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## SMITHFIELD NEEDS:

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

## Know Your County

Do you know that Johnston, Wilson and Pitt counties raised more produce per acre in 1923 than any like area in the United States?

## IVANHOE COTTON MILL TO RESUME OPERATION SOON

W. H. Austin, Trustee For Syndicate Bids In Mill Property At a Consideration of \$250,000 When Offered At Auction Here Saturday.

## REBUILD OLD MILL

What many considered impossible has happened, and the Ivanhoe Manufacturing company has made satisfactory settlement with stockholders and creditors, and according to a statement given out by the syndicate which bid in the mill put up at auction last Saturday, the institution is on the best basis it has been since 1921.

The cotton mill which has been idle since last May together with the site of the old mill was sold at the courthouse door here Saturday at noon under an order of the trustee in bankruptcy, Kenneth Gant, and was bid in by W. H. Austin acting as trustee for a syndicate composed of Messrs. B. B. Adams of Four Oaks, J. J. and F. K. Broadhurst and the J. H. B. Tomlinson estate. The consideration was \$250,000. There was only one bid, and the syndicate is practically certain that the sale will be confirmed at a meeting of the creditors with the referee in bankruptcy on January 27. There are outstanding claims for profit taxes and penalties by the government amount \$308,000, but this is thought to be excessive as the mill showed losses exceeding this amount, it is stated.

Upon confirmation of the sale, there is a proposition on foot for outside interests to take stock with the syndicate, and it is the purpose to rebuild the mill which was burned at an early date. It has not yet been determined what the product of the new mill will be. The 12,000 spindle mill closed since last spring which manufactured hosiery arms, will reopen some time in February. This mill alone employs quite a number of operatives, the pay roll each week being around a thousand dollars.

## EMPLOYMENT GOOD EXCEPT IN COAL SECTIONS

Washington, Jan. 15.—Outside the Pennsylvania anthracite region there is no considerable unemployment anywhere in the United States, the United States employment service announced tonight in its monthly review of the situation.

Some curtailment in factory operation resulted from the first-of-the-year inventory and alteration work, but New England shoe and textile operations, which have been less active than other lines in recent months, were busier at the end of December.

Building operations have been less interrupted by weather than usual, taking the country as a whole, while bituminous coal mining, steel production, automobile building and retail stores all have maintained the demand for workers.—Associated Press.

Mr. Harry Biggs, of Raleigh, spent the week end in the city with relatives.

## AUNT ROXIE SAYS—

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Ma ole man complainin' bout his side hurtin' an' thinks his appendix needs cuttin' out, but ah thinks all dat ole niggah needs with a hospital is to let dem cut his late hours out.

## TO ADDRESS CO-OPS HERE TOMORROW

Mr. R. B. Whitley, of Wendell, will be here tomorrow to address the members of the Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association at a meeting to be held in the courthouse at 2:30 p. m. Mr. Homer Mask, of Raleigh, of the field service department, will also be present and speak to the members of the Cotton Association. Both are prominent men and good speakers, and every member of the associations is urged to be present at this meeting.

## Hearing On Neuse River Bridge Here

## Highway Commission Seeks Permission To Build Bridge Over Neuse Near Present Turner's Bridge.

In view of the hard surface road to be built through Johnston county along Route 22 in the near future, the State Highway Commission has made application to the War Department for permission to place a bridge of a certain type across Neuse River somewhere in the vicinity of Turner's Bridge, and a public hearing on the matter will be held in Smithfield on Jan. 26. Neuse River is one of the streams of North Carolina classed as non-navigable, and for this reason permission for the bridge must be obtained from the War Department. It will be recalled that Congressman Abernathy is at work trying to get an appropriation from Congress to make Neuse River navigable as far as Smithfield. The bridge which the highway commission has submitted to the war department, according to our information, would not permit the operation of ships.

The following statement from Oscar O. Kuentz, Major, Corps of Engineers, District Engineer, sets forth the facts officially:

The War Department, having under consideration the application of the North Carolina State Highway Commission for permission to construct a bridge across Neuse River, 2 1/2 miles from Smithfield, N. C., a public hearing will be held by the undersigned at Smithfield, N. C. in the courthouse at 11:30 a. m., January 26, 1926.

