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## County News.

### CLAYTON NOTES.

Messrs. W. A. Barnes and D. H. McCullers left Monday for New Bern where they will spend a week fishing and hunting.

Mrs. Maggie Best, of Chapel Hill, N. C., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stallings. Miss Sidney Godwin and little Neil Barnes are visiting relatives in Lumberton, N. C.

Mr. J. B. Harrison and little son have been quite sick with malarial fever, but both are now improving.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Gulley, of Durham, N. C., spent last week and part of this with Mr. Gulley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Gulley.

Miss Daisy Ellis, of Smithfield, is visiting relatives near here. Miss Nellie Pool is visiting friends in the country.

Mr. Ashley Horne went to Raleigh Monday on business.

Mr. Fab. B. Whitley, of Selma, was in town Tuesday.

Tom Pounds and Benton Johnson, of near here, stole a watermelon from Mr. D. W. Barbour's patch last Sunday night. They were arrested and brought before Squire Gulley Tuesday night and bound over to court. Both gave bond for their appearance.

The Clayton Manufacturing Co. has about completed the improvements on the lumber plant and will soon be ready to start up.

Messrs. B. M. Robertson and M. G. Gulley went to Smithfield Monday.

Miss Nannie Belvin, of Raleigh, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. C. W. Horne.

Buck Gulley who has been working for Mr. C. T. Young has resigned. "A drug store doesn't agree with him."

Mr. W. D. Lindsay, a hustling salesman of Craddock, Terry & Co., was in town Tuesday.

Mr. Jno. L. Talton declares his farms better than Jno. M. Turley's.

Bertie Stallings has secured the position recently occupied by Roy Robertson, with the Clayton Hardware Co.

Vivian Odessa, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace, died Sunday p. m. at 6:30 o'clock. She was about 1 year and 5 months old. We extend to the mother and father of the little one our tenderest sympathies. "YELIK."

### HONEYCUTT ITEMS.

Mr. W. A. Coats was in Dunn some few days ago, looking after business pertaining to his future progress.

Crops in this section are needing rain very much, especially tobacco.

Elder J. T. Coats delivered quite an able sermon to a large congregation at Fellowship church Sunday. Mr. Coats is a preacher of much influence and is always welcomed in our midst.

Messrs. J. S. Johnson, M. R. Johnson and B. F. Johnson, attended the services at Fellowship church Sunday. We think there is quite an attraction for some of the Ezra boys in our community.

Messrs. R. B. Brady and M. H. Langdon, of Benson, were in our section Sunday.

Miss Florence Coats, an attractive young lady of Harnett, visiting friends and relatives in our midst Sunday.

Misses Addie and Callie Coats, of the Smithfield section, were the guests of Miss Alma Ennis of this section Sunday.

Master E. S. Coats of our section left Sunday for a two weeks visit in Harnett.

Mr. Lam Byrd was the first in our community to cure any tobacco. This is the first year Mr. Byrdever participated in tobacco and he made a fine cure for the first and thinks he is on the road to prosperity now.

Miss Harriet Stewart, of Harnett, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. A. Coats, of this section, recently.

Mr. W. R. Lambert of our com.

munity is quite ill now with fever but hope he will soon recover.

We learn that Mr. M. H. Langdon has bought out the stock of groceries of Mr. R. B. Brady, of Benson, and will continue business at the same stand. Mr. Langdon is quite a promising young man of this section.

Watermelons are getting ready for thumping now and some of our people have thumped some off the vines.

Mr. Simon P. Honeycutt, formerly of the Smithfield section, is visiting friends and relatives of this section. Sam is just from a tour in Eastern North Carolina, and says of all the girls, he likes the Johnston girls the best.

The Fourth of July is still to be remembered by the most of our young men. Quite a number of them assembled themselves together at the home of Mr. Elijah Parrish Friday where a most delightful time was enjoyed by all present.

We learn that Miss Nora Coats, one of Johnston's most charming young ladies, will leave in a short while for Harnett, where she intends visiting a host of relatives and friends.

The campaign of 1902 is coming on us now and let us make it one of the grandest fights we ever fought for democracy and I think we can win the victory by nominating Mr. Edward S. Abell for the House. Mr. Abell has represented us before and gave entire satisfaction and did all for the laboring man that was in his power to do, and we especially need him to meet our opponents as he has every equipment that is needful. So with one voice of acclamation, let us meet and nominate him for the House.

### H. & C.

### FOUR OAKS ITEMS.

Mr. Manly Baker, of Goldsboro, arrived Saturday to visit his parents. He will be here for several days.

Mr. C. A. Barber, of Benson, spent Thursday night in our town. He was the guest of Mr. Chas. Davis.

Mr. E. L. Clark, of Fayetteville, was in our city Sunday.

