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OUR SLOGAN:

"Sell Johnston County Tobacco In Johnston"

Smithfield wants a hotel -- But it also wants to establish a Livestock Station Yard.

Town Shocked By Tragic Accident

"Doug" Smith, 11 Year-Old Son Mr. and Mrs. Farquhar Smith Is Fatally Injured In Auto Accident

All Smithfield was shocked late Saturday afternoon when news spread abroad of the tragic accident which caused the death of little Douglas Smith eleven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Farquhar Smith of this city.

Young Whitehurst, who was driving the car when the fatal accident occurred, was only slightly hurt, though the car was considerably damaged as he drove it against a tree.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at three o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith on Oakland Heights, after which the body was taken to Dunn for interment.

At the grave a quartette from Dunn sang "Safe in the Arms of Jesus." The pall bearers were Zo LeMay and Thornton Patterson.

"Doug," a bright, happy boy full of the exuberance of childhood, and being the youngest, was the life of the home, and a favorite with his playmates.

Among those from out of town here for the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Young, Corbin and Shy Young, of Pickens, S. C.; Miss Emily B. Young, of Burlington; Miss Elizabeth Young, of Princeton; Miss Carrie Young, of Contentnea; Miss Daisy Young, of (Turn to page four)

May Succeed Mellon



Henry M. Robinson, Los Angeles banker and for years an intimate of President Hoover, who it is believed will succeed Andrew Mellon when the latter retires on reaching his 75th birthday in March.

Award Prizes For Neatest Premiums

Contest at Selma Mill Village Culminates in Public Program at the Mill Chapel; Annual Occasion

SELMA, Oct. 21.—Saturday night, October 19 was the climax to weeks of eager anticipation when, at the Selma mill chapel, prizes were awarded to the keepers of the neatest premises, prettiest flower yards, and best vegetable gardens.

The exercises opened at seven o'clock with a splendid play entitled "An Irish Stew." The young people acquitted themselves with credit, showing decided histrionic ability.

Mr. S. W. Armitage was in charge of ceremonies and invited Rev. D. M. Sharpe to present the prizes as follows: Mrs. V. C. Yarbrough, first prize on neatest premises, \$10; Mrs. William Stephenson, second, \$5.00; Mrs. J. V. Turner, third, \$3.00; for best flowers, Mrs. R. H. Parrish, first, \$10; Miss Martha Broadwell, second, \$5.00; Mrs. G. F. Fisher, third, \$3.00; for best vegetable gardens, Mrs. M. D. Blackburn, first, \$10; Mrs. J. M. Adcock, second, \$5.00; Mrs. Walter Keppeler, third, \$3.00.

There were eleven others who got honorable mention and smaller prizes. Miss Margaret Etheridge's sewing class had an interesting display and Lillian Blackburn and Carlee Mae Strickland each received prizes. Ice cream cones were served to the entire crowd.

SELMA KIWANIS HOLDS INTERESTING MEETING

SELMA, Oct. 21.—The Kiwanis club held a very interesting meeting last Thursday evening with Ed Creech, Edgar Branch and W. P. Aycock present as guests of the club. Percy Pittman playing the saxophone and Edgar Stancil playing the piano, delighted the club with several musical numbers.

The club voted to have two Kiwanis welcome signs erected, one on the north side and one on the south side of Selma. These signs will be erected immediately. In a world series contest, Star Harper was the winner of the prize. He presented the prize to Ed Creech, guest, runner-up in the contest.

H. Bueck and I. W. Mayberg made short talks which were very good.

OLD TIME SPELLING BEE

AT CORBETT-HATCHER There will be an old time spelling match at Corbett-Hatcher next Friday evening, October 25, at 7:30 o'clock. Everybody invited, both young and old. Come, take part in the spelling and let's have a good time. Special music. Refreshments will be sold. Proceeds for the school.

Fine Livestock At State Fair

Exhibits Indicate New Interest in This Class of Farming; Was Really a National Show

RALEIGH, Oct. 21.—The exhibits of livestock at the North Carolina State Fair last week indicate a new interest in this class of farming throughout the state.

