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## This Week



**TAKING CASH FROM WOMEN—**  
**TUNNEY RETIRES—**  
**COLOR, MOTION PICTURES—**  
**A PENNY PLUS 900 YEARS—**

In New York a nurse, fifty-two years old about to retire from hard work, kills herself. Her life's savings had been lost in a mining swindle. Real estate sharks, oil sharks, all kinds of sharks, swindle women. They believe, poor things, what they want to believe, that they are to be made rich.

Women should not invest in what THEY DO NOT UNDERSTAND. They should not buy land that they have not seen. And having seen it, they should think it over, examine it several times, consult some skeptical friends, then wait a month, and see it again.

Don't believe fairy tales. Ask yourself, "Just how would I, me, myself, not somebody else, actually make a living out of that land? Or, if it is to be sold at a profit, how do I know that I can sell it at a profit? And why does not the man keep it and take the huge profit himself?"

If you are leaving money to wife or daughters, fix things so that no other man will be able to get it from them.

Gene Tunney, whom certain prizefight "fans" don't like, because he has brains and they haven't, retires from the ring. That, it is said, will "hurt the game," which is too bad. No matter what champion they may develop to collect money from fools, it can never be proved that he could have beaten Tunney.

Tunney, you read, "is going to Paris to study philosophy." An excellent place. The Sorbonne is well equipped.

But the important thing is to BE a philosopher, not merely a student of other philosophers.

If Tunney can take his \$2,000,000 quickly earned out of prize fighting and stay out he will have proved himself a philosopher.

Mr. Eastman, king of all kinds of photography, announces perfected moving pictures in color. With that announcement, pictures reach full development, MOTION, COLOR, SOUND.

Now you will see the heroine's, or the vampire's rolling eyes, hear the voices that lure men to their doom. The moving picture stage will show all that the living stage can show.

Talking movies will put a premium on intelligence. A cultivated voice indicates a cultivated mind, and cannot be created over night.

Roman coins dug up after 2,000 years are worth in silver and gold only what they were worth when buried.

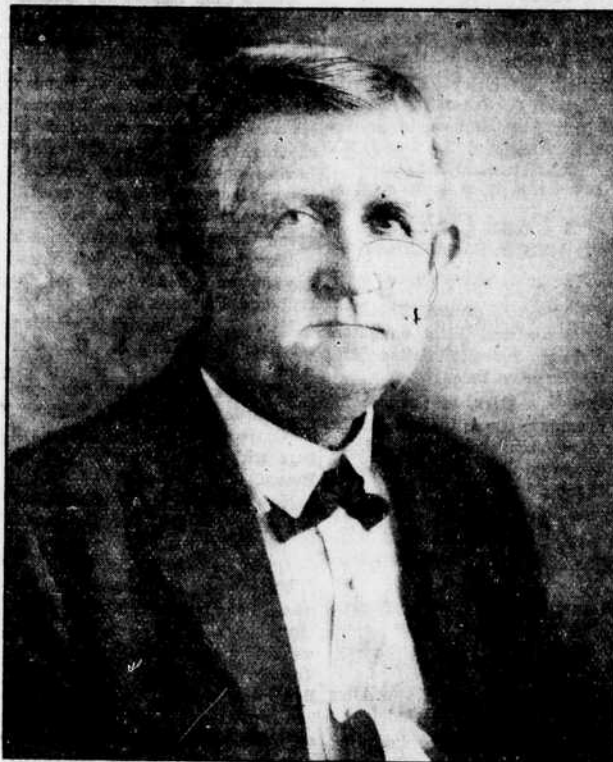
This shows the importance of keeping your money earning interest. A silver penny, like the one mentioned in the Bible, put out at interest compounded annually for only 900 years, would amount to \$1,270,000,000,000. That's more money than there is in the world.

## Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield or Johnston county, and 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.

Today's Tantalizer: hlnserjwoonn

## Prominent Citizen Dies At Age of 75



JNO. A. MITCHINER

## TWENTY-TWO STOLEN CARS IN THIRTY DAYS

### Opening Tobacco Market Postponed

The opening of the eastern Carolina tobacco market has been postponed from August to Tuesday, September 4. This decision was reached at a meeting of the committee of the Eastern Carolina Tobacco Board of Trade after the information was in hand that it would be impossible for the tobacco companies to furnish buyers before that date. The committee was assured that there will be no other change and that the tobacco market would certainly open on September 4.