Mrs. D. A. Ford and little children, who have been visiting relatives in Goldsboro and Seven Springs, returned home Saturday.

Mr. S. R. Lee and Mr. Pittman, of Selma, are visiting friends in our section this week.

Miss Lillie Creech and Mrs. R. S. Dickson, of Benson, visited friends here Thursday, returning Friday.

Mr. J. A. Crews, the clever representative of the Wilmington Messenger, was in our city Monday in the interest of his paper.

Mr. Fred Royal, of Benson, was in town Sunday.

Mr. Chas. Davis, who for the past week has been in the employ of Clark & Buckingham, recently resigned his position and left Sunday for his home in Benson.

Mr. G. P. Waddell, of Fremont, has been here for the past few days visiting friends.

Mr. Elias Rose, of Smithfield, has been here for the past few days engaged in giving lectures in Masonry to Four Oaks Lodge No. 478.

The protracted meeting which has been in progress at the Baptist church for the past eight days, closed Monday night. The pastor was ably assisted by Rev. M. A. Adams, of Auburn. There were five accessions to the church. The candidates will be baptised on third Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the pastor in Mr. J. C. Keen's pond, one mile east of Four Oaks.

Services at Corinth M. E. church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and here Sunday night at 8:30 by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Fisher.

Mr. B. B. Adams is on a business trip in the western part of the State this week.

Messrs. W. M. and Frank Guill, of Smithfield, visited friends here Sunday.

Miss Willie Creech left Wednesday for Maxton, N. C., to visit relatives.

### "XERXES."

### AROUND SANDERS CHAPEL.

Mr. Edwin Woodell, of Raleigh, is visiting his parents and friends and sniffing the breezes of his native heath. He is pleased with the capital city, and says his old neighborhood looks like it was on dress-parade.

Mrs. M. E. Godwin has returned from a visit to Pine Level among her relatives. She says it is mighty hot out there.

If "Roaring Jake" will modify his "water cure" we will let him work this territory a couple of months.

Uncle Sam was so busy, jollifying, rusticating and proclaiming on the 4th that we missed the "Rural Delivery," and now we don't know what is going on in the Philippines.

The excessively hot sun or breeze of the last few days has caused the cotton and tobacco to wither and flop, the bad effect from which they hardly recover through the night. Many tobacco leaves that touch the ground are parched around the edge, and many are withered on various portions of the stalk. This is unusual.

Cotton lice appeared a few days, but old Sol cooled them. The thermometer has been balancing on both sides of the 100 mark for the last few days.

Now that green peas and melons are on the bill of fare the neighboring farm bells toll the dinner hour more lustily. The blackberry and huckleberry crop has cast a shade upon all, tooth and toothless alike. One neighbor "takes out" half hour ahead to be ready for his dumping. He has not been married long.

Services by Rev. Mr. Hall at Sardis Baptist church Sunday morning was fairly well attended. Text, 1st Chapter Jonah.

Sunday School at Sanders Chapel was attended by some of Smithfield's Lords and a Lass of creation, Miss Bertha Stevens, Messrs. T. J. Lassiter, (of THE HERALD,) Ed. Austin, Richard Holt and Ralph Stevens. In addition to enjoying the school service, they feasted their longing eyes on pastures green, (Will Smith's melon patch.) They also visited Mrs. Obedience Smith, and hit the grit and sniffe' dust later in the evening. Mr. A. J. Whitley and lady called on her also.

Mr. Wade Hampton Sanders, of Portsmouth, Va., spent a day or so among relatives and friends, gyrating and hypotheating and pawing dirt generally on his old beat. I think some whispering was done. He has a position as stenographer for the S. A. L. railroad.

Politics are easy here. Only the guineas singing Judge Clark! Judge Clark!

Bareheaded and barefooted, regardless of the thermometer, a wayfarer called at the home of Mr. Joel Pitman, on the morning of the 7th, and after giving his password, was admitted. Hair like Absaloms' but toothless and lives entirely on pap and soft drinks. Mr. Pittman's molars could be counted and you could see the Sunday blackberry deposit down his throat. He will vote the Democratic ticket in 1923. Something like the above at Mr. J. K. Sanders, but don't know whether it can register and vote or not.

Mr. Charlie Powell, Jr., while feeling in a drawer among a combination of hardware, stuck a large fish hook in his hand. He called for his daddy to cut it out. He said that hook would hold the biggest fish in Neuse river. It is a mighty good plan not to put your hand where you can't see.

### MICRO NOTES.

Our people were blessed with a good rain Monday afternoon. C. A. Fitzgerald and J. F. Winborne went to Smithfield on business Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fitzgerald, of Wilson, and Miss Florence Fitzgerald, of Durham, are visiting their parents this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Boyett visited their parents last Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. T. J. Batten attended the picnic at Mount Olive last Saturday.

