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LOCALS SMOTHER LUCAMA & WILSON

Girls' Team Overwhelm the Kinstonians 43 to 9;— Others 76-13; 29-14

Smithfield High added two more scalps to its belt of victories by walking away with Lucama to the tune of 76-13 and defeated Wilson 29-14 here Thursday and Saturday nights. The girls team showed up fine in their first game by smothering the Kinston bunch 43-9.

The Lucama bunch was simply outclassed here Thursday night when Smithfield ran up the largest score of the season. The game after only a few minutes developed into the question of how many Smithfield could shoot. For the locals Hill and the two Caudill boys were the brightest stars of the firmament while Holland played well for the time he was in. Jean Caudill lead with 12 field goals and one foul, total 25 points while Hill ran him a close second with 11 field goals. John Caudill with six field goals showed up fine at center on the second team, Newton and Branch, B., accounted for practically all of Lucama's points.

The line-up and summary follows: **Smithfield (76)** Lucama (13)

Caudill Branch
Hill Right Forward
Stephenson Left Forward
Godwin (Capt.) Moore (Capt.)
Skinner Left Guard
Branch Right Guard

Substitutions for Lucama: Branch for Branch, G. For Smithfield: Stephenson for Caudill, Holland for Hill, Caudill for Stephenson, Hill for Godwin, Brown for Skinner. Last three minutes first team for second.

Referee: Parrish. Time 20-20.

Showing the fastest attack yet seen on the home court Smithfield was able to double the score on the Wilson bunch ere Saturday night, the game ending at 29-14. At times the Smithfield offence was perfect with only two passes from center to the basket. The Wilson team put up a game fight though playing a losing game from the middle of the first half. The score by halves was almost identical being 14-7 and 15-8.

As usual Caudill was the outstanding player of the game finding the basket for seven field goals and 3 fouls for 17 points. Hill was next with six points. Skinner played stationary guard well. Adams was perhaps the fastest man on the court, time and time again getting the ball under Smithfield's goal and carrying it unaided down the length of the court. He scored 6 of Wilson's points. Sharpe at center was good also but the close guarding of Smithfield kept him from scoring except once.

The line-up and summary: **Smithfield (29)** Wilson (14)

Caudill Adams
Hill Right Forward
Stephenson Left Forward
Godwin (Capt.) Barnes
Skinner Center
Batts Right Guard
Powell Left Guard

Substitution for Wilson: none. For Smithfield: Stephenson for Caudill, Holland for Hill, Caudill for Stephenson, Patrick for Skinner, Hill for Godwin.

In their first game the Smithfield girls overwhelmed the Kinston Highs by 43-9 and showed to the local public that they had a real basketball team. From start to finish the Kinston team was outclassed in passing and goal throwing. The score at the end of the first half was 20-7 but in the last period the Smithfield girls rolled it up to 43 points while allowing the visitors only one field goal.

Ava Wellons was the leading scorer with 28 points while Sarah Patterson made good for 15. Leone Sanders was equally as good at guard, allowing her opponent only one goal.

Line-up and summary: **Smithfield (43)** Kinston (9)

Wellons Faulkner
Patterson Right Forward
Meberne

BOLL WEEVIL INJURY FOR THE YEAR 1923

RALEIGH, Jan. 29.—All of the are a north of a line drawn through from Hickory in Catawba county to Salisbury in Rowan, across to Raleigh in Wake and to Washington and Belhaven in Beaufort and straight through Hyde County to the coast was first invaded by boll weevil in 1922 and is due for only light injury this year, says Franklin Sherman of the Division of Entomology, N. C. Extension Service, Mr. Sherman says that the injury will be heavier near the line and to the eastward but it will be in 1924 before this section will be seriously hurt and that the cotton growers has this one other chance to make nearly a full crop of cotton if he uses good cultural methods and picks up the fallen squares.

The heavy damage of 1923 will be South of the line mentioned. West of a line from Monroe to Raleigh the cotton farmers will lose from 10 to 20 per cent of their crop, with heavier losses to the South. Here good cultural methods, picking squares once each week to the end of July and use of the dust poison in the more heavily infested areas should be practiced.

West of a line from Lumberton to Greenville, the injury will probably run between 20 to per cent, and east of this line, the injury will be from 30 to 50 per cent. On the west side, good cultural methods should be practiced to the fullest extent and the dust method used. East of this line, though the farmers do not depend so greatly on cotton, they should make still further reductions in acreage and fight the weevil for the remaining acreage by using the dust method, better seed, better cultivation and fertilization and pick the fallen squares and burn them.

