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## Re-Submit School Budget To Boards

Conference Between County Commissioners and School Committees Results In Asking Board Education and Commissioners to Consider Budget Jointly

The school budget, which was the subject of a special conference here Friday between the county board of commissioners and members of the school boards of the various districts in the county, will be referred again to the consideration of the county commissioners in joint session with the county board of education and the county superintendent of schools, in order that an other effort may be made to reduce the amount put down for the operation of schools in Johnston county in 1929-'30.

This decision was reached after Dr. George D. Vick of Selma had made a motion that the budget be re-submitted to the board of education for the purpose of reducing the figures if possible and if not possible without impairing the efficiency of the schools, that the child be not made the victim of a tax cut. Discussion of the motion led to a substitute motion which called for the joint consideration of the budget by the two boards, to the end that the school tax rate be kept the same, if not lower, than that of last year, which was \$1.08. The two boards will meet next Thursday.

The conference Friday held in the commissioners room of the courthouse, was presided over by J. T. Edgerton, chairman of the county board of commissioners, who explained that the meeting had been called at the suggestion of C. M. Johnson of Raleigh, secretary to the State Advisory Board of County Government, who had previously conferred with the county commissioners. James Raynor, county attorney, was called upon to state the position of the commissioners as to the school budget.

Mr. Raynor stated that the budget calls for an appropriation of \$572,653.34, as compared with \$547,900.84 of last year, an increase of about \$24,000. He enumerated a number of items of current expense, the most of which were shown to be the same or less than the appropriation for the same items last year, thus leading up to the conclusion reached by Mr. Raynor: that the only way to lower the tax rate would be to cut the teachers' salaries, which is the big item in the expense of running the schools. He declared that it was not the intention of the county commissioners to slash the salaries of teachers, as the Greensboro Daily News had emblazoned on its front page Friday; nor, he declared, is it their purpose to hurt the efficiency of the schools. The tax rate must be cut and therefore the appropriation for the teachers' salaries must be cut. His plan for reducing the appropriation is that seasoned, experienced teachers should be replaced with Johnston county boys and girls who are just out of normal school or college and whose certificates naturally command less money. Mr. Raynor stated that the only teaching experience one needs is the watching of teachers through the ten or eleven years that are spent in elementary and high school. He also stated that, in his opinion, a teacher does his best work during the first two or three years that he teaches, at which time he

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## 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.  
Dick Roundtree deciphered his name last issue.  
TODAY'S TANTALIZER  
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## Good Attendance



Henry Lee, age 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Lee, of the sixth grade at Rock Hill school, who has been neither absent nor tardy for five years.

## J. J. Williams Hurt In Auto Accident

Has Five Ribs Broken When His Car Crashes Into Trailer of Truck Parked by Highway

Mr. J. J. Williams of Wilders township in the Johnston County Hospital as a result of an automobile accident which occurred Saturday evening about eight o'clock on highway No. 22 between Smithfield and Princeton.

Mr. Williams was coming towards Smithfield and ran his car into a trailer attached to a truck which was parked by the roadside. The trailer is said to have carried a red light, but the lights of a car which was going towards Mr. Williams blinded him so that he was unable to see the signal. Mr. Williams had five ribs broken and was bruised internally. He was brought to the Johnston County Hospital here and yesterday no complications having developed, he was reported as resting fairly well.

Mr. Williams is well known in the county. He was a candidate for sheriff in the Democratic primary prior to the last election.

## THE NATIONAL GRANGE AND ITS ACHIEVEMENTS

The Grange is unique among farm organizations. There is no other institution quite like it in any part of the world. It is at once a fraternity with a beautiful ritual; an educational institution; a cooperative organization, and a force for social betterment. For two generations it has also been an outstanding spokesman in public affairs for the people of rural America.

To make a list of the measures which the Grange has supported would be to enumerate practically every forward step which has been taken for agricultural welfare in the past sixty years.

In the early days of the organization it led the fight against the excesses of the railroads, which led to the establishment of the Interstate Commerce Commission and the control of public utilities. It fostered rural free mail delivery, the parcel post, and the establishment of institutions for teaching and research in agriculture. It played a prominent part in the helping to establish the North Carolina Agriculture Experiment Station.

The movement for the establishment of the Federal Farm Loan System and other progressive legislation passed during recent years was largely the result of work by the Grange.

