OUR SLOGAN:
"Sell Johnston County Tobacco In Johnston"

The Smithfield Herald

Johnston County's Oldest and Best Newspaper -- Established 1882

Smithfield wants a hotel —But it also wants to establish a Livestock Station Yard!

47TH YEAR THE HOME NEWSPAPER SMITHFIELD, N. C., TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 10, 1929 EIGHT PAGES TODAY NUMBER 10[illegible]

Burglars Enter Four Oaks Store

Break Plate Glass Window of W. J. Lewis and Get Dry Goods; Mrs. Canaday Entertains

FOUR OAKS, Dec. 9.—Burglars entered the store of W. J. Lewis Sunday morning between four and five o'clock by breaking the front plate glass display window.

They took everything in the window, including ladies and children's ready to wear, and had broken through the inside window into the store to complete their haul, when Mr. Will Barbour happened to pass and heard a noise and saw someone in the store with flashlights. As Mr. Barbour ran for the policeman, the burglars made their escape.

Entertains at Dinner.

Mrs. R. C. Canaday entertained at a surprise birthday dinner Wednesday evening at her home in honor of the birthday of her mother, Mrs. W. J. Lewis.

The decorations were carried out in the Christmas motif. The dining table was lovely with a Christmas tree as the centerpiece and red candles in silver holders. The place cards were attached to little red baskets filled with nuts. Covers were laid for fifteen and a turkey dinner in four courses was served.

To add to the spirit of the occasion, after the last course was served, a basket filled with lovely gifts from those present, was presented to Mrs. Lewis as a complete and delightful surprise.

The guests included members of the family and special friends of the honoree. Those from out of town were Mrs. Alex Kreth and Mrs. Lucy Canaday of Raleigh.

Church Social in Selma.

Selma, Dec. 5.—Last Wednesday evening immediately after prayer service, church night was observed at Edgerton Memorial Methodist church. A goodly number gathered in the Sunday school auditorium where a very enjoyable social hour was provided. After an opening song, Mrs. J. W. Short entered from a class room, carrying a beautiful birthday cake on which were 45 lighted candles and presented that and several other gifts to Rev. D. M. Sharpe, whose birthday happened to fall on this auspicious occasion. Edward Hoge Vick, for the Boy Scouts, presented Rev. Mr. Sharpe with several gifts, making a very appropriate little presentation speech. Mr. Sharpe is their beloved scoutmaster and put the boys through several stunts which the audience enjoyed. Mrs. David Fields was in charge of the entertainment features and several contests and stunts were entered into, after which Mrs. M. R. Wall sang a solo.

Appetizing refreshments consisting of punch and wafers were served.

DUKE GLEE CLUB TO TOUR EUROPE IN 1930

DURHAM, Dec. 5.—The Duke University Glee Club will make a concert tour of prominent cities in six European countries next summer, according to an announcement made today following a meeting of local musical officials.

Present plans call for a six weeks' tour of England, France, Germany, Belgium, Holland and Switzerland beginning on June 8. Twenty-eight singers, under the direction of J. Foster Barnes, will make the tour, in addition to the business manager, W. C. Lassiter.

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.

Wilbur Johnson deciphered his name.

TODAY'S TANTALIZER

chrespirlecae

Henry L. Stimson

Secretary of State, delegate to the International Naval Conference.

Money Is To Be Made In Farming

M. L. Sherrill, of Benson, R. 1, Demonstrates the Wisdom of Diversified Farming

One hears so much about the plight of the southern farmer, and, in Johnston county the plight of the Johnston county farmer, that it is refreshing to come across a farmer who is really making some real money and even in lean years like the last two or three is not suffering.

Mr. M. L. Sherrill, who lives in Elevation township on Benson, route 1, came to Johnston county with his wife and child from Catawba county just ten years ago. He had $40 in his pocket. He went in debt for a 55-acre farm in the sum of $2500. Mr. Sherrill has paid for that farm, and has bought an additional tract of 22 acres, for which he obligated to pay $1,250. All except $400 of this amount has been paid, and in the meantime buildings worth about $4,500 and $400 worth of wire fencing have been invested in.