Mr. Sherman will be glad to furnish information about the boll weevil to any farmer who will write him at Raleigh or who will call at his office. He states that now is the time to make preparation for fighting the pest and the farmer should inform himself correctly about the best methods.

BUSINESS IN GREAT BRITAIN ON THE INCREASE

Business in the three great industries, coal, iron and steel and cotton, has improved in Great Britain to an extent not generally realized in this country. The foreign trade statistics for 1922 show an increase in exports of cotton goods of 44 per cent, and in iron and steel more than 100 per cent, and in coal more than 133 per cent. For a long time after the war these industries were in a state of stagnation, from which there has been marked, if not complete recovery. The British export trade is totaled at \$24,000,000 lbs., as compared with \$35,000,000 lbs., for the year preceding the war. The trade balance however, has continued unfavorably, the imports having a greater money value than the exports by \$10,000,000 lbs. It is estimated, however, that if various items such as interest, shipping and insurance charges and traveler's expenditures, etc., were included, the whole of this unfavorable balance would be wiped out.—Philadelphia Record.

PRESIDENT AND WIFE WILL GO TO FLORIDA

WASHINGTON Jan. 26.—Definite announcement that President and Mrs. Harding expect to go to Florida after Congress adjourns was made known at the White House.

For some time it has been known that because of the recent illness of Mrs. Harding and the attack of the grippe which Mr. Harding suffered, coupled with the strain of constant attention to official business, that such a rest was desired. It was not indicated what place in Florida Mr. and Mrs. Harding contemplate visiting.

Happy is the man who gets what he wants and forgets what he doesn't.

Left Forward Brown
Center Meacham
Right Guard Fitts
Left Guard Sanders
Hodgers

Substitutions for Kinston: Jordan for Meberne; for Smithfield: Young for Meacham and Meacham for Avera. Referee: Miss Wilson (N. C. C. W.)

FRENCH OCCUPY COBLENZ LINES

German Railway Workers Strike As Soon as French Take Over Sector

COBLENZ, Jan. 28.—Two battalions of French engineers have taken over the railways and one through train to Paris was sent out tonight. The French state they will be bale to operate the railways for military purposes, but not for civilians.

The tracks bridges, switches and depots are heavily guarded. The railroad workers declared tonight they would not return to work until the French troops have left the Coblenz and other stations. Their leader, Frederick Kalt, denied it was an official strike, notwithstanding the fact that the men knocked off five minutes after Major General Allen handed over command of the zone to the French.

DUESSTLDORF, Jan. 28.—The telegraph and telephone centrals stations went on strike at 7 o'clock this evening. They took this action in protest against the presence of French soldiers.

LONDON, Jan. 28, John St. Leo Strachey, editor and proprietor of the Spectator, writes to the Times suggesting that France should be asked to accept American arbitration in the question of the Ruhr and reparations.

PARIS, Jan. 28.—Tonight there is little chance that the subject of the occupation of the Ruhr district will be discussed by the Council of the League of Nations, which will meet tomorrow at the residence of Leon Bourgeois Hjalmar Branting, Swedish Premier, who announced before leaving home that he would bring up the question, told The Associated Press today that after a talk with Premier Poincare, he did not think the question would be broached in the council.

"I shall not bring it up," said Mr. Branting, "if after consulting my colleagues on the council I find it would be disagreeable to any of the countries. I hope, however, that the Council will accept the mission to arbitrate the Mosul dispute, notwithstanding the great difficulties involved."

M. Branting was reticent regarding the talk with Premier Poincare, but the Associated Press is able to say that the French Prime Minister made it clear that the Ruhr question was not considered by the French government, a proper subject for discussion for the Council of the League of Nations.

The French government does not consider the reparations question generally now to be in such shape that league intervention could be useful; and M. Poincare holds that under the resolution adopted by the Assembly of the League September 27, regarding the eventual discussion of reparations by the Council of the League, it was expressly stated that intervention by the Council could usefully take place only on request of the powers directly interested in the question.

One of the first things that will be placed before the council tomorrow will be Lord Curzon's letter to Sir Eric Drummond, Secretary General to the League of Nations, calling the Councils attention to the Mosul dispute.—Associated Press.

MAN IN JAIL CHARGED WITH CRIMINAL ASSAULT

Harris Johnson, a white man, aged about 50 years, and a resident of Meadow township, was brought to Smithfield Sunday by J. Mang Wood and committed to jail. He will face the court today on a charge of criminal assault upon a girl under 14 years of age.

It is reported that the man Johnson some three years ago married a Mrs. Peacock, of Meadow township, who had one small child, a girl. During the past fall the mother of the child was stricken with paralysis, and since her confinement Johnson has sought to have criminal relations with the child. At length he became so reckless that the child told some relatives and the man was arrested.

