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FIRE AT ELMHURST FARM

**Mr. W. D. Avera's Pack House
And Contents Destroyed
Tuesday Night.**

Tuesday night at 12:30 a big fire had its own way at Elmhurst Farm, home of Mr. W. D. Avera, about three and a half miles west of Smithfield. It destroyed a large pack house and vehicle shed and nine bars of tobacco, one Ford Sedan automobile, about two tons nitrate of soda, several tons of guano, two buggies, one carriage and a number of farm implements, amounting in all to thirteen or fourteen thousand dollars. A truck and one plow are the only things that were saved. There was fifteen hundred dollars insurance on the building. Nothing else insured.

Messrs. Spencer A. Moore and C. J. Barbour, tenants on Mr. Avera's place, each have seven acres of tobacco this year and most of their crop was in the pack house. Mr. Moore had one and a half barns tobacco not yet cured. Mr. Barbour had one barn not cured and one barn in Smithfield. Besides this they all the tobacco they raised. The loss falls very heavy on them.

BENTONVILLE NEWS

October 7th. Well, what? Why, the Mill Creek Fair.

Master William Cole, of Wilmington is visiting relatives in this section.

Little Miss Hazel Lee returned home Thursday after spending several days in Smithfield with her aunt, Mrs. E. C. Narron.

Mr. H. V. Rose of Smithfield was a visitor in this section Saturday.

Mr. Green Flowers made a business trip to Buies Creek Saturday.

A week's revival is billed to begin at Ebenezer M. E. church on the third Sunday in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Casey of Mount Olive spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Beasley.

Miss Lillie Lewis of Clinton is spending some time in these parts, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sanderson.

Mr. H. W. Rhodes went to Richmond, Va., last week and returned with a new Ford.

Mr. Howard Beasley and family of Lumberton were in our section last week. Mrs. Beasley and children are staying over while Mr. Beasley goes to West Virginia in the interest of coal trade this fall and winter.

Mr. J. H. Sanderson of Smithfield was a visitor in our section Sunday.

Mr. Rufus Britt, of Florida arrived in our section last week to spend a few days with relatives and friends.

After a month's vacation the next Community Service at Mill Creek will be on Monday night, August the 30th.

Mr. Ed Stevens had the misfortune to lose a tobacco barn Saturday morning with about 700 sticks of his best tobacco.

Mrs. Mattie Stephenson and children of McCullers are spending a few days in our town with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Beasley.

On account of bad raiay weather our farmer folks have not successfully saved their fodder. Some have lost it while pulled, while some is drying on the stalk.

We are glad to note Mr. James H. Lee is improving since he has been confined to his home for about two weeks.

Bentonville, Aug. 25.

Charley Hodges, Smithfield's well known hack driver, has just bought a new rubber tire bus for his livery business. He is better able to meet the wants of his customers and friends. He wants everybody to know that he meets all trains day or night. Special attention given to women and children. Charlie has been hack driver in Smithfield for 39 years and is personally known by most of the traveling public who visit Smithfield. He began driving a hack here five years before the Atlantic Coast Line was built through here. For a great many years he drove to Selma twice daily to meet the Southern trains. Charlie is getting along in years, but he is just as willing to serve his friends and customers as ever and he has the best looking team he has ever had. He says he doesn't owe a dollar on his turn-out, that he has made and saved enough money to build a home and pay as he goes.

PRINCETON — BOON HILL

**Mr. John Edwards and Wife
Celebrated Annual Reunion
Last Saturday**

Princeton, Aug. 25.—Miss Bessie Howell and Miss Myrtle Snipes, two of our graded school girls, have gone to Smithfield to attend the teachers summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Arment from Goldsboro were visitors in town Sunday evening.

Miss Annie L. Warrick was married to Mr. David J. Vinson by Rev. W. G. Farrar at the Methodist parsonage here Saturday night. The couple claimed to be from Goldsboro.

Doit Hiaton was kicked by a mule Friday evening. It was first thought that his jaw bone was broken, but although a very painful wound he is improving slowly.