### Orphanage Singing Class Here Aug. 24

The concert class of the Free-will Baptist orphanage will present its program at Smithfield on August 24 at eight o'clock. The program will consist of choruses, solos, duets, quartets, readings and musical dialogues. The public is invited to enjoy an evening of delightful entertainment.

### ANNUAL SINGING IN ERWIN AUGUST 26TH

The annual singing will be in Erwin Park, Erwin, August 26. Everybody cordially invited to attend this singing.

## S. S. Convention At Pine Level

Fine Program Arranged For Annual County Association August 23 and 24; Miss Magee and Miss Bose To Make Addresses

All indications point to a record-breaking attendance at the annual Johnston County Sunday School Convention which is to be held on Thursday and Friday, August 23 and 24. The convention will be held with the Free-will Baptist church, Pine Level. The opening session will be held at eight o'clock, Thursday night.

According to announcement made by the officers of the County Sunday School Association, the program has been prepared with the idea of having "a convention for the discussion of practical Sunday school plans and problems," the plan being to have something in the convention that will help workers in all departments of the Sunday school.

Among the prominent speakers TURN TO PAGE TWO

## Prominent Selma Citizen Is Dead

John A. Mitchiner Dies At Age of 75; For Long Time A Popular Hotel Man; Interested in Historic Records

John A. Mitchiner, of Selma, one of Johnston county's most prominent citizens, died Friday morning at five o'clock. He had been in failing health since last February, and his death was unexpected, though he was confined to his bed only a few days. At his bedside when the end came were his sons and daughters as follows: J. A. Mitchiner, of Edenton; H. L. Mitchiner, of Raleigh; Mrs. E. V. Deans and Miss Blanche Mitchiner of Selma; A. W. and Charlie Mitchiner of Miami, Fla.; Mrs. W. C. P. Bethell, of Wilmington, and Mrs. P. T. Covington, of Laurinburg, and Dr. J. S. Mitchiner of Raleigh.

Funeral services were held at the residence in Selma Sunday afternoon, after which interment was made in Oakland cemetery in Smithfield, beside his wife who preceded him to the grave five years ago. The service was conducted by Rev. G. F. Kirkpatrick, of Laurinburg. His sons and sons-in-law acted as pall bearers. The floral offering was lovely and attested the esteem in which the family is held.

The deceased in early life became affiliated with the Presbyterian church and was a faithful and consistent member as long as his health permitted.

In 1875, Mr. Mitchiner was married to Miss Gertrude Wyoming Waddell. Eight children of this union survive, and eighteen grandchildren.

Mr. Mitchiner was seventy-five years of age last January. He lived in Johnston county all of his three score years and ten, and was identified with the business interests of his home town and county for a number of years. For about 20 years he conducted the Wyoming Hotel in Selma, which was named for his beloved wife and was widely known over the state. When his hotel burned down in 1918 he retired from business, and since that time he made his home with his daughter, Miss Blanche Mitchiner, though he spent a part of his time in Miami, Fla. Besides being a popular hotel man in Selma, Mr. Mitchiner was mayor of Selma for a number of years, and he also had the distinction of opening the first moving picture house in Selma.

Coming from one of the old families of Johnston county, Mr. Mitchiner always took a special interest in things of an historical nature. He was only twelve years of age when the battle of Bentonville was fought in Johnston county during the War Between the States, but Mr. Mitchiner remembered hearing the cannonading, and in his latter days it was an especial delight to relive the scenes that took place following the war. He led a movement to erect a monument on Capitol square in Raleigh in memory of Henry L. Wyatt, who was the first Confed-

## VERNON ROYALL IS FATALLY HURT

Five-Year-Old Boy Falls Under Wagon And Dies Following Day

A tragic accident happened in the Brogden section last Thursday afternoon when little Vernon Royall, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Royall, fell from a wagon and the wagon passed over his body, causing injuries that resulted in his death. The little fellow and his older brothers had started with the wagon to haul some wood about five o'clock in the afternoon. In some way the little fellow lost his balance and fell from the wagon. A doctor was summoned and it was found that serious internal injuries had been sustained. He was brought to the Johnston County Hospital and an operation was performed about ten-thirty o'clock. It was seen at that time that his condition was critical, and the little fellow died the following afternoon about 3:30 o'clock. He was conscious up until just before the end came.

