

ITEMS FROM FOUR OAKS.

Four Oaks, Jan. 11.—Mr. Walter Keen, of Coats, was a welcome visitor in Four Oaks Sunday.

Misses Irene and Flora Strickland visited Mrs. Fred Royal at Benson Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. John Massengill left Tuesday for Disputanta, Va., to accept a position with the Western Union Telegraph Company.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lee, of Weldon, spent Sunday here with Mrs. Lee's father, Mr. K. L. Barbour.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Tucker have moved into their handsome new dwelling.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Barbour went to Raleigh Friday shopping.

Dr. and Mrs. Ben F. Royal and little son, of Morehead City, are spending some time with Mrs. Royal's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Adams.

The K. L. Barbour property in North Four Oaks, will be sold in lots Thursday, the eighteenth. This will open up some of the best property in town, being around the homes of G. K. Massengill and B. I. Tart.

Messrs. Canaday and Canaday have purchased Dalton Lee's Garage.

Messrs. W. R. and J. W. Keen and G. K. Massengill went to Raleigh Thursday to be present at the inauguration of Gov Bickett.

LIVE OAK SCHOOL NEWS.

The school boys are very busy this week removing stumps, trees and arranging a place for a Basket Ball Court. We hope to be ready to begin playing by the last of the week.

On December 22, the school rendered a programme, sold boxes and ice cream for the benefit of the school. Proceeds amounted to \$28.00.

We are looking forward with much pleasure for the day when we will meet at Thanksgiving with Prof. Royall, Miss Kelly and others in a Group Meeting. We know this will be a day well spent, and one in which each teacher will get many good points which will help them in their school work.

Friday afternoon, the Literary Society will render a programme consisting of songs, recitations, essays and debate. Mothers are especially invited to come and spend the evening.

Our Sewing Club will meet Saturday afternoon. Any of the ladies of the community who would like to meet with us will be welcome.

Average attendance of school this year for the first month was twice what it was the first month last year and so far we have not had any tardies to report.

Several of our students are moving out of the district, but new ones are coming in to fill their places.

Selma, N. C., January 10, 1917.

NEWS FROM BENTONSVILLE.

Mr. Eunice Coor, of Goldsboro, was a caller in our burg Sunday.

Mr. J. W. Flowers and son, J. L. Flowers, spent Friday and Saturday in Dunn on business.

Mr. L. G. Flowers and Miss Eva Johnson spent Saturday in Fayetteville visiting Miss Johnson's sister who is confined in the hospital.

Mr. C. C. Creech, of Four Oaks, was in our burg Wednesday in the interest of his Insurance business.

Mr. G. H. Massengill left for Goldsboro Tuesday where he goes to undergo an operation for appendicitis. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Messrs. Kirk Cole and Allen Lee spent a part of last week in Raleigh on business.

At the home of the bride's father, Mr. Alonzo Hood, on last Thursday evening at 7 P. M., Miss Donnie Hood, of Meadow township, was happily married to Mr. E. K. Sanderson, of Wayne County, Squire W. A. Powell, of Bentonville, officiating. The marriage was a quiet home wedding only a few of the immediate relatives of the contracting parties being present. Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson motored to Wayne County where they will make their future home. They have a host of friends who wish for them a happy and prosperous life.

Bentonville, January 10th.

County Physician of Chowan.

The Herald learns with pleasure of the success that has come to Dr. J. Samuel Mitchener, son of Mr. John A. Mitchener, of Selma. We have just heard that Dr. Mitchener has been elected County Health Officer for Chowan County. This is quite an honor to Dr. Mitchener who is quite a young man, and speaks well for the stand he has already taken in his profession in his adopted home.

Johnston Still in the Lead.

Up to December 13th, 1916, there were ginned of the 1916 crop of cotton in Johnston County 33,419 bales. Up to same period last year the number was 33,669, or 250 bales more than for 1916. Robeson County stands next to Johnston with 29,379 bales.

Registrars Vital Statistics.

