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BIG PICNIC AT HOLT'S MILL.

Large Crowd Attends to Hear Good Speeches On Good Roads. Fine Dinner and Everything Well Managed.

One of the most successful picnics and barbecues of the season was pulled off at Holt's Mill, near Princeton, Wednesday. It was given under the auspices of the Boon Hill Township Good Roads Association, and the way it was managed speaks well for those having it in charge.

It is estimated that there were about five hundred people present and there was dinner for all. The dinner was served in an unique manner. Long tables were prepared on which the barbecue, ham, chicken, bread, cakes, pies and many other good things were spread in great profusion. The tables were then roped off and only those in charge were admitted inside the ropes. Butter trays and paper dishes were used in serving the dinner, each being filled with an assortment of the good things displayed on the tempting table. When dinner was announced the people came up and the ladies passed out to each one present one of the trays or plates, thus assuring every one a good appetizing dinner and plenty of it. This method, is a great improvement upon the old way of announcing dinner ready and then attacking it with a rush.

Dr. Cheatham, of Durham, was present and made a good speech for good roads. Others speaking on the subject, were Mayor Wellons, Mr. W. M. Sanders and Judge F. H. Brooks. All made telling speeches for good roads and the cause in that section was strengthened by this pleasant occasion.

Boon Hill is a large township and has some of the finest farming land in Johnston County. The people have caught the spirit of the times and it will not be long before Elevation, Cleveland, Clayton and other townships will have to move up if they are to keep ahead of Boon Hill.

FIRST BALE GEORGIA COTTON SOLD FOR 25 CENTS POUND.

McRae, Ga., July 25.—The first bale of the 1911 cotton crop to be marketed was brought here today by E. J. Smith, of this county. It weighed an even 500 pounds, was bought for 25 cents a pound by T. W. Booth.

FOUR OAKS NOTES.

Four Oaks, July 26.—Mr. J. H. Brackett has returned from Shelby, N. C., where he took his family for the summer.

Mr. Arcie Barbour, of Clayton, is visiting in and around Clayton this week.

Mr. Jake Moore, of Weldon, N. C., is in town for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Barefoot spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Calvin Stewart, Mrs. Barefoot's father.

Mr. A. F. Barbour visited at home of his son-in-law, Mr. R. A. Bain, recently.

Messrs. I. W. and Lonnie Keen are in Richmond, Va., this week and Messrs. William and Daniel in Norfolk, Va.

We regret to note that Mrs. A. B. Adams is unable to be out yet.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Privette have returned from a trip north, which was considerably shortened by the serious illness of their little boy.

Mr. B. B. Adams has removed his old dwelling away from his new one and will have it painted, etc., preparatory for use.

Mr. S. W. Brown has accepted a position with A. C. L. at Wilson, N. C., as operator.

Messrs. L. C. and W. E. Barbour attended the annual picnic at Oakland Presbyterian church Saturday last.

Among those who went to Washington, D. C., this week we note the following: Mr. and Mrs. Shade Lassiter, George Roberts, Frank Honeycutt, Chester Lassiter and Jasper Massengill.

Mrs. C. W. Bandy has returned from a visit to her mother at Dillon, S. C. July 26, 1911.

YELLOW JACKETS BLIND HIM.

Farmer's Sight Gone and His Hearing Seriously Impaired.

Millville, N. J., July 24.—With the sight of both eyes lost and his hearing probably permanently impaired, William Ford is in a serious condition as a result of striking a nest of yellow jackets on Crow's Nest Farm, near Pine Grove.

The yellow jackets had been bothering cattle lately, and yesterday Ford resolved that he would destroy the nest. With a stout club he set out to accomplish the task. He hit the nest once, and in a second the yellow jackets swarmed about him. His features are unrecognizable.

GENERAL NEWS.

Seven persons were killed in a cave-in in Oklahoma Monday.

Secretary of War Stimson has sailed from Colon for Porto Rico and Cuba.

Twenty-five persons were injured by the falling of a baseball grandstand at Newark, O., Sunday.

Eight firemen were injured and \$325,000 worth of property was destroyed in a fire at Toledo O., Sunday.

The center of cotton production in the United States in 1910 was three miles south of Vaiden, Carroll county, Miss.

There were 239 business failures in the United States during the week ending July 20, against 196 the week previous.

T. Coleman du Pont has contributed \$500 to the Kentucky Association for the Cure and Prevention of Tuberculosis.

Cardinal Gibbons was 75 years old Sunday. He spent the day quietly at the home of friends near Westminster, Md.

The city of New York has awarded to the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company the whole \$225,000,000 subway extension contracts.

Eight inches of rain is reported to have fallen at Beatrice, Neb., Sunday. Women and children were rescued from the tops of box cars.

