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NEARLY HUNDRED MAKE HONOR ROLL

Ninety-One Seventh Graders In
 Six, Seven and Eight Month
 School on Honor Roll

SEVEN AVERAGE ABOVE 90

The seventh grade examinations in the schools in the county exclusive of the special chartered schools at Benson, Smithfield, Selma, and Clay as regards the six, seven and eight months schools reveal some interesting facts. Miss Mary E. Wells, rural supervisor who conducted the examinations, has furnished us with the following information including the names of those who made the highest marks.

Seven children in the County averaged above 90 percent on county examinations. They are in order of their grades as follows.

Irene Edgerton, Kenly, 94 percent; Sylvester Bass, Kenly, 94; Lillian Dixon, Kenly, 93; Eloise Liles, Archer Lodge, 93; Ruth Smith, Corinth-Holders, 90; Velma Stout, Pine Level, 90; Clea Stout, Pine Level, 90. Aside from these, 91 children in the county made the county honor roll, that is, averaged above 80 percent on the examinations. In the 6-months schools the highest grade was made by Vera Lassiter of the Hopewell school, and there were five others: Annie Barbour, Hopewell school, 83; Geneva Pleasant, Sunny Nook, 83; Harvey Carr, Sandy Ridge, 83; Aldon Westbrook, Mill Creek, 83; Florence Creech, Thanksgiving, 82.

In the seven months schools, Eloise Liles of Archer Lodge led with an average of 93 percent. The second highest in this group was Ruth Smith of Corinth-Holders, whose average was 90. Others were as follows:

Lillie Hocutt, Corinth-Holders, 89; Mavis Price, Corinth-Holders, 89; Elam Painter, Archer Lodge, 88; Hazel Richardson, Corinth-Holders, 87; Lydia Smith, Corinth-Holders, 86; Sipsie Bailey, Corinth-Holders, 85; Willa Cousins, Archer Lodge, 85; Ernest Batten, Corinth-Holders, 84; Garland Lemmons, Corinth Holders, 83; Prentice Smith, Corinth-Holders, 82; Virginia Boyette, Corinth-Holders, 81; Lounette Price, Corinth-Holders, 81; Bruce Tippet, Corinth-Holders, 80; Virginia Mae Pulley, Corinth-Holders, 80; Lenora Pierce, Corinth-Holders, 80; Bessie Murphey, Archer Lodge, 80.

The highest average in the eight-months schools was made by Irene Edgerton, and Sylvester Bass, both of Kenly. Their averages were 94 percent. Others on the honor roll were as follows:

Four Oaks: Eugene Parker, 89; Rufus Britt, 89; Matt Hockaday, 89; Marion Hobbs, 87; Gladys Benson, 86; Garland Johnson, 85; Raymond Temple, 85; Bessie Woodall 84; Walton Massengill, 84; Fred Sanders, 83. Bessie Massengill, 83; Paul Johnson, 81; Sophie Wellons, 80; Herman Webb, 80.

Glendale: Berty Hicks, 87; Leora Johnson 83; Lillie Mae Atkinson 81. Kenly: Irene Edgerton, 94; Sylvester Bass, 94; Lillian Dixon, 93; Marvin Bridges, 87; Eulalia Darden 87; Griffin Edgerton 86; Sudie Evans, 86; Rudolph Jones, 86; Beatrice Barnes, 85; Jimmy Boykin 84; Gladys Little, 84; James Watson, 84; Ruby Pierce, 84; Clarence Edgerton, 82; Myrtle Watson, 82; Pauline Eagles, 82; John Alford, 81; Hulah Pittman, 81; William Godwin, 80; Mirle Spivey, 80; Glenda Hodge, 80.

Micro: Hadley Overman, 84; Mildred Johnson 83; Willie Mae Foster, 83; Hubert Hinnant, 81; Leon Woodruff, 81. Meadow: Lola Johnson, 88, Kermit Blackman, 88; Isaac Parker, 86; Cleo Wood, 86; Anna Register, 84; Spencer Tart, 84; Lynn Adams, 82; Lou Estha Young, 81; Malissa Lee, 81; Fulton Lee, 81; Lutherg Lee, 80. Pine Level: Velma Stout 90; Clea Stout, 90; Mary Pike, 82; Sara Stallings, 81; Bessie Starling, 80. Princeton: Richard Radford, 84; Gardner Braswell, 83; Thelma Rains, 81; Elizabeth Overman, 80. Wilson's Mills: Thelma Southerland, 87; Jessie Johnson, 80; Edwin Todd, 81; Ritta Gower, 80.

