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## Finds Old Copy Of The Herald

Issue of Thirty-Five Years  
Ago Interesting His-  
tory; Two Negroes On  
Town Board At That  
Time.

Mrs. Dal Smith recently came across an old copy of the Herald dated October 19, 1893. Thirty-four years have brought about many changes, not only as regards Smithfield's newspaper, but as to the old town itself.

The editor of the paper in 1893 was A. M. Woodall, and J. M. Beatty is listed as soliciting agent. Every line of the seven column four page sheet was set by hand, but a smaller sheet could have been taken care of the actual news which it carries. Less than a column on the front page is devoted to news, and this is taken up with state news paragraphs. There is one column of editorial, a column of local items concerning Smithfield, and three news letters, one each from Princeton, Kenly, and Selma. An account of a bad storm takes up nearly a column. The rest of the paper consists of various miscellaneous articles, including one of Bill Arrp's letters reprinted from the Atlanta Constitution and a few advertisements. There are four legal ads measuring a total of seven inches.

Changes in the old town itself are evidenced by the town directory on the first page. Two negroes, A. W. Smith and Daniel Thomas, are listed on the board of town commissioners. Other members of the board at that time were: J. A. Morgan, W. L. Woodall, W. M. Ives, F. J. Williams, J. L. Davis, W. L. Fuller and J. B. Hudson. Seth Woodall was mayor of the town; A. M. Woodall, town clerk; John E. Hood, treasurer; G. N. Peacock, tax collector; and J. C. Bingham, policeman.

Rev. W. H. Puckett was pastor of the Methodist church, which had services once a month, as did all the churches. Dr. J. B. Beckwith was Sunday school superintendent. Rev. J. H. Poston was pastor of the Baptist church with J. M. Beatty as superintendent of the Sunday school. Elder J. A. T. Jones was pastor of the Primitive Baptist church. The Presbyterians had not built a church but Rev. John A. McMurray conducted services every third Sunday in the old academy building, long since removed from what is now a part of the cemetery.

Turlington Institute furnished educational facilities with the following faculty: Ira T. Turlington, principal; J. L. Davis, assistant; T. R. Crocker, Latin and Greek; Capt. B. L. Creech, military tactics; E. B. Grantham, penmanship; J. W. Denning, telegraphy; T. J. Lassiter, teacher in the primary department; Mrs. Ira T. Turlington, music.

Two lodges, County Farmers Alliance, and two negro churches, Methodist and Baptist, are also listed in the directory.

### Baptist Choir Practice.

All those who will assist in singing in the Baptist choir are requested to meet this evening at the home of Mrs. M. A. Wallace at 8 o'clock.

### Centenary Methodist Church.

Sunday school at 9:30, T. C. Young, superintendent. Preaching at 11 and 8 by the pastor, D. E. Earnhardt.

Preaching at Brogden school house at 3:30 Sunday afternoon.

## Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield, and if the right one decipher his name and will present it to The Herald office, we will present him with a complimentary ticket to the Victory Theatre. Tickets must be called for before the following issue.

Aaron Penny recognized his name last issue.

Today's Tantalizer: smnagzebi

## The Other Mother



Mrs. E. C. Chamberlin of Denison, Iowa, mother of Clarence Chamberlin, America's second air ace—and now holder of the long distance flying record, New York to Germany.

## Gosney Trustee Of Horne Estate

Creditors Stage Sharp  
Fight Over Appointment  
In Big Meeting

After a sharp contest among creditors, who hung around Raleigh all day in order to be able to cast their votes, C. A. Gosney, trust officer of the Commercial National Bank of Raleigh was yesterday named as trustee in bankruptcy of the estate of Charles W. Horne, of Clayton, both as an individual and trading as Ashley Horne and Son. Another meeting of the creditors will be held on July 6 for the examination of Mr. Horne. Joseph B. Cheshire, Jr., United States Referee in Bankruptcy announced yesterday that he will not appoint an attorney for the receiver until he has an opportunity to consult with Judge Isaac M. Meekins.

Under the bankruptcy laws a trustee cannot be elected by creditors unless he receive a majority both of the creditors voting and of the amount of claims.

