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SMITHFIELD NEEDS: Daily Meat and Milk Inspection, Bigger Pay Roll, A Modern Hotel, Renovation of Opera House, Chamber of Commerce

JOHNSTON COUNTY NEEDS: County Farm Agent, Better Roads Feeding Highways, Equal Opportunity for Every School Child, Better Marketing System, More Food and Feed Crops

Says Cooperative Selling Is Cure

U. B. Blalock Sees Organization As Only Hope For Better Price of Cotton.

SAYS FARMERS CAN JOIN FOR 1 YEAR

Raleigh, Oct. 2.—Utilization of the present cooperative marketing associations by a larger number of farmers is declared to be the remedy for the present low price of cotton in a telegram which U. B. Blalock, general manager of the North Carolina Cotton Growers Cooperative Association last night sent to Richard H. Edmunds, editor of the Manufacturer's Record, in response to a request from the editor for suggestions.

Mr. Blalock points out that cotton associations are now on the last year of a five year contract, thus permitting farmers to join the associations for one year.

Mr. Blalock suggests as a supplemental measure cooperation among local bankers and merchants, with meetings in each of the counties to devise means of holding a part of the present crop and reducing acreage next year. He also declares that passage of the Haugen bill would have greatly helped the situation.

"The present decline in cotton prices is deplorable. It will bring back conditions of nineteen-fourteen. During the last session of Congress our Southern Senators and Congressmen 'fiddled' while our Southern farmers planned to 'burn' their 'Rome' this fall by planting forty seven million acres in cotton. A price of twenty cents per pound for cotton as suggested by you is not out of line with other staple commodities and yet I am of that faith that do not believe you can ever control the acreage by legislative control or some method that will penalize overproduction. The proposed Haugen Bill was not perfect but some plan of this kind with an equalization fee whereby each bale of cotton would bear its proportionate part of the burden in carrying over the surplus is the only plan in my opinion that will ever help to control acreage. The average farmer who sells his cotton in the Fall has no further interest in it and will plant just as much cotton the following Spring as he can cultivate. If through an equalization process however he was carrying his proportionate part of the carryover or overproduction of the previous year it would have a very retarding influence over his planting too much cotton the coming season. England saved her rubber producers from bankruptcy but our Southern Senators and Congressmen left us to our folly. Agriculture will never take its place alongside other American industries until some plan is worked out by Congress whereby the surplus of our major crops can be carried over from the fat years into the lean years to be marketed. Congress could have created machinery that could now be functioning and saving to the South millions and millions of dollars on our greatest export crop. I doubt if any quickly devised plan can now be of any real service in saving the situation. Cooperative cotton marketing associations offer the only

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AUNT ROXIE SAYS—By Mc—

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For County Surveyor



JEFF LAMBERT

Lambert Is Man For Co. Surveyor

Democrats Select Good Surveyor Who Will Render Splendid Public Service.

Jeff Lambert is the candidate for County Surveyor on the Democratic ticket and there is probably a more conscientious and energetic young man in Johnston county than is Jeff Lambert. He is a good surveyor. His judgment is good. He is a moral young man and he believes in the highest thinking in all lines. His decisions are always just right and his qualifications for the job are beyond debate. Mr. Lambert is a brilliant young man and also a coming young man in Johnston county as a few minutes' conversation with him discloses.

Attention, School Teachers! The University of North Carolina has arranged for an extension class for the teachers of Johnston county who wish to raise or renew their state teachers certificate. It will be a course in English carrying two hours credit for degree work and also state certificate. This course will be given in Smithfield at the courthouse on Thursday afternoons at 4 o'clock, beginning October 7th and continuing for eight weeks. Any one interested will please correspond with Miss Mary E. Welch, Smithfield, Mrs. A. R. Wilson, Selma, or the University Extension Division, Chapel Hill.

Every one should try to attend the first meeting and register early.

Woman's Club To Meet The regular meeting of the Woman's Club will be held Wednesday afternoon at the club room at 3:30 o'clock. The members are urged to be present.

