

JUDGE ALLEN HOLDING COURT AT SMITHFIELD

Smithfield, Dec. 13.—The regular two weeks December term of court began here yesterday, the first week to be devoted to the criminal docket and the second week to the civil docket. Judge O. H. Allen, of Kinston, is presiding, and this will be his last court before retiring from the bench. The last legislature passed a law permitting judges who have served for fifteen years or more and who are over 65 years of age to retire on half pay, these judges to act in the capacity of emergency judges to hold special terms of court etc. Judge Allen being over 65 years of age, and having been on the bench for twenty six years is eligible to retire. He will be succeeded by Judge-elect Henry Grady, of Clinton, who has figured prominently in the papers recently, having been charged with being at the head of the Ku Klux Klan in this State.

This week being devoted to criminal cases, the Sheppard murder trial will come up. This is probably the outstanding case of the criminal docket. It will be recalled that Sheppard is charged with the murder of Deputy Sheriff J. M. O'Neal of Wilder's township. He has been held without bond in the jail here pending trial.

A YANKEE TRIBUTE

Southern men were unsurpassed among the nations of the earth in courage, spirit, hospitality, and generosity to their equals. They were apt to command and apt to succeed. They were able politicians. With the love and habit of truth, which becomes brave men in all common concerns, they were subtle and skilful diplomatists when diplomacy was needed to accomplish any political end.

My long conflict with their leaders has impressed me with an ever increasing admiration of the great and high qualities of our Southern people. Their love of home; their chivalrous respect for women; their courage; their delicate sense of honor; their constancy, which can abide by an opinion or a purpose or an interest of their state's, through adversity and through prosperity, through the years and through the generations, are things by which the people of the more mercurial North may take a lesson. And there is another thing—covetousness, corruption, the low temptation of money has not yet found any place in our Southern politics.—George Frisbie Hoar, senator from Massachusetts, 1877, 1904.

PROHIBITION OFFICERS ACHIEVE A NEW RECORD

Salisbury, Dec. 13.—Prohibition officers in North Carolina captured a total of 89 illicit liquor distilleries, 84,029 gallons of intoxicating liquors, seized 22 automobiles and effected 44

arrests during the month of November, according to a report issued today by Prohibition Director R. A. Koblom.

NEEDLE JABBING IS LATEST CRIME WAVE

Paris, Dec. 13.—"Needle demons," is the title given to the originators of the latest crime wave in Paris, which police reports show has been growing in intensity for the past two weeks until now dozens of women daily are being pricked with poisoned needles by unidentified monomaniacs. The terror began among the women Christmas shoppers in the big department stores, but the needle jabbers are now operating in auto buses, the subways and other places where crowds congregate and it is possible to inflict the injury and escape without identification.

The police are as much mystified as they were by last winter's episode

of dress and fur coat slashing and so far no arrests have been made. While the needle points are believed to be poisoned, the effect on the victims is not serious, the woman usually escaping with slight swelling and muscular pains.

PAR CLEARANCE ACT STILL HELD INVALID

Raleigh, Dec. 13.—Without a written opinion, the North Carolina Supreme Court today declined to change its former opinion holding the par clearance act of the 1921 general assembly invalid.

The case came to the supreme court again on a re-hearing allowed by Associate Justice W. F. Stacy and Platt D. Walker on October 20, the original decision in the case known as the Farmers and Merchants bank vs. Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, Va., having been handed down by the supreme court on May 24.

THE PARADOX OF COTTON

The 1922 cotton crop is estimated by the government to be the smallest, possibly one exception in 20 years, the fourth most valuable variety of the industry. There is the paradox of cotton—when adequate control over his own production hits the southern cottonfields,

the south pays all its debts, but when the season is perfect, and fortune is kind, unless somebody has accordingly started a war in Europe, the cotton farmer is reduced almost to beggary.

That is true because he has no adequate control over his own production. Without organization to prevent

a glut of the market, his own success as a producer is his ruin.

It isn't much of a compliment to the intelligence of the cotton farmer to say that he never succeeds financially except when affairs are taken out of his hands, either by a war, or by a crop shortage. But isn't it true? —Greensboro News.

