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SELMA NEWS.

W. H. Starling went to Benson Tuesday.

A. M. Noble is visiting friends in Virginia.

Mr. W. E. Stallings, of Clayton, was in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Winston spent Sunday at Fuquay Springs.

Vinson & Richardson will put on a delivery wagon next Monday.

Mr. A. J. Williford went to Norfolk Sunday returning Tuesday.

Mr. Jesse Hood, of Wendell, is visiting his brother Harry W. Hood.

Fab B. Whitley and Miss Effie Blackburn went to old Beulah Sunday.

Mr. Ed. Tuck has returned from a visit to friends near Youngsville.

Miss Jimmie Batton has returned from a visit to relatives near Archer Lodge.

Mrs. J. H. Jackson will move to the old Preston House on September 1st.

Mrs. Rebecca Honeycutt, of Clayton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. B. Driver.

Mrs. J. P. Winston, of Louisville, is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. M. C. Winston.

Mrs. M. A. Noble left Wednesday with her son, Prof. M. C. S. Noble, for Wilmington.

Mrs. W. W. Wynne and Miss Mary Wynne, of Raleigh, are visiting Mrs. N. E. Edgerton.

Mrs. A. Jones is on a visit to relatives at Clayton. Alpheus Jones spent Sunday with them.

Mr. Call and Miss Margaret Etheredge gave their Sunday School class a lawn party Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Johnson Jr., who have been visiting Mrs. Y. D. Vinson left Thursday for Norfolk, Va.

Robert M. Nowell, Dr. J. B. Person, Robert Gibson, C. H. Kleuppberg and A. M. Noble went to Wilson's Mills Sunday.

At last we are to have lights in town. Our City Fathers have bought four lamps and if they prove satisfactory are to get others. They make a nice light. The supply of gasoline ran short Wednesday so we had no light and Fab Whitley says it was dark, for sure.

The two new prize houses are nearing completion. The elevators are being put in and we are prepared to handle the crop whenever the farmers conclude to sell it. Tobacco sold here Tuesday at twenty cents per pound. All grades are a little better, but not much.

Mr. Henry A. Williams, the popular superintendent of the Norfolk Division of the Southern, was here Tuesday to meet and take an excursion to Norfolk. There were so many on the excursion that it took two trains of fourteen cars each to carry them. The first train left Greensboro with fourteen cars loaded eight hundred people—and had orders not to stop for passengers at Burlington or Graham, as over two hundred tickets had been sold at Burlington. The second train was to get them.

Our graded school opened Wednesday. All the teachers present and a large number of pupils but not so many as there would have been had it not been raining. Our teachers are Ned F. Brannon, Superintendent; Henry E. Craven, Principal; Misses Margaret C. Smith, Bettie Lee Sanders and Mamie G. Tuck, with Miss Lois Bass as teacher of music. Willie S. King is Principal of the colored school and Laura J. Atkinson teacher. It will be the aim of all to make the school better than ever. Pupils will be received from outside of the district at the usual low rates and parents and guardians would do well to see the Superintendent before sending elsewhere.

It is to be hoped that the County Commissioners will enforce the full penalty, for the non-completion of the iron bridge across Neuse river known as the Selma

Bridge, against the bridge company. When the contract was let one of, and the main, consideration for letting the bridge to this company was that they had the bridge already built and it could be put in at once. The company was given 90 days to put it up and it is reported that the company was given a little extra in order that it might be put up at once; but we are not sure of this. One thing is well known, though, that the bridge is not finished and no one knows when it will be. The material was at Wilson's Mills for some two or three weeks, or more, before work was begun on it. Our people waited patiently for the bridge to be put in but now forbearance is ceasing to be a virtue and we do hope that our Honorable Board will collect the full penalty for our people's part to much trouble and loss of trade on account of the non-completion of the bridge.

SENEX.

PINE LEVEL DOTS.

Mrs. W. J. Edwards died Thursday.

Dr. J. B. Strachan, of Princeton, was in our town Monday.

Rev. J. S. Hagwood is conducting a meeting at the Baptist church this week.

Pine Level is on a boom; there are two new buildings going up, a store house and a market.

Mrs. G. C. Price, of Selma, spent Wednesday night with her sister, Miss Florence Gully.

Mr. N. M. Gurley spent Saturday night and Sunday in Selma with his brother, Mr. J. L. Gurley.

Mr. and Mrs. F. T. White, of LaGrange, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aldridge.

Rev. J. H. Worley was called to Selma Sunday to preach the funeral of Mr. J. P. Price's little child.