Mr. J. R. Rose took in the picnic and ball game at Fremont July the 4th. He says the dinner was out of sight, and all seemed to enjoy the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Pope visited friends and relatives in Wayne last Sunday.

Our town is blooming with a fine little Sunday School now. May it continue.

Some of our young people report a fine time at and near Nigeria last fifth Sunday, as it was Children's Day.

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Grice near here last Sunday and took their youngest child to a better world. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Mr. J. R. Rose has accepted a position as clerk in the store and post office of Mr. L. R. Batten.

Mr. N. H. Parrish, of St. Stephens, S. C., arrived here the fourth to visit relatives and friends. Mr. Parrish was formerly of North Carolina, and we are always glad to welcome him back.

Rev. J. W. Nobles began a series of meetings at Parrish's Memorial Baptist church last Sunday with a large crowd Sunday and at night. He is assisted by Rev. M. A. Adams, of Auburn. Much good is being accomplished. We trust it will continue.

Misses Maggie and Pearl Pearce, of Rains' X Roads, spent last Saturday night and Sunday with Misses Maggie and Anna Pearce.

Mrs. T. J. Batten is visiting relatives and friends at Bizzell, Wayne county, this week.

REX.

### POU SPECIALS.

The dry weather has injured crops to some extent throughout our section.

Miss Laura Williams has returned to her home in Holly Springs, much to the regret of her many friends.

Eugene Canaday spent a part of last Saturday in Angier.

Mr. Metress Barbour, and Miss Ellen Barbour, one of Four Oaks' most charming young ladies, attended preaching at St. Mary's Grove last Sunday.

Among the visitors of our burg last Sunday, were Messrs. David, R. E. Barbour, and sister Miss Louia, of the Ezra section, W. R. Barbour of Polenta.

Mr. J. W. Jones of our burg, took a flying trip to Durham Monday.

The farmers are laying by their crops in better heart this year.

ROB.

### BENSON BUDGET.

R. S. Dickson has returned from Baltimore.

Mrs. Pherbe Holmes lost a fine mule last week.

Mrs. G. W. Cavanaugh is visiting in Wake county.

Rev. P. D. Woodall, of Rocky Mount, was in our section a few days ago.

Mr. Underwood, of Rocky Mt., is here prospecting.

Some of our sidewalks are being laid with brick.

Four new pumps have been sunk this week, and water in the lower regions seems to be plentiful.

J. W. Wood, contractor and builder, has recently closed contracts for 16 new buildings.

George Benson has returned from Greensboro, and to all appearances is in perfect health.

R. B. Ryals, aged 79 years, died Wednesday morning. He was the father of L. M. Ryals, for several years deputy sheriff and constable of this township.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Hawley have the sympathy of the community in the loss of their daughter who died last Saturday after several days sickness.

Be it known unto all the county roundabout that Benson will sell tobacco this year and will give the farmers in this territory an opportunity to sell their weed at home. This market feels the tension of strong rivalry and proposes to be equal to any market in the county. We congratulate the farmers upon the fact that

they have an opportunity to sell their tobacco at home at good prices.

Buddie Lee, colored, laid out Archie Canaday, white, Saturday with a club almost too big for him to handle with ease.

Mr. Thomas Vinson, of Clayton section, was here Sunday.

Rev. N. H. Gibbs is assisting Rev. Mr. Suttle, of Smithfield, in a protracted meeting at Angier, in Harnett county.

The sons of Ham rejoice at the bountiful crop of watermelons.

The political pot is beginning to simmer, and already indicates an exciting campaign within the Democratic circle.

R. F. Smith returned from Durham Wednesday, where he met representatives of several large tobacco concerns, and from them received flattering encouragement of the support they will give this market.

### ELM SPRING NOTES.

We are glad to see crops looking so well throughout this section, but sorry to see them suffering so much for lack of rain.

Miss Lelia Parker, of the Pisgah section, spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Stephenson and friends in this community.

Mrs. H. Austin and son, C. M., spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Austin's sister, Mrs. R. N. Youngblood, and other relatives in our midst.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Stephenson spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Stephenson's mother, Mrs. C. E. Parker, of the Pisgah section.

A large crowd of our young people assembled at Mr. Israel Stephenson's last Friday night and amused themselves very much playing "The Headless Turkey." Mr. W. R. Brinkley won the prize. Some excellent music was also enjoyed. Rob. July 9.

### ATFA NOTES.

Misses Addie and Callie Coats, of Smithfield, attended church at Fellowship Sunday.

We are glad to note that Miss Callie Stephenson who has been sick, is out again.

R. B. Brady and Henry Langdon, of Benson, visited in this section Sunday.

J. M. Smith made a flying trip to Benson Saturday.

Pascal Parrish had the misfortune to lose his mule last week.

