

Society

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NEWS BRIEFS

IN WILMINGTON
 John Fulwood, proprietor for the past 18 months of the Southport Pure Oil Station, is employed at the MacMillan-Cameron station in Wilmington. Dan Shannon is operating the station here.

DREDGE MEN ILL
 Marion Cumbee and James Loftin, both of McClellanville, S. C., were admitted to Doshier Memorial Hospital as medical patients Tuesday. Both men are employed on the Dredge Howell now engaged in work on the inland waterway.

HOSPITAL PATIENT
 Mrs. F. M. Niernse of Southport was admitted Tuesday night as a medical patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital.

MEDICAL PATIENT
 Mrs. S. B. Frink of Southport was a medical patient at Doshier Memorial Hospital Friday through Sunday.

FOR SURGERY
 Mrs. Bennie Price of Southport was admitted to Doshier Memorial Hospital Friday as a surgical patient.

AT PRESBYTERIAN
 Rev. J. R. Potts will preach Sunday morning at 11:30 o'clock at New Hope Presbyterian Church and at Southport at 7:30 o'clock. The communion of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at each service.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT
 Mr. and Mrs. John Daniel Johnson of Winnabow announce the birth of a daughter, Jan. 5, at James Walker Memorial Hospital.

CHILD ILL
 Connie Spencer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Spencer of Southport, was a patient Thursday and Friday at Doshier Memorial Hospital.

PERSONAL
 Charles Reeves, Charles, Jr., and Miss Mary Carolyn Reeves of Sanford, visited relatives her on Saturday. Mrs. J. I. Davis is spending the day in Whiteville with her father, Prince O'Brien, Jr., spent the day in Fairmont. Gene O'Brien has gone to Rockingham where he has accepted a position.

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 Shallotte, N. C.

BENJAMIN SMITH

(BY FRANCIS D. WINSTON, P. G. M.
 Reprinted from the Orphans Friend and Masonic Journal)

The histories of his time give scant particulars of his life. The dates of his birth and death are even questioned. His prominence in the Revolutionary War has been used to discredit his birthday on January 10, 1756, and his death on January 10, 1826, has been called in question. Some writers put his birth in the year 1750, and his death on February 10, 1829. This last contention is disposed of when we read his will, admitted to record June term of 1826 of Brunswick county court. So we may definitely fix his death on January 10, 1826.

The argument of youth in the Revolution as evidence of an earlier birth is of no controlling force, when we consider other mere striplings who gained imperishable renown in the fight for Independence. Aaron Burr was born in 1756, the same year, and entered the army before he was twenty. He became a Colonel. Alexander Hamilton was born in 1757, a year later, and before he was twenty, he, too, was Aide-de-camp on Washington's staff.

It is not one of reason then that Benjamin Smith, a North Carolinian, born amid the patriotic surroundings of Brunswick County and in sight of Revolutionary Wilmington, though a youth, should have attained a similar honor, and place, on the staff of Washington and ranked as a Colonel. His military title of General was conferred in 1796, when he was commissioned Major General of the State Militia. Of his Revolutionary service Captain C. B. Denson, an able teacher, in 1899, wrote:

"It was his good fortune to serve among the heroes who successfully defended Fort Moultrie, the scene of the memorable exploit of Sergeant Jasper. Colonel Smith was at Washington's side in the admirable, but dangerous retreat from Long Island. He enjoyed the distinction of being a personal Aide-de-camp, but was detached to serve during the British invasion of South Carolina, within that State."

When the war with France seemed imminent in 1796 and the ships of the respective countries were carrying on desultory warfare at sea, he raised a full regiment of volunteers in his own county and tendered their services, himself in command, to his beloved Washington, then President.

It is natural that so high minded and chivalrous a youth should early turn to politics and receive the unbroken support of his people. In 1783 he was elected State Senator. In 1791 he was elected to the House of Commons. In 1792 he was again elected Senator and with a short intermission served fourteen terms in that body. He was a State Senator when elected Governor in 1810.

His influence is well attested by his election to the first Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina in 1789. In connection with the University, he has the honor of being its first benefactor. After his election as a Trustee he donated to the University the 20,000 acres of land which had been granted him by his country, grateful for his distinguished services during the Revolution.

One of the first buildings upon the University campus was erected out of his donation and was named in his honor. It was for nearly a century the library of that institution. Benjamin Smith was a native of the Cape Fear country and was such an unusual man that I beg to add a word or two. One of his progenitors was a famous general in Colonial days—another was Colonel Rhett, who captured the pirate, Fleet Bonner, in the lower Cape Fear; another was

As long as the ocean waves beat upon the far extreme ledge where Bald Head light is the welcome to the weary mariner to our shores, let that name remain in the memory of the spirited soldier, who was the comrade of Washington, the benefactor of generations to come, the chivalrous type and representative of the Cape Fear, the honored Governor of the State and three Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. In presenting to the State a handsome painting of Governor Smith at the instance Governor Smith in these comprehensive yet graphic words—

"I present through you to the State of North Carolina the portrait of Benjamin Smith, patriot, legislator, soldier, statesman and philanthropist; builder of highways and fortifications, conservationist and drainer of swamps; opener of waterways, believer in education for every child within the State and the first benefactor of the University, Governor of North Carolina one hundred years before his time and a dreamer of dreams."

I quote from this will, written by his own hand November 21st, 1825:

"And as to my body should I die in North Carolina, I request it to be deposited near the remains of my excellent and dear wife. I desire that a handsome tomb equal to that over her Mother's remains to be erected with a suitable inscription written. If I should die in South Carolina, to be deposited in the family vault of St. Philip's Church near the remains of my venerated parents and much loved brother and sister."

