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IMPROVEMENTS IN STORE

W. L. Woodall's Sons Renew Interior of Building—Put In Wall-Cases, or "Units."

Having heard of the great improvements recently made by Messrs. W. L. Woodall's Sons, in their store, The Herald sent one of its news-gatherers to see what had been done. On arriving, the correspondent felt that he was in a strange place—so different was the appearance of the store. But presently Mr. Hubert Woodall greeted him with the same familiar cordiality, which is always extended to the wayfarer by this warm-hearted firm.

The enterprising young proprietors have renewed the entire interior of the store and have put in wall-cases, or as the trade calls them, "Units." These suggest sectional book-cases, with glass fronts, which keep the goods free from dust, while offering great advantages of display. These "Units" are still a novelty in the mercantile business, and the reporter had never seen anything like them. Mr. Woodall says they were put in by a concern in Grand Rapids, Mich. An entire outfit of new shelves has been made for the heavier dry goods, new electric lights have been installed, and by the winter the store will be well heated.

The stock of dry goods is to be larger than ever this season, new goods of staple variety, as well as the season's novelties, are arriving every day.

The ready-to-wear department is better supplied than at any time since this firm went into business. The shoe department has been removed to the rear of the store, and greatly enlarged.

Woodall's Sons' children's department is probably the pet of the firm. Certainly the display of dainty and useful clothing for the little tots, showed that some one among the buyers has their interests peculiarly at heart. In connection with this department, we heard a traveling man quoted recently, as having said that no store in the state had as large or complete an assortment of children's clothing as this. He said that nothing even in Charlotte could be compared with it.

Mr. Woodall told the writer that he is experiencing less trouble in securing his goods this fall than at any time since the War began. He says that 90 per cent of his fall stock has already been received.

I must not fail to mention the greatest novelty in architecture we have yet seen. Who ever heard of a glass stair-way? Well it has come. Mr. Hubert Woodall told the correspondent that when his new shoe stock began coming in, he saw that he would not have room enough for it, so he decided to move his office, thus giving a few more square feet to the shoes. All of the floor space now being filled, he thought of the plan of putting his office under the staircase! The staircase is a large structure in the center of the floor, and is cool and airy, but how was he to see the store while under there? So he had the builders put glass in the backs of the steps, and now he can sit at his desk, and watch everything that takes place over all his great establishment.

In Honor of Mrs. C. H. Martin.

Monday afternoon Mrs. Will H. Lassiter entertained quite a number of her friends at a rook party in honor of her sister, Mrs. C. H. Martin, of Washington, D. C., who is her guest. The tables were placed in the living room, in the hall and on the spacious porch. After the guests had greeted the hostess and the guest of honor, several lively games of rook were engaged in. The refreshments, which consisted of block cream and cake, came as the finale to a most pleasant afternoon. The hostess was assisted in serving by her young daughter, Miss Mattie, and Miss Alma Coats.

Convict Escaped With Guard's Gun.

Tuesday morning, August 31, on the Smithfield township roads near Turner's Bridge, a convict took a gun from Mr. Harrison Farrell, a guard, and then pointing the gun at Mr. Ferrell demanded the keys to unlock the shackles from his feet. After loosing himself he went across a field to the railroad and then on the railroad he went southward. We have heard of nothing more from him. The gun which is a repeater he carried with him.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES

In the gubernatorial primary in Texas, Pat Neff defeated former Senator Joseph W. Bailey, by more than 77,000 majority. This is regarded as a signal victory for the national administration. Mr. Bailey is one of the strongest opponents of the policies of President Wilson.

The Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Agriculture, announces that the United States government has allotted \$2,279,053, to North Carolina, for the construction of good roads, provided that a similar sum is expended by the state, for the same purpose. This is the last of North Carolina's share of this good roads money, unless Congress makes another appropriation.

The Railroads of the country, began to operate on their own resources Wednesday night, after having cost the government about \$100,000,000 monthly, for the six months during which their earnings were guaranteed by the transportation act.