Some unknown person stole a mule and buggy here Sunday night and Monday the mule was found tied to a sign post near Goldsboro. Mule and buggy belonged to Mr. E. L. Lynch.

Sunday night an attempt was made to burglarize E. A. Holt's store. The parties who attempted the job were riding in a big car. They drove the car in the center of the street with the headlights shining in the front of the store. This furnished them a good light. They first broke out the big plate glass in the show window and the noise of this crash caused a resident to turn on his electric lights which were near the store. The robbers jumped in their car and burnt the wind toward Goldsboro. This was at 2 o'clock Monday morning. This is the third time that robbers have broken out this glass front and they cost nearly a hundred dollars each, and no effort has been made to stop the gang of Gypsy-Syrians from roaming the country day and night.

Mr. and Mrs. John Daniel Edwards celebrated their annual reunion on Saturday, August 21, at their home near town. There were 55 children and grandchildren present, and 45 relatives and friends of the family. Rev. Mr. Gardner was among the number and gave them a feast in a religious way. As usual on this occasion there was a bountiful supply of all things good to eat, and every one present could not but enjoy the day. The old gentleman is now 71 years old, and his good wife is 67, and they are enjoying excellent health for their age. They are hard workers and have always been. They sleep at home and board at the same place, and there has never been a day but what there was always something good to eat in the pantry at this good home. If all the people in the country were like this couple there would not be any jail or court house in the United States. There would be no use for them. Every person would be living an honest and upright life. The Lord has wonderfully blessed them with good health and children, and a goodly portion of this world's goods, and we pray that they may live many years to enjoy the fruits of their labors.

Mr. Clifton Holt and wife, Mr. Carl Grantham and wife, Mr. B. N. Hinton and wife and about 75 others from around this section went down to Wilmington and Wrightsville Beach last Sunday.

Surprise Marriage at Asheville

News has been received here of the marriage of Mrs. Margaret Roberts Pou, formerly of Washington City, but now of Smithfield, and Mr. Kenneth Raynor Ellington, of Clayton, which took place at Trinity Episcopal church, Asheville, Tuesday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Willis Clark, the rector of the church. The invited guests were Miss Elsie Alexander, Mr. Lester Chapman and Mr. Gerald Cowan, all of Asheville. Mr. Robert Winston, of Raleigh, was best man. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Ellington left for a wedding tour, after which they will make their home in Pittsburg, Pa. Mrs. Ellington has many friends in Washington and North Carolina who will learn of her marriage with interest. Mr. Ellington is a young lawyer and a graduate of the University of North Carolina where he is a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity. He served with the marine aviation corps in the world war. He is a brother of Mr. Hunter Ellington of Smithfield.

LYNCHING NEAR GRAHAM

**Negro Taken from Sheriff by
Mob.—Had Assaulted A
6-Year-Old Girl**

North Carolina has had another lynching. As much as the best citizens of the State deplore lynchings they are going to take place about as often as some brute of a negro outrages women and girls. A negro, John Jeffress, about ten o'clock Wednesday morning outraged a six year old girl near her home near Elon College. The child cried and her mother heard her cry, and screamed. A posse was soon formed and the negro was sought and soon found hiding in some honeysuckle vines near the railway station in Graham. He was lodged in jail by Sheriff Story. Superior Court was in session and Judge Allen had everything in readiness to arraign him for trial Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. The negro was sent for. Sheriff Story and several deputies went to the jail for him, but never got him to the court room. As soon as they left the jail a crowd estimated to be from ten to forty men surrounded the Sheriff and his party and took the negro away, carried him to the woods near by and killed him. It was all done so suddenly that the officers and others failed to follow the lynching party. Graham was reported quiet Wednesday night. The courts are too slow as a rule in dealing with such criminals, and too often the case ends like the Alamance County affair.

Remains of Soldier Buried at Micro.

Micro, N. C., Aug. 24.—Following from Washington, D. C., August 23, to Mrs. Cecelia Pittman: "Remains of Private Ephraim Pittman will arrive at Micro, August 24, midnight train 85." Burial will take place at home of his mother at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.—News and Observer.