On July 12, 1929, the Grand Lodge erected a tomb in Saint Philip's churchyard near Wilmington as near like, and alongside of, the one erected to his wife's parents.

To The Memory Of Benjamin Smith
 Soldier and Statesman
 Born January 10, 1756
 Died January 10, 1826
 Colonel in Revolutionary Army
 Governor of North Carolina 1811
 Grand Master of Masons,
 1808, 1809, 1810
 This Stone Placed By The Masons of North Carolina 1929

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"FOUR WIVES" with the Lane and Page Sisters.
 Frank McHugh and Dick Foran.

LEGALS

FORECLOSURE NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Brunswick County, N. C., dated the 2nd day of November, 1929 in an action entitled "Brunswick County versus George Hewitt and Wife if Any, Albert Plato, Mitze," the undersigned commissioner will expose at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash on the 5th day of February, 1940 at 12:00 o'clock A. M. at the Courthouse door, Southport, N. C., to satisfy the decree of said court to enforce the payment of \$178.07, the following described real estate, located in Town Creek Township, Brunswick County, N. C., bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a stake on the East boundary of Doory's Creek; runs thence North 81 deg. 0. E. 102 feet to a holly tree; thence North 45 deg. 12' 15" E. 100 feet to a stake; thence South 42 deg. 15' E. 41 feet to a iron stake; thence South 10 deg. 14' W. 342 feet to a stake in an old ditch; thence down the line of spring stump; thence down the line of spring branch 680 feet to a large black gum tree; thence South 62 deg. 45' W. 167 feet to a small maple tree; thence with the run of Doory's creek 575 feet to the beginning, containing sixteen and one half (16½) acres.

And all other lands owned by the said defendants in the County of Brunswick.

All sales subject to report to and confirmation by the Court. Ten days allowed for raise of bid before report made. Cash to be paid at sale.

This the 1st day of January, 1940.
 S. B. Frink, Commissioner
 1-31-c

FORECLOSURE NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Brunswick County, N. C., dated the 2nd day of November, 1929 in an action entitled "Brunswick County versus M. L. Minter and wife if any," the undersigned commissioner will expose at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash on the 5th day of February, 1940 at 12:00 o'clock A. M. at the Courthouse door, Southport, N. C., to satisfy the decree of said court to enforce the payment of \$263.46, the following described real estate, located in Town Creek Township, Brunswick County, N. C., bounded and described as follows:

2 1/2 Acres Home. And all other lands owned by the said defendants in Brunswick County, North Carolina.

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2 1/2 Acres Home. Book 28, Page 150. And all other lands owned and listed by M. L. Minter and wife if any, in Brunswick County, N. C.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF 1929 MODEL "A" FORD AUTOMOBILE FOR
 Whereupon, Peter P. Janorone stored 1929 model Ford automobile motor No. A-243126 Serial No. 243126 with the undersigned, and Whereas, the undersigned kept said automobile in storage for said Peter P. Janorone for the past nine months, and Whereas, said storage account amounts to \$45.00 and said Janorone has not been paid for said automobile has been in possession of the undersigned for more than 90 days;

Now therefore, under and by virtue of laws of the State of North Carolina as contained in C. S. No. 2415, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at Cecil Hewitt's home near Shallotte, N. C. on Saturday, January 12, 1940 at 12:00 o'clock noon the above described automobile.

Dated this 29th day of December, 1939.
 Cecil Hewitt, Claimant

NOTICE OF SPECIAL BOND ELECTION TOWN OF SHALLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA
 A special election will be held between 7 A. M. and sunset, Eastern Standard Time, January 5, 1940, at which there will be submitted to the qualified voters of the Town of Shallotte the following questions:

(1) Shall an ordinance be passed December 5, 1929 authorizing not exceeding \$100,000.00 bonds of the Town of Shallotte for paying a portion of the cost of constructing a water works system for the Town, and a tax for said bonds, be approved?

(2) Shall an ordinance be passed December 5, 1929 authorizing not exceeding \$7,000.00 bonds of the Town of Shallotte for paying a portion of the cost of constructing a sanitary sewer system for the Town, and a tax for said bonds, be approved?

The ordinance referred to in question (1) above authorizes not exceeding \$10,000.00 Water Bonds to pay a portion of the cost of constructing a water works system for the Town. The ordinance referred to in question (2) above authorizes not exceeding \$7,000.00 Sanitary Bonds to pay a portion of the cost of constructing a sanitary sewer system for the Town.

It is expected that the Town will receive a grant from the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works for paying the balance of the cost of each of the two improvements mentioned in the two questions hereinbefore set forth.

If said bonds are issued, a tax will be levied for the payment of the principal and interest thereof on Shallotte, which tax shall be in addition to all other taxes authorized or limited by law.

Said election for the regular registration books for elections in said Town shall be used, and such books shall be open for the registration of voters, not heretofore registered, from 9 A. M. until sunset on each day except Sundays and holidays beginning December 9, 1939, and closing December 23, 1939. On each Saturday during said period said books shall remain open at the polling places.

The polling places and the Registrar and Judges are as follows:

Polling place, R. D. White's Garage; Registrar, S. T. Jones; Judges, J. W. Russ, Mrs. A. M. Miliken.

By order of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Shallotte.

Dated and posted, this the 5th day of December, 1939.
 M. L. Minter, Mortgagor
 E. J. Prevatte, Attorney. 1-31-c

EXECUTRIX NOTICE
 Having qualified as executrix of the estate of J. Arthur Doshier, deceased, late of Brunswick County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at Southport, N. C., on or before the 15th day of November, 1940, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 15th day of November, 1939.
 Grace K. Doshier, Executrix of the Estate of J. Arthur Doshier, Deceased, 1-17-c