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## Market Exceeds Record Of 1928

**Tobacco Market Here Has Sold Up To Yesterday 5,786,548 Pounds; Government Grading Helpful**

The Smithfield tobacco market has passed the five and a half million pound mark of last season, the total number of pounds sold here up to yesterday being 5,786,548. With a month still to sell before the market will close for the Christmas holidays, the sales should mount well above six million pounds.

The warehouses here will close after the sale next Wednesday for the Thanksgiving holidays, reopening the following Monday.

The government tobacco grading work done at Smithfield this year has proved to be popular and valuable. Farmers from other counties have come to Smithfield to observe the government grading with the idea of requesting it for their localities, if it was proving helpful, and the indications are that the scope of this work will be extended another year if state and federal funds are available.

A delegation of farmers from the Spring Hope section of Nash county is expected here today to investigate for themselves.

A recent report of the government grading here, in the News and Observer, estimated, in the words as follows:

"This work has proven to be advantageous to buyers, warehousemen and farmers alike. It relieves the buyers of much guesswork and responsibility. This minimizing of risk or chance insures maximum price instead of minimum. Thus all parties benefit by eliminating the hit and miss present grades which are not standardized but rather as each farmer may see fit to assort his piles.

"The government graders at Smithfield are Messrs. Wood and Ricks. They do not attempt to regrade the piles but rather to label them with their official classification. They often detect mixed piles as in the case of a tenant who had his graded. The top of the pile (after dividing) sold at 19 1/2 cents and the bottom at 37 cents. Thus he saved \$36 by spending 20 cents for the grading work."

## Princeton Home Damaged By Fire

**Flames Discovered In Dwelling of Jarvis Hines In Time to Save House Furnishings and Building**

PRINCETON, Nov. 21.—Sunday night about six o'clock the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Hines was discovered to be on fire. Mrs. Hines had been away from the kitchen a short time with the dogs all closed. It is supposed that the fire started from the oil stove and burned up the ceiling under the overhead very rapidly. In a few minutes after the cry of fire a large number of citizens were on the scene and they quickly carried all household goods out to safety and they saved the house. Some citizens brought in two or three chemical fire extinguishers and they contributed largely to the saving of the house. The citizens of the town always respond quickly to the alarm of fire and many houses have been saved by their prompt and willing assistance. Mr. and Mrs. Hines wish to thank every one very sincerely who helped them in this instance. Without this help they would certainly have lost their home.

Wednesday night the 13th, about eleven o'clock the house belonging to James Moore, a negro, was burned. The household goods had been moved out that evening. It is reported that there was \$300 insurance on the house and there is said to be some evidence that the house was oil and fired.

On the same night a few minutes later the house which was formerly the old Turner Johnson home, was destroyed by fire. The woman and children were away from the house that night. The house was occupied by John Turner Johnson and he was at home when the house burned. He says that some unknown negro rascal got out of the room when he started to enter, almost knocking him down and at that time one room was in full blaze.

Regular meeting of the Girls' Auxiliary of the Baptist church was held Monday evening. An interesting program was given. All girls between nine and seventeen years of age are especially invited to attend.

Regular meeting of the W. M. U. of the Baptist church was held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. J. P. Rains. After the usual business and a duet by Misses Alma Pearce and Teressa Holt, refreshments were served.

Mr. Ed Young was married last week to Mrs. Mamie Farmer, of Wilson. Mr. Young has only been married three times and has nine children by his former wives, and a host of grandchildren. He is about 65 years old and is a young man for his age. Mr. Young has three children by a former marriage and is a young woman.

From the reports which are coming there are a good many cases where loads of tobacco have been stolen from farmers. At least two of the men who are charged with some of this stealing have been caught in the last few days. Reports of stealing cotton and corn have been made. Farmers who have their farm produce housed should certainly lock it up securely and save it.

## Glendale School Keeps Growing

**Number Enrolled In First Grade Alone Exceeds That of Entire High School**

KENLY, Nov. 20.—Notwithstanding the fact that there are now three times as many pupils enrolled in the high school grades in Glendale district as there were five years ago, the number in the first grade alone this year exceeds that of the entire high school grades combined by about one-third, according to the records in the office of the principal.

There are more children in either one of the first three grades than there are in all of the high school grades; the enrollment of the first, second and third grades, 127, 100 and 109 respectively.

Not only has the high school enrollment trebled in the last few years, but there have been large increases in all other grades especially in the lower grades as a result of consolidations. However, consolidation has not caused all of it, because no new territory has started to send children to school in this district during the past three years. The enrollment keeps growing because some are coming to school who have never attended school before.

There are two schools in this district, Glendale and Chapel, and the consolidation program was completed last spring, but that had to do with matters of taxation only, as all the territory had already been patronized these schools by sending their children six months to the year for the past three years, and the high school pupils from all the territory now comprising the district have been coming to Glendale ever since the present school was built.