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New Champion



Paul Berlenbach of New York, who won the light-heavyweight title May 31, by defeating McTigue in fifteen rounds.

FULL DOCKET IN RECORDERS COURT

Delma White Sentenced To
 Ninety Days In Jail For Driving
 Car While Intoxicated

Recorder's Court this week had a full docket, the following being a list of the cases disposed of:

State vs Jeddie Lee, charged with assault with deadly weapon. Guilty. \$10 fine and cost. Notice of appeal. State vs W. Jesse Stanley, disposing of mortgaged property. Judgment nol pros with leave.

State vs Walter Richardson, assault. Guilty. Four months in jail to be worked on road on condition that he pay doctor's bill of Liberty Bridgers and cost.

State vs Walter Boyd, larceny. Guilty. Continue prayer for judgment upon payment of cost.

State vs Wesley Peacock, non-support of family. Continue prayer for judgment upon payment of cost.

State vs Delmar White, John Cooper and Jim Cooper, reckless driving of car under influence of whiskey and carrying concealed weapon. Delmar White, guilty of reckless driving. John Cooper not guilty. Jim Cooper guilty of carrying concealed weapon. Delmar White sentenced to 90 days in jail and cost; Jim Cooper, 90 days in jail and cost.

State vs Tommie Allen, larceny. Guilty. \$25 fine. Three months sentence suspended during good behavior and on payment of cost.

State vs Daniel Allen and Harvey Lee, larceny. Guilty; \$25 fine each. Three months jail sentence suspended during good behavior and upon payment of cost.

State vs Clarence Lane, assault. Guilty. Six months in jail to be worked on roads. Defendant to be let off in four months if doctor's bill of prosecuting witness is paid and cost of the action.

State vs Richard Peedin, non support, drunk disorderly. The defendant plead guilty. Continue prayer for judgment two years upon payment of cost. Capias to issue if not paid.

Summer School Begins Here Monday

A summer tutoring school for Smithfield will open at the High School on Monday, June 22. This school is for those pupils who failed of promotion because of a failure on one or two subjects. Gilmer Wharton will have charge of the work, including the examinations at the end of the six weeks term. Students and parents interested should see Gilmer Wharton for particulars and terms. THOS. H. FRANKS.

BAPTIST PASTOR'S CONFERENCE

The regular monthly meeting of the Johnston Baptist pastor's conference will be held in the Smithfield Baptist church next Monday at 10 a. m., and the executive committee of the Johnston Association will meet the same day at 2:30.

S. L. MORGAN.

The world has nothing against you compromising Christians. A compromising Christian isn't worth anything, either to God or the devil.

EVANGELIST HAS DIRECT MESSAGE

Gleaned

—from—
 MR. HAM'S SERMONS

When a man is a friend to the world he is an enemy to God.

A man spiritually dead cannot feel God or know him in any way.

The world can fascinate your soul and please you for a time.

The man who builds character builds manhood.

A thing does not have to be so stuff to be spiritual.

Only a small percentage of our church members today are saved.

The knowledge of Christ comes through revelation.

When you turn to God you turn from idols.

Carelessness of church members is a reproach to the church.

Christianity is everything or nothing.

God never uses any one until he prepares him.

Anything that deals with the material and only the material, is worldly.

When the church puts emphasis upon anything but the salvation of souls, it is worldly.

A man's God is that which he depends on for his happiness, his comfort, his protection.

Some of you church members are so crooked you could swallow a wire nail and cough up a corkscrew.

God can't use you if your family has more influence over you than you have over them.

When you are really converted you don't have to be told how to live and what to do, you'll know.

All spiritual Christians are hated by the world. All will suffer persecution.

Honesty, morality, integrity are the by-products of Christianity, not the genuine article.

There isn't anything that takes the worry out of life like the salvation of Jesus Christ.

Satan uses the things of this world to take up our attention, to blur our vision, to absorb our affections, to warp our judgment.

When the moon gets between the sun and the world, there is an eclipse. When the world gets between you and God, your soul is in eclipse.

You cannot know the gospel through human wisdom or human learning. If you don't know anything but what you learn from man, you are lost.

Parents are so worldly that they are not doing anything for their children. They know where their cows are at night, but many times they know not where their children are.

God will not accept the service of a bondservant of sin. The moment you are conformed to this world, you are no more worth anything as heaven's ambassador.

The more help you receive, the more helpless you become; the more help you receive, the more dependant you will become upon the source whence your help comes. It is impossible to accept help from anyone without eventually serving that one.