It was known for some weeks that the livestock show would be good but extension specialists at State College were not prepared for the wonderful display which was made. A count of the pens showed 212 hound dairy animals, about 150 beef animals, 672 pigs, 200 sheep, and a few over 2,000 chickens.

Three judges were used with the poultry. Over 65 varieties and strains were exhibited. Most of the dairy cattle were from North Carolina. Fifty-six calves were exhibited by 4-H club members with 19 of these being from the famous Jersey calf club of Alameda county.

Iredell county also numbers had 16 Jersey calves and Davidson county had eight excellent Guernseys. John E. Foster, superintendent of the beef and sheep show, said that 12 cars of exhibit animals had to be refused entry because there was no place to put them.

A large tent was used in this department to care for the overflow from the regular barn.

He Cheated Himself.

A striking story is told of a rich man who wanted to help a poor carpenter and his family. He hired the carpenter to build a house on a hillside and then went away on a long journey. The carpenter said to himself: "My boss is away and I can use shoddy materials and neglect the supporting work that does not show. The house will be weak, but nobody will know it." So he built a ramshackle house.

When the rich man came back, the carpenter said: "Here is your house." "Thank you," said the rich man, "here is the deed and the key, I'm giving it to you."

And the carpenter grieved that he had robbed himself of a good house.

We reap what we sow. We have to live in the house of life we build. If we do shoddy work, if we "soldier" on the boss, we pinch ourselves, shrivel up, and lose our ability to discern between right and wrong. We have to live in such a house without character. It is a tremendous fact that each one of us is building today the house we must live in tomorrow. We can build a palace or a hovel, a mansion or a jail or a pigpen, but we must live in it.—The Masonic News.

COLORED BOY INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Charlie McNeil, eight-year-old son of James McNeil, colored, was knocked down and seriously hurt Sunday afternoon about six o'clock when Donzelle Smith, colored, ran over him on the street. The accident occurred near the boy's home, but details as to how the accident happened were not learned.

The injured boy was immediately carried to the Johnston County Hospital, but he is not expected to recover. All the ribs on his left side were broken and he has suffered hemorrhages of the lungs.

Miss Frances White, of Scotland Neck, spent the week end here with Miss Cora Belle Ives.

Heads Bank Body



John G. Lonsdale, head of the Mercantile-Commerce Bank and Trust Co. of St. Louis, who has been elected president of the American Bankers Association.

6-Month School To Open Monday

Twenty-Two White Schools in County Operate For Six Months; Twenty-Six Negro Schools; Teachers Meetings Saturday

The six months schools of the county will open next Monday, October 28. Teachers meetings will be held on Saturday, the teachers of the white schools meeting at ten o'clock in the courthouse, and the teachers of the negro schools meeting at two o'clock in the afternoon at the Johnston County Training school.

There are twenty-two six months schools for white children in the county as follows: Poplar Springs, Allen, Bensley's Grove, all in Banner township; Plainfield and Mill Creek in Bentonsville; Pleasant Hill, Spilona, Smith, Rehoboth and Barbour's in Elevation; Stewart, New Hope and Stanley, in Ingrams; Holly Grove and Poplar Grove in Meadow; Pleasant Grove, Ogburn Grove, Hightower, Sunnybrook, Piney Grove and Wildwood in Pleasant Grove; Hopewell, in Smithfield. These schools have from one to three teachers each.

Twenty-six colored schools will open Monday. There are only three negro schools in the county with an extended term. Smithfield and Selma have an eight months term, and Clayton has a seven months term. The Selma and Smithfield colored schools opened October 7, and the other twenty-six in the county will begin work Monday.

With the opening of these schools, the entire school system will be in operation and an effort will be made by school officials to secure better school attendance than ever. The State Department of Public Instruction has issued a new pamphlet entitled "Compulsory School Attendance" which gives the compulsory attendance law, the rules and regulations formulated some years ago by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Child Welfare Commission and approved and adopted by the State Board of Education, the law giving the duties of the chief school attendance officer of the county, and a statement by Mrs. Kate Barr Johnson, Commissioner of the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare.