The crops grown on Mr. Sherrill's farm tell the secret of his success. He hauls home no store-bought hay but raises his own, also plenty of corn, sweet potatoes, Irish potatoes and other food and feedstuffs in addition to his money crops. This past year he harvested 400 bushels of corn; 400 bushels of sweet potatoes; 100 bushels of Irish potatoes, besides hay and other crops; eight bales of cotton; and from four acres of tobacco he realized $1,200.

Mr. Sherill is setting a fine example in diversified farming in his community and with the past experience with the boll weevil more farmers should farm like him.

SELMA KIWANIANS GIVE WIVES TURKEY DINNER

SELMA, Dec. 9.—Thursday evening the Kiwanis club had as its guests their wives and the school faculty at a sumptuous turkey dinner. The Kiwanis hall was decorated beautifully and a very good program had been planned by the program committee. After the persons present had given their names and addresses, Professor H. Bueck rendered two beautiful selections on the violin. Thomas Stancil, club mascot, sang two numbers, after which a quartette composed of Mildred Perkins, E. V. Woodard, Clell Bueck, and Linwood Richardson sang "Kentucky Babe." Favors to the ladies which consisted of a box of candy and powder were presented by the Selma Drug company. A pencil to each one present was presented by the Selma Clothing and Shoe company. Miss Whitaker of the school faculty, was the winner of a five-pound fruit cake in an alarm clock contest. This was presented by George F. Brietz. In a ballot taken by the ladies, President Fred Waters was voted the best looking man present and he was given a box of Garcia Grande cigars. George F. Brietz was winner in a yo yo contest, in which Cleveland Hinton, Carl Carl Worley, Charlie Scales, Geo. F. Brietz, George Vick and John Wiggs participated. Star Harper made a very interesting talk. A radio added to the pleasure of the evening.

Mr. F. B. Hazelton, of Cheyenne, Wyo., and Miss Grace Smith, of Walstonburg, spent the week end here with Mr. Hazelton's sister, Mrs. Lyndon Jordan.

Kenly School Has Made Fine Record

Out of An Enrollment of 505 In November, 306 Had Perfect Attendance; Over 98 Percent On Time

KENLY, Dec. 6.—At the close of the second month of the Kenly high school the brief mention of a high school the brief mention of a of interest to pupils and patrons.

Out of an enrollment of 505 during the month just closed, 306 had perfect attendance. In the matter of punctuality quite the majority of the students have formed the habit of being punctual. During the past month there were only six tardies in the entire school. Four hundred ninety-nine or 98.8 per cent were on time each day present.

Besides the attendance honor roll there are two others: scholarship and improvement. The scholarship roll is composed of those pupils who make an average of 90 on all their work. The improvement honor roll consists of those one from each room, who have made the most improvement during the month. Both these honor rolls appear elsewhere in this paper.

It may be of interest also to note that since the opening of school every teacher has registered on time each day, that is, one-half hour before the tardy bell rings for pupils. Every teacher also belongs to the North Carolina Education Association.

Their work is characterized by unusual earnestness in a desire to make this the best year in the history of the school from the standpoint of accomplishment. With this end in view they invite the parents to visit the school, know their children's teacher, and get acquainted with the work of the school. In this way many possible misunderstandings can be avoided. Complete cooperation on the part of parent and teacher in the conduct and work of the pupil will result in great satisfaction to all concerned.

Special chapel programs are given by the different grades on each Wednesday morning. Patrons are invited to attend these and pass on their value.

Athletics are by no means neglected. Football for the boys and basketball for the girls, under the able direction of S. R. Cotton, give pupils an opportunity to learn the value of team work, good sportsmanship and fair play.

