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SMITHFIELD NEEDS NEW ENTERPRISES

Time Has Come When Manufacturing Interests Are Necessary For Welfare of Town

NEED INDUSTRIAL SURVEY

(By Chas. H. Grady)

Smithfield has grown to its present size absolutely dependent upon the support of the farming interest surrounding it. The time has arrived in the life of Smithfield when it must seek support elsewhere or its growth must cease. It is doubtful with our already acquired Hard Surface road to Raleigh and expected hard surface roads to Wilson, Goldsboro and Fayetteville if Smithfield can hold its own in competition with out-of-town interest who are now flooding Smithfield's Trade Territory with attractive money saving advertising matter.

Considering that Smithfield has grown from a small village to a town of several thousand from the support of a fertile back country it is evident that with proper manufacturing interest it would soon become a city. Smithfield enjoys an enviable location it being the most prominent town within a radius of approximately 25 miles. This gives it a large trade territory and also a large productive raw material territory upon which to draw.

It is conceded by all that we need manufacturing interest in Smithfield but very few stop to think what kind of interest we need and the possibility of making such interest profitable to the owners and the town. Just any kind of a factory in Smithfield will not pay and will not benefit the town. What we really need is an Industrial Survey to first ascertain what we do need. Upon the completion of an Industrial Survey we will then know what we need and what we have to offer to large interests who might be interested in locating a manufacturing plant here of the kind and type that will show a profit to the owner and benefit the town.

The proper organization to compile this Survey has long since died a natural death or been forced out of existence in Smithfield for lack of support. If Smithfield had an active Chamber of Commerce as has most every other town its size with a wide awake full time Secretary this survey would doubtless have been made and circulated and Smithfield would now be enjoying the benefit. In the absence of such an organization and Secretary it is perplexing.

I would suggest the following outline for the survey but am lost as to who will prepare and finance it.

Purpose

To study economic and social conditions in the community and the relations of the community to its environs as a basis for determining its needs and potentialities.

Scope

The scope of the survey may be divided into departments, (A) Physical (B) Economic, Industrial, and Business, (C) Social, (D) Legal.

A. This phase of the study deals with typography of the region with reference to adaptability for human use. It applies to such problems as drainage, health, water supply, and location of residential districts.

B. Here are included such studies as growth and character or the population requirements for the care of the population; transit facilities for persons and goods, zoning of districts for business, industrial, and residential purposes, economic and industrial activities of the community dependence upon adjacent territory; possibility of expansion through old and new undertakings; needs of industries already established; availability of raw products; fuel, power, and their cost; labor supply and their character; barometers of business conditions and their correlation with general trends.

C. Housing, recreation, education, public health, and correction.

D. The right of community in streets, parks, highways, transportation lines, power of condemnation and regulation.

It will be seen from this outline that a complete Survey of Smithfield is a comprehensive diagnosis of its

The Riverside Serenaders



These musicians posed as Victor's Band in the burlesque on the East-Carolina Exposition which was given here by the Business and Professional Women's Club last week. This orchestra also played twice a month in the chapel exercises at the high school during the past term. Reading from left to right: Percy Pittman, saxophone; Tom Lassiter, baritone; Bill Joe Austin, drums; Roy F. Gordon, bass; William Lassiter, cornet.

INTEREST IN HAM MEETING GROWING

Twenty-one Sunday Schools and Churches Visited Sunday In Interest of Evangelistic Campaign

DAILY PRAYER MEETINGS

Interest in the Ham-Ramsay revival which will begin here next week continues to grow, and every effort is being made to advertise it widely throughout the county. Sunday laymen from this city visited twenty-one Sunday schools and churches in the interest of the coming evangelistic campaign, and the next Sabbath will be spent in a like work.