Private Pittman, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Pittman, entered the service of the army at the age of 22. He was sent to Camp Jackson March 18, 1918 and assigned to Company B, 105th Engineers. Later transferred to Camp Sevier, then to Camp Mills, Long Island whence he sailed for France.

Private Pittman went to Europe during the latter part of the summer of 1918, but never reached the firing lines. We understand that he died in England of pneumonia following an attack of influenza. His father, Mr. E. F. Pittman, died several years ago.

Revival Meeting at New Light Church

There will begin a series of meetings at the New Light Advent church in Smithfield Sunday, August 29, at eleven o'clock. Elder Geo. Lance, of Mount Olive, will conduct the services, assisted by others. The public is cordially invited.—H. L. Sellers, Clerk.

Preaching Services.

On account of my absence from the field the fourth Sunday, I will fill the fourth Sunday appointments next Sunday, August 29th, at the following places. Benson at 11:00 o'clock; Jernigan school house at 3:30 o'clock, and Alaska at 8:30 P. M. A very cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend the services.—A. T. Lassiter.

New Map of Johnston County.

During the past few weeks Mr. Clyde Fore, of the firm of Lore & Fore, civil engineers, has been busy making a map of Johnston county. He has now a few copies completed. This map shows on the streams, creeks and rivers, the township lines, the roads and highways, the towns and villages, and other information. It is a good piece of work and one that is badly needed in Johnston. Tourists passing through the county often want a map of the county, and can't get it. Mr. Fore is making a few of these maps for the County Superintendent of Schools and on each of these he is putting all the school houses in the county in red. If any person who reads The Herald wants a copy of this map if he will write us we will see Mr. Fore for him. The price of the map will not be very high.

LIVE ITEMS FROM KENLY

**The News of The Week Told in
Brief—Both Personal and
Otherwise.**

Kenly, Aug. 25.—Mrs. E. C. Durby and children are expected to arrive from Burlington today to be the guests of Mrs. R. A. Turlington.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. White returned home Friday after spending several days in Norfolk, Baltimore and Washington.

Mrs. Mary Chase has recently returned from New York City where she went to purchase fall millinery and will be located at Lamar, S. C., during the fall and winter. She is at present the guest of Mrs. J. W. Darden.

Mrs. H. M. Grizzard underwent an operation at the Moore-Herring Hospital, Wilson, Tuesday and it is reported that she is doing nicely. It is hoped she will soon recover and be at home to her friends again.

Miss Annie Aycock has been away for several days at Baltimore purchasing her new fall and winter millinery goods, has returned.

Mrs. W. T. Bailey and Miss Janie McNeil are on a business trip to Baltimore for a few days.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Turlington attended the Falcon Camp meeting last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Tiner returned from Louisburg Saturday where they spent a week with relatives and friends. They also visited friends in Wake Forest while away.

Mrs. H. F. Edgerton and daughter Miss Inez, visited friends in Smithfield Wednesday.

Quite a number of out-of-town guests were here last Friday to attend the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Edgerton.

BROGDEN NEWS

Mr. Willie Hill underwent an operation for appendicitis Saturday at the Goldsboro hospital.

Misses Elva Woodall and Nellie Hill, of Sanders Chapel, and Lillie Wrenn, of Smithfield, spent the week end with Miss Lela Creech.

Miss Beatrice Gardner spent the week end in Smithfield with her cousin, Mrs. W. C. Gardner.

Messrs. William Godwin, Dwight Johnson and Thel Hooks of Smithfield were in our community Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Herman Owens returned to his home in Fountain Thursday after spending several days with his uncle, Mr. J. B. Gardner and family.

Mrs. Taylor, of Goldsboro spent a few days last week in the community with relatives.

Miss Lela Creech is attending the Teachers Meeting in Smithfield.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gardner and little son Fred spent a short while Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gardner.