In her statement Mrs. Johnson points out the necessity of the cooperation of the welfare officer and school officials in the enforcement of the law requiring that all children between the ages of seven and fourteen shall attend school continuously for a period equal to time which the public school in the district in which the child resides shall be in session.

CRAS. DUNCAN MEMBER OF "DEACON" BAND

Thirty men comprise the Wake Forest College band this year with W. L. Warford as director. Among these is a Johnston county man, Chas. Duncan, of Clayton, who plays trumpet.

Mrs. A. R. Maynard and Mrs. T. V. Smith and children, of Dunn, were guests of Mrs. Will H. Johnson last Thursday afternoon.

State And Nation News Paragraphs

Big Liquor Raid off New York Coast; Dedicate New Library at the University of North Carolina

What has been characterized as the most spectacular rum round-up since the United States went dry was staged along the coast of New York Wednesday night, when the Federal government descended on some 35 points and took a quantity of liquor variously estimated at being worth from \$5,000 to \$100,000 dollars and arrested 32 men. It was first reported that 150 men had been arrested but after all the facts were in, it seems that what the government has in its possession includes a quantity of liquor, 32 men, and \$15,000 radio sending set, a three-story country home at Atlantic Highlands, N. J., a large number of machine guns, pistols, and tear gas bombs. The liquor ring is said not to be disturbed in the least over the mammoth raid and some think that the only severe consequence of the affair will be a boost in the price of liquor in New York. It was reported that the rum syndicate knew of the expected federal raid several hours before it took place, and William J. Calhoun, prohibition administrator for New Jersey and director of Wednesday night's sortie, has made the statement that his hand was forced and the raids were premature.

The evidence is all in the Aderholt murder trial at Charlotte, and the lawyers' speeches have been made. Judge M. V. Barrhill charged the jury Monday, the court having recessed at the conclusion of the appeal of Solicitor John G. Carpenter Saturday. There were two days of argument much of it very dramatic. The jury will decide the fate of the seven men on trial for the death of Chief Aderholt of Gastonia in connection with the mill strike at that city.

The new \$625,000 library of the State University was dedicated at Chapel Hill Saturday with appropriate ceremony. The dedication exercises, held in Memorial Hall Saturday morning, were attended by a notable assembly, including Home-comers who were in North Carolina last week to attend the state fair. President H. W. Chase presided at the ceremonies. Governor Gardner presented the new building and Chairman John Sprunt Hill accepted it on behalf of the building committee. The dedication address was delivered by Andrew Keogh, librarian of Yale University and president of the American Library Association. Dr. Louis Round Wilson has been librarian at the State University since 1901 and in a short address during the ceremonies he stated that the new library represented the realization of a vision he had followed for more than a quarter of a century. He announced the list of gifts to the new library, for which he was largely responsible, amounting to more than \$150,000 in cash and many rare and notable collections of books and papers. The library now contains 210,000 volumes.

George Clemenceau, the "Tiger of France," and war-time Premier, suffered a sudden stroke at nine o'clock Sunday night and early yesterday morning was thought to be near death in spite of the fight that physicians were making to keep him alive with injections of oxygen. Dr. Charles Lauby, heart specialist who attended Marshal Foch before he died, was summoned, and found the 88-year-old statesman on the verge of death. He stated that Clemenceau had suffered a heart attack and his condition was most critical. On September 28 the "Tiger" celebrated his 88th birthday and he told a friend that he expected to die within the year. Since that time, however, he has been writing what he termed his

MRS. SALLIE STEVENS DIES IN GOLDSBORO

GOLDSBORO, Oct. 21.—Mrs. Sallie Sanders Stevens, age 70, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gurney P. Hood, in this city at 1:15 Friday afternoon following an illness of many months.

She was the daughter of Col. John F. and Martha Edmundson Sanders, and was born and reared near Bentonville in Johnston county, ten miles from Smithfield. She is survived by one son Rufus Stevens, one daughter, Mrs. Hood; two brothers, Willis Sanders, of Raleigh, and T. F. Sanders of Clinton and a sister, Mrs. J. W. Wellons, of Smithfield.

