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MR. JOHNSON'S TRIP TO MONTGOMERY

Writes Interestingly of Cotton Convention; Was A Delegate from N. C.

Not long ago when Mr. A. M. Johnson went to the Cotton Convention at Montgomery, Ala., we asked him to give us something for the paper about the meeting. He has graciously complied with our request and writes as follows:

I have been requested to give the results, as I see them, of the Cotton Convention at Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 26th to 29th. I attended the convention as an appointed delegate and committeeman, and voted for the interests of the cotton farmers of North Carolina, and especially for Johnston County. I voted for the farmers interests and that includes the interests of those who deal with them.

I will give only net program reached in the committee rooms, for, it would take the entire paper to reproduce the discussions, in full. I might say however, that opposing interests were represented at the meeting but luckily the majority of voting delegates were farmers. We can thank president Wanamaker for that.

Perhaps the biggest work of the American Cotton Association reported at the meeting was the Committee on Cotton Statistics. This committee reported that the United States would be short about one half million bales of spinnable cotton August 31, 1922, at the present rate of spinning, and it looks for an increase in spinning. This report is worth many a dollar to the farmer if he will act accordingly. Incidentally, I heard persons, some big farmers, say that they were holding cotton for thirty cents by next July. Now that is what I heard, not what I think; I doubt if anybody knows.

There were many other reports and our actions were based primarily on these reports. For instance, the reduction in cotton acreage in the United States, 1921, was 28.4 per cent. The Cotton Acreage Committee and later on the floor by the Convention it was agreed to put on an intensive campaign over all the cotton states for the same acreage to be planted in cotton in 1922, as in 1921. And if 1922 should prove a good season there would be plenty of cotton to meet the demand, in fact a little over. The western states kicked over the traces at this ruling because the eastern states could use fertilizer and make more than they; wherewith we replied that if we made more it would cost us more in proportion. Anyway the acreage is the controlling factor for better prices for cotton.

The report of the progress of the organization of the Cooperative Marketing over the South surprised all the delegates. It points to better times. And therefore it was agreed that every ounce of energy be used to get the farmers, bankers, merchants of all the communities in the southern states to get a bigger percentage of membership by January 1, 1922. This one organization is the biggest factor in getting a better price for our 1921 cotton. This organization begins operation January 1, 1922, in North Carolina, with most of the other southern states. Get in this before January 1, and attend the first meeting at Smithfield early in January.

There are fifteen propositions set forth to carry out by the different states and counties and National Committees, dealing with legislation in economical factors effecting the cotton crop. You can learn of them in the Cotton News when it comes out. You should take this paper by all means.

The convention was worth while and there are more folks in the United States and Europe action on its actions and recommendations than most persons think there is. I saw and talked to some of them at the Convention. I feel that we have not supported the Cotton Association as strongly as we should. Perhaps it is with that as with father and son; the son does not understand or appreciate what is being done for his good till some outside catastrophe downs him. Anyway the Cotton Association brought the Cooperative Marketing into being, taught the pub-

SMITHFIELD LOSES ONE OF ITS FINEST CITIZENS

Mr. J. H. Kirkman Goes to Charlotte To Handle Exclusive Agency of Willard Storage Battery

We have just learned that Mr. J. H. Kirkman of our city has recently been fortunate in securing the exclusive franchise and agency for the well known "Willard" Storage Battery (which we understand comes equipped on 92 per cent of all new cars) for the city of Charlotte, and the entire counties of Mecklenburg, Anson, Union, Cabarrus, Montgomery and Stanley. While we regret very much to lose him from our midst, we feel confident that he will do well in his new and larger field of opportunity, having had many years' experience in this line of business.

Mr. Kirkman was born and reared here, where his mother, Mrs. L. E. Kirkman now lives, and has been living here ever since, now being one of the oldest business men of our city. It is interesting to know that he was the first person in our county to own and ride a Safety bicycle, and the second one to own and drive an Automobile, which was a left-hand crank, one cylinder car, now out of date and rarely heard of.