Intensive effort is being put into the daily prayer services which are being held in the places of business in Smithfield. The attendance is increasing, and those present yesterday in Spiers' store evidently felt a foretaste of the revival meetings, which are now but a little more than a week off. Earnest invitations are given now to all the business women as well as men to attend the short prayer services at 9 o'clock daily. Following are the places of meeting for the rest of the week:

Wednesday, office of F. H. Brooks. Thursday, Grantham's store.

Friday, Turnage & Talton's store. Saturday, Jordan-Edmundson's.

Prayer meetings are held by the ladies each afternoon in various homes.

Some of the brethren at the service yesterday called attention to a paragraph in the column headed "Monday Blues" of the News and Observer, which referred to the revivals now in progress at Winston-Salem and at Burlington, and a protest was voiced at the flippant reference to these Christian undertakings. The paragraph reads:

"Let's see, isn't it about time for the plate to be passed at Burlington and Winston-Salem? When the returns are all in, and the cash counted the degree of success of the sporting events now being held in those two cities can be accurately appraised."

The laymen voted to communicate with the editor of the paper asking that due apologies be made.

STATE'S PRISON WOULD HIRE OUT LABOR

Raleigh, May 25.—Directors of the State's Prison, in session here during the week, ascertained that there are now confined in that institution 1,325 prisoners, of which there are 425 men on the Caledonia farm and 125 on the farm near Raleigh.

Also, that there is a "surplus" of 775 prisoners, 45 of these being women who are employed on the highways or in quarries, leaving 391 men available to those needing laborers for any purpose. The board asks for help in placing this surplus labor thus aiding in making the prison self-sustaining.

present status and its potentialities. Just how to secure this Survey in the absence of a Chamber of Commerce is perplexing. Will someone submit a plan to The Herald for the public to consider?

INTERESTED IN HOME COMMUNITY

Dr. Wade H. Atkinson, of Washington, Presents Gifts to Home Community School

Selma, May 23.—Dr. Wade Hampton Atkinson of Washington, D. C., arrived in Selma yesterday morning at 10 o'clock to attend the Commencement exercises at the Corbett-Hatcher school near town. Dr. Atkinson spent part of his boyhood days in this community, and later he taught the school for his neighbors. While for a number of years he has been a successful physician in Washington, D. C., his interest in his old home community does not wane. Each year he gives two gold medals in memory of his parents, one to the boy making the best declamation, the other to the girl making the best recitation. Yesterday he brought with him five carrier pigeons in a suit case built especially for them, to carry back to Washington the names of the winners of these medals. The reciter's medal was won by Miss Viola Harris, and was presented by Mrs. Robena McLean, of Raleigh, a sister of Dr. Atkinson. The declaimer's medal was won by James Preston Batten, and was presented by Dr. Atkinson. Promptly at 12 o'clock, the pigeons were given their freedom and after circling in the air for a few moments, got their bearings and flew due north, carrying their messages. This is the second trip these pigeons have made, the first flight being 200 miles and this one 300 miles.

Judge F. H. Brooks of Smithfield made the literary address and Dr. Atkinson presented 200 volumes to the school library. Dr. Atkinson is to sail on June 3rd for another European tour. He promises these fortunate people additional volumes upon his return.

At the noon hour a bountiful dinner was spread on a long table with every good thing imaginable to eat and fried spring chicken to head the list. This marks the close of a very successful school year for the Corbett Hatcher community. Dr. Atkinson returned to Washington last night.

BOYS UNDER ARREST

Earl Matthews and Luther Strickland, two Smithfield boys, are under bond pending their appearance in Recorder's Court this morning, charged with robbing A. W. Taylor, ex-sheriff of Lenoir County, just across the river Friday. According to our information, Taylor had tire trouble just as he approached this city from Goldsboro and coming on into town these boys helped him to get inner tubes and fix his tires. After this was done, they rode with him across the river, and Taylor claims that they attacked him and robbed him. The boys claim that all the money they had was given them for their services in helping him. It is rumored that whiskey played a part in the affair. The facts in the case will be ferreted out in court today.

Tom Tarheel says that the man who works for his community never loses by it but only accepts added responsibility.