All interested parties are invited to be present or be represented at the above time and place, and particularly navigation interests and officials of any county, city, town or local association whose interests may be affected by the construction of the proposed bridge. They will be given an opportunity to express their views upon the suitability of the location and the adequacy of plans in reference to navigation, and to suggest changes desirable in the interests of navigation.

Oral statements will be heard, but for accuracy of record all important facts and arguments should be submitted in writing, as the records of the hearing will be forwarded for consideration by the War Department. Written statements may be handed in to the undersigned at the hearing, or mailed to him beforehand.

The plans submitted show a bridge without a draw, with horizontal clearances of 50 feet between bents and with vertical clearances 30 feet at mean water, 26.8 feet at ordinary high water and 2 feet at maximum high water.

OSCAR O. KUENTZ, Major, Corps of Engineers, District Engineer.

## Succeeds Judge F. H. Brooks

Miss Beatrice Cobb of Morganton was appointed Saturday a director of the State School for the Blind and Deaf in Raleigh to succeed Judge F. H. Brooks, of Smithfield.

## Special Term Of Court In Session K. K. K. Donates Methodist Revival

Judge Lyon Is Presiding Over Court For Civil Cases That Opened Here Yesterday.

A special two weeks term of Civil court began its sessions here yesterday with Judge E. C. Lyon, of Elizabeth City, presiding. Upon petition to the Board of County Commissioners in session Dec. 18, of more than a dozen lawyers of the county, the county board ordered that the governor be asked to call this special term in order that the congestion of cases on the civil calendar might be relieved.

The list of jurors for this week included the following: Floyd H. Stephenson, Milton Narron, Frank Honeycutt, R. H. Hudson, Henry Morgan, J. S. Hoyett, Hilliard Flowers, Willie L. Barber, L. P. Denning, J. V. Radford, W. A. Edwards, S. M. Johnson, W. P. Suggs, W. A. T. Durham, J. M. Edwards, F. F. Langley, S. A. Wellons, J. J. Massengill, J. W. Brown, J. L. Gurley, G. J. Creech, E. N. Marler, E. S. Whitley and Jesse Pearce.

The jurors for next week are: P. H. Godwin, Beulah township; Ira Allen, Elevation; F. H. Corbett, Micro; Lonnie Langdon, Elevation; Luther Pope, Beulah; N. H. Barbour, Ingrams; J. W. Massengill, Ingrams; James R. Crech, Smithfield; C. A. Adams, Meadow; Clyde Pool, Wilders; G. T. Boyette, Boon Hill; J. W. Oneal, Selma; Edgar Bailey, Oneals; D. M. Wood, Cleveland; Matthew Raynor, Banner; Alonzo Wall, Wilders; Willie Sasser, Wilders; Paul Pittman, Pine Level.

## BRADY ASSAULT CASE IS COMPROMISED

The case of Leonard Brady charged with assault upon his five year old niece at Snow Hill, was disposed of privately last week the case never even reaching the courts. Young Brady had been placed in jail in Wilson, but was released Monday, Jan. 11, after the matter was satisfactorily settled by the parties concerned, it having been proved that the defendant was not guilty of the charge in the warrant.

## OKLAHOMA MINE DEATH TOLL INCREASED TO 93

Wilburton, Okla., Jan. 15.—The death list in the explosion Wednesday at the Degnan-McConnell mine No. 21, tonight apparently had been increased to 93. Relief workers late today said they had located five bodies when only three previously had been thought unrecovered. All five were negroes.

Forty-five convicts from the state penitentiary at McAlister, nearby for the victims, and tonight a long row of fifty ranged side-by-side in a little cemetery in a valley near the mine.

Eight more were dug at the Wilburton Catholic Cemetery and three more in private burying grounds. Some of the bodies are being sent to other towns for burial.—Associated Press.

## PER CAPITA SAVINGS \$204 REPORT SHOWS

According to figures compiled and made public by W. Esby Albright, in charge of the savings bank division of the American Bankers' Association, American depositors have over \$23,000,000 to their credit, a gain of nearly two billion in a year. The tabulations which include savings deposits of all classes in the banks and trust companies of the country, indicate per capita savings of \$204, a gain of \$15 for each inhabitant over the year 1924.

