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"If it Concerns Harnett, It's in THE NEWS"

## JULY FOURTH A PICNIC DAY

Fourth of July was taken as a picnic day by practically everyone hereabouts. That is to say, nearly everyone had a picnic of some description. For whatever activity was indulged in, the common result was summed up in "We had a picnic."

Great crowds went down to Dunn to witness the gala exercises that had been arranged at the Fair Grounds. Lillington's ball team played one section of the double-header with Dunn, score 2-1 in favor of Dunn, seven innings by agreement. Benson played Dunn the second game, score 2-1, in favor of Dunn.

After the town had become almost deserted, parties going in every direction to spend the Fourth, a committee of ladies gathered up the children remaining and took them to Little River for a swim, and supper followed in the grove. Other parties went fishing with varied degrees of "luck."

Sheriff McArtan did not have much of an audience for his tax oration in front of the courthouse. It was Independence Day, and folks enjoyed it in independent fashion. The courthouse took on a holiday appearance after the sale was concluded.

Quite a number of people went to Dunn in the evening to witness the pyrotechnic display. The day passed without any accidents being reported, and altogether it could be considered a safe and sane Fourth.

## A DRAMATIC CLUB IS FORMED HERE

On Saturday, July 2nd, a Dramatic Club was organized here. Mrs. H. M. Spears being made president and Mrs. W. L. Sutton secretary-treasurer. Those present at the organization of the club were: Mesdames B. P. McGinty, John D. Johnson, H. M. Spears, W. L. Sutton, Misses Mame Camp, Isabel Spears, Messrs. L. M. Chaffin and Neil Paquay.

Plans were formed to put on a play in the next few weeks—"The Hindoo." The cast of characters was selected and the club hopes to begin work as soon as the books arrive.

## DISTRICT CONFERENCE MET AT CARTHAGE

The Fayetteville District Conference convened in the Carthage Methodist church last Thursday, and the sessions continued through Sunday. Rev. J. D. Bundy, the presiding elder, presided. There are 22 pastoral charges in the district, and each church is supposed to send the pastor and four delegates.

Thursday morning at 9:30 the conference convened and the opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. H. Frizzle of Lillington at 11 o'clock. Throughout the week there was a business session at 9:30 o'clock and at 3 in the afternoon. There was preaching at 11 o'clock and at 8 at H. T. Spears of Lillington also attended the conference on Friday.

## ITEMS OF NEWS FROM THE MOUNT VALLEY SECTION

A large crowd attended the singing at Mount Valley Sunday night. We will sing again next Sunday night at 8 o'clock and everybody is invited to attend.

May Black of Fayetteville spent a few days last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Johnson. Mrs. Rossie Davis and little daughter Irene left Monday for Fayetteville where she will spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Black.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lytle left Sunday for Mrs. Lytle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Godfrey, to attend the family reunion on the 4th.

We are glad to note that Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Johnson are improving. The regular service will be held at Mount Valley Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

## NORTH CAROLINA BONDS FOR SALE

## BUY A BOND

BIDS OPEN IN MY OFFICE IN RALEIGH AT 12 O'CLOCK, FRIDAY, JULY 15.

For building good roads and educational and charitable institutions North Carolina is issuing bonds in denominations of \$100, \$500 and for \$1000. You can buy a \$100 non-taxable 5 per cent bond for \$100.00 and accrued interest, which amounts to \$100.21. This beats a 6 1/2 per cent tax-paying investment. Bids for \$500 and \$1000 bonds will require a check for 2 per cent of the amount bid. With a \$100 bond no check is required. There is no better way to invest your savings.

Apply to me for further information.

B. R. LACY  
STATE TREASURER

## IN AND ABOUT THE COURTHOUSE

Recorder's Court for the July term convened July 5th with Judge L. L. Levinson, vice Recorder, on the bench. The number of cases to come up was the smallest in over a year, and the customary liquor cases were conspicuous by their absence, only one such being on the calendar. Solicitor Spears had charge of the State's interests and fought his usual hard, never-give-up fight.

Mary Hill was found not guilty of selling new-made wine and was taxed with costs.

Geo. T. Jones was found guilty of assault with deadly weapon and appealed to Superior Court from His Honor's judgment.

Wilson Bailey was found guilty of assault with deadly weapon and was fined \$25 from which he appealed to Superior Court. He was found not guilty of highway robbery.

Probable cause was found against Daniel O'Quinn, charged with larceny, and he was bound over to the Superior Court.