The Grange has always stood for a fair distribution of the burdens of taxation, for legislative safeguards for American agriculture, for a better marketing system, and for every movement to promote farm prosperity.

But probably the greatest accomplishment of the Grange has been something that is not measurable, viz., the great good it has rendered and still renders to hundreds of thousands of rural men, women and children in its regular community meetings. These meetings are fraternal, social, and educational gatherings in which farm neighbors and friends join hands and minds in seeking enjoyment and enlightenment, and in promoting "Better Farming, Better Business, Better Living" in rural America.

## This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

THE BOON OF SLEEP— EGG STATISTICS— WONDERFUL LANDS— EIGHT "BIG MEN" —  
If you have sound sleep, don't envy any man his millions. An American, very rich, knighted by King George because of the American money he spent in London, was taken to a hospital, suffering from insomnia. In the morning he was found dead, clutching a piece of paper on which he had written that, as sleep was impossible, he could endure life no longer. He had poisoned himself.

A majority of us go through life, not appreciating our greatest blessings, especially the "Sleep that knits up the ravel'd sleeve of care, The death of each day's life, sore labour's bath, Balm of hurt minds, great nature's second course, Chief nourisher in life's feast."

Every year two thousand million American eggs are confided to hens and incubators. Every year 800,000,000 of them don't hatch.

Much lost possible wealth, at least \$200,000,000, at 25 cents per chick. The Department of Agriculture owns one hen, laying eggs of which 90 per cent hatch, and she transmits her qualities to daughters and granddaughters. This interests millions of women in the United States.

The government has thrown open to settlement government lands these are, low, level, deep, Mississippi River. Wonderful lands these are, low, level, deep, heavy black loam.

As the "wind bloweth where it listeth," so the Mississippi flows where it listeth, covering and uncovering land, washing millions upon millions of cubic yards of fertile soil into the Gulf of Mexico.

When will man's intelligence control "Old Man River" and make him an obedient part of the national machine? President Hoover, whose business is engineering, will attend to that, was "cut out" for that job.

The President seeks eight "big men" to put on the Farm Board. The big eight and the Secretary of the Treasury will administer funds for farm relief, spending the people's money as intelligently as they know how.

How can you tell "a big man" when you see him, and how can you be sure that your big man understands farm problems? It would be interesting to put the eight big men, after they are chosen, in charge of some typical American farm to see what they could make of it.

The President signs the Boulder Dam proclamation, thus making operative the Boulder Canyon Dam bill. And now, perhaps, the able engineer elected President, will be able to do what he wants to do, some able engineering.

Tomato Weighs Pound Six Ounces. Mr. J. H. Woodall has got everybody beat on raising tomatoes. Saturday, he presented the Herald with six of the finest we have ever seen. Three weighed as much as a pound and six ounces each. They are the Ponderosa variety, and the smooth pink skinned tomatoes are just as luscious as they looked. Thanks to Mr. Woodall for sharing with the Herald.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Lawrence and Miss Mary Ellen Lawrence spent Sunday in Smithfield.

## Here's Pittsburg's 1929 Pitching Ace



7-Year Old Boy Breaks His Neck To Load Poultry Car In Selma Sat.

PRINCETON, July 15.—Saturday afternoon the seven-year-old boy of Major Pilkington fell from the top poles in a tobacco barn and was instantly killed. The boy, together with other children, was trying to catch a rat. He climbed to the top pole in the barn and lost his balance. His neck was broken, and also his shoulder blades. The funeral and burial took place near the boy's home Sunday afternoon.

## Will Be Sixteenth Car Loaded This Season; Shipments To Date Have Netted Farmers \$26,280.70

SELMA, July 15.—The sixteenth poultry car of this season will be loaded in Selma at the South end freight station next Saturday, July 20, and a good loading is expected as this is the second car of the summer. Poultry loadings this season, thus far, have netted the farmers \$26,280.70. In the short time poultry shipments have been made from Selma, tonnage has increased rapidly, and by next season it is hoped that there is a living in more than cotton and tobacco and will go into the poultry game on a bigger scale, and thereby double the shipments of poultry from this county. Cash prices at the car door next Saturday, July 20, are as follows: colored hens, 22 cents per pound; colored broilers, 1 1/2 pounds and up, 28 cents per pound; Leghorn broilers, 22 cents per pound; roosters, 12 cents per pound; guineas, 30 cents each.