A review of the foreign trade of the United States during the last twelve months shows a steady increase in commerce with Canada and the Orient.

One man dead, another fatally wounded, and a third shot in two places, is the result of a pitched battle in Juarez, Mexico, Saturday, between insurgents and city police.

In a statement issued at Beverly President Taft has given the Democrats in the House and Senate the credit for the passage of the Canadian reciprocity treaty agreement bill.

Postmaster General Hitchcock has issued an order looking to the establishing of an ocean mail service between the principal ports on the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans to begin in the autumn of 1914.

Mrs. Mary T. Proctor, aged 111 years, a real daughter of the American Revolution, who has lived in three centuries, has just been discovered in an humble one-room cabin, in Bartow county, Georgia.

Paris is suffering from the greatest heat wave in twenty-five years. Not a drop of rain has fallen within a month, and there has been a part breakdown in the water supply. There were eleven deaths from the heat Saturday.

Cholera has broken out in a congested Italian quarter of Boston. There has been one death. The disease is supposed to have been brought to a lodging house by two sailors who disappeared after they were taken ill.

Pennsylvania Democrats, although so greatly in the minority in that State, have split into two factions and organized two State committees. Both factions, however, have endorsed Woodrow Wilson for President.

Members of Alabama's congressional delegation have announced themselves as in favor of nominating Representative Oscar W. Underwood, of Birmingham, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, for President on the Democratic ticket.

DROWNED IN NEUSE RIVER.

Elijah Stencil, An Orphan Boy 17 Or 18 Years Old, Lost His Life At Highbank, Near Sanders Chapel, Tuesday Afternoon.

A most distressing accident occurred on Neuse river at a place known as Highbank, about one and one-half miles from Sanders Chapel, Tuesday afternoon. Several young men, among them being Messrs. Will, Hubert and Robert Smith, Elijah Stencil, Millard Hamilton, Henry Talton and Vick Hill, went to the river to go in swimming. Some of them were on the sandbar and others near there when Elijah Stencil got in deep water, and not being able to swim, was drowned. We have heard several conflicting stories of how the tragic affair occurred, and do not know which is true, but from what we can learn Elijah Stencil and Will Smith were in the water together, perhaps playing and frolicking, when they slipped into a deep place. Stencil not being able to swim, clung to Smith who, to save himself, broke loose and swam out. The Stencil boy sank and only appeared once more, just the top of his head. This was near six o'clock. His body was fished out with a shadnet about 20 yards from where it went down, about nine o'clock. It seems that the others who were near were so overcome with fear that no real effort was made to save the young man.

Elijah Stencil was an orphan boy, about 17 or 18 years old, who formerly lived at or near Fremont. For the past several months he has been living and working with Mr. John K. Sanders.

He was buried Wednesday afternoon at Sanders Chapel. The sad ending of the young man has cast a gloom over the entire community.

GOES OVER NIAGARA IN BARREL AND LIVES.

Niagara Falls N. Y. July 26.—Bobby Leach of Niagara Falls, Ontario, yesterday afternoon went over the Horseshoe falls in a barrel and still lives. Though he was severely battered and bruised in the drop of 158 feet over the brink of the cataract, he sustained only superficial injuries and is able to be about his house. This is the second time in the history of the river that the cataract has been successfully navigated. Mrs. Anna Edson Taylor, of this city made the trip in a barrel October 24, 1901, and came out alive.

TEXAS WENT WET BY ABOUT 6,000 MAJORITY.

Dallas, July 25.—The anti-prohibition majority in the state-wide prohibition election, held in Texas Saturday, stands at 6,104, a figure too large to be overcome by the unreported vote, according to figures compiled by the Dallas News.

The total vote is: Against the amendment, 234,101; for the amendment, 227,997. The new figures indicate that the final count will show the majority against prohibition to be in excess of 6,000.

Jernigan Is Bound Over.

Alex. A. Jernigan, of Wendell, arrested some time ago for the killing of another white man, Albert Todd, near Wendell, has been committed without bail by Justice of the Peace Richardson, of Johnston county. The next term of the Johnston Superior Court begins September 11.

It is understood that a writ of habeas corpus will be sworn out this week before Chief Justice Walter Clark, of the North Carolina Supreme Court, on the contention that Jernigan should have been admitted to bail.—News and Observer.

The Southern Railway's Good Roads Train will give an exhibition at Selma next Thursday, August 3, at ten o'clock. The public is invited to be present and witness this exhibition of road building.

One Editor's Recreation.

John S. Phillips, editor-in-chief of The American Magazine, is an enthusiastic sailor. He is spending a month this summer cruising on the Maine coast in a 40-foot yacht.

REV. R. W. HINES IS DEAD.