In 1895 he organized and successfully operated here the first and only telephone exchange in our county for a number of years, having finally disposed of it to the Southern Bell Telephone Co., in 1899. In 1890 he entered the hardware business out of which he made quite a success but owing to failing health from close and continual confinement he disposed of this business in 1910 to what is known as the Smithfield Hardware Co., Inc. In 1911 he entered the Automobile and Storage Battery business, from which he is now retiring in order to give his entire time and attention to the Storage Battery business exclusively, and on a much larger scale, also with larger and broader territory embracing one of the largest cities, and six of the best counties in the State.

For a number of years Mr. Kirkman was on the board of city aldermen and in leaving us we feel that Smithfield loses one of its best and most loyal citizens; the county one of its most faithful and long-time officers, and the church one of its best members, stewards and staunch supporters. Smithfield's loss in Mr. Kirkman, his excellent wife, Mrs. Kirkman and his two fine boys—James and Dan—is Charlotte's gain, and we congratulate them in securing this excellent family as future citizens of their city. Mr. Kirkman tells us that his place of business in Charlotte will be at 610 South Tyrone Street, where he will at any time be glad to see any of his old friends from this part of the state. We rejoice at the success that has come to him in his elevation as representative of so large a firm with such a large field within which to work and bespeak for him a brilliant occupancy of the new position.

Our very best wishes go with him and his family to their new home and we sincerely regret that they could not see it best to remain with us.

Services at Baptist Church Sunday

Dr. Peacock, of Raleigh, will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at night at 7:00. A cordial invitation is extended to all to come out at both services and hear Dr. Peacock.

And especially the North, and even Europe to appreciate the conditions the South has been raising cotton under all these years; they are more in sympathy with us now as a result than they have ever been. Even the northern and western congressmen show signs of less malice and more good will toward the southern planter and business man. And in conclusion, I say that we should feel jubilant over the results of the past two years in our favor, though it cost us much money and worry, and should be an incentive to push and pull all the harder for the measures now at hand to be carried through. "Where there's a will there is a way." And now that we have learned that in order to get anything we must get it ourselves we will have no excuse in the near future to tell the world of our ills. And in short, the whole story means that if we as producers do not get together now, I am inclined to think that even the Lord will have lost confidence in us. But we will.

PRETTY MARRIAGE AT M. E. CHURCH

Miss Bettie Watson Becomes Bride of Mr. Edward T. Stallings of Wilson

Wednesday evening a marriage of unusual interest to the people of Smithfield and of Wilson was solemnized in the Methodist church here, the contracting parties being Miss Betty Watson, of this city and Mr. Edward T. Stallings, of Wilson.

The church under the direction of Mrs. A. S. Johnston was a lovely setting for the wedding scene. Soft white draperies with southern smiles, ferns, handsome white chrysanthemums and lighted candles produced a most pleasing effect. By the time the pipe organ under the skillful touch of Mr. Milton Andrews, of Wilson, sounded the first strains of the thirty minute musical program which preceded the ceremony, the church was full to overflowing. Mr. Jack Stallings, tenor, who assisted in the program, sang "Until" and "At Dawning."

Promptly at the appointed hour, the bridal chorus from Lohengrin sounded and the bridal party entered as follows: Messrs. Edgar Watson and John White Ives; Messrs. D. W. Parrish and Vaughn Woodard, of Wilson; Misses Irene Myatt, and Beulah Bailey of Kenly, wearing orchid taffeta; Misses Virginia Puckett and Retta Martin, wearing yellow taffeta; Messrs. G. Herring, of Wilson, and Albert Watson of Rocky Mount; Messrs. R. R. Holt, of this city, and Glaucus Hinnant, of Wilson; Misses Mary Belle Watson, of Wilson and Lillian Sefton wearing blue taffeta; Misses Lallah Rookh Stephenson and Nora Stallings, of Wilson attired in pink taffeta. All of the bridesmaids carried yellow chrysanthemums tied with yellow tulle. The bridesmaids and groomsmen took their places inside the chancel. Then came the dame of honor, Mrs. Coles Spraggins, wearing brocaded jade Canton crepe with silver train carrying an armful of Russell roses. She was followed by the maid of honor, Miss Cora Belle Ives, attired in a lovely costume of rose georgette and taffeta and silver lace and carrying Killarney roses. The flower girl, little Miss Marcia Bodie Stevens, wearing a dainty frock of white organza and lace, and the ring bearer, Master William Norman Holt, wearing a Lord Fauntleroy suit of black velvet, advanced up the aisles at the same time. The flower girl carried a basket of sweetheart roses and the ring bearer carried the ring in the heart of a lily.

