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FAIRMONT NEWS LETTER.

Marriage of Miss Nettie Lewis and Mr. Ambrose Prevatt—Working on a Play—Among the sick—Why Mt. Eliam?

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Fairmont, Feb. 11—Miss Nettie Lewis and Mr. Ambrose Prevatt, both of the Back Swamp section, were married by Rev. D. P. Bridgers last Sunday afternoon at the Baptist parsonage. They were attended by a few friends from their home who, with many others, wish them much joy.

Miss Julia McLean spent last week with relatives at McDonald. Miss Tommie Nye, of Orrum, visited Miss Vera Purvis for a short while last week. Mrs. J. F. McLean, of Pates, was a welcome visitor in town last week, the guest of her father, A. C. Thompson. She has many friends here who are always glad to see her. Dr. J. P. Brown is away on a Southern trip, taking in the great Southern carnival, the Mardi Gras at New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Thompson were called to Dillon last Monday by the sad news of the death of Mrs. Thompson's nephew, Mr. Page, who died after a short illness at the early age of twenty-five.

Messrs. Stokes and Prevatt, two of the Beaufort Co. employees who lived on Morro avenue, moved last week into houses just completed on the company's own ground.

Miss Willie Weatherly was called home to Bennettsville last Sunday by the illness of her mother, who makes her home with a son at that place. We are glad to hear that Mrs. Weatherly is better and will probably return with Miss Willie at an early date.

Miss Mary Thompson is the efficient substitute for Miss Willie Weatherly in the first grade room this week. This is Miss May's first teaching experience, but she is doing splendidly.

Mrs. J. D. McLean is spending some time in Maxton on account of the illness of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Carter, having returned there at once on her arrival from the funeral of her dear and lovely niece, Miss Janie Carter. Many friends of Miss Janie here, where she has visited several times, deeply grieve for her untimely death, and sympathize with her sorrowing relatives.

The Waverly Book Club is working nightly on the play it expects to give quite soon. The date and the characters will be given later.

Mr. C. A. Inman's two energetic young sons are adding a saw mill to the working of their father's gin.

Leroy Hunt, one of our most industrious Croatans, suffered the serious misfortune of a broken leg last week while at work for Contractor R. L. Inman. He is getting on nicely and will soon be out again.

Mr. Cyrus Vick is visiting friends at High Point.

Mr. Theodore Thompson has concluded to remain at home and has accepted a situation with the Beaufort Company.

Miss Lorena Lewis is spending a few days with home folks in Whiteville.

At the risk of being called, with truth, Col. Buttinsky, we would like to call the attention of Happy Jack, your pleasant and versatile correspondent, to one thing. Though not a native Robesonian, as he is proud to be, yet we have great respect for all her old landmarks and historic houses. Now will he please look at chapter 15 and the 27th verse of Genesis (we are sure he has a well-read Bible) and tell us if we were misinformed when we were told years ago, after our first view of the quaint and interesting old church building which gave a name to his community, was named for the beautiful oasis in the wilderness desert "where were twelve wells of water and three score and ten palm trees; and they encamped by the water"; and Israel, led by G. d's inspired leader, Moses, resided on their journey to the promised land. If so, Why Mt. Eliam? If not, we shall be so-

MAXTON NEWS.

Bank of Robeson Prospering—Bum Shows—Personals.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Maxton, Feb. 11—Mr. W. H. Dennis spent Sunday in Wilmington, his former home. Miss Maria Nash, of Lumberton, visited Mrs. T. L. Smith this week.

Mr. J. A. McQueen, of the firm of McQueen & McQueen went to Wilmington last Thursday. Mr. Atkinson, of Florence, S. C., is visiting his sister, Mrs. E. E. Cook. Misses Hattie and Mary Southerland returned Monday from Rowland, where they visited friends.

Mr. John Weatherly entertained a few of his friends at dinner on Wednesday evening.

Mr. J. O. Yost, of Peachland, is in Maxton this week as agent for the Adaddin Mantle Lamp Co.

Mr. Webb Barnes, of Douglas, Ga., has accepted a position as stenographer with the Bank of Maxton.

Mr. and Mrs. Sprague played "Esmeralda" in "The Grand" last Tuesday evening. Quite a small crowd attended, and they were greatly disappointed in the show. On Wednesday and Thursday nights a moving picture show was in progress that, too, was very poor.

Mrs. J. P. Wiggins went over to Red Springs last Wednesday to attend the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. McLeod.

Mr. W. B. Harker, editor of The Scottish Chief, is off on a trip South. He will first go to New Orleans, where the National Editorial Association meets this week, and then he expects to go from there to Panama. He will be gone about two weeks altogether.