ARMISTICE DAY CELEBRATION PANNED The American Legion is already active in their effort to center all eyes on Smithfield on November 11th for the Armistice Day celebration. Nothing so far has gone beyond tentative plans, but enough is in sight to insure a day of many events on that occasion.

The day will begin with the eleven o'clock parade by the former service men. Then the unveiling of the monument and appropriate exercises will follow. After this a big barbecue dinner will be served.

In the afternoon some choir singers from different parts of the state will entertain the crowd and prizes will be awarded to the best musicians.

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Group Conference To Be Held Here

District No. 2 of Granville Presbyterian To Meet Here Thursday.

On Thursday, October 7, district No. 2 of the Granville Presbyterian will meet in a group conference at the Presbyterian church here. This district is composed of Johnston, Wake, Franklin and Nash counties, and representatives from 20 churches are expected to be present. Lunch will be served the visitors by the ladies of the local church in the Woman's Club room at the noon hour. The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting and the ladies of all the Presbyterian churches in the county are urged to be present.

The program for the day has been well planned and promises to be instructive and full of interest. It is as follows:

- 10:00 a. m. Call to Order. Granville Presbyterian Hymn. Prayer. Welcome: Mrs. J. H. Kirkman. Response: Mrs. J. P. Metcalf. 10:15 Bible Hour: Mrs. L. C. Oldham. 11:15 Address, Home Missions: Rev. Chester Alexander. 11:30 Big Sister Movement: Mrs. Howell. 11:45 Conference of Local Auxiliary Officers with their respective Presbyterian Officers. 1:00-2:00 Luncheon and Social Hour—Smithfield Auxiliary Hostess. 2:00 p. m. Short Devotional: Mrs. E. N. Booker. 2:15 Stewardship: Mrs. J. B. Spillman. 2:45 Question Box—(What is Your Problem?) 3:00 Our Presbyterian School: Miss Harriet Brown, Peace Institute. 3:30 Has the Conference Helped You? (Expressions by representatives from each church). 3:45 Announcements. 4:00 Adjournment.

GILMER WHARTON IS ON REPORTERS' CLUB

Davidson, Sept. 28.—W. S. Woods, of China, has been elected president of the Reporters' Club at Davidson College, an organization which recognizes the ability of the students in journalistic fields. W. S. Gordon, of Hamlet, was president, but was recently appointed on the staff of The Davidsonian, membership in the club being automatically curtailed.

B. A. Wilson, of Marion, is vice president of the organization, with T. T. Jones, of El Paso, Texas, secretary-treasurer. Members are: C. C. Murchison, of Columbia S. C.; H. M. Austin, of Laredo, Tex.; W. T. Covington, of Raeford; W. T. Davis, of Lancaster, S. C.; John Moriarity, of Ripley, Tenn.; C. R. Lake, of Greenville, Miss.; R. R. Kane, of Atlanta, Ga.; J. W. Gwin, of Lexington, Miss.; R. H. McIlwaine, of Japan; J. P. McKnight, of Shelby; A. M. Sparrow, of Ransonville; W. R. Weaver, of Smithfield; J. G. Wharton, of Smithfield.

Observe Rally Day

After a short lesson period Sunday morning at the Presbyterian Sunday school, Rally Day was observed. Owing to the late arrival of the literature, only a short program was given but all the numbers were rendered in true rally day spirit. The collection taken at this service will be used for Sunday school extension. For the past two years this Sunday school has been awarded the banner by the Granville Presbytery as the Sunday school in this presbytery having the largest contribution on rally day.

CORRECTION IN CHAUTAUQUA DATES

The Chautauqua dates for Smithfield are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 20, 21 and 22 instead of 19, 20 and 21 as stated in our last issue. The Swarthmore Company has arranged an unusually fine program for this year. Watch for the program in detail.

SENATOR HEFLIN HERE OCTOBER 8TH.

It is now a settled fact that Senator J. (Tom) Heflin of Alabama will deliver an address here in the courthouse on Friday night, October 8th at 7:30 o'clock. As a silver-tongued orator and a witty and resourceful debater, he has few rivals in the entire nation, and his coming to Smithfield is of importance enough to attract one of the largest crowds which has ever been here to attend a political speaking. Every man, woman and child who can come to Smithfield next Friday night should hear Senator Heflin. His speech will not be forgotten soon by those who will hear him.

