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## Kiwanians Hold Business Meeting

Delegates to District Convention Are Elected; Resolutions of Appreciation For T. C. Young Recently Moved Away

In spite of the fact that the Kiwanis luncheon meeting yesterday was devoted to business transactions, there was not a dull moment. Twenty interested members were present.

This was the occasion for electing delegates from the local club to the district convention which meets in Greenville, S. C., November 6, 7, and 8. Those chosen were Glenn Grier, Dr. W. J. B. Orr and George Ragsdale. Alternates are R. P. Holding and Dr. Tael Hooks.

Before the meeting adjourned, the club adopted resolutions of appreciation for the service rendered by T. C. Young who recently moved to Pickens, S. C. The resolutions are as follows:

"The Kiwanis club of Smithfield having been impressed for several years by the service rendered to the city of Smithfield, to Johnston county, and to Eastern North Carolina, by Mr. T. C. Young, a faithful Kiwanian, and wishing to make some expression of its appreciation for this service does hereby adopt the following resolutions:

"That we regret exceedingly to lose the valuable services of Kiwanian T. C. Young, chairman public affairs committee and we feel that no other member of our club can fill this position in such an efficient and unselfish manner.

"That we acknowledge the indebtedness of our club to him for his untiring efforts in behalf of Boy Scout work, County Farm Agent, work in regard to state highways and the Virginia-Carolina Short Route of which association he is president. We also value his influence as vice-president of the Eastern Carolina Chamber of Commerce.

"That we, as Kiwanians, feel that he has set a high standard of public service which has been a great benefit to our club and the county at large.

"That we inscribe these resolutions in the minutes of the club, and give them public expression by sending them to the press.

Signed:  
CHESTER ALEXANDER,  
President,  
C. C. MASSEY,  
Secretary."

## SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF A & P COMPANY

This week marks the seventieth anniversary of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company. Seventy years ago this system of stores, the oldest and largest of all chain systems, had its beginning in New York City in a small shop that specialized in teas and coffees. Today there are more than 15,000 A & P stores in 34 states and in Canada.

Mr. A. S. Eason is manager of the local A & P store. He is cooperating in this seventieth anniversary which is being celebrated by a special sale during this week.

## 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.

Miss Bruce Brewer recognized her name.  
TODAY'S TANTALIZER

### AGED NEGRO MAN FOUND DEAD IN DITCH

An aged negro man was found dead early Wednesday morning near Highway No. 10. The old man who lived in the edge of Selma, was said to have left home Tuesday afternoon to get a sack of lightwood. He was found dead next morning lying in a ditch. His wife stated that he was given to having fits.

## Johnston Co. Wins State Fair Prize

Was Awarded Third Place Among Home Demonstration Exhibits and County Council Treasury Gets \$40

The treasury of the County Council of home demonstration work is richer by \$40 because of being awarded third prize in the arrangement of home demonstration booths at the state fair last week.

Wake county took first prize in the arrangement of a model, modern kitchen. The exhibit showed the contrast between a kitchen without up to date equipment and one fitted up with labor-saving devices.

The health booth claimed second prize. Balanced diet was emphasized by means of posters and an exhibit of actual menus arranged in ladder effect.

Johnston was awarded third prize for its exhibit of a living room furnished at a minimum cost. Every article of furniture in the room was either homemade, or was old furniture refinished. The couch, the armchair (made from a barrel) the combination bookcase and writing desk, the lamp shades, the plaques on the walls, the rugs on the floor and draperies were all homemade. A table and a Morris chair were refinished. The outlay in money to furnish the room totaled about \$48. The various articles were lent for the booth by members of Johnston county home demonstration clubs.

Some of the homemade furniture including the barrel chair, may be seen in a window at the store of W. M. Sanders and Son, Miss Minnie Lee Garrison, county home demonstration agent, was in charge of the booth during fair week.

## WILL PRESENT "DOLLAR BILL" TUESDAY NIGHT

A dollar bill is always interesting. The new dollar bills just off the government presses are good to look at and take up little space though they will buy just as much as the old, large dollar bill. Just mention a dollar bill and everyone perks up his attention. That is one reason why folk in Smithfield are talking about the musical comedy to be given in the school auditorium Tuesday night under the auspices of the Business and Professional Woman's club. The name of this musical comedy is "Dollar Bill."

"Dollar Bill" on this occasion, however, is manager of the Sunshine Circus, which in spite of its cheerful name, is about to go broke. Winfield Jordan, in the role of Dollar Bill, is the masculine center of the stage while Miss Clyda Woodard, as Celeste, owner of the circus, is the heroine. Ben Baker plays the part of the villain, Capt. Applejack, while Dan Kirkman is the dignified owner of the town of Hickville.