Funeral services were conducted from the home of her daughter on Liozel street at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon by her pastor, Rev. W. V. McRae of St. Paul Methodist church. Interment was made in Willowdale cemetery by the side of her late husband, Samuel Stevens.

SEED CORN IMPROVED BY FIELD SELECTION

The idea in selecting seed corn is to get a high yielding ear from a high yielding stalk and this is best done in the field. Crib selection may give an excellent ear but the grower does not know whether the ear chosen was grown on a high yielding stalk of the type that he wishes to grow.

"In a corn variety test recently conducted on the Experiment Station farm at State College, the highest yielding variety outyielded the lowest by 58.5 per cent," says G. M. Garren, cereal agronomist. "This means that a farmer in the vicinity of Raleigh who grew the lowest yielding variety produced only 100 bushels while his neighbor who grew the highest yielding variety produced 158.5 bushels. This assumption is based on the idea that both crops were grown under identical conditions as was the case in the variety test."

Tests made for five years gave an average difference of 43.3 per cent between the high and low yielding varieties and shows that high yielding strains of corn may be developed. This is done by rejecting the low producing stalks and using the high yielding ones. This selection can be done best in the field, says Mr. Garren.

Corn growers agree that the best stalk is one from eight to ten feet tall with two well developed, sound ears. The stalks should be stocky, broad-leaved and vigorous. This broad leaf is an important character, says Mr. Garren, because 70 per cent of the corn grain is starch and this starch can be produced only in the green leaf. The ears should be sound with medium-sized cobs and with at least 14 rows of smooth-capped grains of medium depth.

Mr. Garren says it is not too late now to select ears from prolific stalks. If one-half of the ears secured prove desirable, the stalk selection has been successful.

Giant Violin Heard Over Radio.

SAN FRANCISCO.—(AP)—A giant redwood tree, said to have been 4,000 years old, has become what is believed to be the world's largest radio violin.

Weighing 300 pounds, it stands 12 1/2 feet high. Six men are needed to play the four strings, and it has been heard in several programs on the Pacific coast NBC network.

The tree from which it was made was 20 feet in diameter and 300 feet high. The back of the violin is seven feet long, four feet wide and four inches thick, while the neck is five and a half feet long, 10 inches wide and 10 inches thick. Four men toiled 672 hours to build it.

The big fiddle is 216 pounds heavier than the ordinary violin. When it is used over the air, Max Dolin, musical director, plays one of the strings.

"DOLLAR BILL" COACH ARRIVES IN CITY

Miss Virginia Griffin, who is to coach the local talent musical comedy, "Dollar Bill," arrived in the city yesterday. The play will be given next Tuesday night.

War Mother



Mrs. Virgil McClure of Lexington, Ky., who was elected President of the American War Mothers succeeding Mrs. Thomas Spence of Milwaukee, Wis.

Happenings In Town Of Benson

Social Clubs Hold Meeting; Parent-Teacher Association Begins Work For New School Year

BENSON, Oct. 21.—The Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist church met this week with Mrs. Sherrill Utley on Main street. The subject was "Korea." It was presented in an attractive way with a pageant. At the close of the program the hostess served refreshments.

Mrs. A. S. Duncan was hostess to her bridge club recently at her home on Church street. Miss Mabel Johnson made top score. Club sandwiches, hot tea, cake and mints were served.