Miss Lillie Poole spent Saturday night and Sunday in the country with her uncle, Mr. Geo. B. Worley.

Mr. Millard and Miss Sallie Pitman, of Goldsboro, are visiting their sister, Mrs. Herbert Kornegay.

Misses Pluma and Henrietta Owens, of Durham, spent Friday night and Saturday with their uncle, Mr. W. F. Gerald.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Westbrook were called to the country Sunday to see their brother, Mr. D. A. Johnson, who is very sick.

Mrs. J. L. Harris, of Black Creek, and Miss Florence Farmer, of Wilson, who have been visiting relatives left Saturday for their homes.

Pine Level's second nine played Jerome's first nine Saturday afternoon. The score stood 25 to 15 in favor of Pine Level Hurrah for our boys!

Y. Y.

Aug. 18th.

BEASLEY BITS.

Rev. Robt. Strickland preached an interesting sermon at Preston Academy Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dupree, of Dunn, are visiting friends and relatives in this community.

J. M. Beasley and sons, Claude, Wilbert and Howard, went to Wrightsville Wednesday on the excursion.

G. H. Toler, L. M. Stevens, G. R. Britt, J. E. Raynor and Miss Mattie Beasley attended the reunion at Smithfield last week.

DEXTER.

End of Bitter Fight.

"Two physicians had a long and stubborn fight with an abcess on my right lung" writes J. F. Hughes of DuPont, Ga. "and gave me up. Everybody thought my time had come. As a last resort I tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. The benefit I received was striking and I was on my feet in a few days. Now I've entirely regained my health. It conquers all Coughs, Colds and Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed by Hood Bros., Druggists. Price 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

POLENTA NEWS.

Miss Loftin, of Whitakers, is visiting the Misses Tomlinson.

Miss Mary Jones is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. Claude Price.

Preaching at Oakland next Sunday morning and night by Rev. Mr. Souders.

Miss Daisy Green, of Raleigh, is spending this week on a visit to the Misses Smith.

Miss Poole and Miss Inez Wynne, both of Raleigh, are visiting the Misses Young.

Misses Alma Coats and Nellie Luncford, of Smithfield, are on a visit to Mrs. D. T. Wood.

Mr. Douglas Holt, of Clayton, is spending a week with Mrs. Susan Powers, his grandmother.

A delightful entertainment was enjoyed at the residence of Mrs. Tomlinson's on Monday night. Most of our young people attended.

Miss Lizzie Tomlinson, after spending a month visiting friends in upper Johnston, Wake and Franklin counties, returned home last week.

Owing to poor health, Rev. Mr. Hall has tendered his resignation as pastor of Shiloh to take effect November 1st, 1903. Our people reluctantly give him up.

Mr. and Mrs. James Canaday, of Greensboro, are spending a week with friends of this section. Mr. Canaday is one of the Southern Railway's efficient engineers.

The picnic at Oakland last Saturday was a grand success in every particular; a large crowd, good behavior, plenty pretty girls and gallant young men, and a plenty of good to eat. Raleigh, Garner, Clayton, Benson and Smithfield had representatives on hand and all seemed to have a good time.

The tobacco growers of this section met at Polenta Academy Tuesday night and organized the Tobacco Growers Association of Cleveland township by electing Mr. J. W. Yelvington, Chairman and F. T. Booker, Secretary. The association unanimously endorsed the Kinston Anti-Trust resolutions and pledged not to buy any manufactured tobacco controlled by the American Tobacco Trust and to use every honorable effort to keep all others from patronizing said trust. A resolution was adopted asking the farmers to hold their tobacco as long as they could unless better prices could be obtained. A resolution was adopted pledging the Association to buy manufactured tobacco from independent companies, not connected with the Trust. The next meeting will be held at Red Hill on Saturday night, August 29th at 8 p. m., to which tobacco growers are cordially invited and urged to attend and join the Association, and thereby lend their aid towards crushing one of the most gigantic and oppressive "trusts" of the age.

TYPO.

LEACHBURG ITEMS.

Mr. Jeff Stephenson spent last Sunday in the Perlina section.

Sol thinks he can report the first boll of cotton in this section.

Messrs. Rom Johnson and Eugene Stevens spent last Sunday and Monday in the Benson section.

Mr. D. T. Barnes, a very intelligent young farmer of Wake county, near Raleigh, was here one day last week.

Mr. Hubert Jones and sister, Miss Eula, of Gully's Mill, spent last Monday evening in our midst. We were charmed with their visit.

