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RED SPRINGS REVIEWS.

Miss Mabel Croom Elected May Queen — Entertainment this Evening — Personal.

Red Springs, March 25—At a full meeting of the student body of the S. P. C. Friday afternoon, Miss Mabel Croom was elected May Queen by a large majority of the votes. Miss Croom is very popular both in town and in the college and her many friends are glad this honor is bestowed upon her by her fellow students. She will make a lovely queen, as her manner is as winning and attractive as her face.

Mr. Arthur McRae left Thursday afternoon for Memphis, Tenn., where he will hold a responsible position in the office of a wholesale grocery company. We wish Mr. McRae much good luck and hope he will enjoy his work.

Mrs. Josephine McLaughlin, of Raeford, has been the welcome guest of Mrs. Caroline Buie for the last week.

The expression class of the S. P. C. will give Tennyson's "Princess" next Monday evening. The entertainments given by this class are always good and much credit is due to Miss Burch, the efficient teacher of elocution. We predict for "The Princess" much success.

Mrs. Lena Bohen, of Fayetteville, is the guest of her cousin Mrs. W. F. Williams.

We are glad to report that Mrs. J. A. Love is at home again from Highsmith hospital in Fayetteville, where she has been for the past several weeks. She is much improved in health.

Mr. D. H. Malloy, of Fayetteville, was in town Thursday evening. Mrs. Lou Fulmore is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Edmunson, in Wilson. Messrs. Jim Hall and Douglas McMillan are expected home this afternoon from Warrenton, where they are in school, to spend the Easter holidays. Mr. Ernest Graham, who is a student at Davidson, will also spend the Easter holidays at home. Miss Hallie Austin, of Maxton, spent Thursday in town attending Miss Nellie Shooter's millinery opening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gibson spent several days of this week in Rockingham with relatives. They went in their new automobile and report a pleasant trip without accidents or any delays.

Mr. W. J. Johnson has returned from Highsmith hospital much improved in health.

Mrs. J. A. Barker returned last night from Baltimore, where she was under treatment for several weeks at the Johns Hopkins hospital, greatly improved in health. She was accompanied by her nephew, Mr. C. M. Barker, who went to Baltimore Friday on business.

Fire did considerable damage Saturday evening about 8 o'clock in the kitchen of the house on the corner of Pine and First streets, owned by Mr. W. W. Carlyle and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Washington Parker. The alarm was given but the fire was extinguished before the hose cart arrived on the scene. The fire started in a wall of the kitchen, from what cause is not known, unless it was a case of matches and rats.

Mrs. Sallie Thompson and daughter, Mrs. V. D. Baker, arrived Thursday from the latter's home in Chesterfield, S. C., where Mrs. Thompson had been visiting for some time, and are visiting at the home of Mrs. Thompson's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Thompson, on Elm street.

It is said that the deal for the proposed new railroad from Whiteville to Bladenboro has been successfully carried through and that work on the same will begin at an early date. The project has been under consideration for several months and Mr. J. R. Williamson, of Whiteville, went North last week to conclude arrangements for building the road.

Mr. G. T. Fisher, of St. Paul, is in town today on business.

CORN CLUB CONTESTS.

One Hundred Boys Wanted to Enter Boys' Corn Club Contests — Prizes Offered and Conditions.

To Robeson County Boys. Wanted: One hundred boys in Robeson county to join the Boys' Corn Club contest.

Literature consisting of circulars, bulletins, etc., has been distributed in different sections of the county with the expectation that the teachers and parents would create an interest among the boys to join the Boys' Corn Club contest. But as yet I have only received the names of a few boys to join that club.

At the meeting of the State Board of Agriculture in December, 1909, the appropriation to the Boys' Corn Clubs was increased to \$500 for the year 1910. The State this year will be divided into ten districts, and \$50 in three prizes—first, \$25; 2nd, \$15; 3rd, \$10—appropriation to each district. By this arrangement thirty boys in the State can become winners. To create a greater interest in Robeson county, the following firms and individuals of Lumberton are now offering prizes in addition to the State prizes: First prize, \$25, by White and Gough; 2nd prize, \$10, McIntyre, Lawrence & Proctor; 3d, Oliver chilled plow, Caldwell & Carlyle; 4th, one Lynchburg chilled plow, L. H. Caldwell; 5, one Planet junior cultivator (price \$8.50), McAllister Hardware Co.