## Brogden

SMITHFIELD, Route 2, July 12.—Mr. Ben A. Daughtry and little daughter, Iola, of Enfield, visited Mr. J. T. Overbee Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Langley and little Miss Vivian of Wilson, spent last Thursday with relatives in this section.

Mr. Leslie Langley, Miss Laura Overbee, Mr. Cecil Strickland and Miss Rosa Thompson went to Crescent Lake Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Silas Summerlin, of near Goldsboro, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Grant.

Mr. and Mrs. Luby Royall, of Smithfield, recently visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Royall.

Miss Rosa Thompson, of Durham, was the week end guest of Miss Laura Overbee.

Dr. A. G. Woodard, of Goldsboro, and Mr. Buck Joyner, of Princeton, were in our section on Sunday afternoon.

## Two Are Hurt In Auto Crash

Three Cars Collide on Street Corner In Selma; Mr. and Mrs. Breitz Entertain at Fish Fry

SELMA, July 15.—Sunday night three cars collided at the intersection of Green and Waddell streets about eight o'clock, causing a crash that was heard for blocks and resulting in the injury of two persons. Blame was attached to a negro, Zoe LeMay Tillman, who was driving a Ford belonging to Mr. J. Ransome Creech, and said to be without lights or with very dim lights. The car was almost completely demolished and the negro cut on the leg and painfully hurt in his side. The Studebaker, into which the Ford crashed, was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Morris. It had the windshield broken and one wheel and fender damaged. Mrs. Morris was cut and was profusely bleeding when Dr. Geo. D. Vick arrived on the scene. She was taken to his office where several stitches were necessary but it is hoped that her injuries are not serious. The third car, a Ford, driven by Milton Bridges, was close behind Mr. Morris and was in the mix-up but escaped with only bent fenders. None of the occupants were injured. The negro was not drinking and bears a good reputation. He was greatly distressed over the accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Brietz entertained the members of the Alma Edgerton Bible class, the wives, the superintendent of the Edgerton Memorial Sunday school, the teachers of all classes in all departments and the official members on Friday evening at a most enjoyable fish fry. Plans had been made to have the supper on the lawn, but when rain interfered the spacious home was thrown open and 58 laughing, chattering people swarmed into the dining room, porches and kitchen and were served 50 pounds of fish cooked to the queen's taste, along with bread, coffee, lemonade and other accessories. Mr. and Mrs. Brietz are noted for their hospitality and unique entertainments and this is only another added to numerous delightful affairs given by this genial couple.

## CENTRAL CAROLINA LEAGUE CLUB STANDING

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Kenly	12	6	.666
Middlesex	11	7	.609
Bailey	10	9	.540
Clayton	9	10	.444
Wednesday, July 17: Kenly at Clayton; Middlesex at Bailey.			
Friday, July 19: Bailey at Middlesex; Clayton at Kenly.			
Saturday, July 20: Middlesex at Kenly; Bailey at Clayton.			

## Lovely Zinnias and Dahlias.

The Herald office is again the recipient of some lovely flowers Saturday afternoon little Misses Bettie Rose and Carrie Lee Myatt, young daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Myatt of the Polenta section, brought us two bunches of flowers, one of zinnias and one of pink and white pom pom dahlias. The zinnias are among the finest that we have seen. We have been enjoying their beauty, and we wish to thank our young friends.

## Revival At Bizzell's Grove.

A revival began at Bizzell's Grove Saturday night and will continue through this week. The pastor, Rev. T. M. Bizzell, is being assisted by Mrs. R. D. Noble, of Kinston, a wide-awake evangelist, and the public is cordially invited to attend the services.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Corbett made a business trip to Smithfield Wednesday.

Little Miss Myrtle Mae Johnson of near Smithfield is spending some time with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Ingram.

## Rock Hill Student



Hilda Massengill 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Massengill, who was neither absent nor tardy for three years. She is in the sixth grade.

## July 1929 Crop Report For N. C.

One Per Cent Increase In Cotton Acreage; Five Per Cent In Tobacco; Tobacco Condition in State Reported 3 Per Cent Poorer Than Last Year

By FRANK PARKER, Statistician  
RALEIGH, July 12.—The first important crop report of the year was released on July 10 by the National Crop Reporting Board. The Raleigh office, however, has much detailed county and district data not available from the Washington Bureau. The cotton report released the 10th shows one per cent increase in acreage; tobacco released the 11th shows 5 per cent increase; small grains show variable increases. In fact, the area under cultivation this year shows a 1 per cent increase in total crop area.