Miss Pearl Holland, a beautiful and highly accomplished young lady of Sanford, is in our community visiting relatives and friends. Miss Pearl says she will be with us for quite a while.

Mr. C. L. Bailey and sister, Miss Millie, of near Benson, passed through our burg one day last week enroute for their home. They had been on an extended visit to their sister and aunts in Polenta and Leachburg.

Mr. George W. King, of Clayton, passed through this section last Sunday. He was going over in Pleasant Grove township to visit his mother, who had the misfortune to fall and break one of her arms recently. Mrs. King accompanied Mr. King back to Clayton.

The Sunday School picnic at Oakland church last Saturday was in every way a complete success. There were visitors from almost all sections of the county, including quite a number from Raleigh. While there were so many present they were not at a loss to find something good to eat, for the long table fairly groaned, it being so heavily laden with good eatables. In fact Oakland people don't do anything by halves any way.

Sol had the pleasure of attending the family reunion at Mr. Z. J. Lee's last Saturday. It being Mrs. Lee's 80th birthday, her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren decided to hold a reunion of all her kin people. So they invited some of their friends to join with them in making the day a very enjoyable one. They spread a bountiful dinner on the long table in the beautifully shaded yard. There were about 100 people present to partake of the many good things to eat. Of this number 39 were grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mrs. Lee was delighted to be able to go out to the table to eat dinner with her children once more. We trust that she may be spared many more years of usefulness in this world. Each one present went away feeling that the day had been well spent.

SOL.

August 18th.

KENLY NOTES.

Dr. J. D. Schofield, of Fayetteville, was a visitor to our town Monday.

Miss Pennie Outlaw, of Goldsboro, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. J. C. Grady.

Mr. Jno. Woodard, of near Princeton, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. R. Holland.

Miss Eliza Watson, has been sick with fever for several days, but is gradually improving now.

Dr. Jno. G. High and Dr. J. C. Grady are adding to the appearance of their dwellings, by having them painted.

Misses Roxie and Nancy Lyles, of Tarboro, who have been visiting at Mr. J. G. High's, returned home Tuesday.

Messrs. O. L. Bagley, of Bagley, A. W. Arrington, of Suffolk, Va., and H. C. Andrews, of Mount Olive, spent Sunday in town.

The farmers around here are bouyant over the prospects of the cotton crop, but are disheartened at the prices of tobacco.

Some people are beginning to pull fodder this week, but it seems they will have a hard time to save it, for it rains almost every day.

Rev. W. H. Frost, of Lucama, has been elected pastor of the Free Will Baptist church here for the ensuing year and will preach next Sunday morning and night.

The principal of Kenly Academy, Prof. H. B. Smith, is now canvassing and making preparation for the opening of the school, which will be September 2nd. The outlook for the school is very bright.

Owing to the inability of some of the most important speakers, who are on the programme, being present on the first date set, the Beulah township Sunday School Convention that is to be held at Beulah town near Kenly, has been postponed until the first Sunday in September. Every body is cordially invited to attend.

REX.

We, the undersigned, believing Dr. Seth Arnold's Balsam to be a reliable Remedy for Bowel Complaints, hereby guarantee a twenty-five cent bottle to give satisfaction or money refunded by Hood Bros., Smithfield.

CLAYTON CHIPS.

Miss Lucile Ellington is visiting here.

Miss Lina Lindley spent Sunday here.

Miss Irene Hinton, of Raleigh, is visiting her parents.

Messrs. Cadmus and William Young were here Monday.

Miss Bertha Jones spent last week with Miss Maud Turley.

Prof. J. R. Williams, of Apex, spent several days here this week.

Mrs. M. E. Gattis, Carmen and Elmo, are visiting in Garner this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. W. Massey and children are visitors here this week.

Misses Mamie Ellis and Annie Lee, of Smithfield, are visiting friends here.

Miss Placide Ellington, of Raleigh, is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. L. Hinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Hicks, of Raleigh, spent Sunday here with Mrs. Hicks' mother.

Mr. Ashley Horne has bought the Mrs. Toler lot, near Mr. E. B. McCullers' dwelling.

Mr. Rupert Yelvington left Tuesday for Mount Olive to visit his sister, Mrs. Gus Cox.

Miss Allyn McCullers spent part of last week with Miss Mildred Young at Polenta.

Mrs. C. W. Carter returned Saturday from an extended stay with parents in Virginia.

Mr. Hamp. Williams, of near Wakefield, was a visitor of Dr. J. A. Griffin's family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Jones and family spent two or three days with Mrs. R. E. Phillips recently.