Boys joining the club will have a chance at winning the State and county prizes. The same regulations that apply to the State contest will also apply to the county. The contestants must be between twelve and seventeen years of age, except that any boy who will be twelve not later than June 1st will be eligible, and any boy who is seventeen and will be eighteen not later than Aug. 1st, will be eligible. Any acre of land on the farm may be used, provided it is a part of the regular farm; but garden plats, city lots or plats belonging to other corporations cannot be used for the contest.

The contestant must live on the farm and the acre must be a part of some regular field. It must be a full acre; less than an acre will not be considered. The plat must be not less than a half acre wide; a square plat of land is preferred. Not exceeding \$10 worth of commercial fertilizers can be used. All the stable and home-gathered manure may be used that is available. The contestant must do all the work of cultivation himself, but he may get some other person to plow his land for him, so as to break it well with a two-horse plow. After it is well broken the contestant must do all the work himself. Contestants who do not comply with the above will be ruled out.

The counties in this district are New Hanover, Brunswick, Columbus, Bladen, Sampson, Robeson, Cumberland and Harnett. The soil and climatic conditions in these counties are very similar. The average yield per acre last year was 57 bushels. I believe we have just as smart boys in this county as there are in others; all we need is just to get them started. I hope to receive a great many names within the next few days asking for membership. If I do I am going to add a great many more prizes to the list and I want you to go in to win.

J. R. Poole,
County Superintendent.

Notices of New Advertisements.

The Bank of Lumberton offers prizes for best acres of corn. Leghorn eggs for sale.

The aristocrat of the piano world.

Townsend Bros. suggest a question and give the answer.

The Farmers' & Merchants Bank is prepared to take care of all funds deposited with it.

Milch cows for sale at Maxton, Wednesday and Thursday.

A good one-horse plow—N. Jacobi Hdw. Co.

Messrs. D. K. Bass and T. B. Ivey, of Marietta, were among the visitors in town Saturday.

ST. PAUL PACKAGE.

A Little Girl Fatally Burned — New Baptist Church Organized — Meeting Closes — Personal.

St. Paul, March 25—Mrs. Rich, of Laurinburg, is spending a few days with her son, Dr. T. L. Northrop.

Messrs. Norment, Prevatt, and Weathersby, of Lumberton, spent today in our town.

Miss Christine Gower, of Clayton, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends here.

The little son of R. J. Leggett has been very sick with pneumonia but his condition is improved.

Mr. J. C. Lindsay spent yesterday in Fayetteville.

One of Mr. Brown's little girls caught on fire a few days ago and was badly burned, and after suffering some days died last Monday morning. The interment took place Tuesday morning at the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. J. B. Clark has been very sick but is improving.

Mr. H. C. Roberts is spending this week in our town.

Messrs. H. M. and W. P. McAllister and Sandy McLeod made a short stop here Wednesday.

Mrs. J. C. Blanchard and infant daughter, Ruth, went to Lumberton last Friday.

Revs. R. E. Sentelle and C. H. Durham, of Lumberton, came over here last Saturday and organized a Baptist church with 46 members. The members of the church are at work getting all the subscriptions they can and it is very probable that the church building will soon be in course of construction.

The meeting of days at the Presbyterian church closed last Wednesday night. It was a good meeting and several joined the church. Rev. Mr. Wicker, the pastor, is conducting a meeting at Parkton this week.

A Talk on Diversified Farming — Should Raise Melons.