Arthur Armstrong pleaded guilty to trespass and was sent to the roads for 30 days.

E. H. Womack was found guilty of blockading and sentenced to the roads for 12 months, from which sentence he appealed to Superior Court.

The case of assault against Dan Moore was not pros.

The case against Garland Sloan, charging A. D. W., was not pros.

The case against Charlie and Dave Jarman for blockading was not pros.

Nathan Buie failed to appear and judgment nisi sci. for his bonds and capias for him were issued.

The Court will sit for the trial of civil cases only on Tuesday, July 12.

## CONDITION NOTES ON CORN, COTTON, WHEAT

Corn is generally reported in good condition and well advanced in the main producing states, according to the report of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. However, the outlook ranges from poor to good in the eastern and southern states. In N. C. the growth of the crop is stunted and the stands are irregular, owing to the drought.

Harvesting of winter wheat is progressing in the leading wheat states, while in the southern states harvesting has been completed and threshing is being done. N. C. reports the poorest yield in many years, due to a cold spring, rust and drought. Deterioration of spring wheat, resulting from drought, is indicated in the principal states. Idaho reports an excellent crop, and in Washington and New Mexico, the stands are generally good.

The cotton crop is generally late, and irregular stands are noted. Excessive rains delayed cultivation in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, and boll weevil activity is found in most sections. In the central counties of North Carolina the stands are small and irregular. More satisfactory conditions are reported in the main cotton belt.

Foreign Crop Prospects.

The outlook for the wheat crop in Canada is extremely favorable, and the total area sown to wheat this year shows an increase over 1920. Crop prospects in southern France are good, but rain is needed in the northwestern region. In the United Kingdom the dry weather has injured the crops on the light, high-lying lands, but on the heavier lands the outlook is fairly good. Wheat generally promises well, and the crop Denmark and to some extent in Germany is strong and healthy. In Sweden, many crops are suffering from drought. Belgian reports indicate good crops, and in Hungary, Jugoslavia and Rumania heavy rains have materially helped conditions and the outlook is good. Up to the second week in June rain was needed in India, and the government estimates show a heavy decrease in the wheat harvest for 1921 as against 1920.

## MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT.

The following announcement has been received by friends here:

Mr. and Mrs. George Oliver McBroom announce the marriage of their daughter, Edith Ellen, to Mr. Thomas Bruce Kirkpatrick, on Saturday, the second of July, 1921, at the Chapel of Saint Paul, Columbia University, New York City.

The father of the bride is superintendent of Lillington High School.

Entirely Too Much.

"It is terrible what I spent during the entertainments for charity," declared Mrs. Newrich. "Two thousand for my dress and five hundred for my coat, besides the twenty for my charity contributions. It is too much."

## 666 cures Bilious Fever.

Agricultural Liens for sale at The News Office.

## LILLINGTON NINE WHIPPED BENSON

Lillington's fast ball team, which has developed rare form in recent days, journeyed over to Benson Tuesday and switched that "league" team to the tune of 5-3.

Captain Neil Salmon gathered up his best material for the Benson game, for he was determined to get some balsam for his defeat at Dunn on Monday. And he got it. There were present a good sized delegation from Dunn to witness the walloping, and they seemed to enjoy it immensely—Dunn and Benson being at bats' points in the league race.

Soon after the game opened, Lillington had Benson at its mercy. The umpire, who claimed Benson as his domicile, was none too favorable toward the Harnett boys. But it didn't matter for that matter. Just to vex the Johnston county aggregation a little more, the word was passed to Lillington's twirler to stack 'em three up and three down. This worked with precision, much to the flabbergastation of the Benson outfit.

It'll be a hard matter, though, to get another game with Benson, it is thought, because Lillington proved most too strong in its lineup. Every man on the home team played excellent ball, and Captain Salmon returned much elated over the showing made away from the home base.

## LITTLE THURMAN UPCHURCH DEAD

(Contributed)

One of the saddest deaths reported recently was that of little Thurman Upchurch, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Upchurch of Raleigh. Death came at one o'clock Saturday morning and was caused from an accident. A mule which Thurman was riding, threw him on the paved street, then stepped on him.

Thurman was 13 years old, a good and obedient child. While dying he called his parents and told them all goodbye. Then his father said, "Son I cannot give you up." "But papa you can meet me in heaven," was his answer. "I am dying; take my body to grandpa's at Bules Creek and bury me, and I hope there will be flowers o' my grave."

