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INTEREST IN FAIR LIGHT DOCKET IN

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PROPROSE CHAMBER OF SELMA HOSTESS **COMMERCE FOR COUNTY**

Johnston County Dollars To Build Up Johnston Keynote of Get-To-Gether Meeting Tuesday Night.

TALK NEW MARKET

"Every dollar paid to farmers of Johnston county goes to build up the potential wealth of Johnston county," declared Hon. Paul D. Grady, of Kenly, senatorial representative from this district, at the smoker given by business men for bustness men at the armory here Tuesday night. "When the towns of the county forget their differences, then Johnston county will come," further stated Senator Grady, and the motion made toward the conclusion of a voluminous discussion to organize a county chamber of commerce was an indication that differences will be forgotten and that an effort will be made to re-adopt a former slogan: "United

and Onward.' Mr. Chas. H. Grady, lawyer of this city, but a native of Kenly, was master of ceremonies and ctated the purpose of the meeting, after Mayor John A. Narron had welcomed the guests to which Dr. R. J. Noble, of Selma, respeladed, and after Mr. R. T. Fulghum of Kenly had returned proper thanks to the ladies of the Woman's club for serving the much enjoyed ban-

The tobacco market was the central theme of the evening, and evcry phase of this Johnston county industry was represented. The warehousemen were on hand and gave their estimate of the situation. Mr. Grayson T. Thornton, one of the proprietors of the New Smithfield Tobacco Warehouse, said that the vice-president of the Reynolds Tobacco company was responsible for his coming to Smith- better in North Carolina. tobacco in the east. As he has studied the market since coming here, including other towns, yet better attention here than else- buyers had presented their views Princeton. They were badly bruis-

warehouseman, having been here often take their product elsewhere ful to the people of Princeton for insurance saleswoman, who is well since the establishment of the and spend their money. Smithfield market, spoke convinc- Mr. D. B. Oliver, of Pine Level, ingly when he declared: "I want declared that Pine Level has alto tell you all that we have as ways been the standby of Smithstrong tobacco market as there is field and always will, but that the in Eastern North Carolina. I know biggest trouble with this market is is apparent that there is a close the \$27.05 average established at have been too indifferent. my house Monday."

tobacco market here. It appars now bacco within a week." that this market is all right, but Dr. Coleman, of Kenly, frankly that Smithfield and Johnston coun- stated that the impression out in Of sills and posts and piers; ty have been slow in keeping this the county is that Smithfield is for But a home is built of loving deeds fact before the Johnston county Smithfield. He expressed the hope tobacco growers.

Mr. George Stegall, representing impression. the Export company, a buyer of Dr. Noble, of Selma, bet that acter, capacity and capital. Home doing in the way of boosting those true!" particular markets.

ican Tobacco company, and also of biggest thing we have. He thinks States for the first half of 1925 the local re-drying firm, William- we have neglected it too long. He son, Spencer, Inc., was frank to does not think the people have done say that one reason why his com- one per cent of what they should pany came to Smithfield was on have done. The people of the town account of the superior quality of need to visit the sales. tobacco sold here. He said his Others who made talks, all of company had paid the top price whom have the deepest interest in in Smithfield because it wanted to the tobacco market here, were: ex-

and because it had to. nolds company, stated that it had lenta section; Will Suggs, of always been his ambition to be on Princeton; Dick Massey, of Selma; he impressed those present with L. Perkins of this city. some rock-bottom truths.

LOCAL CITIZENS WHO

Here are the progressive enterprises and business men of Smithfield who financed and made possible the Booster's Smoker held at the armory Tuesday night, October 6th. Jordan-Edmundson Hardware

R. Lewis. Turnage and Talton. Holt Oil company. J. E. Gregory. W. J. Huntley. Charles Davis. Hood Bros.

Creech Drug company. Cotter-Underwood company Capitol Cafe. Woodall's Inc.

First and Citizens National

N. B. Grantham. W. M. Sanders and Son. Young Motor company. Joe Davis. Farmers Bank & Trust com-

Crumpler - Jones Furniture

company. H. N. Morgan. Louis Cohen. W. E. Barbour.

Roger A. Smith, Jr. H. G. Gray. J. H. Abell. Leon G. Stevens. H. B. Marrow. E. J. Wellons.

J. Primro Parker. Dr. W. J. B. Orr. W. S. Ragsdale. R. C. Gillett. C. W. Beasley and Son.

John Arthur Narron. W. B. Wellons. E. C. Narron. Geo. Y. Ragsdale. Chas. H. Grady.

larly of the re-drying facilities

All these men expressed the willto make this the the state.

itself. Bribes even, he stated, are H. Austin told how the tobacco tion was given. Neither received This is a new feature here, and it men to get Johnston county to- county time merchant. Farmers in able to be taken back to Selma. across in good style.

