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News Of Interest In Town Clayton

Mr. Barbour Falls From Bicycle and Breaks Arm; Mr. Page Reads Paper at Convention

Clayton, July 29.—Mr. D. L. Barbour was painfully injured on Monday afternoon in an accident with his bicycle. Mr. Barbour attempted to mount his wheel in front of the postoffice, when it veered to one side and he was thrown to the ground with such force that the bones in his right arm near the wrist were fractured. He received medical attention at once and the injured arm is mending nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh A. Page spent several days this week in Charlotte attending a State meeting of the agents of the Mutual Life Insurance company. Mr. Page who is agency manager for the G. Thurman Smith company, of Clayton, read a paper before the Charlotte meeting Tuesday which covered in a very fine way some of the problems of the insurance business.

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Pretty Wedding In Benson Church

Miss Sibyl Goodrich Becomes The Bride of Mr. Earl Bowman

Benson, July 29.—A pretty wedding was solemnized at the Baptist church Tuesday morning, July 27, at nine o'clock when Miss Sibyl Goodrich became the bride of Mr. Earl Bowman, of Reidsville. Rev. A. L. Goodrich, of Lexington, Ky., officiated. He was assisted by Rev. J. E. Kirk, pastor of the Baptist church and Rev. J. E. Blalock, pastor of the Methodist church.

The double ring ceremony was used and the ring bearers were Miss Lina Pearl Johnson, wearing white georgette, and Miss Laura Joe Paige, niece of the bride, wearing pink georgette. The rings were carried on silver trays. A musical program was rendered by Miss Irene Hudson, accompanied by Mr. DeLeon Britt in the violin. Miss Lola Wiggs, of Fayetteville, cousin of the bride, sang "The Sweetest Story Ever Told." Miss Hudson wore green beaded georgette and Miss Wiggs pink georgette, and each wearing corsages of pink roses. The vows were taken before an altar of pink and white flowers, ferns and palms with a background of pines. The soft lights cast a glow upon the bride and groom as they entered unattended and took their places. Acting as ushers were Messrs. Henry Sloumb, C. C. Canaday, C. G. Jernigan and Otis Porter, brother-in-law of the bride.

The bride wore a rose georgette dress with black, hat trimmed in rose and carried an arm bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley.

Mrs. Bowman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Goodrich. She has been a stenographer for the First National Bank for a number of years and has a host of friends here and throughout the county who will learn with interest of her marriage. Mr. Bowman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Bowman, of Reidsville. He came here several months ago from Wilson as manager of Pender's store. He is a young man of pleasing personality and fine business ability. He has made a number of friends since coming to Benson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowman left immediately after the ceremony for a wedding trip through Western North Carolina. They will be at home after August 10 at Benson.

Presbyterian Services
Smithfield Sunday 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Bible classes 9:50 a. m. Public invited.

Wheel Of School Progress Turns

Princeton-Brogden Election Carries — Nine School Buildings Now Under Way in County

The election which was carried in the Princeton-Brogden school district last Tuesday was just another cog placed in the wheel of Johnston county school progress. There was a registration of 384 in the two districts, 287 of which voted for a fifty cent tax on the hundred dollars worth of property, while 24 voted against the proposition. The issue carried in both districts. The registration in Princeton alone was 276 with 215 votes for, and 15 against; while the registration in the Brogden district was 108 with 72 votes for and nine against. The carrying of the election means that the children of the Brogden district will have high school advantages at Princeton and the school at Brogden will provide only elementary school advantages.

Two more school elections are now pending in the county, one in the Corinth district and one in the Pittman's district. These elections will mean the erection of a two room brick building in each of the districts for schools that will be feeders for nearby high schools, and it will mean that the upper grade children of Carter's district will have the privilege of attending school at Princeton and those of Pittman's at Kenly. There is little doubt but that both of these elections will carry.

There are nine new brick buildings now under way in Johnston county, and only fifteen districts and a part of two others of the North Eastern Special School Taxing District that do not now have a tax of fifty cents on the hundred dollars worth of property for school purposes. The districts that have not voted a fifty cent tax are as follows: Pearce, Progress, Yelvington's Grove, Creech, Pomona, Pine Level, Royall, Massey, Live Oak, Thanksgiving, Corbett-Hatcher, Johnson's, Hopewell, Stanley, Stuart, a part of Plainview and a part of Jones.

Territory outside the North Eastern Special School Taxing District that has voted a fifty cent tax within the last year includes all of Cleveland township, part of Clayton township and two-thirds of Meadow. The nine buildings now under construction in the county include a sixteen room high school in Cleveland, a six room addition at Four Oaks, a four room addition at Corinth-Holders, eleven room dormitories at Micro and Corinth-Holders, sixteen room dormitories at Four Oaks and Meadow, an eight room dormitory at Archer Lodge, a six room school building to serve the community between Glendale and Corbett-Hatcher and a four room negro school building at Short Journey. All of these buildings are being constructed of brick.