All his wishes were carried out—his little mound at Bules Creek cemetery was covered with beautiful flowers last Sunday morning—just one week from the time he was hurt and the day he told them he would be buried.

The home is left so sad and lonely. His voice is hushed on earth to mingle with the angels' voices in the presence of God at His right hand forever more. Doctors and nurses did all in their power to save him; but God says "Suffer little children to come unto me, for such is the kingdom of heaven."

He leaves father, mother, brother and sister, relatives and friends to mourn their loss; also his little chum who was so heartstricken he could not bear to see him laid to rest. He has gone, but not forgotten by the ones who loved him dear. We can see him in heaven if we all live as he lived.

## BUSINESS FAILURES.

For the week ending June 23, and the corresponding week in previous years, the business failures in the United States are reported in Bradstreet's of June 25, as follows:

Week ending June 23, 1921—New England 29; Middle 68; Western 73; Northwestern 21; Southern 92; Far western 36.

Week ending June 16, 1921—New England 37; Middle 67; Western 53; Northwestern 23; Southern 73; Far western 19.

Week ending June 16, 1920—New England 10; Middle 40; Western 24; Northwestern 5; Southern 21; Far western 14.

Week corresponding to this week—New England 1919 15; 1918 25; 1917 29. Middle 1919 20; 1918 40; 1917 102. Western 1919 36; 1918 46; 1917 45. Northwestern 1919 10; 1918 13; 1917 21. Southern 1919 20; 1918 29; 1917 64. Far western 1919 11; 1918 180; 1917 29.

## Defacing the Flag.

Driving nails or tacks in the flag to hold it in place is considered wrong. Preferably it should be tied with red, white or blue cord, or tri-colored cord. No advertisement or lettering of any sort should ever be placed upon the flag, or any object except the Bible placed upon it. Draping a pulpit desk with the flag, it being held in place by a Bible, is permissible.

## Ancient Gold Mines.

The oldest gold mines for which we possess literary evidence are the auriferous of Hyperborea (Tibet) in Herodotus; the oldest by inference are the alluvions of India; the oldest by unquestioned and modern survey are the Bisharee alluvions of Egypt, nine-thousand years before Christ.

## 666 cures Dengue Fever.

Rub-My-Tism for Rheumatism.

## MR. LASSITER PREACHES AT RAVEN ROCK CHURCH

Rev. A. T. Lassiter, who formerly lived in Lillington and served quite a number of Presbyterian churches in the rural districts of Harnett county, will conduct a series of meetings at Raven Rock church next week, beginning Monday night.

This church was organized at Raven Rock school house and has been worshipping the school house. But work on the new church building that is being erected in sight of the school house has progressed to such a stage that the meeting next week will be held in the church building.

The hours of service next week will probably be 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m., though a positive announcement in regard to this will be made at the regular preaching service on Sunday afternoon.

Rev. C. Connor Brown, who is conducting a series of meetings this week at Summerville church, will preach at Raven Rock Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Let us have a large attendance.

## WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN?

Sanford Express.

We continue to hear much talk about prospecting for oil in this section. Prospectors are constantly traveling over this part of the State, hunting for signs and traces of oil, and they claim to be finding them. Thousand of acres of land have been leased in what is known as the Deep River basin during the past few months and we understand other leases will be taken out. We have heard of no borings being made for oil. However, there is talk of this being done. There is considerable cost in boring a well of much depth. We have heard of one company that is now soliciting stock and raising funds for this purpose.

Experts, or those who claim to be experts, are confident that oil will eventually be found in the Deep River basin. Some geologists are writing on the subject claim that there is no indication that oil will be found in this part of the country. We are informed that this claim was made before oil was found in Texas years ago. Now there are profitable oil wells in many sections of that State. In fact it is now one of the greatest oil producing regions of the world.

Boring for oil in the Deep River basin would be watched with no little degree of interest, and should it be found it would create a sensation the like of which has never been witnessed in this part of the country.

## MOVIE PROGRAM.

The County Director of School Extension/announces the following meetings for the coming week:

Monday, July 11—Mt. Pisgah.  
Tuesday, 12th—Coats.  
Wednesday, 13th—Bunnlevel.  
Thursday, 14th—Angier.  
Friday, 15th—Flat Branch.  
Saturday, 16th—Midway.

## MR. BROWN PREACHING AT SUMMERVILLE

The Communion of the Lord's Supper will be observed next Sunday morning at the Presbyterian church in connection with the preaching services. On account of the fact that a series of meetings will be concluded at Summerville church there will be no night service here Sunday.