Mr. .W. J. Hooks, of Kenly, said Every important tobacco com- that people of other places have and building and loan associations. will not go on sale until the 9th, injured party." pany of the country has a buyer to come here to boost our section. A bank deals in credit; a buildon this market, and it was decided- He pledged the cooperation of his of interest to hear what some town and said, "I for one will of them had to say concerning the pledge a thousand pounds of to-

that Smithfield has not merited this

ten years experience, said that his there had been twenty truck loads company buys some grades of to- through Selma Tuesday. It is re- creases capacity and conserves capbacco here that it does not buy ported that Smithfield buyers ship ital.—Ine Wachovian. elsewhere. He gave a general re- to Wilson. The warehousemen review of what other markets are plied an emphatic, "No, this is not MOTOR VEHICLES IN U. S.

Mr. R. C. Gillett expressed the Mr. W. C. Spencer, of the Amer- idea that the tobacco market is the hicles registered in the United

sheriff Massey, of Princeton: Mr. Carter, of the R. J. Rey- Messrs. Horace Barber of the Po-

Mr. Gray Staples, representing motion that the chairman appoint pointed by letter within the laext published, but in a rush it was government let go of their pocket-Liggett & Myers, spoke particu- a committee with representation few days.

FINANCED SMOKER cieties of County Hear Returned Missionary

AUTO ACCIDENT

Also Dr. Hinohara

Tuesday at the Edgerton Memorial tirely new one, which will be s, id costs. of Clayton, made a talk, basing the lucky one. her remarks on the thirteenth chapton, and Rev. A. J. Parker, of Smithfield, were much enjoyed.

Study," the discussion being led by Mrs. J. W. Darden of Kenly. A message from Scarritt Bible Training school by Miss Braxton contest. If she gets the greatest taxed with the costs. Banks, a graduate of this institution who is teaching in Clayton this year, was full of interest. Miss Banks is teaching until she becomes old enough to go on with The discussion of social service

Etheridge, of Selma. Mrs. M. T. Plyler, of Raleigh, made an interhere, stating that he knows of no a solo by Mrs. Warren McCul-

ket in in which Mr. and Mrs. W. B. county. Driver were riding, turned turtle After the warehousemen and in a sandbed on the outskirts of ed and shaken up and Mr. Drivtheir assistance and sympathy.

Home and House

To every thoughtful observer it this week. home ownership. Likewise, there is a relationship between banks homes, not houses.

"A house is built of bricks and ephone easily.

That stands a thousand years."

Bank credit is based on charownership develops character, in-

NUMBER 17,716,709 NOW fair.

Washington, Oct. 6 .- Motor vetotaled 17,716,709, an increase of last year.

The figures made public last

a county chamber of commerce. and it was our intention to give imagination, but the voters seem before. At the Sunday morning Mr. Jas. A. Wellons made the The chairman will advise those ap- Mr. Fulcher credit when it was to like him because he made the service the new members recently

Way For Popularity Contest; Tickets To Be On Sale Today.

TO CO. MEETING CONTEST GROWING RECORDER'S COURT

As was announced here Tues-Selma, Oct. 8.—All Methodist putting the finishing touches on casese: a lecture by Dr. Hinoharo, of Ja- the last day of the great event- payment of costspan, who is spending several Johnston county citizens will have Pete Moore, a negro from Prince- to the John Charles McNeill Book months in the United States. The ample opportunity to say whom ton, was granted a six months jail Club on Wednesday afternoon. The JOHNSTON BAPTISTS opening devotional exercise was they think is the most popular sentence to be worked on the subject for the afternoon was on equaducted by Dr. O. P. Fitzgerald, young lady in our county, and county roads. He was found guilty "Child Training." Mrs. R. C. Wells pastor of the Methodist church in they can boost their first choices of assault with deadly weapon. Selma, who extended a warm wel- and have the opportunity also of George Pilklagton, of this city. seeing her crowned as the heroine was charged with assault. He was Children." Mrs. O. A. Barbour read meeting of Johnston Baptist will as pure as a "new born babe." The

of the fair. If she is second, then on its hext convention. she gets a \$100 diamond bar pin, or should she happen to be third COUNTY ROADS ARE work was led by Miss Margaret gold watch. The runners up will or fourth she will get a \$50 white be made Maids of Honor.

