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## FARM ACREAGE TOTALS 377,266

Over Half the Farms in Johnston County Operated By Tenants.

## LIVESTOCK FIGURES

According to a preliminary announcement just made by the Department of Commerce, Johnston county has a total of 7,515 farms as compared with 7,026 five years ago. Six thousand one hundred and seventeen of these farms are operated by white farmers, leaving 1,398 which are operated by negro farmers. Less than half of the total number of farms are operated by owners. All lands in farms total 377,266 acres which is valued at \$19,696,483. Buildings on farm land are valued at \$6,081,515, making a total of \$25,777,998. Of the total number of acreage of 161,704 acres were planted in crops in 1924; 57,581 acres were in pasture land in 1924. Statistics on the principal crops, corn, hay, sweet potatoes, tobacco and cotton for 1924 are as follows:

Corn: 47,226 acres produced 741,448 bushels.  
Hay: 3,474 acres produced 2,228 tons.

Sweet potatoes: 2,675 acres produced 273,308 bushels.  
Tobacco: 9,941 acres produced 5,364,126 pounds.

Cotton: 80,518 acres produced 49,299 bales.  
The report on livestock on the farms shows that there are 1,280 horses; 9,710 mules; 267 beef cows; 3,742 dairy cows; all other cattle, 3,013. There are 41,344 hogs. The livestock report shows an increase of horses and mules but a decrease of cattle and hogs over the five year period from 1900 to 1925.

## ORPHANAGE CONCERT TO BE GIVEN AT FOUR OAKS

The singing class of the Methodist Orphanage, Raleigh, will give a concert at the Methodist church at Four Oaks Sunday evening, October 18, at seven o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend this service. It will be a treat to hear this class of well trained children besides to learn more of the institution they represent. A request has been made that all those attending be on time at the hour mentioned above, because the class has to return to Raleigh after the concert.

## ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD BOY IS ACCIDENTALLY KILLED

On last Saturday morning, October 10, Luby Chester Worley, eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Worley, was struck on the head by a log cart lever from which he died Saturday afternoon at the hospital in Smithfield where he was taken for treatment. His funeral was conducted Sunday afternoon at the home of his parents in the Parish Memorial community by Rev. Jas. W. Rose, pastor of the community extend their deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

## JOHNSTON COUNTY ROAD PROJECTS LET

Twenty-one State Highway construction projects were let Tuesday, the low bids totaling \$4,011,128.16. The twenty-one projects will add approximately 118 miles of paved roads and eighty-nine miles of improved dirt roads to the state highway system.

Among the eleven projects let for hard surface work were 13.24 miles of paving on Route 10 from Smithfield to the Wayne county line. The low bid for the road was by J. O. Heyworth at \$377,943.60.

Among the ten projects for grading were eighteen miles of grading and bridges from the Wilson county line toward Smithfield on Route 22, the low bid for the road was by Nello L. Teer at \$88,011.41. The low bid for structures by J. L. Brinkley and Son at \$25,574.75.

## MEET TO ADVANCE HIGHWAY ROUTE

State Road From Henderson to Clinton Through Johnston Is Being Agitated.

Henderson-Clinton Highway Association is the style of the organization perfected at a road meeting held at Zebulon last week with interested citizens of Johnston county participating. The meeting was held to discuss the construction of a road which it is hoped will be taken over in due time by the State Highway Commission for maintenance. This road will connect Henderson, Louisburg, Smithfield and Clinton and strikes No. 60 below Clinton which goes to Wilmington. From Zebulon, the road will pass through O'Neals and Wilders townships to Selma, thence to Smithfield, on through Ingrams and Bentonville by the battlefield to Newton Grove and Clinton.

Judge F. H. Brooks made the motion to form the Henderson-Clinton Highway Association suggesting that representatives of the sections through which the road shall pass in the capacity of directors in this association be elected. In accordance with the motion each town along the proposed route was allowed two directors. The following officers and directors were elected:

Dr. A. H. Fleming, Louisburg, president; F. D. Finch, Zebulon, vice-president. The authority of appointing a secretary and treasurer was given to Dr. Fleming, who appointed M. S. Davis, of Louisburg, who will also serve as the other director from Louisburg.

