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## Hurricane Hits Florida

### 250 Known Dead In Porto Rico

#### Million Left Homeless in Storm's Wake

#### Chairman Local Chapter Red Cross Makes Appeal For Donations

GREENSBORO, Sept. 17.—After leaving a trail of destruction in the West Indies and shrouding the Bahama islands in ominous silence, a tropical hurricane last night blew into the east coast of Florida somewhere between Jupiter and Fort Lauderdale. Communications rapidly were broken and a few details of the severity of the storm were available. Terrific winds hit the area nearest the storm center. It was not known whether any one was injured and reports of property damaged were lacking.—Associated Press.

#### OVER 200 DEAD IN PORTO RICO

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Sept. 16.—(AP)—More than 250 persons have been reported dead up to 6 o'clock tonight in nine of the island's 77 towns, as the result of the hurricane of Thursday. Other towns have reported no loss of life while communication with many others still is lacking. No continental Americans have been reported either killed or injured.

More than 70 per cent of the almost 2,000,000 population live in rural weeks before accurate reports are received. The known dead in the various towns follows: Cayey 75, Guayama 60, Humacao 50, Ponce 25, Arecibo 15, Aguadilla 10, Naguabo 10, Las Piedras 5, Fajardo 3; total 253.

#### LOCAL CHAIRMAN RED CROSS MAKES APPEAL

One thousand dead, one million hungry and homeless, and property damage running into millions like as it sweeps across the island of Porto Rico and hits Florida coast. Famine and disease are inevitable unless relief can be immediate. President Coolidge has issued his call to the American Red Cross chapters throughout the nation asking for immediate donations for relief of sufferers.

The Smithfield Chapter calls upon the citizens of Johnston county for help. The responses to be material should be liberal immediate. This call begins with \$5.00 collected. Who will be the first to forward donations?

All donations sent to the undersigned will be immediately sent to national headquarters at Washington.

H. V. ROSE, Chairman Smithfield Chapter of the American Red Cross.

#### A Good Floor Polish.

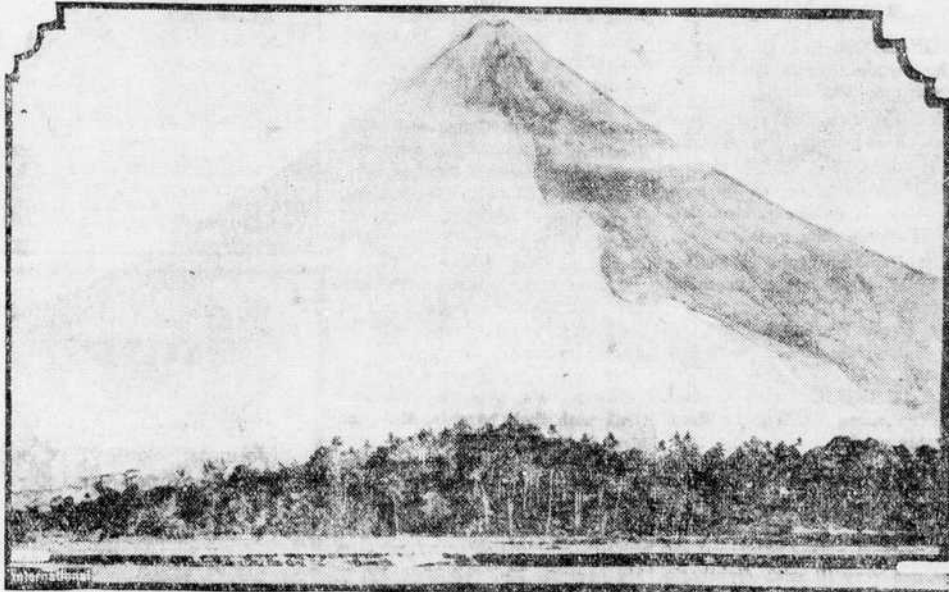
A small quantity of kerosene applied to hardwood floors and rubbed with a woolen cloth makes a very good and lasting polish. This may also be used for furniture.

#### 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 deciphers 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.

Today's Tantalizer: visnarea Benjamin Grimes recognizes his name last issue.

## Filipino Volcano That Is in Eruption



The volcano Mayon, in the western Albay province of the Philippines that is in violent eruption, pouring vast rivers of lava over the countryside and terrifying the natives. The town of Libog, near the foot of the mountain, was virtually destroyed.

