

**The Smithfield Herald**

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**IF YOU VOTE YOU MUST REGISTER.**

There is an idea prevalent here that a person who registered and voted in the town election for the bond issue can vote in the election to be held on May 16th, for the school bond issue, without registering again. This is a mistake. The other election was for the town only. The election for May 16 is for the Smithfield Graded School District and therefore requires an entirely new registration. The registration book will be open until Saturday, May 6, at the clothing store of Mr. N. B. Grantham. If you live in Smithfield Graded School District and want to vote in the Bond Election, your name must be placed on the book by sundown on the first Saturday in May (the sixth,) or you cannot vote. This is a very important election and every man in the district who believes in a good school should exercise his right of suffrage. But don't think that because you registered and voted in the recent town bond election, you can vote in the school bond election. You must register again. Mr. Walter Grantham is register.

**"UNITED AND ONWARD."**

(By A. Vermont.)

There can be no doubt that the greatest asset of Smithfield is its progressive citizenship. It has been said a thousand times, that strength lies in unity. If this be true, then strength must come to our town from the serried ranks of its united citizens. We assisted at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, we witnessed an inspiring scene. We saw a determined body of men, without a single dissenting soul, placing themselves behind the movement for a greater Smithfield. A bigger Smithfield. There was progress in the air, every man went home with his spirit of progress in his soul.

And it occurs to me this is right. After all Smithfield will be what we make it. No stranger will come in and take from our shoulders the work, which is ours by nature's own assignment. If our town must grow, it is because of our will that it should grow. We are the men who live here, we are the natural developers of its resources. Through our efforts alone then will our town prosper, and through our efforts it will be a most attractive dwelling place, a delightful home for ourselves and for our neighbors.

Again it is true that towns develop their economic possibilities or finally fall into decay. It is with the town as it is with the individual. Growth is the consequence of life. If we as individuals cease to develop the strength of our mind and bodies, we become physically ill, mentally stagnant. If a town sits quietly down, makes no further effort at growth, its sons must seek other homes, its daughters must find other roofs. Business reaches a certain well defined limit, beyond which it never goes. This principle is understood by our enlightened community. We have decided to grow, and grow we shall.

Nor must this growth be sporadic, spasmodic, or radical. sane and conservative development are at the base of durable enterprises. We consider the steps taken by the Chamber of Commerce to lay out new roads to our town, a decidedly wise, conservatively progressive move. It is self-evident that the road is the connecting link between the town and the country. We sincerely believe that one of the causes which contributed to the wealth of the French farmer, are

the fine French roads. But why argue a point that is so self-evident. Let us be connected with the rest of the State by the great Highway. The advantages of such a connection are too plain.

But there was something else that necessarily interested us, that made us very happy. Something that will strike a responsive chord in the heart of every mother, every father in this town. Unanimously, without a word of opposition, the meeting voted to support the erection of a modern school building. We think that of all the great steps taken by Smithfield, this is one of the most important. The reasons for our statement are self-evident. Think of the tremendous influence that will come to our children from beautiful surroundings. Think of spacious healthy schoolrooms equipped with all modern conveniences. Think of the best building in the hands of the best of teachers, think: is there anything that we can do, that will mean more to our own children? They are at school from five to six hours every day, the school is their home, what blessing it will be to the little ones to have an attractive schoolhome!

When the stranger will come to our town and he will inquire for the proofs of Smithfield's earnestness in all development, we will point out with pride among many other things, our beautiful new schoolhome for our little folks.

**TOBACCO A GOOD CROP.**

Tobacco is a good crop, as we have said before. From all sections we hear that the tobacco crop for this year will be a short one. This is due to two causes. One is the scarcity of plants in Virginia and the Piedmont section of North Carolina, where they are said to be scarcer than for many years, and then the high price of cotton, which will make the East or the new belt forget the necessity of diversified crops.

Look after your plant beds, for with the shortage of brights that will be raised this year, we are assured by the law of supply and demand that tobacco will be one of the most profitable crops for this section.

