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NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL OF BANNER

John G. Jernigan Dead—Play Be Given by School—Club Meets

Benson, Nov. 24.—Miss Ruth Andrews leaves today to spend several days with friends in Clayton.

Mrs. J. H. Rose is in Smithfield for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Mrs. J. L. Hall has been confined to her home on account of illness for the past few days but is better today.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Lanier are visiting relatives at Chalybeate Springs this week.

Mrs. Edgar Johnson, of Oxford arrived yesterday to visit relatives for a few days.

Mr. William Canaday, of Richmond, spent a few days in town this week with relatives and friends.

Mrs. D. McL. Holt, of Jonesboro, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Faircloth for the past week.

Mr. Eli Morgan, a student at the State college spent the past week-end here with his parents.

Mr. Jesse Ryals, of Rocky Mount was in town for a few days this week with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gordon of Hamlet, spent the past Sunday with their children, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Barbour.

Miss Webb and Ruth and John Lassiter were the guest of friends in Smithfield Sunday.

Miss Vermelle High left today to spend Thanksgiving with her parents in Wilson.

Miss Lois Carter is spending the Thanksgiving holidays with friends in Kenly.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wells are spending this week at Asheville. Mr. Wells is one of the delegates from Johnston county to the Annual meeting of the Teacher's Assembly which he goes to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Lassiter are to spend Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. Lassiter's parents at Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. John Yelverton who on that day will celebrate their thirty-ninth wedding anniversary.

Miss Lois White leaves today to spend Thanksgiving with her uncle in South Carolina.

Miss Webb presented her music pupils in a recital last night at the school Auditorium. Her students gave evidence of careful instruction and because of the varied selections and the charming little dances and playlets with which the numbers were interposed, the monotony which usually characterizes such recitals was entirely lacking.

Mr. John G. Jernigan died at his home three miles from Benson on the Dunn road, Monday night after a brief illness. He leaves a widow and several sons and daughters. He was about 70 years old and had lived most of his life near Benson.

"Miss Fearless and Company", a play, will be given by the School faculty in the Auditorium on the evening of December the tenth. It is an event which is being eagerly anticipated, as every one feels sure that this crowd of vivacious and intellectual young folks will present something worth going to see, and as the School will be benefitted by the proceeds, no doubt it will be largely attended.

The John Charles McNeill Book Club held its regular meeting on last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. T. T. Lanier. The Southern Short Story Writers studied at this meeting were Caroline Howard Gilman, South Carolina's most eminent woman writer; Richard Malcolm Johnson, and our own "Christian Reid"—Mrs. Frances Christian Tierman, whose home is in Salisbury, N. C., the author of about thirty novels and whose travel sketch, "The Land of the Sky," it is said, introduced the wonderful mountain section of North Carolina to an unconscious world, and pointed the way to Biltmore and Taxaway. Mrs. Boone in an interesting manner sketched the lives and writings of these people after which Mrs. O. A. Barbour read a description of Black Mountain from "The Land of the Sky," also one of Christian Reid's poems, "Regret". A selection from Caroline Howard Gilman, "The Colonel's Clothes" was read by Mrs. J. R. Barbour, which concluded the program. The hostess then served refreshments and the club adjourned to

SPENCER POSTMASTER IS BOUND OVER TO COURT

He Is Charged With Shortage In His Accounts and Removed From Office—Successor Appointed

Spencer, Nov. 23.—Following an investigation made by Postoffice Inspector Webb, of Washington, Postmaster, W. D. Petrell, of the Spencer office, was today removed from office under a charge of shortage in his accounts. He was given a hearing before United States Commissioner W. H. Hobson tonight, and waived examination. Inspector Webb, representing the department, asked for a bond of \$3,000, which was given by friends of the former postmaster, who will be required to appear at the next term of federal court. Inspector Webb declined to state the amount of the shortage.

Mr. Petrell had been postmaster at Spencer for about seven years. He was formerly a locomotive engineer and was a member of the legislature in 1914. He declined to make any statement for publication.

The charge against the postmaster caused quite a sensation on the streets here today and many are hoping that the irregularities in the office here will be straightened out.

To fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Mr. Petrell, W. D. Kizziah, a well known young man and son of Engineer and Mrs. W. A. Kizziah, of this place, was sworn in as acting postmaster. He has had considerable experience and it is expected will fill the office in a most satisfactory manner.