Mr. Master, of Harrisonburg, Va., representing The South Atlantic Insurance Company is in town.

Master Willie Williams gave a birthday party Tuesday evening to the delight of his many young friends.

Rev. G. W. Fisher, assisted by Rev. Mr. Starling, of Cary, will conduct protracted meeting here next week.

How can it fail, when every man, woman and child has his shoulders to the wheel, and is pushing for the Clayton High School.

Mr. D. Q. Lowery will leave here Sunday to attend the reunion of his father's family, this being his 69th birthday. Mr. J. A. Lowery, brother of our townsman, will be there from Texas.

Prof. R. F. Williams, the efficient principal of Clayton High School, is still soliciting through the country. He reports prospects of the grandest success ever known to the people of old Johnston, for a school.

Mr. W. W. Kemp, a prosperous farmer living near here, tells us he had the misfortune of losing 45 head of fine hogs by cholera lately. He showed us a bunch of as fine tobacco as we have seen. Mr. Kemp is a model farmer.

Miss Alma and Atrice Hall, of near here, spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Branch. While there Mr. Branch took them to Raleigh and showed them all the sights of the Capitol City.

Aug. 19.

YELIR.

ARCHER DOTS.

Miss Ellie Whitley has just returned from a visit to relatives at Wakefield.

Messrs. M. H. Jones and Mahlon Creech, of Clayton, were welcomed visitors among us Sunday.

Miss — Coats, of Cleveland Township, has returned to her home after spending a few days with Miss Eula Whitley.

The low prices of tobacco has forced our farmers to come together as one man and say they will not put it on the market unless it gets better.

Elders Jones and Coats preached to a large and appreciative audience at Salem Sunday.

Little Miss Gladys Brooks, of Smithfield, and Miss Cornelia Hatcher, of Selma, are visiting the Misses Castleberry.

Miss Juanita Ellis, one of Clayton's most charming young ladies, spent a few days with Miss Lessie Barnes recently.

Bro. A. A. Pippin is expected to fill his regular appointment at White Oak next Saturday and Sunday. The ordinance of baptism will be administered at Sealey's pond Sunday morning at nine o'clock.

August 18.

B. X.

THANKSGIVING DOTS.

Mr. Alonzo Batten, of Burlington, is in this section visiting his parents, friends and relatives.

A good many of our young people went to the protracted meeting at Antioch church last Sunday.

Most all of our people visited the reunion of the Old Soldiers at Smithfield Aug. 13th, and report that the dinner was a success.

The re-union dinner given by Mr. Henry E. Earp at the old homestead was a success. Most every member was present and all enjoyed it finely.

We are sorry to note that Miss Martha Allen, of the Branch Chapel section and formerly of near Four Oaks, is very sick with fever. Hope she will soon recover.

Mr. Noah A. Jones, wife, and little daughter Irene returned to their home in Pine Level last Sunday after spending a week with friends and relatives around Thanksgiving.

Our Rural Free Delivery mail route is in operation now, and the carrier Mr. Patrick Parker of Selma, seems very kind and polite to all. We hope it will add much to the improvement of our section.

The taxpayers of this part of Oneal's township are very anxious to know something about the election that is to be held in Oneal's township September 22nd. They want to know where the road is coming from and through what part of Oneal's township will it go. Will someone who understands it thoroughly explain it to us through the columns of the Herald?

Aug. 18.

NICK.

Better Prices Promised for Tobacco.

Mr. Yuille, head buyer for the American Tobacco Company, was in our city yesterday and informed several of our leading tobacco men that prices would be better after a while; that the American Tobacco Company did not want the farmers' tobacco for nothing, and expected as early as possible to pay a reasonable price for it. He said that the company was laboring just now under several difficulties, the lack of storage room and the unpreparedness to handle the new crop. He asked them to advise the farmers to take care of their tobacco and keep it for the present in their pack houses and as early as possible his company would pay fair prices for it.

So it is extremely probable that the American Tobacco Company, like all corporations that have to borrow money in large quantities, is unable to secure funds at present to handle the crop, and since they express themselves as willing to pay the farmers a fair price, we favor giving them a reasonable length of time, and then if they do not show a disposition to keep their word the farmers should proceed in whatever effective way they may see fit. In the meantime, the farmers should meet and organize to control the acreage for the new crop and the yield therefrom.—Wilson Times, 15th.

A monster mass meeting of farmers was held at Kinston on Saturday, and ringing resolutions were passed condemnatory of the American Tobacco Company's greed and injustice.