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## Road Building Goes Forward

**Superintendent Lodor Reports Work Done In Each District And Construction By Convict Force**

The Johnston county convict system, according to the report of Superintendent J. B. Lodor, consisted on an average of 37 prisoners during September, who had ditched 3,675 yards, cut the right of way on eight miles of roads, put in 9,368 cubic yards of fill, besides clearing and grading a considerable distance and doing other necessary work attendant upon building and maintaining a system of roads. The bridge force working county wide rebuilt and repaired 19 bridges.

The 37 prisoners were worked in three camps, one in Meadow Township, one in Pleasant Grove, and one in O'Neals. The superintendent rendered the following detailed report for each road camp:

Camp No. 2 located in Meadow Township, working an average of 14 prisoners, hand ditched 1500 yards, cleared and gravelled 3 miles cleared right of way 5 miles, top soiled and gravelled 1100 yds. and put in 3340 cu. yds. of fill.

Camp No. 3 located in Pleasant Grove Township, working an average of 12 prisoners, hand ditched 1225 yds. cleared and gravelled 1 mile, cut right of way 2 miles, and put in 5268 cu. yds. of fill.

Camp No. 4 located in O'Neals Township working an average of 11 prisoners, rebuilt 4 1-2 miles of road, pulled ditches 6 miles, maintained 12 miles, built 2 miles, stumped and cleared 3 miles, hand ditched 850 yds., cut right of way on 1 mile, top soiled 2 1-2 miles and put in 750 cu. yds. of fill.

The road operations for each district during the month of September was reported as follows:

- District No. 1**  
W. N. Holt, Commissioner  
Clayed and gravelled, 672 yds.; Rebuilt bridges, 6; Roads rebuilt, 4 miles; Roads dragged 671 miles; Machine ditched, 70 miles; Shoulders pulled, 68 miles; Clearing right of way, 4 miles.
- District No. 2**  
L. Gilbert, Commissioner  
Bridges repaired, 4; Roads rebuilt, 10 miles; Roads built, 9 miles; Roads dragged, 105 miles; Hand ditched, 235 yds; Clearing right of way, 9 miles; Fill, 105 cu. yards; Machine ditched, 18 miles.
- District No. 3**  
S. E. Barbour, Commissioner  
Clayed and gravelled, 500 yards; Culvert pipe placed 28 feet; Bridges repaired, 3; Roads rebuilt, 7 miles; Roads built, 15 miles; Roads dragged, 470 miles; Clearing right of way, 3 miles.
- District No. 4**  
C. P. Harper, Commissioner.  
Culvert pipe placed, 64 feet. Bridges repaired, 4; Roads rebuilt, 3 miles; Roads dragged, 609 miles; Machine ditched, 119 miles; Hand ditched 600 yards; Shoulders pulled, 77 miles.
- District No. 5**  
Dr. J. C. Grady, Commissioner.  
Clayed and gravelled, 2600 yards; Culvert pipe placed, 75 feet; Bridges repaired, 1; Roads dragged, 417 miles; Machine ditched, 148 miles; Hand ditched, 500 yards; Shoulders pulled, 132 miles. Clearing right of way, 45 miles.
- "Last night at two o'clock in the mornin'," said the Irishman, "when I was walkin' up and down the flure wid me bare feet on the oilcloth, wid a cryin' child on aich arm, I couldn't help but remember that me father wanted me to be a priest, but I thought I knew better than he did."

## 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.

John White Ives recognized his name last issue.

Today's Tantalizer: rhpalatlotn

## Joe Johnson Victim Of Wreck, May Recover

Friends of Joe Johnson, who was injured in an automobile accident a few days ago, will be glad to learn that he is doing as nicely as can be expected. Hopes are held out for his recovery.

## State President To Be At Clayton

**District Meeting of Woman's Clubs Will Be Featured By Musical Program As Well As Speaking**

The annual meeting of District Number Thirteen North Carolina Federation of Woman's clubs will be held tomorrow (Wednesday) with the Woman's club and the Halcyon club of Clayton. The session which will be held in the municipal building, will begin at ten o'clock in the morning.

Mrs. B. A. Houtt, president of the district, and Mrs. R. W. Sanders, secretary, have arranged a very attractive program as follows:

Club Woman's Hymn.  
Scripture Reading, Mr. M. Y. Self.  
Prayer, Dr. Ira E. D. Andrews.  
Violin—Adoration, Barowski.  
Mrs. Harry Eskridge Brooks, Accompanist, Mrs. C. H. Beddingfield.  
Welcome—From: Citizens of Clayton, Mayor C. W. Carter; Rotary Club, Mr. John T. Talton; Halcyon and Woman's Club, Mrs. Hugh A. Page.