The directors from Zebulon are: Leroy L. Massey and Foster D. Finch and from Selma W. P. Aycock and C. P. Harper; from Smithfield J. D. Parker and T. C. Young; James Bryan, director from Clinton, was authorized to appoint one other director from Clinton and two directors from Newton Grove. Mr. Monroe Pittman and E. D. Narmon were elected directors from O'Neals Township, Johnston County and N. W. Stewart, Ingrams Township; J. M. Beasley, LaFayette; Lampton and A. G. Adams from Bentonville Township, and Quincy Hocutt from Wilder's Township.

A barbecue supper was served at the conclusion of the business session. Several talks were made after the supper. Among those attending the meeting from Smithfield were: F. H. Brooks, J. A. Wellons, H. B. Marrow, J. D. Parker, G. T. Scott, J. C. Stancil, and Sheriff Parker.

In order to interest the State Highway Commission in taking over the proposed route, it will be necessary for the present road to be put in good shape. It will require grading and properly cutting out. Convict labor is now being used by some of the townships in Johnston county to work the roads, and the new highway organization will probably have no difficulty in making some arrangement with the county to do the necessary work in Johnston. When the state highways in the county already slated for hard surfacing shall be completed, the state will have no roads in this county to maintain. This will be used as an argument for the state taking over the Henderson-Clinton route through Johnston, when this proposition is made probably a year hence.

## WEEKS RESIGNS AS SECRETARY OF WAR

Washington, Oct. 13.—John Wingate Weeks regretfully stepped out of public life today, relinquishing his office as secretary of war to Dwight E. Davis, assistant secretary, world war veteran and holder of the distinguished service cross for gallantry in action.

Mr. Weeks will leave Washington tomorrow night to begin a six months period of leisure and travel which his physicians hope will bring him complete restoration of health. He deferred his departure in order to be present tomorrow when Chief Justice Taft, at his personal request, administers the oath of office to Mr. Davis.

## N. C. SYNOD OPENS WITH GOOD SERMON

Annual Session of Presbyterian Synod Now Being Held At Mooresville.

The 112th annual meeting of the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina convened Tuesday night at eight o'clock in the Presbyterian church at Mooresville. Rev. C. E. Hodgkin, pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church, Greensboro, retiring moderator, presided and preached the sermon which marked the opening of the synod. The subject of his sermon was "The Christ Centered Life," and he used as his text the words, "For to me to live is Christ." Phil. 1:21.

The feature of the session on Thursday morning was the report of the schools and colleges. A resolution was introduced regarding a great benevolent work of the late J. B. Duke in which the synod went on record as expressing appreciation of the great gifts and expressing sympathy for his family and business associates in their recent loss. At eleven o'clock a communion service was held and memorials were read of deceased members. In the afternoon the attention of the synod was directed to the work of the stewardship, and the synod adopted the \$850,000 for benevolences as requested by the general assembly. A report was made of the Synod's Home Mission Committee, of which Rev. E. E. Gillespie, of Greensboro, is superintendent. Among the others making short reports of their work were: Dr. Egbert W. Smith, executive secretary of the general assembly's committee on foreign missions; Rev. W. A. Murray, Shelby; Rev. J. R. Bridges, D. D., editor Presbyterian Standard, Charlotte; Rev. R. C. Anderson, Montreat; Rev. J. D. Leslie, D. D., stated clerk of the General Assembly; Rev. R. A. Lapsley, D. D., of the Executive Committee of Publication and Sabbath School work and Col. W. M. Kemper, headmaster of the Danville Military Institute, Danville, Va.

## MEAT CURING HINTS FOR TARHEEL FARMERS

Raleigh, Oct. 12.—There is no real reason why the farmers of this State cannot have as good hams and bacon as are cured in other states, writes one good farmer to the Animal Husbandry department at State College.