As indicating the advance in national thrift, Mr. Albright points out that the gain in aggregate savings during the year of \$1,945,500,000 is \$500,000,000 greater than the increase which took place the year before. The figures also show that the total savings of \$23,134,050,000 are owned by 43,850,127 depositors. This represents a net gain of 2,566,000 depositors over comparable figures for 1924.

Robed Figures Appear In Church Sunday Evening and Place Envelope In Plate.

The Sunday evening service of the revival now in progress at the Methodist church was characterized by a visit from members of the Ku Klux Klan who left a contribution for the expense of the revival. The pastor, Rev. A. J. Parker, seemed to be taken quite by surprise when the Kluckers made their advance into the church during the singing of a quartet, Messrs. A. J. Parker, J. C. Costen, I. W. Medlin and Paul Eason were rendering a quartet entitled, "Just Outside the Door." The door to one of the Sunday school class rooms opened and in walked six robed figures, carrying the symbols of the order. They advanced to the chancel of the church, one of them handing Mr. Costen, the singer, a paper while another dropped an envelope in the collection plate containing a gift to the preacher and the singer. The paper which Mr. Parker did not read aloud carried the following message:

"On behalf of the members of Smithfield Klan No. 125 Realm of North Carolina this gift is presented to you. With sincere wishes that you enjoy health, happiness and success wherever you go in your mission for humanity's good. This gift is presented for you to use in any manner you see fit."

The whole of the contribution was turned over to the singer, according to later information from the pastor.

After the quartet was finished, Mr. Parker recovered from the shock of the surprise, found his tongue, and said: "Gentlemen, I know very little about the tenets of your order, but we appreciate your kind words and interest, and trust you will do some good in the world."

The representatives of the Klan then passed out quietly the way they had come.

The services Sunday were characterized by splendid discourses and especially good music. The text at the morning hour was: "There Was No Room in the Inn," and the preacher showed how folks are constantly crowding out Christ from their lives. The subject at the evening hour might be termed: "Just Outside the Door." An unusually large congregation was present Sunday evening, the other churches of the town giving way their service on account of the revival.

The series of meetings will continue through this week with a service each evening at seven o'clock. The only day service is the men's prayer meeting which meets in the courthouse every morning at 8:30 o'clock.

## Her Immunity

After the epidemic had been checked, an old negro protested vigorously when the health officers started to take down the sign they had put on her house.

"Why don't you want us to take it down?" one of the officers asked.

"Ere ain't ben a bill collectah neah dis house sence dat sign was nailed up. You all please let it alone."—People's Home Journal.

## Surprise Marriage

Kenly, Jan. 15.—Miss Alice Barnes and Mr. Millard Holland surprised their many friends Saturday night, January 9, when they were quietly married at the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. John Rickis, in the presence of a few friends and relatives, Rev. J. W. Alford, pastor of the bride, officiating.

Mrs. Holland is the very attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Barnes, of the Buckhorn section, Wilson county, and Mr. Holland is a very prosperous farmer of Micro township.

Immediately after the marriage they left for their future home at Bagley. Their many friends wish for them a long and happy life.

## Part of Mill Property Bid in By Local Syndicate



## May Not Vote On World Court

Issue Probably Temporarily Halted Until Tax Reduction Bill Is Passed.

Washington, Jan 15.—Proponents of the world court continued today to press this issue in the senate but they have little hope now that a vote can be obtained until well after the tax reduction bill is passed.

When that measure comes from the finance committee, it will be given right of way, but after the vote, under present plans, the court issue will be called up again and kept continuously before the senate, even ahead of the annual appropriation bills.

Opponents of the court resolution of adhesion asked today that it be laid aside owing to the absence from the chamber of Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, who has a slight cold. Those in charge of the fight for ratification declined to do so, however, and something in the nature of a filibuster developed.

After Senator Ferris, Republican, Maine, had explained why he felt compelled to go against his party leaders on the proposition, Senator Bleasie, Democrat, South Carolina, held the floor for more than two hours, reading the farewell address of Washington and aiming his shafts at supporters of the court and many others.