The anthracite coal workers of district No. 2 Pennsylvania threatened to call a strike September 1st, if the minority report of the Anthracite Commission, recommending an advance of 31 per cent, is not adopted instead of the majority report which recommended an advance of 17 per cent. President Wilson refused their demands, and accepted their challenge, saying that "the country can find some substitute for Anthracite coal until such time as the real sentiments of the coal workers can find expression, and they are ready to abide by the obligations they have entered into." This threatened strike is in direct violation of the agreement of the miners to be controlled by the award of the Commission.

ROYALL, ELEVATION NOTES

Quite a large crowd of this section attended the Primitive Baptist union at Smithfield Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Gardner Johnson and sister, Miss Mary, attended the party at Mr. Jimmie Creech's near Elevation Saturday night.

Mr. Charlie Holland of Norfolk, Va., has been visiting his uncle, Mr. Rufus Holland for the past few days.

Miss Lenzie Allen spent Saturday night with Miss Lizzie Gordon near Wilson's Mills.

A large crowd from this section attended the burial of Mr. John Cole at Four Oaks Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Heath spent Sunday with Mrs. Heath's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Tyner.

Many of the girls and boys of this section are getting ready to enter high school some where this fall.

Master Ransom Allen spent Saturday night with his sister, Mrs. Willie Jones near Smithfield.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Allen, a boy.

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New Teacher Chosen.

Miss Lina Woodward of Statesville has been chosen to succeed Miss Martha Oneal who recently resigned as primary teacher in the Turlington Graded School. Miss Oneal is to marry sometime during this month. Miss Woodward comes highly recommended. She attended Meredith College, and attended one session of the University Summer School at Chapel Hill, and one session of Columbia University Summer School, New York.

Miss Sadler Honoree.

On last Monday night, from 8:30 to 11:30, Mesdames H. D. Ellington and J. H. Abell, delightfully entertained a number of their friends, in honor of Miss Helene Sadler, of Richmond, Va., Rook was the feature of the evening, after which delicious refreshments were served. Just before the guests took their departure, Miss Nellie Holt brought in a lovely basket, filled with many lovely presents from the guests and gave it to Miss Sadler. Miss Sadler, whose engagement was announced sometime ago, will wed Mr. Saunders Brooks, of Richmond, Va., in October.

Intermediates Have Picnic.

Two classes of the intermediates of the Methodist Sunday school went to Holt's Lake yesterday on an all day picnic. Swimming and boating claimed attention as soon as they arrived. After dinner an interesting shooting match was pulled off in which Mr. Edward Patterson proved to be the next skilled marksman.

FROM CAPITAL OF BEULAH

Bright Jewels Open Their Mite Boxes—W. M. Society Meets—Local and Personal

Kenly, Sept. 1.—The Bright Jewels of the Methodist church, opened their mite boxes Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock, Eloise Darden having the most pennies in her box. After the business was over fruit was served.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Edgerton, Mrs. J. G. High, Miss Emma Matthews, Inez Edgerton and Miss Beulah Bailey motored to Wilson Monday.

Miss Mazie Thompson left Tuesday for her home in Dunn, after spending several days with Margaret Hooks.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church, met at the home of Mrs. J. W. Darden Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mrs. A. J. Broughton was elected delegate to the conference which meets in Four Oaks September 2nd.

Mrs. R. T. Fulghum and two daughters have returned home after spending several days in Raleigh.

Rev. J. E. Holden has returned home after holding a week's revival at Rosemary, N. C.

Misses Jewel and Essie Morgan of Middlesex have been spending some time with Mrs. K. D. Morgan.

Don't forget the Kenly Community Fair to be held October 5th at Kenly. Born to Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Ethridge a boy, Monday morning, August 30.

Miss Anna Mae Ashcroft has returned to her home in Monroe after spending several days with Miss Beulah Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Bailey have returned after spending several days in Baltimore and Philadelphia.

Miss Elizabeth Whitehead of Richmond is spending several days with Mrs. Frank Capps.

There was a Gypsy tea given at Lowell Tuesday night in honor of the guests of Miss Beulah Bailey and Mrs. Frank Capps.