Not only will the four winning ladies receive prizes but everyone who eaters into the contest will RELATIVES NOT TO

The contest is to be supervised

Many young women from all late for other entrants. Tickets

ple reason that it is more than a victed. one-sided affair. Every communi- Fully three-fourths of all exe- was present. is the time to enter.

contestants. Buy tickets in the contestants. Buy tickets in the On one occasion, a woman who Popularity Contest and boost your had been criminally assaulted by a

Fulcher Makes Good Pictures

13.9 per cent over the same period rapher of this city, whose studio week by the bureau of public roads dry Shoppe, has done some good negro youth who had assaulted a fuss over some change and Leshowed that Alabama led in the work since coming to Smithfield, her. The newspapers announced vents was knocked through the registration gain ith 53.6 per cent. His retouching for newspaper cuts his presence, and when the gov-showcase. Florida was second with 41 per is particularly good. The Herald ernor read of it he determined to per cent and Mississippi fourth has used several cuts made from his photographs and they show up One political observer attribremarks were full of humor, but Holding, D. T. Stephenson and N. ty to formulate plans to organize our last issue was from his work, ity to his hold on the American ming and night and Saturday night ford, Roy Henry, Mrs. Mary Hastissue was from his work, ity to formulate plans to organize overlooked.

For Trial In Recorder's Court Here Last Wednesday.

The Johnston county Recorder's day, the secretary of the Johnston Court in session here on Tuesday, County Fair, John A. Narron, is October 6, disposed of only a few

featured by an address by Miss the culmination of which will be Meadow township, was found guil- the plant. This will mean a great Fannie Burkhead, a returned mis- the crowning of the Queen of the ty of reckless driving. Prayer for deal to the farmers and business sionary from Soochow, China, and fair at the fair grounds here on judgment was continued upon the men in this section.

giving her fifty votes in the the prosecuting witness was again ley

Improved County roads will be and welcomed at any time. The plan was adopted merely shown on the next edition of the

woman's Club Meets

The resignation of the president engaged to Miss Sole but he
paper accounts of the president engaged to Miss Sole but he the husband of an outraged woman to the parents on some things of of the Woman's Club, Mrs. H. B. thought she was a flue girl. being offered by other warehouse market affected the Johnston any serious injuries and were soon any serious injuries and were soon any serious injuries and were soon at last Friday's execution of the vital interest to the school. negro assailant. Governor McLean | Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bry- iness that came before the club at witnesses were called by the detoday ordered a letter addressed to ant, a son. bacco out of Johnston county.

Capt. H. L. Skinner, veteran the time merchant, then they merchant the time merchant, then they merchant the time merchant, then they merchant the time m requesting that relatives of the day in Fayetteville. known all over the county. She will persons wronged by the condemned Mr. and rs. Louis Strickland, of try to have the tickets in the hands man be not permitted to witness Dunn, spent Sunday afternoon in the nominating committee, rebuttal. Eugene Hall, Hamlet

they may go on sale Friday of "An execution is the most sol- The Benson school faculty will emn process of the law," the gov- be the guests of the Kiwanis Club teresting program. Among the new testified to seeing some part of ernor said, "and nothing should Tuesday evening at the North business transactions was a mo- he shooting, corroborating eviof no market that has come up to the people of Smithfield. They connection between bank credit and over the county have already enter into it to dictate it is for the State hotel. tered the contest, but it is not too purpose of revenge or for the satisfaction of those interested in the Sunday in Dunn.

A bank deals in credit; a building and loan association deals in ed will have no undue advantage prison warden will put an end to Perkins were guests at a club ship to attend the meetings took.

The governor's request of the Levinson, J. H. Rose, and F. L. a larger per cent of the member-revolver and shoot contents of the member-revolver and shoot contents.

Over late contestants, Miss Rev. over late contestants. Miss Bar- a practice which has been allowed meeting in Clinton Tuesday afterbour can be reached over the tel- to remain since the electric chair moon at the home of Mrs. J. W. was first installed. While there Darden. This contest, as said above, is have been scattered protests, nothto be the crowning event of the ing has heretofore been done to Methodist church met with Mrs. vising. last day of the fair, and it is go- prevent the presence of relatives W. D. Boone on Monday evening. ing to be a big thing for the sim- of the victim of the persons con- It was a very interesting meeting

> ty should be represented, and now cutions, it has been estimated, have Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Darden, of been witnessed by relatives of the Clinton, spent Sunday with Mr. Watch next Tuesday's paper for person wronged by the person who and Mrs. M. T. Britt. the names and standing of the was paying the supreme penalty.

negro was permitted to enter the death chamber and watch her assailant go to death, Several times, Pete Levents, connected with the seen the assailant die.

put a stop to the practice.

books .- Indianapolis News.