There are now ten accredited high schools in the county, and Meadow school will go on the list this fall, making the total eleven. The other accredited schools besides Meadow are: Glendale, Kenly, Micro, Selma, Smithfield, Four Oaks, Benson, Clayton, Wilson's Mills and Princeton.

It looks now as if school progress in Johnston county is advancing about as fast as the school authorities are able to handle it. All of these buildings are expected to be ready for use this winter, and around a hundred workmen are busy to make this possible.

A recent ruling made by both the Board of Education and the Board of Commissioners would seem to have its effect upon the attendance for eight months of the year. Heretofore the county has trucked children for six months regardless of whether they completed the eight months term or not. The new ruling states that the county will truck the children only where the district will provide the extra two months' transportation and tuition from their local tax. The reason for this action is apparent. When children attend only six months of the school term

Negro, Age 110 Years, Dies At Selma Home

Selma, July 28.—Nestus Whitley, one of the oldest negroes in this section died at his home near Princeton Sunday. He was said to be 110 years old and was a slave of Mr. Kader Whitley who died before the Civil War. He owned a horse and buggy which he drove anywhere he wished to go until a week before his death. His relatives say he did not die of old age but that extreme heat of last week prostrated him.

He is reputed to be quite wealthy and a search was made nearly all of Monday night after his funeral for the silver which 'twas said he kept in a guano sack and would let not one know where he kept the treasure. He claimed to have the gift of healing and throngs of people, both white and colored visited his cabin every Sunday.

Veterans To Visit Old Battlefield

Confederate Youngster of 81 Plans To See Bentonville Battleground After 61 Years

The Herald had an interesting visitor Tuesday when Mr. G. H. Wall of Wake Forest who is visiting his sister, Mrs. Sue Tomlinson, of the Polenta section, gave us a call. Mr. Wall is a Confederate soldier and was in the battle of Bentonville sixty-one years ago. He together with the only living member of his company, Mr. John B. Brewer of Rockingham, is planning to visit the old battlefield at an early date and Mr. Wall was making some investigations in regard to the proposed visit. Mr. Wall and Mr. Brewer were members of the 2nd Regiment Company K. Col. Beasley of Oxford, was their commanding officer and Ruffian Williams was captain. Mr. Wall has never been to Bentonville since his memorable experiences there. He says he hardly expects to remember anything much around the place except the Harper house which is still standing, and which, after the battle, was used as a hospital. Mr. Brewer is on the committee to select a spot to place a monument which the State U. D. C. and other agencies in the state are planning.

Mr. Wall seemed so young looking to have fought in a battle over sixty years ago that we were constrained to ask his age which he readily gave us as only 81, and after seeing Mr. Wall we were not surprised to learn that his grandfather, Mr. Arter Wall lived to be 128 years old. Mr. Wall has a brother, Mr. Jasper Wall who is 78 years of age, and his sister, Mrs. Sue Tomlinson, has just observed her 86th birthday. Speaking of longevity, said Mr. Wall, I have a neighbor who is 103 years old and walks five miles to Wake Forest every week to see his daughter who is married and lives there.

Mr. Wall thinks walking is good for one's health and wonders about the present automobile age when practically no one walks if he can help it.

SELMA DOCTOR PERFORMS UNUSUAL OPERATION

Selma, July 29.—Mr. Aram Earp of this city had a very unusual operation Monday. During childhood he had both little toes broken and they had never ceased to give him trouble at times. His physician advised him that his only relief would be to have them amputated. Dr. J. B. Person did the operation, assisted by Dr. Geo. D. Vick and Dr. Elmore Earp. The patient is doing nicely and is able to be up in a rolling chair.

naturally they do not complete a grade and the work has to be taken again the next year. The two boards felt that the money spent in trucking them for six months only was largely wasted.

Death Saddens All Four Oaks

Mrs. Robert Keene Passes After Month's Illness — Funeral Conducted by Rev. J. A. Ivey of Hickory

Four Oaks, July 28.—This entire town and community was deeply saddened last Friday morning when it was learned that Mrs. Robert Keene had died during the previous night. Anxiety, concerning her critical condition, was such that Four Oaks people could hardly realize the truth of such a sad statement.

Mrs. Keene was the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lassiter who live near town. She was born January 17, 1895, being a little more than thirty and one-half years old at the time of her death. On June 19, 1911 she was married to Mr. Robert Keene of this place where they have resided practically all the time since their marriage. To this union six children were born, namely: Hug, Mildred, Almond, Durwood, Joe and Norma Lee.

Mrs. Keene leaves her devoted husband and children, her parents, four sisters, Mesdames Paul Johnson, James Parker and John Keene and Miss Vera Lassiter, and one brother, Mr. Ralph Lassiter, all of near Four Oaks.