Mrs. Lester Watson gave a Pine Bark Stew at Lowell Wednesday night in honor of her guests, Misses Bonnie Boswell and Valentine Prinette of Black Creek.

Miss Beulah Bailey has just returned after visiting Governor and Mrs. T. W. Bickett of Raleigh.

Shower for Church Basement.

Tuesday afternoon the ladies of the Methodist Missionary Society gave a dining-room and kitchen shower to the church basement which has recently been completed. Two conveniently arranged rooms are in the basement which are being fitted up as a ladies parlor or dining room and a kitchen. The various organizations of the church will use these rooms for various social entertainments, and the ladies parlor will be used as a Sunday school class room. The "shower" brought forth various articles from a dining room table to cup towels, pans, spoons and other useful utensils. Quite a number of ladies were present, fruit punch being served as refreshments.

Prices Coming Down in England.

Whatever the cause, the prices of certain commodities are surely on the toboggan slide in England, according to news dispatches from London. One of these commodities that is coming down is wool. While the manufacturers have plenty of advance orders on hand, these orders are being cancelled and no new orders going in. This makes the wool market of the near future rather in an unstable condition. It is said that textiles, boots, and shoes, hosiery, and other articles in common use have declined rapidly in recent months on account of the ceasing of the orders to flow in. The fall in prices of every day commodities is seriously affecting trade in Liverpool, Cardiff, Portsmouth, and other centers. In Liverpool it is said that about ten thousand people are actually unemployed. They are usually dock hands who are kept busy when there is a big export and import trade. The restoration of a healthy condition of trade lies in Great Britain's power to reestablish the purchasing power in Central Europe and the re-opening of the vast Russian market.

The graded schools of Burlington opened Wednesday with a full corps of teachers. Miss Emma Young of Smithfield, is in charge of the Home Economics Department, a position she has held for the past several years.

POTTER GIVEN 6 MONTHS

Appeals to Superior Court—Others Given Fines and Road Sentences.

Tuesday was a busy day in the Recorder's Court. Judge Brooks disposed of several cases, some of the defendants receiving road sentences, while others were let off with a fine and costs. Among the cases disposed of we note the following:

State against Stephen Thorn. The defendant was found guilty of an assault with a deadly weapon. Fined \$25 and costs.

Will Turner was found guilty of an assault with deadly weapon and he was charged with the costs and a fine of \$20 was imposed.

George Potter, the young white man who shot Bill Konos, the Greek, at the Busy Bee Cafe Sunday a week ago, was adjudged guilty and sentenced to six months on the Smithfield roads and taxed with the costs. Potter took an appeal to the next criminal term of the Johnston County Superior Court. Several people have said in our hearing that they thought Potter got off light. The case was a serious one and the fact that the Greek was not killed was not Potter's fault. It is alleged that he snapped at Konos several times before the pistol fired. Konos was taken to a Wilson hospital and is getting along nicely and will soon be himself again.

Randall Butts and Joe Hasker were found guilty with an affray at the Smithfield depot on the fourth Sunday in August when a deadly weapon was used. Hasker was taxed with one half the costs. Butts was given a road term of sixty days and taxed with the other half of the costs.

Cicerò Richardson was adjudged guilty of an assault with a deadly weapon, fined \$25 and taxed with the costs.

Joel and Paul Pittman were tried for cruelty to animals. They were found guilty and fined one penny and taxed with the costs.

Roscoe Hawley was before the court charged with selling liquor. He was adjudged guilty and sentenced to the roads four months and taxed with the costs. He took an appeal to the Superior Court.

Cider and liquor was at the bottom of several of these cases. Take these intoxicating elements out of the cases and many of the lawsuits would never be in court.

Robbers Enter Stores in Kenly.

Kenly, Sept. 1.—Robbers entered Watson & Alford's Hardware store here last night by smashing the heavy plate glass front doors. Among the articles taken were two 16 size Reliance gold filled watches, one 0 size crown gold filled watch, and several Ingersoll Midget watches.