Mr. Gosney, who was supported generally by the bankers and other creditors who joined Mr. Horne in resisting bankruptcy after a friendly receivership had been secured in the State courts, received an overwhelming majority of the claims represented, the vote standing \$660,245.52 to \$190,661.85 but the vote among the creditors was extremely close, Gosney receiving 160 votes, only two more than the 158 cast for R. C. Gillette, president of the Farmers' Bank and Trust Company of Smithfield. About an hour was required to tabulate the vote and many thought Mr. Gillette had offset the greater claims by receiving a majority of the votes of creditors.—News and Observer.

### Presbyterian Services.

Oakland Sunday morning. Preaching by pastor. Smithfield Sunday night at 8 o'clock. Preaching by pastor. Christian Endeavor at 7:15 Smithfield. Public cordially invited.

### Courthouse Closed July 4.

The county officials announce that all the offices in the courthouse will be closed on Monday, July 4. The county commissioners will hold their regular session on Tuesday, July 5. Both banks will also be closed that day. July 4 is a legal holiday and will be generally observed here.

### Baptist Church Sunday.

Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Sermon by the pastor at 11 on "The Besetting Sin of Smithfield." Intermediate B. Y. P. U. at 7:15 p. m. Evening worship and sermon at 8 p. m.

### Leave For Camp Sequoyah.

Messrs. Bill and Cullen Hooks left this week for Camp Sequoyah near Asheville. Bill Hooks will be one of the counselors of the camp, which is owned and operated by a Johnston county young man, Mr. C. Walton Johnson.

RENEW your subscription

## Tobe Holt Is Found Guilty

Judge Aycock Imposes  
Sentence of 18 Months  
On Roads Other Cases  
of Interest.

An outstanding case in Recorder's Court this week was that of Tobe Holt, of Princeton, which consumed a large part of Wednesday morning's session. Holt was charged with the possession of whiskey for the purpose of sale, and according to a statement made by Judge Aycock this is the first offender of this phase of the prohibition law on so big a scale, to be arraigned in his court.

Solicitor Larry F. Wood, in the brief remarks which he made before turning over the case to the judge, stated that about seventy-five per cent of the cases which come up in Recorder's court are connected with the violation of the prohibition laws. He stated that when a man charged with possession of whiskey is tried, it nearly always develops that the whiskey was obtained from some mysterious stranger. If a drunk automobile driver is arraigned, the whiskey was sure to have been secured from the same mysterious stranger. At this time, said the solicitor, one of those "mysterious strangers" has been brought in court with as clear a case against him as the state can conceive.

Judge Aycock took only a few minutes in which to render the verdict of the court, which found the defendant guilty and sentenced him to eighteen months in jail to work the roads of Johnston county. He gave notice of an appeal.

Only three witnesses were examined during the trial. The state put up T. E. Talton and George Weeks, two of the deputies which aided in the apprehension of Holt. The state presented to the court a number of containers and paraphernalia found around Holt's premises.

Holt went on the stand in his own defense, and denied any knowledge of the numerous bottles and jugs found around his place.

Other cases tried in Recorder's Court this week include the following:

State vs David McLamb charged with assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill. Probable cause was found and the defendant was bound over to Superior court under a \$1000 bond. This case grew out of an altercation between the defendant and his father over some fodder, the son shooting his father.

State vs W. A. Byrd charged with violating the prohibition laws found guilty of possession and fined \$25 and cost.

State vs Clarence Smith charged with operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated, found guilty and sent to jail for a term of 60 days to be worked on the roads of Johnston county and pay the cost. The defendant is not to operate a motor vehicle again in 90 days after road sentence is served.

State vs Willis Glass and Charley Dale charged with reckless driving. Both were adjudged guilty and each defendant were fined \$50 and one-half cost. Mr. Glass took an appeal to Superior court.

State vs Wharton Arrington, Clarence Sanders, and Gasker Buie, charged with manslaughter. Probable cause was found as to Arrington who was bound over to Superior court under a \$500 bond. Sanders and Buie were found not guilty and were discharged from further custody. These men are the negroes who were held in connection with the death of one, Willie Sasser, who recently ran into the car of the negroes parked on the highway, and was killed.

State vs Clifton McCullers charged with larceny. Defendant was found guilty and was sentenced to jail for a term of 60 days to be worked on the roads of Johnston county and pay cost.

State vs W. V. Byrd charged with violating the prohibition laws. Defendant was found guilty of possession, and was sentenced to jail for a term of 90 days to be worked on the roads of Johnston county

## Benson Girl Wins In Essay Contest

Miss Addie Wood Receives  
National Recognition  
—Other Interesting Benson News.