Surprise Birthday Dinner.

On November 28 the children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Mrs. J. B. West honored her by giving a surprise birthday, it being her 82nd birthday. Everything had been planned and all pains had been taken not to let grandma find out about the dinner. At eleven o'clock all the crowd met together and then hurried over to her house. How her eyes did brighten at the sight of her nearest loved ones being with her without any warning. Tears of joy were seen in grandma's eyes as she received little presents in remembrance of being with us all so many years and had lived to see another birthday.

About one o'clock a table was prepared which contained many good things to eat. Everybody seemed to enjoy the dinner, especially did grandma for she knew it was all meant for her.

Late in the evening everybody began to leave and each one wished for grandma many more happy birthdays.

A Granddaughter,
BERTHA WEST.

MRS. W. D. HOOD CALLED TO KINSTON

Mrs. W. D. Hood was called to Kinston Saturday morning on account of the critical illness of her stepmother, Mrs. May Whitaker. Mrs. Whitaker died about noon Saturday. Those from Smithfield who attended the funeral which was conducted Sunday afternoon were: W. D. Hood, Rev. J. D. Bundy, who assisted with the funeral service, Mrs. Thel Hooks, Mrs. L. G. Patterson, Mrs. H. C. Hood, Mrs. R. R. Holt and Mrs. A. H. Rose.

FUNERAL RITES HELD FOR ROBERT F. SMITH

The funeral of Robert F. Smith who died in a Rocky Mount hospital Thursday, was held at the Freewill Baptist church here Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. A large crowd filled the church to pay a last tribute of respect to the deceased. The service was conducted by Rev. H. R. Faircloth assisted by Rev. S. H. Styron and Rev. D. H. Tuttle.

The Thomas Quartette sang three selections: "Asleep In Jesus," "It Is Well With My Soul" and "Safe in The Arms of Jesus."

Interment was made in Oakland cemetery of this city. An abundance of flowers were placed on the grave as the quartette sang "Now the Day is Over." The pallbearers were: J. H. Wiggs, B. M. Brannan, Arthur Wallace, F. C. Fitzgerald, Simon Luther and Gene Caudill.

Tobacco Growers From Orange Here

Get First Hand Information Concerning Government Grading Service On Local Market

Don Matheson, county farm agent of Orange county, headed a delegation of about twenty Orange county tobacco growers of Orange county which visited the Smithfield tobacco market here yesterday in order to observe at first-hand the government grading of tobacco, using government standard grades.

After the tobacco sales a mass meeting of the Orange county farmers and a group from Johnston county met in the courthouse here for a discussion of the government grading service. Thomas Woods, who is in charge of the government grading work on this market, made a talk explaining the grades and benefits to the tobacco growers of the grading service, and Dixon Wallace, one of the proprietors of the Planters warehouse, gave his impressions of the service from a warehouseman's standpoint. Mr. Wallace had nothing but praise for government grading and stated that both the Banner and the Planters warehouses have already made application for the service again next year.

An informal discussion of ways of securing the service for Orange county at Mebane took place, and the Orange county farmers present decided to put forth every effort to secure the service for their market. Mr. Matheson was named as head of a committee to circulate a petition among tobacco growers and warehousemen of Orange county in behalf of getting the service for their market next year.

The Orange county delegation was the third delegation to visit this market in securing the government grading service for other markets in North Carolina. Some time ago groups of farmers from Edgecombe and Nash counties visited this market.

The government grading service, the privilege of which the Smithfield market has had since the beginning of the 1929 season has steadily gained ground. Smithfield has the distinction of being the only market in North Carolina having this service this year. Mr. Woods is receiving quite a number of voluntarily written statements from warehousemen, buyers, and tobacco growers which express the hope that the government grading service may be available at Smithfield again next year.

