

Local Items

The News of the Week in and Around Town.

Misses Eula and Hilda Parrish spent a few days with relatives in Dunn this week.

Mrs. T. S. Ragsdale left Tuesday for Black Mountain where she will spend the summer.

Miss Lucy Hood has returned from Durham where she went to attend the Epworth League Conference.

Rev. J. M. Culbreth left Monday to visit his wife who is spending the summer with her parents in Nashville, Tenn.

Rev. J. E. Hoyle went to Benson Saturday. He conducted services in the Baptist church there Sunday morning and evening.

Mrs. T. L. Ginn, who has been spending some time here with friends and relatives, returned to her home in Goldsboro Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Sam Davis and son, Bennie, have gone to Norfolk to spend some time. Before returning home they will visit Washington and Philadelphia.

Mr. Hubert Woodall, who is taking a course in King's Business College at Raleigh, spent Saturday and Sunday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Woodall.

Mr. E. O. Edgerton, of Raleigh, spent Sunday here, returning Monday, accompanied by Mrs. Edgerton, who has been spending several days here with her father.

Mr. F. H. Brooks and family returned from Asheville Tuesday night. While away Mr. Brooks attended the World-wide Baraca convention and also visited Lake Toxaway.

Mr. Robert E. Lee, of Bentonville township, was here yesterday. He says it has been something like two or three weeks since they had much rain in his neighborhood.

Misses Flossie Lee Abell, Fidelia LeMay, and Bettie Lee Sanders and Mr. Johnnie Hood left yesterday for Montreat to attend the Young People's Missionary Conference.

Mrs. J. M. Beaty went to Benson Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of little Lucy Rebecca Lee, the child of Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Lee, which was buried that afternoon.

Mr. Ira W. Medlin, after spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Medlin, near Powhatan, has returned to Smithfield and resumed his position as linotype operator for The Herald.

At his office, on Thursday, July 8th, the County Superintendent of Schools will conduct admission examinations for the A. & M. College at Raleigh. The College officers in charge of admission urge that those who expect to enter in September be examined at this time.

Mr. A. T. Wiggs brought us this week some fine plums from the orchard of Mr. John Game, of Boon Hill township. He has had the tree only four years and this year it bore four or five bushels of plums. They are about the size and shape of a Hall Seeding apple and as firm as a clingstone peach.

The new Board of Education will be sworn in next Monday. This board is composed of John J. Rose for six years, George F. Woodard for four years, and W. G. Wilson for two years. Perhaps, the most important duty to come before the new board will be the election of a county Superintendent of schools for the ensuing two years.

Mr. Hallie Hood left Monday to attend the Epworth League National Convention at Seattle, Washington, and to take in the great Alaska-Yukon Exposition. Mr. D. H. Hood, of Dunn, also went on the trip. At Nashville, Tenn., they boarded the "Epworth Era" special train which took them through to Seattle without change. Before returning home they expect to visit San Francisco and other Californian points. They will be away about a month.

A Splendid Concert.

One of the most enjoyable entertainments Smithfield has had in a long time was the musical concert given by Misses Helen and Harriette Day and Miss Phyllis Woodall at the Opera House here last Friday night. Only a small crowd was present, but it was an appreciative one judging from the earnest applause given each number on the program. The solos and duets given by the Misses Day were of the highest order, while the violin solos by Miss Woodall were pleasing in the highest degree. Miss Mary McCullers, of this place, gave a piano solo that brought forth a hearty encore. Many who attended pronounced it the very best entertainment of the season.

COTTER-STEVENS CO sells the best tobacco twine.

Work of Rains and Lightning.

Nearly everywhere in the county farmers report too much rain and still the rains seem to be heavier and more disastrous in some sections than others. Last Saturday there fell heavy rains near Wilson's Mills. Another Tuesday and Wednesday two more the last of which washed the land more than any other which has fallen this year.

During the rain Wednesday lightning struck an oak in the yard of Mr. D. O. Uzzle near his woodpile. It made a little sign on the oak but did most for a plank fence on the back of the yard. It struck it in numerous places, tearing small pieces out of it for a distance of about 30 feet. A colored boy who was cutting wood about ten feet away was shocked but not injured.

Stole Thirty Dollars.

For a day or two last week two tramp negroes were stopping in Smithfield. Friday they went to the pump house at the depot and asked for some water. Mr. David Edwards, who runs the pump engine, had thirty dollars in a pocket of his overall jacket hanging up in the house and when he stepped out to cut some wood they proceeded to take the money. He looked that way and happened to see the jacket moving and ran toward it. They came out with the money in hand and ran off. News was telephoned around and that night one of them was arrested at Selma. Next day he was brought here and after being identified was sent to jail. He gave his name as Earnest McDonald from Newbera. The one who has the money has not been caught yet. This money was a payment for a month's wages which Mr. Edwards had drawn on Thursday.