Mrs. Emeline Coats, of Harnett county, is visiting in this section.

L. M. D.

### WILSON'S MILLS NOTES.

We had quite a nice rain Monday and the crops look much refreshed.

C. M. Wilson made a trip to Raleigh Tuesday.

Mrs. J. H. Price is quite sick again, we are sorry to learn. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Willie Williams was before Squire J. E. Wall Saturday. For lack of bond Constable E. E. Parrish took him over to board with Jack Williams.

Politics is quite dull here. Trot out your man. As it is we are lost for something to talk about.

The work at the iron mine near here is progressing nicely.

Mrs. P. A. Jones and children and Mrs. J. H. Williams and children spent Sunday in the burg with their sister, Mrs. J. H. Price.

J. A. Wilson made a trip to Smithfield Monday.

Dempsey Vinson is out again after quite a long illness.

W. H. Grantham has plenty of ripe melons.

Oscar Stephenson had a load of melons in our burg Monday.

Crops are looking fine in this section.

O. E. Jones, of Goldsboro, was on our streets Monday.

Holt & Wall are quite busy in their shops now.

Who shall be our next Senator from this county? Let us hear from those interested.

Dr. R. J. Noble was in town Tuesday on business.

C. M. Wilson has the finest field of corn Spide has seen. W. G. Wilson has a very fine field of cotton.

SPIDE.

### SELMA NEWS.

Mr. Ashley, of the Selma Warehouse arrived in our town Tuesday of last week.

It is Pass and Garrett, not Passmore as your printer made it last week, who are the proprietors of the Planters Warehouse.

The two warehouses expect to handle a lot of tobacco this season, and will give the farmers the highest prices for it.

Our Chief of Police is now at work on the streets and will soon have them in first-class order.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Edgerton spent Sunday and Monday in Kenly.

Mr. J. Daniel Eason, of Easons, was in town Thursday. He has fourteen acres of fine tobacco—said to be the finest in the neighborhood.

Messrs. Robert Millard Nowell, Captain; W. W. Hare, Mate; Geo. D. Vick, Ensign; and Dr. J. W. Hatcher, Purser of the Selma Yacht Club, left the county bridge over the Neuse, near Selma, Monday morning last week about 8 o'clock on their yacht the "Julia Fuller", named in honor of the beautiful daughter of our excellent townsman, Mr. W. H. Etheridge, for New Bern. They reached Goldsboro Tuesday afternoon about 5 o'clock, where they spent the night, leaving there Wednesday morning at 5 o'clock. We hope to be able to give an account of their trip in our next.

Misses Blanche Barnes and Beatrice Ellis are visiting Mrs. W. H. Hare.

Mrs. D. P. Williams and Miss Belle spent Sunday and Monday in Fayetteville, N. C., visiting Mrs. William's father.

Mr. Rodger Richardson has been here on a visit to his father. He has a good position with a shipbuilding firm at Richmond.

Miss Alice Hundley of Virginia is visiting her aunt, Mrs. R. B. Carrington.

Mrs. J. A. Spiers went to Smithfield to-day (Thursday).

Mrs. R. B. Whitley is visiting her father, Rev. J. J. Harper, near Smithfield.

Mr. L. B. Richardson, of Kenly, was in town Tuesday.

Messrs. C. W. and H. F. Edgerton, of Kenly, was in town Monday.

Mr. R. B. Whitley went to Wendell Sunday returning Wednesday. He says the crops are burning up.

The Selma Manufacturing Co. has nine men at work making tobacco flues and cannot fill all their orders. One day last week they delivered to farmers twenty-seven sets of flues.

R. F. Smith, of Benson, was in our town Wednesday.

Mr. H. W. Hood spent Sunday in Wilder's.

Miss Pattie Richardson, who has been visiting her brother, C. W. Richardson, returned to her home near Shotwell, Wake county, Wednesday. Miss Verona Richardson went with her and will be gone a week or more.

Hare & Son are painting the front of their drug store.

Mr. and Mrs. Atlas Batton, of Wilder, spent Sunday here with Mr. N. R. Batton.

Misses Donia C. and Pauline Hood are visiting friends in Durham, N. C.

Miss Anne R. Scarborough and brother Hartwell V. Scarborough, are visiting their aunt, Mrs. R. J. Noble.

Mr. Fab Busbee Whitley, after spending a few days at Wendell, returned Wednesday and went to Wilmington on the excursion Thursday. Several of our citizens went on the excursion.

The Furniture Co. is at last a reality. The stock has been taken and work has begun on the building. The building will be a very handsome one and will have a hall over the store. Persons who anticipate buying furniture would do well to wait to see the new stock which it is expected will be here about the first of September.

While playing in the yard at its home about two miles from Thomasville Saturday, a three year old child of Albert Tysinger fell into a well and was drowned before assistance could be rendered.