Mr. E. L. Wooten has returned from Chapel Hill, where he was a law student. Miss Sallie McLean returned to her home in Laurinburg, after a week's visit with relatives.

The financial statement recently issued by the Bank of Robeson, which was organized here in December last, makes interesting reading, the deposits having increased from about \$34,000 on Dec. 15, 1909, the opening day, to about \$101,000 on Feb. 8th. The profits during that time over and above all expenses are a thousand dollars. It is expected that a new building will be erected at an early date to furnish permanent quarters for this institution.

OUT BARKER'S WAY.

Diphtheria Claims a Victim—Among the Sick—New Rule Inconvenient.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Lumberton, R. F. D. 2, Feb. 11—Mrs. Frances Powell is very unwell yet. She has not lain down for some weeks.

Little Guy Jackson died last Monday of diphtheria after a very brief illness. The sympathy of their many friends goes out to the bereaved ones.

Miss Flora Humphrey, who has been sick since Sunday, is greatly improved.

Rev. I. P. Hedgpeth visited in this section this week.

The rule the postal officials have adopted will work a great inconvenience with many who do not live by the road. We have gone to our mail box and had to wait half an hour for the mail to come. Where there is a large family it is very troublesome to keep either government envelopes or stamps enough to have some all the time ready, and we are sure the patrons will fail to send as much mail as they did the old way.

ry we were misinformed and sorry it is not so, as no name could be more beautiful for a hallowed building where God's people rest in his divine love. Find out, Brother Happy, and let us know.

Sore Lungs and Raw Lungs.

Most people know the feeling, and the miserable state of ill health it indicates. All people should know that Foley's Honey and Tar, the greatest throat and lung remedy, will quickly cure the soreness and cough and restore a normal condition. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar. Sold by all druggists.

RED SPRINGS NEWS.

A Golden Wedding and Other Social Affairs.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Red Springs, Feb. 11—Miss Susie Moore delightfully entertained the Good Times Club at her home on Main street Thursday evening. The feature of the evening was the Japanese idea. The girls were asked to wear Japanese kimono and all the decorations carried out the idea. The refreshments had to be eaten with tooth-picks and the guests were obliged to sit on the floor, as the hostess had removed all the chairs from the parlors. Miss Moore proved herself a very charming hostess, giving her friends a jolly good time.

Miss Jane Pardeau left this morning to spend several days at her home in Sanford.

On last Wednesday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McLeod were at home to their many friends, the occasion being their golden wedding. The home was beautifully decorated, the color scheme being gold and white. In the dining room were burning fifty candles, and two little girls dressed in yellow served dainty refreshments. The bride and groom received many useful and expensive presents, attesting their popularity. The out-of-town guests present for this occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McLeod and Mr. Tom McLeod, of Georgia; Mr. and Mrs. Dickson, of Rowland; Sheriff and Mrs. E. C. McNeill, of Lumberton; and Mrs. J. P. Wiggins, of Maxton.

Miss Peets, the voice teacher at the S. P. C., delightfully entertained the senior class in the college parlors Monday afternoon. The decorations were suggestive of St. Valentine's Day, and numerous cupids and red hearts were in evidence. The seniors enjoyed Miss Peets' hospitality very much and each carried home as a souvenir of the afternoon a hand-painted valentine.

Mr. A. T. Callum is in Raleigh this week on business.

Miss Pearl Jones is spending several days at her home at Gibson.

DEATHS.

Mr. F. L. Sledge, of Leaksville.

Mr. R. S. Sledge left yesterday morning for Leaksville in response to a telegram announcing the death of his father, Mr. F. L. Sledge, which occurred at Winston-Salem, where the deceased had been visiting at the home of a son, Saturday afternoon. Mr. Sledge, whose wife died last August, had been a sufferer from Bright's disease for some time and his death was not unexpected. The remains will be taken to his home at Leaksville for interment.

Mrs. Francis Powell.

Mrs. Francis Powell died Saturday morning at 2 o'clock at her home near Saddle Tree. The funeral took place at Saddle Tree yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, services being conducted by Rev. I. P. Hedgpeth.

Notices of New Advertisements.

H. B. Sturtevant, representing L. E. Hays & Co., tailors, will be at the store of the John T. Biggs Co. tomorrow and Wednesday. The "Texas Monster", Barnett's home-made 4-wheel cotton chopper, is described in this issue. The right to make this chopper is sold for \$1.00.

February and March specials at Caldwell & Carlyle's great department stores. Piano contest progressing nicely.

Bargains new and neat, ladies' furnishings all complete at K. M. Biggs.

A. K. Hawkes, the famous Atlanta optician, will be at the Pope drug store February 25 and 26. A milch cow wanted.

The best pianos on the market—Chas. M. Steiff.