At their meeting held here January 1, the Board of County Commissioners appointed the Vital Statistics Registrars for the next two years, as follows:

Wilson's Mills—C. W. Wilson.  
Clayton—John I. Barnes.  
Cleveland—Dr. G. A. McLemore.  
Pleasant Grove—E. S. Coats.  
Elevation—J. Shep Johnson.  
Banner—Dr. F. T. Moore.  
Meadow—J. S. Lawhon.  
Bentonville—R. K. Britt.  
Ingrams—Dr. J. H. Stanley.  
Boon Hill—Dr. E. L. Aycock.  
Beulah—Dr. J. C. Grady.  
Oneals—W. G. Earp.  
Wilders—J. W. Barnes.  
Selma—Mrs. C. G. Wiggs.  
Pine Level—Miss Lorena Godwin.  
Micro—Miss Odessa Batten.  
Smithfield—Dr. A. H. Rose.

SANDERS CHAPEL.

Christmas is over. Santa Claus maintained his record. Stockings and even socks were filled to overflowing. This writer got a liberal supply of head, foot and nose gear.

Mr. Fitz Ford has moved to the J. Calvin Creech place, Will Eason to the Caudill place, John Graham to the Charles Powell, Jr., place, Mrs. Stouts to a place of Mr. Ludolph Powell's farm, and somebody else to the Ben Powell place. They are all fine people and Sanders Chapel welcomes them. They are whetted up for a big 1917 crop.

There are links of our good road that does not tally with our tax receipts. There is getting to be some unsavory talk about it. So Mr. Road Man, can't you do about?

Mr. Milton Whitley, a local carpenter, fell off a house he was building near the Yelvington Grove school house, across the sleepers and is supposed to have broken some ribs. We trust that it is not serious.

The Confederate Soldier is on his last "go round." He can't keep a public poor house, nor be a Sergeant-at-arms for the Raleigh solons. Others that can pay political debts NOW, and no fault of theirs that they were not Confederate Soldiers, must be provided for.

Mr. Lee Smith is having a nice cottage erected on his wife's draw of the Bob Sanders land. He now is encased in a house at Mr. Luke Barnes'. He lived last year in the Bob Sanders house which belongs to Miss Martha, and rumor has it that she is going to have it overhauled and tidied up, and probably will do business there herself soon.

Miss Thelma Godwin entertained a few friends at a birthday party one night last week, but the inclemency of the weather and bad roads prevented some of her invited guests from going. However, they juned around from the east and west, with their bouquets of carnations which capped off the color scheme of red and white. All kinds of cake and brands of candy and music and sweet things abounded.

Mr. Charles Powell and family are visiting Mr. Beverly Whitley at Cary this week. He is taking a Watkins' medicine peddling course while there. He will soon go to Pasquotank County, where the bullfrogs jump from bank to bank to whoop up the truckers and fishermen. Mr. Andrew Caudill is in Hoke County rubbing the folks, Joe Eason is in Robeson County linementing the Croatans and others; Will Stevens in Warren County flavoring the folks; Beverly Whitley in Wake County plastering and shaving the suckers; Ben Powell is fixing to do something in Beaufort County. All these are Sanders Chapel sprouts, and all the bone-heads are not gone yet.

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The Cotton Situation.

Representative Heflin's prediction in Congress that cotton would sell at 30 cents a pound and maybe more after the war, as Germany and Austria would need 1,000,000 bales, attracted attention as reflecting a probably widespread view in the South of the cotton situation. He said prospects for a cotton crop in 1917 were gloomy, the crop of 1916 being 750,000 bales short of the 1915 crop while exports up to this time are 900,000 bales more than was exported to the same time last year. He said that the cotton mills of the United States consumed during the past year 7,000,000 bales and that foreign spindles had consumed 7,000,000 bales of American cotton and that for the coming year 15,000,000 bales of American cotton would be required to supply spindles here and abroad and that the crop of 1916 would be less than 11,500,000 bales, which will show the supply to be 3,500,000 bales short of the demand. He declared that June of this year would find the smallest supply of cotton ever witnessed at that season of the year in the United States.

—New York Commercial.

A self-waving flag which waves regardless of wind or weather has been invented by engineers of the General Electric Illuminating Laboratories.

An Error in the Date.