Mrs. S. A. Duncan was hostess to the Entre Nous club and a number of special guests. A short business session was held with Mrs. W. T. Martin, president, in the chair. The subject "Annie Oakley, Woman at Arms" by Cooper, was very interesting. Papers were presented by Messdames Alfred Parker, W. T. Martin, and J. E. Wall. A special feature of the afternoon was a couple of readings by Miss Margaret Duncan, guest and sister of the hostess. A salad course carrying out the Halloween idea was served. The meeting was held in a setting of lovely fall flowers. The favors were in keeping with the season. The following were present besides the club members: Messdames Roy Smith, W. B. Woodall, E. A. Johnson, C. I. Johnson, Jr., M. T. Britt, L. L. Levinson, Sherrill Utley, Decker Creech, Kyle Stephenson, M. A. Peacock, Howard Deming, Evette Deming, N. G. Woodlief, Meredith Eldridge, Paul Brown, Leon Talton, W. D. Boone, J. H. Rose, Misses Clara Woodall, Neta Turlington, Mary Lepe, Margaret Duncan, Dickinson and Britt.

The Parent-Teacher Association held its initial meeting of the school year this week in the school auditorium with Mrs. B. H. Houston, new president, as the chairman. During the business session the various committees were appointed. Mrs. Evette Deming was elected secretary and Mrs. J. E. Wall treasurer. The grounds committee is planning to plant grass and put out more shrubbery this fall. They have recently laid a cement walk in front of the school building and plan to put down other walks around the school within the next few weeks. A very attractive musical program under the direction of Miss Wilhelmina Utley was presented. In a unique way featuring Halloween the faculty was introduced. This meeting was in honor of the faculty and the fathers of the community. During the social hour refreshments were served by the social committee.

The following from Benson attended the state fair in Raleigh: Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Martin and sons, W. T. Jr. and Dan, Mrs. E. E. Johnson, Miss Mary Lee, Miss Ruth Barbour, Messdames Sherrill Utley, C. C. Canaday, Roy Smith, W. R. Strickland, Messrs. N. G. Woodlief, and DeLeon Britt.

Miss Boykin Hurt In Wreck Improves

Auto Hits Wagon Loaded With Cotton, Demolishes Wagon and Throws Out Occupants

MICRO, October 21.—We are glad to report that Miss Ethel Boykin is getting along as well as can be expected after being seriously injured in a wreck Monday afternoon. Her sister, Claudia, has been getting along fine, not having missed school a day. A gash was cut on her head. They were thrown from the wagon loaded with cotton on which they were riding, when it was struck by a car driven by Spain Bailey of near Keely. The three others on the wagon escaped uninjured. The wagon was completely demolished and the car was badly damaged. The accident happened just after sunset. They were meeting a car and it seems that the lights of the other car blinded Mr. Bailey so that he didn't see the wagon until he was so near that he could not stop his car as he was going at a very rapid rate of speed.

Messdames W. L. Wall, J. W. Wellons and W. R. Stanley shopped in Smithfield Thursday.

Mr. Thurman Peele, of Goldsboro, was in town Sunday. Mr. Ira Batten, of Norfolk, Va., spent Tuesday night here with his brother, Mr. Walter Batten. Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Pearce and Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Moore went to Rocky Mount Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. M. Hinant and children attended the state fair at Raleigh Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Moore and Misses Derucha Gay and Elizabeth Howell attended the fair at Rocky Mount Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Byrd and children, of Wilmington, spent Tuesday night here with Mrs. Byrd's sister, Mrs. R. C. Pearce. Messdames J. W. Wellons and W. L. Wall visited friends at Pine Level Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith, of Wilmington, visited Mrs. Smith's father, Rev. J. T. Collier here Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Howell spent the week end at her home near Goldsboro.

Misses Fanny Mae Wellons and Derucha Gay attended the state fair at Raleigh Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rao, of Pennsylvania, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. R. N. Hinant.

GRANGE RECORD BROKEN IN NORTH CAROLINA In connection with the recent organization of a State Grange in North Carolina a new record in Grange history has been established. One of the subordinate units, located in Rowan county, had a charter list of 180 members including some of the best known farmers in the county.

This is the largest Grange charter list ever assembled in any state where a State Grange had not been yet organized; and but many of greater size have ever been instituted in any state. Rowan county already has 22 Granges, where not one existed two months ago.

Aunt Roxie Says

"Do farmer dat 'penda too much on government ade iz lak da bag holder on a snipe hawk."



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.

Wilmer Johnson recognized his name last issue. TODAY'S TANTALIZER breebweur