Baptist Baracas Elect Officers.

The Baraca Class of the Baptist Sunday School held their semi-annual election last Sunday morning. The following were chosen for the next six months:

- President—Horrace B. Eason.
- Vice-President—M. A. Wallace.
- Sec. Treas.—F. H. Brooks.
- Asst. Sec. Treas.—W. R. Smith.
- Teacher—T. J. Lassiter.
- Asst. Teacher—George L. Jones.

The class, while not having a large membership, has had a good average attendance for the past six months.

Man Struck by Lightning.

On Wednesday afternoon about 4 o'clock Mr. Monroe Beasley, of Benson, was struck by lightning at his brick yard several miles from Benson near Coats, N. C. It is said he was operating a brick machine when the lightning which struck the machine dealt him a heavy blow, rendering him unconscious. A physician from Benson was summoned and at last accounts was still with him. He did not seem to know anything until about midnight when he regained consciousness. We hear that he has been bleeding at the mouth, nose and ears. A telephone message received about twelve o'clock yesterday states that some of his bones are broken. He is a useful and popular man and the people are very sorry to hear of the accident.

Little Child Dead.

Last Saturday night little Lucy Rebecca, the 16-months old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Lee, died at their home in Benson after an illness of about nine weeks. The remains were laid to rest in the Benson cemetery Sunday afternoon to wait the resurrection morn. The bereaved parents have the deepest sympathy of the community.

Appointments.

Rev. J. E. Hoyle's appointments for July are as follows:
First Sunday at J. C. Brown school house between Selma and Micro at 4 o'clock and at Smithfield Cotton Mills at night.
Second Sunday at Pleasant Grove church in the western part of the county at 11 o'clock, and at Benson's Grove at 4 o'clock and Saturday before at 4 o'clock.
Third Sunday at Blackman's Grove at 11 o'clock, and Saturday before at 4 o'clock and at Oliver's Grove Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.
Fourth Sunday at Benson morning and night.

Masonic Picnic.

There will be a Masonic and Farmers basket picnic at Four Oaks on Thursday, July 15, 1909.

The officers of Four Oaks Lodge No. 478 A. F. & A. M. will be installed publicly and an address will be made by Mr. L. H. Allred on Masonry. Every body cordially invited to come and bring a basket.

- Committee of arrangements:
J. W. Sanders, J. W. Keen,
J. T. Cole, A. D. Ford,
D. H. Sanders, C. D. Stroup,

In Honor of Embroidery Club.

Last Saturday afternoon, from half past four to half past six o'clock Miss Mattie Pou entertained at her hospitable home on Third street, in honor of the Embroidery club.

A most unique and original feature of the afternoon was guessing conundrums. The answer to each conundrum was the name of a member of the club. The contest was entered into with much enjoyment and at the end of the allotted time, quite a number of ladies had guessed correctly all the conundrums. Miss Bettie Lee Sanders was the lucky one in drawing, and received as a prize a lovely gold monogram hat pin. The second prize was awarded Mrs. H. L. Skinner.

After the contest, a delightful salad course, cream and cake, and peppermints were served.

Meeting Against the Traction Engine.

Friday, May 25th, a large number of the people of Smithfield met in the court house to devise means to stop traction engines from running on the roads of Smithfield township. Two plans were suggested. One was to enter suits against Messrs. Rand & Lawrence for damages and the other was to raise money to help them in their loss in case they would voluntarily stop running their engine. The latter course was recommended and a committee was appointed to raise the money. Another committee was appointed to arrange for a meeting to be held Monday, June 28th. A large number of farmers from different sections of the township were present at this second meeting. They stated the damage done to the roads and other inconveniences caused by the running of the engine. Mr. N. M. Lawrence by invitation was present at this meeting. A committee of three consisting of Captain H. L. Skinner, Mr. W. M. Sanders and Mr. W. L. Woodall were appointed to meet with Messrs. Rand & Lawrence at 4 o'clock July 1st to try to settle the matter.

School Library To Be Open.

School library will open every Saturday at four P. M. and remain open about thirty or forty minutes.
Ira T. Turlington.

Lawn Party at Selma and Hay Ride.

On Monday evening, June the twenty-eighth, Messrs. Avera Winston and Robert Etheredge gave a delightful lawn party to their friends in Selma and Smithfield on the lawn at the beautiful home of Mr. M. C. Winston.

The porch was beautifully lighted and that, with the soft beams of the moon made a lovely picture, when the party from Smithfield, who had had a jolly hay ride, drove up and alighted.

The guests were received by Messrs. Avera Winston, Robert Etheredge assisted by Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Winston who truly made the evening one to be remembered with much pleasure by all present.

