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## Do You Know Of A Vacant Lot

in Smithfield that need Beautifying? Enter it in the Yard and Garden Contest, Then Beautify!

## Farm Convention Next Great Event

Program Built Around State-Wide Agricultural Program As Advocated by Governor O. Max Gardner

RALEIGH, June 24.—The annual session of the State Farmers' and Farm Women's convention to be held at State College July 22 to 27, will be the next great gathering of farm people in North Carolina and will probably be the greatest session of this organization.

"The program will be built around the organization of a state-wide agricultural program as advocated by Governor O. Max Gardner," says James M. Gray, secretary of the convention. "The first session will be at eight o'clock Tuesday morning, July 23 when the different sectional groups will meet until eleven o'clock. At that hour, the men and women will gather in Pullen Hall for the formal opening and to hear addresses by Governor Gardner, President E. C. Brooks and Commissioner William A. Graham. M. L. Adderholdt, of Lexington will make the annual president's address and Mrs. W. T. Whitsett will make her address as president of the State Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs. Prof. W. H. Darst, director of the crop improvement work will also explain the new plan for seed certification."

On Friday morning, July 26, the whole convention will hear the recommendations developed in the sectional meetings for a state-wide agricultural program and these will be adopted or rejected as the body decides. On Wednesday afternoon, July 24, it is planned to organize the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association. The Cooperative Cotton Association will also meet at the college during the convention."

Officials of the convention have arranged a series of interesting recreational events, sight-seeing expeditions, musical numbers and other diversions for the late afternoons and evenings. As usual, the college will make no charge for rooms but visitors must bring their necessary bed covers and toilet articles. Meals will be served at a low rate in the college dining hall. Dean I. O. Schaub, head of the school agriculture, extends a cordial invitation for all farmers to attend.

The homemaker and her job will be studied by rural women of North Carolina who attend the annual short course. Last summer, over 600 women were present for this course and indications are now that an equally large number will be present this summer. The program has been completed by Mrs. Estelle T. Smith, director of the course.

The three high spots of the short course will be the annual meeting of the State Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs on Thursday, July 25 at eleven o'clock, recognition of the five master farm homemakers Thursday evening at 8:30 on the campus, the cotton dress style review and the presentation of college certificates on Friday to those who have attended four short courses.

## Clean Up Day.

All who have loved ones buried at the cemetery at Mrs. D. A. Overbee's near Union church will meet Wednesday morning, June 26, early and bring tools to work with.

## J. W. PITTMAN.

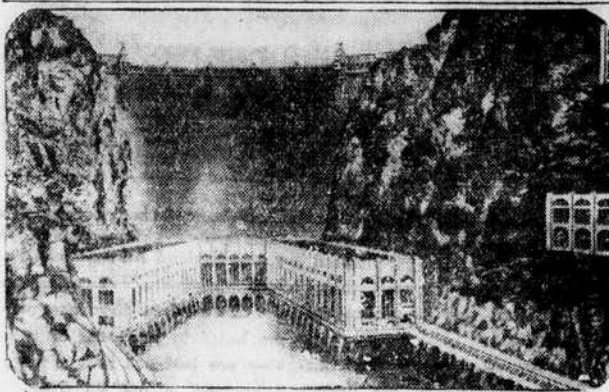
## Tantalizer

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.

Wade Talton deciphered his name last issue.

TODAY'S TANTALIZER  
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## How the Boulder Dam in Colorado Will Look



This drawing made under the direction of Raymond F. Walter, chief engineer of the Interior Department, gives the "present conception of Boulder Dam as planned." If plans are not changed it will look like this when completed.

## Budget In Hands Of Commissioners

School Budget Presented at Meeting Held Thursday; Action Will Be Taken First Monday in July

The board of education and the board of county commissioners met in joint session here last Thursday to consider the school budget. No action was taken at this time but the matter will be acted upon on the first Monday in July. The school budget was presented complete except as to the amount necessary to be included for insurance as provided under the workmen's compensation act.

From a set up of the budget printed elsewhere in this issue, it will be seen that the general count is \$3,360 less than the budget of last year. Instructional service, which includes salaries of teachers, principals, superintendents, and supervisors, is \$18,236.25 less than last year's budget. Operation and maintenance of plant which includes the cost of janitors, fuel, light, repairs and insurance, is \$27,131.37 more than last year. This increase is due mainly to the fact that county insurance on school buildings is carried in three-year policies which are cheaper, and the policies for this insurance fall due in 1929-'30.

Transportation increases \$1,750, due mainly to the operation of more trucks. Capital outlay, for the purchase of new trucks, decreases \$6,824.18. Debt service increases \$24,202.06, which is due to the fact that \$240,000 funding bonds recently sold here are included in the budget. Also proper payments to sinking funds for bonds other than serial are included.

