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FARMERS WAREHOUSE GREATLY ENLARGED

Plans Are Now on Foot to Make It One of the Biggest Warehouses for the Sale of Leaf Tobacco in the Eastern Part of North Carolina—Will Reach From Third to Fourth Streets With Grading Rooms and Stalls in the Basement.

Plans are now on foot to make the Farmers Warehouse one of the very biggest in Eastern Carolina. This warehouse is now owned by the farmers of Johnston county. The name of the company is the Farmers Warehouse Incorporated and Mr. J. W. Stephenson, one of the leading farmers of the county and a well known business man of Smithfield, is the president. Mr. Ed. F. Boyett, who has been connected with the old Farmers warehouse from the time it was first built, is the secretary and treasurer.

The concern was organized last year under the name of the Johnston County Farmers Tobacco Warehouse Company. This year the company decided to enlarge the business considerably and got a new charter, changing the name to Farmers Warehouse Incorporated. The company paid fine dividends last year. This year it is hoped that much more business may be done. Since the new charter was obtained the company has been selling stock and has already placed a good bit of it among the farmers of this section.

The house was entirely too small for the business last year and the board of directors decided some time ago to enlarge the house. An addition 208 feet wide and 215 feet long will be built from the eastern end of the house clear through to Fourth street. The house will then be 415 feet long and stretch from Third street through the block to Fourth street. There will be drive way entrances on both streets. The walls of the new addition will be built of brick. A basement will be built under the new addition which will be used for grading rooms and stalls for the farmers' stock.

Two pairs of the best scales will be in the house, one at the western end where the scales now are, and one in the middle. When completed, which will be long before the next crop is put on the market, the Farmers will be one of the largest and best equipped warehouses in the State.

N. L. Perkins With the Farmers

The Farmers Warehouse Incorporated is fortunate in securing Mr. N. L. Perkins as auctioneer the coming tobacco season. Mr. Perkins has been on the Smithfield market for the past four or five years as auctioneer for the Center Brick warehouse. He is one of the youngest auctioneers in the State and is very popular. He is not only one of the youngest auctioneers in the State, he is also one of the best. He knows the farmers of this section and knows how to please them. His services as auctioneer are sought far and wide, not only in this State, but in other States. He spent the winter season as auctioneer with one of the big Kentucky warehouses. He says North Carolina is good enough for him and that hereafter he is going to stay with us through summer and winter.

Mr. Perkins is already on the job with the Farmers Warehouse Incorporated and will aid the promoters in selling the new stock until all on the market is sold. He will then visit the farmers in this section and get ready for the biggest tobacco season Johnston county and Smithfield has ever had.

Rev. E. T. Phillips Visits Smithfield.

Rev. Edgar T. Phillips, formerly of Pine Level, but now a resident of Ayden, N. C., was here Tuesday for the first time in a quarter of a century. He seemed much surprised at the changes wrought in the old town during these years. More than seventy-five years ago his father, whom the old people of the county remember as Elder Ray Phillips, a preacher of the Free Will Baptist church, clerked in Smithfield in a drug store for a man named Williamson. During his stay here he had a severe case of sickness and was attended by Dr. J. B. Beckwith.

Rev. E. T. Phillips knew all the old residents of Smithfield and went to see their graves as most of them had passed away. Mr. Phillips moved from Pine Level many years ago. For a long while he was editor of the State church paper for the Free Will Baptists. He still writes for that paper and others and serves several churches as pastor. He is editor of the Sunday School literature for the Free Will Baptists of North Carolina and other Southern States. Mr. Phillips is the brother of Mrs. J. W. Strickland, of Boon Hill township, who died recently.

SAW HOMECOMINGS OF THREE OTHER WARS.

Yesterday Declared by Miss Martha Smith, One of Greatest of Her Life.

The parade of yesterday was honored by the presence and admiration of a lady who had seen the soldiers return from three other wars, the Mexican (1846-48), the Civil War and the War with Spain—Miss Martha J. Smith. She made the journey from her home in Smithfield and so vigorous is she that she stood without weariness throughout the time the procession was passing. She declared the day to have been one of the greatest in her life, and added that she would not have missed the occasion for anything. Let it be said that while the war was on none surpassed her in war service. She knitted socks, helmets, sweaters, etc., without number, and on yesterday her skilful fingers were still busy. She has given eight hundred hours to the Red Cross. She proudly wore a pin carrying six service stars representing grand nephews in the service—one of them being the lamented aviator, Edwin Smith Pou. While in Raleigh Miss Smith was the guest of her nephew, Mr. James H. Pou.—News and Observer, 23rd.