Misses Lillie Wrenn and Lela Creech, of Smithfield, motored out to the home of Miss Creech Tuesday evening.

Mr. Grady Peterson of Clinton spent a short while Wednesday at the home of Mr. J. R. Creech.

Miss Lela Creech entertained a few of her friends last Saturday evening in honor of her week end guests Misses Lillie Wrenn, Elva Woodall and Nellie Hill. Games, watermelons and music on the victrola and piano were enjoyed during the evening. Those enjoying Miss Creech's hospitality were: Misses Lillie Wrenn, Margaret and Elva Woodall, Sarah Hill, Lela Talton, Nellie Hill, Elsie Mae and Inez Gardner, and Bruce Jones, and Messrs. Vick and Ruffin Hill, Madison and Roscoe Strickland, Joseph Royal and Albert Bizzell.

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Services at Episcopal Church

The regular services will be held at the Episcopal church Sunday morning and night by the rector, Rev. H. S. Hartzell. The subject for the morning service will be: "What Makes a Christian?" Subject for evening: "The Features of Our Age." Public invited.

The Legislature Adjourned.

The Legislature having completed its labors has adjourned. Or that was the program as published in yesterday morning's News and Observer.

NEWS ITEMS — ANTIOCH

**Local and Personal Items Of
Interest Gleaned During
The Week.**

Mr. Billie Talton, of Raleigh spent some time with relatives in this section.

Messrs. Richard Finwell and Alvin Stencil spent Saturday night at the home of Mr. J. L. Davis.

Miss Mamie Hocutt visited at the home of Mr. Brosie Hocutt Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hocutt spent Sunday afternoon in Smithfield.

Some of our people attended the show at Selma Monday and reported a big show.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Spencer from near Creech's spent Sunday with their brother, Mr. J. H. Spencer.

Misses Mamie Boykin and Agnes Stencil and Mr. Bluford Edwards were visitors at the Sunday School Sunday morning.

Mr. J. O. Johnson and family visited at the home of Mr. T. R. Atkinson last week-end.

Messrs. J. H. Hocutt and Orice Johnson spent a few hours with friends near Middlesex last Sunday.

Last Saturday afternoon Miss Mamie Boykin delightfully entertained a number of her friends in honor of her guests, Misses Agnes and Elizabeth Stencil. At 6:30 a sumptuous supper of barbecue and other delicious viands was served. After supper was over Messrs. Finwell and Stencil entertained the crowd with some very fine selections of music which was highly appreciated and enjoyed by those present.

Mr. Charles Kemp and family of Middlesex spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Nancy O'neal.

Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Narron visited relatives in and around Pine Level Sunday.

Mr. A. A. Narron of Pine Level, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Narron Sunday.

Mr. H. H. Creech has recently moved his family to Wendell, which place they will make their future home. We wish them much success in their new home.

Quite a surprise to their many friends was the marriage of Mr. P. C. Narron and Miss Blennie Lee which took place Saturday afternoon at Emit. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Costa Hocutt, Justice of the Peace, in the presence of only a few of the most intimate friends. After the marriage vows were spoken the happy party motored to Raleigh and spent a short time after which they returned to the home of the groom where a sumptuous supper was awaiting them. Mr. Narron is a son of Mr. W. G. Narron and is a rising young farmer of this community. While the bride is the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. J. A. Lee, of the Emit section. May they have a long life of wedded bliss is the wish of the writer.

Middlesex Route 3, Aug. 18th.

STATE NEWS

The population of North Wilkesboro is 2,363. The population of Wilkesboro is 814.

The Asheville Board of Trade has written to the legislature asking that body to pass a law making the larceny of automobiles a felony.

The Hickory Overall Company is planning to begin operation of a shirt factory in Hickory about September 1. The capacity will be 500 shirts daily.

The American Legion, Department of North Carolina, consisting of 112 posts and 6,000 ex-service men, will hold its second annual State Convention in Wilmington, September 3rd, and 4th.

Vance Arant, of Charlotte, in an attempt to cross the Seaboard track in Paw Creek Township, was struck by a train and the Ford car demolished and he was killed instantly.