Elgin watches and Seth Thomas clocks—Boylan's Jewelry store.

Of the 53 young men who applied for license last week before the Supreme Court to practice law, only 34 successfully passed the examination.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Court Adjourned Saturday—An Uneventful Term.

The criminal term of Robeson Superior Court which began last Monday adjourned Saturday afternoon and the two-weeks term will expire by limitation next Saturday night. There were no cases of special interest and it was a dull and uneventful term. Judge W. R. Allen, who presided for the first time in Robeson, made a most favorable impression upon all who attended the sessions of the court. He and Solicitor N. A. Sinclair, of Fayetteville, left for their respective homes Saturday night. Solicitor Sinclair will return Thursday of this week to determine what disposition to make of the cases against some 400 citizens of the county for failure to list taxes. The grand jury completed its work Friday afternoon and made its report, which was entirely devoid of sensational features and was pronounced an unusually business-like and sensible one. A review of this report, together with a report of the cases disposed of since Thursday, will be given in Thursday's paper.

Candidates for County Offices.

In last Thursday's Robesonian mention was made of the fact that Mr. K. M. Barnes, of Barnesville, will be in the race for the office of clerk of the Superior Court against Mr. W. H. Humphrey, who has held the office for the past 12 years and who will be in the race again. Since then former Register of Deeds D. W. Bullock, of Rowland, has announced that he will be a candidate for this office. It has been reported for some time that Mr. C. B. Skipper, of Lumberton, would also be in this race, and under certain circumstances he may be, though he has made no announcement; and Mr. Ed. Purcell, of Red Springs, has been mentioned as a probable candidate. Mr. W. H. Graham, who lives near Rowland, spoken of as a probable candidate for county treasurer. From present indications there will probably be no lack of candidates for the various offices except register of deeds. As this is Register T. N. Higley's first term it is thought that he will have no opposition.

County Receipts and Disbursements for January.

The report of Sheriff E. C. McNeill, made to the county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting last Monday, shows the following receipts and disbursements for the month of January.

RECEIPTS.

General school fund	\$4,609.88
County	4,081.99
Township road	3,539.87
Special school	1,267.35
Pension	432.11
Court house bond sinking fund	432.05
Funding bond fund	216.14
Corporation road fund (not distributed)	346.61
Schedule "B" tax fund	41.50

\$14,967.50

Paid Treas. M. G. McKenzie of the fund collected during the month of January for the following accounts, viz:—

General school fund	\$4,500.00
County	3,500.00
Township road	3,372.00
Special school	1,500.00
Pension	450.00
Court house sinking fund	450.00
Funding road fund	195.00

\$13,967.00

Taxes collected for State fund \$4,349.99

Schedule "B" tax fund 151.50

4,501.49

Paid B. R. Lacy, State Treas.

6,000.00

Palma, Island of Majorca, Feb. 11.—Driven helplessly from her course, in one of the wildest storms that has swept the Mediterranean Sea in 40 years, the French Transatlantic Steamship Company's steamer General Chanzy chased at full speed, in the dead of night, on the treacherous reefs near the Island Minorca, and all but one of the 157 souls on board perished.

County Commissioners Direct

Payment to the County of Amount Lost by Mixing Funds.

By way of answer to the recently published criticism of the county board of audit and finance that the county commissioners had not complied with the law which directs that the "funding bonds fund" be kept as a separate and distinct account, this being mixed with the general county fund by order of County Attorney E. J. Britt, thereby causing a loss to the county of \$152.68—the difference between the commissions allowed the county treasurer for handling the "funding bonds fund" and regular commissions allowed by law—the commissioners have directed Treasurer M. G. McKenzie to turn back into the treasury of the county this amount—\$152.68. The funds having been mixed gave rise to a misunderstanding, only one-tenth of one per cent. being allowed for the disbursement of the proceeds of the bonds, and the commissioners state that the extra commission was taken without authority from them.

At the Opera House—Home Talent Minstrel.

"Meadow Brook Farm," the attraction at the opera house Friday evening, was all right, and it would have been even better had there been a better house, no doubt; for it is difficult to play to such a slender audience. It was a seldom crowd, for the weather was beastly, but when transported to "Meadow Brook Farm" one forgot the weather outside in sympathy with the trials and tribulations of the people of that rural abode. There was the regulation city villian who played the very dickens for a while and everybody was unhappy, albeit there was plenty of comedy to relieve the sadness; but in the windup they knocked the props from under the villian and everybody was happy, including the audience.

The home-talent minstrel show will hold the boards Friday evening and this will be a treat rich, rare and racy. The entire first floor will be reserved at 50 cents and admission to the gallery will be 35 and 25 cents.