Passed Away at Reidsville Friday While On a Visit to His Brother. Was At One Time Pastor of Smithfield Presbyterian Church.

Rev. Robert Watkins Hines, of Clear Water, Fla., died here Friday and his remains were buried at Greenview Cemetery Saturday afternoon. The minister had been here for a week or more in a visit to his brother, Mr. Henry W. Hines, and although his health had not been robust for several weeks the end was unexpected.

Mr. Hines, who was the pastor of the Presbyterian church at Clear Water, Fla., was voted a vacation by his congregation and came to North Carolina a few weeks ago. He had been visiting his brother, Mr. D. M. Hines, at Milton, and preached at the Presbyterian church there on Sunday, the 9th.

The Rev. Robert Watkins Hines was born in Granville county in 1859, and was therefore 52 years of age. His father was a Presbyterian minister, the Rev. Edward Hines.

He was ordained to preach and licensed an evangelist by Albemarle Presbytery in 1894, and he served several churches in Albemarle and Orange Presbyteries. He also served as evangelist in Mississippi. He has served the churches of Mebane, Burlington and Saxapahaw, and since August, 1906, the minister had been serving the church at Clear Water, Fla., where he was held in the highest esteem and where his services had assisted in greatly building up the membership of that church.

He was married to Miss Fannie Thomas, of Washington, N. C., in 1896, and she and a small son survive.—Reidsville Review, July 25.

Mr. Hines was for several years pastor of the Smithfield Presbyterian church and has a host of friends here and elsewhere in this county who learn of his death with deep regret.

LIVES WITH A BROKEN NECK.

Case of Youth In Minneapolis Hospital Puzzles Doctors.

Minneapolis, July 25.—Sixteen-year-old Martin Gray is at a hospital in Minneapolis with a broken neck and the father, Fred L. Gray, president of the Fred L. Gray Company, is plowing through seas on a fast liner toward the bedside of his injured son.

The boy struck a dredge heap head first while driving at Lake Calhoun. His case is proving a puzzle to surgeons.

MILL CREEK ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rose, of Benson, spent Saturday and Sunday in this section.

Mr. W. B. Cole, of Smithfield, spent a part of last week amongst us.

We are sorry to note that Mr. Jerry Lee is still confined to his bed with fever.

Messrs. D. S. and O. B. Langston and Misses Lottie Barefield and Ophelia Weaver spent Saturday and Sunday in Sampson county at Concord.

Mr. G. G. Barfield, contractor and builder, of Dunn, spent the day Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Mary Barefield.

Lawyers W. W. Cole, J. A. Wellons and Ed. Ward, of Smithfield, and Jos. W. Wood, of Benson, were in this section last week practicing their profession.

Mr. R. E. Chadwick, who has been stationed for the past three years at Providence, R. I., in the service of the United States Army, is now visiting his foster-parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Weaver.

Rev. J. F. Owen filled his regular appointment at Mill Creek the fourth Sunday, and announced that a protracted meeting will begin there the fifth Sunday to be conducted by Rev. R. H. Massengill and Rev. Mr. Arnold, of Dunn.

Crops in this section are unusually forward for the time of year. Mr. Seth W. Lassiter informs us that he will begin pulling fodder on Tuesday of this week.

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LIGHTNING LUGS BED 10 FEET.

Kills Dog Under It, but Women Occupying It Were Unhurt.

Pottsville, Pa., July 24.—In a severe electrical storm lightning struck the house of Joseph Witman at Cressna, near here, and entered a room where three women were sleeping in one bed. The bed was picked up and carried ten feet without damaging it or injuring the women. A dog sleeping under the bed was instantly killed.

Another freak of the lightning is reported, in which a sideboard, filled with dishes, was completely turned around without damaging the furniture, although almost all the dishes were broken.

TO BE WORLD'S LARGEST SHIP.

Length Of the Aquitania Will Exceed 900 Feet.

London, July 24.—The plans for the new steamer Aquitania, which the Cunard company is building at Clyde Bank, have been modified to make the vessel the largest in the world.

Her length will exceed 900 feet and be 10 feet greater than the length of the 50,000-ton liner Imperator, which the Hamburg-American Line will put into service in the spring of 1913. It is also stated that the Aquitania will be one knot faster than her German rival. The original specifications called for a length of 885 feet and a speed of 23 knots an hour. She will accommodate 4,000 passengers.

CROP GROWING WEATHER THIS.

According to National Weekly Crop Bulletin the Progress of Past Week Good.

Washington, July 26.—Good crop-growing weather prevailed generally throughout the country during the past week, according to the national weekly bulletin of the weather bureau issued yesterday.

In the large corn-growing states east of the Mississippi the weather continued cool and moderate rains occurred in most districts, except in portions of the lower Ohio valley, where additional moisture is needed.

