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## HOPE MILLS NEWS.

**Death of Mrs. Elizabeth Culbreth and Miss Florence Wheeler—Full Time Resumed at the Mills—A Public Debate, A Marriage and Other Items.**

Hope Mills, Feb. 28—Mr. G. W. Stancill has a position with the A. C. L. Railroad Co. as telegraph operator at this point.

Rev. P. T. Britt will preach in the Baptist church here next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Rev. N. C. Duncan will preach in the Hope Mills Episcopal church next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Rev. J. D. Pegram will preach on next Sunday at Sandy Grove at 11 a. m. and at Cumberland at 7:30 p. m.

Dr. Julius Shaffer is in town last week. He will make calls at Eleese, White Oak, Tar Heel and Elizabethtown this week.

We are glad to report that Messrs. John G. Ray and W. J. Tyson, both of whom had the accident of getting their arms broken recently, are improving.

Misses S. and O. Byrne, who for some time have been conducting a millinery business upstairs in the store of the Hope Mills Mfg. Co., have moved their store to the bank building.

Mr. Jesse Marr and Miss Roella Rollins, both of this place, were very happily united in the holy bonds of matrimony last Saturday afternoon. Hon. W. C. Parks officiating. That this young couple may have a long and useful life of happiness and prosperity is the wish of every one.

The Hope Mills Mfg. Co., which operates four large mills and which, owing to the dullness of the dry goods market, found it necessary the first of the year to go on four days a week, this morning resumed operation on full time. It is believed that from now on business in sufficient volume will be received to avoid the necessity of further curtailment.

A joint public debate conducted at the graded school building Friday night was a great success. Notwithstanding the weather was disagreeable, a good number was present. The subject discussed was: "Resolved, That North Carolina should have a compulsory system of education." Messrs. D. M. Johnson, J. M. Hester and Ervin Howard, of St. Pauls high school, represented the affirmative; and Messrs. Pritchard Fisher, Kenneth and Graham McDonald represented the negative. Messrs. W. Johnson, of St. Pauls, and D. McL. Holt and Rev. J. M. Gibbs, of Hope Mills, were the judges. The decision was rendered in favor of the negative.

Mrs. Elizabeth Culbreth, wife of John C. Culbreth, died in her home about two miles from Hope Mills Sunday morning at 1 o'clock at the age of about fifty years. The funeral services will be conducted from Big Rockfish Presbyterian church Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. Watson Fairly, of Fayetteville. The deceased had been a faithful member of the Presbyterian church since early childhood, and she lived an exemplary Christian life. She is survived by her husband, one son—Archie Culbreth—and one daughter—Betsie Culbreth.

Miss Florence Wheeler died in her home in Hope Mill Wednesday, the 23rd inst., at the age of twenty-six years, and interment was made in Hope Mills cemetery on Thursday. Rev. P. T. Britt conducting the services. Miss Wheeler had been a member of the Baptist church for several years and bore her afflictions with Christian fortitude. Her life was an exemplary one, full of noble deeds, and though she had been in declining health for about three years, she waited patiently for her Master's summons to enter that haven of eternal rest. The deceased is survived by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wheeler, one brother—J. P. Wheeler—and three sisters—Mrs. James Smith, Rosa and George A. Wheeler, all of this place.

## FAYETTEVILLE NOTES

**Death of Mr. J. C. Gorham—Street Railway to be Sold—New Baptist Church Completed—“The Land of Tomorrow.”**

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Fayetteville, March 2—A telegram from Lake Charles, La., Monday morning announced the sudden death of Mr. J. C. Gorham, of this city. Mr. Gorham was one of the most successful business men of Fayetteville. He was connected with some of the most important enterprises in this city, and was also interested in the turpentine business in Florida and Louisiana. The news of his death was a great shock to this community.

The street railway system of Fayetteville is to be sold on March 30th by order of the superior court. It is understood that the indebtedness of the company amounts to about \$75,000. This is valuable property and no doubt the purchaser will extend the car lines and otherwise improve the system.

Miss Mary Pescud, a missionary to Brazil, gave an interesting talk on that country at the Methodist church Sunday morning. She spoke of South America as “the neglected continent,” and of Brazil as “the land of tomorrow.” With its fertile soil and its immense undeveloped resources Brazil offers splendid opportunities to young people who are seeking either wealth or usefulness.

The new Baptist church here is now completed, except the seating of the main auditorium. The building committee adopted a unique plan to raise money to pay for the pews, asking members and friends of the church to contribute each enough to pay for one sitting. Over five hundred sittings have been taken, thus providing ample funds to pay for the pews, which will be put in about the first of May.

## CENTER DOTS.

**Farmers Busy—School Closes—Personal.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Center, March 1—The farmers in this section are busy preparing for another crop.