Improvements at Caldwell & Carlyle's.

Extensive improvements were begun Friday at the large department stores of Messrs. Caldwell & Carlyle. Two aisles will be extended through the buildings, giving easy access to the various departments from any point, and wooden counters in the dry goods and millinery departments will be replaced with glass and other modern fixtures, giving the whole store a more up-to-date appearance. The hardware store will be extended the length of the other stores and an additional stairway will be built from the grocery store to the harness department on the second floor. The work under way, which is in charge of Mr. C. L. Baker, will make these already attractive and up-to-date stores even more convenient, up-to-date and attractive.

Robeson Building and Loan Association to Make a Record Start.

Mr. A. W. Peace spent Friday in Charlotte on business in connection with the Robeson Building & Loan Association, of which he is secretary. Mr. S. Wittowsky, of Charlotte, who knows more about building and loan associations than any other man in the State, when informed that the association would start with 300 shares wrote Mr. Peace that it would make the best start ever made by a building and loan association in the State. Two hundred and fifty-two shares have already been taken and there is no doubt that the start will be made with 300.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. McKenzie expect to leave tomorrow for Rome, Fla., where they will visit at the home of a daughter, and from there they will go to Oviedo, Fla., to spend some time with two sons. They will be away about a month.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

—Winners of prizes in the float contest in Lumberton on the 26th ult. are requested to present their claims to County Treasurer M. G. McKenzie, who is now prepared to pay them.

—Miss Mary Britt and Mr. Alexander Britt, both of McDonald's, were married last night at the home near Lumberton of Justice J. H. McNeill, who performed the ceremony.

—Among the applicants for license to practice law who passed the examination before the Supreme Court last week were Messrs. J. E. Kinlaw and E. L. Wooten, of Robeson county.

—A dispatch of the 11th from Raeford states that a light form of smallpox has developed among the students of the Southern Presbyterian College at Red Springs, but there will be a general vaccination and there is no need of alarm.

—While on her way this morning to the store of Messrs. Caldwell & Carlyle, where she clerked, Miss Lizzie Caldwell fell from her tricycle near the office of Messrs. McIntyre, Lawrence & Proctor and received bruises about her face, but her injuries are not serious. She returned home but will be able to be out again soon.

—Rev. C. H. Durham returned last week from Charlotte, where he underwent an operation on his throat, with which he has been troubled for some time. No preaching services were held at the First Baptist church, of which Mr. Durham is pastor, yesterday, but it is thought that he will be sufficiently recovered to conduct regular services next Sunday.

—Mr. E. L. Conn, associate editor of the Raleigh News and Observer, and Mr. V. C. Moore, assistant business manager, who began work in Lumberton last week on an industrial edition of The News and Observer for Robeson county, returned to Raleigh for the week-end Friday night. They will return to the county this week and will be engaged in this work for two or three weeks.

—Mr. T. E. Petty will go to Raleigh tomorrow on business and thence will go to his home at Cameron, where he will be best man at the marriage Wednesday evening in the Baptist church of Miss Etta Belle Culberson, of Cameron, and Mr. Chas. P. Rogers, of Sanford. Mr. Rogers is a successful young business man of Sanford and is well known in this section. Mr. Petty will return Thursday or Friday.

—Mr. Daniel R. Barnes, of the Barnes Bros. Drug Co. of Maxton, died Wednesday of pneumonia after illness of only 4 days duration. The remains were interred Thursday at Jonesboro, the old home of the deceased. Two brothers—Messrs. Ben S. and Hugh Barnes, who were associated with the deceased in business—and two sisters—Misses Margaret and Leila Barnes—survive.

—Mr. A. C. Meares, who lives near Southport, came all the way to Lumberton Saturday to buy a horse and mule from Mr. C. M. Fuller, and he also bought from Messrs. C. M. Fuller & Son a buggy and set of harness. Mr. Meares purchased a pair of mules from Mr. Fuller at Whiteville five years ago, and they gave such entire satisfaction that when he was in the market again he decided to come to Lumberton to trade with Mr. Fuller.

—A new schedule went into effect this morning on the Virginia & Carolina Southern passenger train No. 64, which has been leaving Lumberton at 9:50 and arriving at Hope Mills at 10:50, being moved up 15 minutes, leaving Lumberton now at 9:35 a. m. and arriving at Hope Mills at 10:35 a. m. No other changes in schedule have been made. The Sunday train, mentioned in The Robesonian a week ago, was put on yesterday, making the first run on the old schedule.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Boylin will go tomorrow to Wadesboro, where they will attend the Ross-Gathings wedding. Miss Russ is a niece of Mr. Boylin's.