In the cotton belt favorable weather continued over the more eastern states, although more rain is needed in North Carolina. In the central states, however, there was too much cloudy, rainy weather in portions of Mississippi and Alabama and more sunshine is needed in nearly all that section.

West of the Mississippi heavy rains generally relieved the drought in Oklahoma and the northern and eastern portions of Texas, and good rains occurred in Arkansas and Louisiana.

HUNDRED LIVES LOST IN TYPHOON IN TOKIO.

Tokio, July 26.—A hundred people are believed to have been lost in a typhoon that swept Tokio and Yokohama last night. Forty bodies were recovered this morning in Suzaki district, including twenty-three occupants of a house of ill repute which was washed away. Many small crafts are missing.

BANK OF KENLY IN GOOD SHAPE.

Shortage of Former Cashier Made Good and New Cashier Elected.

Kenly, July 25.—The stockholders of the Bank of Kenly met to-day and the shortage caused by the defalcation of R. H. Alford was made good and the bank will continue business as before.

Mr. J. H. Kirby, in whom everybody has implicit confidence, was unanimously elected cashier.

The people have not lost confidence in the bank, as certain parties offered to pay book value for the stock, and only a few shares changed hands. Mr. Franklin McNeil, chairman of the Corporation Commission, and Assistant Bank Examiner C. V. Brown, were present to protect the interests of the depositors, and they express themselves as being gratified at the condition.—News and Observer.

ANOTHER TUMBLE FOR COTTON.

Worst Smash of Season on Market Yesterday—Short Selling Caused Decline—Wen Down About 40 Points.

New Orleans, July 25.—The worst smash of the season in the cotton market came to-day without any warning. The loss on the new crop months the principal object of attack by the bear side amounted to exactly 40 points, or \$2 a bale. August, in which all that is left of the old crop interest is centered, lost 30 points, or a dollar and a half a bale.

The decline was caused by heavy short-selling which hardly let up for a minute during the day. Under the pressure the market gave ground steadily and on the way down stop loss orders from those traders who had gone along in anticipation of the now long delayed reaction were constantly reached. This swelled the selling. The market had next to no support and what buying orders there were came from shorts who wanted to realize profits.

The decline began in Liverpool and that market was so much under expectations on the opening here that initial prices were 8 to 10 points down. Without anything that looked like a recovery or reaction of consequence, prices fell until on the actual trading they were 30 to 40 points under yesterday's final quotations. The close was 14 to 15 points down, bids and offers considered.

BENSON NOTES.

Benson, July 27.—Rev. E. J. Rodgers, the pastor, preached excellent sermons to large congregations at the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. Preston Woodall and family and Mr. W. D. Boon and family and Miss Meta Holder spent Sunday at Fuquay Springs.

On Sunday night a mule belonging to Mr. Jasper McLamb ran away upsetting the buggy and throwing Mr. and Mrs. McLamb to the ground. Both the occupants of the buggy received severe cuts and bruises about the face. Dr. Utley was called and dressed the wounds. Neither of the parties were dangerously hurt.

Of those away from town recently we note as follows: Miss Julia Canada, at Angier; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McLamb, at Clayton; Mr. Leamon Johnson, at Goldsboro; Mr. Busbee Pope, at Peacock's Cross Roads; Mr. C. T. Johnson, at Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Godwin, at Kenly; Mr. S. F. Ivey and Mr. Andrew Hodges, at Washington City; Messrs. Wingate Morris, Jesse McLamb Sr., and Guthrie McLamb at Richmond and Petersburg.

Of the number visiting in our little city this week we note the following: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith, of Clayton; Mr. E. Lee, of Dunn; Mr. Leon Peacock, of Bingham, S. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Pat Moore, of Smithfield; Miss Mattie Smith, of Peacock's Cross Roads; Miss May Moore and sister and Miss Lillie Smith, of Smithfield; Misses Gertrude Jackson, Pauline Wade and Bessie Denning, of Dunn; and Miss Lillian Edgerton and Mayme Howell, of Kenly, and several others whose names your correspondent failed to get.

MOTHER AND BABE KILLED BY LIGHTNING.

Decatur, Ala., July 24.—A Mrs. Harmon and her year-old baby were killed by lightning yesterday morning at Pleasant Hill, a village near here. J. H. Holmes was badly shocked. Several head of stock were killed.

RALEIGH WOMAN VICTIM.

Mrs. J. A. Tant Sixth to Die From Pellagra in Six Weeks.

Raleigh, N. C., July 25.—Mrs. J. A. Tant died of pellagra at a local hospital this morning. She is the sixth person having died of this disease in Raleigh within the past six weeks. There were reported to the city physician during the month of July 11 cases that were being treated.