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE TO BE CONDUCTED

A White Elephant Sale will be conducted by the B. & P. W. club tonight at the Woman's club room. Special features of the program include a "Fashion Show" portraying changes in the business woman's dress, vocal selections by Miss Frances White of Scotland Neck, piano selections by Miss Ethel Gaitley and readings by Miss Vivian Burton.

Mr. Willard Lawrence, of Clinton, spent the week end here with relatives.

Senator from Pennsylvania, opposing the Republicans in the Senate the Disarmament Conference.

W. T. Dance Elected Councilor Jr. O. U. A. M.

Other Officers of Local Council Chosen Tuesday; Organization Adds 50 Members In Year

Smithfield Council No. 102 Jr. O. U. A. M. on last Tuesday, December 3, elected officers for the ensuing term as follows:

W. T. Dance, Councilor; B. G. Jones, Vice Councilor; J. H. Wiggs, recording Secretary; H. A. Crumpler, Financial Secretary; M. A. Wallace, Treasurer; D. F. Sellers, Conductor; James Sellers, Warden; J. W. Wilkins, inside Sentinel; J. R. Creech, outside Sentinel; I. W. Mellin, Chaplain; Trustees, J. H. Wiggs, W. T. Holland and J. W. Stephenson.

The Junior Order is said to be one of the fastest growing American fraternities and the Smithfield Council is helping it to grow. Some over fifty new members have been received into the local council during the past year. Any American-born white man between the ages of 16 and 55 years of age of good moral character is eligible to membership.

The Smithfield Council has lost five members during the past year by death. The families of each of these have received $500 from the Junior Order.

PROFITS FROM COTTON DEPEND ON YIELD

When cotton sells for sixteen cents a pound for lint, a yield of at least 312 pounds an acre is necessary to pay the cost of production.

"It usually costs about $50 an acre to produce one acre of cotton," says R. H. Rogers, farm management specialist at State College. "Using this figure as a basis, it is easy to calculate the yield necessary to break even with the crop. If cotton is selling for 16 cents a pound, a yield of 312 pounds of lint an acre will be required to pay the actual costs of production. By getting a larger yield than is necessary at a given price, or by producing at a cost of less than $50 an acre, a profit above expenses will be made.

In enumerating the costs that go into producing an acre of cotton, Mr. Rogers says that 25 cents an hour should be charged for family labor. Horse work should be charged at 10 cents and tractor work at one dollar an hour. The cash price for fertilizer or dusting material may be accurately obtained and one dollar a ton is usually charged for manure. One dollar an acre should also be charged for the use of machinery in cultivation, planting and fertilizing. A miscellaneous charge of two dollars an acre will cover the overhead costs on mosts farms and this will include a share of the general farm costs that each productive enterprise must carry.

A charge of five per cent of the estimated value of the land is also a legitimate cost item. To this should be added the acre share of the land taxes. Picking, ginning and hauling will vary according to the yield and a credit for the seed should be deducted to get the net cost. This figure says Mr. Rogers, should be divided by the pounds of lint produced to get the cost of lint per pound. If the net cost also is divided by the number of acres in cotton, the cost an acre will be secured. Figuring that it costs about $50 an acre to produce the lint, the man who made 312 pounds an acre this year, will about break even.

Judge Barnhill Holds Court Here

Delivers Fine Charge to Grand Jury As He Opens Two Weeks Term of Court For Criminal Cases

A two weeks term of Superior court for the trial of criminal cases began here yesterday with Judge M. V. Barnhill, of Rocky Mount, presiding. Judge Barnhill was assigned to the fourth district, of which Johnston county is a part, for this fall but this is the first court that he has held here. During other terms of Johnston county court Judge Barnhill was presiding over special terms called in Charlotte for the trial of Gastonia strikers.

