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## For Smithfield

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## R. O. Cotter Dies At His Home Here

### Funeral Held Saturday Morning; Deceased Identified With Business Life of Smithfield For Years

A sad death occurred here Friday morning a little past twelve o'clock, when Mr. R. O. Cotter died after an illness of several weeks. High blood pressure resulted from a complication of diseases and he was in a critical condition for some days before his death. It was known that the end was near Wednesday, and relatives from a distance were summoned to his bedside. He lapsed into unconsciousness on Thursday and at 12:15 that night he passed away.

The funeral was held Saturday morning at eleven o'clock at the home. Rev. D. H. Tuttle, who was pastor of the deceased for four years, and Rev. J. D. Bundy, present pastor of the Methodist church, conducted the funeral service. "Abide With Me," "Jesus Lover of My Soul," and "Asleep in Jesus" were sung. Interment was made in the city cemetery. A profusion of lovely flowers covered the new made grave, attesting the love and esteem in which the deceased and his family are held. Pallbearers were: Dr. A. H. Rose, H. C. Hood, Chas. Creech, W. L. Fuller, Walter Grantham and L. G. Patterson.

Mr. Cotter was born November 12, 1871, his parents being Louisa Morgan and John Hiram Cotter, of this city. He grew up in Smithfield and after reaching manhood was identified with the business life of this city until his death. For a number of years he was in the hardware business, and at the time he was taken ill, he was in Raleigh in the newly-opened hardware establishment of Jordan-Edmondson Hardware company.

The deceased was a member of the Methodist church. He was also a Mason holding membership in Fellowship Lodge No. 84 of this city. In 1899 he was married to Miss Fannie Myatt and she, together with six children, survives him. His children are as follows: Mrs. Earl Lasey, of Burlington; Mrs. Hugh Cotton, of Raleigh; Misses Lucile and Mildred Cotter, and Robert and Eric Cotter, of this city.

One sister, Mrs. A. G. Stephenson, of this city, and a brother, Mr. L. S. Cotter, of Spencer, also survive.

## EPWORTH JUNIORS GIVE EASTER EXERCISE

The Epworth Juniors, an organization of the Methodist church which takes the place of the Bright Jewels, gave an interesting Easter program at the church Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. Mrs. J. D. Bundy is the leader of this group and with the assistance of Miss Mary Ragsdale at the piano presented a program to which parents of the juniors were invited. A goodly crowd was seated by the young ushers, Messrs. Jack Broadhurst and Thompson Creech. Those taking part in the program included: Stella Woodall, Evelyn Rose, Bettie Norcross, Mary Noble, Nellie Gordon, Margaret Holland, and Shy Young. Glenn Boyette and Elmer Wellons, Jr., passed the plate for a missionary offering.

## Gives Birth To Twenty.

Mr. Isaac Barnes, of Kenly, route 4, owns a sow that gave birth on March 29 to a litter of twenty pigs. All seem to be strong and healthy.

## Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield or Johnston County, and to the one deciphering their name and presenting a copy of this paper to the Herald office, we will present a free ticket to the Victory Theatre. Tickets must be called for before the following issue.

Albert Stallings deciphered his name last issue. TODAY'S TANTALIZER feyridooptt

## Miss "Smithfield"



Miss Arab Hooks, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Thel Hooks, who will represent Smithfield in the Queens contest at the East Carolina Exposition to be held at Farmville the week of April 8.

## Arrest Violators Prohibition Law

### Officers Make Several Raids in Past Few Days; Blind Tiger Is Caught

Officers have been busy during the past few days rounding up violators of the prohibition law. Last Thursday night Deputies J. O. Hinton, Walter King of Ingram, and C. G. Cole of Clayton took a 60-gallon copper whiskey still which had been located in the upper edge of Smithfield township. The officers came upon the still early in the night and finding it not to be in operation, waited until nearly midnight, but the owners were not "moonshining" that night. Along with the copper outfit three barrels of beer, doubling keg, worm stand, and a quantity of fruit jars were confiscated.

Saturday afternoon J. J. Batten and J. O. Hinton raided the house of Atlas Richardson, a negro, who lives near Buffalo in Selma township. They found five pints of liquor concealed in a horse stable and five half-gallons of fruit jars of whiskey hid in a pit dug out in a branch. A quantity of fruit jars and jugs were also found. Fresh tracks of persons and automobiles indicated that Richardson had been having a liberal patronage. Richardson was arrested and carried before United States Commissioner I. W. Massey at Selma and was bound over to Federal court, which convenes the first week in May, under a \$500 bond.

