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NORTH CAROLINA NEWS.

Some Happenings of the Week Tersely Told.

Many Items of Interest Concerning Tarheeldom Clipped and Culled From the State Press.

E. W. Pou, the brilliant and popular representative of the Fourth Congressional district, will speak at Asheboro on Tuesday of court, July 22nd.—Asheville Courier.

Mr. E. Lee and son, Robert, of Dunn, returned home yesterday. They came Thursday to see Mrs. Lee, who has been at Rex Hospital for a few weeks, and is convalescing. She will be able to be taken home the last of next week. News and Observer, 12th.

Postmaster Bailey has been notified that forty additional rural free delivery carriers were placed on routes on the first of July. This makes a total of 156 for the State. Every carrier receives \$600 a year except one, who has a short route paying \$480. The Raleigh postoffice now has a pay-roll of over \$100,000 a year, as all the rural free delivery carriers are paid from this office.—News and Observer.

The New Clinton, is what the county seat of old Sampson will soon be. The people of that city, while feeling keenly the loss of property sustained by last Sunday's conflagration, are not a bit discouraged or dismayed. They have already gone to work to rebuild their beautiful little city and in doing so they intend to make it by far more up-to-date than before. This well exemplifies the pluck and push of the Clinton people.—Wilmington Star.

Hon. F. A. Woodard has indicted Mr. J. E. Crutchfield, editor of the Rocky Mount Spokesman, for libel, because of a publication in his paper of issue of July 4th, calling him Hon. Frederick Annanias Woodard, and saying that promises he made with reference to the division of the vote between Cook and Battle were deliberately broken. Mr. Crutchfield's hearing was set for Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Wilson, but later he decided to waive examination and gave bond for his appearance at court.—Wilson Times.

A negro named John Weaver, residing on Sheriff Farmer's place east of Wilson, was struck by lightning at sunset Tuesday. He had come from the field because of the approaching storm, put his mule into the stable and went in the garden to get a watermelon. He returned to the yard and was eating the melon when a terrible bolt of lightning struck him on the head, tearing the crown of his hat and leaving a streak down the side of his body, making a hole in the ground at his feet. It killed him instantly.—Wilson Times.

The Republican Congressional Convention was held here to-day. E. Spencer Blackburn was placed in nomination by H. M. Wellborn, of Ashe, and was unanimously nominated. The convention was fairly well attended. Congressman Lessler, of New York, addressed the convention, briefly defending the record of the last session of Congress and highly extolling Blackburn. His speech failed to arouse much enthusiasm. Mr. Blackburn accepted the nomination in a brief speech, bitterly denouncing the Wilkesboro Chronicle for an attack on him and declaring he would be elected by Republican votes alone. His speech breathed defiance.—Wilkesboro Special to Raleigh Post.

"I am using a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and find them the best thing for my stomach I ever used," says T. W. Robinson, Justice of the Peace, Loomis, Mich. These Tablets not only correct disorders of the stomach but regulate the liver and bowels. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Cavanaugh & Benson, Hood Bros., Hare & Son.

County News.

BENSON BUDGET.

D. Johnson, of Florida, is here, called to bedside of his sick brother, John B. Johnson.

John Underwood, of Rocky Mount, is projecting a furniture factory here, and it is to be hoped he will receive such encouragement as will enable his efforts to materialize.

The Ivey pond near here was fished Tuesday, and a large quantity of fine fish were caught. They brought fancy prices.

E. L. Hall and family returned Wednesday from a visit to relatives in Cumberland county.

Dr. W. T. Turlington, of Fremont, is here on a visit.

A. D. Ryals, of Baltimore, returned to his home Tuesday after spending a few days with his mother near here.

J. W. Wood has his new machinery in operation.

Seth Allen, John Holmes, Wilson Allen and Bradley Johnson, have embarked in the fishing business.

J. W. Lucas and family are temporarily sojourning in the city of Dunn.

We forgot to mention last week that R. B. Brady has sold his stock of groceries to P. B. Johnson and M. H. Langdon.

A. B. Hudson has moved into his new store; J. J. Holmes goes to the store vacated by Hudson, and J. W. Norris is filling the empty place that John Lucas made.

J. B. Hudson, of Smithfield, was here Tuesday.

A few bales of old cotton found their way to this market Wednesday.

J. D. Parrish has just completed three small cottages.

R. F. Smith was in Wilson Tuesday.

Mrs. Sarah Barber and Mrs. H. M. Barber, of upper Johnston, are visiting Mrs. J. F. Lee.

The shower that hindered the game between Benson and Oakland, a few days ago, better have been at Benson, say the boys; for then our crops would be looking better and the feathers would be sticking all over their crops. They just itched to finish the 5th inning, but their Joshua could not stop the sun.