The funeral service was conducted Saturday afternoon at four o'clock and interment was made in the cemetery near his home. The little fellow was the youngest brother of our townsman, Mr. Luby F. Royall. Mr. Royall was at Fort Bragg in camp with the local military unit and was called home on account of the untimely occurrence.

### ERROR CORRECTED

In an article published in our last issue from the News and Observer, there appears to have been an error. The article stated that Mr. and Mrs. London Braswell were under a \$1,000 bond each for appearance in Federal court on charges of violating the prohibition law. Mr. Braswell states that Mrs. Braswell was not arrested and is not under any bond to appear in court, and that his bond is only \$500.

### To Clean Up Graveyard

All who are interested in the Creech graveyard in Pine Level township are asked to be there on Friday at 8 o'clock for the purpose of cleaning it up.

W. J. DAUGHTRY.

erate soldier killed in action in the War Between the States. Mr. Mitchiner was particularly keen on remembering dates, and the bits of county history which he has published from time to time will be valuable when the history of the county shall be written. He kept many valuable records and had a special fondness for collecting flags of different nations. Early in this year he was selected by the County Board of Education as county historian, but the state of his health caused him to decline this honor.

In the passing of Mr. Mitchiner, the county has lost a citizen who loved its traditions and who was interested in its forward movements.

## INTERESTING CASE IN COURT TO-DAY

Parties From Ariona Lay Claim To Johnston County Lands; Vaughn Poole Brings Suit For Trespass

An unusual case is scheduled to be heard in Recorder's court today when Mrs. Ada Victorine Carver and Mr. George Brown, brother and sister, of Arizona, but more recently of Raleigh, will be arraigned before Judge Aycock under indictment of trespass.

About eight months ago Mrs. Carver and Mr. Brown came to Johnston county and laid claim to a portion of some of Johnston county's fine farming lands located in Clayton, O'Neal and Wilders townships. They have produced deeds and other legal documents which they claim give them a right to the property in question. Some of the property which they are claiming is a part of the Poole plantation and Mr. Vaughn Poole is the man who had the warrant issued for their arrest. The charge of trespass is made, it being alleged that the defendants went on the land after Poole had warned them to stay off.

Mrs. Carver in a statement made to officers recently claims that the land to which she and her brother are making an effort to establish a right was left them by some relative. She contends that the Poole estate has been enlarged to take in property that she thinks belongs to her and her brother.

However, for years the land in question has been in the possession of other parties who have paid taxes on it over a long period of years. The Poole property has been in the possession of the Poole and Baucom families for something like two hundred years. The case promises to bring out some interesting points of law.

Mr. Brown was placed in jail Saturday, not being able to give bond after his arrest. Mrs. Carver was released when Mr. J. Ira Lee stood her bond in the amount of \$200.

## Plans Underway For Exposition

Benson Tri-County Livestock and Poultry Show To Be Held Oct. 2-5; Premium List Now Ready

BENSON, Aug. 20.—Plans for the tri-county Livestock and Poultry Exposition to be held here October 2, 3, 4 and 5 are going forward rapidly and all indications point toward a very successful show again this year. The premium list is off the press and is now being mailed out. A contract was closed some time ago with the Miller and Marshall shows to furnish the midway attractions. The free attractions have also been arranged for and according to the secretary these will be on a par with many of the bigger fairs in the state. There will be a good fireworks program every night.

Owing to the growing interest in livestock in this section, the exhibits this year will be better than ever before. Anyone who doubts that this section is bringing livestock into its farming program needs only to attend this show to be convinced.

One of the features of the exposition this year will be a judging contest with teams from all the agricultural high schools in Johnston, Harnett and Sampson counties participating. Teams from each of these schools will judge

## Superior Court Here Last Week

Judge Daniels Disposes of a Number of Cases; Court Adourns Friday Afternoon

The one week term of Superior criminal court which convened here Monday morning with Judge F. A. Daniels of Goldsboro presiding, came to a close Friday afternoon. For two days, Solicitor Clawson L. Williams of Sanford was absent, and Mr. W. H. Lyon, attorney of this city acted in his stead. Solicitor Williams was at his post Wednesday morning.