**EDISON THE WONDER.**

At the age of 64, Thomas A. Edison, the wizard of electricity, is still one of the most wonderful workers among living men. It is said that he often works forty-eight hours without stopping for sleep or recreation. His daily task is about seventeen hours of unremitting labor, and he keeps well and strong, with no lack of vigor or energy. Mr. Edison attributes his power of mind and body to his system of living, embodied in these three rules:

1. Proper Eating.
2. Proper Sleeping.
3. Proper Clothing.

He eats very little, enough to give sufficient brain and muscle power—never loading his stomach with that which he does not need. And when he lies down to rest, he says it takes only thirty seconds to be fast asleep. He wears loose-fitting clothing, thus giving every muscle and artery and vein all the freedom necessary to their great and important functions. All of his clothing is about two sizes too big. With his system of living, Mr. Edison is able to accomplish an immense amount of work.

Many lessons can be learned from such a life—a life that is lived for the betterment of mankind. With his system embodied in the three rules given, lives may be lengthened, the cost of living reduced, and the efficiency of service increased.

An enthusiastic mass meeting was held in the Court House last night, and the spirit manifested showed that the people were for the slogan, "United and Onward."

**Speaking at Pine Level.**

Arrangements have been made for Professor A. Vermont to speak on education at Pine Level, Saturday afternoon, April 29th, at 3 o'clock. Everybody is invited to hear him.

**THE PEOPLE MUST GET OUT AND THEN BE FORCED BACK IN.**

Once upon a time the people in and around Smithfield became tired of the treatment of the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company and decided to organize a local company and manage their own telephone system. This they did by organizing the Johnston County Telephone Company. Then the ideas advanced by the Carolina was that they had been greatly wronged since they had a system already here and were in the regular telephone business. It seems they started out with the idea of managing so as to force the new company out of business. However the new company did quite a satisfactory business so far as the general public was concerned. They gave good service and received a good patronage. They built smoke lines into the country which were very convenient to a number of people. A large per cent of the stockholders in the new company grew tired of the telephone business and a continual fight with the old company and as they could use their time and money in other business, sold out a few weeks ago to the Carolina. After practically forcing the people out of the new company it seems the Carolina Company decided to force certain people into the telephone business by demanding that they buy all the country lines and pay the Carolina for making connection at the central office in Smithfield. Under this ruling the farmer who knows nothing about the telephone business is forced to go into it and own the line and the telephones and keep them in order himself. This is surprising to us. The Carolina Company is in the telephone business and should keep up their lines and charge for the same. For our part we have never wanted to go into the business and do not intend to be forced into it. Suppose the farmers buy the country lines, what do they know about operating them? The Carolina's attitude toward the farmers here seems to be this: We have you by the throat and will lead you around. They will not lead some of them very far. The service given in the country has been very poor for several weeks and part of the time the service has been poor in town. The management now admits that so far as the country is concerned this bad service was due to the fact that the Carolina was going to sell the country lines. Our idea is that they should have given the best possible service as long as they charged for it. If they succeed in forcing the farmers to buy the country lines it would be far better we think to turn them over in good condition.

**Wanted Cooked Victuals.**

On Tuesday night of last week, a thief prized open the back door of a house on the land of Mr. J. M. Beatty, where Nathan Tomlinson, a colored man lives, and ate up what they had cooked. From the appearance of the table cloth, it is thought he sat on the table to eat his supper. In turning about in the dark, he threw a cup from the table to the floor and broke it. Nothing else has been missed from the house.

**Jurors For Federal Court.**

The May term of the Federal Court will open at Raleigh, Monday, May 22. The following have been drawn as jurors from Johnston County to attend this court:

B. A. Turnage, J. W. O'Neil, Addison Lee E. W. Vick, Alexander B. Adams, Jesse B. Creech, L. F. Uzle, A. Frank Barbour and J. M. Parrish.

