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TEACHERS MUST NOT SMOKE CIGARETTES.

At a meeting held in Statesville last Monday the Iredell County Board of Education passed a resolution providing that no teacher of the county be allowed to smoke cigarettes during the school hours or on the school grounds. This is a fine resolution. No teacher worthy of the high and noble calling should ever so far forget himself as to allow his pupils to see him smoke cigarettes anywhere, whether on or off the school grounds. If it is bad for the pupil to smoke cigarettes it is tenfold worse for the teacher.

ON THEIR WAY TO SCHOOL.

One of the finest sights to be seen in Smithfield these days is the army of bright-eyed boys and rosy-cheeked girls on their way to school. Our streets are lively in the morning hours between eight and nine with the noise they are making with their merry chatter and joyous laughter. On every street the boys and girls are marching and tripping on toward the school building in the southern part of town, all eager to begin the day's work in the school room. Not a laggard in the lot, but every one shows he is in the race for knowledge with a determination to win. We are glad to see the young folks from six and up on their way to school so happy looking. It means much for the boys and girls and also the teachers.

The school house is the most important place in town these days. The stores, the offices and the factories are great in their place, but they are not nearly so important as the school house during the school term. We cooperate with the business world in every way we can for the success of all. But so often, we pay little attention to the institution where the men and women of the future, the fathers and mothers of to-morrow are being trained. We leave that to the teacher and the school board. We remain at home and trust that everything will come out all right. We never stop to take a little time to go to the school house and see what the teacher who has charge of the training of our children is doing. We never seem to think that the busy teacher would appreciate a word from us. We never take the time to help her by giving her a little history of the dear one whom God has given to us, so that she may start out in her work of training with a knowledge of the normal and abnormal things in the life of the child. A word and a suggestion here and there oft-times make the labor of the teacher easier and the results happier. Very often the parent fails to help the teacher in her work because he or she does not think about it.

Again, the school house is the most important place in town these days, and it is the duty of all to lend a helping hand to those who have been placed in charge of our children for several hours, five days in the week, for the greater part of the year. Let us see in every boy and girl the making of a real man and woman, realizing that the proper training of these boys and girls is the one great task before us as parents and teachers. And when we come to a full realization of what this all means we shall have better schools. Then all will be in hearty accord working to one great end.

If the new State Constitution which has been formed by the Constitutional Convention of New York is ratified by the people the Governor of the Empire State will receive a salary of \$20,000 a year, beginning January 1, 1917. The present salary of New York's governor is \$10,000 a year.

NEGRO WOMAN EXECUTED IN JOHNSTON.

Since the Forsyth Superior Court convicted a woman of first degree murder and she was sentenced to die in the electric chair, there has been more or less discussion about the execution of women in this State. Since that time mention has been made in the State press of the execution of several women for the crime of murder.

In looking over the old State Records this week the writer came across an entry showing that a woman was executed in Johnston County in its early days. In the copy of the Senate Journal for the Legislature that met in Hillsboro in 1783 it is shown that Johnston County was represented in that body by Hardy Bryan. In the proceedings mention is made of reading the record of a court called in the "County of Johnston for the trial of negro Jenny late the property of Lewis Bryan, whereupon Resolved, that Hardy Bryan, Administrator of Lewis Bryan, deceased, be allowed the sum of fourteen pounds and six shillings specie in consideration of the execution of Negro Jenny, late property of said deceased by public authority." The treasurers were ordered to pay this amount.

While it is not definitely stated that Jenny was a woman, the name is a woman's and it is safe to assume that the person executed was a woman. There is no account given in the record of the crime, but the writer infers that Negro Jenny murdered her master, Lewis Bryan. There is no account given of the execution, but we are sure of this fact because the Legislature would not have ordered that a sum be paid the Administrator in consideration of her execution if it had not already taken place.

JOHNSTON COUNTY.

Johnston County is one of the old counties of North Carolina and as such its history is full of interest. The Editor has been making some researches recently and has found quite a number of things about the county which he hopes to publish in The Herald during the coming weeks. In our issue of next Tuesday, September 14, the first of these articles will appear. It will be "Johnston County in the Census of 1790." This article will deal principally with the names of the heads of families of that faraway day and will show that the family names most numerous then will be found to be very prominent in the county today. This article will be followed from time to time by others dealing with some phase of the early or later history of the county. Some of these will be written by the Editor and others will be written by some of the older citizens of the county and friends of The Herald.

Smithfield As a Meat Market.

Smithfield is getting to be known far and wide as the place to sell country hams, shoulders and sides, and within the past few weeks quite a number of fine loads of bacon have been sold here. Mr. Joseph Wood, of Ingrams township, was here Wednesday with a load of hams and sides which he sold to our well-known groceryman, Mr. S. C. Turnage. There were about 450 pounds in the lot which was as fine meat as any one might want. Again, we say that if more of our farmers will manage to have bacon and other products of the farm to sell instead of having to buy, it will not be long until there will be no such thing as hard times in this section to the average citizen. It's true, however, that there will be some who always will feel the pinch of hard times. But it is time for that class to be in the hopeless minority.

