

## Criminal Court Began Yesterday

Special Venire of 100 Men Ordered Summoned To Furnish Jury For Joe Royal Murder Trial Wednesday Morning

A one week's special term of Criminal Superior court began here yesterday with Judge Henry A. Grady of Clinton presiding. Next week the regular March term of criminal court will be held thus giving two weeks in succession. Hon. R. A. Nunn of New Bern who has just held a two weeks' term of civil court, will preside next week.

In view of the regular term to be held next week and because enough cases have been brought forward from other terms of court to occupy this week the grand jury was dismissed for this term. Forty-eight jurors had been summoned but eighteen were excused.

The first case to be called for trial yesterday was that of the State vs. Bill App Barbour charged with having in his possession whiskey for the purpose of sale. A jury was impanelled and the state produced its evidence, but when the defendant called his witnesses, it appeared that they had not been subpoenaed, and the jury was withdrawn and the case set for today.

D. A. Pennell of Wilders township was arrested for having whiskey in his possession while attending court. He entered a plea of guilty and the presiding judge sentenced him to jail for a term of six months to be worked on the county roads.

Carey Sanders, a colored man of Boon Hill township, entered a plea of nolo contendere for violating the prohibition laws on two counts and was sentenced to jail for a term of ten months to be assigned to the county roads.

Floyd Baker, white man of Four Oaks, entered a plea of possessing stolen property to wit: a bag of sugar, and was discharged upon payment of the costs.

All cases on today's docket were called and will go regularly to trial.

Claude Barber and Golden Parker, who are indicted for the murder of Joe Royal on the night of October 25, 1927, were arraigned for first degree murder, and the court ordered a special venire of 100 men to appear here at nine o'clock on tomorrow, March 7, at which time this case will open for trial. This venire was drawn from the regular jury box in open court. The solicitor, in this case, will be assisted by N. T. Ryals of Benson, and E. J. Wellons of Smithfield. The defendants are represented by Abell and Shepard and C. C. Canaday, Parker and Martin and James Raynor.

There will be a large number of witnesses in this case and the entire day will probably be devoted to this trial.

## FOUR OAKS GIRLS DEFEAT CORINTH-HOLDERS

Playing at the armory in this city yesterday afternoon, the Four Oaks girls defeated the Corinth-Holders girls basketball team by the score of 27 to 4. A clean and well played game was evidenced throughout the entire affair. The playing of Miss Massengill of Four Oaks and Miss Johnson of Corinth-Holders were special features of the game.

## Tantalizer

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

(Miss) Oma Adams recognized her name last issue.

Today's Tantalizer:  
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## Democratic Candidates?



The four presidential possibilities for the Democratic nomination. Governor Alfred Emanuel Smith of New York, Senator James A. Reed of Missouri, Senator Thomas J. Walsh of Montana, Governor Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland.

## Board Agriculture Adopt Resolutions

Complete Plans For Organization of Locals At Various Points in County

The first meeting of the Johnston County Agricultural Board since its organization several weeks ago was held in the farmers room of the courthouse yesterday afternoon with a goodly number present. The plans for the organization of locals throughout the county were completed, and meetings will be held in the near future at the following places: Cleveland, Bentonville, Wilson's Mills, Archer Lodge, Meadow, Glendale, Corinth-Holders, Corbett-Hatcher, Brogden and Benson.

The adoption of a constitution and by-laws was deferred until the April meeting.

The board in the meeting yesterday set forth its program of action in the form of the following resolutions:

"That this is a non-partisan organization recently re-organized to promote a more prosperous condition for agriculture and allied industry in the county, a more equal social structure, a more equal money structure such as credit facilities and taxes and for a more contented people.

"That no more public bonds be issued in the county until the outstanding ones be paid in full.

"That our county officers and officers economize to the bone in spending public money.

"That the State of North Carolina be asked to take over half of our county's school tax burden.

"That we make a start in teaching vocational agriculture in consolidated rural high schools.

"That a farmer's fair, for and by the farmers, be re-organized in the county, with the townspeople cooperation.

"That we look with disfavor upon commercial organizations dictating or coercing uneconomical agricultural enterprises or policies upon our agriculture.

"That this being a cotton and tobacco county, we continue to put our best efforts on these crops, along with our food and feed supply—and our second best efforts on the so-called diversified crops, where conditions warrant.

"That we renew our efforts for cooperative selling and buying of our staple crops and farm needs, respectively.

"That we petition our senators and congressmen to pass legislation so that we can both buy and sell on a protected market or both buy and sell, on a world market. And that Muscles Shoals be operated by the Government to make fertilizers in time of peace and powder in time of war."