The expenditures for 1928-'29 have been \$18,497.16 less than the budget for this same year. This is used as a credit on next year's budget. Also as a credit to reduce the levies next year there is \$36,000 more allocated by the Equalizing Board than was allowed the past year.

## SMITHFIELD BOY GETS HONORS AT HARVARD

A news dispatch from Cambridge, Mass., published in recent issues of state papers tells of an honor which has come to David Benton Wharton, son of Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Wharton of this city, who is at Harvard University. He has been awarded a Harvard scholarship, which is the highest academic honor granted from the Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. The article characterizes Mr. Wharton as one of the most prominent students at Harvard University. He has been very prominent in academic and social circles during his attendance at the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and has achieved several high scholastic honors.

G. W. Lathan of Union county says he would rather have soybeans in his corn than fertilizer for the succeeding crop if he had to make a choice.

## Judge Midyette Opens Court Here

Places Responsibility For Crime Upon the Homes, In Charge to Grand Jury

Judge G. E. Midyette, of Elizabeth City, who is presiding over a term of criminal Superior court here, in his charge to the grand jury yesterday, placed the responsibility for so much crime upon the homes. It is not the inefficiency of the courts that puts about twice as many white men as negroes on the public roads of North Carolina. It is not the laxity of judge or jury that is responsible for the fact that the majority of the criminals in the state penitentiary are white boys under twenty-five years of age. But it is laxity in the home that is causing more dishonesty, more immorality and prostitution, more disregard for the law of the land.

A variety of offenses are on the docket of this term of court, Judge Midyette told the grand jury, and a number deal with dishonesty. Extravagance was assigned as one reason for dishonesty. Living on a scale that one's earnings will not justify too often leads to stealing. Example set by parents was cited as another reason. If a parent is not honest in his dealings his boy, who watches him throughout sixteen years or more, follows the same dishonest course.

For the increase in immorality, Judge Midyette blamed lack of proper chaperonage of the young people. The word "chaperone" is no longer in our dictionary. Girls instead of being at home in the evenings by nine or ten o'clock, are out on the roads in automobiles without chaperones, coming in at two or three o'clock in the morning. While out, perhaps a blockade still or a blind tiger is visited. The driver buys a little liquor and both boy and girl take a drink. The only requirement, suggested the judge, concerning this night prowling is that the parents be not awakened when the young folks go in.

Judge Midyette closed his charge to the grand jury with a plea for the enforcement of all laws impartially. So long as a law is on the books, it is the crystallized sentiment of civilization, and should be observed. The liquor laws, the speed laws, all laws should be enforced impartially.

When Judge Midyette completed his charge, the officer assigned to this body, C. Q. Stephenson, was sworn in and the grand jury filed out to the grand jury room. W. L. Stanfield, of Selma, was selected as foreman of the grand jury.

No cases were tried before noon but when the court reassembled at two o'clock the case state vs. Bernice Narron and Lee Smith was called. The defendants plead guilty to breaking into a box car and a sentence of not less than three nor more than five years in the state prison was imposed.

The case of the state vs. Temple Coates and Lindsay Lee, charged with assault with deadly weapon, was next called and a nol pros was taken as to Lindsay Lee. Temple Coates plead guilty to the offense but judgment was deferred until later during court.

A. B. Johnson, a white man, entered a plea of guilty as to stealing an automobile. He was given a sentence of not less than three nor more than five years in the state prison.

The cases in which Fred Layton, Willie Layton, Narcissus Layton, Howard Otis and John Bell were charged with stealing chickens were consolidated and the trial got under way after four o'clock.

## Mr. Ballance II.

Kenly, June 24.—Friends of Mr. Jack Ballance are sorry to learn of his illness. Mr. Ballance has been in a Rocky Mount hospital for several days.

"How do you make anti-freeze?"  
"Hide her woolen pajamas."

## A GOOD SCOUT.

The Smithfield Boy Scouts will present a three-act comedy, entitled "A Good Scout," at the school auditorium next Friday evening, June 28 at 8:30 o'clock. The play depicts the purposes of the Boy Scout movement and tells a thrilling story of the uplifting effect it had on one community.

A professional director has been employed to insure a successful presentation. Chas. Hilliard, who staged the Eastern Carolina Follies at the recent exposition in Farmville.

The prices of twenty-five cents for children and thirty-five cents for adults will prevail, in order that a packed house will attend this performance.

Pleasing specialties will be introduced between each act so that there will be no waits.

## Co. Agricultural Board Is Formed

Representatives From Fourteen Townships Meet Here and Select Officers; Delegates Chosen To State Farmers Convention

The first meeting of the Johnston County Agricultural Advisory Board was held here in the courthouse Saturday. This advisory board is composed of two farmers from each township in the county and its purpose is to work out plans for the development of agriculture along with the county agent.