Let the slogan be: Raise all the things on the farm needed in the home that can possibly be raised in this section, and our people will soon be the most independent people on earth.

The two senators from Virginia, Thomas Martin and Claude A. Swanson, have announced that they will vote for prohibition in the District of Columbia and for a prohibition amendment to the Federal Constitution. One by one the "big ones" are coming over and it is no idle talk to predict National prohibition by 1920.

SMITHFIELD A BUSY PLACE.

The past few days have been busy ones with the Smithfield business men. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday were big days on the local tobacco market, more than a quarter million pounds being sold here on these days at satisfactory prices. Turning loose the amount of money the golden weed is bringing here these days means that the merchants are doing a much better business than was done here a few weeks ago. In fact it has made our hustling little town a real busy place. In all the stores we find the people are busy waiting on their many customers.

In almost every place of business in the town are seen signs of better trading prospects. The merchants have bought well selected stocks of goods and are prepared to handle a big trade for the coming season. In addition to those who are already in business we note two new places which are to be open to the public soon. First, Miss Ora Poole is planning to open an exclusive millinery store in the building next door to the Cotter Hardware Company, formerly occupied by the Creech Drug Company. This neat little store room has been remodeled and presents a very handsome appearance. Miss Poole hopes to be open for business tomorrow. She will be assisted in the store by Miss May Moore. She will also have an expert trimmer from Baltimore who is expected to arrive tomorrow.

In the building formerly occupied by Mr. Kramer, next door to Mr. Gregory's Five and Ten-Cent Store, Mr. C. Davis and his associates will open within the next few days a line of handsome ready-to-wear goods for ladies. The store has been remodeled and will be one of the very prettiest stores in the county. No trouble or expense has been spared in making a place which will be attractive. A full corps of experienced sales-ladies and trimmers will be in charge. It will be known as the "Bon Ton."

I HAVE A FULL SUPPLY OF BAG-ging and ties, one car new ties, 100 bales new sugar bag cloth, picking sheets and bags. I invite farmers and ginners in Johnston and adjoining counties to see me before buying these articles. W. M. Sanders, Smithfield, N. C.

IF YOU WANT GALVANIZED Roofing or Wire Fence see us. Cotter Hardware Company.

Special Prices On Sugar Flour, Shipstuff at A. S. Co.

Sugar---25 Pound Bags at 6c Per pound, \$1.50 per Sack

Best Patent Flour \$5.75 Per Barrel

Shipstuff, - \$32.50 per Ton

Special prices on Buggies and Wagons. Other goods accordingly.

Yours for business,

Austin-Stephenson Co.

Smithfield, N. C.

BON TON

The Ladies Store

Wait for the Great Opening

"The Bon Ton" is the handsomest Store in Johnston County, and will be the pride of this section. Wait and watch for the Grand Opening which will be announced in a few days—Don't buy that Coat, Hat or Suit until you have seen our line. Will have a Grand showing of everything in the Ready-to-Wear line for Ladies, Misses and Children.

Our Millinery Department will be complete with all the latest styles and we will have two experienced milliners who will entertain you on day of opening.

WAIT! WAIT! WAIT! IT WILL PAY YOU.

BON TON

"The Ladies Store"

SMITHFIELD, - - - - North Carolina

NOW IS THE TIME TO BUY FUR-niture Cheap. Stevens Furniture & Implement Co.

SAVE MONEY BY BUYING FUR-niture from us. Stevens Furniture & Implement Co.

WILL GIVE 4 1/2 TO 5 CENTS ON the foot for 50 steers. W. M. Sanders, Smithfield, N. C.

SEE US FOR WIRE FENCING and Galvanized Roofing. Cotter Hardware Company.

WE BOUGHT FURNITURE CHEAP. We are going to sell it Cheap. Stevens Furniture & Implement Co.

THE LIGHTEST DRAFT MOWER made. See us. Stevens Furniture & Implement Co.

Kitchen Economy

You can not save money as long as your profits go into the garbage can. And that is where impure and unwholesome groceries and provisions often find their way.

Shop the better way—buy foodstuffs that have no waste—make every ounce count in the strength and vitality of life.

We offer you groceries and other eatables that will stand the test—that will register 100 per cent pure—that are cheapest because there is no waste.

It is economy to buy such goods—it is extravagant and wasteful to buy anything else.

Plug up the financial leaks in your kitchen, and your pocketbook will experience a healthy relief.

This store is the home of "Kitchen Economy." Trade with us and let it mark the beginning of better financial days for you.

THE CITY GROCERY

Smithfield, N. C.



A Perfect Lunch
Two Sunshine Butter Thins — with Peanut Butter between — repeated as many times as capacity will allow. Sunshine Butter Thins are crisp little biscuits made with real butter.

In Serving Canned Goods

Cereals, Crackers, Coffees, Teas, Etc., bought of us you have the keen satisfaction of knowing you are serving the very best. Groceries bought here are always the best. They keep fresh because our stock changes too rapidly for anything to get stale. Trade here and get the right goods at the right price.

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