BENSON, June 23.—Miss Addie Wood, of near Benson, won the national prize for the best essay on the "Constitution" from the elementary schools. This is an honor and Miss Wood is to be congratulated.

The Twentieth Century Club held a delightful meeting Thursday evening with Miss Vallie Hill at the home of Mrs. A. S. Oliver on Church Street. The house was attractively decorated in Shasta daisies, the club flower. Bridge was played at four tables. The score cards were handpainted daisies. Mrs. Leon Talton won the high score. The booby went to Mrs. W. T. Martin. Present besides the club members were: Mesdames P. H. Starling, Alfred Parker, A. S. Olier, W. T. Martin, Paul Johnson and Miss Sarah Turlington. Punch, an ice course with homemade cake and mints were served. Attractive favors were given.

Mr. Talmadge Lucas has accepted a position in Dunn with the railroad company.

Mr. R. C. Wells is at home for a few days' visit to his family. Miss Cathryn Blalock is visiting friends in Hillsboro for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Boone, of Raleigh, spent Sunday in town with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dixon have moved to Church street near the school building.

Mrs. J. C. Bryan, of Rocky Mount, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. J. Willis Creech.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Canaday spent Wednesday in Raleigh.

Mr. J. W. Parrish and children and Miss Sarah Parrish are spending a week at Brevard with Mr. and Mrs. Poole.

Miss Lallah Rookh Stephenson, of Smithfield, was in town Friday. Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Massey, of Smithfield, spent Thursday evening in town with friends.

Dr. Blackman, of near Selma, was in town this week.

Dr. W. T. Martin is in Raleigh this week attending the meeting of the State Board of Examiners. Mr. Edgar Wall was operated on in Wilson Thursday for appendicitis. He was taken sick almost suddenly and rushed to the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Canaday, of

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### OFFICERS MAKE RAID

Yesterday about eleven o'clock, T. E. Talton and R. E. Holt left Smithfield and went to Boon Hill township in search of a whiskey still. They reached the spot for which they were headed which was about three-quarters of a mile from the highway near Princeton, but the birds had flown and had evidently taken with them the still. The officers found, however, seven gallons of wine, a small amount of whiskey and six barrels of beer which they destroyed. They then followed a path to the home of Monroe King, a negro, and found sufficient evidence to arrest King and place him in jail to await trial.

and pay the cost. Capias is not to issue upon payment of \$100 fine and cost and on condition that the defendant does not violate the prohibition law in any form within the next twelve months.

State vs T. S. Byrd charged with violating the prohibition law. Byrd was found not guilty, it developing that the peach brandy in question belonged to his wife who had kept it since before the days of the eighteenth amendment for medicinal purposes, and the Judge deputized R. U. Barbour, a member of the County Board of commissioners as an officer of the law to take the brandy back to her. Mr. Barbour appeared in the case as a character witness.

Several other cases were on the calendar for the week but the nature of the offences sent them up to a higher court where they will be tried.

## Dempsey Today



Ten weeks' work in a secluded Bespe Mountain Camp has convinced Jack Dempsey he is fit again. He is expected to announce himself ready within the next three weeks for battle to regain his title against either Sharkey or Tunney.

## New Gin Plant Being Erected

Improved Cleaning System  
Feature of Stevens  
& Ogburn's New Gin

With the completion of the handsome new brick bungalow of Mr. W. P. Lawrimore on Hancock Street, building operations were on the verge of being at a standstill in this city. Stevens and Ogburn, however, saved the day by beginning last Tuesday the erection of a new gin plant which will be completed by August 15, in time for the fall ginning season.

The new gin will be located on the corner of Johnson and Ninth Streets next to J. W. Daughtry's store. It will be just across the street from the cotton platform at the station. The gin will be a new three 80-saw Continental outfit with Huller gins and improved cleaning system. It will be ball-bearing throughout, and will be operated by an electric motor.

The maximum capacity of this new gin will be fifty bales per day. Its cleaning system is modern and up-to-date. It takes all trash out of cotton that plain gins will not clean thus improving low grade cotton. The owners are conservative in the claims they make for this new outfit, preferring rather that the machinery speak for itself after the cotton farmers have given it a trial.

J. V. Ogburn, of the firm Stevens and Ogburn, will be manager of the new gin. This firm is making plans to serve the cotton farmer in every way possible. It has been buying cotton since its organization some months ago. Mr. Everett Smith Stevens, a member of the firm, bought cotton on the local market prior to forming a co-partnership with Mr. Ogburn.