TAKE IT BY THE YEAR

The fall is here and everybody soon will have some money. We hope to add a large number of subscribers to our subscription list. We want the people to take The Herald and hope all who can do so will take it for at least a year at a time. If you subscribe for only three or six months we have to make the same entries on our books as if you took it for a year. Besides it is more trouble for you to look after it when you take it a shorter time than a year. You should look at the label on your papers before your subscription expires see a check for two dollars for the following year. Do not wait to come to Smithfield to subscribe or to renew your subscription. It takes but little time to renew by sending check and then your name does not have to be taken off and later placed back on the list. If you send check before your time is out you will not miss any papers. We ask the people of Johnston county to cooperate with us in enlarging The Herald circulation. Take it for yourself and if you like the paper, speak a good word for us to your neighbors and get us some subscribers. We can not get around to see everybody but you can help us out where you are. We will greatly appreciate your help. We can best show our appreciation by giving you a first-class paper.

Family Fights Eagle to Save Boy

It took the combined efforts of the Spaulding family at their ranch near Glendo, Wyo., Monday to save 8-year old Walter Spaulding from being carried away by a giant eagle.

When the huge bird attacked Walter in the ranch yard, he grasped it by the neck and screamed for help. John, his 7-year-old brother, came to the rescue, and a third boy ran for help. Mrs. Spaulding beat off the bird with a stick and the eagle attacked her.

She was saved when her husband came with a shotgun and dispatched the bird. It had a spread of eight feet. The two boys were severely lacerated by the eagle's claws.

Methodist Church

Rev. S. A. Cotton will preach at the Methodist church Sunday morning and evening. These will be Mr. Cotton's last services before going to his new pastorate at Franklinton. Meet in December with Mrs. W. D. Boone for which meeting a musical program is being arranged by the Program Committee.

THE BAPTIST WORK FOR THE PAST YEAR

Report Shows Total of \$12,495.20—Good Sunday School—Orphanage

The work of the Baptist church of this city for the past year makes a fine showing. Rev. H. W. Baucom, the pastor of the church, who has just been to Asheville to the Baptist State Convention, had the satisfaction of representing a church with all financial obligations paid, and developing along other lines as well.

The total membership of the church is 268, seventy-three having been added during the year, 23 by baptism and 50 by letter. The Sunday School with Mr. T. S. Ragsdale, as superintendent, has 258 members which includes 160 church members, 18 of whom joined during the year just closed.

The women of the church are organized into a Woman's Missionary Society with Mrs. W. N. Holt, as the president. Under the auspices of this organization are the Young Woman's Auxiliary of which Miss Ruth Brown is president; the Girls Auxiliary with Mrs. H. G. Gray as leader; and the Sunbeams under the direction of Mrs. H. H. Radford. These societies raised last year for all purposes \$1,486.46.

The church also has a good B. Y. P. U. Mr. H. P. Johnson is president and although only organized a few months ago, it has thirty members.

The financial report for the entire church shows a grand total of \$12,495.20. This amount includes \$6,123.38 for the 75 Million Campaign, \$1,395.50 for building and repairs, and \$947.00 for the Thomasville Orphanage. Over \$2,000 of the above sum was raised through the Sunday School.

NEWS FROM KENLY

Kenly, Nov. 24.—Mr. F. H. Underwood of Wilson was the guest of Mrs. R. A. Turlington last week.

Miss Fannie Hooks visited friends in Grimesland last week.

Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Turlington will be among the number here to attend the Thanksgiving football game in Raleigh between Wake Forest and A. & E. College.

Mrs. George Walston of Wilson visited Mrs. H. M. Grizzard for a few days last week.

Miss Jessie Perry of Raleigh will arrive today to be the guest of Mrs. G. B. Woodard during the holidays.

Rev. C. P. Jerome, of the Perquimans circuit was a visitor here this week. He was a former pastor of the Methodist church here.

Mrs. R. A. Turlington was hostess to the Priscilla club last Thursday evening from four to six o'clock.

Mrs. F. A. White and Miss Ethel Morris spent Tuesday in Raleigh doing some shopping and visiting friends.

Miss Sadie Morris will arrive from Clinton tonight to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Morris.

The A. C. College, of Wilson presented a play in the Kenly high school Auditorium last night. The play was in two acts and was entitled, "The Obstinate Family". It was thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience present.

We are very glad to have Rev. J. E. Holden with us another year. Several of the people here attended the Conference in Rocky Mount and report a wonderful time—good preachers, good meetings and good eating.

Rev. C. E. Clark will deliver a Thanksgiving sermon at the Presbyterian church tomorrow. No other announcement has been made as we have learned.

Mrs. Z. V. Snipes and daughter, of Dunn visited Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Grizzard Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Savage left Saturday for Charleston S. C., after spending sometime here with relatives and friends.

Mr. Ralph Hales, of Rocky Mount spent Sunday in town with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hales.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Wilkinson spent Sunday in Bailey as the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Foster.

Mrs. T. C. Bailey has been visiting friends in Richmond for sometime.