Benson Man Is Killed By Shock

Body of Ernest Johnson, Student At Westinghouse Electric School, Pittsburgh, Pa., Arrives In Benson.

Benson, Oct. 4.—News reached here Saturday of the death of Mr. Ernest Johnson, which occurred at Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. Johnson was doing post graduate work at Westinghouse Electric School, where he had won a scholarship. He graduated from this school last spring. The particulars of the death are meagre and practically all that was known is that he was electrocuted by a live wire while at work. The deceased was a splendid young man only twenty-six years of age. He graduated from the Benson high school before going to Pittsburgh for an electrical course. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnson of this city. Surviving him besides his parents are two brothers and two sisters: E. A. Johnson of Oxford, Joseph Johnson and Mrs. W. R. Strickland, of Benson, and Miss Florence Johnson, of Seattle, Washington.

The town is saddened because of the passing of this young man who had such a brilliant future. The body is expected to arrive this afternoon on the six o'clock train and the funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Methodist church. Rev. J. E. Blalock, pastor of the Methodist church, of which church the deceased was a member, will conduct the funeral.

SHOW AT OPERA HOUSE IN SELMA

Parisian Follies Company To Present Classiest, Flashiest and Funniest Show Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Red Walters, South's premier blackface, first comic, who is considered one of the funniest blackfaces in the South. Joe Sterling, second comic, makes a clever foil for Red Walters' funny antics, during the stage act of Parisian Follies, portraying characters of eccentric boob and rube, as well as appear in specialties. Edna Davis, prima donna, the girl with the big voice, in special numbers with settings. Ruby Denning, a petite sourette, wins her audience with the clever rendition of character and blue songs. Lubin Sisters, two clever young misses in singing and dancing specialties. Ted Witzgall, in character songs and wooden shoe dancing. Herry French, straight man, who is considered the best dressed on this time, and who never fails in rapid fire dialogue with the two comics. A chorus of singing and dancing damsels. Costumes and scenery. We positively guarantee to be the most elaborate on this time.

Also Rin-Tin-Tin, the wonderful dog of the screen, in his newest picture, "The Call of the Wolves."

It won't be long now before we will be returning to the old swimming hole, meaning the bathtub.

Judge Cranmer At Funeral Service Methodist Church For Mrs. Parker

Says Parents Are Not Grounding Their Children In The Faith of The Old Book.

The question is frequently asked in recent times "What is wrong with our boys and girls?", but declared Judge E. H. Cranmer, in a sermon at the Methodist church Sunday evening, the trouble lies with the parents. Turn to history and one will find that the degradation of women and the decline of the home were responsible for the destruction of Rome.

Judge Cranmer is holding a two weeks term of civil superior court here, and the Methodist pastor gained his consent to speak from his pulpit Sunday evening. The speaker wondered how many had turned out Sunday night to hear the "Judge" and how many had just gone to church. In the beginning he stated that those expecting a speech on some topic of the day would be disappointed. He wanted to bring a message to the old who had gone to church seeking comfort, and to the young who wanted sympathy and understanding. He quoted a part of the sermon on the Mount from the sixth chapter of Matthew and based his remarks particularly upon the words: "Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven and all these things shall be added unto you."

He stressed the fact that no life unless founded upon the principles of God's book is a success, and if God's book is His revelation to us, it is necessary for us to read it in order to know his will. No money could buy the memory of those present, he said, who could recall when their parents had gathered the family around them and read from the Holy Scriptures. If such a memory is so precious Judge Cranmer wanted to know why fathers and mothers are not giving their boys and girls the same help. Parents are wanting to educate their children. They are wanting to give them better opportunities than they had, but they are neglecting spiritual training. A lot is being said about self-expression, but the word duty is being forgotten. Are parents carrying their children to Jesus? Are they setting the right example as to Sabbath observance? Are they putting first things first in the faith that all other needed things shall be provided?

If they are not it is their own fault. If folks do not read the Bible, declared Judge Cranmer, it is because they do not want to. People find time to read the newspapers, to read current literature, but he wondered how many spent fifteen minutes a day reading the Bible.