Smithfield, Benson, Dunn, is the order of the dates set for opening the tobacco markets. If the farmers of this section respond to the efforts of our people to give them a market at home, as they should do, Benson will "knock the socks" off something somewhere; and it wouldn't be hard to guess whereat, when, nor what off'en.

MICRO NOTES.

Our farmers are very busy curing tobacco. Some are well pleased at their success.

We have been promised a we k's revival at this place very soon.

Rev. J. M. Noble closed his services at Parrishes Memorial last night, the 15th. Much good has been accomplished, many regrets to see it close.

The death angel visited the home of Mr. L. A. Boykin, of Bagley, last Thursday and took his wife to a home above, where all is peace and love. She had suffered more than a year with consumption. We extend sympathy.

Messrs. W. E. Smith and C. G. Pope went to Selma yesterday, the 15th.

Mr. J. W. Fitzgerald returned home last Friday.

Messrs. J. F. Wimbome and L. W. Richardson went to Selma last Friday to witness the ball game, they returned very much delighted with their trip.

Several of our young folks report a fine time at Parrish's Memorial church last Sunday.

Miss Lillie Fitzgerald, one of our most charming young girls, went to Smithfield last Monday to attend the teachers institute.

REX.

A large lot of nice wedding rings, latest designs, just received at T. C. Jordan's.

AROUND GLENMORE.

Mrs. Etta Hobbs, of Clinton, is the guest of Mrs. W. B. Strickland.

Miss Alice Radford, of Smithfield, who has been visiting here, left Saturday to visit friends near Four Oaks.

Masters Elmer and Benj. Welons, of Smithfield, visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

Messrs. D. A. Graham and J. E. Mahler, spent Saturday and Sunday in the Sanders Chapel neighborhood. They did not feast on the "pasture green," but say "there are other attractions." There seems to be no place like over the river with some of our "sports."

Mrs. Martha Sanders is visiting relatives at Smithfield.

Misses Alma and Lizzie Sanders spent Sunday at Beasley.

Capt. G. B. Strickland left Thursday for Lucama, to the regret of many. For the past few years he taught school at Turlington Institute, during which time he gave entire satisfaction. He will take charge of the school at Lucama. Capt. is an excellent teacher and we wish him much success.

Mrs. E. D. Snead left for her home at Hope Mills last week after an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. E. P. Sanders, who has been quite ill with malarial fever.

Rev. L. E. Bruton will fill his regular appointments at Antioch Sunday at eleven o'clock A. M.

"ONYX."

AROUND SANDERS CHAPEL.

The splendid rain of the 10th has put the mercury on nice behavior and so revived and refreshed the crops that the "hot time" of the past week is a mere remembrance.

Golly, ain't these good nights to sleep? The children neither call for water or kick "kiver."

Crops are practically finished. Potatoes are receiving the finishing touches, while the "simmons" and the "pommus" will be the catch crop.

Tobacco curing is "Nancy Hanking" this week and until the top calf tongue is gathered, the star gazers will watch the wane of the milky way as well as greet the first rays of the rising sun. Poor old smoky, dusty, red eyed, cadaverous tobacco curers. But cheer up; John Bull and Brother Jonathan have locked horns on the plains of Quanca and if Ragsdale and Skinner, Paylor, Boyett, McGuire and others, will take a "cinch" and put in a little tail twisting, floor space will be at a premium and the country folks will "baccer" um up.

Jupiter made a barber pole of a pine in front of the Methodist church on the 10th and came mighty near knocking the socks off of Mr. Pates whole family, who live near by.

Mr. Junius F. West, of Harnett county, has been in the community, rusticating and prospecting. He says he has heard much of Johnston county but like the Queen of Sheba, the half has not been told. He thinks if Harnett would come and learn how to farm and stop monkeying with tar kilns, speckled cattle, rattling sheep and wire grass, she would soon find herself on wheels. Johnston is doing some mighty good crop lifting.

The young gallants of this ranch, with their Prima Donnas, met at the hospitable home of Mr. H. W. Lynch on the evening of the 11th, and had a regular old country social. They gave "King William," "Stealing partners," and "Skip back darling," a few rounds, then settled down to parlor games, promenading, and whispering on the back porch. Chairs in pairs were mighty close together. Miss Bertha Stevens, of Smithfield, and Miss Lillie Sanders, of Calipso, Duplin county, were right there.

Mr. J. B. Roberts, (Pomp), and Miss Lillie Sanders, of Duplin county, are among us, claiming kin, swapping yarns and dividing hash. Lillie is a lamp among the butterflies and Pomp's yarns are mighty shady. He has been in Florida.

