

# The Smithfield Herald

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## Know Your County

Do You Know that Johnston county ranks first in North Carolina in the production of cotton, 52,000 bales in 1924? (Nine-tenths of a bale for every acre planted).

## SMITHFIELD NEEDS:

- Bigger Pay Roll.
- A Modern Hotel.
- Renovation of Opera House.
- More Paved Streets.
- Chamber of Commerce.

Forty-third Year

SMITHFIELD, N. C., TUESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 17, 1925

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## ROBBER IS DEAD AND RALEIGH OFFICER INJURED IN GUN DUEL

### Shooting Follows Robbery of King and Holding Store; Officer Mangum Greeted With Volley of Pistol Bullets As He Enters Cellar of Boarding House, But Is Able To Return Bandit's Fire

### MANGUM MAY LIVE

Raleigh, Nov. 16.—A bandit giving his name as "Slim" Anderson, of Memphis, Tenn., and Deputy Sheriff Will Mangum were seriously wounded here early this afternoon in a street gun battle following a daylight robbery of King and Holding clothing store of \$108 in cash.

Both men were rushed to Rex Hospital, where the bandit died within a short time. Mangum, has a better chance, being shot through the stomach.

Reports from the hospital operating room were that Mangum would be operated on tonight.

### Bandit Opens Fire

Pedestrians were sent scurrying from the path of the fleeing bandit.

"I'll get somebody," he is reported as saying just before he dived to shelter in the cellar.

A large crowd gathered about the entrance. Mangum was greeted with a volley just before he entered but was able to return the bandit's fire.

### May Be ex-Convict.

The bandit entered the clothing store and tried on several suits. He waited until the store was empty except for three people, when suddenly he brandished an automatic demanding:

"Hands up!"

He rifled the cash register and fled.

Employees described the man as being a tall man, of slender build, and very well dressed. He left his old clothes in the store.

The man is thought to be an ex-convict, and officials from the State Prison were seeking to identify him Monday afternoon.

Another fugitive was seen to escape across Nash Square while the shooting was in progress.

"You all have got me; let me out for I'll get one of you before I go," said the bandit to Deputy Will Mangum as the officer covered him with his gun.

### Officers Fire.

Before Mangum could reply, the stranger began firing, and simultaneously the pistols of Mangum and policeman Saunders, Pearce and Gattis began barking. Mangum was struck in the stomach, but the others were not hurt.

### Fires At Boys.

The first intimation that the stranger was desperate came during the chase from the clothing store and the place where the man was cornered. He fired at James Briggs, Jr., and Cleveland Gill, two young men chasing him, as he tried to take refuge behind the new Professions building at Hargett and McDowell streets. The shots went wild and the young men continued to chase the stranger.

Tyree Poole joined in the chase as the man went under the house and went into the cellar, but the

## AUNT ROXIE SAYS

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De game man hunts would be a good inshwance risk cauze he jist kills time.

### Mrs. Coolidge Hostess to Girl Scouts

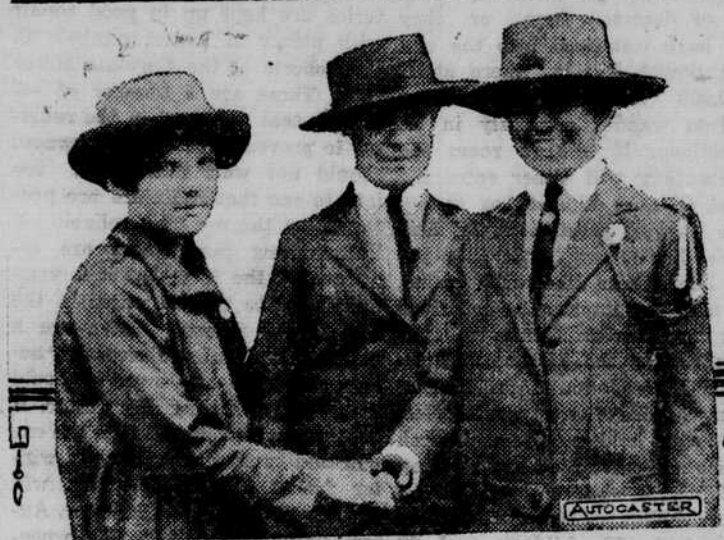


Photo shows Mrs. Calvin Coolidge shaking the hand of Miss Leona Baldwin, 13 year old girl scout from Montpelier, Vt., in the centre is Mrs. Gerritt Flather, Scout Commissioner. They are starting a drive for a \$20,000 fund. Miss Baldwin is invited by her sister scouts because she will cook the turkey for President Coolidge's Thanksgiving Dinner.