The bride then entered on the arm of her father. She never looked more lovely than she did in her wedding gown of white Duchess satin entrain embroidered with pearls and with point lace trimmings. Her veil in coronet style was caught with orange blossoms. Her bouquet was Bride's roses, showered with valley lilies and snapdragon. She was met at the altar by the groom with his best man, Dr. Henry Best, of Wilson. Rev. D. H. Tuttle, pastor of the bride, pronounced the beautiful ring ceremony which made them man and wife.

The bridal party left the church to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March and repaired immediately to the home of the bride where a delightful reception was given. The bride is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Watson of this city and is quite popular. She is an accomplished pianist having graduated in music at Peace Institute. Affordable in manner and with a charming personality she will make friends wherever she goes.

Mr. Stallings is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Stallings, of Wilson. He is a skilled violinist and at present holds a position with the Boston Lyceum Bureau. Mr. and Mrs. Stallings left on the midnight train for Boston, where they will live. They go to their new home with the best wishes of a host of friends for success and happiness.

Stores to Close for Services.

All the stores in town will close today for the union Armistice Day services at the Centenary Methodist church from ten to eleven.

HYLAN RE-ELECTED MAYOR NEW YORK

Election Fights in Kentucky Result in Ten Deaths and Several Wounded

Tuesday was election day in national politics, and the day was watched closely by the two parties, for the drift of popular sentiment. The outstanding elections of the day was the re-election of Bryan, Democrat, as mayor of New York City, the election of the Democratic ticket in Virginia, and the election fight in Kentucky. The following dispatches taken from Wednesday's News and Observer give a good idea of the situation:

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 8.—Known casualties in Kentucky's election to-night stood at ten dead and 7 wounded. Nine men were killed in two affrays in Breathitt county; a man and a woman were wounded in Louisville and one man was killed and two others seriously wounded in Estill county. The first of the killing occurred Monday night in Breathitt county when Sylvester Howard, Jr., was killed by Earl Pitts.

The second affray in Breathitt county occurred today when Cleveland Combs is said to have made efforts to serve as election clerk in place of a man previously appointed. Combs, his brother Leslie Epher, and George Allen, John Roberts and George McIntosh were killed and five other persons were wounded. Four of the dead were Democrats and four of the wounded Republicans.

In Louisville, Patrolman Bennett Cardner in a quarrel with Harry Ross fired several shots. One shot struck and seriously wounded Ross and another struck Mrs. Lillian Collings, aged 64.

The fourth affray was in Estill county, where P. F. Wolfenbarger, Republican candidate for sheriff, was seriously wounded by Lloyd Winkler, a bystander was also wounded.

Another death was added late today when K. K. Spencer, a democratic election clerk was killed at Simpson precinct on Frozen Creek, in Breathitt county. His murderer has not been captured.

New York, Nov. 8.—Mayor John F. Hylan, Democrat, was re-elected today by a plurality, estimated from returns from nearly half of the city's 2,709 election districts, of approximately 400,000 over his Republican opponent, Henry H. Curran.

The vote in 1,310 election districts was: Hylan 349,567; Curran 152,923 and Jacob Panken Socialist 42,929.

It was also conceded by their opponents that the Democrats had made a clean sweep of the other important municipal offices elected their candidates for comptroller and president of the Board of Aldermen and the five borough presidents.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 8.—Senator E. Lee Trinkle, of Wythe, Democrat, won a sweeping victory over his Republican opponent, Col. Henry W. Anderson for Governor of Virginia, according to figures compiled at 9:30 o'clock tonight by the Richmond Times-Dispatch and based on returns from all of the cities and scattering reports from the country districts of the State.