Judging from the hundreds in the primary grades it seems that the growth in the grammar grades and high school will even be greater in the future than it has been in the past.

## Thanksgiving Service

There will be a Thanksgiving service at New Light Second Advent Christian church in Smithfield at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

ELDER J. V. MOORE, Pastor.

## Presbyterian Services

Oakland Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Smithfield Sunday night at 7:30. Sunday school and Bible classes at 10 o'clock. Public cordially invited.

## JOHNSTON TRAINING SCHOOL TO PLAY GAME

The Johnston County Negro Training School football team will play the Wilmington high school on the local court Friday (25th) evening at 4:15 o'clock. (The) game with Wilmington will determine the eastern Carolina championship.

## St. Paul's Episcopal church.

There will be services at St. Paul's Episcopal church Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. Duncan Thomas, rector. The public is cordially invited.

## Tantalizer

There are exactly enough letters in the line below to spell the name of a person in Smithfield or Johnston County, and to 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 Ada Menden deciphered her name last issue.

TODAY'S TANTALIZER  
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## SECRETARY OF WAR GOOD PASSES AWAY

Funeral services for James W. Good, Secretary of War, who passed away in the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington Monday, were held in the East Room of the White House Wednesday in the presence of President Hoover and a distinguished company. The sites of the Presbyterian church were conducted by Rev. Joseph Richard Sizoo, pastor of the New York Avenue Presbyterian church, at eleven o'clock. The body was later taken to the train and sent to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where the burial will take place today. Mr. Good's death was the first of a member of the cabinet while in office since that in 1824 of Henry C. Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture in the Harding and Coolidge administrations. He was yesterday manager for President Hoover in the last campaign. His death came from blood-poisoning which set in following an operation for gangrene of perforating appendicitis a little more than a week ago.

## Johnston Co. Man Goes On Rampage

**Edgar Richardson Jailed In Smithfield After Terrorizing Neighborhood; Wounds Slightly Small Boy**

WENDELL, Nov. 19.—Edgar Richardson, young white man of Johnston county, about two miles from Smithfield, went on a rampage yesterday afternoon that ended with his arrest on a charge of attempted murder and the wounding of a small boy.

According to reports coming to Wendell, Richardson went home yesterday afternoon under the influence of whiskey and urged his wife to go to ride with him. When she refused he went for his pistol and threatened her life. In some manner she managed to wrest the pistol away from him, and fled to the home of Ruffin Holder, a neighbor. After she had left Richardson went to the home of Mrs. Annie Nowell, his mother-in-law, seeking his wife. When told that she had not been there he became so boisterous that Mrs. Nowell sent for her son, Ralph, who was only a short distance away. When he arrived he ordered Richardson off the place.

Richardson then went home, and securing a shotgun and bringing his small son with him, returned to the Nowell home. Seeing Miss Annie Milton Nowell and mistaking her for his wife in the gathering dusk, he fired at her with the shotgun, but due to bad aim or too great distance none of the shot took effect. Then seeing a small son of the family through the window he shot at the leg, wounding him slightly in the leg. In the meantime Ralph Nowell had secured his shotgun and rushed out with the intention of returning Richardson's fire, but due to the fact that Richardson's son was in the front seat of the car with him was unable to fire for fear of injuring the child, and Richardson made his escape. A posse was quickly organized to search for him, and some time later in the evening he was apprehended and taken to the Smithfield jail.

Richardson has a police record, having been convicted of drinking in whiskey and sentenced to the roads for this offense.

According to latest reports the child is not badly hurt.

## MRS. G. G. BEATY WINS IN NATIONAL CONTEST

Mrs. G. G. Beaty, of Wilson's Mills, route 1, was among the successful contestants in a nation-wide canning contest put on recently by Sears Roebuck Foundation. She was awarded \$5.00 for a can of snap beans. Only seven successful contestants were from North Carolina, and Mrs. Beaty was the only one from Johnston county.

Mrs. Beaty received her canning training from Mrs. D. J. Wellons, who was the first home demonstration agent in Johnston county, back in the days when the demonstrator made her rounds with a horse and buggy.

## Makes Money From Turnips

Mr. W. P. Thomas, of near Wilson's Mills, brought two large turnips to this office Wednesday. One was of the Purple Top variety and weighed seven and one-half pounds. The other, a White Globe, weighed six and three-quarter pounds.

Mr. Thomas stated that he sowed a patch 300 yards square in his tobacco field after housing out of feeding the turnips to his boys. From this patch Mr. Thomas has already sold about \$20 worth of turnips and has others to sell.