## Wreck Discloses Identity Of Thief

### Geo. Bryant Wrecks Stolen Car And Officers Find Goods Taken From J. W. Woodard's Store

An automobile wreck involving three cars, which took place yesterday morning about 4:30 o'clock three and a half miles this side of Clayton, proved to be the key to a robbery which had taken place in the Glendale section on Sunday night.

Early yesterday morning it was reported to the sheriff's office that the country store of Mr. J. W. Woodard of Glendale had been entered and a lot of merchandise, together with \$200 in cash, sixty dollars of which was in gold, had been stolen. It seems that Mr. Woodard had gone to his safe on Sunday afternoon to get a key and had left the safe unlocked. Mr. Woodard is a member of the county board of education.

Later yesterday morning officers were called to the scene of the wreck near Clayton where it was found that three cars had been disabled and one or two persons painfully hurt, when a Ford coupe driven by George Bryant, colored, had run into a Chevrolet, driven by Mr. Pierce, of Raleigh, and Mr. Carroll, of Raleigh, driving an Essex, had run into the wreckage of the two cars. Bryant was cut and bruised, and Mr. Carroll also sustained some cuts in which it was necessary to take stitches.

Deputy T. E. Talton upon arriving at the scene made some investigation and found in the Ford coupe new merchandise including trousers, hose, belts, children's shoes, and chewing gum. It develops that the negro who now hangs from Raleigh had formerly been employed by Mr. J. W. Woodard of the Glendale section. Knowing of the theft which had taken place on Sunday night, Deputy Talton continued his search and finally located two five dollar gold pieces in a package of cigarettes. Then it was that the negro confessed but stated that two accomplices who had made their return to Raleigh were in possession of the remainder of the money. The officer went to Raleigh and reported the affair to police headquarters, and an effort is being made to apprehend the other two negroes.

In the Ford driven by Bryant, were found rubber gloves and rubber shoes presumably for use in preventing discovery through fingerprints or bloodhounds Bryant is in the Clayton jail where he was placed after Magistrate L. T. Rose had bound him over to Superior court.

After the discovery of the merchandise in Bryant's car, Mr. J. W. Woodard was communicated with and he immediately came to Smithfield where he identified the goods as having been stolen from his store.

Further investigation revealed

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## Triangle Case To Wind Up In Superior Court

### WILL ROGERS ANTI-BUNK CANDIDATE

In this issue the Herald is starting to publish the campaign announcements of the world-famous humorist Will Rogers, who is running on an Anti-Bunk ticket Will Rogers knows nothing, so he says, except what he reads in the newspapers, but he always has a rollicking comment upon current affairs His political talks will be published once a week in this paper. Watch for them at the bottom of the front page.

### Husband Attempts to Poison Wife And Is Placed Under \$2500 Bond For Appearance Superior Court

Jesse House, white man of Selma, is held under a \$2500 bond for his appearance in Superior court, charged with an attempt to poison his wife. House was tried before Magistrate O. D. Hinant, and a brother of the defendant who lives near Micro, stood the bond fixed by the magistrate.

According to information received from Johnston county officials, Mrs. House was ill at the home of her father near Bagley. Her husband gave her a dose of medicine which made her unusually sick. When he attempted to give her a second dose she suspected that something was wrong and when his back was turned instead of taking it, she put it in a vial and later gave it to her attending physician. Upon examination it was found to be arsenic of lead. Treatment was given for the amount she had already taken and Mrs. House is now said to be all right.

### W. T. Kirby Gives Barbecue Dinner

#### Nearly Ninety Gather At His Home Near Kenly To Enjoy Big Spread

On Friday, August 21, Mr. W. T. Kirby gave his children and their families, his tenants and their families, and a few invited guests a barbecue dinner at his home near Kenly. The dinner was served in the yard at the home and all thoroughly enjoyed the good things to eat and the lead tea and lemonade. The crowd numbered about 88. After dinner, Rev. J. W. Alford, one of the invited guests, made a picture of those present.

Mr. Kirby lives in Beulah township near Kenly, a place which he claims to be "the garden spot of the world." He was born where he now lives about sixty-six years ago and has been married three times. Mr. Kirby is known as a good farmer and as a good friend to many besides his own family and relatives. He is a special friend to the widows and the fatherless. Mr. Kirby is not only a strong prohibitionist, but is a total abstainer

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## WILL ROGERS SAYS:--

I was kinder disappointed in Al's speech of acceptance. I thought he was smarter than he is. I thought he would refuse.

Just think how much bigger man Al would have been if he had refused. If he gets elected he will be only one out of thirty that's held presidency. But if he had refused he'd be the first in history to do that—and probably the last.