THE NEWS AROUND DIXIE.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Bunn Staniel, who lived near Staniel's Chapel church.

Mr. D. E. Narron has lately purchased a player piano.

Mr. Edwards, from Wilson, was here on business one day last week.

We were sorry to hear that Mr. T. E. Talton happened to the misfortune to lose a horse with lockjaw last Thursday.

Mr. William Narron and family, and Miss Addie Woodard visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lee's Sunday near Bethany.

Quite a number of the people from this section went to Raleigh Monday to see the parade of the soldiers.

Little Miss Lola Johnson, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Johnson is suffering with a head trouble which has badly affected her eye-sight. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

The Sunday School here is progressing nicely.

Mr. Willie Oscar Narron, Misses Nell Whitley and Mamie Hocutt spent Sunday in the Bethany section.

Misses Leone Foster and Mamie Hocutt went shopping to Selma and Smithfield Saturday.

Messrs. Millard Parker and Oris Johnson, who are attending school at Middlesex, spent the week-end at home with their parents.

Miss Nellie Wood, and Mr. Joseph Talton, who are attending school at Selma, spent the week-end at home with their parents.

We are very glad to note that the school at Sandy Spring is still on the increase each week.

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Set the Clock Ahead One Hour.

On next Sunday morning, March 30, at two o'clock, all railroad time-pieces, all government clocks and watches will be set forward one hour. All trains will be run on the same schedules, which will be an hour earlier by the sun. Those people who want to leave Smithfield on Train No. 80, which is due here at 1:33, will have to start from home an hour earlier if they do not run up their clocks. Why not everybody run up the clocks? No one has to begin work any earlier unless he wishes to, even if his clock has been run up according to law. The farmer could easily run up his clock and instead of stopping at 12 o'clock for dinner, he could work on until one. The plan should be followed by every one that will bring about the least confusion—and that plan will be for every one to move up his time-piece according to the United States law. The trains will be run by the new time, the postoffices will open and close by the new time, the rural mail routes will observe the new time the banks will observe the new time. We, of the South, see no need for such a law, but we cannot change the law, so the better plan would be for us to obey the law without complaining. The more we try to observe the law, the less we complain and grumble, the less confusion there will be and the happier we will be.

War Souvenirs Attract Attention.

The collection of war souvenirs which Rev. H. W. Baucom has placed in one of the windows of The Herald office, is attracting considerable attention. Numbers stop every day to examine the helmets, swords, gas mask and various other implements used in the war.

Save and succeed. Buy War Savings Stamps and get the thrift habit.

STATE AND GENERAL NEWS IN BRIEF

By a vote of 128 to 27 the Baltimore conference on Wednesday voted for women to hold office in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The United States Forest Service has received a \$50,000 appropriation for the building of a first-class automobile road from Asheville to Brevard.

Thousands of tons of nitrate of soda for North Carolina farmers have been received at Wilmington within the last three weeks. A half dozen vessels have unloaded nitrate at the Carolina port recently.

Appointments for the Rhodes scholarships to Oxford, England, suspended during the war, will be renewed this year, beginning with October. Only one Rhodes scholar will be selected from North Carolina.

The Federal Employment Service will keep open 364 local offices until Congress appropriates funds for more offices. During the week ending March 15, the service found jobs for 12,211 discharged soldiers, sailors and marines, and for 57,174 civilians.

An American girl, Miss Marion Mower, of Syracuse, N. Y., has been awarded the French croix de guerre for conspicuous bravery under fire. The French decoration was awarded to her a few days after her 19th birthday. She is the first American woman to be thus honored.

The life of a six-year-old child at Lumberton was saved Sunday night by throwing him into a well. A can of gasoline exploded near the child and his uncle, who was near by, took the above measure to save him from burning to death. He was rescued from the well and while badly burned it is thought he will recover.

According to dispatches to the Montreal Star, fifty per cent of the inhabitants of northern Labrador perished during the winter from an epidemic of influenza, small pox and measles. The full extent of the calamity will not be known until the opening of navigation in the summer. Medical aid was unobtainable.