Yesterday morning a grand jury was impaneled with S. P. Wood as foreman. Judge Barnhill delivered a very fine charge to this body, stating that the grand jury is a very necessary part of the court. Rev. D. H. Tuttle, who heard the judge's charge yesterday, made the following comment: "After being a voter for more than fifty years and having heard many charges to grand jurors, it remained for me to hear this morning from Judge Barnhill the most informing charge that I have ever heard. I never realized before how completely all of the affairs of the county—moral, educational, financial, and official administration—were subject to investigation by the grand jury. How can any officer or official body get by with careless or criminal conduct in office? Most assuredly a good conscience is a neessary qualification for grand jury duty. Conscience was the best friend of the woman who was brought before Jesus under accusation for a crime punishable by death under the Mosaic law. Her accusers could not qualify, being convicted by their own conscience. The woman was released with a charge to 'go and sin no more'. All Christians should pray that all men on grand jury duty so act in all cases as to be able to say with Paul: 'I have exercised myself to have always a conscience void of offense toward God and men.' I believe Judge Barnhill's charge will bear fruit."

Judge Barnhill told the grand jury that he presumed that they were from every section of the county and that he wanted them to present every law breaker that had not been dealt with by justices of the peace or in Recorder's court. He asked that the reports of the justices of the peace be scrutinized to see if they are making such reports as the law requires, and to ascertain whether or not they are taking jurisdiction where they have no jurisdiction by law. He asked for a careful analyzing of the records of the clerk's office, the sheriff's office, and all the offices of the county which handle public money. He likewise directed that the school funds of the county be investigated with a view to ascertain how the funds for school purposes are being expended.

The docket for the two weeks' term includes seven murder cases as follows: State vs. Mabel McNair, State vs. George McNair State vs. Cleavner Earp, State vs Henry Jones, State vs. George Johnson, State vs. Dalma Buffaloe, and State vs. Thurston Breedlove.

No cases were begun before noon yesterday.

MAKES OVER BALE ACRE IN SPITE OF BOLL WEEVIL

Mr. J. O. Creech, who lives on the farm of Albert Johnson of Smithfield, route 1, was in town Saturday. Mr. Creech stated that on sixteen acres he produced 8,980 pounds of lint cotton, or seventeen bales averaging a fraction over 528 pounds each. He plants the Parrish variety of cotton. Mr. Creech stated that he expects to reduce his cotton acreage next year and plant some tobacco.

TWO NEGRO CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

A tragic occurrence took place in Cleveland township Friday morning about nine o'clock, when two little children of Orlando McDaniels, colored, aged two and five, were burned to death.

According to information received here, McDaniels was off at work and the mother of the children had gone somewhere in the neighborhood, after locking the children up in the house for safety until her return. While she was away the house caught on fire, and the house and its contents together with the two children were destroyed. The charred bodies of the two children were found across each other where the bed was in the room.

McDaniels farms on a place belonging to Mrs. R. H. Higgins.

Committee Urges Safety Measures

City Fathers Hear Committee From United Charities Association Asking For Stricter Observance Traffic Laws

At the meeting of the town board of commissioners held on Tuesday night, Miss Mattie Pou and Mrs. J. J. Broadhurst, representing the United Charities Association of Smithfield, asked that an ordinance be passed prohibiting skating on the streets and playing football and baseball on the streets. This request grew out of a recent meeting of the United Charities Association when ways and means of safeguarding children's play in this city was discussed. At this time the association went on record favoring community playgrounds suggesting that vacant lots so used be exempted from town taxes.

After hearing these ladies Tuesday night, the board appointed a committee composed of W. G. Glass, W. D. Hood and J. A. Narron, county attorney, to draw up an ordinance to be submitted to the board at its next regular meeting.

Miss Pou and Mrs. Broadhurst also urged the town commissioners to effect a stricter observance of traffic laws and suggested that stop and go signs be installed at Hood's corner at the Victory theatre, at the Texaco, and at the old postoffice building.