A Democrat is naturally winder than a Republican. He is out of office more and he has more time to think up things to say. All a Republican has to say is "well, I am in, try and get me out." While with a Democrat he has to say something that will get the Republican out and also that will get him in.

Al said he would take the nomination because "this is the country that had raised him from ob-

## Poultry And Live Stock Exposition

### Benson Expects To Surpass Show of Last Year; Oct. 2 to 5 Dates For Folks of This Section To Remember

BENSON, Sept. 17.—Plans are being whipped into shape here at this time for the second annual Livestock and Poultry Exposition, which opens its gates to the people of this territory Tuesday, October 2, running through Friday night, October 5.

Unless indications are extremely misleading, the event this fall will surpass the event of a year ago. Additional poultry houses have been erected during the past few weeks and many other buildings are under construction at this time in order that the many exhibitors may have ample room in which to display their products.

As a special feature of the annual attraction, elaborate fireworks will be displayed each night of the exposition. Contracts have already been signed pertaining to this feature, which will be witnessed by thousands of interested persons throughout the event.

Miller and Marshall's famous carnival will play here during the four days attraction. This is considered one of the leading carnivals on the road today and promises to attract thousands of people to the exposition. Clowns galore will be seen during the event and many other features essential to such an entertainment will be written.

Sensational Frederick Dohell, who actually carries electrical equipment attached to his body, will feature the exposition with fancy high wire performances. The amount of voltage attached to his body is said to amount to 2,300 volts with the current on. His afternoon acts are equally as sensational. You can't afford to miss his performances, which will be staged every afternoon and night during the exposition.

Brass bands will furnish modern and entertaining music during the exposition, according to announcement made here recently.

School children of the county, no matter if they have whiskers on their faces, will be admitted to the exposition grounds on the opening day absolutely free of charge. They will be admitted free up until five o'clock in the afternoon of the opening day, officials have announced.

Schools of the county parading at 11 o'clock on the opening day will furnish another undisputed feature of the grand opening of the Livestock and Poultry exposition Tuesday, October 2.

Persons desiring information pertaining to exhibits or any other information of the exposition are requested to communicate with J. B. Slack, Secretary and Treasurer, Benson.

### DE SOTO AUTOMOBILE AGENCY LOCATE HERE

Mr. Carl A. Austin of Clayton was in the city yesterday making arrangements for opening an automobile business here. Mr. Austin will sell De Soto cars and will operate a service place. The stand of the Smithfield Motor company in the building with Sam's Filling station has been secured by Mr. Austin and he expects to be ready for business as soon as the Smithfield Motor company moves to its new home being erected on Johnston street by Mr. W. M. Gaskin.

Mr. Austin, the son of Mrs. W. M. Austin of Clayton, is a native Johnstonian and well known. For five years he was with Paul H. Waddill, Ford dealer in Clayton.

### Associational Notice.

The 99th session of the Little River Primitive Baptist Association will meet with the church at Rehobeth on next Friday, Saturday and fourth Sunday in this month. This church is located on the old Raleigh and Wilmington road and is ten miles north of Benson, six miles west of Four Oaks, and 24 miles south of Raleigh. Those coming by rail will be met at Benson and Four Oaks. JESSE BARNES, Moderator, R. F. SMITH, Clerk.

## TWO DEMOCRATIC SPEAKINGS IN COUNTY NEXT THURSDAY

### Hon. J. C. B. Ehringhaus Will Speak Here In Afternoon And at Peacock's Cross Roads Thursday Night

Thursday, September 20, will be featured by two political speakings in Johnston county, one on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in Smithfield when the democrats formally open the campaign in Johnston county and the other at Peacock's Cross Roads on Thursday evening at 7:20 o'clock. Hon. J. C. B. Ehringhaus, of Elizabeth City, will be the speaker on both occasions.

The issues of the political campaign will be ably discussed by Mr. Ehringhaus, who besides being an orator, is well informed as to the political situation. F. H. Brooks, chairman of the County Democratic executive Committee, extends an invitation to the public to hear this address. Chairman Brooks expects to extend an invitation to Congressman E. W. Pou, who arrived in the city Sunday night from Washington, D. C., to accompany the speaker to Peacock's Cross Roads and make an introductory speech.

It is expected that some of the candidates will be present at this speaking, which will be held in the auditorium of the school at Peacock's Cross Roads.