Eleven poultrymen of Forsythe county culled out 300 birds from the 1400 in their flocks before beginning their breeding work for this season.

## Leading White House Aspirants

Four Outstanding Democratic Candidates Now Are Brilliant Personalities

Written Specially For The Herald. By ROBERT FULLER

If any one of the four outstanding Democratic candidates for the highest office in the land is elected, the country will be assured of a colorful president.

Governor Al Smith of New York, Senator James A. Reed of Missouri, Senator Thomas J. Walsh of Montana, or Governor Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland—take your choice, any of them will fill the bill for personality.

Governor Smith seems to hold the whip hand just now, but the backers of the other three point out that many things can happen before the Houston convention in June. Governor Smith's wet leanings and the fact that he is a Catholic may militate against him when the time comes to choose a candidate, at least the Republicans believe so.

Meanwhile, friends of Governor Smith are hoping that the always plain-spoken Senator Reed will say something out in Missouri or on one of his speaking tours that will get him read out of the party as he was once before. Just now though Senator Reed stands strong with the party leaders in his home state and some of the others. Senator Reed is likewise not a believer in national prohibition.

While Senator Walsh is a Catholic, he is dry. Senator Walsh has been in the public eye recently through his activities as leader of some important Congressional investigations. His request for a probe into the doings of the "power trust" was turned down a few days ago.

Governor Ritchie is another candidate with pronounced wet views, who will get the votes of a number of delegates at the Houston convention, according to present indications.

But any of the four will furnish color, plenty of it.

## MR. AND MRS. STALLINGS TO BROADCAST

Radio fans in this city will be interested to learn that tomorrow evening between the hours of seven and eight o'clock, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Stallings of Wilson will broadcast a musical program from Station WPTF. Mrs. Stallings is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Watson of this city and her musical accomplishment as well as that of her talented husband is well known here. Mr. Stallings will play the violin accompanied by Mrs. Stallings on the piano. They will be assisted in giving the program by Mr. J. T. Creech of Wilson. Mr. Creech is a brother of Mr. J. Rufus Creech who lives near Smithfield.

## Fire Destroys Lumber Plant

Mr. Matthew Boykin Suffers Loss of Mill in Oneal's Township; Expects to Rebuild At Once

A disastrous fire occurred in the Moore school section in Oneal's township Saturday about noon when the planing and sawmill belonging to Mr. Matthew Boykin was destroyed. Some shavings around the engine caught fire while the workmen were gone to dinner and the fire had gained such headway before it was discovered that it was impossible to save the mill. Some of the lumber near the mill was burned, but water from a nearby ditch was used to save a quantity of other lumber.

Around the mill is thickly settled, and the fact that the wind was blowing in a favorable direction is perhaps all that kept the entire section from being wiped out with the flames. Several thousand dollars worth of lumber was around the mill. Neighbors saw the smoke of the fire and a large crowd had gathered in a short while to render any assistance possible. Mr. Boykin carried no insurance.

Mr. Boykin was in town yesterday enroute to Raleigh to make some investigations concerning the repairing of his engine. It is his intention to rebuild the lumber plant as soon as possible.

## MISSION RALLY FOR JOHNSTON ASSOCIATION

Dr. Charles E. Maddy, Raleigh, General Secretary of the Baptist State Convention, and his associate, Rev. Walter M. Gilmore, Raleigh, have arranged several series of Mission Rallies throughout the state to be held during March and April with a view to rallying all the Baptists in the state to the objects included in their cooperative program before the close of the year of the Southern Baptist Convention, April 30.

For several months the Centennial Campaign, which has for its purpose the relief of the seven Baptist schools in the state, has occupied the center of the stage. Secretary Maddy and his associates are now attempting to catch up the slack on the missions and benevolent program.

The following is the schedule of appointments arranged for Rev. Walter M. Gilmore, Mission Secretary, Dr. S. H. Templeman, pastor Brown Memorial church, Winston-Salem, and Rev. L. Bunn Olive, Raleigh, returned missionary from China, for the Tar River Association, at Warrenton, Monday, March 12, 10 a. m. to 3 p. m., and so with all the rest; Beulah Association at Yanceyville, Tuesday, March 13; Johnston Association, at Mt. Moriah church, Wednesday, March 14; Little River Association, at Dunn, Thursday, March 15; Sandy Creek Association, at Jonesboro, Friday, March 16.

## W. H. Austin Buys An Interest in Local Firm

Changes in Business Firms. Friends and patrons of W. H. Austin will be interested to learn that he is again in business and will give a glad hand to all who may call upon him in his new location. W. H. Austin, Inc., has purchased the interest of Everett Stevens in the general merchandise business of Stevens & Ogburn, though the firm name will not be changed. Mr. Stevens has purchased the interest of Mr. Ogburn in the gin near the depot which was operated by Stevens & Ogburn, and will have sole control of the gin plant.