Senator Ferris, Democrat, Michigan, speaking in favor of American adhesion, declared that national isolation "is a thing of the past."

"The need for an international court seems now to be imperatively necessary," he said, "and in its proper operation requires a definite code of international law, honest."

—Associated Press.

## SPENDS LARGES SUMS FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT

Raleigh, Jan. 13.—Although North Carolina received in revenues per capita less than 42 of the 48 spent more money for public improvements than any state in the country, with the single exception of Illinois. Her total interest charges, however, were higher than any of the states, with the exception of three.

Spending \$32,670,000 for permanent improvements during that year, she ranked second highest in this particular, being outdistanced only by Illinois, the expenditures for the state for this purpose having totalled \$39,280,000.

But North Carolina's per capita revenue receipts were only \$7.80. This was lower than any state, except Illinois, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Arkansas.

The figures are compiled by the bureau of the census of the United States Department of Commerce, and have just been received here.

But while North Carolina's expenditure for permanent improvements ran very high, comparatively, and while her revenue receipts

## AFTER FISHERIES PRODUCT COMPANY

North Carolina Receivers Sue Hayes and Omderton In New York Courts

New York, Jan. 16.—Suit to compel Thomas H. Hayes and Raymond J. Omderton to rescind a transaction where, it is alleged, they realized more than \$6,000,000 from the Fisheries Products Company, was filed in the Supreme Court in Brooklyn today. The plaintiffs are Walter Neal and John S. Weckett, receivers of the company in both State and Federal Courts in North and South Carolina.

It is claimed that Hayes and Omderton, president and secretary of the company, respectively, sold plants, leases and options on property in St. Phillips, N. C., Lewes, Delaware, Norfolk, Va., E. Hampton and Norfolk, N. Y., to the company and took stock in exchange. This stock, the complaint asserts, was later sold by them for \$6,000,000 in a "high tension campaign." Both Hayes and Omderton deny the charge and asked dismissal of the complaint. Justice Dike reserved decision.

## GOOD PROFITS SECURED BY POULTRY FARMER

Cary, Jan. 18.—A total net profit of \$1,515.32 was secured from a flock of 186 Rhode Island Red hens belonging to A. E. Allen of Cary, according to a report that he has made on his flock to John C. Anderson, county agent of Wake county.

Mr. Allen kept a careful record of each egg secured from his flock from the first day of January, 1925, to the last day of December. His records show 26,244 eggs sold for a total income of \$1,083.05. During the year, it cost him exactly \$683.11 to feed the flock of hens producing these eggs. This left a profit of \$399.94 on the laying flock of 186 birds.

But during the same period, some eggs were used for hatching purposes. Mr. Allen raised and sold 1,683 pounds of broilers for \$724.38 securing good prices because of the fine quality of his early fryers and because they were all well fed. In addition, he now has 161 strong selected pullets to add to his flock and these are worth \$391. This makes a total profit of \$1,515.32.

Mr. Allen states that it was almost impossible to keep a separate account of the feed used by the broilers and pullets and he does not know exactly how to charge this off. He is satisfied, however, that his flock returned him at least \$1,500 in cash during the past year.

In addition to his poultry work, Mr. Allen has a small farm and is giving each of his children a good education. He claims that the poultry provides him with the necessary cash to keep his children in school and the older ones in college. Mr. Anderson states that he is one of the best poultrymen in Wake county.

per capita were comparatively very low, her interest charges were high. Only three other states paid out larger sums for interest in

## N. C. Cotton Must Be Surplus Crop

Not Safe To Put All Our Eggs In One Basket Under Present Conditions.

What Dr. W. W. Long had to say in last week's Progressive Farmer about the steadily increasing cotton acreage of Texas has its lesson for our South Carolina and North Carolina farmers:

"In 1921 the Texas farmers had 10,700,000 acres in cotton; in 1922, 11,800,000 acres; in 1923, 14,150,000 acres; in 1924, 16,200,000 acres; and in 1925, Texas had 18,200,000 acres in cotton—showing an increase of 7,000,000 acres in five years."

Much of this newer Texas cotton acreage has been added in sections so dry that danger from the boll weevil is practically eliminated and the cost of fighting grass is also practically nothing. And there is every prospect of further increase rather than any reduction in the Texas cotton acreage.