GENERAL AND STATE NEWS PARAGRAPHS

Happenings of Interest As Gathered from Daily Newspapers

Refusal to take baths led to the finding of \$1200 concealed in the clothing of William Porter and Charles Carter held at Roanoke, Va., in connection with a bank robbery.

Fifteen women have been licensed as preachers in the Methodist Episcopal church since the right was granted last May by the general conference of the church according to a statement made in Chicago by the president of an association of women preachers in the United States and Canada.

Beginning Monday and to continue for an indefinite period of time, the largest paper mill in the south at Canton, this state, will reduce operations to four days per week.

One new presiding elder was made at the recent Methodist conference at Rocky Mount, Rev. J. M. Daniels, who has just served the church at Dunn for four years, was made an elder and given the Wilmington district.

An eight-year-old child in Danville, Va., was terribly burned Wednesday afternoon, her dress having caught from a gas stove. She was unconscious when her mother reached her.

The Gastonia tragedy when John Ford was killed and Essie Beatty was seriously wounded recently still remains a mystery. Several suspicious negroes have been arrested but nothing has been learned. The three survivors have not changed their story of the sad occurrence.

A dispatch from Macon, Ga., announced that the local telephone exchange of that city would be served a Thanksgiving dinner for the small sum of 10 cents. The menu was to include baked goose with cranberry sauce, oyster dressing, stewed corn, heart of celery, rolls and coffee. The quantity served to each person, it was stated, would not be limited, and that the ten cents would cover the cost.

HOLD TO YOUR NEWSPAPERS.

A farmer who was here recently said that since tobacco had gone down in price he had quit reading. His papers are still coming, but he does not read them. As we see it, he is making a mistake. It is true, some bad news comes out in the newspapers, but they do not make it any worse than it really is. We should be willing to look at the dark side of the picture as well as the bright side. In other words, we should want to see things as they really are without thinking too much about how they should be. It is useless to worry about conditions, if things are wrong, we should try to get them right and beyond that we should not worry. After doing the best we can our responsibility ceases. Newspapers cost but little and the farmer should not begin to economize by cutting them off. The thing to do is to decide on what papers the family needs and get them. No paper should be stopped if as many as one member of the family reads it. A man should not take away the mind food of the family any sooner than he would take away from them the food or the body. Regardless of hard times, you should subscribe for your papers and buy a few good books occasionally. Do not let the home be dark for want of some reading matter which would cost you but little.

Large New Paper Plant

Asheville, N. C.—When completed the paper mill of the Champion Fiber Company, at Canton, Haywood county, near Asheville, will manufacture paper on a scale never before attempted in the South. At present the Champion Fiber Company operations are limited to wood pulp production, the mills using 405 carloads of wood a day. The paper plant now under construction will represent a total outlay of 2,000,000 for construction work equipment, one machine alone costing over 250,000. The plant will probably be in operation by June of next year. The machines will be driven by electric power of which 1500 horsepower will be required.—Christian Science Monitor from its Southern News Office.

PRESIDENT-ELECT HARDING HAS INVITED DEMOCRATS

President-elect Asks Three Democrats To Confer on Making Peace With Germany.

Harry M. Daugherty, pre-convention manager and intimate friend of President-elect Harding said today that Mr. Harding had invited at least 3 Democratic Senators to confer with him at Marion during December regarding the future international policy of the United States. He mentioned Senators Shields (Tenn.), Reed (Mo.) and Pomerene (Ohio) as those already invited to conferences, and said there might be others. He was not certain whether Senator Hitchcock had been invited.

The three Democratic Senators named represent the three views of the Democratic party during the Senate fight over the treaty. Senator Reed was an irreconcilable. Senator Shields held out for strong reservations, while Senator Pomerene in the main followed the wishes of President Wilson, though willing to go somewhat further on reservations than the President. The general purpose of the Marion conferences, according to Mr. Daugherty is to reach an agreement with the Democrats so that peace can be made with Germany and the war ended.

"We wish," said Mr. Daugherty, "to reach some understanding about which there will be no doubt of the country's approval."

In addition to the Democrats President-elect Harding of course will confer with prominent Republicans. Among those already invited are Senators Lodge, Borah, Johnson, Poindexter and Knox, and Elihu Root, William H. Taft, Charles E. Hughes and George W.ickersham.

Mr. Harding, according to present plans, will resign from the Senate soon after January 10. This will allow the appointment of a Republican to fill out the unexpired term, as on that date James M. Cox will be succeeded as Governor of Ohio by Harry L. Davis, a Republican. New York Herald.

BETHANY NOTES.

Messrs Moses Creech, W. M. Bunn, Edgar Ryals and George Balance spent a while Sunday at Mr. Jake Tyner's near Four Oaks.

Farmers are feeling blue over the low price of cotton.