Later that same afternoon, J. O. Hinton, J. J. Batten and Pete Jeffreys raided the house of another negro whose name was Ernest Richardson. Richardson lived in the edge of the town of Selma. He saw the officers as they approached and began to run. He had his pockets full of whiskey and as he ran he tried to pour it out. Officers pursued him about four hundred yards. They arrested him on two counts—possession for the purpose of sale and resisting officers. He is now in jail awaiting trial in today's Recorder's court.

Later yesterday afternoon Wade Dupree, deputy from Pleasant Grove township, brought to the sheriff's office Jack Earp, white man of Wendell, who had arrested at White Oak mill in Clayton township. He is charged with the possession of a half-pint of whiskey, drunkenness and cursing.

### Bird's Nest Salad.

Peel, chill and cut tomatoes in halves; scoop out seeds and fill cavities with small balls of cream cheese mixed with cream, chopped nuts and chopped chives. Dress with mayonnaise. Serve on crisp lettuce.

### Removes Grease From Wallpaper.

Moisten a soft flannel cloth with alcohol and rub gently over the grease spots on wall paper and they will disappear.

## Recorders' Court This Week Has Heavy Docket

### Large Number of Criminal Cases Tried In Local Court This Week

Quite a number of criminal cases were disposed of in Recorder's court here last week, court continuing through Thursday. The following were tried during the week:

Doom Allen was found guilty of aiding and abetting in the manufacture of intoxicants. He received a 90-day road sentence, the sentence to be suspended upon the payment of a \$25 fine and the cost.

Albert Holder was convicted of assault with deadly weapon. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of the cost.

John Sloan, convicted of violation of the prohibition laws, was sentenced to the county roads for a period of 60 days, the sentence to be suspended upon the payment of a \$50 fine and the cost.

Twenty-five dollars of the \$50 are to be paid to the prosecuting witness, Harry Creech. The defendant was also convicted of assault, but prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of the cost.

Dewey Sherrod plead guilty to bastardy. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of the cost.

David C. Rhodes was charged with assault. The prosecution was adjudged to be frivolous and malicious and the prosecuting witness was taxed with the cost.

Charlie Jeffreys entered a plea of guilty to possession. He was fined \$25 and taxed with the cost.

Henry Sanders plead guilty to possession and was fined \$15 and the cost.

J. A. Farmer plead guilty to possession. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of the cost.

Lewis Herring was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost for operating an automobile while intoxicated.

Jasper Sutton plead guilty to trespass. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of the cost.

E. M. Johnson was charged with larceny. Probable cause was found and the defendant was bound over to Superior court under a \$300 bond.

Bill Johnson and Jep Hall were in court charged with larceny. Jep Hall was not convicted and was discharged. Probable cause was found as to Bill Johnson and he was bound over to Superior court under a \$300 bond.

Bud Hudson was fined \$10 and taxed with the cost for possession of beer.

Preston Hudson was fined \$10 and taxed with the cost for possession of beer.

Noah Stewart, who was convicted of giving worthless check, was fined \$20 and taxed with the cost.

Prayer for judgment was continued in the case against Ossie Wiggs.

James Holmes was found guilty of larceny and receiving stolen chickens. He was sentenced to the roads for 90 days, the sentence to be suspended upon the payment of a \$25 fine and the cost.

Arthur Hudson, aged 25, a white merchant, who was convicted of receiving stolen chickens, was sentenced to the roads for 90 days. The sentence is to be suspended upon the payment of a \$25 fine and the cost.

John D. Collins plead guilty to larceny of hats. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of the cost. He also plead guilty to larceny of chickens and was sent to the roads for six months.

Mrs. Eleanor O'Neal, charged with giving worthless check, was called and failed. Judgment nisi set fa and capias.

Allen Peacock and John Peacock were in court charged with violation of the prohibition law. Peacock was found guilty. Allen Peacock was found guilty of possession and transportation and was sentenced to the roads for a

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## WELL, JOHN D. WON—NOW, THEREFORE, I—

### THE QUICK HOOVER MIND—GOODBYE, TOM TAGGART—

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., won his fight in the Standard Oil Company of Indiana and Colonel Stewart was defeated. There have been few more bitter fights in the history of high finance.

John H. Perry, learned editor of Reading, Pennsylvania, Jacksonville, Florida, and other places, predicting the Indiana result, said: "It is hard to fight dollars. In fact, you can't do it."

He added as an afterthought: "It is absolutely impossible to fight dollars when they happen to be right."

Colonel Coblenz, of San Francisco and New York, remarked: "To the victor belong the oils."

Colonel Stewart, bidding farewell to Standard Oil of Indiana, and probably preparing to run some other big oil company, had the satisfaction of reporting financial success in 1928.

In the last year Standard Oil of Indiana has earned more than eighty-three million dollars profit, or 16.76 per cent on its capital. Earnings of the company increased more than fifty millions, as compared with 1927.