### FRESH AIR NEEDED BY TOBACCO ROOTS

RALEIGH, June 14.—Tobacco is a fresh air devotee and even its roots like to have a plentiful supply of the life-giving oxygen.

"Waterlogged rootlets mean poor quality of tobacco," says E. Y. Floyd, tobacco extension specialist at State College. "That is why we advocate the ridge system of cultivating the crop. Farmers who use this method along with proper soil, good fertilization and care of the crop always produce a better quality of tobacco than the man who does not. We have found that a continuous supply of air circulating in the soil throughout the growing season is essential to the well being of the crop. To secure such circulation, the middle furrow between the rows must be kept open and below the level of the root system."

Mr. Floyd states that when the water-level in the soil is near the surface of the ground, the ridge used should be rather high and a four-furrow thrown up rather than the usual two-furrow ridge. The rows should be run so as to carry off all the surplus water and oth-

## E. G. Moore Guest At Kiwanis Club

Presents Hen, Hog and  
Cow Program; Club  
Favors A Smithfield  
Township Fair

The Kiwanis Club took several forward looking steps at its regular weekly luncheon held yesterday at noon at the Woman's club room. The club heartily endorsed the hen-hog-cow program presented by E. G. Moore, in charge of the branch office of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce located at Benson. Mr. Moore told of his plans for increasing the number of hens, hogs and cows in the three counties, Johnston, Sampson and Harnett, which he serves. He advised the farmers to make increases gradually and upon a paying basis.

The club at this meeting went on record favoring a Smithfield township fair. This action was taken following a unanimous recommendation of the agricultural committee which is headed by Mr. W. N. Holt.

There was some discussion concerning the establishment of a cottonseed oil mill in Smithfield, it being shown that within a radius of seven miles of this city there are twenty or more cotton gins. This matter was referred to the publicity committee composed of W. M. Gaskin and Everett Smith Stevens.

### TRI-COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION AT BENSON

BENSON, June 18.—According to a statement given out today by Mr. M. T. Britt, president of the tri-county convention, composed of choirs from Johnston, Harnett and Sampson and adjoining counties, Dr. Cyrus Thompson of Jacksonville, former secretary of state, and noted for his oratory will be present and deliver an address before the annual meeting here on the fourth Sunday in June, the 26th.

Dr. Thompson is well known all over North Carolina, and especially in Eastern North Carolina, where he has been identified with every forward movement for the past 35 years. Mr. Britt is especially pleased to announce that Dr. Thompson will be present for the exercises.

Another feature of the day will be an address by Mr. W. B. Malley, of Fayetteville, well and favorably known to all the singers in this entire section. The convention itself feels fortunate in securing both these speakers for this occasion.

Elaborate plans are being made for the most successful singing convention held during its seven years history. Choirs from Fayetteville, Greensboro, Henderson as well as from all over the counties composing the membership will be on hand. A feature of the day will be the singing of the famous Higgins sisters of Greensboro. The record crowd of fifteen thousand last year is expected to be augmented by several thousand this year, if the weather is permissible.

Singing will begin at 10 a. m. The contest for the silver loving cup now in possession of the Greensboro choir will take place immediately after the lunch hour.

### Spent Yesterday Here

Mrs. L. J. Best, of Dunn, was in the city yesterday the guest of her sister, Mrs. T. C. Young.

### Returns to Mima Florida

Miss Mabel Wellons, who has been spending the past three weeks here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wellons, will return to Miami, Fla., today.

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### A WARNING TO READERS

The readers of this paper are hereby warned not to make any down payments to traveling photographers. Canvassers claiming to be connected with a Florida art institute have been working in Charlotte soliciting entrants for a beauty contest, and claiming that the contest is sponsored by local newspapers. The newspapers know nothing of the arrangement, and the whole thing is apparently a fraud.

## Useless Blowing Of Horns Tabooed

Recent General Assembly  
Regulated Practice; Un-  
lawful To Use Auto  
Horn Except For Reason-  
able Warning.

GREENSBORO, June 23.—Irate citizens, nettled by promiscuous horn blowing by motorists, were remembered by the recent General Assembly, it was pointed out here today by C. W. Roberts, vice president of the Carolina Motor club in calling attention to Section 43 of the Uniform Motor vehicle code regulating operation of vehicles.