"This statement is true," says Prof. L. H. McKay. "If simple precautions are taken in curing meat, a fine quality of hams and bacon may be had. There are four common ways of curing meat—two dry cure and two wet cures. The dry cures are the dry salt method in which salt alone is used and the sugar cure in which sugar and salt-peter are added to the salt. The salt is the real curing agent in all methods. It draws the water out of the lean meat chiefly and causes it to keep. Meat cured by the dry salt process is generally hard so sugar is added to prevent this hardness and to help in making the meat firm and sweet. Salt-peter is used to preserve the natural color of the meat."

The wet cures, according to Prof. McKay, include the brine cure which is salt alone with five to six gallons of water per hundred pounds of meat, and the sweet pickle cure in which the same amount of water added to a mixture of salt, sugar and salt-peter.

Prof. McKay states that the heavier cuts of meat should be thoroughly cooled before putting into any kind of cure. The curing vessels should be water-tight to lower the loss from shrinkage and all boxes and barrels should be cleaned and scalded before use. If the wet cure is used all water should be used. Pure salt, sugar and salt-peter should be used and the meat should be well rubbed with the curing agents pushing them in around the bones. The meat should be packed with the skinned down except the top layer and when the dry cure is used it is wise to repack and re-rub at the end of a week.

Mrs. R. L. Barden and Mrs. W. H. Creech, of the Carter-Massey home demonstration club, went to Raleigh Wednesday to give a yeast bread demonstration in the food preparation booth at the state fair.

## JUDGE DISPOSES BIG LOT CASES

Docket In Recorder's Court Unusually Heavy Following Superior Term Court.

## TRY EIGHTEEN CASES

Recorder's Court convened here Tuesday. Because of superior Court which has been in session here for the past two weeks, the docket was unusually heavy, requiring two days to dispose of the following cases:

State vs. Festus Harper, charged with attempted assault. Judgment was not pro with leave and the prosecuting witness was taxed with the cost.

State vs. Joe Atkinson, violation of the prohibition laws and assault. The defendant entered a plea of guilty as to assault. He was fined \$25 and cost. A four months jail sentence was suspended during good behavior.

State vs. Jack Hudson, Rudger Young and Walter Furlong, charged with cursing on the highway. Furlong was found guilty. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of cost.

State vs. C. H. Upchurch, carrying concealed weapon. He was found guilty and fined \$50 and cost.

State vs. Warren Wichard, assault with deadly weapon and assault and battery. The defendant was found guilty. Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of cost.

State vs. Bob Stanley, assault. Guilty. Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of cost.

State vs. G. W. Parrish, Phillip Capps, Thomas Parrish and Jesse Parrish, charged with trespass. The defendants were found guilty. Continue prayer for judgment upon the payment of cost.

State vs. Coleman Payne, carrying concealed weapon. He was found guilty and given four months in jail to be worked on the roads of Johnston county and pay cost.

State vs. Coleman Payne, operating car while drunk. Guilty. He was given two months in jail to be worked on roads of Johnston county and required to pay the cost.

State vs. Charlie Hicks, charged with giving worthless check. Guilty. Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of check and the cost.

State vs. Willis J. F. Hudson, assault with deadly weapon. He was found guilty and sentenced to jail for a term of six months to be worked on the roads of Johnston county and to pay the cost. He appealed to Superior Court under \$500 bond.

State vs. Chas. Hogan, larceny. Not guilty.

State vs. Smoky Williams, assault with deadly weapon. The defendant was found guilty and sentenced to jail for a term of fifteen months to be worked on the roads of Johnston county and required to pay the cost. He appealed to the Superior Court.

State vs. F. K. Boykin, larceny. Guilty. Prayer for judgment continued upon the payment of cost.

State vs. C. R. Adams, assault, and using profane language on public highway. Guilty; \$100 fine and cost.

State vs. William Manning, assault. Guilty; \$5 fine and cost.

State vs. Dock Woodard, assault. Not guilty.

State vs. Lonnie Lynch, assault. Not guilty.