President Hoover, who summons the extra session of Congress to meet on April 15, is not an emotional man. But he must have been moved on writing the words, "Now, therefore, I, Herbert Hoover, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim and declare," etc.

After you have done farm chores as a small boy there must be some satisfaction in writing, "Now, therefore, I, President."

On April 15 farmers will have their day and Congress will tell them, if it can, how to put a disorganized industry on a substantial, paying basis.

No manufacturer could make his plant pay if he had to close down all winter. The farmer must do that, and it is part of the problem.

President Hoover has a quality more important to executives than any, except sound judgment.

### HE MAKES UP HIS MIND QUICKLY.

No "wait a day or two."

When told of the Mexican revolution, the President did not wait a week. In five minutes he had told his Cabinet "our business interest and duty demand support of the existing Mexican Government."

He shipped guns and ammunition from army stores to President. Portes Gil, stopped shipments of ammunition, guns, and airplanes to the revolutionists, and arranged for shipments of fighting planes to Mexico's Government.

This does not imply complete approval of all that the Mexican Government has done, or disapproval of the revolutionary cause. It means that the President means to uphold stability of government.

Tom Taggart of Indiana is dead. He had an interesting life while it lasted, and it lasted seventy-two years. He was a political boss for a generation, controlling his State. He defeated Champ Clark and nominated Woodrow Wilson for the presidency.

Now that he is in heaven, and presumably knows everything, Mr. Taggart knows just how useful he was when his influence gave Woodrow Wilson the presidency.

### HAS BEEN TAKING HERALD FOR 28 YEARS

Mr. J. D. Creech of Selma, route 2, called at the Herald office yesterday and renewed his subscription. Mr. Creech stated that he had been taking the Herald for the past 28 years and felt that it would be impossible for him to do without it.

## Boy Scouts Here Make Fine Record

### Pass 47 Merit Badge Tests at Recent Court of Honor — Troop Boasts One Eagle Scout; Edwin Broadhurst Lacks Only One Badge

At a recent Court of Honor meeting of the Boy Scouts of America, the scouts of the Smithfield troop passed a total of forty-seven merit badges, qualifying in seventeen different subjects. The scouts passing tests were: Paul Johnson, 8; Frank Gordon, 8; Richard Noble, 7; Chas. Broadhurst, 6; Edwin Broadhurst, 4; Jeff Wallace, 50; Elmer Wellons, 4; Ben Grimes, 3; and Chas. R. Royal, 20. This landslide of test-passing boosts the troop's total number of merit badges to one hundred forty-nine. Of the twenty-six members of the troop, all are merit badge scouts except nine, who are recent additions to the organization. The troop boasts eight Star scouts, two Life scouts, and one Eagle scout. These Smithfield boys are making a record in the council, too. Since January 1, while all other troops in the council have passed only twenty-seven merit badges, the local troop has added forty-seven to its credit.

Word has just been received that Smithfield Troop No. 1 is the winner of the council's contest trophy for the first quarter of the year. This trophy is a large silver loving cup which will be displayed in Scoutmaster Watson's office in the near future.

Last official report as to points was as follows: Goldsboro No. 5—5776; Goldsboro No. 1—18111; Goldsboro No. 6—1167; Rosewood—1071; Goldsboro No. 3—5247; Benson—9988; Pikeville—3461; Grantham—3134; Goldsboro No. 4—4910; Selma—1353; Fremont—1488; Smithfield—26841.

In a similar inter-patrol contest within the troop, the Buffalo Patrol, Paul Johnston, patrol leader, carried off high honors. Of the six members of this patrol, all are Star scouts, each having five or more merit badges.

The executive committee of the council is at work on the new permanent camp and will have it in readiness for the summer encampment. The camp site was donated by Mrs. Sol Well and is a memorial to her husband. Bye Gulley, assistant scoutmaster of the local troop, has been recently selected as assistant camp director, and Edwin Broadhurst will be one of the councilors. Scout Gulley is an Eagle scout, having thirty-six merit badges, while Scout Broadhurst has a total of twenty-five merit badges and lacks only one additional badge before he will also be an Eagle scout.

The finance committee of the local troop has been called upon to raise two hundred fifty dollars, which will pay the expenses of the troop for the coming year. The executive committee of the council has sent out an appeal to know what will be done towards raising this sum. And unless the people of Smithfield will come to the rescue and aid the troop, financially as well as morally, the troop must be dropped from the council, which will virtually mean the death of scouting in Smithfield. The money raised for the local troop and paid in to the council is used to pay Smithfield's pro rata part of the council expenses; that is, for services of the scout executive, in person and through his office and the expenses incidental to the maintenance of this department, without which the work of the council could not be carried on. The council budget for the year is something over \$4,000.00 and Smithfield is asked to raise a very small part of it. Reports available show that practically every other town in the council has already raised its pro rata share, and it is the earnest hope of the Smithfield troop that the local finance committee will find ready response from the people of Smithfield and that Smithfield's quota may be raised without delay.