Trinkle's plurality will be at least 50,000 according to estimates of the Times-Dispatch. John Mitchell Lilly Black Republican, and candidate of the negroes, polled about 20,000 votes according to these returns.

"Wet" Wins in Buffalo.

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 8.—Frank X. Schwab, Republican, running on a platform, declaring for amendment of the Volstead act to permit the sale of beer and light wines, was elected mayor of Buffalo today by a majority of 2,563 over Mayor George S. Buck, also a Republican.

Democrat Breaks Record.

Schenectady, N. C., Nov. 8.—George R. Lunn, Democrat, was re-elected mayor of Schenectady today for a fourth term. His victory was notable by the fact that it was the first time in 28 years that a mayoralty candidate has been chosen for two consecutive terms. Mayor Lunn had previously served two single terms.

SMITHFIELD PLAYS THE RALEIGH HIGHS TODAY

Both Teams Evenly Matched as Proved by Oxford; Winner Will Play Strong New Bern Team

The Smithfield Highs will meet the Raleigh Highs here today in the first State Football Championship game of the season for the locals. The game will be played on the High School Gridiron starting at 3:30 p. m. This is an important game as it will decide who will continue in the series and play New Bern next week. The teams are pretty evenly matched if the Oxford games have any importance. Oxford defeated Smithfield by 7-0 in what would have been Smithfield's game if Brown had not run into the goal post. Then Raleigh and Oxford tied. Raleigh defeated Oxford Tuesday by a freak touchback score 2 to 0. Smithfield has had a week to practice since the defeat last Friday. Mr. Norman Shepard, Davidson '20 football star arrived yesterday to coach the locals. Though here only a short time before this game, the team has shown great progress. Raleigh is handicapped by the game Tuesday since which they have had practically no time to practice. The two teams are nearly the same weight. Raleigh probably outweighing the locals by a few pounds. Hamer, the strong right guard, may be out of the game. Wharton, center, who was out of the game last Friday on account of injuries received in the Wilson game will be back at his same position. A big crowd is expected to see this game. Practically the entire student body will be present with the songs and yells.

NEGRO KILLED WITH SHOT GUN IN ONEALS TOWNSHIP

Two colored boys were hauling fodder and wood on the farm on which they lived in Oneals township last week and carried a shot gun with them during the day thinking they might find some game to shoot. One of the boys with the gun under his arm was getting out of the rear end of the wagon, when the gun slipped from him and shot a load into his left breast, which killed him in a short time. The two young men were sons of Lossy Parker.

Hens on a Strike.

The hens of this community seemed to have gone the railroads one better, nor has their strike for higher prices evidently had any effect on exhausting the supply. We know of at least one egg-hunt one morning before breakfast this week, and according to the calendar it isn't Easter either.

Quin Ahead in Louisville.

Louisville, Ky., Nov. 8.—Unofficial returns from 205 of 370 precincts in Louisville, at 8:30 indicated the election of Houston Quin, Republican, as mayor of Louisville. Quin at that hour had a lead of 5,468 votes over Harris, Democrat.

Gun Fight Enlivens Election.

New York, Nov. 8.—A running gun fight in which one man was seriously injured and nearly a score of shots were fired enlivened election day at a voting booth in the Eighteenth aldermanic district late today.

Republican Leads in Indianapolis.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 8.—Samuel Lewis Shank, Republican, was leading Boyd M. Ralston, Democrat, his opponent, in today's municipal election by 19,899 when returns from 133 of the city's 166 precincts had been tabulated. Shank's election by a majority of 20,000 vote was claimed by Republican party leaders. The vote for the 133 precincts was Shank, 49,430; Ralston 29,531.

Independent Wins in Cleveland.

Cleveland, O., Nov. 8.—Official returns from half of the city's precincts at 9 o'clock p. m., indicate the election of Fred Kohler, former chief of police, running for mayor on an independent Republican ticket over W. S. Fitzgerald, present Republican mayor. Kohler was leading by 3,000 votes and Republican and Democratic party leaders said that if Kohler maintained that lead he would win by 10,000 plurality.