Response, Mrs. B. J. Downey, Nashville, N. C.  
Minutes.  
Appointment of Committees.  
Quartette from "Rigoletto" Verdi, Mesdames R. W. Sanders, Warren McCullers, Chas. Gulley, C. M. Thomas. Accompanist, Mrs. Glenn Pope.

Message from State President, Mrs. Thomas O'Berry.  
Piano—Romance, Sibelius; Prelude C Minor, Rachmaninoff, Mr. J. Norville Bryan, Rotarian.  
Report of Clubs by Presidents or Appointees.  
Voice—Madrigal, Chaminade; Ah, Mon Fils, "The Prophet"—Meyerber, Mrs. Chas. G. Gulley. Accompanist, Mrs. Warren McCullers.  
Message from Mrs. Palmer Jermain.

Sextette from "Lucia di Lammermoor"—Donzetti, Mesdames Warren McCullers, Chas. Gulley, J. J. Young, R. W. Sanders, C. M. Thomas, Mr. J. Norville Bryan.  
Accompanying Chorus, Mesdames C. H. Beddingfield, John I. Barnes, John Talton, Misses Florence Winstead and Blanche Barbour. Accompanist, Mrs. Glenn Pope.  
Lunch, Mrs. R. B. Ellis, Chairman. Music by School Orchestra.  
Afternoon Session, 2 to 4 p. m.  
Continued Report of Clubs or Appointees.

Piano Duet, American Fantasia—Herbert, Mesdames C. H. Beddingfield and A. Sam White.  
Message from Chairman of Districts, Mrs. W. J. Brogden.  
Libraries and Books, Mrs. Annie F. Petty.  
Discussion.  
Report of Committees.  
Election of Officers.  
Collect of Club Women of America.  
Adjournment.

## Revival At Pine Level

A revival meeting began at the Pine Level Freewill Baptist church yesterday. It will continue for ten days. Elder S. H. Styrone and Elder E. C. Gaskill are doing the preaching. Everybody is cordially invited to attend every service.

Miss Virginia Puckett spent Sunday in Durham with friends. Mrs. L. H. Cherry, of Newport News, Va., is spending some time in the city the guest of Mrs. J. D. Spiers.

Thomas Watson and Bernice Fitzgerald, students at Duke University, Durham, spent the week end with their parents here.  
Born on October 4 to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Warren of Chapel Hill, a daughter, Lucy Caroline. Mrs. Warren, who was Miss Pattie Spurgeon, of Hillsboro, before her marriage, formerly taught school in this city.

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## Tax Collector Is Now Located

**To Find A Place With The Treasurer In Present Sheriff's Office; Other Changes; School Budget Approved**

An old fashioned game of fruit basket in the courthouse seems the order of things in the next few weeks, occasioned by the need of an office for the new tax collector. According to the minutes of the county commissioners' meeting held last Tuesday, the new tax collector, W. F. Grimes and County Treasurer J. Ransom Creech will occupy the present sheriff's office; the sheriff will move to the grand jury room on the second floor; the grand jury room will be transferred to the present quarters of the treasurer; the delinquent tax collector is to move to the room on the third floor that has been occupied by the Cotton Cooperative Association. C. M. Wilson, a member of the board was instructed to make plans for dividing the sheriff's office to accommodate the two new officers moving in.

The school budget which had been presented at a previous meeting was formally approved practically as offered. A resolution was passed authorizing the board of education to build a school for the negroes at Four Oaks similar to the one at Short Journey. The Four Oaks negro building was in such bad shape that it was dangerous to use. This board was also authorized to pay the paving assessment against the Smithfield and Selma graded schools.

Other business transacted included the acceptance of the reports from the sheriff, register of deeds, home demonstration agent and welfare officer.  
It was ordered that the Johnston County Hospital be released from taxes for a period of five years from date. T. C. Bailey was released of \$19,000 tax valuation on account of error in listing. Asal Manning, Banner township, was released from poll tax on account of age limit. L. M. Barnes, Clayton township, was also released of poll tax on account of physical condition. Neil Barnes was released of \$1,500 tax valuation on a lot in Clayton that should be listed to N. B. Forbes. N. T. Johnson, of Cleveland, was released of tax on two dogs listed by error.