Mr. Julian Creech, who has been quite sick for sometime, is improving but is still unable to sit up. Miss Julia Price, of Rocky Mount, who has been nursing him, will leave for her home sometime this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Earp of Thanksgiving, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Broadwell, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Batten, of Micro, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Atkinson, of Florida, Mrs. D. H. Jones, of Goldsboro, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Boyett, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Boyett, of Glendale were visitors at the home of Mr. Kirkman Creech Sunday.

We are sorry to note that Mr. Frank Creech broke one of his arms a few days ago.

Mr. G. R. Renfrow was seriously hurt last second Sunday when the car he was driving turned over.

The Juniors of Little River Lodge, enjoyed an oyster supper on the evening of the 24th. A large number of the members were present.

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A STRIKE IN 1535

An amusing old chronicle, dating from Cromwell's time, and enlivened with marvelous spelling, informs us that one day in the year 1535 a crowd of English shoemakers sat on a hill outside Wisbech, waiting while their committee in the town dickered with the master shoemakers about wages. Too low by far the wages had been. Growled the fellows on the hilltop. "There shall none come into the town to serve for that wages within a twelvemonth and a day, but we will have an harme or a legge of hym, except woll take an othe, as we have doon."

By this we see that the problem of labor is a very old problem. Away back in 1535, behold a full-blown strike, with its demand for better pay, its vow of fealty to the union, its threats against strike-breakers, its faith in violence—precisely the sort of thing that has been going on, here and there, ever since!—Literary Digest.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM PRINCETON

Neuse River Out Of Banks Causes Trouble—Union Veteran Dead

Princeton, Nov. 24.—Mrs. Silas Worley is very seriously ill at her home after giving birth to twin babies, one of them being dead. Mrs. Worley had been in bad health for several months, and her many friends hope that she will soon recover.

Mr. Elwood J. Pearson died at the home of his sister, Mrs. George Howell, here in town Friday evening. He was said to have been a soldier in the Union army during the Civil War and had been at the old soldier's home near Washington City, since the war. He was here on a visit to his sister at the time of his death.

Mr. Tom Braswell and Miss Mildred Massey, Mr. Dock Masey and Miss Thelma Toler went to Buies Creek last Sunday to carry Miss Mary Massey who is in school there this year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Hinton spent the day (Sunday) at Mr. Oscar Neels in Wilson county. The party say they were never treated so royally and never before enjoyed such an excellent and bountiful dinner.

Mr. Richard Woodard strated to Goldsboro Monday morning with a load of tobacco. When about 2 miles out of Princeton on the Goldsboro road, a man, said to be drunk, came up the road driving an auto at a terrific speed and ran into Mr. Woodard's mule and wagon, killing the mule and breaking the wagon up. This happened just before day as Mr. Woodard was seen to pass through Princeton about four o'clock.

Mrs. Pittman and daughter, Miss Margaret, from Goldsboro have been visiting in town.

Mr. Alfred Capps has just killed three pigs, aged 18 months. The three weighed 1,125 pounds. One of them weighed 432.

Boon Hill township had three men who were very fond of booze, and it is claimed that the three had imbibed in the last 30 years enough whiskey to float the battleship North Carolina. The most remarkable fact is that they have quit drinking and now they don't touch a drop.

Mr. Hubert Cox, of Bentonville section brought a load of cotton to Princeton Saturday. Returning home that evening, Neuse River was about four feet deep in the road and the mules got into deep water and broke the wagon tongue. In order to save himself and mules, Mr. Cox got his mules out of the harness and left his wagon and bale of cotton with several bags of oats in the river. Sunday evening with his mules and some neighbors they returned to the river to try and save his wagon and its load. When they arrived there they found Mr. Jake Lynch stuck in the high water with his automobile, the water was then running over the seats in the car. Mrs. Lynch with a small baby was perched on top of the seat, all wet as rats. With the assistance and mules Mr. Cox pulled Mr. Lynch's car out to safety. After many hours dangerous work in the rushing waters the wagon and its load was pulled out on dry land.

Robbers entered the store of Edgerton Brothers here last night. They broke in at the back door. A large quantity of goods were carried away, suits of clothing, auto tires and many other articles. Blood hounds are on the way here at this hour.

Mr. Roscoe Cox had the misfortune to fall from a ladder at his home a few days ago, receiving injuries from which he is now in a serious condition. His many friends wish for him a speedy recovery.

T. G. S. Observes Thanksgiving

Wednesday morning appropriate Thanksgiving exercises were rendered in chapel at the Graded School. The program was well carried out and a most commendable feature of the occasion was the gifts of food and fruit which the children carried to be distributed among any needy of the community. The school adjourned Wednesday until Monday, several of the teachers having gone to Asheville to attend the Teachers' Assembly.