## THE BANNER GOOD ENOUGH FOR HIM

Mr. Seth W. Lassiter of Bentonville township, was in town Wednesday with a load of tobacco. He has been raising tobacco probably since the market opened here and has never sold a pound at any other warehouse in or out of Smithfield except the Banner. Wednesday Mr. Lassiter brought the whole of three barns totaling 1140 pounds for which he received an average of \$48.30 per hundred. He received as high as 90 cents for one lot, 82 cents for another, and his lowest grade brought 16 1/2 cents.

## BAPTIST WORKERS IN MEETING HERE

State S. S. Secretary E. L. Middleton Addresses Conference of Pastors and Superintendents.

Last Monday most of the pastors of the Johnston Baptist Association and a good number of the Sunday school superintendents met in the Smithfield Baptist church in an all-day session. The meeting had been planned mainly as a Sunday school institute and rally for the association. State Sunday School Secretary Mr. E. L. Middleton, was present and made a very inspiring address, stating that at present the Baptist Sunday school work of the State is making the most satisfactory progress in all its history. More schools are reaching the standard set up for Sunday schools, and more awards are being given for teacher training work, than ever before. Miss Gladys H. Beck, the associational Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. worker, gave a report of her work since she began in March, and many of the pastors and superintendents spoke in high terms of the work she had done, and a resolution was passed recommending that her office be made permanent and that she be employed for another year.

The ladies of the Smithfield church served a bountiful dinner to visitors at the noon hour.

## POPULARITY CONTEST GROWS IN INTEREST

With the young ladies, contestants in the Popularity Contest, selling their tickets daily in every town in Johnston county, the fight to see who will be the Queen of the Johnston County eleventh annual fair has begun, and from interest already manifested, it is safe to say that it will be a living scrap from now until the finish two weeks hence. Twenty-two demoiselles from this old county of ours are "in the field," and the swains are rallying to the banners of their girl acquaintances and buying the tickets from them as freely as their purses will allow.

The contest started last Friday, and there have been many tickets sold. The contestants are keen for the prizes, and they are all working for them to the best of their ability. And these prizes.—Mr. T. C. Jordan has them on display in his show windows on Market street in this town, with a big sign immediately back of them telling what they are for. To say the least, they are every one pretty. They are every one sufficiently attractive to make them desirable to the young ladies who are collectively trying to win them, and she who wins the beautiful bar pin will be crowned Queen of the Fair.

There is something else whose merits it behooves us to broadcast. That thing is the Brown and Dyer shows which will be the center of attraction on the Midway. We have just seen a clipping from a leading amusement magazine which boasts Brown and Dyer shows to the skies. Incidentally they have just concluded an engagement with the Brockton, Mass. fair. Brockton people liked the whole outfit which boasts of sixteen shows, which include eight riding devices, three of which are for children.

Secretary Narron of the Fair Association has more attractions this year than any previous fair here has had. In addition to the largest and most complete midway, there are more free acts than ever before, and this is what the crowd usually likes. Horses are to be in abundance, and the best of racing is promised. The Secretary and several of the Directors are fond of their very best to satisfy their own desires along this line, feeling that if they can be pleased, then the races will be good enough for anybody at the fair.

Miss Ruth Jones spent Wednesday and Wednesday night in Raleigh.

Regular services at the Princeton Baptist church next Sunday morning and night and Friday night before.

Sunday school Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock.  
B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Sunday.  
JAS. W. ROSE, Pastor.

## GET YOUR FAIR PREMIUM LIST NOW

Secretary John A. Narron is anxious that all persons who desire a premium list of the Johnston County Fair, and who have not yet received one, be supplied. All such persons are requested to call him on the telephone or write to him, Box 116, and one will be sent immediately. Mr. Narron is making an effort to have a well rounded fair. He has secured attractive amusements, free entertainment, good racing, and a program of fireworks. He is desirous of having an exhibit of farm and field products, canned goods, etc., that will be worthy of the county of Johnston. If you have no premium list, get one at once and plan an exhibit.

## BODY OF J. B. DUKE IS LAID TO REST

Lies In State at Duke University Until Hour For Funeral.