"Tom" is in love with Celeste, though there are obstacles to the match. Delia Ellington, as Kate, the soda-jerker, and Raymond Woodall, as Harry, her partner, add life to the play, to say nothing of the "Fat Lady," the "Siamese Twins," the tight rope walker, Mrs. Peck and her bushel of children, Ma and Willie, and all of the animals, without which there could be no circus.

Four choruses enliven the evening's entertainment. A boys' chorus composed of eight high school boys, gives pleasing variety to this phase of the program, this being the first time that a boys' chorus has featured a musical

## Ford Plane Will Fly From Raleigh To Advance 16c

Reid-Sanders Motor Co. To Sponsor Giant Ford Plane Expected To Arrive at Curtis Field, Raleigh Nov. 3

Local Ford dealers are again demonstrating their progressive-ness by sponsoring the tour of a giant Ford tri-motored all-metal monoplane which is being made to promote interest in aviation. The tour is nationwide and is being made under the auspices of Ford dealers all over the country. "Being the Ford dealers in this locality," said Mr. D. F. Reid, speaking for the Reid-Sanders Motor company, "it is our privilege to sponsor the project here, thereby making it possible for the people in this community to see and ride in this modern air-liner."

"Practically every city and town in the country is active in the development of local aviation. From a community standpoint aviation has developed to the stage now where civic interest is merited because of its importance to the city or town. We believe the slogan, 'Boost your community for aviation and aviation will boost your city for you,' is a good one," said Mr. Reid.

Due to the great amount of territory which the plane must cover on its tour it is obvious that it cannot be scheduled to operate in every town that would like to have it. While it is regretted of course that the plane will not be brought here, the Reid-Sanders Motor company has cooperated in having it brought into this section of the state so that people in this community can go over and see and fly in this safe Ford plane. The Reid-Sanders Motor company has even arranged to provide free transportation over the flying field to any one who wants to fly. Unless the schedule is postponed because of bad weather the plane will arrive on Saturday, November 2. If bad weather should interfere the flights will be postponed until good weather again prevails.

Flight tickets are now on sale at the Ford dealers at \$5.00 each. Each flight will be of full fifteen minutes duration, according to Mr. Reid, which allows enough time for a person making his first flight to have a really enjoyable trip. It has been said that many people who took this ride for the first time expressed themselves as much preferring air travel to any other means of transportation. The plane has a seating capacity of fourteen passengers and is fitted with comfortable wicker chairs. It is attractively upholstered in green leather. No special clothing is necessary to ride comfortably in this plane as it is entirely enclosed. No unpleasant sensation is to be anticipated by the passengers as the pilot, who is an expert and was trained at the Ford Airport in Detroit, makes it a point to demonstrate to the passengers on each flight just how smooth, comfortable and fascinating air travel can be.

Local people were enthusiastic in their praise of Reid-Sanders Motor company for making it possible for the people here to fly in this Ford plane and many have already expressed their intentions of taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity. Mr. Reid said today that several have already made arrangements to make a flight. Among these air-minded citizens is Mayor J. D. Underwood, who said he felt that everyone should know what it is to fly. He has never been up in a Ford plane, he said, and he is naturally looking forward with great pleasure to making this trip. Mr. Sam T. Honeycutt, President of the Board of Trade, said he was interested in the promotion of local aviation and was glad of the opportunity to fly in this plane as he wants to keep abreast with modern developments.

Las, Ga., who is coaching the play, is going splendid work with the young people, and the performance Tuesday evening promises to be a success.

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### "AIR CIRCUS" PICTURE AT VICTORY MOVIE

"The Air Circus" a moving picture to be shown at the Victory theatre this afternoon and evening under the auspices of Circle No. 1 of the Methodist Missionary Society, is said to be very good. Some of our local people have seen the film and characterize it as a good picture.

## State And Nation News Paragraphs

### Light's Golden Jubilee Is Celebrated; Verdict In Aderholt Trial

Radio listeners who heard Light's Golden Jubilee program broadcast from Dearborn, Michigan, Monday evening had the advantage of mere newspaper readers who got their information at the breakfast table next morning. The broadcast was wonderfully handled and with the announcers describing the setting as well as the events as they took place leading up to the speechmaking which all could hear perfectly, one had the feeling almost of being present at the celebration.

Henry Ford and his son, Edsel Ford, were hosts to Thomas A. Edison, Monday on the anniversary of the perfection of the electric lamp and the ceremonies of the day culminated Monday evening with a banquet in which many notables participated. Just prior to the banquet, Edison enacted again what took place just fifty years before, on October 21, 1879—the successful test of his electric bulb. Henry Ford has placed the original Edison laboratory in his Greenfield village of antiques, and it was here that the remaking of the bulb took place Monday evening.