The people of the town and community are urged to attend not only the closing service at Summerville, but all the services between now and then. Mr. Brown is preaching the simple Gospel in a straightforward, earnest manner. The hours of service are 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.

## OLIVIA NEWS.

Crops are still suffering for want of rain.

Mrs. W. H. Turner and Mrs. H. C. Cameron are now having ripe tomatoes for their table.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Page were in town Sunday visiting some of their relatives.

Mrs. Lulah Olive and Miss Deanna Olive left Tuesday for Asheville where Deanna will spend the winter and go to school. Mrs. Olive will return in a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cameron and family spent the Fourth at Vass.

Miss Bridge will meet the ladies and girls at the home of Mrs. H. C. Cameron Wednesday afternoon and will give a demonstration on making pies.

There will be movies at the school house Saturday night, July 9th. We hope to see a large crowd out.

Mrs. Bicker is looking for her son W. A. Bicker, from Dunn.

There was a very enthusiastic ball game here Monday afternoon between Olivia and Pineview, the score being 11 and 20 in favor of Olivia.

The Olivia players were glad to have their old player, Marion Smith, back again.

## LIGHTNING PLAYS PRANK ON MR. LAYTON'S FARM

Joel G. Layton will always remember the thunderstorm of last Thursday because of the peculiar nature the lightning performed near his home. A bolt struck a tree about twenty feet from the barn, and after riddling the tree, entered the barn, igniting a pile of baled cotton and badly damaged four bales. The peculiar feature of the burning of the cotton was that the four bales ignited were at the bottom of the pile. But the bolt did not stop at the barn. It passed on to other trees beyond and riddled them.

There was a considerable quantity of cotton in the barn, but the fire was discovered in time to prevent further damage.

## CAPITAL STOCK RETURNS MUST BE FILED IN JULY

I desire to call to the attention of the taxpayers of this district that the provisions of the Revenue Act of 1918 require all corporations, associations, joint stock companies, whether created by statute or by contract, and insurance companies, whether or not organized for profit or having a capital stock represented by shares, to file during the month of July capital stock returns, Form 707.

Every corporation must file a return, Form 707, whether taxable or non-taxable. Companies claiming exemption as "not engaged in business," are as "holding corporations," "inactive," "simply holding undeveloped mineral or timber land," "leased," "personal service" and "non-taxable," are required to file a return and attach a letter, preferably an affidavit, setting forth clearly the reason they should not be subject to tax. Banks and insurance companies, however, are permitted to attach their annual published statements in lieu of filing out Exhibit A. Exhibits B and C must be completed.

Since all capital stock returns are audited in the office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, it is absolutely essential that each corporation complete Exhibits A, B and C of Form 707 in full; otherwise, the companies will be called upon through correspondence by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue to supply this information which will be a source of great annoyance both to the taxpayer and the government.

Both parent and subsidiary corporations must each file separate returns, Form 707. Consolidated returns for parent and subsidiary are not permitted under the capital stock law.

Capital stock tax is an excise tax, payable in advance, for the privilege of doing business based at the rate of \$1 on each full \$1,000 of the fair value of capital stock. Checks can only be drawn in favor of J. W. Bailey, collector, for the full \$1. No fractional part of a dollar should be submitted.

Every corporation can secure the necessary forms by writing this office.

Failure to file capital stock return during the month of July subjects taxpayers to a 25 per cent penalty. Let me urge all corporation officials to attend to the filing of their capital stock returns at once.

J. W. Bailey, Collector.

## He'll Get His at the Terminus.

The way of the transgressor is hard, but he seems to find plenty of detours.

## Report of the Condition of THE HARNETT COUNTY TRUST COMPANY.

at Lillington, in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business, June 30th, 1921.

## RESOURCES

Loans and discounts—\$148,941.03  
Overdrafts secured \$557.  
48, unsecured 118.62. 576.10  
Furniture and fixtures— 5,475.23  
Cash in vault, and net  
am'ts due from banks,  
bankers and trust com-  
panies 14,490.32  
Cash items held over 24  
hours 70.00  
Expenses less earnings— 1,848.14

Total \$171,460.32

## LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in—\$ 21,700.00  
Notes and bills redi-  
counted 5,000.00  
Bills payable 5,000.00  
Deposits subject to check 134,315.62  
Cashier checks outstand-  
ing 1,707.04  
Time certificates of de-  
posit, due on or after  
30 days 1,700.00  
Savings deposits 1,978.16

Total \$171,460.32

State of North Carolina—County of Harnett—July 7th, 1921.