Delicious refreshments, were served soon after which the guests reluctantly bade their charming hosts good night. Among those present from Smithfield were Misses Flossie Abell, Bettie Lee Sanders, Fiddle LeMay, Rosa Peacock, Clara Lee Stevens, Anna and Nannie Underwood, Ava Myatt, Katie Woodall, Lucy Hood, Erma Stevens, Mildred Sanders, Alma Eason and Ione Abell and Messrs. Herbert Lowery, Boyce Hargett, J. A. Campbell, Lee and Ransom Sanders, Leon Stevens, Johnnie Hood, and Jason Myatt.

Thanks the People.

Rev. H. H. Goff, through the columns of The Herald, desires to thank the people of Smithfield for their aid and kindness during the Hollness meeting recently held at the Banner Warehouse—for the use of the house, for the seats furnished by the school and for the interest and attendance during the services.

A Noble Outcast.

This thrilling play will be presented by Selma Local talent at the Opera house here Friday night, July 2. It is worth the price and your time to see it. Admission 15, 25, 35.

Alliance Meeting.

The Johnston County Farmers Alliance will meet in the court house in Smithfield on Saturday, July 10, 1909, at 11 o'clock. We hope to have a full attendance. It being the annual meeting it is important that every Sub in the county be represented.

H. C. Williams, Co. Sec.

WHO WANTS THEM?—We have for sale two good mill stones. For size, price and further information, call on or address The Ellington Bugby Co., Smithfield, N. C.

Condition of Cotton Crop.

Memphis, Tenn., June 28.—The report of the National Ginners' Association gives the average condition of cotton up to June 24, as 75.6. There has been an abandonment of acreage of 7 per cent, according to the report, making the total acreage 9.8 less than last year.

Detailed reports by States:
Alabama, condition 70; acreage abandoned 14 per cent; crop very grassy in nearly all sections; plant small and from two to four weeks late.

Arkansas, condition 76; acreage abandoned 4 per cent; crop very good in west and north; very grassy and small elsewhere; boll weevil in 24 counties worse than last season, some of the fields being abandoned on account of them.

Florida, condition 90; very little loss in acreage; most sections good. Georgia, condition 79; acreage abandoned 5 per cent; crop grassy; most sections not all chopped yet; plant generally small and from one to three weeks late; some complaints of lice and black rot.

Louisiana, condition 56; acreage abandoned 13 per cent; some sections in very good shape but so many weevils they are destroying all the squares as fast as they form; much cotton being abandoned or planted in sage only on this account; many report nothing will be made in their sections.

Mississippi, condition 61; acreage abandoned 14 per cent; plant generally small; poor stands and grassy.

Missouri, condition 56; very little loss in acreage; crops late but good.

North Carolina, condition 77; acreage abandoned 4 per cent; crops grassy in most sections and from 2 to 3 weeks late.

Oklahoma, condition 90; acreage abandoned 1 per cent; reports from nearly all sections very good.

South Carolina, condition 78; acreage abandoned 4 per cent; some few sections report good conditions but most of them report fields grassy and not all chopped yet, plant small and from two to three weeks late.

Tennessee, condition 77; acreage abandoned 7 per cent; plant small and grassy.

Texas, condition 80; acreage abandoned 5 per cent; principally in the dry section where rains came too late; condition north and east Texas best in years but weevils are reported more numerous than usual and this fine prospect may be changed in a very short time.

South Texas had plenty of rain, plant generally small and from four to six weeks late. Weevils reported in large numbers doing damage already. West Texas still very dry except four counties, some places have had no rain in six months. With plenty of rain this section will produce from 50 to 60 per cent of a crop.

MANUSCRIPT COVER PAPER
A full supply just received at The Herald Office.

SMITHFIELD MARKET.

Cotton	12 to 12½
Eggs	15
Chickens	15 to 35
Granulated sugar	5½ to 6
Corn per bushel	1.00 to 1.10
Feed oats per bushel	75
Fresh pork	10
C. R. sides per pound	12½ to 13
New hams per lb.	15
Lard, per pound	10 to 15
Cheese per pound	20 to 22½
Butter, per pound	25 to 30
Dried apples, per pound	7½ to 10
Coffee, per pound	12½ to 17½
Sheep skins, each	25 to 50
Salt hides per pound	6
Hides—Dry flints	7 to 8
Tallow	3
Beeswax	20 to 22
Meal per sack	2.10 to 2.15
Flour per sack	3.50 to 3.75
Fodder per hundred	1.00
Timothy hay	1.10 to 1.20
Wool	15 to 25
Fat cattle on foot	3 to 3½
Fat cattle dressed	6½ to 7
Potatoes	70 to 75
Peas per bushel	1.00 to 1.10



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