The school here taught by Prof. A. D. Ennett, of Beaufort, closed Friday.

Mr. Rowland McKellar, of Fairmont, visited his sister, Mrs. O. T. Atkinson, Sunday.

Mr. W. T. Jenrette and Misses Pattie and Cattie Bullock, of Baltimore, spent Sunday here.

Mr. H. H. Pitman, of Fairmont, spent Sunday here.

Rev. E. A. Paul, of The Theological Seminary in Louisville, preached here Sunday. His many friends were delighted to have him with them after being away so long.

Mr. Luther Floyd and sister, Miss Alyce, of Barnesville, visited their sister, Mrs. Brant Atkinson, Saturday night and Sunday.

Messrs. Wright Prewatt and Eugene Nye, of Lumberton, spent Sunday in this vicinity.

Messrs. Claude Bullock and Benton Stubbs attended an oyster supper at Back Swamp Saturday night and report an enjoyable time.

Mr. W. C. Munn is visiting relatives in Latta, S. C.

The writer was delighted with Aunt Becky's poem last week. Her writings are always spicy.

## Lumber Bridge Locals.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Lumber Bridge, March 2—Mr. Dixon filled his regular appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

Mrs. D. B. Lancaster, of St. Paul, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Thaggard.

Lillian Hall, little daughter of Mr. J. W. Hall, has been suffering with tonsillitis for several days.

Dr. J. B. Surles spent Monday in Fayetteville.

We are glad to report that Miss Lucy Sikes, who has been suffering with pneumonia, is very much improved.

Miss Mittie Cobb is visiting relatives in Aberdeen.

Miss Roberta Williford, of Antioch, spent last week with her brother, Mr. J. E. Williford.

## MAXTON NEWS.

**New Buildings to be Erected Soon—Automobile Party Gets Stuck—Personal Mention.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Maxton, March 2—Messrs. June McKay, Jobie Weatherly and Ernest Williams spent Sunday in Bennettsville.

Mr. J. C. McCaskill, Jr., returned Monday evening from Richmond, where he had been with his wife in Dr. Irvin's hospital. We are glad to know that Mrs. McCaskill is getting on nicely since the operation.

Mr. Leach Patterson, of California, was in Maxton several days last week visiting relatives. Messrs. G. B. Patterson, B. F. McLean and S. B. McLean leave tonight for Wilmington.

Miss Sallie Lou McKinnon returned Saturday from Richmond, Va., where she spent several weeks with friends.

On Monday, last day of the bird season, a party of hunters took an automobile trip to Raeford for an all-day outing. Despite the fact that rain was coming down in torrents, they sped along very smoothly and with few mishaps, until reaching their destination. Between showers, several quail were brought down, and about dark they started homeward. They had covered only a short distance when they found they were “stuck.”

After making many efforts at starting the machine once more, but all to no avail, they had to give it up and look for some other means of conveyance. They finally succeeded in hiring a mule and buggy from a negro and at 2:30 o'clock next morning arrived safely at home. The machine had not arrived at last report.

Several new buildings will soon be in erection in Maxton—so report says. Work has already begun on the residence of Mr. J. P. Wiggins, on North Patterson street, also on Mr. Luther McCormick's, on Church street. It is rumored that Mr. J. W. Carter will build a store very soon, and the Bank of Maxton will erect a very handsome building on the corner of Main and Railroad streets.

## SHANNON SHORTS.

**Marriage of Miss Sallie McGougan and Dr. W. O. Howard—A Funny Thought—Personal.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Shannon, Feb. 28—Mr. J. A. McPhaul spent last Tuesday in Lumberton.

Misses Ann Brown and Lou Smith, of the Antioch section, were in our town last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Corbett, of Ivanhoe, who had been visiting Mrs. Corbett's sister, Mrs. D. O. Currie, returned home Wednesday.

Cards have been received announcing the marriage of Miss Sallie McGougan to Dr. W. O. Howard, which took place at the bride's home last Wednesday. Rev. W. T. Walker performed the ceremony. The bride is a popular young lady and the groom a rising young physician of Elmodel, Georgia. We wish for them a long and happy life.

Mrs. J. C. McPhail and Mrs. Flora Cunningham, of Red Springs, spent Tuesday at the home of Mr. D. O. Currie.

We are glad to report Miss Jane Conoly, who has been very sick with gripe, better, and we wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Currie and little daughter, Irene, who had been spending some time in this community, left Monday for their home in Red Springs.

That is a funny thought that if the patrons of rural routes have to buy stamps they will do less mailing. It makes one think of the fellow who when offered a bushel of corn wished to know if it was shelled. The United States furnishes a man to bring the mail to your door and he must lick the stamps and stick them on.

Mr. R. F. Gregory, of Raft Swamp, was among the visitors in town yesterday.