News is sent out from Wilson that that growing town is to have a six-story building. Mr. W. E. Smith, formerly of Selma, is one of the leading promoters in the new building The Planters' Bank, of which Mr. Smith is president, will occupy the first floor of the building. The remainder of the building will be fitted up for offices for rent.

George Summers, an Iredell county farmer, was burned to death at his home Saturday night. His wife and children were away from home. When they returned they found his charred remains. They came in time to save the home. About \$100 was in his pocket and was burned. It is supposed he lighted a cigarette and went to sleep, his clothing catching that way.

Lieut. David M. Prince is the first officer attached to the 119th infantry of the 30th division, to return to Goldsboro. He came by way of New York on special military detail with 19 other officers on similar commissions. Lieutenant Prince left Goldsboro as a private with Company E, and while in active service was promoted to first lieutenant, his commission being given him by General Pershing himself.

The War Department is making plans for a large medical reserve corps, including all members of the profession who have served creditably during the war. Commissions in the reserve are being offered officers of the medical department who are being discharged from the service upon the completion of their duties. It is desired to put the medical profession of the country on an organized basis in preparation for any future contingency.

A review of the strawberry, lettuce, potato and green vegetable crop situation in eastern North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, based on reports printed Tuesday from many of the more important shipping stations in all this territory, disclose a situation that is favorable in the extreme for the eastern Carolina growers covering 75 or 80 different shipping stations. From these reports it will be seen that from a slightly reduced strawberry acreage this year the growers are expecting to ship as many or more berries this season than were shipped last year. This view of the situation is based on the fact that this year's acreage has been more highly cultivated and fertilized than ever before with a view primarily to harvesting more stuff from the same acreage and thus meet the labor shortage to the best advantage by making every acre under cultivation yield the maximum output rather than any old thing, such as many of the growers have been content with in the past.—Carolina Trucker's Journal.

NEWS BUDGET FROM TOWN OF CLAYTON

More Soldier Boys Get Their Discharge and Are Home From Camp Jackson—Clayton Boy Who is a Member of 113th Field Artillery Spent Sunday Night With Home People—Local and Personal Items of Interest.

Clayton, March 26.—Mr. R. H. Garrison, of Raleigh, is here, the guest of Mrs. John S. Barnes.

Mrs. O. G. Smith returned a few days ago from a visit to Franklinton Mrs. C. B. Gurley and Mrs. W. F. Weathers left today for a two weeks' visit to Mrs. Joe Pittman at Oxford.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Edgerton and mother, Mrs. Edgerton, of near Kenly, spent the past week-end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hinnant and Miss Thel O'Neil, of Wendell, spent Sunday here with relatives.

Mrs. Sanders Cox, of Durham, visited his aunt, Mrs. J. E. Austin, last Sunday.

Mr. Hugh Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Will Long, of Smithfield, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. L. F. Austin at Wildwood Farm near here.

Mrs. Jack Stallings, and Miss Beulah Bailey, of Kenly, have been the guests of Mrs. R. B. Ellis during the past week.

Miss Bertie Taylor spent yesterday in Raleigh.

Miss Telza Barnes, a student at the Conservatory of Music, Durham spent the past week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Barnes. She was accompanied by one of her school friends, Miss Holladay, from Roanoke Rapids.

Mrs. P. Winstead, of Petersburg and Miss Rochelle Gulley, of Nashville, were in town for a few hours Sunday, en route to Raleigh to attend the parade and to see their brother Newton Gulley, who was a member of the 113th Field Artillery.

Mrs. H. Coats has the thoughts and very best wishes of her many friends here while taking treatment and undergoing an operation at Rex Hospital.

Mrs. L. F. Austin returned Sunday from a visit to relatives at Durham.

Three more of our home boys came in this week with discharges from Camp Jackson. These were Jesse Austin, Lee Penny and James Hardee, all of whom live in the country nearby. These boys have never been overseas, yet have bravely done their part on this side and were ready to go over if they had been called.

Miss Ethel Talton spent the past week-end in Raleigh with relatives.

There was no school here Monday on account of the parade in Raleigh of the 113th Field Artillery.

Miss Agnes Austin is spending some time in Benson with her sister, Mrs. Jesse McLamb.

Mr. Eddie Martin, formerly of Wilson, who went overseas with the 113th Field Artillery and fought bravely throughout was allowed to come down Sunday night and spend the night with his sister, Mrs. Jim Talton, about three miles from town. He had to report in Raleigh Monday morning by nine o'clock in order to be with the parade.