## Sunday School Conference In Co. Board Guest

### Session At M. E. Church Here

### Two-Day Program Opens This Morning At 10 O'clock; Large Crowd Delegates Expected

The sixth annual session of the conference-wide Sunday School Conference opens here at Centenary Methodist church this morning at ten o'clock. Registration and assignment of homes will begin at nine o'clock and at ten a worship service in song directed by Mr. J. Foster Barnes, musical director of Duke University, will open the two-day conference.

A large number of delegates are expected to be here and nearby Methodist churches are cooperating in entertaining them. Every minute of the program will be filled with something helpful for Sunday school workers, and the entire community is invited to attend the sessions.

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## Home Demonstration Women Serve Luncheon To County Commissioners Yesterday

### Members of county board of commissioners were guests of the County Council of Home Demonstration work at a luncheon here yesterday.

The board of commissioners was in session and at the noon hour the members were invited to the farmers room for the meal which was served in three courses. Fruit cocktail was the first course, followed by fried chicken, ham, string beans, Irish potatoes, a vegetable salad and coffee. The dessert was apple pie topped with whipped cream.

Mrs. Ira C. Whitley, president of the county council, presided over the occasion and called on Mr. J. T. Edgerton, chairman of the county board of commissioners, to invoke a blessing upon the repast. After the first course Mrs. John K. Sanders talked informally of her experience as a member of a home demonstration club. Mrs. O. L. Boyett made a talk on club work in the county, giving the number of clubs and other interesting information. Mrs. R. L. Barden read a poem on team work, which was appropriate to the occasion. Mr. J. T. Edgerton responded to the talks in a pleasing manner. Before adjournment Mrs. Whitley paid a fine tribute to Miss Minnie Lee Garrison, the county home agent, who has worked so faithfully with the home demonstration clubs in Johnston county.

The appointments of the luncheon were tasteful and attractive. Spring flowers were used effectively and the place cards were cut in the form of miniature envelopes. These bore also some benefit derived from club work, suggesting the showers of blessings that come through this organization.

Among the guests present were: J. T. Edgerton, chairman, J. T. Creech, E. R. Temple, L. D. Mitchell, M. B. Pleasant, Miss Luma McLamb, clerk to the board; H. B. Marrow, superintendent of schools. Members of the county Board of Education were invited to be present, but this board was not in session yesterday.

### EASTER CANTATA PLEASURES LARGE CROWD

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L. L. GOBBEL, Sunday School Field Secretary N. C. Methodist Conference in charge of S. S. Conference in session here this week.

## TAKE OVER DISMAL CANAL MARCH 30

WASHINGTON, N. C., March 29.—Congressman Lindsay C. Warren today received a wire from General Edgar Jadwin, chief of engineers, stating that the Dismal Swamp canal would be officially taken over by the government and made toll free at noon, March 30.

The project of government ownership of the canal was first brought up by Congressman H. S. Ward, who obtained favorable action on the proposal. Congressman Warren was successful in obtaining an appropriation of a half million dollars for the purchase of the canal. That was four years ago. Since then the matter has been tied up on account of some defect in the title General Jadwin stated in his message cleared up and that the government would officially start operating the canal without toll beginning at noon today.

Northeastern Carolina has been greatly interested in the project and the news of the government's action in the matter will be received with considerable satisfaction on the part of many people who have been anxious to see this step taken.

### "THE HARNETT MIRROR" STARTS PUBLICATION

"The Harnett Mirror," published at Angier is a new publication to reach our desk. The publisher is Durwood E. Dixon. The paper is a neat four page sheet devoted entirely to the local interests of Angier. It is published weekly the first issue having come out on March 22.

### "JOHNSTON COUNTY SUN" COMES OUT AGAIN

After a suspension of several weeks, the "Johnston County Sun" has resumed publication under new management. The paper has been incorporated and Mr. Chas. B. Cozzens chosen as editor and manager. It will continue to be published weekly by the Medlin Printing company. S. W. Brown is president of the corporation and Miss Luma McLamb, secretary-treasurer.

### Other Old Coins.

Mr. L. M. Barefoot, of Benson, route 2, was in the city yesterday. Mr. Barefoot has three coins which he prizes very much. One is a half dime dated 1840, another is an old five-cent piece, and the other is a French coin. The French money is a one-franc piece which was brought from France by Mr. Barefoot's brother at the close of the World War.

### Spend Sunday in Pinehurst.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Allen spent Sunday in Pinehurst with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Geo. E. Prince, of Dunn, spent Sunday here with Mrs. R. E. Smith.