## DESTRUCTIVE FLOODS.

**Conditions Almost Unprecedented—Mountain Towns Swept Away—Death Caused by Avalanches.**

Ogden, Utah, Dispatch, 1st.

Flood conditions almost unprecedented have cut off the entire Northwest and tied up traffic on half a dozen trans-continental railroads. Thaws in the mountains have caused avalanches that have swept away mountain towns and sections of railroad tracks in various places from Nevada to British Columbia.

The exact number of deaths caused by avalanches in the Rockies in Idaho and in western Montana probably will not be known until the summer sun melts the great masses of snow and ice on the canons into which several mining towns were swept.

In the Cascade mountains in Washington a Great Northern train with 30 to 50 passengers is reported buried under a snowslide. Four trans-continental lines into Washington and Oregon are blocked. Only one railroad is operating into Salt Lake City. Several hundred west-bound passengers are held in Ogden.

Through traffic on the Oregon Short line was suspended today but will probably be resumed tomorrow.

The Denver and Rio Grande is the only road entering Ogden that reports through trains in operation.

Reports from the flooded regions in Nevada are that water is higher than for 40 years.

**Heavy Rains Cause Damage in Georgia.**

Jackson, Ga., Dispatch, 1st.

As a result of the heavy rain of the past few days \$100,000 damage was done to the dam of the Central of Georgia Power Company on the Ocmulgee river, eight miles below Jackson. Yesterday the rainfall totalled 4.25 inches. The stage of the Ocmulgee is higher than for a number of years.

Seattle, Wash., Dispatch, 2d.

Mountain floods are sweeping every river valley in the Northwest tonight and railroads are helpless to move traffic. Bridges are gone, trackage is washed out and defiles are filled with avalanches. Many river towns are inundated and a large number of people in various places are temporarily homeless.

## ST. PAUL PACKAGE.

**Debate Between St. Paul and Hope Mills—Methodist church Proposed.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

St. Paul, March 2—The boys of the St. Paul Literary Society had a debate at Hope Mills last Friday night. “Resolved, That North Carolina should have a compulsory system of education” was discussed, with the St. Paul boys on the affirmative and Hope Mills boys on the negative. The speakers from here were Messrs. Jim Hester, Mack Johnson and E. A. Howard. After a warm discussion the judges decided in favor of Hope Mills (negative), but stated that the St. Paul boys were the best orators. Among those who attended the debate from here were Messrs. W. D. Johnson, Waverly Broadwell and Prof. B. H. Johnson; Misses Andrews and Stewart, Annie Withers, Ethel Higley.

Rev. E. M. Hoyle, of Lumberton, was here yesterday in the interest of a Methodist church. We hope the Methodists will build a church here. We welcome all good people to our town.

—Miss Leila May Gill, ninth and tenth grade teacher at the graded school, returned this morning from Laurinburg, where she attended the funeral of her cousin, Mr. Waler H. Neal, who was accidentally shot and killed Monday evening while returning from a hunt with two companions.

Mr. Evander Pitman, of Back Swamp, is among the visitors in town today.

**Mr. W. B. Snow Severs Connection With Firm of McLean, McLean & Snow—Will Resume Practice of Law in Raleigh.**

Mr. W. B. Snow has decided to sever his connection with the law firm of McLean, McLean & Snow, of which he has been a member for the past year, and will return in a week or ten days to Raleigh, his former home, where he will resume the practice of law.

Mr. Snow was formerly city attorney of Raleigh and is well known there and elsewhere throughout the State as a young lawyer of ability. He became connected with the above-named firm just one year ago today. Lumberton will receive the announcement of his intention to leave with a distinct feeling of loss. He and Mrs. Snow have many warm friends in Lumberton who will regret exceedingly their determination to return to Raleigh.

The name of the firm will be, as formerly, McLean & McLean, its members being Col. N. A. McLean and Mr. A. W. McLean.

**First Quarterly Meeting at Methodist Church.**

The first quarterly meeting of the year was held at the Methodist church Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. Dr. W. H. Moore, presiding elder of the Rockingham district, presiding. Reports showed that more than \$1,600 have been raised for all purposes so far this year, which is the best showing ever made at a first quarterly meeting and is equal to what the church did during the entire year five years ago, before it was made a station. The pastor, Rev. E. M. Hoyle, reported that he and Rev. S. J. McConnell, who has charge of Lumberton missions, had organized a church at the National Cotton Mills, and a building committee was appointed with instructions to begin building at once.