## Compares School Costs In County

**Four Oaks and Royal Typical Illustration Big School Better at Less Cost**

The county superintendent of schools has been at work recently checking up on enrollment and attendance in the schools of Johnston county. The survey reveals some facts that should be of interest to the public. A comparison, for instance, of enrollment and attendance in a large school and a small school shows that the large school gets better results at less expense.

The Four Oaks and Royal schools operate for the same length of term and in the same district. These schools are a typical illustration of the increased cost and decreased efficiency of the small school as compared with the large school. Each teacher at the Four Oaks school is teaching 43 children on the average; each teacher in the Royal school is teaching 21 pupils on the average, therefore, the cost of the Royal school is more than twice that of the Four Oaks school per pupil for teachers' salaries. In the Four Oaks school the attendance is 92 per cent of the enrollment while in the Royal school it is 75 per cent. A thorough test of the achievement of the pupils in the two schools will indicate a corresponding discrepancy of the children of the Royal school.

The enrollment and attendance by grades in the Four Oaks and Royal schools on November 13 was as follows:

Grade	Enrollment	Attendance
1	185	162
2	153	137
3	133	121
4	149	131
5	146	132
6	158	151
7	123	118
Total Element.	1047	952

  

Grade	Enrollment	Attendance
8	122	113
9	62	60
10	44	41
11	45	44
Total High Sch.	273	258
Total School	1320	1210

## Aunt Roxie Says

"In every land and every age, Temper hez done hits part; De fierces storms dat ever rage Are in de human heart."

## Gambling Case In Recorder's Court

**Six Men Indicted In Connection With Gambling At Lake Wendell; Other Cases Tried Tuesday**

Six persons were in Recorder's court Tuesday facing charges that had to do with a gambling raid made by Johnston county officers Sunday night, Nov. 10 at a lake resort near the Wake county line.

The Johnston county sheriff, A. J. Fitzgerald, states that reports of unlawful proceedings at Lake Wendell had come to his office at different times, but it was not until Sunday night, Nov. 10 that his deputies had definite evidence sufficient to make any arrests. On that night, about 10:30 o'clock, Deputies J. O. Hinton, Tom Davis and A. H. Morgan, found C. C. Doan, Pez Honeycutt, R. R. Richardson, Red Todd and Straley Deans in the mill house at Lake Wendell, Doan, Honeycutt, Richardson and Todd being on the floor behind a table with \$27.40 lying on the floor near Deans. Deans was found to have a quart of whiskey, and the entire five were placed under arrest, the first four on a charge of possession and transportation. Robert Barham, manager of the corporation which operates Lake Wendell resort, was also indicted for operating a gambling place.

All six men were found guilty in Recorder's court here Tuesday. Doan, Honeycutt, Richardson and Todd being fined \$25 and one-fourth costs each; Deans being fined \$25 and cost, and Barham being fined \$25 and cost. The latter took an appeal. Later the fines of Honeycutt and Todd were remitted, and the fines of Doan and Richardson reduced to \$15 each. These men are Wake county men except R. R. Richardson.

Sheriff Fitzgerald states that reports have come to him since the raid, to the effect that the gambling and drinking is still going on and his officers are still on the alert.

Other cases tried Tuesday included:

George Potter entered a plea of guilty to cursing on public highway. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of the cost.

Stephen Murphy was fined \$25 and taxed with the cost for possession and transportation.

Vance Barbour was in court for the larceny of two turkeys, valued at less than \$20. He was sentenced to the county roads for four months, to be discharged at the end of 90 days provided the cost is paid.

Millard Norris was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost for carrying concealed weapon.

Clarence Outland aged 21, a white laborer, was found guilty of possession and transportation of two and a half gallons of whiskey. He was sentenced to the roads for six months. The defendant is to be discharged at the end of four months provided the cost is paid. For giving worthless checks for 30 days, the sentence to be suspended upon the payment of the cost and check. This sentence is to begin at the expiration of the one the defendant is now serving.

Avery Norris and Randall Norris were found guilty of assault with deadly weapon. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of the cost.

Thomas Jordan was fined \$15 for assault with deadly weapon. He was also required to pay the cost of the action.

J. C. Beasley was convicted of operating a car while intoxicated and of assault with car. He was fined \$50 and taxed with the cost. He was ordered not to operate a motor vehicle again in North Carolina during the next 90 days.

Jeff Allen was fined \$10 and cost for violation of the prohibition law.

A. B. Lee plead guilty to giving worthless check. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of the cost.

John Ray was fined \$10 for possession and transportation.

Harvey Pennington was convicted of larceny in the value of less than \$20 and was sentenced to the roads for 90 days. He is to be discharged at the end of 60 days provided the cost is paid.