Johnson has been twice married and has children by his first marriage. During his present marriage he has lived on a small farm in Meadow township, the property of his wife.

S. F. AUSTIN TALKS TO T. G. S. PUPILS

School Raises Over Hundred Dollars for Turlington Memorial Fund

If all of the Turlington Day programs rendered in the county last Friday were as inspirational as the one carried out in Turlington Graded School here, the effort to let the younger generation know of Prof. Turlington's work has not been in vain. And if the amount raised by this school for the memorial statue represents a reasonable proportion to be expected from the other schools a good beginning has been made in the drive. Turlington Graded School contributed \$101.18.

It was an inspiration to see the large crowd of school children march into the spacious auditorium and to hear them sing, "America," "Ho! For Carolina!" and "The Old North State," which songs varied the Turlington Day program. It was with mingled feelings of emotion and reverence that the former students of Prof. Turlington present, gazed upon the likeness of their former teacher as draped in the American flag it occupied the center of the rostrum. The program sent to all the schools in the county was carried out, the sketches being read by Mose Godwin, Donnell Wharton and Sarah Patterson and Ruth Brooks, after which Prof. T. H. Franks, who presided over the exercises of the hour, introduced Hon. Sam F. Austin, of Nashville, who made a brief address. Mr. Austin who was a pupil of Mr. Turlington in the days when the school was located on the old Academy Green, was shaken with emotion as he began to pay his tribute to his former teacher. It was

with prior to that time. Mr. Austin referred to these two teachers as the greatest men in Eastern Carolina. The speaker then revived the early life of Prof. Turlington giving honor to his father, Mr. Eli Turlington for the vision which he had for his boys. He showed how Ira T. Turlington responded to the opportunities for an education offered him, and fulfilled the vision his father had for him.

Mr. Austin spoke of how much harder it was then to obtain an education than now. Even in his own time in the days of Turlington Institute it meant hardships and difficulties. When cotton was four and five cents, and "when a boy could court a whole month on a dollar and a half," getting an education was a serious thing. But mixed with it all was a measure and the old days recalled to mind presented happy scenes on the old "Academy Green" which now holds the forms some of whom wandered there in their school days. Mr. Austin, however, would not exchange the easier times of today with the pleasures of the past. Each generation, according to him, should be stepping stones to higher accomplishments. And such was the influence of Prof. Turlington. His work has made it easier for those who come after him.

Mr. Austin spoke of the appropriateness of honoring Prof. Turlington, and though he has built a monument in the hearts of his students, it is fitting that all the county should recognize the worth of the man.

When Mr. Austin had finished his talk, Judge A. M. Noble, who has been active in the campaign to erect a memorial to Prof. Turlington, said a few words expressing the belief that the drive would be carried to a successful conclusion in the near future.

PLACE HARNETT FOREST FIRE LOSS AT \$60,000

FAYETTEVILLE, Jan. 25.—The extent of the damage caused by forest fires which raged in Harnett county last Friday and Saturday was revealed today in a statement by R. W. Christian fire warden of Cumberland county, who directed the fight to subdue the flames.

Mr. Christian said that an area of fifteen square miles was entirely devastated by the flames at a total loss of \$60,000. When the fire was first discovered the efforts of those fighting the flames were discounted by a strong wind which did not subside for several hours.

RAID ON ROOM OF A. D. WATTS REVEALS NEGRESS UNDER BED

A police raid on the living quarters of A. D. Watts, Commissioner of Revenue for North Carolina, on the second floor of the Shepherd Building on Fayetteville Street, last night revealed the commissioner in his underwear and Grace Grantham, mulatto, who said her home was in Statesville, under the bed. Grace Grantham was charged with prostitution, while Nina Bailey, another negro woman and Robert McDuffie, negro man, who, police alleged, carried the Grantham woman to the commissioner's room, was charged with soliciting. They were released by Sergeant L. H. Woodall of the police department upon verbal orders of Judge W. C. Harris who went to the Watts' apartment after the arrest of the negroes. Watts was not carried to the police station.

"I will investigate the matter in the morning," Judge W. C. Harris stated last night. "I was assured by the gentleman who telephoned me that any required bond would be furnished and I know he is good for it."

The two women and the negro man were cited to appear in city court Saturday having been released, according to Judge Harris, upon their own recognizance.

The raid was carried out by Plainclothesmen Jesse Wyatt, W. F. Danielly and Patrolman Bailey. According to the police statements, the uniformed officer first went to the third floor with an occupant of the building who was disturbed at the presence of the policemen and then returned to the second floor. Detective Danielly knocked on the door and Commissioner Watts responded. The officer informed him that he had reports of women in the room and wanted to investigate. Watts assured him that there were no women in the room and turned back into the room. He followed Grace Grantham was found under one of the two beds in the room.