The body of James B. Duke, who died at his home in New York Saturday evening about six o'clock, arrived in Durham, his native home, Tuesday morning on a special train and was carried immediately to Duke University. There it lay in state for an hour and a half. Only students and members of the faculty of the University and a limited number of friends and associates from Charlotte and Durham were permitted to pass the casket because of the short time before the hour for the funeral. The body was removed from the university and with a guard of honor of 1400 students was transferred to Memorial church which the deceased with his brother had built. At 10:30 the doors of the church were thrown open. Members of the Duke family went to the residence of B. N. Duke to await the hour of the services.

Every business and industry in Durham was closed for three hours in the morning. Thousands of business and working people thronged the streets for blocks around the church and lined the street for a mile between the church and Maplewood cemetery where the body was laid to rest in a great granite mausoleum.

The services were exceedingly simple. There was no eulogy. A vested quartet choir sang, "How Firm a Foundation," and the family group entered the church. Mrs. Duke, heavily veiled, entered followed by her fourteen-year-old daughter and took seats near the casket. The bronze casket was hidden by a blanket of roses, ferns and orchids. The Rev. Dr. Edmund D. Soper, dean of the School of Religious Training, read the funeral service of the Methodist church, the choir sang "Abide With Me" and then followed a simple prayer. At the cemetery the concluding passages of the funeral ritual were read. Marks of respect were shown at various places throughout the state. A special memorial service was held at Elon College in memory of the friend and benefactor of the college. At the hour of the funeral Charlotte business houses closed for ten minutes out of respect. A special train carried hundreds of Charlotte citizens to attend the funeral. Sales on the tobacco market at Rockingham, Henderson and Wilson were halted for twenty minutes just after 10:30, the hour for the funeral. The town of Duke which is named for the deceased closed all business houses, schools and the mills while Mr. Duke was being buried in Durham. Work on the Angier school building at Oxford was suspended during the funeral, this building just having been given by the Duke family in honor of the late Angier B. Duke.

Princeton Baptist Church

Regular services at the Princeton Baptist church next Sunday morning and night and Friday night before.

Sunday school Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock.

B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Sunday.

JAS. W. ROSE, Pastor.

## JOHNSTON COUNTY FOLKS WIN PRIZE

State Fair Finds Johnston Represented By Sand Table Exhibit Showing Ideal Community.

Miss Minnie Lee Garrison, county home agent, returned to the city Wednesday from Raleigh where she attended the state fair. Miss Garrison had charge of the placing at the state fair the exhibit representing Johnston county shown here at the Eastern Carolina Exposition in the spring. This exhibit was not entered to compete for any prize. It was entered by request of the state fair officials who saw it at the exposition and thought that the idea of the well rounded community was portrayed in such a unique manner that it was worth taking to the state show.

Miss Garrison reports that several prizes have been won by Johnston, among which is the first prize in the ham, shoulder and bacon show, the winner being Mr. Garland Smith, who lives near Smithfield. Johnston county won second prize on the special exhibit of canned meats. Thirty-three pints of canned meats were in the exhibit, Cumberland had the honor of winning first place.

Students from State College put on their fifth fair in connection with the state fair this year and among the students entering collective displays of farm products W. J. Barden, of Selma, took third place. A brooder was the third prize. The collection contained a variety of farm products which he carried from his home. Other individual prizes may have been won, announcement of which will be made later.

## MISS COOPER VOTED THE PRETTIEST OF B. & P. CLUB

Miss Nora Cooper, the efficient secretary to Mr. Chas. Davis, was declared the prettiest member of the Smithfield Business and Professional Women's Club when a vote was taken at the regular meeting on Tuesday evening. The Publicity Chairman of the State Federation, Miss Jeanette Biggs, of Oxford is planning for the publication in state papers at an early date of the best looking business and professional women in North Carolina. In accordance with a request from her, the local club made a selection to represent the Smithfield club Tuesday evening. On the first ballot Miss Thelma Peedin, music teacher in the graded school, tied Miss Cooper, but on the final ballot Miss Cooper ran slightly ahead.