The judge's message was appreciated by the large crowd present as evidenced by the careful attention which his audience gave him.

AVERAGE OF 55 CENTS FOR LOT OF TOBACCO

Farmers are still pleased with the prices of tobacco here. Mr. G. D. Phillips of the Johnston school section, sold a load on this market last week which averaged 55 cents before the warehouse charges were deducted. His load weighed 788 pounds and his net check was \$422.86.

JOHNSON HAYES TO SPEAK IN JOHNSTON CO.

A communication from the Patriotic and Protective League, of Raleigh, announces that Johnson J. Hayes will speak at two points in Johnston county this week. On Friday, October 8, he will speak at Smithfield at 2 p. m. He will speak at Selma Friday evening, October 8 at eight o'clock. Johnson J. Hayes is a Republican candidate for the United States Senate.

Toastmaster: (Ripping sleeping member on the head with gavel): "Wake up, brothe. Brothe Blubber is speaking." Sleeping member: "Hit me again, I can still hear him."

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Sunday evening at 9:20 o'clock Mrs. Bettie Vinson Parker passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. H. Brooks. Mrs. Parker had been ill since her return several weeks ago from Asheville, where, according to her custom, she spent every summer and during the past few weeks her condition became critical.

Funeral services were held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brooks yesterday afternoon. Rev. Chester Alexander, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and Rev. S. L. Morgan, pastor of the Baptist church, conducted the service. The deceased was a member of the Christian church, and held her membership at Wilson's Mills, her old home.

The body was taken to Asheville to the home of her son, Mr. O. V. Parker, and the burial will take place from there in Riverside cemetery by the side of her husband who preceded her to the grave several years ago. The floral offerings were beautiful attesting the esteem in which the deceased and her family are held.

The pall bearers were: James Vinson of Goldsboro, F. J. Edwards of Raleigh, W. T. Ferrell of Durham, T. H. Atkinson of Selma, J. H. Abell, W. M. Gaskin, L. T. Royall and H. P. Stevens.

Mrs. Parker had lived until the twenty-fifth of next February would have rounded out four score years. She was born February 25, 1848 near Wilson's Mills, this county, her parents being James and Elizabeth Bridgers Vinson. She spent her early life near Wilson's Mills. On 16th of December, 1874, she married Anthony Leece Parker of Harnett county. In the year 1892 they moved to Asheville. Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Parker has spent the winter months in this city with her daughters. Mrs. F. H. Brooks and Mrs. C. I. Pierce.

Seven children survive as follows: Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Pierce, O. V. Parker and Mrs. A. C. Wirth of Asheville, A. Fred Parker of Jacksonville, Fla., James A. Parker of La Mesa, California, and Mrs. R. L. Tomlinson of Wilson. One son, Ralph W. Parker, of Asheville, died several years ago.

The deceased will be greatly missed for the beautifying influence of a life ever bright and cheerful was a benefaction to all within the sphere of its influence.

Among those from out of town here to attend the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Edwards and Mrs. Chas. E. McLean of Raleigh; Mrs. S. P. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Page, Misses Anna, Mary and Cora Ferrell and W. T. Ferrell, of Durham; Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Atkinson and Miss Bettie Vinson, of Selma; Mrs. P. H. Massey, of Wilson's Mills; Mr. Ross Duncan and Mrs. Rosa Duncan, of Clayton.

In a storm at Salisbury, Australia, the wind was so furious that a number of iron telegraph posts were bent over until the cross-arms at the top actually touched the ground.

PRICES STILL GOOD ON TOBACCO MARKET

The Smithfield tobacco market opened here on Sept. 7th along with other eastern markets. Since that day there has been a daily increase in sales and a daily increase in price until Monday, Oct. 4, they surpassed them all. As we understand from what farmers say, the best sale and the best prices that have been seen this year were obtained on the Smithfield market here yesterday. Good ripe tobacco is now bringing fancy prices on the Smithfield market and the tendency is all the time upward. There is no better place to sell tobacco than Smithfield.