## M. E. CONFERENCE CHOOSES GENERAL COUNCIL DELEGATES

### Chautauqua To Return Next Year

#### The Program of The Past Week Pleased Large Audiences.

Those who have enjoyed Chautauqua here during the latter days of the past week will learn with pleasure that Chautauqua will return again next year. Twenty public-spirited citizens and organizations have signed up for its return, and others are expected to be added to the list. The list as we go to press is as follows: A. M. Noble, Dr. and Mrs. Thel Hooks, D. I. Penny, N. C. Shuford, J. D. Spiers, E. S. Edmundson, I. W. Medlin, R. F. Smith, Mrs. P. H. Kasey, President Parent-Teacher Association, S. L. Morgan, Mrs. L. T. Royall, Mrs. J. J. Broadhurst, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Johnston, W. T. Holland, M. A. Wallace, Rev. Chester Alexander, Mrs. D. T. Luncford, Mrs. T. J. Lassiter, Will H. Lassiter, T. R. Hood.

Chautauqua Week is over so far as the six performances are concerned but impressions were made, thoughts were implanted, souls were uplifted, influences started, that will live in the hearts of many who enjoyed the entertainments brought to our community.

The comedy-drama "Give and Take," smoothed out many a wrinkle in care-worn brows, and caused the young folks to bubble over with enjoyment. Mr. Babb in his lectures, "Handicaps" and "A Hundred Per Cent Man," dispensed words of encouragement to the young and inspired a fresh lease on life for the older ones, while the music for each occasion was both soul-stirring and soothing.

Miss Edith E. Robertson, the Chautauqua superintendent, was all that could be desired. Her talks and her management of the performances were tactful and effective, and she made many friends among our people.

The Junior leader, was especially good with the children and their entertainment Saturday afternoon showed a fine spirit.

The programs were well attended each time and the audiences were appreciative. An encouraging feature of Chautauqua was the number of young people who attended.

stranger did not harm him. The officers appeared on the scene shortly afterward, with the shooting coming as the climax to the chase.

Some nuts fall because they are ripe, and some fall because a flapper makes eyes at them.

## Special Term Of Court In Session

### Convened Here Yesterday Morning With Judge Lyon Presiding.

A special term of Superior Court opened here yesterday morning at ten o'clock with Judge Lyon of Elizabeth City, presiding. This term of court will be devoted to civil cases. About thirty cases are on the docket for disposal, several of which are old ones that have been continued. Yesterday morning was taken up with canvassing the court calendar.

This term of court was arranged to relieve the congested court docket of civil cases. A regular term of court will be held in December when two weeks will be devoted to criminal cases. The following jurors have been summoned for the December criminal court:

### FIRST WEEK

Vinson Pittman, O'Neals; L. D. Stephenson, Elevation; Joe T. Barnes, Wilders; Luther Durham, Beulah; J. S. Ogburn, Smithfield; J. W. Tart, Meadow; J. J. Batten, Smithfield; L. W. Hockaday, Ingrams; Jesse W. Bailey, O'Neals; D. J. Wood, Meadow; Alex Daughtry, Boon Hill; J. L. George, Smithfield; Eldridge McLamb, Banner; W. A. Britt, Bentonville; J. M. Johnson, Meadow; J. F. Hinant, Pine Level; G. H. Wilkerson, Selma; W. H. Godwin, O'Neals; Hubert Pearce, Boon Hill; W. L. Lane, Smithfield; Robt. L. Braswell, Boon Hill; Walter A. Thompson, Boon Hill; E. S. Lassiter, Smithfield; Q. C. Parker, Ingrams; Alex Johnson, Boon Hill; Oka King, Pleasant Grove; D. M. Brannan, Wilders; Robt. L. Blackman, Beulah; J. D. Evans, Ingrams; A. W. Ivey, Banner; A. E. Hinant, Micro; Fred Oliver, O'Neals; L. E. Toole, Ingrams; J. H. Creech, Pine Level; H. W. Talton, Smithfield; V. J. House, Micro.