Entrance was made in like manner into the store of Mr. P. Godwin where a number of silk shirts and other merchandise was taken. The indications are that the robbers were amateurs. The proprietors of these stores say a liberal reward will be paid for the apprehension of the culprits.

Hill-Woodall.

A wedding of interest to a large number of friends occurred last Sunday evening at 6:00 o'clock at the home of Rev. C. K. Proctor, pastor of the Selma Methodist Episcopal church when Miss Margaret Ethel Woodall became the bride of Mr. Moses Vick Hill. The wedding was witnessed only by relatives and a few close friends and was quiet in all its details. The bride was very attractive in a traveling suit of navy blue tricotine with harmonizing accessories. Her only ornament was a platinum ring set with diamonds, the gift of the groom. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Hill and friends drove to the home of the groom in Sanders Chapel where a sumptuous three course supper was served.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Woodall and is a most attractive and lovely young woman. She has a wide circle of warm friends who will be deeply interested in the news of her wedding.

Mr. Hill is a young farmer of trained intellect and sterling manly qualities, and the success he has achieved in his chosen profession promises for the future even a more abundant measure of success. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hill and like his bride, Mr. Hill has a large number of friends who wish them much success and happiness.

Spain Bailey at Large.

We have just learned that Spain Bailey, who is serving a twenty year term in the penitentiary for killing Deputy Sheriff Alf. Wall last year at a blockade distillery when he went to cut it up, escaped from the Elon Camp about ten days ago. John Stancil made his escape several days ago. A reward of \$25 has been offered by the authorities for the capture of Spain Bailey.

BROGDEN NEWS.

Mr. J. B. Gardner spent Sunday at Wrightsville Beach.

Miss Hettie Allen spent the week end with relatives in Dunn.

Miss Beatrice Gardner spent the latter part of last week in Smithfield with Miss Margaret LeMay.

Mrs. C. M. Strickland is visiting her son Mr. T. G. Strickland of Rocky Mount this week.

Miss Daisy Creech of near Pine Level spent Saturday night with Miss Lela Creech.

Mrs. C. M. Strickland and Misses Lela and Daisy Creech and Messrs. Madison and Roscoe Strickland and Tommie Wester motored up to Nashville and spent the day Sunday.

Mr. John Creech spent the week end at Salemburg with friends.

Mr. Willie Hill is improving nicely after his operation at the Goldsboro Hospital, his parents are expecting him home in a few days.

Mrs. J. B. Gardner and daughters, Beatrice, Elsie Mae, Inez, and Mira and little son Melvin and several of their friends spent Sunday at Seven Springs.

Miss Beatrice Gardner left Monday evening for Fountain to visit relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Creech and children attended the vocal union at the River Side Sunday.

There will be a picnic at Tee's Chapel Free Will Baptist church next Saturday September 4th. Everybody is cordially invited to come and bring well filled baskets.

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Nick Avera Wins a Medal.

Mr. W. D. Avera, of Elmhurst Farm, has just received a letter from the manager of Camp Sapphire where his son, Nick, spent six weeks in camp this summer, which reads as follows:

"Mr. Fetzer and I want to congratulate you and Nick on his having won the medal on the best Camp spirit in his class. This is the greatest compliment that the Camp can pay to a camper and is an evidence of the high esteem in which Nick is held by the management and the boys."

This letter is signed by Macon Reid, the manager of Camp Sapphire.

Community Service.

Have you attended the Community Meetings of your Community of late? If you have not, you should. The Community Service is operating the regular schedule; good programs are given, and with the opening of school, these will be even more interesting.

There will be a special meeting given at the Royall (Elevation) school on next Monday, September 6 beginning promptly at 8:15 P. M. All are urged to attend. Other points to be visited are:

Brogden, Tuesday, Sept. 7.

Oak Grove, Wednesday, Sept. 8.

Princeton, Thursday, Sept. 9.

Meadow, Friday, Sept. 10.

Archer Lodge, Saturday, Sept. 11.

Special meeting: Royall (Elevation) Monday, Sept. 6.

All meetings will begin promptly at 8:00 in the future, unless otherwise specified; same admission of ten cents.