Methodist Missionary So- Plans Are Well Under Only Five Cases Came Up Benson School Opens With Big Enrollment; Patrons Attend Opening Exercises.

OTHER NEWS ITEMS

Missionary Societies in Johnston what he believes will be a great Norman Larkey, a darkey from for Benson that the Kiwanis Club county except Benson were repre- addition to the county fair this Wilson, was charged with carry- has been sponsoring for some time sented in the Johnston county mis- year by adding to the already ing a concealed weapon. He was is now a reality. Work will begin sionary meeting held in Selma great number of features an en- found guilty and given a \$50 fine immediately. It will take about three months to complete the buildchurch. The morning session was known as the Popularity Contest, James Webb, a white man from ing and install the machinery for

Mrs. W. D. Boone was hostess prepared and read a paper on

may be shown on the new maps. Rev. O. A. Keller and Rev. J. E. Blalock, Judge Ezra Parker welcomed the faculty on behalf of association will meet at the church daughter's hand because he had SEE EXECUTIONS the school board, Mr. J. W. Whit- at 2:30 the same day. where. Some of the largest markof the market here, a number of
tes shoot up the price on a few
business men of the county joined
He was rushed to Dr. R. S. Stevevent of the last day of the feir

Raleigh, Oct. 5.—Moved by newsevent of the last day of the feir

In town.

Mesdames M. T. Britt, L. L. The governor's request of the Levinson, J. H. Rose, and F. L.

and an unusually large number

FIGHT IN HOSPITAL

Last Friday, the husband of a brawl which occurred at the cafe hot rolls and hot tea. Moore county woman witnessed Tuesday night about one o'clock. is located at the rear of the Sunthe electrocution of a 20-year-old Heavy Pollard and Levents got in of Mrs. Ives were: Mexiames R. the trial is a question supposed to

Sardis Baptist Church

fellowship of the church.

COMPLETE TESTIMONY IN COLE MURDER TRIAL

HON. FRANCIS WINSTON TO SPEAK AT CO. FAIR

The people of Johnston coun-

ty will be glad to learn that the officials of the Johnston county agricultural association have secured as the fair speaker for Tuesday, the first day of the fair, Hon. Francis D. Winston, of Winsdor. Mr. Winston is well known in Johnston county and has a great host of friends throughout this section. He is one of the state's prominent lawyers and is a speaker of unusual ability. His subject at this time has not been announced, but will be amnounced later. The management is very elated in securing Mr. Winston to open the Johnston County Fair.

chairman, Mrs. E. B. McCullers, of the fair if they happen to be found guilty and continued prayer several short poems on Child be held in the Smithfield Baptist for judgment was entered. The Life. Mrs. Howard Weinges read church. It will be an all-day meet-The plan is simply this: Young prosecuting witness in this case, Wordsworth's "Three Years She ing of all the pastors and Sunday ter of first Corinthians. Solos by ladies in every town in the county Andrew Murphy, was charged with Grew." Mrs. Jesse T. Morgan sang school superintendents in the John-Mrs. Warren McCullers, of Clay- will go about selling tickets at the cost of this action. Andrew "Daddy's Sweetheart" and "Mighty ston association. The meeting was ten cents each. These tickets will Murphy was also prosecuting wit- Lak a Rose," accompanied by Miss planned by the last session of the acter of the young woman is not be divided into three pieces. One ness against George Pilkington, Wilhelmina Utley. The hostess Pastors' Conference of the associpiece remains in the ticket book as Alsie Pilkington and Len Pilking- served a salad course with hot ation. One important object of the not to allow the letters in the case a stub, another piece goes to the ton on a charge of assault with a chocolate. The invited guests were meeting is to give Miss Gladys purchaser, while the third will be deadly weapon. The defendants in Mesdames Roy Smith, Jesse T. Beck, the associational Sunday kept by the young lady selling, it this action were found guilty. but Morgan and Miss Wilhelmina Ut- school and B. Y. P. U. worker, an opportunity to talk intimately of ant was the final witness on Mr. J. P. Graham, formerly of what has been accomplished and Monday, and she rose to supreme number of votes, then she is the The will be no Superior Court Washington, D. C., has opened a about the future of the work. It heights in defending her husband, recipient of a \$150 diamond ring here next week, and a crowded quick lunch and grocery store is understood that State Sunday a man whom she described as have and in addition is to be the Queen docket will confront this court upbuilding. The store will be made dleton, will be present and take a a man unusually tender in his modern and ready to serve hot part in the discussion. Invitations care for his family. Mrs. Colo lunches to the school children. An have been sent to all the pastors stated in her testimony that she inspection of the lunch counter by and superintendents in the asso- had thought and remarked to a teachers and parents is requested ciation so far as known. This in neighbor that her kusband was vites any who did not receive the mentally unbalanced preceding the The Benson city schools opened invitation, for it is feared that in homicide. esting talk. A duet by Misses to stir up interest in the Popu- official State Highway may accord- Wednesday with the largest en- some cases the new superintend-Mabel Nordan and Ethel Lee and larity Contest. A Queen of the ing to notice mailed to County of rollment in its history. The largest ents were not known, the list as cotton mill once owned by W. B. fair must be had, and Secretary ficials recently. This additional in- number of parents were present used being taken from the minutes Cole and a friend of Miss Elizalers added to the afternoon pro- Narron is confident that this will formation should be of value to on the opening in the history of of last year. The ladies of the beth Cole, took the stand for the ram.