CONSIDERS LEGISLATION TO CURB RECKLESS DRIVING

Intoxicated drivers of automobiles and gun toters will fare badly should legislation hold under consideration by Representative Victor S. Bryant, as a purely local measure, be passed in the next session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Farmer---

Use lime--It will make you money.

We have just received a car of MASCOTT ground lime stone and the price is right. Come to see us at once if you want any for winter and spring use. We do not think it will last very long as there is a big demand for lime this year on account of the price and the BOLL WEEVIL.

Johnson Cotton Company
Dunn, North Carolina

SPECIAL PRICES

Standard Middlings	\$2.10
Red Dog	\$2.50
Sugarine Scratch Feed	\$3.00
Sugarine Buttermilk Mash	\$3.50
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Just a few more tons of the above bargains left. Next prices will necessarily be higher. Buy now and save the difference.

FREEMAN'S CASH GROCERY

FRUIT!

Save money on your Christmas Fruit by buying it from J. D. Baggett at Maitland, Fla., who will open a car load of Oranges, Tangerines, and Grape Fruit in Dunn, on A. C. L. track near depot.

Saturday, Dec. 16

Will stay here until entire lot is sold. This fruit is grown by Mr. Baggett in his Florida groves, which assures the lowest prices as well as the best grades.

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J. D. Baggett

Maitland, Florida

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The - FIFTH - AVENUE - SHOP

We have just opened our Christmas toys and have something to please old and young. Give us a visit and look over our beautiful display. We have crushed our prices during the holiday season and it will pay you to see our stock before you buy your Christmas gifts.

We have a special line for the men who want to give something to his wife, sweetheart, or sister. Most of our Christmas goods are fine and useful. Our door is open to men, ladies and children, so come and look for your self.

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- Medium size piano, special at.....69c
- Large size chimes, makes pretty music.....\$2.95
- Beautiful painted bucket and shovel large size.....29c
- Good quality aluminum perculator.....\$3.50
- Baby Japanese silk quilt, beautiful hand work silk embroidery, medium size, good quality silk.....\$3.50
- All wool Teddy Bear suit red and white.....\$4.95
- Baby set all wool coat, cap and gloves to match.....\$3.50
- Childrens sweaters from 2 up to 8 years, medium weight, all wool.....\$2.50
- Baby blanket, Teddy Bear and Rabbit figure, good size.....\$1.00

Bon Ton CORSETS

We have a big stock of silk underwear, all high grade goods, such as crepe de chine, crepe meteor, pussy willow, taffeta and fine quality glove silk and jersey. If you want to give something good we want you to come and see our silk department. We cannot mention everything we carry in our store we only mention a few articles to give you an idea of our stock.

Best quality crepe de chine negligees with georgette slip over beautiful hand embroidery.....\$22.50

Crepe de chine night gown worked with silk embroidery to match.....\$12.50

Japanese silk Kimono, heavy weight, hand made.....\$12.95



Glove silk night gown, trimmed with pretty ribbon to match.....\$7.95



Japanese silk bath robe, beautiful hand embroidery, heavy weight.....\$12.95

Evening gown, good quality crepe chiffon, trimmed with silk ribbon and beautiful fur, price.....\$26.50

Dancing frock, good quality, changeable color, taffeta, newest style sky blue and navy, price \$22.50 to \$28.50

Breakfast gown, heavy quality, crepe de chine, trimmed with silk fringe to match.....\$14.50

We have a fine stock of Madras goods, specially for the holiday such as scarfs, table cloths, guest towels, pillow cases, carriage covers, handkerchiefs and napkins, you can come and see for yourself—we have these goods on display.

Madras napkins, 13-in. beautiful hand work, special price for Christmas.....\$12.95

COAT SUITS DRESSES, COATS AND CHOAKERS

This is our main line. We have just received a big stock, especially for the Christmas holidays. Not only this but our prices will be reduced.

Remember when you come to our store to buy dresses, coat suits, coats, furs and choakers, we will give you 20 per cent off of every dress, coat and coat suit you buy. These prices will last until Christmas so do not miss the opportunity to buy these goods at a low price.

Yours for business,

The FIFTH AVENUE SHOP
Sam Thomas, Manager
Dunn, North Carolina