Rev. M. F. Ham Preaches Truth In Clear Cut Style; Crowds Continue To Grow

TONIGHT SELMA NIGHT

Probably two thousand people heard Rev M. F. Ham at the warehouse Tabernacle Wednesday evening, the largest congregation he had preached to up to that time since coming to Smithfield less than a week ago. It was Four Oaks night and a goodly number from this neighboring town sat together in a space especially reserved for delegations. A number of ministers from various places were present, including Rev. S. A. Cotton, presiding elder of the Washington district, who offered up two heart-lifting prayers during the service. "The Tests of Discipleship" was the subject of the evening discourse, and the hearers went away with a deeper understanding of what is required of a follower of the lowly Nazarene.

Each sermon preached by Mr. Ham stands out as a gem, his clear cut and genuine words gleaming with thoughts that turn the light into the inmost lives of those who listen. On Monday night he preached on "Worldliness", not in the sense in which the term is commonly interpreted, but in the sense that anything not spiritual is worldly. Tuesday morning "Carelessness of Church Members" was discussed, and on Tuesday night his subject was "Converts". Wednesday morning "Preparation" was the theme. Yesterday morning he based his remarks upon Exodus 10:3: "Let my people go that they may serve me."

These sermons in the main have all been directed toward church members. Mr. Ham stated that in the limited time he would be in Smithfield it would be necessary to awaken thoroughly the Christian people, to convert church members in order that the work of evangelism might go on even after the Ham-Ramsay party has taken its departure. The messages are simple and direct. No propositions are given—just a service of song and prayer and the gospel message. The services open and close promptly, the morning service being from ten until eleven o'clock, the evening service at 7:45.

Perfect order is kept throughout the great auditorium. A nursery with "Aunt Genia Beckwith" in charge, takes care of sleeping children or those likely to disturb the service. Every comfort is provided for those who attend the services. Electric fans keep in motion currents of air that make the moving of other fans superfluous.

A schedule featuring the various towns of Johnston County has been arranged, last night being Clayton night, and tonight will be Selma night. Tuesday night was set apart for Benson, but a storm which came up just at dark prevented a delegation from attending. They have been given another time, next Friday night. Tuesday night will be Kenly night, Wednesday night Pine Level, and Thursday night Princeton.

Folks from a distance are present at every service. Some of the Raleigh people are attending regularly. Burlington has been represented at a number of the services, and reserved seats have been spoken for for five hundred from Burlington on Sunday afternoon.

Around twenty-five business houses close each morning between ten and eleven o'clock, the employers and employes attending the service. This closing has been entirely voluntary.

BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Sunday school 9:45. Morning worship and preaching 11 o'clock. "Support your own church before the revival," is the exhortation of the evangelists now in our town. Only one service a week in our church now—do not neglect it, and your other church obligations.

Go to the revival meetings at 3 and 7:45 p. m.

Monthly pastor's conference in our church Monday 10 a. m. Executive Committee Monday 2:30.

Counsel Retained in Steve Holt Case

Jesse Wyatt, Raleigh plain clothes police, who is under indictment of second degree murder following the fatal shooting of Stephen S. Holt of this city, will be defended by J. W. Bunn and the law firm of Pou & Pou, of Raleigh. The case will come up at special term of Wake Superior Court which convenes on June 22. Colonel E. S. Abell will be the main counsel to help prosecute the case and he will be assisted by E. F. Ward and F. H. Brooks, and possibly others. Among those who have offered their services gratis to the family of the deceased man are Powers & Powers of Wilmington, Robert A. Wellons of Charlotte, and Judge W. S. O'B. Robinson of Goldsboro.

MINISTERS ACCEPT WORK IN JOHNSTON

Three Young Men Who Have Accepted Work in This County Ordained by Granville Presbytery.

Four young men were examined for the ministry and licensed to preach at an adjourned meeting of the Granville Presbytery held in the First Presbyterian church at Raleigh Wednesday. Of the four who have just graduated from the Union Theological Seminary at Richmond, Va., and were licensed to accept calls, the following have accepted work in Johnston County: Mr. Chester Alexander, of Chester, S. C., to Smithfield and Oakland Presbyterian churches; Mr. A. C. Summers, of Marian Junction, Alabama, to the Kenly group of Churches; Mr. A. M. Mitchell, of Thomasville, Ga., to the Selma group of Presbyterian churches. Ordination services were held Wednesday evening with Rev. R. S. Carson, moderator, presiding.

Those who attended this meeting from here were: Mr. E. S. Edmundson, Mrs. F. H. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Alford, and Mr. Charles Nicholson. Mr. Henry Smith, and Miss Emily Smith, who live near here, also attended.

Pine Level Merchants Close

The following merchants in Pine Level will close each night at seven o'clock during this summer except on Saturday nights.