The largely attended funeral was conducted at the Baptist church Friday afternoon by Rev. James Ivey of Hickory, a former pastor of the deceased. He was assisted by Rev. David Dodd, pastor of the Methodist church here. The choir sang, "Abide With Me," and "My Faith Looks Up To Thee."

Interment was made at the Four Oaks cemetery amid a concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives. The beautiful and numerous floral designs attested the high esteem in which the deceased was held. The pall bearers were Messrs. J. H. Dixon, Wilbur Lee, Albert Keene, Louis Keene, B. B. Creech, B. T. Barbour, Willard and Preston Massengill.

Mrs. Keene had been ill for some time but never gave up until about a month ago. She went to the Johnston County Hospital for treatment but returned home in a few days in order to gain strength for an operation. Upon returning to the hospital she underwent an operation followed by two minor ones from which she never recovered.

For several years Mrs. Keene had been an ardent and loyal member of the Baptist church. Every phase of church activity found her ready and willing to do her part. As a Sunday school teacher, a devoted church attendant, a loyal B. Y. P. U. leader and a faithful W. M. U. worker she did much to help her town and community.

As a tireless and sympathetic worker Mrs. Keene always supported and often led in any call for those in need. All the public and moral needs of the town found her service gladly offered. She has already been greatly missed at her home, her church and in fact in the entire town. As time goes on she will be missed more.

Four Oaks has been fortunately blessed with her life and is grateful for what she has meant to it. This was proved when the people turned out en masse to pay a tribute of respect to her, having closed all the places of business during the funeral hour. The sympathy of the whole town is extended to the sorrowing relatives and especially to Mr. Keene and his children.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Mr. Millard Smith, of Bentonville, underwent an operation at the Johnston County Hospital here Wednesday. He is getting along nicely.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Privette of this city on July 22, a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robie Wallace of Coates, on July 17, a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Langdon of Angier, July 28, a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Johnson of Princeton, on July 28, a son.

Misses Onie Thomas and Sudie Blackman who are in training at the hospital here have returned to the hospital after spending their vacation at their homes near Four Oaks.

Little Miss Ruth Barnes, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reales Barnes, is recovering nicely from colitis.

Dr. R. S. Stevens and Dr. B. F. Aycock, of Princeton, were visitors at the hospital yesterday.

W. J. Hooks Talks To Kiwanis Club

Stresses Need of Good Tobacco Market In Smithfield; E. G. Talton Also Speaks

Attorney W. J. Hooks, of Kenly, was the principal speaker at the Kiwanis meeting held here yesterday at noon at the Smithfield Hotel. Mr. Hooks confined his remarks to agriculture and stressed particularly the need of a good tobacco market in Smithfield. The Kenly attorney urged the business men to cooperate in helping to make this a good market. He said the people from his section of the county were well pleased with the prices they received here last season and assured his hearers that they would patronize this market again. Mr. Hooks suggested that they get the tobacco growers of the county interested in this market and all pull together toward its success.

Following Mr. Hook's address, Mr. E. G. Talton, one of Kenly's oldest citizens, made a few remarks, mentioning the progress this county has made since he was a little boy. He is delighted with the good roads, the modern ways of traveling and other improvements on every hand.

Mr. Underwood In City

Mr. T. W. Underwood, of Newton Grove, was a visitor here a few days this week, the guest of his brother, Mr. J. D. Underwood. He was accompanied by his son, Father Francis, a Catholic priest of Lakewood, N. J. Father Francis has been engaged in the teaching of music and other work relating to the church.

Birth Announcement

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kornegay announce the birth of a son on July 20.

SCHEDULE SECOND HALF JOHNSTON COUNTY LEAG.

- August 3: Pine Level at Four Oaks; Smithfield at Princeton.
August 6: Four Oaks at Pine Level; Princeton at Smithfield.
August 10: Four Oaks at Princeton; Smithfield at Pine Level.
August 13: Princeton at Four Oaks; Pine Level at Smithfield.
August 17: Smithfield at Four Oaks; Pine Level at Princeton.
August 20: Four Oaks at Smithfield; Pine Level at Princeton.
August 24: Four Oaks at Pine Level; Princeton at Smithfield.
August 27: Pine Level at Four Oaks; Smithfield at Princeton.
August 30: Four Oaks at Princeton; Smithfield at Pine Level.
August 31: Princeton at Four Oaks; Pine Level at Smithfield.
September 2: Four Oaks at Smithfield; Pine Level at Princeton.
September 3: Smithfield at Four Oaks; Princeton at Pine Level.

Back in Battle



Despite her recent appendicitis operation which forced her out of European play, Helen Wills, American Tennis Champion announces she will defend her crown next month in National play at Forest Hills, N. Y.—and is here shown as she went out for first practice in tennis.