The following cases on the calendar were disposed of during the week:

State vs. Jesse Temple. The defendant enters a plea of house-breaking and larceny of a pistol, the property of G. W. Sorrell. The defendant was sentenced to jail for a term of six months to be assigned to work on the roads of Johnston county. Execution of this judgment is to remain suspended for a period of two years, and if it shall be found by the court within the next two years that he has violated the law of this state, he shall then be arrested and cause to serve the sentence in full.

John Radford and Matthew Marlowe entered a plea of guilty to larceny of automobile valued at \$200, property of M. A. Wall. Both defendants were given a six months jail sentence, said sentence to begin at the expiration of the sentence they are now serving for jail breaking. This sentence was suspended upon payment of cost, and upon condition that the defendants appear at each criminal term of Superior court for two years and show good behavior.

Willie Williamson, charged with house breaking and larceny, entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to jail for a term of 18 months to be assigned to work the county roads.

James Price charged with larceny, also entered a plea of guilty and was committed to jail for a term of six months to be assigned to work the roads of Johnston county.

Jasper Wallace placed "not guilty" to a charge of larceny of a Chevrolet automobile, but after hearing the evidence, the jury returned a verdict of guilty, and the court imposed a jail sentence of eight months, the defendant to be hired out to J. V. Tomlinson. The proceeds of his labor are to be applied on the payment of the cost of this action. In the event that the defendant leaves Mr. Tomlinson or refuses to work, capias is to issue and he is to work on the roads for a term of eight months.

Jean Hastings was in court on a charge of trespass. The charge of trespass was not pressed, and he was adjudged to be guilty of secretly peeping into the bedroom occupied by Mrs. J. K. Boyette, wife of J. K. Boyette. The defendant was sentenced to confinement in the county jail for a term of five months and assigned to work on the county roads.

J. Walter Johnston was in court on a charge of abandonment. The defendant entered a plea of guilty and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of cost. This judgment is accepted in view of the fact that the defendant has conveyed all of his real estate to Turn to page five, please

For a premium list or any information regarding the exposition, write J. B. Slack, secretary, Benson, N. C.



J. B. SLACK Secretary Benson Tri-County Livestock and Poultry Show.

classes of dairy cows, hogs and poultry.

This is the only exclusive livestock and poultry show in North Carolina and has grown rapidly since its organization three years ago. It is sponsored by the Eastern Carolina chamber of commerce in connection with their livestock development program here in Johnston, Harnett and Sampson counties.

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## Rain Storm Forces Aviator To Ground

CLAYTON, Aug. 17.—Penn Edgar, attorney and aviator of Tarpon Springs, Fla., en route from Tarpon Springs to Massachusetts to spend vacation, was forced to land in a cotton field of E. R. Guley about four miles east of Clayton.

In leaving Fayetteville yesterday morning he followed the double track rails to Selma, and was on his way to Raleigh when the storm causing the forced landing was encountered.

Mrs. Edgar and a brother of the aviator had left Tarpon Springs at the same time and had been meeting at intervals on the trip.

The plane was only slightly damaged, a new propeller and repairs to one wing being necessary. The plane is being dismantled and towed to the Clayton landing field, where the flight will be resumed.

Mr. Edgar made up his weekly Rotary attendance at the Clayton Rotary club Thursday evening.

Paul H. Waddell, local aviation enthusiast, was prompt in rendering all aid possible to the flier.

## Three Auto Wrecks Is Sunday's Record

Colored Man Run Over On Market Street Is In Local Hospital; Lady Driving Car Is Prostrated

Sunday in this vicinity was marked by three automobile accidents, one of which came near being fatal to Leroy Blake, a colored man of this city. About the noon hour Miss Margaret Ashford, of Wilson, was driving down Market street when the colored man stepped in front of her car and the wheels passed over him. Eye-witnesses state that Miss Ashford was driving slowly, only about 18 or 20 miles an hour. The colored man's hearing and eyesight are said to be imperfect which probably accounts for the accident. Blake who was seriously wounded was taken to the Johnston County Hospital and doctors now think that he will perhaps recover.

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## Davison Tries New Armored Trucks



Assistant Secretary of War F. Trumble Davison operating a machine gun on one of the six new armored trucks which have been assigned to the First armored car troop attached to the United States cavalry.

## Aunt Roxie Opines By Mc



"I don't think Al Smith will kill prohibition fer de Republicans hez done done it."