The section provides that every motor vehicle must be equipped with a horn in good working order and adds "it shall be unlawful for any person at any time to use a horn otherwise than as a reasonable warning, or to make any unnecessary or unreasonable loud or harsh sound by means of a horn or other warning device."

"Much complaint has been registered against drivers who begin a continuous honk-honk racket with their horns every time they are caught in a traffic jam," Mr. Roberts said. "This is entirely uncalled for and instead of speeding up traffic it often has the opposite effect, particularly if the car at which the honks are directed is in the hands of inexperienced or nervous motorists, who frequently stall their engines in a frenzied effort to change gears and get going in order to stop the horn blowing that is speedily taken up by most cars in the traffic line."

"Citizens in residential sections also find promiscuous horn blowing disconcerting. Chief offenders in these areas are lazy motorists who prefer to drive up in front of a house and bear down on the horn, disturbing everyone within several blocks, rather than take a few steps and push the door bell. Although the younger set calling for 'dates' makes up the majority of this class there are quite a few older persons who practice the same methods when in an automobile that they bitterly condemn while comfortably ensconced in a lounging robe endeavoring to read a newspaper."

The law also specifically states that while every vehicle must have a horn, use of any siren, compression or spark plug whistle is prohibited. Police, fire department and ambulance vehicles used for emergency calls may be equipped with a bell, siren, or exhaust whistle approved by the motor vehicle commissioner.

### Freewill Baptist Church.

Sunday school Sunday morning at 9:30, C. J. Thomas, superintendent. Church services Sunday morning 11:00 and Sunday night 8:00 by pastor, Rev. H. R. Faircloth.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:00. The Freewill Baptist League will meet Thursday evening, subject for discussing "Missions." Everybody is invited to attend. Choir practice Friday evening at 8:00.

### Presbyterian Appointments.

(June 26th.)  
Providence 11 a. m.  
Flowers Chapel, 3:30 afternoon.  
Spence Chapel, 8, night.  
Rev. L. Smith of Fayetteville, will fill the above appointments. The public is cordially invited.  
REV. D. McDONALD, Pastor.

## Benson To Have Live Stock Show

Three Counties, Johnston,  
Harnett, and Sampson  
Will Exhibit Livestock  
And Poultry.

BENSON, June 22.—Plans are being laid to hold the second annual tri-county livestock and poultry exposition at Benson some time during the latter part of September.

The exposition will be entirely local in nature, and no entries will be accepted from outside the counties of Johnston, Harnett and Sampson. Exhibits will be limited also to livestock products and equipment.

The event will be under the supervision of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce branch office at Benson, and E. G. Moore, manager of the office will act as secretary for the show. It is planned to have several first-class entertainments within the grounds for the amusement of those who come to see the stock.

The first livestock exposition was held at Benson last year and brought several thousand people here and many fine animals. A move is afoot now to bring several car loads of fine cows into this section and it is probable that the animals shown this year will surpass anything seen in this section.

### GOV. McLEAN ENDORSES MEMORIAL CHAPEL

RALEIGH, June 20.—Hearty endorsement of the movement to raise funds for the erection of a Protestant chapel at Fort Bragg has been given by Gov. A. W. McLean, in a letter to J. M. Lilly, of Fayetteville, president of the Fort Bragg Memorial Chapel association. A chapel built by the Catholic church is now the only chapel at Bragg, though there is a Protestant chaplain assigned there.

In his letter, the governor says: "It is with a sense of deep satisfaction that I am given the opportunity to endorse the movement for the erection of a Protestant memorial chapel on the military reservation at Fort Bragg."

"I do not hesitate to express the confident conviction that the people of the entire state will respond generously to the call for funds to be made during the week beginning June 20. However, I desire to express the earnest desire that they will do so. No person can do better than have a part in the erection of a house dedicated to the glory of God. The opportunity which your association will present to our people is one that all may accept, especially in view of the fact that the chapel which you propose to erect will be non-sectarian. Forms and ceremonies have differed, to suit the tastes and religious beliefs of various groups of believers, yet the practice of paying homage to a higher power has been almost universal. In the Christian land of ours, where every man is free to worship God as his conscience directs, religion has taken on a new meaning. No community is complete without its shrine, where private faith may be publicly expressed."

Four-H club work in Edneyville Community of Henderson county largely responsible for the new and costly school building recently erected there according to F. Clarke, a teacher in the school.

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