The writer took a jaunt over in the "Fork of the Creek" last week. That is a regular Egypt. Crops a e splendid and the cheese apple trees are beauties. A more progressing or hospitable community is not inside the county boundaries, and they are mighty near all Democrats too. The sheriff has no business over there.

Mr. Elias Rose has returned from Four Oaks from a Masonic lecturing tour. He also conferred the "Eastern Star" on some ladies. He says the ladies all admire a rose, white roses, wild roses and bridal roses. He is a regular "Josephus in the blossoms."

The river road leading to the Old Union church, that Mecca, of the Primitive Baptists was thronged last Sabbath. They had a preacher from Alabama and he gave them his version of the 32nd chapter of the 5th Book of Moses. Read it.

Mr. Henry Edgerton and family, W. S. Stevens, (the folk's clerk.) Allen Smith, (no use to tell who he is,) of Smithfield, W. C. Smith, (son of the old man,) Misses Gussie, (sister,) and Hattie, (niece,) of Sampson county, are all with Mr. W. A. Smith this Sunday and some longer. These are mostly all kin people, and to see Aunt Bedie Smith, (widow of John Smith and so long an invalid under this roof.) While not a "Roaring Jake," he does administer a "water cure," and there are other attractions there.

Messrs. Graham and Marler, from the Glenmore region, are on deck. One to see his kin the other to get in the ring.

Mrs. Rosa Holt Prichard, Misses Dora Woodall, Sarah Whitley, Clara Smith and Maude Powell, from this bivouac, are mustering under the Foust-Turlington banner and getting ready for the Joyner-Aycock educational charge. They say that about 125 teachers attended the first day. Watch Johnston. She balances and swings and honors her patrons.

POLENTA NEWS.

The pic-nic at Shiloh was a grand success. Plenty good to eat, pretty girls, gallant young men, a general good time, and an eloquent and impressive Sunday School address by Rev. Mr. Adams, of Mt. Moriah, were the features of the day.

Preaching at Shiloh last Sunday morning by Rev. Mr. Hall, the pastor, who, as usual, preached a telling and effective sermon. He is this week conducting a protracted meeting at Baptist Centre, being assisted by Rev. Mr. Townsend, of Robeson county.

Miss Lillie Koonce, one of Raleigh's most accomplished young ladies, is on a visit to Miss May Young.

Miss Inez Wynne, of Raleigh, is visiting Miss Mildred Young.

Dr. E. N. Booker is this week attending the State Convention at Greensboro.

Miss Mary Booker, after spending a month with relatives in Raleigh, has returned home.

Mr. Deb Wood has one of the finest canteloupe and watermelon patches we ever saw. His melons are of fine flavor and he has made some of the finest ever seen in this section. By-the-way, his fine field of corn, though it suffered somewhat from the recent hot dry weather, has put on a new dress since the refreshing showers set in and on his ten acre field he will hardly average less than five barrels per acre.

Look out for a tremendous crop of corn in all this section, provided the seasons are favorable. The old corn is virtually out of danger now. The crop is decidedly the best we have seen in this section. The tobacco and cotton crops are also looking fine and in excellent condition, and the farmer is of course, feeling good.

One of the tobacco warehouses in Raleigh had its opening sales Tuesday of this week. The weed sold at from \$5.57 to \$15.25, according to grade, but none of it was very good quality. This looks as if the tobacco raiser will be strictly in it this year.

Miss Evie Tomlinson, of Wake, is on a visit to Miss Addie Barber.

The Polenta and Benson baseball clubs crossed bats on the formers ground Thursday evening of last week; on account of darkness the game was called at the close of the fourth inning. The score stood nine to four in favor of Polenta. The same clubs will play at Benson Friday of this week.

Cleveland Township has two aspirants for the office of Register of Deeds, Messrs. J. W. Smith and W. H. Sanders, both most excellent gentlemen. For Sheriff and Clerk, Ellington and Stevens will virtually have a walk-over in Cleveland. Both are very popular in this section.

Mr. L. R. Martin, of Dunn, is visiting his old home in this section.

TYPO.

MASSEY CHAPEL NEWS.

Curing tobacco seems to be the order of the day in our section.

Mr. C. F. Thompson was visiting friends near Creech's Mill Sunday.

Mr. A. B. Stallings, of Wayne, is visiting relatives and friends in our neighborhood this week.

We are sorry to note that Mr. J. M. Edwards, one of our prominent young farmers, lost a fine horse last week.

Mr. Robert Fitzgerald, of Pine Level, was visiting relatives and friends in our section Sunday.

Mr. Walter Stallings and his sister, Miss Geneva, of Wayne, visited relatives in our neighborhood Sunday.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Van Peedin is sick with fever. Mr. Peedin is one of our best Johnston county boys. We sincerely hope that he will soon recover.

Messrs. J. M. Edwards and C. Daughtry made a business trip to Goldsboro Saturday.