The meeting Saturday was well attended. Every township in the county save three was represented by at least one man, and five townships had their full representation present. Quite a number of others were present at the meeting also, including business men from various towns in the county who are vitally interested in the agricultural problems of the county and are lining up with the program now being carried on.

The following officers were elected: T. C. Young, chairman; J. W. Stephenson, vice-chairman; J. B. Slack, secretary. Mr. Young made a short talk telling the purpose for the organization of this board and the things it could and would be expected to do, expressing his willingness to aid in every way possible.

After the election of officers the selection of representatives to the State Farmers' Convention was taken up and the following men were chosen to represent Johnston County officially at this meeting: G. Willie Lee, S. P. Honeycutt, P. A. Boyette, W. W. Stewart, and Howard Oliver. These men will help plan a long time, state-wide agricultural program which is in line with Governor Gardner's plans for the development of North Carolina agriculture. Many others present expressed the intention of attending the state meeting part of the time and it is hoped that every farmer in the county who possibly can, will attend this meeting part of the time at least.

Short talks boosting the extension work started in the county were made by Fred Waters, J. W. Stephenson, J. L. Lee, W. S. Earp, W. T. Wilson, W. V. Blackman, J. A. Smith, A. J. Whitley, Jr., and others. J. B. Slack, county agent, told of some of the plans for carrying on the work now started.

A farm tour through various counties of the state was suggested and discussed at some length. A committee was appointed to work out plans for this tour which will probably be made during the first part of August.

The organization of local groups in each township to work in connection with this county group was suggested and it is hoped that such groups can be organized in the near future. Such a plan would make it possible for the county agent to be of much more benefit to the county.

## Meadow Women Give Chickens

Contribute to Fund to Continue Home Demonstrator; Hail Damages Crops

BENSON, Route 2, June 24.—The club women of our community have collected some chickens, about 30, and sold them. The proceeds will go to help maintain Miss Minnie Lee Garrison, the home demonstration agent. Our women are very interested in the work that Miss Garrison has been doing during the past years and do not think that they can give her up.

The tobacco fields of Messrs. E. E. Godwin, J. E. Hudson, Isaac Hudson, J. M. Wood and Jasper Marshburn were today damaged by the hail that came. The tobacco of Messrs. J. E. Hudson and Isaac Hudson is practically ruined and people think the best thing for them to do is to cut it off and let a sucker come. The hail seemed to have gone in a narrow streak. Heavy winds accompanied the hail. The cotton and corn were damaged some, but not as badly as the tobacco.

About fifteen or twenty of our club girls and women attended the county-wide stunt night at Smithfield last Thursday night. Everyone seemed to enjoy the trip very much. The girls put on a stunt—"The Kitchen Band"—which was very enjoyable.

We are sorry to note the illness of Mrs. J. N. Johnson. She has been confined to her bed for four or five days. We hope for her a rapid recovery.

Mrs. Fannie Gilbert, an aged woman of our community fell Monday and she is in very bad condition. She seems to have crushed some bones in the shoulder and hip. She is unable to move any part of her body except her feet. We hope Mrs. Gilbert will soon be up again.

Miss Cornelia Johnson was suddenly taken ill last Monday night and has been quite sick, but she is getting along fine now.

Mrs. J. G. Hudson, who has been confined to her bed for many weeks with an eating cancer, seems to show no improvement. Mrs. Hudson has suffered much during her confinement. We hope she may soon get relief.

Mr. Seth Lee and family, of near Coles, visited Mrs. Lee's father, Mr. L. P. Johnson, last Sunday.

Miss Geraldine Smith, of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, is visiting her father, Mr. Allen Smith, and other relatives of this community.

Misses Mary and Annie Lee entertained a large crowd of boys and girls at a party last Saturday night. The party was in honor of Miss Geraldine Smith who was visiting Misses Mary and Annie Lee.

Mrs. J. L. Powers and daughter, Mary Ellen, of Republican, are spending a few days with Mr. Powers' mother, Mrs. Rozella Lee.

Miss Alice Johnson is attending summer school at E. C. T. C., Greenville.

Misses Inez and Loverna Langston, of Bentonville, spent last Sunday with Misses Sarah and Varina Wood.

Mr. Leander Johnson, who has a position in Washington, D. C., and Miss Rena Jernigan, the youngest daughter of Mr. Hannibal Jernigan, were married last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson left immediately for Washington where they will live.

Miss Mabel Johnson, who taught music in the eastern part of the state last year, has returned to her home here where she will spend the summer with her father, Mr. Pias Johnson.

The reporter would like to make a correction in the news of last week. Miss Ludie Lee is not in summer school but is spending the summer with her father, Mr. J. L. Lee.

Miss Annie Nichols left Saturday for her home near Charlottesville, Va., where she will spend the summer.