The voting for the prettiest member was only one feature of the program which was in the hands of Group No. One, composed of the following: Mrs. Clifton Beasley, Misses Mildred Young, Ida and Lula Batten, Vera Sanders, Ethel Barbour, Luma McLamb. After a business session which consumed about thirty minutes, a social hour was enjoyed. Contests including a word contest, picking up apples blindfolded, describing animals, etc., were engaged in, after which Mrs. A. R. Wilson, Elocution teacher, and Mrs. Jesse Coats delighted those present with several readings. Delicious fruit was served during the evening. The singing of the club song closed the program.

Four new members were enrolled at this meeting: Mrs. N. H. Yahnke, Mrs. Eula L. King, Mrs. J. P. Ashley, and Mrs. A. R. Wilson.

## Stills Captured

Federal officers made raids in Boon Hill township this week, capturing one copper 50-gallon still and destroying five gallons of beer from two other stills where the plants had been removed. Four men were at one still but made their getaway. All these raids were in the same neighborhood.

Tarheel farmers will secure their best seed corn by selecting ears in the field from good plants after the corn is mature, say agronomy workers of State College.  
Give the milk cow a rest period before time for her to freshen again, advise dairy extension work-

## COLE SET FREE ON SANITY ISSUE

Cole Will Take a Rest Before Returning to Rockingham Home.

## LEAVES FOR WEST

Wilkesboro, Oct. 13.—W. B. Cole, acquitted last Sunday of murder, walked from a little red brick courthouse here today a free man, after proving to Judge T. B. Finley that he is sane and not a menace to society.

Cole's family and a score of friends accompanied him here from Rockingham, where since August 15 he has been in jail for the killing of W. W. Ormond, son of a Methodist minister and one time sweetheart of his 24 year old daughter, Elizabeth.

The insanity hearing today, ordered by Judge Finley after a jury had returned a "Not guilty" verdict Sunday, was the last gesture of the state in the sensational trial.

Cole pleaded not guilty at the trial and based his defense on two pleas, self defense and transitory insanity. The jury did not specify which of its contentions guided its verdict, but Judge Finley exercised the court's discretion in applying the statute that provides that a man acquitted in a capital case on an insanity plea must show cause why he should not be committed to the State Hospital for the Insane.

The hearing was perfunctory. Cole testified in his trial that he had gained his mental balance, and members of prosecution counsel argued to the jury that Cole was a sane man. Neither Cole nor any member of his family was questioned today.

James H. Pou, Raleigh. A. L. Brooks, Greensboro, and James A. Lockhart, Charlotte, all of defense counsel, presented to the court some 40 affidavits from townspeople of Cole declaring that he is a sane man. The state was represented by Solicitor F. Don Phillips, prosecutor in the trial. The solicitor presented the testimony of Mrs. Cole, in which she had told of describing her husband as "crazy," and of others who had testified to Cole's "queer actions."

Judge Finley told the court that in his opinion the jury that acquitted Cole "used the heart more than the head." "In cases of this kind it is a difficult matter to separate sympathy from law, but I do not hesitate to say that I would have returned a different verdict."

The Union county jury that acquitted Cole was not censured, however. "They were a splendid group of men," said Judge Finley, "and acted conscientiously. Seven out of 10 juries would probably have returned the same verdict."

The Wilkes county courthouse today was the object of persons throughout the county. An hour before the hearing, the lawn was dotted with groups of persons and the hotel at which Cole and his family dined was host to crowds that blocked traffic for a block.

The Rockingham manufacturer will not return immediately to the presidency of the Hannah Pickett Mill. Accompanied by Mrs. Cole, his brother, Dr. W. F. Cole, of Greensboro, and his three children, Elizabeth, Catherine and Robert, Cole left late today for Greensboro. After several days rest there, he will visit some resort for a longer period.

The affairs of the mill will be managed by W. B. Leath, treasurer, and J. W. Jenkins, superintendent, both of whom were here today. They both testified at the trial in Cole's behalf.

The family of W. W. Ormond, who was killed while he sat in his car near Cole's office in Rockingham, was not represented today.

## GIN REPORT

There were 27,527 bales of cotton ginned in Johnston county from the crop of 1925 prior to October 1, 1925, as compared with 3,047 bales ginned to October 1, 1924.  
E. G. HOLLAND, Gin Report