Owen D. Young was toastmaster at the banquet. Among prominent personages present were President Hoover, who made a speech honoring the famous inventor, Madame Curie, French scientist and Will Rogers. Messages were read from the Prince of Wales and from the president of Germany. The climax to this phase of the banquet came when Prof. Albert Einstein, whose "theory of relativity" has revolutionized thought in a large part of the scientific world, extended felicitations to Edison, over the radio from Berlin, Germany. Edison himself made a brief talk at the banquet, his voice evidencing deep emotion which he must have felt when all the world was honoring his genius.

The Aderholt murder trial at Charlotte which for weeks has occupied prominent places in the newspapers, is ended, and the seven labor agitator and strike defendants were all convicted and sentenced to prison for terms ranging from five to twenty years. The jury was out only fifty-seven minutes. An appeal was taken to Supreme court and appearance bonds of from \$2,000 to \$5,000 were fixed. The action of the jury is said to be in full accord with the dominant sentiment of the community both in Charlotte and in Gastonia, where the murder of Chief of Police Aderholt occurred.

Bob LaFollette of Wisconsin, youngest Republican in the senate, in a speech Tuesday predicted that unless high rates in the tariff bill are reduced there may be another split in Republican ranks like that in 1912 when Woodrow Wilson was elected president. The senator was speaking specifically of the chemical company, which he claims needs no tariff increase. He said: "The farmers are watching you and I warn you that unless the rates of this bill are revised downward, the farmers will stir again just such a movement as they stirred against the party 17 years ago."

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## Governor Wise In Naming Pou

If Deficit Had Come Under New Prison Regime, Gardner Would Be Blamed; Prisoners Idle

(From Greensboro Daily News) RALEIGH, Oct. 21.—Governor Gardner's political wisdom in refusing to throw out George Ross Pou from the superintendency of the state prison gets a rare justification in the impending deficit of approximately \$200,000.

No executive ever had quite so little political reason for holding over an official as Governor Gardner had for retaining Mr. Pou. The young Johnston man had been so deeply embroiled in the county politics of that once Democratic empire as to make any escape from punishment impossible, if so be it was the purpose of Mr. Gardner to punish. The Morrison-Gardner-Page battle of 1920 still lingers amongst the anti-Pou people. Sam Honeycutt, who was one of the greatest catchers and first basemen ever graduated on the Chapel Hill diamond, found it difficult to receive the mystifying delivery of the Morrison battery. Mr. Honeycutt was anxious to get Mr. Pou. So were many others. The city of Raleigh had 'em by the thousand. Mr. Gardner knew that the war upon him had not been exaggerated by his friends. There were great appeals for prison superintendencies from the west. But Mr. Gardner followed his hunch. He thought it a bad time to make a change. The Pou supporters had said that failure to reappoint him would smack of an assault upon the public's interest. Governor Gardner gave the young man a new commission.

There is a certain deficit ahead. The supporters of Mr. Pou did not reckon on a flood, a pest, a famine, and a jam at the prison gates. They felt that no other man could run that prison machine and make it go. Old enemies of Mr. Pou used paper well against him. They figured his big surplus just a piece of bluff accounting and recalled the several years of deficits preceding the announcement of surplus. And when they saw the savings, whether real or alleged, they gave chief credit to the business ability of A. W. McLean, former governor. And that was good, for Mr. McLean is one of those business men who can make anything to which he gives his time show a surplus. Sometimes Raleigh people wish that he could be induced to run the state fair or manage a church.

How it would have been. Mr. Gardner would not turn George Ross Pou out. Old enemies of the governor praised him for his generous spirit. Others had said his excellency would play politics and put Mr. Pou out. And they agreed that only politics could put Pou out. His record entitled him to stay. Governor Gardner took the view that Superintendent Pou ought to stay there. The year is fast coming to an end. A big deficit is ahead.

If that big surplus previously collected vanishes completely, Mr. Gardner will still be in ideal position. Had he put a new man in the prison management and that deficit had occurred, all the king's horses and all the king's men could not have convinced the public that Governor Gardner did not execute one of the greatest.

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board took under advisement a suggestion that it use state departments of agriculture and state marketing associations in its efforts to improve the economic status of agriculture. The loans approved were one of \$300,000 to the Mississippi Cotton Cooperative Association and a facilities loan of \$500,000 to the Texas Farm Bureau Cotton Association. The board also announced that approximately \$100,000,000 would be used for loans to cooperative associations under a plan designed to increase advances paid by cooperative associations to farmers to at least 40 cents per pound.

