring they had an important message to present to the club, each declaring he had the floor, and failing to quell the daughter and great-granddaughter all argument between the two, Mr. Ball took his seat and waited for them to argue out the questions as to who Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Etta had the floor, and then each began Wheeler Jernigan; four sons, E. H., his speech. The parson's voice being R. B., W. H., and H. W. Jernigan, Jr., a little more powerful than that of all of Dunn; and four daughters, Mrs. the banker, he got in the first paragraph of his speech, but the instant he stopped to catch his breath, Ral-Vera Jernigan, also of Dunn; one eigh broke in with still greater effort. and thus the show went on for several minutes, each following an entirely different line of thought. It was soon over and all declared the program one of the best ever witnessed, so far as humor goes.

Court of Honor Meet Justice of State Supreme Court Died Tuesday

Hariot Clarkson, 78, an Associate Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, died Tuesday at the nome of his son, Francis O. Clarkson. He was taken ill shortly after his arrival in Charlotte with Mrs. Clark-

Death was attributed to heart trouble. He had declined a dinner invitahe had been exerting himself too

NOTICE TO RED CROSS WORKERS

All chairmen of Red Cross War Refield, by noon Saturday of this week.

This is very important. E. S. STEVENS, Chairman

Selma Kiwanians Enjoy An Unusual Program Selma School Raises More Than \$300 For Red Cross War Relief

CRIMINAL RECORD

ew Jersey Youth Charged With Murder of Smithfield Woman Had Been Arrested 31 Times.

Joseph James Ellis, New Jersey youth who bludgeoned Mrs. Bessie Brewer, Salvation Army home manager, to death January 18, at the Army Headquarters Home in Smithfield proved to have had a long criminal record before reaching Smithfield. Chief of Police J. A. Massey has received from FBI headquarters a transcript of Ellis' record, along with confirmation of the murderer's fingerprints which Massey had sent to be

The two-page record tells a story of a boy who started out wrong at

checked.

hands of juvenile authorities numer-ous times, chiefly for running away died and been buried. from home and stealing from his parents. He had served time in the Jerinto petty larceny and embezzlement, and was arrested six times within the next two years.

He came down to Raleigh in 1938, ceny. After his release, he was arresteration on the Mayor's tie that he ginia, and Louisiana. He served 30 police dragged the lake for a while Served 30 police dragged 30 police

> knocked Mrs. Brewer in the head with a hammer, stole her money, and went to Raleigh in her car.

ator, the Rev. C. S. Johnson, the Rev. for their failure to answer correctly ation with the Red Cross and other campaign must be brought to an imtheir material for donation to the Austin by Saturday night, January 31.

received will be donated to the Red \$155.52.

Places designated for different sections to collect their scrap material are as follows:

Archer Lodge-At school grounds. Benson-At school grounds. Bentonville-At G. W. Flowers'

Boon Hill—At Princeton school, and Brogden school. Clayton-Vacant lot near Clayton

Corbett-Hather — School grounds. Corinth-Holder-School yard. Elevation-Langdon's store. Emit-Wilder's store.

Four Oaks - Blackman's Cross Roads and at Four Oaks school. Glendale-At school yard. Kenly-Vacant lot near water tank Meadow-At school yard.

Micro-At school yard. Pine Level-Beside railroad near Oliver's store.

Pleasant Grove - At community building, and McGee's Cross Roads. Rehobeth—Chester Barbour's store. Selma—At school yard. Smithfield-Vacant lot next to post

Stancil's Chapel-At school yard. Wilson Mills-At school yard.

Called To Rocky Mt. On Account of Illness GETS LETTER FROM

Mr. L. E. Smith, who holds a responsible position with the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, was called to his home in Rocky Mount last night on account of the illness of his twelve-year-old son, Alvin McLean Smith, who is suffering from an attack of double pneumonia.

COTTON GINNINGS IN JOHNSTON COUNTY

Census report shows that there were 28,309 bales of cotton ginned in crop of 1940.

Junior Class Donates \$50.00 of Receipts From Play Recently Given — School Has Given Almost As Much As Entire Citizenship of Selma,

The faculty and students of the Selma school have raised more than three hundred dollars for the Red Cross War Relief fund, t was announced here today. The junior class, alone, contributed fifty dollars. This fund was realized from a play recently given by the juniors. Each room in the school responded to the call, and the amount contributed by each gra

Missing Man Sought By Johnston Police

Lidy Wellons Believed to Have Fallen Into Holt Lake and Drowned.

Lidy Wellons, middle aged man of an early age and never got back on the right track. His record shows that from his home near Holt Lake last he had been arrested 31 times.

Prior to 1935, Ellis had been in the since, although during the meantime Monday and has not been heard from

There is nothing definite to indicate that Wellons had done anything more sey City parental home on four occa-sions. In 1935 he began branching out "with French leave" but friends say he was not accustomed to going away

in this manner. There is a report that he may have drowned in the waters of Holt Lake, broke into a house and, being caught, as it was reported that Wellons was was sentenced to the roads for 12 seen Monday night in an intoxicated months for housebreaking and lar- condition standing on the lake bridge Acting on the possibility that Wel-

ed several times in Pennsylvania, Vir- lons may have fallen off the bridge,

Fund Reaches \$4,000

Smithfield, Jan. 26.—The Johnston E. S. Stevens, county chairman of county agencies in salvaging scrap mediate close. National headquarters iron and other usable scrap materials is urging that reports be made and for national defense purposes, has the money forwarded; and all comnamed a number of places in the munities with funds collected are county where farmers may carry urged to remit to Chairman Hugh M.