Mr. W. W. McKay, a successful farmer who lives near Maxton, addressed a few business men and farmers in the commissioner's room in the court house Friday afternoon on diversified farming. On account of lack of advertising the crowd was small, which is much to be regretted, because what Mr. McKay had to say was well worth the attention of any farmer. Mr. McKay says that farmers should diversify their crops more. By so doing the land will be greatly improved and the farmer will have something from which he can realize money at all seasons of the year. He contends that the farmers should do more trucking; there is good money in raising watermelons and there should be more of them planted, but the farmer should be careful in the selection of seed in order to grow a good melon. He recommends the Eden Gem and the Imperial Triumph. He says that a farmer can make from \$100 to \$125 per acre on melons and then make from 1500 to 2000 pounds of hay to the acre, and have land in fine shape for cotton another year.

General Superintendent of the V. & C. S.

Mr. J. P. Russell, formerly with the Charleston & Western Carolina Ry., has accepted the position of general superintendent of the Virginia & Carolina Southern Ry. and will enter upon his duties Friday, April 1. He will make Lumberton headquarters and will occupy the house on Elm street, next to the opera house, which is being vacated now by Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Peace, who are moving into the house on the corner of Water and Eighth streets, formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Snow. Mr. Russell's family will join him in about a month.

Miss Lina Gough and her roommate, Miss Olive Boone, of Waynesville, students at Meredith College, Raleigh, arrived Saturday to spend Easter. They will return tomorrow.

IN SOCIAL REALMS.

The XX Club Formed — Tons of Fun — A Modest Toast.

On Thursday afternoon, February 3d, the ten girls in the tenth grade of Lumberton graded school met at the home of Miss Annie Ruth Caldwell to organize a social club. One of the girls being absent, the name was not fully decided upon. After all business was attended to, a contest, "the flower basket", engaged us for a few minutes. Those successful in the contest were Misses Mildred McIntyre and Lillian Proctor. In cutting for the prize, Miss Mildred won a nice box of stationery. We were then served with delicious refreshments and later on in the afternoon we bade our hostess good-bye, assuring her we had a fine time.

Friday afternoon, March 18th, the club met with Miss Janie Carlyle. At this meeting we decided upon XX for the name of the club. The contest engaging us for only a minute or two, was to write a peice of "poetry" not more than four lines long. After reading them, and voting for the best, we found that Miss Amanda McDiarmid won the dainty prize. This was the verse:

"The XX club is something new,
Even if you are feeling sad and blue,
The fun we have would weigh a ton,
In the XX club of Lumberton."

Some of the verses were toasts and the one written by Miss Lillian Proctor was chosen for the toast of the club:

"Here's to the club which has members ten,
The prettiest girls that have ever been;
The smartiest, the wittest, the cutest —
That's true;
Here's to the girls and the XX too."

Delightful refreshments were served, which were enjoyed by all.

After having a few selections of music and a lot of laughter and chatter, we declared such a grand time we had, and went home.

The Round Dozen Club and St. Patrick's Day.

On Saturday afternoon, March 19, the members of the Round Dozen Club were cordially welcomed by Miss Virginia Whitfield, at her home on Elm street.

Soon after assembling the guests were presented with dainty St. Patrick's Day cards, to which were attached a most unique contest. All minds were searched for possible and impossible "Pats" who might fill the following conditions: What Pat loves his country? What Pat is your father? What Pat is sad? What Pat did you play in the nursery? What Pat did you obtain on an invention? What Pat do you put on old garments? What Pat teaches you to make a new dress? What Pat condescends? What Pat do you walk in? What Pat does the rain make? Misses Davis and Gill cut for the pink bow, and it happened to fall to Miss Gill. During this hunt all felt as if they had made a trip to Ireland; but when Miss Proctor sang so charmingly two Irish songs, all indeed seemed transported to the Emerald Isle.

St. Patrick was still kept most pleasantly before everyone in the use of Shamrock-leaf doilies when serving the daintily green-tinted gelatine, whipped cream and cake.

This was the first full meeting of the club and there was one visitor, Miss Mattie McLean.

The light laughter and merry talk during the afternoon testified to the real enjoyment of all present.