### SECOND WEEK

J. L. Pittman, O'Neals; L. C. Baker, Smithfield; John E. Johnson, Ingrams; M. F. Batten, Wilders; Vernon Bell, O'Neals; C. D. Thompson, Smithfield; B. F. Johnson, Elevation; L. E. Parrish, Elevation; J. M. Wallace, Wilson's Mills; Ernest Medlin, Wilders; Isaac Munden, Smithfield; J. D. Hicks, O'Neals; L. R. Hatcher, Selma; Gaston Crocker, O'Neals; H. H. Carroll, Wilders; R. D. Thompson, Boon Hill; Geo. W. Boyd, Jr., Wilson's Mills; D. G. Lee, Meadow.

### What to Do With 1925 Crop Money

1. Every farmer who has been trying to make a living by working with only one horse—which is just as bad as if he were trying to work with only one arm—ought to put aside enough extra money to buy an extra horse. In like fashion farmers who already have two or more horses may also profitably increase their horsepower.

2. Farmers who do not have to put aside money either to avoid time prices or to increase horsepower should first of all consider what improved equipment is necessary to increase their earning power and then give the preference to such "productive purchases" rather than consider consumptive purchases.

3. Next after producing expenditures should come purchases that have permanent value in promoting the daily comfort and efficiency of the farm household—paint, lights, waterworks, music, etc.—The Progressive Farmer.

Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, in session in Hay Street church here since Wednesday morning.

Dr. J. T. Gibbs, a beloved supernumerary, and Rev. D. H. Tuttle, were in charge of the love feast in which several hundred people participated.

The appointments were read yesterday morning. Rev. A. J. Parker returned from Conference here yesterday afternoon and reported that all the Methodist preachers in Johnston county were returned to their pastorates with the exception of Rev. W. J. Watson, of Four Oaks, who is sent to Haw River.

## Program For American Education Week

(Prepared by the United States Bureau of Education, the National Education Association and the American Legion, under whose joint auspices the observance is held.)

### Constitution Day, November 16.

"The constitution is the bulwark of democracy and opportunity"

1. Unity, justice, tranquility, defense, welfare, and liberty.
2. Our constitution guarantees these rights.
3. Our Constitution is the expression of the will of the people.
4. One Constitution one Union, one Flag, one History.

Slogans: Ballots, not bullets; Know the Constitution; Visit your school today.

### Patriotism Day, November 17

"The Flag of the United States of America is the symbol of the ideals institutions of our Republic"

1. Our flag insures the sanctity of life and the security of property.
2. Quicken the sense of public duty.
3. Voting is the primary duty of the patriot.
4. Our national honor must be preserved from unjust attack.

Slogans: America first; Vote at all elections; Visit your school today.

### School and Teacher Day, Nov. 18

"It is not too much to say that the need of civilization is the need of teachers."—Calvin Coolidge.

1. The teacher is a nation builder.
2. The school is the foundation of democracy.
3. Provide for the needs of your schools.
4. Trained teachers require adequate compensation.
5. Teaching of patriotism is the duty of all public servants.

Slogans: The better the teacher the better the school; Visit your school today.

### Conservation, Thrift Day Nov. 19

"The forests of America, however slighted by man, must have been a great delight to God.—John Muir.

1. Conserve our National resources.
2. Prevent forest fires.
3. Industry and thrift spell prosperity.
4. Saving insures happiness.

Slogans: Plant a tree; Work and Save; Visit your school today.

### Know Your School Day, Nov. 20

"Progressive civilization depends upon progressive education"

1. Schools must progress with the times.
2. Preparation for modern day life demands a broader course of study.
3. The school must be kept abreast of science and invention.
4. A little invested in education saves much expended on crime, poverty, and disease.

Slogans: Good schools for all communities; Make your schools livable; Visit your school today.

### Community, Health Day, Nov. 21

"Physical education means health and strength"

1. The school is a community center.
2. Equality of opportunity for every American boy and girl.
3. Public library service for every community.
4. Proper food and rest for children.
5. A health officer for every community.
6. Adequate parks for cities, State and Nation.

Slogans: A square deal for the country boy and girl; A sound mind in a sound body; Visit your school today.

### For God and Country Day, Nov. 22

"Religion, morality, and education are necessary for good government."

1. Education in the home.
2. Education in the school.
3. Education in the church.

Slogans: A godly nation cannot fail; Visit your church today.

### A New Arithmetic

"I am not much of a mathematician," said the cigarette, "but I can add to a man's nervous trouble, I can subtract from his physical energy, I can multiply his aches and pains, I can divide his mental powers, I take interest from his work, and discount his chances for success."