**Horse Ran Into Town.**

On last Tuesday some excitement was caused on Third Street in Smithfield, by a runaway horse, which dashed up that street and started on the sidewalk near Mr. D. H. Creech's drug store. The horse, driven by a boy, was coming here. He belonged to Mr. Charley Johnson, of Ingrams township. The body of the cart was left off and the shafts were short, such as are used to a dump cart. About a mile from town, near Mr. Will H. Johnson's, the backband gave way and the shafts dropped. This frightened the horse and he began to run. He soon left the wheels and axle, but could not get loose from the shafts. The principal damage was done to the horse by the cross piece which extends from one shaft to the other. It is said the horse was badly bruised and bleeding, and the bones and leaders in his legs could be seen.

Mr. E. S. Abell went to Baltimore this week on a business trip.

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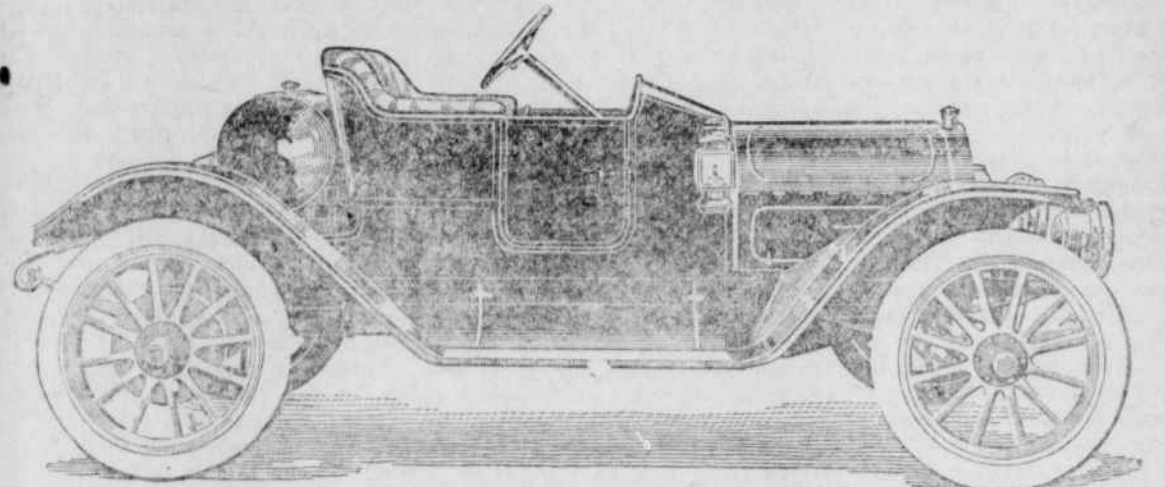
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BENSON, N. C.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.**

Having qualified as administrator of W. F. Lee deceased, late of Johnston County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them duly verified to the undersigned on or before the 21st day of April, 1911, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 20th day of April, 1911.

KEMP LEE,  
Administrator,  
SMITH & PARKER,  
Attorneys.

**PUBLIC SALE.**

Sale for cash, at the residence of the said deceased, W. F. Lee, will be made on Thursday, May 25th, 1911, of the following personal property, to wit: One mule, seven bales of cotton, 20 or more bbls. of corn fodder, cotton seed, potatoes, peas, hogs, luggy, farming utensils, etc.

KEMP LEE,  
Administrator.

**SALE OF TOWN LOT.**

North Carolina, Johnston County. Pursuant to the powers of sale contained in a certain contract to convey land, entered into on the 4th day of January, 1903, by Edward W. POU to Julia Ennis, the conditions of said contract having been broken by the said Julia Ennis, this is to give public notice that the undersigned, Edward W. POU will expose to public sale, to the highest bidder, for cash, on Monday, the 28th day of May, 1911, at 12 M., in front of the courthouse door, in the town of Smithfield, N. C., said lot of land being described in said contract as follows:

Lot No. 69 in that addition to the town of Smithfield, in the county of Johnston, in said State, situate East of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad and near the depot at said town, known as New Belmont, a plat of which is recorded in the register's office of said county, in book —, reference to which is made for a more detailed description of said lot fronting on Raleigh street 26 1/2 feet, and 100 feet on Side street.

This April 26th, 1911.  
EDWARD W. POU,  
POU & ALLRED, Attorneys.

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