SELMA HAS MOTHER AND SON BANQUET

Mrs. B. Lacy Hoge, of Beckley, Va., Makes Interesting Talk; Plates Laid For Fifty

Selma, May 25.—Some time ago a father and son banquet was held here and was such a success that Scoutmaster H. B. Bueck arranged to have a mother and son banquet. This was held last evening in the Kiwanis Club rooms and was a most enjoyable affair from every point of view. Plates were laid for 50 guests and the hall was attractively decorated with pink Dorothy Perkins roses. Professor Bueck first called for the Scout oath, then one verse of "America" was sung, after which a menu was served consisting of tomatoes sliced on lettuce leaves, fresh cucumbers, sliced ham, buttered rolls, potato chips, pickles and iced tea, followed by block cream, and cake. Music was furnished by the local orchestra.

Scoutmaster Bueck outlined the work of the Scouts and what the movement stands for. Kiethly Reynolds gave an interesting account of the Selma troop's work for the year and impromptu talks were made by the following mothers: Mesdames W. T. Woodard, W. P. Aycock, Fred Hood and Geo. D. Vick. A rising vote of thanks was given Miss Clell Branham and her domestic science class for the preparation of the delicious dinner. But the feature of the evening was the most excellent talk made by Mrs. B. Lacy Hoge, of Beckley, West Va. It is given in part below. Mrs. Hoge is a very brilliant woman, and her talk was highly appreciated.

"Mothers of boys who have reached the age of 12 know they have a problem with which to deal. He has passed the age of building block houses, reading Peter Rabbit stories and being dressed to go calling with his mother. He has laid aside these childish things, yet he is not old enough to 'think as a man and act as a man'. He does not know what he wants to do, or how he wants to do it, but he is looking for something to do.

"We are organized to death for everything and for nothing, but I feel the Boy Scout movement heads the list for real service and worth-while. It is decidedly the best thing that has been promoted for boys. Its object is to take the boy at this transient period of his life and direct his surplus energy into character building and good citizenship training. Through wholesome recreation which appeals to the boy's nature, he is taught self-reliance, endurance, courage, usefulness and patriotism. Between the ages of 12 and 19, habits are formed and character moulded which to a great extent makes or mars a boy's future usefulness.

"Mr. Roosevelt said he agreed with Judge Lindsay that the Scout movement was of peculiar importance to our national life.

"The cheerful services rendered by the Scouts is proof of the splendid motives and methods of the organization. A boy wearing a scout uniform invites respect. Matters not where we meet him, we feel we have a friend. We do not hesitate to call upon him for any information or service; that is his business to help people at all times and to do a good turn daily without receiving reward. "The Scout has become indispensable at all public gatherings, controlling the crowd, preventing accidents, and rendering first aid if accidents do occur.

"He no longer feels he is a necessary evil to be told 'not to do this, and not to do that', but he now feels that he is a necessary factor, and he says to you, 'Don't do this', and 'Don't do that', and 'Keep out of the way'."

Mrs. Hoge closed her remarks by referring to the fact that our constitution forbids the conferring of titles of nobility by the United States, and said: "Every American boy is born equal and true nobility is his birthright. There is no higher rank of nobility in the world than that which can be acquired by every American boy who develops a high sense of honor and applies high ideals and no-

Shepherd Faces Jury On Murder Charge



Wm. D. Shepherd, accused of killing Wm. McClintock his "millionaire orphan" ward with typhoid germs, as he faced the court in the trial now in progress at Chicago. The State is working for hanging. Below, Mrs. Shepherd, who was charged with being equally guilty but was freed when the Grand Jury refused to indict her.