## Expect W. B. Cole Home This Week

### His Return Is Expected to Shed Light On Big Damage Suit.

Raleigh, Nov. 15.—W. B. Cole, lately acquitted of the murder of W. W. Ormond, is due in Rockingham this week and his return will give "new" news on the \$150,000 damage suit instituted in Wake county Superior court.

Mr. Cole has been in Arkansas since his acquittal five weeks ago, a day or two intervening for the hearing on a question of sanity. Shortly after taking the trip to the distant state where Mrs. Cole's relatives live, Rev. A. L. Ormond, administrator and father of W. W. Ormond, brought a civil suit in Wake courts. The summons made returnable in Richmond court November 12, brought nothing additional in the form of procedure. Suggestions that the plaintiff might go ahead and levy on the absentee, did not pan. The case will be regularly tried.

### Bynum May Be Witness

The return of Mr. Cole was made known here a few days ago by Fred Bynum, attorney for the manufacturer prior to the homicide, and then important witness to Ormond-Cole affairs preceding the August 15 shooting. Mr. Bynum will very probably be another witness in this case. The plaintiff seeks both compensatory and punitive damages. He will hardly get a hearing within a year.

Meanwhile Mr. Cole returns to Rockingham to begin work where he left it off. The town isn't settled yet and friends of both families do not expect it to calm completely for a long time. Nevertheless, the friends of Mr. Cole do not think residence in his county and town will be made disagreeable for him. Some of his friends and witnesses have feared as much. Mr. Bynum believes the community will be just to him.

### Treat Miss Elizabeth Fairly

Likewise it will treat fairly Miss Elizabeth Cole, to whom no wrong was ever imputed prior to the shooting. The young woman seems to have suffered from lost chronology. There was an impression that she wrote Bill Ormond letters after the "slander letter" which undoubtedly set the stage for a killing. The newspapermen, Mr. Bynum thinks, honestly confused the few letters written to Ormond after Miss Cole broke with him. The scribes thought there was a correspondence after the "slander letter." All friends and attorneys of the Cole family insist that no such communication ever took place and that the "slander letter" was wantonly and wickedly false.

It is news that Mr. Cole is back this week. The manufacturer who hoisted himself with three bullets from the drugery and monotony of machinery into national limelight, will find it impossible for a few days to avoid being news. He will have little to say of the damage suit, of course.

And while attorneys promise quite some thrills in the unpublished letters of Miss Cole and Ormond, the defense counsel in the Cole case has no more fear of them in the civil suit than in the criminal where they were not read at all.—Greensboro Daily News.

### What a Little Clock Did

A little clock in a jeweler's store in a certain Western town stopped one day for half an hour at fifteen minutes to nine. School children, noticing the time, stopped to play; people hurrying to the train, after a look at the clock, stopped to chat a minute with one another. And all were half an hour late, because one small clock stopped. Never had these people known how much they depended on that clock until it had led them astray.

You may think you have no influence, but you cannot go wrong in one little act without leading others astray.—Selected.

and the flavor will be improved. A couple of pinches of brown sugar put in soup that is too salty will overcome the salty taste and still not sweeten it.

## Jesse Wyatt Trial Has Taken Over Three Days

### Mutt & Jeff's New Boss



Countess Aedita De Besumon who has announced her engagement to "Bud" Fisher, cartoonist and originator of the "Mutt and Jeff" comic strip.

### Wyatt Takes The Stand And Gives His Version of Shooting S. Holt Prominent Attorney of This City On June 1st.

### CROSS EXAMINATION

The trial of Jesse H. Wyatt, charged with the shooting of Stephen S. Holt, prominent lawyer of this city on June 1, came up Thursday afternoon in the Wake Superior Court. The selection of the jury ended the first day of the case. A panel of fifty men was summoned from Durham county. It took thirty-nine to get the twelve who are hearing the evidence. The following jury was selected:

R. E. Hurst, I. F. Davis, Pink H. Royster, D. R. Brule, James E. Smith, F. E. Page, Sycho Pickett, E. L. Husketh, Lonnie C. Garrett, James A. Flinton, A. J. Tilley, J. R. Rich.

Testimony began Friday. Late Friday afternoon Wyatt took the stand in his own behalf and told the story of the first forty-four years of his life. The News and Observer reported his evidence in part as follows:

"The story of his life that brought him to the fateful June day when he hurried away with Chief of Police J. Winder Bryan to watch a motorcycle test on the Garner road out from Raleigh with an engagement an hour later to go fishing with his wife. His story of the incident that prevented the meeting of either engagement comes today.