W. B. Oliver and Son, Floyd C. Price, T. O. Wiggs, Pine Level Grocery Co., D. P. Crocker.

Sardis Baptist Church

Regular monthly services next Sunday at 11 a. m., and Saturday night before. The Sunday night service will not be held on account of the Ham-Ramsay meeting at Smithfield.

JAS. W. ROSE, pastor.

Installation Service

At a meeting of Granville Presbytery held at the First Presbyterian church of Raleigh on Wednesday a commission was appointed to install Rev. Chester Alexander as pastor of the Smithfield and Oakland churches. The installation of the pastor at the Oakland church will take place at 4 p. m. on next Sunday and at the Smithfield church on next Sunday evening at 8 p. m.

The sermon will be preached by Rev. P. C. Adams, of Roxboro. Rev. W. B. Sullivan, of Raleigh, will preside and propound the constitutional question to the minister and congregation. Rev. George Cooper, of Durham, will charge the pastor. The charge to the congregation will be delivered by Hon. E. B. Crow, vice-president of the Commercial National Bank of Raleigh, and for 32 years teacher of the Vanguard Class of the First Presbyterian church of that city.

Regular preaching service will be held at the morning hour by the pastor; subject: "Reconciliation." Sunday school at 9:50 a. m.

The world never overlooks an opportunity to cripple the testimony of God's people.—M. F. Ham.

DESCRIBES BATTLE OF BENTONVILLE

Manuscript of Late C. S. Powell
 Handed In To Committee on
 Bentonville Memorial

WAS IN THE BATTLE

In order to stimulate interest in securing an accurate account of the battle of Bentonville, fought during the Civil War in this county, Mrs. W. M. Sanders, who is the chairman of the State Committee in charge of a Bentonville Memorial, offered recently five dollars for the best account of the battle. Mrs. Sanders just before leaving for a trip to Europe sends us the following account written by the late C. S. Powell. His niece, Mrs. W. T. Wodard, of Selma, read this story of the battle before the Henry L. Wyatt Chapter of the U. D. C. of Selma, at one of their meetings. The story is a correct account as Mr. Powell saw the conflict. Mr. Powell was an officer through the entire Civil War and was in a number of important battles.

His account of the battle of Bentonville is as follows:

"This battle was fought between the Yankee army under Gen. W. T. Sherman, consisting of 8,000 seasoned, well drilled, trained and equipped soldiers, and Confederates under Gen. Joseph Johnston, with about 1,800 Confederates that were mere remnants of the shattered, defeated Western Campaign regiments and a few Junior and Senior Reserves, poorly equipped and organized, about two miles south of the obscure village of Bentonville, hence the name. It was a strange and peculiar battle in its beginning and still more so in its termination. It may not be germane to the actual description of this battle, but for a better understanding it may be instructive to go back to the beginning of Sherman's March through Georgia to the sea, across the Carolinas to Bentonville. I belonged to, and was Adjutant of, the 10th N. C. Battalion, and was with the command from the time we were taken from the Forts below Wilmington in November 1864, to the Surrender near Greensboro in April 1865. By making a long skip from the 45th mile post up the Savannah River in Georgia via Savannah to Averasboro, N. C., over which we marched in retreat in front of Sherman's army, I can better describe the battle of Bentonville. At Averasboro a considerable skirmish was fought between Sherman's advance guard and Sherman's rear guard, which resulted in defeat of the Confederates who took the Raleigh road, as they supposed. Raleigh was Sherman's objective (as they had sacked and burned Columbia, the Capitol of South Carolina).

"Instead of being followed, Sherman took the Goldsboro road. Johnston discovering this, shifted his army to the Smithfield road which paralleled the Goldsboro road some miles apart. When Johnston reached Elevation in Johnston County by a forced march across the country to Bentonville, interrupted one corps (Slocumb's) of Sherman's army, which was a complete surprise, as the main body of Sherman's army was some miles further south on another parallel road (That was by Grantham's store). This was on a Sunday evening, and after much skirmishing, and the Yankee's battle line located, the charge was ordered, and the skirmishes being withdrawn, the battle commenced in earnest and until dark they were driven back further and further until their reserve line was encountered just beyond and skirting a string of huckleberry ponds knee deep in water. They hastily erected temporary breastworks of old fallen logs and dirt dug with bayonets. This was all in the thick woods, and an incessant fire of musketry and cannon at every step. We charged steadily on and when within twenty steps of their line, they fired a blinding volley from their reserves which was answered by a volley from us along with the Rebel Yell: "Hell broke loose in Georgia." They broke and ran worse than a herd of stampeded cattle. Such a rattle of canteens and

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