## TEN-WEEK DENTAL CLINIC FOR JOHNSTON

Beginning next week and lasting for ten weeks the service of a dentist will be available for the children in the schools of Johnston county from 13 years of age on down. This service will be without charge to any child, as it comes from the Department of Oral Hygiene of the State Board of Health. Instructional talks and demonstrations on the care of teeth, cleaning and treating them as their needs require, will in the main be what this program of dental hygiene will comprise.

Dr. Wooten, who is an expert dentist in this particular work, will be in charge under the direction of Dr. Branch, who will also be here to give illustrated talks to parents, teachers and children.

The clinic will be held next week in the Smithfield school, and the schedule for the other schools will be announced at a later date.

## Colored Man Is Fatally Injured

**Debro Mitchiner Is Struck By Two Cars Near Brick Yard and Dies Two Hours Later**

Debro Mitchiner, a colored man perhaps 60 years of age, who lived just across the river near Graytown, was fatally hurt on highway No. 10 near the brick yard Wednesday afternoon, when an automobile struck him as he attempted to cross the highway.

It seems that a wagon was on the side of the pavement, and Mitchiner was crossing over to reach the wagon, when a car driven by D. H. Parrish of Raleigh, hit him. The impact threw him back into the road and another car coming from the opposite direction driven by Mrs. Paul Garrison of Goldsboro, struck him also. Mr. Parrish took the injured man in his car to the negro hospital here, and it was found that all of his ribs on one side were broken and one leg crushed. The accident happened about four-thirty in the afternoon, and two hours later he died.

The negro was well thought of in the community where he had spent his entire life.

The accident is said to have been unavoidable, but those responsible for the occurrence, according to Sheriff Fitzgerald, wish a hearing in the matter, and tomorrow, Saturday, has been set as the time.

The white men then told of having gone to a gin at Apex about three o'clock Wednesday morning and loading eight bales of cotton for the negro and bringing it to Smithfield. Communication with the police department at Apex revealed that the cotton had been missed from the gin and steps had been taken to advertise the fact over the radio.

In conversation with Mr. Tom Abdalla, of Selma, a representative of the Herald asked him about business and what he thought of conditions. He said that as a white there was a lot of complaining about dull business but that his business so far had been above the average. He stated that he had just returned from the New York and that everyone was badly frightened over the big financial battle that was being fought on Wall Street. He said that almost everyone was anxious to sell what he had at almost any price and while there he purchased something like 1200 new silk dresses and about 1500 new hats. He is advertising them at a ridiculously low price.

## Stolen Cotton Recovered Here

**Victor Ogburn Does Little Detective Work and Finds Lot of Cotton Which He Was About to Buy**

Victor Ogburn, of the firm of Austin and Ogburn, turned detective Wednesday and ferreted out the details of a suspicious lot of cotton which he was about to buy and which later proved to have been stolen from a gin at Apex.

When Mr. Ogburn went to his store here Wednesday morning, he found a negro man and two white men awaiting his arrival. The negro had brought to town eight bales of cotton which, he stated belonged to his mother, Emma Ross. He had reached Smithfield early and by 6:30 had been to the cotton warehouse, had had the cotton weighed, and was ready to sell it. Mr. Ogburn made a bid. The negro went to W. M. Sanders, another cotton buyer, and the bid was raised. He returned to Mr. Ogburn who bid again, and then back to Mr. Sanders who refused to go any higher. The negro then closed the deal with Mr. Ogburn. In the course of the conversation as to who Emma Ross was, and where she lived, Mr. Ogburn became suspicious of the deal. He gave the negro a check, however, for something like \$600, and promised himself that by the time the banks opened, he would have time to make further investigation concerning the cotton.

It took forty-five minutes of nine when the sale was consummated. Mr. Ogburn's first move was to go to the cotton warehouse and take a look at the cotton. He found that the gin marks did not correspond with the name in which the cotton was sold. He hurried to a phone and called the bank to stop payment of the check. It was rather a tense moment in the bank. The negro and the two white men who had hauled the cotton to Smithfield for the negro, were at the window in the act of receiving the money when the bank telephone rang. The young lady answering the phone called to the teller to stop cashing the check, and the negro broke into a run. The two white men who were waiting to receive their pay for hauling gave hot pursuit, but the negro eluded them, and has not yet been apprehended in spite of the fact that a deputy sheriff spent the entire morning hunting for him.

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## Box Party at Pomona

The Sanders Chapel Methodist Sunday school will give a box party at Pomona school house on Wednesday night, Nov. 27. Girls will take boxes which will be auctioned off, and boys are expected to be on hand to run the bids up. A string band will furnish music for the occasion.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will hold its December business meeting at the church Monday afternoon, Nov. 25 at three o'clock instead of on December 2. This change is made in order that Miss Irene Hope Hudson, of Richmond, Va., may be present to make an address on Ministerial Relief. A social hour will follow this meeting. All the women of the church and their friends are invited to be present to hear and meet Miss Hudson.

## Optimistic

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