Saturday morning while on their is the most named a the motorist and County officials the school, manifesting their inSmithfield church will serve lunch defense at the opening of the sev-Saturday morning while on their should furnish the desired infor- terest in the school. The devotion- to the visitors at the moon hour, enth day of the wealthy cotton to the visitors at the moon hour, enth day of the wealthy cotton to the visitors at the moon hour, enth day of the wealthy cotton mation promptly in order that it al exercises were conducted by and it is expected that a large manufacturer's trial. number will be in attendance.

Woman's Club Meets

the regular meeting Wednesday af- fense to testify as to the chara larger per cent of the member- revolver and shoot Cole. the October meeting to have a hun- ed how the bulle's entered; the dred per cent attendance and re- car. Testifying as to Mr. Cole's

Mrs. Ives Entertains

the Wednesday afternoon bridge president of the State college, tesclub Wednesday afternoon at the tified as to Ormond's position as home of her parents on Third college electrician and as to his street. Bridge was played at six deafness. tables, Mr. A. D. Holman made One of the surprises of the trial the top score and was presented is that the Rev. A. L. Ormond, with a lovely prize. Before the father of the slain young man, dia guests departed the hostess serv- not testify. It is known to have ed delicious refreshments consist- been his desire before the trial husbands of outraged women have B. & B. cafe, is in the hospital re- ing of frozen fruit salad, chicken started that he should take the covering from cuts sustained in a croquets, cheese straws, pickles, stand in protection of his son's

> Smith. Jr., C. H. Grady, E. F. him quite satisfactorily. Mr. Gr. Lattimore, E. E. Wright, P. H. mond's attitude is supposed here Kasey, H. P. Stevens , A. H. Rose, to be a desire for justice temp W. D. Hood, A. D. Holman, W. ed with mercy. He has made no Ransom Sanders, T. A. Wadden, expression one way or another. Mildred Young, Lallah Rookh

Physicians Testify As To The Character of Miss Elizabeth Cole; Her Letters Are Not Used In The Trial.

LAWYERS TAKE CASE

Unexpected conclusion of tesprise to the crowd which packed the court room. Elizabeth Cole's chastity was attacked and defend ed; Ormond's war record was at tacked and defended; the state did everything possible to pull down the twin plea of self deffense and insanity; and the defense strenuously resisted the assault.

Two physicians, Dr. H. H. Dod son and Dr. J. S. Battle, both of TO MEET HERE MONDAY Greenshore, testified to a physi-It examination of Miss Elizabeth Cole and stated that she is Judge Finley ruled that the charwas considered the most important

The executive committee of the jected to Ormond's suit for his no money and favored Porter because of his position.

Porter stated that he was not Marrow, was the chief item of bus- Following Porter's testimony

luctantly accepted, and the selec- John Baxley was the first wittion of her successor referred to ness to be called by the state in The reports of the various com- traveling man, was next called. mittees combined to make an in- Samuel Seagoe was shird. Each tion carried that the present cir- dence previously given by witnessthe March meeting. A discussion the state's contention that Ormond of the ways and means of getting was making no effort to get his

summer, he said that he hadn't noticed that he was anywise difterent than he had been. E. L. Bry-Mrs. John White Ives delight- ant offered evidence as to his vifully entertained the members of of the shooting. Dr. E. C. Brecks,

name. Whether he felt that that Those enjoying the hospitality matter was fully taken care of in

Regular services at the Sardis E. W. Pou, L. G. Stevens, W. A. The Cole family was visibly rewell. The cut of James Sellers in utes President Coolidge's popular- Baptist church next Sunday mor- Green, J. O. Ellington, N. C. Shu- lieved when the Elizabeth Cole les-