The condition of crops shows that grasses and allied crops have very good prospects. Small grains showed yields appreciably above the average. Wheat was indicated at 11.7 bushels per acre; oats 24.2; barley, 24 and rye 13 bushels yield. The quality of these was consistently good. Corn, with a condition of 77 per cent, is better than last year. The best condition of the crop is in the western mountain counties and the poorest in the northeastern Coastal Belt where excessive rains have occurred. The acreage of this crop appears to be reduced about 2 per cent. Thus the increases in other crops were largely at the expense of the corn acreage.

The tobacco condition of 69 per cent as of July 1 is 3 per cent poorer than last year. In reality the condition last year was much better than was reported. Many argue that it is poorer this year than it is reported. With an increase of 5 per cent in acreage and with a record production of 500,000,000 pounds last year, it will probably be to the farmers' advantage to have a decrease in the yield per acre this year. The Bright Leaf tobacco is generally reported at not over 71 per cent, the lowest condition being 63 in the Piedmont area. Curing has started in many of our eastern counties. The South Carolina Belt has been curing for some time.

Fruit crops are generally short—peaches show an average of 51 per cent; apples 44 and pears 41 per cent of a full crop prospect. The average for pecans is 71 per cent. Soy beans and cow peas are both less than last year, the present condition being respectively 81 and 74 per cent.

The early commercial Irish potato crop was cut almost 50 per cent in acreage, while the yield was generally considered as being very good. A yield of 115 bushels for the state's early crop and 126 bushels for the commercial crop was reported. Prices have been fairly satisfactory.

Mr. P. H. Kasey, of Greenville, is the guest of Miss Mildred Young.

## Contributions For Home Angel Fund

About \$300 in Cash In Hand Besides Pledges That Have Not Been Turned In; Miss Garrison Back

The treasurer of the County Council of Home Demonstration Work, Miss Ruth Jones, reports recent cash contributions for continuing the home demonstration work as follows:  
Dr. J. W. Fitzgerald, \$500.  
W. C. Wilson, Sr., \$5.00.  
W. C. Bessley, \$5.00.  
E. W. Pou, \$10.00.  
J. C. Stancil, \$1.00.  
N. L. Perkins, \$2.00.  
A friend, \$3.50.  
Holt-Sanders Chapter U. D. C., \$5.00.  
Dr. W. J. B. Orr, \$5.00.  
These contributions total \$415.50 which brings the amount donated to date to \$298.22. This amount does not include pledges which have been made by the various clubs and not yet turned in.

Miss Minnie Lee Garrison, the county home agent, who has been at her home near Rock Hill, S. C., on account of the illness and death of her mother, has returned to the county and is resuming her work.

## In Memory Henry Glen Crocker.

On June 7 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Crocker and took from them their darling baby. He was born May 7, 1928 making his stay on earth 13 months. Little Glen was a very delicate baby almost all of his life, but bore his sickness with great patience, hardly ever crying or fretting. All was done for him that kind hands could do but Jesus called him home where there will be no more pain or death, where all will be happiness and joy. He leaves to mourn their loss a father, mother, and one little brother, Ralph besides a great number of other relatives.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. Wm. Ferrell after which the remains were laid to rest in the family cemetery. The little grave was covered with flowers. He is gone but not forgotten. Never will his memory fade. Sweetest thoughts will ever linger 'Round the grave where he was laid.

An Aunt,  
MRS. WILLIE H. PITTMAN.

## NEW CAFE TO OPEN AROUND AUGUST 15.

Messrs. George Kallas of Selma and George Valaoras of Goldsboro, were in the city Thursday making arrangements for opening a cafe here. They have secured the corner room of the old post-office building which is now being remodeled and they expect to open up about August 15. They are experienced in the cafe business.

## A CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my appreciation to doctors and nurses of the Johnston County Hospital for their kindness to me while a patient there; and also the ladies who sent flowers. May God's richest blessings rest upon each and every one.

MRS. H. C. COLE,  
Smithfield, N. C., Route 1.

## Aunt Roxie Opines By Mc

"Deys a lot sed 'bout mistakes uv prohibition and 'ole caxn liker is de cause uv it all!"