A quarter million pounds tobacco has been sold on the Lumberton market to date. The prices on the opening of the market ranged slightly above the prices a year ago, but have gradually increased and at present are highly satisfactory.

Dr. R. H. W. Leak, noted colored preacher, died in Raleigh Tuesday. He was at one time manager of the A. M. E. Church Book Concern, and publisher of the Christian Recorder, of Philadelphia. He was a leader of his people for good and the founder of Kittrell College.

TEACHERS SUMMER SCHOOL

**Opened Here Last Monday—
Several in Attendance—
Continue 6 Weeks.**

A normal school for teachers was opened at the Turlington Graded School building on Monday of this week and will continue for a period of six weeks. In charge as instructors of the school are Miss Mary E. Wells, Supervisor Rural Schools of Johnston county; Miss Bessie Morgan, Director Primary Grades, Pembroke, and Miss Mary Matthews, of Charlotte.

Methods in teaching the primary and elementary grades are being demonstrated. Miss Wells states that teachers entering later than Wednesday, August 25th, cannot receive summer school credit from the State Department of Education. Up to that date seventeen teachers had entered. Those in attendance are: Mrs. John Blackman, Misses Eva Mae Emis, Blonza Holland, China Stephenson, Rosa Vann, Clyde Hocutt, Anna Lou Honeycutt, Ethel Dupree, Myrtle Snipes, Prilla Gilbert, Anna Parker, Bessie Howell, Alice Grice, Mrs. Beulah Leeson, Messrs. G. H. Wheeler, A. E. Surlis, and D. M. Bizzell.

HATCHER'S NEWS

Mrs. J. L. Hatcher and daughters, Elanor, Charollet, Brown and Eliza Mosley of Dunn are spending this week with relatives in community.

Mr. Harvey Parker and sister Maggie spent Saturday night at the home of Mr. W. H. Browas.

Miss Pauline Womack of Cary has returned home after spending several days with Misses Minnie and Mamie and Nannie Bailey.

Rev. E. C. Murray filled his regular appointment at Fairview Sunday.

Mr. Adolphus Brown of Selma spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown.

We are glad to note that Mrs. Jarman Sullivan, who is in a hospital at Goldsboro is improving after several weeks illness. Her friends hope to see her able to return home soon.

Quite a number of people are attending services at Thanksgiving this week.

Mr. C. A. Bailey of Dunn spent a short while with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bailey Sunday.

Tobacco will soon be housed through this section and the people will feel like rejoicing then.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Bailey spent Sunday at Mrs. Bailey's father's, Mr. E. Grants in Thanksgiving section.

There will be a series of meetings at Fairview next week. Beginning fifth Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, preaching each night at 8:15 o'clock. Public is cordially invited to attend.

Selma, R. F. D., Aug. 25.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

Congressman Britten, of Illinois, has made the sensational charge that the \$87,000 appropriated by the British government for entertainment purposes at the British Embassy at Washington has found its way into the treasury of the National Democratic Committee. Proof of his assertion will be made Monday before the campaign investigating committee, says Britten.

News has reached North Carolina that President L. L. Hobbs, of Guilford College, is sick in a London hospital. Dr. Hobbs was in England to attend a religious council when taken ill. He was taken to the hospital at once where an operation was performed. It is said that another operation will be necessary.

Women cannot vote in the South Carolina primary. The Anthony Amendment was not ratified in Tennessee before the registration books were closer in the Palmetto State for the primary.

James Turner, a young Reidsville negro was stabbed to death Sunday afternoon by Ned Robinson, in a "crap game." Robinson at first fled, but later gave himself up.

Former Secretary of the Treasury William G. McAdoo will preside at the luncheon given in New York tomorrow to the Democratic Presidential nominee, Governor James M. Cox.

The national crop and weather bulletin issued from Washington Wednesday says that the past week has been a bad one on cotton. There were heavy rains in Oklahoma and northern Texas which was bad on the crop. Little progress was made.