Mr. Austin had recently secured the old location of N. B. Grantham on Market street but the new coalition has changed its plans and he may now be found at Stevens & Ogburn's store.

## Gasless Motor Invented



Lester J. Hendershot of Pittsboro who has just invented a fuelless motor, a free energy generator which is claimed to get its running power from the air.

## Unusual Interest In School Debate

Four Oaks and Smithfield Civics Classes Argue Capital Punishment

Athletic contests are important but debating contests appeal to a group that does not take part in athletic sports. This was proven by the interest taken in a debate between representatives of the civics class at Smithfield and the civics class of Four Oaks held last Friday afternoon at the Four Oaks school. Mr. Kenneth D. Coates, teacher of the local school, took his entire civics class to Four Oaks.

The query for the debate was: "Resolved that capital punishment should be abolished in North Carolina." The Smithfield team had the affirmative side and the speakers were: Ethel Stephenson, Eloise Pittman and Dixie Johnson. The speakers for the negative were: Vara Strickland, Pou Hockaday and John Bandy. The judges decided in favor of Smithfield. This is the first contest of its kind between schools in Johnston county, but both teams of speakers conducted themselves like veterans. Some of those who heard the debate stated that the speeches would do credit to many college teams. Both schools were very enthusiastic over the debate, Mr. R. M. Hardee, the teacher of the Four Oaks class, reporting that students have been as interested in this debate as they were in athletic contests. The same has been true in Smithfield.

## The Dorothy Beauty Shoppe Has Successful Opening Here

The Dorothy Beauty Shoppe had a very auspicious opening last Thursday, March 1, quite a number of persons visiting the place which is located just across from the Shamrock Service station. Mrs. L. H. Haus is the proprietor of the new beauty parlor and she has as her very capable assistant Miss Aurca Ray of Raleigh who has a diploma from the Richmond Beauty School.

The shop is attractively furnished, a color scheme of apple green, tan and rose being carried out in the rugs, draperies and other furnishings. Mrs. H. T. Hines is in charge of a hemstitching machine and is prepared to complete work on short notice.

On Thursday, Mrs. Haus was assisted in receiving by Miss Elizabeth Creech who had charge of the registration book. Each guest who registered was presented with samples of toilet creams, powder, rouge and lip-stick. The Dorothy Beauty Shoppe expects to carry a line of toilet articles.

In addition to shampoos, facials, manicures, Miss Ray will give Eugene Permanent waves.

Rochester is to have a gallicating contest. Great Halitosis! What next!

## Voting For Smithfield's Queen Will Take Place At Indoor Circus Friday Night

A feature of the annual Eastern Carolina Exposition which this year will be held in Goldsboro the week of April 9-14, is the crowning of some young lady as queen of the exposition. This year this event will be staged on the opening day. Those who attend the afternoon and evening performances

will vote for their choice of the young ladies who will be nominated and presented by the various towns of Eastern Carolina, and the winner will receive \$250 in gold. A junior queen between the ages of eight and twelve years will be also selected, the winner to receive \$25.

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## Murquardt Under \$1000 Bond Pending Corners Investigation

Leonard L. Marquardt of Raleigh was required Saturday to furnish a thousand dollar bond for his appearance here today before a coroner's jury who will complete its investigation into the death of Samuel Brady, eleven-year-old son of Henry Brady, which occurred in the Johnston County

Hospital last Thursday after the lad had been struck by a car on Tuesday afternoon driven by Mr. Marquardt. The original bond was \$2,000, but Clerk of the Court H. V. Rose after questioning Marquardt directed the sheriff's office to reduce the bond to one-half that amount.

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## Tom J. Rand Passes After Short Illness

Was Stricken With Apoplexy Thursday and Died Friday Night

Mr. Tom J. Rand passed away at the Johnston County Hospital Friday night after a short illness. He was stricken with apoplexy on Thursday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. S. E. Hogwood, with whom he made his home, and was carried to the local hospital where every means was used for his recovery, but he grew worse until the end. He was 63 years of age.