Good Revival at Sardis

The revival at Sardis Baptist church started off well Sunday night with a large attendance and an unusually good service. Rev. Mr. Naff preached his first sermon yesterday afternoon and last night and the prospects are encouraging for a good meeting. The services will be held every afternoon this week at 3:30 o'clock and every night at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to all the services. JAS. W. ROSE, Pastor.

The busy man has few idle visitors. To the boiling pot the flies come not.

For Coroner



J. H. KIRKMAN

James H. Kirkman Would Be Coroner

Has Served The County Efficiently In This Capacity and Will Serve Well Again If Elected.

James H. Kirkman is the Democratic nominee for coroner. This is not the first time he has been on the ticket. He has served his county in this capacity for a number of years and will serve it well again if elected.

Mr. Kirkman is a native Johnstonian, the son of the late Dr. L. E. Kirkman and Mrs. Kirkman. He received his education in the local schools of Smithfield, and entered the business world here where he has spent practically all of his days. He has a number of "firsts" to his credit that are of interest. He has the distinction of owning and operating the first telephone exchange which was the only exchange Smithfield had until Mr. Kirkman sold it to the Carolina Telephone Company. He was the first in Smithfield to own and ride a bicycle which was of the high horse type and had to be mounted with the assistance of a step-ladder or high chair.

Mr. Kirkman owned the second hardware store established in the county but he sold this business some years ago. He also was the purchaser of the second automobile in Johnston county which was a one cylinder, left hand crank, two passenger car. He was in the automobile business for a number of years but some time ago he sold out to Mr. L. D. Debnam of Selma. He is now giving his sales to the development of the same in this state of the Moncrief Fur-nace Company, of Atlanta, Ga., and the Oliver Oil Burner Company, of St. Louis. Mr. Kirkman is also working on an invention for which he has applied for a patent.

NURSE TO ASSIST IN HEALTH WORK

Dr. C. C. Massey, county health officer, has secured the services of Miss Draper Fultz of the Maternity and Infancy Department of the State Board of Health to assist in the problem of midwife control which the local health department is undertaking for the purpose of closer supervision over midwife activities. This program will continue through a period of four weeks.

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Cleveland's Farm Bureau At Work

Chairmen of Various Committees Appointed; Winter Activities Outlined.

The Cleveland Township Farm Bureau met Friday night in the new consolidated school house. The constitution and by-laws of the organization were adopted and the members got started on the winter program.

The following committees were appointed and instructed to work at once: social life committee, Mrs. A. T. Lassiter, chairman; publicity, Mr. J. E. Jones; reading, Mr. S. B. Hardee, agriculture, Mr. Victor Barbour.

Some of the proposed activities are: a radio for the school, a local library for the school at least 500 volumes, planting and otherwise beautifying the school grounds this fall and winter, one or more plays given this winter, and advertising the community in order to get more good farmers to make it their home.

The Bureau will meet regularly once a month on the third Friday night. Speakers and lecturers will be on hand from time to time. The Bureau also stands ready to cooperate with any section of the county or the whole county to bring about any progress which the county so sorely needs. It desires to help rather than hinder the county officials in their duty in the county so the president says.

The new school and the better resulting school facilities have stimulated the local folks to a new action and determination to get things done for the common good. Visitors are always welcome.

WHISKEY FOUND ON PREMISES WILL FUTRELL

Yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock Chief C. R. Cable and J. F. Johnson, a plainclothes officer, searched the residence and premises of Will Futrell, a colored man of this city, and found buried in his yard two half-gallon jugs of corn whiskey. An unknown negro got a gallon about thirty steps from the house and got away. Futrell was arrested and placed under a \$100 cash bond for his appearance in recorder's court on October 12. Futrell has been watched for some time and some months ago his place was searched but nothing was found.

PARADE STARTS AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK TODAY

Mr. Lyndon Jordan, chief marshal of the fair, is arranging for a good parade. About twenty-seven cars have been secured and two brass bands. The parade will start at 11 o'clock at the courthouse. It will go to Hood Brothers corner then turn to the left and turn to the left again at the armory, coming back to the postoffice. The procession will proceed down Market street again and wind its way to the fair ground where it will circle the race track.

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