LUCY LAWLEY, Director.

Mrs. D. H. Creech Entertains.

The home of Mrs. D. H. Creech presented an inviting appearance Wednesday afternoon when she was at home to a number of the ladies of the town. Cooling breezes made the large porch an enviable place, while the cut flowers and pot plants added to its attractiveness. As the guests arrived they were served with refreshing fruit punch by Mrs. Creech. Rook the feature of the occasion, entertained those present until the refreshments consisting of frozen fruit salad, sandwiches and tea were served. The afternoon was most pleasantly spent and the guests were loath to go.

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PRINCETON—BOON HILL

Says 200 Whiskey Stills Are In Operation—Local and Personal Items of Interest

Princeton, Sept. 1.—Miss Sallie Hinton from Rock Ridge is visiting her cousin Miss Mabel Hinton near town this week.

Mrs. Violet Sherrill from Durham is visiting relatives in town.

Mr. Zeb Warren from Garland, Tex., is visiting his father, Mr. William Warren, who lives near town. Zeb is an old Boon Hill boy who settled in Texas many years ago, and one who has made good.

Miss Bettie Revelle, an unusually pretty and attractive young girl from Kenly, is visiting Miss Flossie Wellons, near town this week.

Mr. George P. Massey and Mr. Luther Grantham have returned from a three weeks stay at Hot Springs, Ark. They report that their rheumatism is much better.

Miss Agnes Gurley and Miss Lora Mason are spending the week with friends at Kenly.

Miss Ora Everett from Parkton is here visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Rackley.

Mr. George Woodard, Miss Lissie and Lena and Mrs. Jesse Godwin and Mr. W. C. Ryals and wife and Mr. B. W. Jones and wife made the trip last Sunday to Wilmington and Wrightsville Beach in their automobiles. They report having some trouble on bad roads between Goldsboro and Wilmington. They returned by way of Clinton and found the roads much better.

Messrs. Sydney Fail, Luther Pearce and Jesse Godwin went to Wrightsville Sunday.

Rev. W. G. Farrar commenced a meeting at Smith's Chapel last Sunday.

Robert Oliver, Joe Boyette, Frank Pearce, and Caspian Holt left here Monday for Buies Creek school.

A good farmer of this township says there are 200 blockade whiskey stills in operation in this section and in the town it is claimed as much as one hundred gallons of whiskey was handled here last Saturday and Sunday. It has not taken a blind man to tell who is handling whiskey. Conditions here are becoming intolerable and the few citizens who are opposed to such unlawful traffic, and who are in the hopeless minority are going to find some way to clean up the business.

Miss Bessie Mason is visiting relatives in Pine Level this week.

Miss Pansy Anderson from Roxboro is visiting Mrs. W. G. Farrar.

The Forty-four Pound Baby.

The following good story comes from our sister city of Wilson, by way of the News and Observer.

The stork had brought the first baby. When he had been duly bathed, powdered, beribboned, kissed and named, the fond mother asked how much he weighed. The excited Father had overlooked this detail, but he rushed out to attend to it without delay. Man-like he could not find the scales, but, seeing the ice wagon passing at that moment, he called to the driver to lend him his scales. The ice man consented sympathetically, and the little new-comer was put on the ice scales. He tipped the beam at 44 pounds. The brand new parents were overjoyed, thinking that they had the finest baby in the world. The news was phoned to all their friends, but the neighbors now know that they have been short-weighted in ice.

Selma Cotton Mills on Vacation

Selma, Sept. 1.—The Selma Cotton Mill has closed down for this week for repairs and vacation. The management has planned to give the operatives complimentary outing to Raleigh to spend a day in Pullen Park. Arrangements have been made with the Street Car Company to send special cars to the Park after dinner to take the operatives for a long ride over the entire lines.

A New Business Firm.

Smithfield welcomes the firm of Fleming and Dupree, which will occupy the store recently vacated by Messrs. J. D. Dickens and Co. They will handle heavy and fancy groceries and will do a wholesale and retail business. These two young men are well known to our citizens as hard workers, and as wide awake, up to date members of the trade.