Mr. K. G. Hudson of Raleigh, secretary and treasurer of the Hudson-Bell stores and an elder of the First Presbyterian church of Raleigh, will be the principal speaker at the Rally Day services at Progress Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

Mr. Hudson was a liberal contributor to the nice new brick building completed at Progress last February and is to see the building for the first time next Sunday.

### RAINFALL OF 4.65 HERE TUESDAY

The rainfall here Tuesday and Tuesday night was 4.65 in., according to E. L. Snipes, local weather bureau statistician. Most of the rain fell Tuesday night and was accompanied by a heavy electrical storm. Neuse river has been rising since, and some of the lowlands along its banks are being flooded again as it overflows.

## Four Oaks Gets Ready For Nov. 11

### Armistice Day Celebration Will Be Held In Four Oaks This Year; Boys To Be Guests of County

The membership of the American Legion in the county and all the former service men, and all who are interested in their behalf, are now concerned with preparation for Armistice day celebrations on November 11. The boys will meet this year in Four Oaks, and the hospitalities of the occasion are to include all the former soldiers of the three wars—the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, and the World War.

The main feature of the day will be the barbecue dinner which goes to the county's former soldiers as the county's gift in recognition of the heroism and service rendered the country while in the uniform. Preparations are going forward for a notable day for the county on this November 11. Band music will be furnished as an attraction, and some speaker will be present to deliver an address appropriate for the occasion. Other attractions have been secured for the day which will not only serve to entertain the visitors during the day but will last into the night. At night a play will be given in the graded school building, which is under the direction of the Legion, and as an outside attraction a ring of hobby horses and other forms of amusement will be in operation. It is understood that Four Oaks will be clad in its Sunday's best for the occasion and flags and bunting will be lavishly displayed.

It comes to the Herald unofficially, but authoritatively, that to put this day over each year in a manner creditable to the county and the cause it represents requires much by way of expense, detail work, and a hundred-and-one little odds and ends. The county commissioners at a recent meeting made a splendid contribution toward this matter and some of the towns have contributed freely from their treasuries. This is most commendable, and if there are some of the towns and communities which have not as yet rendered their part in this drive, such should be attended to immediately. Properly and strictly speaking, the putting of this celebration over for the former service men is not an enterprise to be carried out by the veterans—it is, rather, the county's affair. It is the county's salute and bow to the boys who fought the country's battles in its deepest distress; and the part the veterans should take in this event is that of guest and not that of host. It is hoped and urged that in this spirit the entire county will unite in a single effort to give the boys a good and glorious reception at Four Oaks on November 11.

## NEGRO CUT TO DEATH AS RESULT OF AFFRAY

One negro is dead and another is in jail as the result of an affray which took place several miles from Selma on Monday afternoon. Thel Richardson, aged 37 or 38 years, is the murdered negro, who was cut to death evidently with a pocket knife. Clay Earp, aged 19, is the negro now in jail charged with the murder.

The affair took place between three and four o'clock Monday afternoon. Before night officers had taken into custody Earp, who told the officers that he committed the deed in self defense, and three other negroes who were with him are being held as witnesses. An inquest was held on Tuesday morning.

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## Better Seed Being Grown At Benson

Cotton and Grain Seed Produced Near Benson Approved by N. C. Crop Improvement Association

By J. Paul Shaw. BENSON, Oct. 24.—The Benson Certified Growers Association is going ahead with its program of seed improvement for the farmers of Benson community. Something like fifty acres of pedigreed cotton seed have been field inspected by the North Carolina Crop Improvement Association and all fields passed field inspection. A gin day with a local gin has been arranged for the first week in November at which time only Cleveland 884 strain 4 will be ginned, the cotton grown by the members of the local seed association. A little later all of these seed will be graded and stored for use next spring. Every member is well pleased despite the boll weevil damage.

Three local farmers are growing certified Latham's double corn the leading corn variety for this section. Good seed corn will be selected from the field and reserved for planting on the farms around Benson next spring. Several farmers have purchased certified seed oats to sow for seed purposes. One farmer is starting into growing Abruzzi rye for seed purposes. Several others are now planning to have certified wheat for sale next year.

The farmers in this better seed movement are growing these seeds primarily for their own use, to increase production and quality on the local farm first and then to offer seed of superior quality and seed that are adapted to their neighbors. Every farmer's seeds must meet a certain standard and the grower knows it and is earnestly trying to produce the best seed possible. It is hoped that in a few years to be growing practically all of the major varieties of seeds used locally on local farms and spend locally some of the money that has been going out of the state and county for seeds of questionable quality.

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