We are glad to note that Mr. S. R. Brady, son of S. H. Brady, is recovering from a severe attack of rheumatism. He was permitted to go to the dining-room last week which seems now to be his favorite place.

FOUR OAKS ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Massengill visited their parents in the Ezra section Sunday.

We regret very much to announce the illness of Mr. I. M. Massengill, who has been quite sick for the past few weeks. At last accounts he was improving slowly.

Mrs. J. T. Cole and children, accompanied by Miss Clyde Cole, visited friends in the Ezra section Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Fisher preached a very interesting sermon for us Sunday night from the text, "Be sure your sin will find you out." It was eloquently delivered and well enjoyed by the audience.

Mr. A. T. Sater, of Raleigh, is on a few days visit to relatives here this week.

Mr. G. P. Waddell, who has a position with Messrs. Clark & Buckingham; is moving his family in the residence formerly occupied by Mr. W. D. Guill.

Mr. J. T. McKinzie made a business trip to Fayetteville Tuesday, returning Wednesday.

Mr. B. B. Adams returned home Thursday after several days visit in Western North Carolina.

Masters Jesse and Hugh B. Adams, after several days visit to relatives in Greensboro, returned home Friday.

Your correspondent learns that the place of baptism for the candidates who recently united with the Baptist church here has been changed. It will take place next Sunday at 3 p. m. at Holt's pond—known as Rock Dale Mills, three miles north-east of Four Oaks, instead of at Mr. J. C. Keen's pond as heretofore stated in last week's issue.

There will be services at the Baptist church here Sunday at 8:30 p. m., by the pastor, Rev. J. W. Suttle. Let all turn out and hear this gifted speaker.

NEXES.

SELMA NEWS.

Misses Lillie and Mamie Johnson, of Dunn, are visiting the Misses Stancill.

Miss Julia Fuller Etheredge returned from a visit to New Bern Tuesday.

Mrs. M. C. Winston and Mrs. N. E. Edgerton went to Raleigh Tuesday, returning Wednesday.

M. C. Winston, N. E. Edgerton, J. W. Futrell and T. R. Fulghum represented Selma township at the Congressional and State Conventions.

Mr. Stuart, a former superintendent of the Selma Oil Mills, was in town Thursday on his way home (Tarboro) from the State Convention.

The Board of County Commissioners should take some action against the telephone companies. The wires are nearly always down and dangerous to travelers on public roads. The poles are old and break off continually. The electric generators too weak for the service. In fact the whole system is an intolerable nuisance. It is rarely the case that it can be used—never when one is in a hurry to use it. Make them improve the service or take down the wires and let a company have the use of the roads who will give good service.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Richardson are spending the week at Wendell.

Our Mayor, R. B. Whitley, is spending a few days at his old home.

Our tobacco market will open Wednesday, July 30th. Farmers who want good prices should remember the day and date. Our warehousemen will give them a hearty welcome.

Miss Mamie G. Tuck returned from Oxford, where she has been teaching in the Orphan Asylum for the past year. She will teach in the graded schools next year.

Married in Raleigh.

A quiet marriage was solemnized in the Primitive Baptist church in Raleigh in the presence of many friends on the morning of July 10th, at 9:30 o'clock.

The contracting parties were Mr. Albert R. Gilbert and Miss Emma Hines, the ceremony was performed by Elder W. A. Simpkins in a very impressive manner. The groom's brother, Mr. Loamie Gilbert, and the bride's sister, Miss Hattie Hines, were the only attendants. The ushers were Mr. Gaston T. Powell and Mr. Kenelm L. House, of Raleigh. The bride and groom, with the attendants, then boarded the 10:45 train and arrived at Benson in the afternoon, where they were joined by other friends who went with them to the home of the groom's father, there they all received a hospitable reception.

The groom is one of Johnston county's enterprising young farmers, and resides near Benson, is very popular among his friends, and a highly esteemed member of Hannah's Creek church.

The bride is a highly esteemed lady of Raleigh, has many friends, and has for sometime been a teacher in Wake, Johnston and other counties, and is a well-known Primitive Baptist.

Our sincere wishes for them is that their lives may be happy and crowned with success.

A. FRIEND.

Fruit Carnival and Basket Picnic.

On Saturday, July 26, there will be a fruit carnival and basket picnic at Avera's Mill.

Prof. J. P. Cannaday, of Benson, will deliver an address on education at 10 a. m.

A special committee will meet arriving parties and take charge of their fruits and baskets and arrange the dinner.

All are cordially invited to come and bring their musical instruments, fruits, melons and well filled baskets

Men and Boys, summer coats, shirts, underwear, straw hats, low cut shoes at and below cost; must be closed out in order to make room for fall stock. W. G. Yelvington.