One of the largest amounts report-January 29 and 30 are set as clean- ed collected by a community recentof the Free Will Baptist denomina- the outstanding members of the club, up days for the material to be gath- ly came from Princeton in the sum ered and delivered and January 31 as of \$94.60, which had previously reserved in practically every church in the club and had made many good the day for it to be collected by junk ported a collection of \$60.92, thus PANY—he is no stranger to our peospeeches before that body. As he was dealers, who will buy it. The amount bringing Princeton's total donation to ple, having held a position with this

pany has contributed \$50, and Wat- new prescription blanks just printed kins Chapel church, Middlesex, Route for DR. E. N. BOOKER-down in the 1, contributed \$5.00.

of the Red Cross, has donated \$38.72, printed matter-don't forget the play, in addition to membership fees.

contributed to this fund and would auditorium tonight at 8:13 o'clocklike to do so, please contact some lo- you'll miss a treat if you fail to see cal Red Cross chairman, or send your it-MRS. ROBERSON, who is directcontribution direct to Hugh M. Aus- ing the play, has done some hard tin, Smithfield, N. C.

Kiwanis Directors Meet

Selma Kiwans club met at the home club on last Thursday night will long of Kiwanis Secretary M. R. Wall on last Monday evening at 7:00 o'clock, with all members present except one. served in the spacious dining room

was thrown en suite. up during the business session, together with reports from the committee chairmen who discussed plans for the work during the new year.

NEPHEW IN HAWAII

in the Navy about two years.

LIGHTS

Johnston county from the crop of farms have substituted electric lights OSCAR has never had a complaint 1941, prior to January 16, 1942, as for the traditional oil lamp during the lodged against him by the patrons of compared with 36,207 bales for the past 6 1-2 years, according to the his route during all these years of Rural Electricfication Administration. efficient service.

ade is as follows:	
Miss Ingram	\$5.00
Miss Fant	5.00
Miss Herring	5.00
Miss Spiers	
Miss Blackmour	5.00
Mrs. Perkins	5.00
Miss Boyette	7.00
Miss Watlington	7.00
Miss Ammons	7.00
Miss Boyette	7.00
Miss Wood	7.00
Miss Lentz	7.00
Mrs. McGee	. 8.50
Miss Griffin	15.00
Miss Nelson	
Miss Whitaker	10.00
Miss Jones	10.00
Miss Harris	10.00
Mrs. Vaughan	18.00
Miss Massey	10.00
Miss Tyler	10-12
Mr. McGee	7.70
Miss Williamson	
Miss Ward	. 12.50
Miss Livingston	10.00
Mr. Broughton	10.00
Mrs. Barnes	
Mrs. Shackleford	
Prof. O. A. Tuttle	. 8.00
The amount raised by the	town o
elma, as reported in these	column

OUTSTANDING

The Crowders Creek club has been selected as the most outstanding 4-H

Seen and Heard Along THE MAINDRAG

Glad to welcome MR. C. H. FLEM-MING, of Raleigh, to the Maindrag-MR. FLEMMING has accepted a position with the SELMA DRUG COM-155.52. same company a few years ago— The Smithfield Manufacturing Com-BILL CREECH showed us one of the left-hand corner are the words: "Buy Corinth-Holder school, with all Defense Stamps and Bonds"-those members of the faculty also members same words should be found on all "Swing Out," sponsored by the Sel-If there are others who have not ma Kiwanis Club, at the high school work and all those who attend will get a thrill-that comedian, A. K. EASON, will be worth your money, not to mention E. C. PERRY-the en-At Home of M. R. Wall tire cast is composed of outstanding actors and actresses—and all home talent—DAVID BALL's program at The new board of directors of the the weekly meeting of the Kiwanis be remembered—and especially by BILL GODWIN and MAYOR HEN-RY, who came away minus a necktie A three course chicken supper was each—when these gentlemen failed to answer questions propounded them adjacent to the living room, which by DAVID, he began nipping off a few inches of their ties, until a stub Many items of business were taken about half an inch long remained-"you're not going to cut that tie," BILL GODWIN protested! "why, that tie cost me \$1.50"-but BILL'S protesting did no good-who said BAR-BER SMITH, of the City Barber Shop, could play checkers?—he's a good barber, all right, but as a checker artist, well, we'll have to put him in Class C-that new house of RAL-EIGH GRIFFIN'S is about complet-Mrs. Annie Barham received a let- ed-but what's worrying us is, is he ter a few days ago from her nephew, going to live there alone?-if you Joseph Barham, stationed at Pearl have heard anything, please let us Harbor in the Hawaiian Islands. He know before this Maindrag goes to writes his aunt that he was a witness press next Thursday, for RALEIGH to the bombing of Pearl Harbor on is a fine fellow and we don't want to December 7th, but was uninjured. He see him living in that lovely home all is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bar- by himself-we wonder if OSCAR

ham, of near Wendell, and has been CREECH, local village mail carrier, is superstitious about black cats and the number "13"-according to newsper records of other days, OSCAR will end 13 years of service on Feb-Nearly 1,400,000 of the nation's ruary 13-local gossip has it that