## REV. D. E. EARNHARDT PREACHES STRONG SERMON

One of the strongest sermons preached by Rev. D. E. Earnhardt since becoming pastor of the Methodist church here, was delivered Sunday morning on the topic: "A Warless World." War lowers moral standards. War results in some quick changes of conventions. War kills off the select. War is inhuman and cruel. War bankrupts individuals and nations. These are some of the points discussed by the preacher, who concluded by stating that war will never be prevented until we begin to teach against it. The pulpit and the school must teach against it. Some of the thoughts presented in the sermon will not be universally popular, but he jolted some of his hearers out of conventional thinking.

## Clinic For Cripples At Wilson

Through the orthopaedic clinics organized throughout North Carolina by the Department of Rehabilitation under the auspices and support of the Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions clubs about four thousand examinations have been made by orthopaedic specialists of more than two thousand cripples.

Over five hundred indigent cripples from clubfooted babies two weeks old to deformed adults more than sixty years of age have been treated and helped through these clinics.  
On Friday, October 14, a clinic under the auspices of the Lions club of Wilson will be held in the offices of the county health department in the courthouse. All cripples of Johnston county are invited to attend the clinic between the morning hours of nine and twelve.

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## FOURTEEN YEAR OLD BOY RESCUES DROWNING BABY

**Once in a Lifetime**



Ruth Lee Taylor, 20 years old, of Portland, Ore., is one of the few exceptions who finds sudden fame in the movies. Because she is young, — and pretty — and BLONDE—she goes from comedy filler to lead for Lasky in "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes."

## Short Schools To Open Oct. 31

**Board Of Education Sets Date For Beginning Six Months' Schools**

The six months schools of Johnston county will begin Monday October 31, according to action taken at the meeting of the County Board of Education held here last week. This will permit these to complete exactly two months before the Christmas holidays.

At this meeting, W. H. Call and H. B. Marrow were appointed to work out a system of vouchers for the education department that will fit in with the state system but which will be simpler to handle than the ones now in use. The state system provides that the vouchers originate in the superintendent's office in triplicate, then be sent to the committeemen for their signatures, then returned to the superintendent's office for his signature, then to the auditor's office for his signature, thence to the treasurer for his signature, and finally to the payee. The board realizes that this works a hardship on the committeemen and also on the payee, and the committee will endeavor to work out a simpler system that will still comply with the law.

## FREEWILLS HERE TO ENTERTAIN CONFERENCE

The local Freewill Baptist church will be host to the Freewill conference of Eastern North Carolina which convenes on November 3, 4 and 5th. A large number of visitors from various parts of the eastern part of the state, according to Rev. H. R. Faircloth, pastor of the church here, are expected to be in attendance.

## OLD FASHIONED SPELLING BEE OCT. 21

Those who attend the stunt night program of the Smithfield Township Improvement Fair, Friday evening, October 21st, will see staged an old time spelling bee, in which the participants will line up in two lines, with a "professor" to give out the words. Instead of the old Blueback speller used in the days of old, however, the state adopted speller, "Mastery of Words, Book II" will be used. This is available to everyone. This spelling match is open to any bona fide resident of Smithfield Township. The one who makes the best record will be awarded \$10 in gold, and the second best record will receive \$5 in gold. These awards are donated by Col. Ed S. Abell. The committee in charge of the spelling bee is composed of H. B. Marrow, county superintendent of schools, J. A. Wellons and F. H. Brooks.

## Officers Capture Still And Arrest Negro

Friday afternoon R. D. Mahler, A. B. Hood, John Hood, George Weeks, and W. A. Rose, of Bentonville township, captured a 60-gallon whiskey still and arrested Dock Anderson a negro, in Boon Hill township. When the officers arrived Anderson was preparing to run off a charge. He was arrested and brought here to jail. His trial in recorder's court has been set for October 18. Seventeen barrels of beer were found at the still.  
This is Anderson's second offense. He escaped from officers at a still last July, and they have been trying ever since to catch him.  
Many a true word is spoken by mistake.  
"This is rough on me," chortled the dumb co-ed as the Stude who didn't shave kissed her.

## Noted Speaker To Deliver Address

**Major Ebbert To Speak And Show Pictures At Mid-Week Union Prayer Service Wednesday Evening**

At a union prayer service to be held at the Presbyterian church Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock, Major F. B. Ebbert, Los Angeles, Cal., one of America's most eloquent advocates of prohibition, will deliver a message on "The Unfinished Battle." In connection with his address he will show a motion picture, "Lest We Forget."