In the list of the Group Meetings of the Public Schools published in The Herald Tuesday, January 2, 1917, an error was made in the date of Group No. 8, New Hope school. The date of this Group Meeting is Monday, January 22, 1917. The schools in the group are:

**NEW HOPE SCHOOL.**  
Plainfield School, Bentonsville No. 1.  
Oak Grove, Bentonsville No. 2.  
Mill Creek, Bentonsville No. 4.  
Massey, Bentonsville No. 5.  
Stewart, Ingrams No. 2.  
Stanley, Ingrams No. 6.  
Parker, Ingrams No. 7.  
Blackman, Ingrams No. 10.  
Allen's School, Banner No. 5.

LET YOUR WANTS BE KNOWN.

The Herald is the best medium for advertising in Johnston County. We charge only five cents per line per issue for advertisements. No advertisement taken for less than twenty-five cents. If you want to sell a cart or wagon or buggy or a horse or mule or a milk cow or anything else, advertise it in The Herald. If you want to buy anything let your wants be known through The Herald. We can do you good if you advertise with us. We have helped to sell thousands of articles. To find buyers and sellers is part of our business. Let us serve you.

BEATY & LASSITER,  
Smithfield, N. C.

**EIGHT-ROOM HOUSE FOR RENT.**  
The Martin House. Apply to W. M. Sanders, Smithfield, N. C.

**FINE DUROC JERSEY GILTS FOR SALE.** For prices write E. C. Jones, McCullers, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1.

**IF YOU NEED A GOOD MULE,** see Cotter-Underwood Company, Smithfield, N. C.

**IF YOU WANT A NICE BUGGY IT** will pay you to see Cotter-Underwood Co.

**SEE OUR LINE OF STOVES AND Ranges—**we have them from \$10.00 up, with all the ware. Cotter Hardware Company.

**IF YOU HAVE A FARM YOU** wish to sell, write Box 123, Smithfield, N. C.

**OLD PAPERS FOR SALE AT THE** Herald Office at the old price of 5 cents for a big bundle; six bundles for 25 cents.

**YOU CAN GET YOUR TOBACCO** canvass and some Plant Food Fertilizers for your tobacco beds from Floyd C. Price, Pine Level, N. C.

**IF YOU HAVE NOT ARRANGED** for your Magazines for 1917, you may be able to save money by subscribing through The Smithfield Herald.

**IF YOU WANT TO BUY A NICE** mule cheap, see Cotter-Underwood Co., Smithfield, N. C.

**MORTGAGE SALE OF VALUABLE** LAND.

North Carolina, Johnston County. Under and by virtue of authority contained in a certain mortgage deed executed to D. B. Oliver by J. R. Starling and wife, Tempa Starling, on March 30th, 1911, which mortgage deed is recorded in Book "I" No. 11, page 75, Registry of Johnston County, the conditions of said mortgage having been broken, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction at the Court House door in the town of Smithfield, N. C., for cash, on Tuesday, February 6th, 1917, at the noon recess of Court, the following described tract or parcel of land lying in Pine Level township, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake, R. Watson's (deceased) line and runs with said line N. 4, E. 68 poles to a stake, B. Godwin's corner; thence with said line N. 89, W. 27 poles to a stake, Lawrence Brown's corner; thence with said line S. 4, W. 61 poles to a stake in the bank of a ditch; thence with said ditch S. 76 1/2, E. 27 poles to the beginning, containing 10 1/2 acres, more or less, and fully described in said mortgage deed.

This the 6th day of January, 1917.

D. B. OLIVER,  
Mortgagee.

F. H. BROOKS,  
Attorney.

NOTICE.

In order to wind up the estate of Mrs. Mary A. Noble, deceased, I will offer for sale at public auction, FOR CASH, in front of the Post Office in Selma, N. C., on Saturday, January 27th, 1917, at 12 o'clock M., FIFTY SHARES of the Capital Stock of the FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF SELMA, par value \$25.00 a share. Will sell either as a whole, or in small lots to suit purchasers. This is a splendid opportunity to invest in fine dividend paying institution.

A. M. NOBLE,  
Administrator.  
January 6th, 1917.

Valuable Property For Sale!