**Monthly Meeting of Town Commissioners.**

The regular monthly meeting of the town commissioners was held last evening, only routine business being transacted. Bills were ordered paid as follows: Meadow-Richardson Co., carbons, \$17.06; L. G. Crenshaw & Co., coal, \$106.72; Carolina Electric Co., globes \$5.50; Caldwell & Carlyle, supplies, \$1.25; Sanitas Co., disinfectants, \$39.36; Freeman Printing Co., printing, \$4.50; W. W. Whaley, map of water shed, \$10; W. Lennon, recording map, \$30; Duncan Electric Co., meters, \$174.42 (less 2 per cent.). Total \$379.84. Rebates were allowed as follows: G. G. French, sanitary tax, \$2.50; Dr. R. M. Norment, sanitary, \$2.50; property tax, \$1.71; A. T. Bass, poll, \$5.13.

**A Freight Brakeman Severely Injured.**

Wm. Bennett, colored, of Hamlet, brakeman on Seaboard local freight No. 15, was caught between the warehouse platform and a car at the station yesterday afternoon while coupling cars and was severely, though it is thought not fatally, injured. He was caught about the hips and rolled around a few times before the car was stopped, and while no bones were broken he received severe bruises and internal strains. He is under treatment at the Thompson hospital.

## Notices of New Advertisements.

Messrs White & Gough tell of a bargain cyclone that has struck the town of Lumberton.

Jno. T. Biggs Co. wants field peas and corn.

Best seed Irish potatoes for sale—Jno. T. Biggs Co.

Facts about Ford cars—Jasper T. Gibson.

Half-acre lot in Lumberton for sale—A. K. J. W. Co.

Mucu-Tone, recommended and guaranteed by J. D. McMillan & Son.

Grand auction sale of lots at Whiteville March 8th.

Mr. E. W. Lasley, cashier of the Bank of Elizabethtown, was a Lumberton visitor yesterday.

## LOCAL BRIEFS.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Alice Humphrey and W. A. Graham.

—Messrs. A. W. McLean and R. C. Lawrence left last evening for Wilmington, where they will attend a hearing of the Floyd Bros. & Mitchel bankruptcy case today.

—In response to a telegram announcing the illness of his father, Mr. James Kerr, pharmacist for the Pope Drug Co., left yesterday morning for his home at Kerr, Sampson county.

—The school at Long Branch, Mr. Geo. Warwick and Miss Bertha Barker, teachers, will close tomorrow evening with exercises consisting of dialogues, recitations, drills, etc., beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

—“The office of John The Baptist” will be the subject at the young men's union prayer meeting in the Pythian hall, over the postoffice, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The service will be conducted by Mr. J. B. Bowen.

—The primary pupils of Miss Marion Moring, music teacher at the graded school, will give a recital tomorrow evening, beginning at 8:30 o'clock, in the auditorium at the graded school building. The public is cordially invited.

—The Lumber minstrel troupe has called off its engagement at Rowland for this evening and will give its show in that town on Wednesday evening of next week. The change of date was deemed advisable on account of the condition of the roads.

—A meeting will be held this evening in the commissioners' room at the court house for the purpose of organizing a baseball team. Lovers of the sport are determined that Lumberton shall have a team this year and all who are interested are urged to attend this meeting.

—The school at Bethesda, near Barnesville, closes today with a picnic and a concert this evening. There will be several speakers present, among them County Supt. J. R. Poole and Mr. T. L. Johnson, of the firm of Shaw & Johnson, of Lumberton. There will be a ball game this afternoon.

—Mr. Fred J. Thomas, agent for the Southern Express Co., who keeps an eye open for the interest of his business, has succeeded in getting the company to give him a delivery wagon. The wagon is a nice one, costing about \$200. It has been shipped and is expected to arrive one day this week.

—Mrs. Geo. M. Floyd, who recently underwent an operation at the Thompson hospital, has recovered to such an extent that she was able to leave the hospital a few days ago and she left yesterday morning for Tomahawk, where she will spend some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Herring. She was accompanied by Miss Josie Barksdale, a nurse at the Thompson hospital.

—Luke, Leslie, Amos and Jackson Jones and Wilson Brooks, all Croatans, of Raft Swamp township, were summoned yesterday by Deputy T. C. Barnes to appear this morning as witnesses in a trial before Justice J. A. Rowland against Levy and Neill Thomas and Chas. Locklear, also Croatans, who are charged with being engaged in a cutting and shooting scrape in Raft Swamp on Sunday, the 20th ult. The three defendants have not yet been caught and the trial has been postponed until Saturday of next week. No one was seriously injured in the row. It is said that Levy Thomas shot himself in the arm in trying to shoot Luke Jones. One of the witnesses here this morning has a long gash, received in that mix-up, in the back of his coat.

## An Awful Eruption

of a volcano excites brief interest, and your interest in skin eruptions will be as short, if you use Euklen's A-m-a-Salve, the quickest cure. Even the worst boils, ulcers, or fever sores are soon healed by it. Best for Burns, Cuts, Bruises, Sore Lips, Chapped Hands, Chillsains and Piles. It gives instant relief. 25c at all druggists.