It will probably be of interest to the folks of our town to learn that Newton Gulley, a former Clayton boy is back from France safe with the 113th Field Artillery and was in the parade at Raleigh Monday.

Miss Ruth Penny spent Sunday at her home in Wilders township.

Next Sunday at the Baptist church here Sunday School will begin at 10:30 o'clock instead of 9:30 owing to the hands of the clocks being moved up one hour on the night before.

A glad welcome was given last Sunday to Miss Hockaday from Conservatory of Music at Durham. She gave a vocal selection at the Baptist church which the entire audience enjoyed.

A great many of our town people were in Raleigh Monday to see the parade of the 113th Field Artillery. It was a great day for Raleigh. People gathered there from far and near to welcome the boys home and many to speak to loved ones in the artillery.

STATE HIGHWAY BOARD.

Governor Bickett named the State Highway Board Wednesday. Lieutenant Frank Page, of Aberdeen, chairman; John E. Cameron, of Kinston; James K. Norfleet, of Winston-Salem, and James J. Stikeleather, of Asheville, are the men who will now constitute the State Highway Commission. Lieutenant Page, who is just home from overseas service, will devote his entire time to the service and draw a salary of \$5,500 per year. His appointment is for a term of six years. He is an engineer of considerable experience which well fits him for the work.

NEWS IN AND AROUND MICRO

Ernest Page Home From France School Work Progressing—Union Meeting at Baptist Church.

The hearts of the Micro people were once more made glad by the return of another one of our boys, Ernest Pearce, who has been serving his country in France for the past eight months. He has two other brothers in service, Edward, who was wounded in France in one of the great drives and is now home. The other, Luther is in Germany at present. These boys left one of their brothers, Joseph lying on the battlefields of France. He fell while defending his country.

There will be a union meeting at the First Baptist church Sunday. All are invited to attend.

The souls of the Micro people were very much inspired by the wonderful sermon of Rev. S. H. Styron last Sunday.

We are proud to say that our school is progressing nicely at last. The Welbert Wellons and Priscilla societies are doing fine work with their weekly programs. The patrons are invited to attend these meetings, as we think it would be helpful to them as well as the school.

Misses Vera Parrish and Lucile spent the week-end in the Pomona section.

Quite a number of our people went to Raleigh Monday for the purpose of witnessing the parade of the 113th field artillery. They report an interesting trip.

There passed a conspicuous person through our district early Monday morning. The person was dressed in woman's apparel, except his shoes which were about number ten, men's shoes of the English cut style.

The boys of our basket ball team played the Brown School team Friday afternoon, the score being sixteen and eleven, in favor of Micro.

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KENLY BRIEFS.

Kenly, March 26.—Mr. Oscar Boyett having resigned the position, Mr. C. L. Lawrence has been made chief of police of Kenly.

Mr. J. C. Bowman has recently returned from the hospital in Richmond, where he went to consult a physician. His brother was here last week on a visit.

Kenly was well represented in Raleigh on Monday. Many car loads went to see the parade.

Mrs. S. J. Darden and son, Mr. C. F. Darden, have gone to Richmond on a visit to relatives.

Mrs. E. T. Watson, of Mount Olive, is visiting Miss Janie McNeal.

Mr. W. T. Bailey has gone to Lynchburg, Va., on a pleasure trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boykin, Mr. F. Wainborn and Miss Emma Howard from Wilson, were the guests of Mrs. J. J. High Sunday.

Miss Beulah Bailey and sister, Mrs. Jack Stallings spent the week-end in Clayton with friends.

Rev. C. P. Jerome will give an illustrated lecture Thursday night at the Methodist church. The subject is on "Making Democracy Safe for the World."

The Methodist Quarterly Conference will be held at the church on Monday. The Presiding Elder will be here on Sunday and probably other visiting preachers.

Mr. Dobbin Bailey, who is a student at Chapel Hill, was at home for the week-end.

The following girls have been selected to debate in the triangular debate against Lucama and Stantonsburg: Negative, Miss Adna Lee Bailey and Miss Alice Grice; affirmative Misses Nellie Ballance and Marie Lassiter.