### State's Strong Case

"Five eye witnesses for the State testified yesterday that Jesse H. Wyatt shot directly at the automobile in which Stephen S. Holt was riding. Two doctors testified that an autopsy disclosed a flattened bullet beneath the tongue of the dead man that had plowed its way thru the head from the back of the neck, making a clean round hole and severing the spinal column and producing instant death.

"Solicitor W. F. Evans presented to the court the section of the back curtain of the automobile in which Holt was riding, which shows the hole made by the bullet that was not then flattened. The State put in evidence the collar of the dead man that shows a sawed trench that was made by the bullet as it sank into the neck of the deceased.

"The State put on 16 witnesses from all walks of life from Johnston county to testify to the good character of the eight occupants of the two cars which carried the party with which Holt was riding when the bullet overtook him as he was going back to his home in Smithfield along the public highway of Wake county.

### Story of Fateful Shooting

"With no interruptions from the battery of lawyers defending Wyatt, Col. Ed S. Abell took the witnesses from the State over the events of the fateful June first. There was Deck Woodward, driver of the car in which Holt was riding; Will Wright and Adam Woodward, who sat by his side when his head fell back and he breathed his last, and there was Joe Woodward, who was seated in front with Deck, and all telling practically the same story with variations only in the details.

"Behind the death car came another car, which was driven by Lonnie Lynch, and in which were Monroe Woodward, Solomon Daughtry and Robert Webb. Each one of the occupants testified that they saw coming toward their car a man who later they found was Jesse H. Wyatt and that he turned and shot directly at the automobile in front of them. Their testimony was corroborated by C. C. Wren, of Davidson county, who happened to be passing at the time. Their testimony as to the direct shooting at the automobile was emphasized by their standing up and showing with their right hand how it happened.

"James H. Pou, senior member

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## Many Marriage Licenses Issued

### Licenses For Twenty-two Couples Sold Since November 1st.

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following persons by Register of Deeds M. L. Stancil since November 1:

Charlie Stevens and Miss Maggie Johnson, both of Clayton, Route 2; Alton L. Williams of Coats and Miss Mamie Hill, of Angier; Moses Crocker and Miss Pauline Barnes both of Pine Level; Leroy Batten, Selma, and Miss Nancy Benson, of near Selma; John Dodd and Miss Thelma Lee, of Four Oaks, Route 3; Oscar Maden and Miss Eula Hocutt, both of Zebulon, Route 1; John Thomas Pittman, of Kenly, Route 2, and Miss Martha Bissett, of Wilson county; Gumey Evans and Miss Hazel Wiggins, both of Princeton; Macon Richardson and Miss Lizzie Thomas, both of Zebulon, Route 1; Eugene B. Allsbrook and Miss Virginia Ives, both of Greenville; Aaron Windham, Wilson's Mills, Route 1, and Miss Vera Godwin, McCullers, Route 1; Joseph Patrick Woodard, Princeton, Route 3, and Miss Sadie Aldridge, Selma, Route 2; Jesse T. Boyett and Miss Lou Phillips, both of Selma, Route 1; J. Gray Bass and Miss Eliza Brown, both of Kenly, Route 1; Floyd H. Stephenson, Willow Springs, Route 1, and Miss Emily Jane Roberts, Benson; A. R. Driver, and Miss Lucile Shuler, Selma; T. Barden Brown and Miss Ida Pittman, both of Selma, Route 1; Robt. M. Hopkins and Miss Maggie Porter, both of Selma; Rupert Carroll, Clayton, Route 3, and Miss Lillie Mims, Clayton, Route 2; Henry W. Whitaker, Wendell, Route 1, and Miss Lela Mae Creech, Zebulon, Route 1; Malcolm Turnage and Miss Rossie Surcy, both of Benson, Route 2; Leroy Jordan and Miss Helen N. Ellis, both of Clayton.

### Purpose of American Education Week

To disseminate among the people accurate information in regard to the conditions and needs of the schools, enhance appreciation of the value of education, and create such interest as will result in better opportunities for education and larger appropriations for schools of all kinds and grades.—P. P. Claxton, 1920.

### The Man Who Tries First to "Make a Living" Makes Most Money

The farmers who succeed are the ones who make a living on their farms first, and the ones who don't succeed are the ones who neglect making a living and spend too much time and money trying to make money. What is a farm for, if it isn't to make a living on?—The Progressive Farmer.