## Presidential Prospect



Owen D. Young's latest diplomatic achievement in accomplishing the new reparations agreement has revived talk among Democratic leaders at Washington of promoting his presidential candidacy in 1932.

## Young Is White House Prospect

From Farm House To White House May Be Career of Owen D. Young; Debt Negotiations Have Put Him in Lime Light

Prominent Democratic leaders at Washington are already promoting the presidential candidacy for 1932 of Owen D. Young, the farm boy who became the world's greatest compromiser by solving the reparations puzzle in Europe.

This man, to whom the world looked for guidance in settling the tremendous financial problems growing out of the World War, is regarded by Senator Carter Glass of Virginia and others as the one outstanding Democrat to whom the party can turn. "He is a man of unquestioned ability and accomplishment," says the Senator.

Mr. Young and Gen. Dawes took up the debt question in 1924, going to London without any official status. In Mr. Young's brain was born the basic idea of the so-called Dawes Plan—called so because Gen. Dawes was the presiding member of the Reparations Commission. Mr. Young, presiding over the most recent negotiations, with J. P. Morgan and Thomas W. Lamont as associates, cleaned up, in less than four months, the biggest and most complicated financial entanglement in the history of the world.

This man of the hour is the product of a New York farm who educated himself. Born at Van Hornesville, in Herkimer county, N. Y., he worked on his father's farm as a boy, driving in the cows from the pasture, milking them and doing the morning and evening chores.

Later he guided a plow behind a team of horses, helped with the harvesting and did other forms of farm work. When he had time, he attended school, and later worked his way through the law course at Boston University, completing a three year course in two years while earning enough for his keep by tutoring.

In 1908 he was already on the path to success, though only two years out of college, and married Miss Josephine Sheldon Edmonds of Southbridge, Mass. Five children were born out of the marriage and four are living.

Now Mr. Young is chairman of the board of the General Electric Company and chairman of the Board of the Radio Corporation of America.

He has engaged in many public activities, and won many honors the world over. Through it all his love for farm life has not abated.

For Mr. Young, after moving to New York in 1913 and finding that his business often called him to Schenectady, bought his father's old farm not far from the scene of his business activities. He and his family live on the farm when he is able to get away from his many duties in New York and Europe.

She: "Time surely separates the best of friends."

He: "Quite true. Fourteen years ago we were both eighteen. Now, you are twenty-three and I am thirty-two."

## Baptists To Meet At Antioch Church

All Day Union Meeting To Be Held Next Sunday; Interesting Program Will Be Given

The Little River Baptist Union will be held at Antioch Baptist church next Sunday, June 30, beginning at 9:30 o'clock. The following interesting program has been arranged:

- Sunday Morning.
- 9:30 Sunday School.
- 10:30 Welcome Address to the union by A. D. O'Neal.
- 10:35 Roll Call of all the churches.
- 10:40 Reading of previous minutes.
- 10:50 Business of the Union.
- 11:00 Sermon by Rev. Millard Johnson.
- 12:00 Announcement by Rev. A. R. Creech.
- 1:00 Devotional by Sadie Atkinson.
- 1:10 The Challenge of the Churches by C. L. Batton.
- 1:40 What is the matter with our Sunday schools and churches by J. T. Holt.
- 2:10 The need of revival in our Sunday schools and churches by C. S. Creech.
- 2:40 Reading of the Constitution and by-laws of this Union by the Clerk.
- 3:00 Open discussion for the betterment of our churches and Sunday schools by one.
- 3:45 Report of Committee and Miscellaneous.
- 4:00 Adjournment.
- J. M. RICHARDSON, Mod.
- J. R. ATKINSON, Clerk.

## AGRICULTURAL TEACHERS TO MEET IN RALEIGH 24-29.

About 125 vocational agricultural teachers from various parts of the state will meet in Raleigh the week of June 24-29 to formulate plans for carrying out a more effective program of work, according to J. Paul Shaw, agricultural teacher at Benson. These meetings are held annually in the summer and are a big help to the individual teachers. During the conference the teacher has an opportunity to get additional information on important subjects from the various experts at the college.

At the same time and in connection with the teachers conference the Young Tar Heel Farmers Club, a state-wide organization of agricultural students, will hold their annual meeting. These meetings are held to promote better all round work on the part of the student. Irving Langdon and Yoakum Matthews are delegates from the Benson chapter. An interesting and educational program has been planned and very good conference is expected.

## NOTICE

"Final Judgment," a sacred drama, will be repeated at 8:30 p. m., July 1, by the request of both white and colored in the A. M. E. Church at Wilson's Mills. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

MADAM E. L. BRUCE, Director.  
REV. C. C. MILLER, Pastor.

## Aunt Roxie Opines By Mc—



"Hit aint everbody dat's et a part uv a school uv fish dat's highly educated."  
"P. S.—Hit don't take educational pepul to know dat Smithfield is de place to sell backer."