CHILDREN'S THEATRE CLUB PRESENTS FIRST PLAY

The Children's Theatre Club of the Smithfield Grammar School, will present its first play on Friday afternoon, December 13 at 1:15 o'clock in the grammar school auditorium. "The Silver Thread," a Cornish folk play in three acts founded on MacDonald's well known fairy tale, will be given.

The following boys and girls are included in the cast of characters: Creighton Sossoman, Josephine Phillips, Adelaide Pierce, Leah Myatt, Lindsay Ellis, Mary Noble, Pauline Johnson, Roderick Whitehurst, Glenn Grier, Arthur Calais, Julian Hamilton, Carl Pugh, Betty Norcross, Marjorie Jones, Joe Grimes, Charles Pierce, Bill Hood, Madelyn Matthews, Doris Coletrane and Alex Zaidy.

KILLS BIG PORKERS.

Mr. B. E. Batten of Selma route 2, killed five hogs last week that weighed 2,174 pounds, ranging in size from 364 to 477 pounds. They were Duroc-Jerseys and were about 18 months old. Mr. Batten has four more to kill that will weigh about 150 pounds each.

Two Clinics For Cripples.

A clinic for cripples will be held in Wilson at the courthouse on December 13, and a similar clinic will be conducted in Goldsboro on Dec. 19 at the Orthopaedic Home on highway No. 10. These clinics are free to all cripples, and those needing the services of a clinic should keep in mind these dates.

Mrs. D. W. Galloway To Unveil Tablet

Mother of First Tar Heel Soldier To Be Killed In Action In France; George Galloway Smithfield Boy

WILMINGTON, Dec. 9.—Mrs. D. W. Galloway, mother of the first North Carolina soldier to be killed in action in France, will unveil the green bronze memorial tablet commemorating the North Carolina dead of three wars when the twin spans over the Cape Fear are dedicated here December 10.

The tablet is to be placed in a boulder at the bridge entrance on the Wilmington side over the Northeast Cape Fear river, and is to be unveiled immediately after Mrs. O. Max Gardner cuts the ribbon which officially releases traffic over the bridge.

Mrs. Galloway is the mother of Private George E. Galloway, who "was reported by General Pershing as killed in the action of February 26, the day of the German gas attack," according to news dispatch carried the morning of February 28, 1918.

He was 22 years old and a son of the late D. W. Galloway, of Fairmont, for many years cotton buyer for Messrs. Alexander Sprunt and Son. He was a nephew of Dr. W. C. Galloway, of Wilmington, and a brother of James Galloway, who lives now in Fairmont, the home of his parents. Private Galloway enlisted in August of the year preceding his death, and soon after the United States entered the world conflict. He was rapidly trained in the regular army and a few months later embarked with one of the first divisions to go "over there." These facts were carried a few days after his death as a rescue of being gassed, in the Wilmington Star under a Lumberton dateline.

The tablet to be unveiled by Mrs. Galloway on December 10 is of green bronze and dedicates the two twin bridges to the soldiers and sailors of North Carolina who served in the War Between the States, the Spanish-American War and the World War.

NOTE—Private George E. Galloway was born in Smithfield and his body was laid to rest in the cemetery here. He was a nephew of Messrs. E. S. and J. H. Atkins and Mrs. L. T. Royall, of this city.

Princeton Girls Win.

Princeton, Dec. 9.—The Princeton girls won by a score of 24 to 7 Friday over Selma on Selma floor. The high scorer was Miss Gurley scoring 20 points.

This was the third game of the season for the Princeton girls. They hope to continue winning.

Aunt Roxie Says

To Our County Health Officer
In de same house where just reigns
No man can judge his worth
He lays de meeting with de Ol'
Who judges all de earth.
De sword of science in his hand
He wars from day to day.
At Johnston county's door stands
To fight disease away.
Where duty leads to human need
In silence makes his rounds;
Without de praise of hero wars
Or flare of trumpet sounds.
And duty bids all arise
And aid in his defense,
His darkest foe is ignorance,
His ally, common sense.

—AUNT ROXIE.