Major Ebbert knows the law and the facts on prohibition. He can tell what he knows concisely, attractively and eloquently. For nearly a decade he has been one of the outstanding leaders in the fight for a dry nation. He has won for himself the distinction of being one of the leading dry lawyers of America. He was General Counsel and Legislative Director of the Illinois Anti-Saloon League for eight years. Because of his splendid record he was chosen Associate General Counsel of the National Anti-Saloon League with headquarters at Washington, D. C., and is thoroughly familiar with national legislation. He later served as State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Illinois. He will give the up-to-minute information about the fight for pending legislation in Congress, and, the thing the public needs to know—law enforcement.

Major Ebbert is a veteran of the World War, serving in the Chemical Warfare Service. He is also a veteran of the Spanish-American war. For several years he was professor of the law of contracts in one of the great law schools of the country. His training and ability fit him for the great work he is now doing.  
C. A. Upchurch, of Raleigh, state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, will also be present and make an address. The public is cordially invited to hear these authorities speak on one of the most vital topics of today.

## IT'S INSURANCE

A reporter in a neighboring paper recently called attention to a number of instances in which failure to take a home paper cost the citizens real cash. One had failed to see a school notice and did not file an application for a change in his school district in time to enter his children in school, one forgot the assessor was coming; one is still lamenting that he did not know of a neighboring reunion and picnic; another missed a stock sale. The list was not nearly so long as it might easily have been made. We hear the same kind of a story almost every week. Taking your home paper means more than just an opportunity to get the latest local news. It is really a sort of insurance against missing the business matters with which one must keep informed; bargains in buying and selling; legal information that comes only through the newspapers and not the city papers—either. Every citizen who fails to take his home paper is dependent upon the charity or good nature of his neighbors to keep him informed on such matters.—Clayton News.

## Pomona-Creech Club Notes

Smithfield, Route 2, Oct. 8.—Pomona-Creech club met Thursday, September 29, at Mrs. Preston Creech's. Twelve members were present. Plans for the fair were discussed before the dinner hour. An enjoyable spread in the shade of a large oak was appreciated about one o'clock. At two a business session was held. More plans for the fair were discussed. The making of thread flower bouquets was demonstrated, and a report of the canned fruits, vegetables, jellies and pickles by those present was given. Nine members reported 1,711 quarts of fruit and vegetables canned; 151 quarts of pickles; 193 quarts of preserves; 88 quarts of jelly, and 24 quarts of grapejuice. Pomona-Creech is to bake 25 cakes for the Smithfield township fair.

The next meeting place was not decided on, but last Monday night members met at Pomona school house to plan a stunt for the fair.

## A NEGRO IS SHOT.

A negro named Smith who recently came to Smithfield was shot Sunday afternoon at about six o'clock by a negro, Walter Talton, and now lies in the Johnston County Hospital in a serious condition. Smith is said to have fired twice before Talton fired. The shooting took place at a house near Jones' cafe.

## Negro Is Killed In Auto Accident

**Accident Occurs On Highway 22 Between Smithfield And Selma; White Man Held For A Hearing**

Sam Blake, a negro who was employed by the town of Smithfield to work on the streets, was so severely injured in an automobile accident Sunday night that he died shortly after being carried to the Johnston County Hospital. The accident which happened on the highway between Smithfield and Selma about eleven o'clock, was occasioned by Blake's Ford touring car running into a Ford touring car belonging to D. A. Moore of near Wendell.

It is said that the lights on Moore's car had gone out and he had just slowed up to make some investigation when Blake's car struck him. Two small sons of Moore and another relative were in the car with Moore. Blake was accompanied by his wife. Both of the cars were going toward Selma. Both automobiles were badly damaged.

Moore with his family was visiting relatives in the Selma mill district, and had gone for some gas before starting home. One of Moore's children was slightly bruised.  
Moore was arrested and is now in jail awaiting a hearing before the coroner's jury which will be held this morning at ten o'clock.

## DON'T DELAY HARVEST OF SWEET POTATOES

RALEIGH, Oct. 10.—The sweet potato crop of North Carolina is maturing early this year and there is no reason for delaying the harvest. The potatoes should be out of the ground before frost because when hurt by cold, the potatoes will not keep under any conditions.