PRIZE WINNERS AT THE COUNTY FAIR

Covers Canned Goods, Pantry Supplies, Textiles, Old Relics Curios, Etc.

The following is a partial list of the prize winners at the Johnston County Fair. Those who won prizes in canned goods, pantry supplies, textiles, flowers and curios and old relics compose this list and we hope to have the other winners in a later issue: DEPARTMENT C.—Home Economics. Division A—Canned Fruits and Vegetables.

- Hazel-Atlas Collection (free jars)
1—Mrs. Sam Easom, Selma.
2—Mrs. P. H. Kirby, Selma.
3—Mrs. D. J. Wellons, Smfd. RFD.
4—Mrs. R. L. Gay, Smithfield, RFD.
5—Mrs. W. H. Brown, Selma.
6—Mrs. H. V. Faulkner, Smfd, R.
Best Collection of 12 Jars.
1—Mrs. Sam Easom, Selma, RFD.
2—Mrs. P. H. Kirby, Selma, RFD.
Best Three Jars Canned Goods
1—Mrs. H. V. Faulkner, Jr.
2—Mrs. W. H. Brown, Selma.
Best Three Jars Preserves.
1—Mrs. H. V. Faulkner, Jr.
2—Mrs. Amos Johnson.
Best Three Jars Pickles.
1—Mrs. D. J. Wellons.
Canned Goods—Single Entries.
Berries.
1—Mrs. O. V. Booker, Smithfield, R.
2—Ida Southerland.
Apples.
1—Mrs. Lena Creech, Smfd. RFD.
2—Margaret Talton.
Soup Mixture.
1—Mrs. C. M. Ogburn, Willow Springs, RFD.
2—Mrs. R. L. Gay.
Peas.
1—Mrs. C. M. Ogburn.
2—Mrs. Lena Creech.
String Beans.
1—Mrs. Sam Easom, Selma.
2—Mrs. J. W. Kennedy, Wilson's Mills.
Cherries.
1—Bernice Brown, Smithfield.
2—Mrs. Ernest Grice.
Peaches.
1—Mrs. Lena Creech.
2—Mrs. Sam Easom.
Tomatoes.
1—Mrs. Lena Creech.
2—Mrs. R. L. Gay.
Baby Beets.
1—Mrs. Sam Easom.
2—Mrs. O. V. Booker.
Corn.
1—Mrs. Sam Easom.
2—Mrs. Sam Easom.
Lima Beans.
1—Mrs. Sam Easom.
2—Mrs. D. J. Wellons.
English Peas.
1—Mrs. J. W. Kennedy.
2—Mrs. Sam Easom.
Okra.
1—Mrs. Lena Creech.
2—Mrs. Sam Easom.
Huckleberries.
1—Mrs. Sam Easom.
2—Lida Capps.
Pimentos.
1—Mrs. P. H. Kirby.
2—Mrs. J. D. Boyett.
PRESERVES.
Watermelon rind.
1—Mrs. C. M. Ogburn.
2—Lillian Shaw.
Grape.
1—Mrs. Ernest Grice.
Pear.
1—Mrs. Rosser Lane, Smithfield.
2—Mrs. William Ragsdale, Smfd. Citron.
1—Mrs. O. V. Booker.
2—Mrs. G. B. Smith, Smithfield.
PICKLES.
Artichoks.
1—Miss Fannie Rhodes, Smfd.
2—Mrs. Sam Easom Selma.
Peach.
1—Emma Creech Smithfield.
2—Mrs. Lena Creech.
Pear
1—Miss Estelle Powell.
Watermelon rind.
1—Mrs. R. L. Gay.
2—Mrs. G. B. Smith.
Pepper Hash
1—Miss Annie Lassiter.
2—Miss Annie Lassiter.
Chow Chow.
1—Mrs. O. V. Booker.
2—Miss Annie Lassiter.
Bell Pepper.
1—Miss Estelle Powell.
Beet.
1—Mrs. C. M. Ogburn.
(To be continued in Tuesday's issue.)