I will offer for sale to the highest bidder on Wednesday, January 24, 1917, at 12 o'clock M., one 50 H. P. Erie City Boiler, one 40 H. P. Eclipse Engine, one No. 2 Dewey Bros. Sawmill, three 60-Saw Gins, one Double Box Press, Munger System, Belts, Pulleys, Line Shafts, etc., all in good running order. Engine, Boiler and Sawmill practically good as new. I will also sell 18 or 20 acres of land. Sale on the premises, Lee's Cross Roads, Ingrams township. Terms made known on day of sale.

PHILIP LEE.  
Four Oaks, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3.

LEND US YOUR "PIN MONEY."

We will pay you 4 per cent interest for all you leave at this bank, and guarantee that you will be more than pleased with the results next Christmas. The idea of the "Pin-Money" Savings Club is to stimulate systematic savings for Christmas shoppers. This club starts December 20th. We are anxious for all who need money NOW to join. Begin this year to save and the next year you won't have to "wish you had."

10c, 25c, or \$1.00 will start you a Systematic Savings Account with The Johnston County Bank & Trust Company, Smithfield, N. C.

**20 TONS OF 7 1/2 PER CENT** Cotton Seed Meal at \$43.50 per ton—Cash. Austin-Stephenson Co., Smithfield, N. C.

**STOLEN FROM MY HOME** Saturday night, January 6, a dog with black back, yellow eyes, white streak in face and white streak in breast. Liberal reward for his whereabouts. Emsy A. Avera, Smithfield, N. C., Route No. 1.

WOOD'S Seed Catalog for 1917, tells about the best Farm and Garden Seeds

and gives special information as to the best crops to grow, both for profit and home use.

The large increase in our business which we have again experienced during the past year is the best of evidence as to the high quality of

**WOOD'S SEEDS.**

Write for catalog and prices of Grass and Clover Seeds, Seed Potatoes, Seed Oats or any Farm Seeds required.

Catalog mailed free on request.

**T. W. WOOD & SONS,**  
SEEDSMEN, - Richmond, Va.

Mules and Horses



I have a lot of nice, young Tennessee Mules for sale at my Stables in Smithfield; also several good Horses. Come to see me when in need of a Mule or Horse.

W. M. SANDERS  
Smithfield, N. C.

Fresh Groceries!

We carry a full line of Heavy Groceries and Feedstuffs. Our goods are of the Best Quality and are sold at Wholesale Prices.

Special prices on goods sold to merchants or in large quantities.

STEDMAN STORES CO.  
Smithfield, N. C.

**YOU SHOULD HAVE A TURNER'S** North Carolina Almanac early in the year. Call for one or send by some one passing to town or send us ten cents in stamps for one. Beaty & Lassiter, Smithfield, N. C.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR LADIES'** Home Journal, The Youth's Companion, Pictorial Review and many other leading periodicals taken at The Herald Office, Smithfield, N. C.

**STOCK FOR SALE—40 SHARES** of the Capital Stock of the Roberts, Atkinson Co., of Selma, N. C. Last January dividend over 20 per cent. This is a chance for some one to buy a bargain. If interested call on or write, J. G. Roberts, Smithfield, N. C.

**WE HAVE TOBACCO BED CAN-**vass. Austin-Stephenson Company, Smithfield, N. C.

LOT SALE  
IN  
FOUR OAKS, N. C.

Thursday, January 18th, 1917  
10:30 A. M., Rain or Shine.

20 BEAUTIFUL LOTS

Right in Town, Joining the Barbour Home  
Will Be Sold at

AUCTION

On Very Easy Terms, One-third Cash, One and Two Years.

MUSIC BY GOOD BAND. Souvenirs Given Away at Sale. LADIES INVITED

If it rains be sure to come. You get a better bargain when the crowd is small.  
Mr. Business Man, get busy and see this land. It will double in value before last payment is due.

DON'T FORGET THE DATE, THURSDAY, JANUARY 18TH.

MURPHY BROS.,

Land Auction Co., of Greensboro, N. C., Selling Agents  
P. S. If you have land to sell see these men, or write to Mr. C. C. Murphy.