According to police statements, the Commissioner pleaded vigorously for suppression, stating that the news of the affair would ruin him.—(Raleigh) News and Observer, Jan. 29.

EX-KAISER'S BIRTHDAY FINDS HIM MELANCHOLY

DOORN, Jan. 27.—The former German Emperor William celebrated his sixty-fourth birthday today with a grand reception at his chateau. Among those who attended were the former German Crown Prince, Frederick William, Prince Henry and the Duchess of Brunswick, the Dutch Governor of the Province of Utrecht and Dutch noblemen from the neighborhood with their women folk.

One of those present informed the Associated Press correspondent that William seemed in rather low spirits, while his wife, Princess Hermine, was heard complaining to the ladies that Doorn was a dull and lonely spot and bored her terribly. She did not conceal that she would like to return to Germany.

The former Emperor received several baskets of kowers and many congratulatory telegrams, mainly from Germany.

Two Germans have been arrested on the charge of attempted burglary of the house of William's local physician.

\$36 WILL BUY MILLION GERMAN MARKS NOW

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—An overnight depreciation of 14 per cent in the quoted value of German marks carried them today to \$36 a million or approximately 27,777 to the American dollar. The marks which could be bought today for a dollar would have cost more than \$6500 before the outbreak of the year in 1914 when marks were quoted at 323.8 cents each.

The last statement of the German Reichstag bank showed a weekly increase of 101,279,276 marks in circulation.

RUSSIAN PRESS WARNS OF WAR POSSIBILITY

MOSCOW, Jan. 25.—The Russian press continues to warn Poland and the public that Russia might be drawn into a European war if Poland attacked Germany. But higher government officials do not display their apprehension.

THREE BIG DAYS JOHNSTON COUNTY

Farmers Congress Will Be Held Here Feb. 15, 16, 17—Governor to Speak

Smithfield has put on a few trade days in its history, and these occasions have always been of mutual benefit to the merchant and the consumer. But the biggest business event in the life of our town in the opinion of many is just ahead. A movement is on, sponsored by the Smithfield Chamber of Commerce, to stage here February 15, 16 and 17, a Johnston County Farmers Congress. Just such an occasion has never been held in this section, though it has been a success in western States, and every effort is being put forth to make these days, February 15, 16 and 17 red letter days for Johnston County.

The purpose of the Farmers Congress is to bring the farmers and merchants together for an exchange of farm products and merchandise and for a regular get-together program on matters touching the business life of the county. Farmers are urged to bring improved seed, stock, produce of any kind either to sell or to exchange for something they want. One of the tobacco warehouses will be arranged for the use of the farmers in displaying their wares during these days.

Practically every business firm in town is cooperating in this movement, and special bargains will be offered by them during the three days. No merchant will be allowed to duplicate a bargain. In this way every single merchant will have something special to offer that no one else is offering.

In addition to the trade advantages, the chamber of commerce is planning a unique program for every day. A brass band will furnish music every day, and on Friday, February 16, Governor Cameron Morrison will deliver an address. It is always an event when the Chief Executive of the State comes in our midst, and to her him speak is an additional opportunity. His subject will be: "One Milch Cow and a Good Garden for Every Family in the County."

There will be speakers for each day by men who are experts in farming and matters pertaining to the farm. Poultry, live-stock raising, spraying and pruning of orchards, boll weevil control and other similar subjects will be discussed, and what is more to the point, demonstrations will be held to show the best methods in each line of work. Local men of the county will assist in these demonstrations and some will give their experience in various kinds of work.

DURHAM TORNADO HERE WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Wednesday night the Smithfield High will meet on the Banner Warehouse floor the Purple Tornado from Durham which has made a name for itself as one of the best quintets in the state. Last year Durham won the championship of Eastern North Carolina and was only beaten by Greensboro in the final game on account of being overweight and built. They have one of the fastest attacks imaginable and the local team will have for the first time this season an opponent on its floor to be watched.

Smithfield is preparing to put out everything it has. Though not confident it will win, Smithfield is certainly not frightened by the name of its opponent. The only comparison between the team is through Raleigh but that is very incomplete, the Raleigh and Durham game ending in a free-for-all with the score 24-23 Raleigh leading. Raleigh defeated Smithfield 48-31. Durham has defeated Lexington, Winston-Salem, Charlotte and Carolina Freshmen.

Coach Park has gone to considerable expense to bring a team of Durham's class to Smithfield but is looking to the people here to back him up by the largest crowd of the season.

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