This situation, as Dr. Long wisely points out, only makes all the more hazardous any policy of "one crop," cotton farming in our part of the South hereafter. Competition in cotton growing for us is coming, as The Progressive Farmer has previously predicted, from new areas of the South rather than from foreign countries.

We must recognize the facts (1) that a very rainy summer will almost ruin our North Carolina and South Carolina cotton crop and (2) that even in years when we make a good yield here, we must count on largely increased competition from Texas, with the danger that its big crop may beat down prices.

We must meet the new conditions by refusing to put all our eggs in one basket. "At least one other important source of cash income besides cotton" must become the rule on every farm. "Safe farming" means that cotton must be made a surplus crop after a live-at-home program and one other source of cash income has been provided for.—The Progressive Farmer.

## Garb In Arizona

Overcoats, suits, shoes, shirts, gloves, suitcases, trunks, firearms, practically everything men wear. B. B. 2nd Hand Store. 419 E. Wash.—Ad in the Phoenix Republican.

"Doctah," asked a lady of color, "Ah's come to see ef yo' order Rastus one o' dem mustard-plasters ag'in today."

"I think perhaps he had better have one more," answered the medico.

"Well, he says to ax yo' can he have a slice o' ham wid it, 'count ef it's a mighty pow'ful perscription to take 'alone.'—American Legion Weekly.

1924. They were New York, Michigan and California. North Carolina's interest payments in 1924 ran to the tidy sum of \$3,495,000.

## SELMA KIWANIS IS A LIVE CLUB

Notable Achievements To Its Credit; To Celebrate Kiwanis International On January 21.

NOT 3 YEARS OLD

Selma, Jan. 16. In March 1923, the Selma Kiwanis club was organized with 50 charter members and 1 honorary member. From the date of its organization a better spirit of understanding among members, and progress in the community has been evident.

There are many notable achievements which this club has rendered to Selma and community worthy of mention. At the beginning of the first year, the club purchased and equipped club room facilities for the weekly meetings. It has sponsored a wide-awake and growing Boy Scout troop. Erected road signs on all highways leading into Selma. It has aided cripples the necessary medical and hospital treatment. It has contributed generously to many charitable and benevolent causes. In fact, no hand extended for alms has gone away empty. It has developed a spirit of civic pride among the citizens. Encouraged new business enterprises. Conducted at various times special meetings for the purpose of creating a more friendly relation between the farmer and city man. Provided basket of Christmas remembrances for the poor. Gave a Christmas banquet for the poor children. These, and many other worthy and helpful acts of service have been accomplished by this club. Another delightful service which the Selma club rendered was the sponsoring of the organization that wide-awake Kiwanis club of Benson, N. C. This act, every Selma Kiwanian is justly proud. And we wish for them an even greater future than their glorious past.

Kiwanis in Selma looks with confidence and purpose towards the future. Our motto is "We Build." Our purpose is to "Serve." And our goal is to "Render the greatest possible service to all who need our support." The greatest friends to Selma Kiwanis are those who have enjoyed the wholesome deeds we have been so happy to render. And to Selma, the surrounding community, and the public, the Kiwanis Club extends their desire to serve you.

On January 21, 1926, 6:30 p. m., our club will observe the Eleventh Anniversary in Kiwanis International.

## HOLINESS AUDITORIUM A TIFALCON IS BURNED

Dunn, Jan. 14.—The auditorium used by the annual camp meeting at Falcon in Cumberland county was destroyed by fire today. The second floor of the large frame building was used for a school house and the fire is thought to have started from a stove flue. There was no insurance on the building. Thousands of people have gathered there each August for the past several years to engage in religious worship, it being a general gathering place for people of the Holiness faith.

## The Mirror

If the person who answers this description will call at The Herald office they will receive a free ticket to the Victory Theatre.

You passed the Victory Theatre yesterday afternoon at one-thirty o'clock. You wore a tan coat with red trimmings about the collar, cuffs and pockets. You also wore light colored hose and brown shoes. Your hair was dark and curly and it was lobbied.

Mr. W. C. Ryals recognized himself in last Friday's Mirror.