I, W. L. Sutton, Treasurer of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. L. SUTTON, Treas.

Correct—Attest:  
S. A. BONEY,  
B. A. PARKER,  
O. L. JOHNSON,  
Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of July, 1921.

GEORGE H. LONG,  
Notary Public.  
My commission expires Dec. 23, 1921.

## 666 cures a Cold quickly.

Chattel Mortgages for sale at The News office.

Rub-My-Tism cures sores.

## TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

The following transfers of real estate have been recorded in the office of Register of Deeds Faucette during the past week:

G. R. Pegram to C. H. Dean, 1 19-100 acres in Buckhorn township, \$50.

Edwin Harrington to George Ballew, 2 acres in Hectors Creek, \$10 and other consideration.

E. R. Buchan to R. E. Bryant, 269 acres in Johnsonville township, for \$1,500.

R. E. Bryant and wife to James A. Taylor, 269 acres in Johnsonville, \$10 and other consideration.

James Ballew to Edwin Harrington, 2 acres in Hectors Creek, \$100.

## MARRIAGES

The following marriage licenses were issued by Register of Deeds Faucette during the week:

White  
A. E. Lynch to Bessie Campbell,  
Harvey G. Avery to Ethel Turlington.

Colored  
Collie Cole to Minnie E. Lee.

## COURSE IN COTTON GRADING AT STATE SUMMER SCHOOL

Raleigh, July 6.—Ten thousand sample, each representing a bale of the South's greatest staple, expert cotton men detailed as instructors by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, a strong lecture staff drawn from the college and extension forces in the division of agronomy, and a large, modernly equipped laboratory conveniently arranged as to light, are some of the facilities offered for conducting the course in cotton grading now running as a part of the State College summer school.

P. H. Hart and J. I. Johnson, employed cooperatively by the U. S. and N. C. departments of agriculture, are in charge of the practical instruction in grading and stapling, while W. H. Darm, head of the department of farm crops in the college, takes care of the lecture work.

The quality of the work being done, together with the unusually high class personnel of both the teaching force and the large class taking the course, makes this cotton grading school stand out as one of the most unique in the country. The class is made up largely of men who have for years been connected with some branch of the cotton industry, and these men state frankly that in facilities for work, number of samples to be considered, and in the thoroughness with which the work of each student is carefully supervised, it would be hard to duplicate the course anywhere.

Instead of the usual seven or eight standards found in cotton grading schools, the men at State college are using the full set of twenty official standards designated by the U. S. government. These consist of the nine grades of "white" cotton, the five "tinges," the three "stains" and the three "blues."

The course will continue through July 27. Men are entering every day as it is possible to secure valuable training even in an abbreviated course, due to the intensive nature of the work.

## AVERASBORO NEGRO BROUGHT TO JAIL

James McKeithan, negro youth, was yesterday sent to Lillington jail in default of \$5,000 bail, when tried before Judge Robert L. Godwin on a charge of attempted criminal assault upon the ten-year-old daughter of a prominent farmer residing near town. The crime is alleged to have been committed last Saturday morning. He is said to have been frustrated in his attempt by the cry of the little girl for her father, who was engaged in a nearby field.

McKeithan was employed on the farm of Eugene Smith. His reputation is good and many who know him are hoping that it is a case of mistaken identity. Clarence Smith and Charles Lee Guy have been engaged to defend him.

## LIGHTNING BEATS ELECTRICIAN

The severe thunderstorm last week brought some of the sharpest lightning strokes seen here in years. Several of the street lights were put out of commission. This had turned in some measure compensated for, however, by a bolt which struck an arc near the high school. This particular light had refused to illumine the vicinity roundabout for many a night past, but the lightning touched it up and started it on its mission again. "The stroke put a shue on it," says Charles Rich.

## 3,000 BUSHELS PEACHES FOR SALE

My Elberta Peaches are now ready for sale. \$2.50 per bushel crate at orchard. Where orders are sent in, check must accompany order.

W. L. MATTHEWS,  
Lillington, N. C.

## GOOD LAND FOR SALE.

170 acres 2 1/2 miles from Swan Station, suitable for peaches, berries, melons. L. L. Pierce, Jonesboro, N. C. R. 3. 20-4p

## 666 cures Chills and Fever.

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