BODY OF LOST CHILD IN HOLLOW LOG

Chattanooga, Tenn., March 26.—News has been received here from Newport, Tenn., that the body of Abraham Lincoln Ramsey, three-year old boy, who became lost in the Smoky Mountains March 11, had been found in a hollow log in a dense forest about three miles from his home. The lad had attempted to follow his sister to a country store and on being turned back took the wrong fork in the road and disappeared. A search had been kept up by neighbors for many days and nights. It is supposed the boy becoming wearied from his wanderings and with night coming on, crawled into the hollow log and either died from exhaustion or hunger.

Two Aviators Killed.

Arcadia, Fla., March 26.—Two aviators, Lieutenants Burns, of Indianapolis, and Matthews, of Ithaca, N. Y. were killed at Charleston Field near here today in a fall estimated at 1,500 feet. Their machine got out of control in some way unknown. Both were dead when hospital men reached them.

AIRPLANE RUNS WITHOUT A PILOT

Under Automatic Control Machine Makes Trip and Lands Almost at Spot It Is Sent to Reach—Its Method of Control Yet a Secret.

The wonders of aerial travel will never cease. When the Wrights first announced that they had a heavier air machine that would fly they were looked on as dreamers. But long since their widest dreams have become more than realities, and yet aerial travel is only in its infancy. The small boys of today will live to see even greater wonders than the men of today have seen or ever will see.

The following interesting story of the wonderful work of the airplane was sent out from Fort Worth, Texas, Monday and published in Tuesday's daily papers:

"Under automatic control, an airplane capable of carrying a heavy load and without any human being aboard to guide it, has made a trip of more than a hundred miles and landed without a very short distance of the point it was sent to reach.

"Invention of the automatic guide, which has been kept secret until now, was mentioned by Secretary of War Baker in a speech here today, while he and General March, chief of staff of the army, were in Fort Worth to inspect Camp Bowie. Secretary Baker referred to the invention to impress on his hearers the possible horrors of future wars if there is to be no league of nations.

"The invention was made in America, according to Mr. Baker. In one test, as described by Mr. Baker, an airplane was first sent out under control of a pilot without making landing, returning to its point of origin after locating the distant point of objective. Then another airplane was sent out under automatic control set to land at the designated point and it affected the landing so close, said Mr. Baker, that had it been a shell, it would have been considered a good shot.

"Secretary Baker did not explain the exact nature of the invention but he made it clear the war department considers it one of the most wonderful pieces of destructive mechanism ever contributed."

SLEEPING DISEASE NOW AT RICHLANDS.

Richlands, Mar. 26.—"Sleep death," the new disease which it is said is appearing as a result of the Spanish influenza epidemic, has invaded Richlands. A 15-year-old negro boy has been sick two weeks with a disease diagnosed by Dr. Allen M. McCuiston as encephalitis lethargic.

The boy appears to be in perfect health and can be aroused with some effort. He takes his meals regularly, but there is, according to Dr. McCuiston, a complete paralysis of the alimentary canal. His eyes are slightly swollen, the pupils being widely dilated. There has been no fever except one afternoon, but his breathing is retarded and pulse unduly quickened. He had a slight attack of influenza in the fall. It is necessary to support him when he is standing or walking.

"I have had to rely absolutely on my own initiative in the treatment," said Dr. McCuiston yesterday. "Think that it possibly might be a streptococci infection. I have loaded him up on the strepto-vaccine—but I have gotten better results from massive doses of cacodylate of soda, 10 grains given hypodermically every 24 hours. I have noticed that the family has also noticed, that he is brighter and opens his eyes a little wider at eight or ten hours after cacodylate is given. Therefore I am led to believe that this disease might possibly be the least bit akin to the disease called African lethargic or sleeping sickness. We know arsenic (cacodylate of soda) will destroy the trysosomes in that disease."

Dr. McCuiston admits that the problem is still unsolved, but wants to exchange views with other physicians that have come upon cases of the disease, and have been successful in treating them.—News and Observer.

ONE DAY'S BIG GAIN.

Ninety-five Received at Hamlet Methodist Church Sunday.

Hamlet, March 26.—On last Sunday the Hamlet Methodist church received 95 new members, many of them by letter from other places, and a number on profession of faith. This was not the result of any series of services, but was largely through the work of Rev. J. H. Buffalo, the pastor. The day was a red letter day with the Hamlet Methodist congregation. There are now more than 600 members of the church, and the large church is filled at every service.