### HOME-COMING DAY AT BETHESDA CHURCH

Home-coming day will be observed at Bethesda Baptist church on highway number ten between Smithfield and Clayton Thursday, September 20. An all day service will be held and all are requested to carry well-filled baskets. The pastor will preach and "good singing" will be a feature of the day's program. All the members and the general public are invited to attend.

### MR. NORVELLE BRYAN AND MISS MITCHELL IN CONCERT.

It has been said many times of late, and probably truthfully so, that Clayton has, living in the town, and sends out to other parts of the State and surrounding states, more real artists in music than any other town of its size in North Carolina.

Very proud is the town of its young pianist, John Norvelle Bryan who is appearing in concert in the Clayton auditorium Tuesday, September 18 at 8:30 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Bryan has done intensive work in the study of piano at the Southern Conservatory, Durham, and elsewhere, and has been director of music in the Clayton City Schools for the past several years. He brings to his home town a splendidly prepared program, which, those who have had the pleasure of hearing him, can guarantee he is capable of performing in a truly masterful way.

Assisting on the program is another young artist whom Clayton has sent out with pride and welcomes back with love in this, probably her first public concert in the home town, Miss Gwendolyn Mitchell, of Greensboro.

Miss Mitchell is assistant voice teacher in the Greensboro College for Women, has been soprano soloist in the Presbyterian church of Greensboro for a number of years and possesses a voice of rare sweetness and charm.

The public is cordially invited to hear this program of beauty and melody which will appeal not only to the music lovers but to the public in general.—Clayton News.

### S. S. CLASS HAS PARTY.

The St. Claire class of the Free-will Baptist Sunday school had an outdoor party at the home of Mr. F. C. Fitzgerald Friday night. The yard was lighted and decorated in the class colors—pink and white. After a number of enjoyable games were played, pink and white ice cream was served with cake of the same colors.

## Investigating A Proverb Of Old

### Meet Miss Trumbull



Miss Florence Trumbull, daughter of Governor Trumbull of Connecticut and alleged fiancée of John Coolidge, the president's son, as she appeared on her return from her recent European trip.

### "As Maine Goes, So Goes the Nation" Has Not Always Proven Out; Republicans Win in Maine This Year

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—"As Maine Goes, So Goes the Nation"—this catchword has become something of a national proverb. The state of Maine has been regarded by many as the political barometer. The party that succeeds in Maine always seems to expect "Fair and Warmer" weather throughout the country. In 1920 Maine elected a Republican governor by 65,000 votes, and in the national election gave Harding a majority of 65,000.

In the Maine elections this year, William Tudor Gardner was by an overwhelming vote elected Governor of the state, defeating the Democratic candidate. Before the results were known, leaders in both parties the country over breathlessly awaited the news.

"As Maine Goes, So Goes the Nation"—thus the old catchword is phrased. But is it true?

Close investigation shows that Maine went Democratic only once since 1888. Three times during that period, a Democratic president was elected.

Maine did not vote for Cleveland in 1892. Maine voted in 1912 for Wilson, but went Republican in 1916 when a Democrat, Woodrow Wilson, was again elected.

Well, we shall find out whether the old catchword proves true this year. Just as nothing is as sure as death and taxes, nothing is as uncertain as political prophecy and weather reports.

### CONGRESSMAN AND MRS. POU ARE IN THE CITY

Congressman E. W. Pou, who was called to Washington, D. C., some weeks ago for some committee work, has returned home. Mrs. Pou who accompanied him to Washington is also here. They arrived Sunday night.

### Willing Workers Meet.

Selma, Sept. 13.—The members of the Willing Workers class of the Methodist church held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. J. T. Hughes, with Mr. Hughes and Mrs. Jesse Johnson as hostesses.

The meeting was opened with Scripture reading by Mrs. E. G. Richardson, followed by prayer, led by Mrs. A. K. Eason. Plans were perfected for a rummage sale to be held Saturday afternoon, Sept. 15, at the corner Anderson and Raeford streets, the proceeds to go toward furnishing the primary department of the new Sunday school rooms.

During the social hour a very unique contest, dressing dolls in crepe paper, was enjoyed. Mrs. Riley Renfrow was adjudged the winner in this, while Mrs. R. L. Ray received the consolation prize.

Refreshments consisting of sandwiches, doughnuts and iced tea, were served by the hostesses.

### Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Woodall

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Woodall have as their guests this week, Mrs. Woodall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Schmick of Catawissa, Pa., and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Schmick, of Gary, Ind.

### Aunt Roxie Opines By Mc—



"Men sho have eazy times—in de country dey kin wait fer a pat-ridge to fly agin de house and i town dey kin wait fer a office to hunt 'em."