Four More Blocks Of Street Paving

Eight Blocks of Paved Sidewalks Are Added to the Original Contract

Smithfield's paving program goes forward and some of the road building machinery was about ready to leave town when insistent citizens once more pressed their requests for additional paving at a special meeting of the town board held Tuesday night, and the steam shovel will plow a little more Smithfield dirt.

The town has about exhausted the amount available for paving from the recent bond issue, and only four additional blocks were approved Tuesday night. Beginning at the corner at the residence of T. C. Young on Fourth street, this street will be paved to Davis street, and Davis street will be paved from the corner at M. B. Strickland's residence to Second street.

Eight more blocks of sidewalk was decided upon including three blocks of Second street from T. R. Hood's corner to Davis street, two blocks on Davis street from Tom Stephenson's to J. C. Ennis' home, and three blocks on Fourth street from the corner at J. W. Moore's to Davis street.

The appearance as well as the comfort of Smithfield will be greatly improved by the street paving. Surplus dirt taken from the paving area has been used to fill in a good many low places on sidewalks and around dwellings, and in some instances building lots have been raised.

FORMER JOHNSTONIAN MAKES GOOD OFFICER

Mount Olive, July 27.—"Uncle Haywood Troubled," an old negro, has just been caught for the third time since last September with whiskey in his possession for the purpose of sale, and caught by the same officer, C. H. Stevens. "Uncle Haywood" is always on the job and so is the chief. The first time Chief Stevens picked "Uncle Haywood", he had about four gallons in his door facings. The next time he had two gallons in a pit in the horse stable, and a sugar sack full buried under the house. The last time he had it hid in the top of his house, and the chief is at a loss as to where he will put it next.

To Clean Up Cemetery.

Friday, August 6, has been set to clean up the Webb graveyard. All who have relatives buried there are asked to bring dinner and tools, and come prepared to spend the day. C. L. WILKINS.

Prisoners Fill The County Jail

Thirty-four Including Six Women Were There Yesterday; Welfare Officer Is Busy Person

Johnston county's jail is full to overflowing. Yesterday 34 inmates were lodged on the top story of the courthouse, and an old man, who had been held temporarily until investigations could be made concerning his home, was released in order that his cell might be available for a prisoner. The juvenile room is being used for some women prisoners, six of whom are confined in jail, and a juvenile offender was yesterday being taken care of by the welfare superintendent.

The old man who was held here temporarily, Luther Britt by name, was found to be from Wayne county. He is old and decrepit, partly paralyzed and without much mind, and investigation revealed that he had been an inmate of the Wayne County Home at several intervals, and had at one time been in the insane asylum. Johnston county officials found him around the courthouse and took care of him in jail until it was found that he was not a Johnston county charge.

The welfare superintendent, Mrs. Thurston, was instrumental in obtaining information in regard to the old man, but this was perhaps the least of Mrs. Thurston's deeds during a busy week. Among other things she has placed a young fourteen-year-old girl from Oneals township at Samarcand, and has brought another girl from Samarcand to a good home in Johnston county. Also she has arranged a home for the four Eason children who have been boarding at the courthouse for the past several weeks. Two of these children, it will be recalled, are infected with tuberculosis, and it was difficult to find a place for them. The older boy found a home in the country recently and the other three children are now happy in the home of Mrs. E. F. Crump of this city. The county pays Mrs. Crump for their keep, and they are being well cared for.

"MA" FERGUSON TO RESIGN

Mrs. Miriam Amanda Ferguson, Texas' woman governor, familiarly known as "Ma" Ferguson will resign as the result of Saturday's primary in that state. Her opponent, Attorney-General Moody and Mrs. Ferguson had an agreement that if Mrs. Ferguson was beaten by one vote she would resign, and if Mrs. Ferguson led by 25,000 votes, Moody would resign. In the primary Saturday Moody's majority was around 100,000 votes. A special session of the legislature has been called to meet in September and the present incumbent expects her resignation to take effect not later than Nov. 1. The usual custom of giving a second term will be denied the first woman governor.

BOY IS SCALDED WHEN BARREL BURSTS

Princeton, July 29.—While pranking with an old steel barrel Monday evening Henry Holt was badly scalded when the barrel "busted." He had filled the barrel with water and made a fire under it. The barrel being air tight soon gathered steam and exploded. The doctor thinks he will be able to walk in three weeks.

A Tantalizer

There is exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield, and if the right one decipherers their name and will present it to The Herald office, we will present them with a complimentary ticket to the Victory Theatre. You must bring copy of this paper in order to secure ticket. Jimmie Davis recognized his name last issue. bthyeetdtero

AUNT ROXIE SAYS—

By Mc—



Times is so tite now twell when ye gits lil munnie de buyin' powah dun squeezed out'n it.