The deceased had lived in Smithfield for quite a number of years. When a young man he married Miss Rowena Helm of this city, who died several years ago. To this union three children were born, two of whom survive him: Mrs. Sam E. Hogwood, of this city, and Miss Pauline Rand, who is in training for a nurse at Bellevue Hospital in New York City. Both of the daughters were at his bedside when the end came.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the Methodist church, of which the deceased was a member. The service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. E. Earnhardt, assisted by a former pastor, Rev. D. H. Tuttle. Mr. Paul Eason sang "Crossing the Bar" as a solo, after which Mr. Earnhardt made appropriate comments on the passage of Scripture read, "Asleep in Jesus" was sung by the choir as the body was borne from the church to be taken to the city cemetery where interment was made. Lovely floral designs covered the grave. The pallbearers were D. W. Peterson, B. L. Jones, A. A. Feedin, James Myatt, E. A. Johnson, Joe Davis, Hunter Ellington, and Mr. Howell.

Among those from out of town to attend the funeral were: Mr. O. R. Rand, of Richlands; Oliver Rand, of Wilson; Mrs. Margaret Hogwood and Miss Estell Hogwood, of Petersburg, Va.; Mrs. Leslie Rand, Mr. O. H. Rand, Mrs. Rebecca Rand, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rand, Mr. Curtis Rand and Mr. Atkinson, of Raleigh; Mr. Parker Rand and Mr. Hal Rand, of Garner; Miss Margaret Darden, of Rocky Mount.

## Mrs. J. W. Faircloth Dead.

Mrs. John W. Faircloth died at her home in the Brogden section Friday night after an illness of two years with cancer. She was about 55 years of age. The deceased was a faithful member of the Freewill Baptist church.

The funeral was held at the home Sunday afternoon and was conducted by Rev. H. R. Faircloth. Interment was made in the Kempe cemetery in the Brogden section.

She is survived by her husband and several children.

## Johnston Teams In Tournament

Princeton Team Reached Finals But Was Then Defeated By Dunn; Benson and Smithfield in Second Round

Johnston county was represented by four schools at the third annual invitational basketball tournament held last week at State College. Each of the four schools entered in Class B, one of them, Princeton, reaching the finals. Benson and Smithfield got as far as the second round, while Clayton was eliminated in the first round.

Coach Boyette's Princeton cagers worked their way to the finals by victories over Lincoln, Roanoke Rapids, Mebane and Wake Forest. In the final game, Dunn nosed out the Princeton five 25 to 24 in an extra period affair. By this victory Dunn won the class B championship for the second consecutive year.

Dunn Ousts Locals. Smithfield held a bye in the first round and in its first game at the tournament, met the team which finally won the championship. Dunn won from the locals 24 to 19 Friday morning. Coach Blankenship's team jumped into an early lead and for a moment it looked as if the 1927 champs were going to be thrown aside by the local five, but Dunn came from behind and held an 18 to 9 lead at the half.

Smithfield fought back in the last half to outscore the Dunn tossers 10 to 6, but this second half rally fell short by several points. Benson advanced to the second round by defeating Peachlands 14 to 11. In the second game, Mebane eliminated the Benson basketballers by a 24 to 11 score. Clayton went out in the first round having met defeat at the hands of Oxford, 20 to 10.

H. G. Granger Formerly Of Johnston County Dies At Rocky Mount

Friends in Johnston county will regret to learn of the death of H. G. Granger who died at his home in Rocky Mount early Thursday night after a week's illness from influenza which developed into pneumonia. Mr. Granger's parents moved from Wilson's Mills when he was a small lad to Wilson. Later Mr. Granger located at Rocky Mount where he lived until his death. Interment was made in Wilson, the services being conducted by Rev. W. C. Foster, pastor of the Christian church. The deceased was only 39 years of age.

## Jo-Mac Drug Store Moves To Handsome New Quarters

Assuming simultaneously a new name and new quarters, the old D. B. Drug Store is no more. Dr. G. A. McLemore and Mr. Vilas Johnson last week moved their drug store to a new building just completed between N. B. Grantham's new store and the Capitol cafe across the street from their old stand. Instead of the D. B. Drug Store it will be known in future as Jo-Mac's Drug Store. The new quarters are very attractive and the proprietors will give a cordial welcome to all who call upon them.

## Aunt Roxie Opines By Mc-



## J. J. BATTEN BACK AS A FEDERAL OFFICER

Mr. J. J. Batten has been placed back on the force of Federal prohibition officers for this section, and states that he is ready at any time to assist local officials in making raids. Mr. Batten for a time did not serve in this capacity. The Federal prohibition force having been curtailed. He resumed his job several weeks ago.

Diner (indignantly): "Bring the proprietor here at once, there's a wasp in my soup."

Pretty Little Thing: "It's no use sending for the boss, sir. He's scared o' em himself!"

"It's cold outside."  
"Shut the window."  
"Will that make it warm outside?"

"I often wonders how much de banks pay de barbers fer shavin' notes."