"Killing the vines by frost does not always affect the root crop under the vines," says Robert Schmit, vegetable specialist at State College, "yet there is always danger of cold injury when the frosts are heavy. In handling the potatoes, they should be moved as little as possible and care taken not to bruise them. Bruises provide favorable conditions for rots and when the bruises heal, they leave unsightly blemishes on the potato."  
Mr. Schmidt recommends a standard curing house as the best place for curing and storing the crop. Tobacco barns may be used but they have disadvantages but even tobacco barns are to be desired above the earthen banks.

Before using the old storage house, clean it out and disinfect the inside thoroughly. When it has dried out begin to store the potatoes. Curing should start as soon as any potatoes are brought into the house. The curing temperature is about 85 degrees and it will take two weeks to get a good cure. During all this time, the house must be well ventilated and at the end of the curing period, the temperature needs to be reduced to about 50 degrees and kept at that point all the time the roots are in the house.

The potatoes need a dry atmosphere to keep well, which makes ventilation very important, states Mr. Schmidt.

## Baptist Circles To Meet

The circles of the Baptist Missionary society will meet Thursday afternoon at 7:30 o'clock at the following homes: the Judson, with Mrs. H. G. Gray; the Yates with Mrs. J. E. Medlin, and the Lottie Moore with Mrs. O. E. Matthews and Mrs. George Cherry at the home of Mrs. Matthews. All members are urged to attend.

## Kenly School Has Splendid Opening

**Many Patrons Attend Opening Exercises And Hear Speakers; List Of Teachers.**

KENLY, Oct. 10.—Kenly High school began its year's work on Wednesday morning, October 5, with a splendid enrollment and with a large number of patrons present for the opening exercises. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. F. B. Joyner. Mr. Joyner made some timely remarks on the opportunities before each pupil. He stated that we are always beginners and that as beginners on this occasion each pupil was starting with a clean sheet, with no "black marks" or bad marks against him, and that each one has the opportunity of making a good record.  
G. T. Whitley, superintendent, stressed promptness and more time spent on school work so that each student might have a good foundation for the work in the grade ahead or in college.  
Paul D. Grady, chairman of the school board, welcomed the new and the old teachers into the community and asked for the united efforts of patrons and teachers for the school. The necessity of regular attendance was shown. As long as it is feasible the school will open an hour earlier than usual for the convenience of the farmers who need their children to assist in housing their crops. It is hoped that this arrangement will make it possible for many pupils thus affected to attend from the beginning.

The following is a list of the teachers with their home addresses: Miss Nettie Harris, Macon; Miss Lottie Cromartie, Elizabethtown; Miss Debbie Bailey, Kenly; Miss Pattie A. Hunter, Apex. Miss Nellida Anderson, Florence, S. C.; Miss Ruth Clarke, Flowery Branch, Ga.; Miss Frances J. Hunter, Charlotte; Miss Lucia Mae McCallum, Rowland; Miss Kate Frisbie, Marion; Miss Eleanor Hatcher, Dunn; Miss Lenora Patterson, Huntersville; Miss Lois Culler, Kernersville; Miss Frances Woodhouse, Fayetteville; S. R. Cotton, Weldon; Mrs. J. M. Woolard, Jr., Kenly; G. T. Whitley, Kenly. Mrs. J. J. Edgerton will again have charge of the music in the school.

Miss Alice Kittrell, of Kittrell, and Miss Macon, of Kinston, will have charge of the work at Pittman School, and Misses Audrey Becton, of Fremont, and Ruth Grantham, of Princeton, will teach in the Hickory Cross School.

## RALEIGH PEOPLE GIVE TO CHURCH AT SELMA

SELMA, Oct. 8.—Joe W. Stout and Company, contractors of Sanford, will begin Monday tearing down the old wooden Methodist church, prior to erecting a large Sunday school room beside the present brick church. D. M. Sharpe, pastor, is very much pleased with the financial response received from members and friends of the church. Mrs. N. E. Edgerton and son, Edward, of Raleigh, are giving all the brick and \$2500. This church is called Edgerton Memorial church in honor of Mrs. Edgerton's husband who died a few years ago. The Edgerton family were residents of Selma before moving to Raleigh. The people here feel grateful for the gift.

## IF YOU IMAGINE THAT THIS IS A COLD, UNSYMPATHETIC WORLD, TELL PEOPLE THAT YOU HAVE A COLD AND LISTEN TO THEIR SUGGESTIONS.

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## AUNT ROXIE SAYS—

By Me—  
"News iz a antidote fer curiosity."