PRUNING KNIFE IS STILL BEING USED

Attorney General Rules That University Is Included In Institutions Under Salary and Wage Commission

AGAINST ESTATE TAXES

(By M. L. Shipman)

Raleigh, May 25.—Governor McLean, as director of the budget, makes it plain to departmental and institutional heads that their estimates must be made on a reduction of at least five percent below the legislative allowance and be in his hands not later than June 10. This was clearly set forth in a statement sent to directing heads of the State's business subdivisions during the week. The Governor also declared himself against the governmental policy of estate taxes. The Attorney General decides that the University and other similar State institutions are subject to regulation of the Salary and Wage Commission. Directors of the State's Prison report on conditions at that institution and appeal for help in placing idle labor. The State starts suits to recover pension money mis-used in Sampson County. These were the outstanding events of a rather quiet week in administration circles. A number of paroles were granted, some applications rejected and happenings of significance, in a general way, add to the more important news of the week.

Governor McLean issued a memorandum as director suggesting that the budget cut for all departments and institutions be made five instead of seven percent tentatively fixed some weeks ago. The memorandum calls for all budget estimates not later than June 10, 1925, for the next biennium period and for allotment of appropriations for the first quarter of the year beginning July 1, next. All appropriations for departments and institutions made by the recent General Assembly are expected to be reduced five percent, if not for a greater amount. With a deficit now in excess of \$9,000,000, according to the latest announcement, the pruning knife is likely to become more active than at first anticipated.

Answering an inquiry Governor McLean writes Governor Clifford Walker of Georgia: "I am very much interested in this question, and am very firmly of the opinion that the Federal government should abandon its policy of levying estate taxes as a source of revenue and leave the imposition of such taxes to the states as a source of state revenue exclusively." The two executives find themselves in agreement in that an estate tax is, in practical effect, an ad valorem tax on property and should be recognized as a state source of revenue. Governor McLean is bringing the subject to the attention of the North Carolina delegation in congress and is urging their attendance upon a convention soon to be held in Savannah to consider taxation problems.

The Attorney General rules that "the act to provide a Salary and Wage Commission applies to the University and all other institutions of the State and that there is no constitutional prohibition against the passage of such an act by the Legislature." So the Executive Committee of the University Trustees have got what they asked for and may govern themselves accordingly. It is now in order for the University and all other state agencies to send in the questionnaires they have received, properly filled out. State employees in and about the capitol are apparently anxious to have the salary matter settled one way or another right away.

Col. William H. Brooks Dead

A wire received Sunday morning by Mrs. Mary H. Blandy announced the death of her nephew, Col. William Hastings Brooks, which occurred in Salt Lake City, Utah, after an operation for appendicitis. He was buried from the Presidio, San Francisco, yesterday. Colonel Brooks was a son of Rev. John R. Brooks, a Methodist minister who at one time lived in Smithfield.

SINGERS URGED TO HELP IN MEETING

All Singers Throughout County Are Urged to Sing in Choir During the Revival

The Ham-Ramsay evangelistic company comes to Smithfield Wednesday June 3rd to begin an evangelistic campaign, not local but county-wide in its scope. Not in connection with any particular church but with all the churches cooperating. They come advocating no special creed or church, but preaching Jesus Christ and Him crucified. All Christians of the county, and surrounding community, are cordially invited to participate—fall in line and "make yourself at home."

All singers from every church, as well as from no church, are cordially invited to join the choir and help out in the music. Mr. Ramsey wants a choir of 250 men and women. Don't wait to get a further invitation, but if you can sing (we don't mean that you have a trained voice) come right up to the choir loft and make yourself acquainted with Mr. Ramsey and take your seat. This is a special invitation to YOU, Mr. Man or Miss or Mrs. Woman to come and use your voice for the glory of God during these revival services.

Robbers Make Big Haul at Four Oaks

Four Oaks, May 23.—Last night the store of J. W. Sanders and Company was robbed of about one thousand dollars worth of men's and women's ready-made clothes. The entrance was made by sawing an iron bar and breaking the glass of a rear window.

It is believed the robbery was effected by parties familiar with the interior arrangements of the store as there was no confusion or disorder indicating a search for what the marauders wanted.

ble principles in fulfilling his obligations to his God, his Country and his fellow man."