Miss Annie Neill Fuller entertained Friday evening at the home of her father, Mr. C. M. Fuller, corner of Chestnut and Sixth streets, in honor of the tenth grade of the graded school, of which she is a member. Quite a number beside the grade was invited and a pleasant evening was spent. Much fun was enjoyed from a drawing contest in which the ladies drew small chickens and the gentlemen rabbits. For best drawing the prizes were awarded, Miss Annie Ruth Caldwell and Clifton Blake. Misses Evy Whaley and Epsi Fuller served refreshments.

BORN WITH TUSKS.

Pigs Down Orrum Way Arrive With Tusks and their Days are Few and Without Milk — A Remedy Being Tried.

Down Orrum way singular things are coming to pass. Every pig littered thereabouts recently has had well developed tusks, has on account of these tusks been unable to get nourishment, and has straightway sickened and died. They are born with the implements of war, but these very implements make it impossible for them to procure the nurture necessary to bring them to warlike stature. The tusks of some of the last ones to arrive were pulled and some of these are living yet, and this may be the solution of the problem. In these latter days when a hog is worth mighty nigh his weight in gold it is a pretty serious thing to lose so many pigs and it is to be hoped, if pigs down Orrum way continue to insist on being born with a fierce set of tusks like a boar, that dental operations may be entirely successful; else the piggies will all die and there will be great distress throughout that section. And how then shall the people be comforted?

Mr. W. O. Britt, of Orrum, brings this interesting information about the tusked pigs. It would be interesting to know if like phenomena have appeared elsewhere.

Two Robeson County Men, White and Colored, Get into Trouble in Scotland County by Displaying Guns.

Word was received at Laurinburg Friday about noon that at the store of R. E. Lee, just north of town, a negro was making assaults and defiantly patrolling the road with a pistol. Deputy Sheriff Lamar Smith immediately went to the scene and found the negro, Walter McNeill, late of the Robeson county chain gang, disarmed and being guarded. Deputy Smith started to town with the negro in an automobile. After they reached town, while passing a buggy they found themselves looking down a pistol barrel and brought the machine to a stop. Deputy Smith got out and told the man, one Chas. Livingston, from the upper part of Robeson, to consider himself under arrest. Livingston did not like this any better than being passed by an automobile, so he pointed his pistol at the deputy, who discreetly stepped behind a post and pointed his gun at Livingston. After the deputy circled around the post a few, Livingston made a break for his buggy, slipped, was disarmed, and then was placed in the offending automobile and carried to jail. Later he was released under bonds aggregating \$350 for his appearance before the recorder on April 4.

Among Transgressors.

Luther McNeill, colored, who lives near Rowland, was arrested last night at the colored church over the river by Policeman Currie and will be tried this afternoon before Justice A. P. Caldwell on the charge of robbing Wm. Argan, colored, of \$30 and two watches. Argan and McNeill were coming from Marion, S. C., together Friday and when they stopped at a house and Argan stepped out of the room McNeill opened Argan's grip and vamoosed—at least that is the charge. When Argan went back into the room he found his grip open and saw McNeill going away and called to him, but McNeill kept going and was too fast for Argan, who followed at a slower pace and made his troubles known here.

Neill Flowers, colored, was tied before Justice Marcus Smith at St. Paul Friday for an assault upon a colored man at the closing exercises of a colored school Wednesday night and was committed to jail here to await developments, his victim being pretty badly cut up.

Messrs. Tom Watson, and Trussie Bethea, of Boardman, spent yesterday at the home of Mrs. Daisy Jenkins.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

—Licenses have been issued for the marriage of Susie Ivey and Wike Lawson; Bel-lan Dawning and W. B. Smith.

—There will be a special meeting of St. Alban's lodge No. 114 tomorrow evening for work in the master's degree.

—The young men's prayer meeting for tomorrow evening has been called off for this week. The next meeting will be held Tuesday evening of next week.

—Mr. A. Weinstein has purchased at Rocky Mount a large bankrupt stock of goods which he is having moved to Tabor, Columbus county, where he will open a store in the near future.

—On and after Friday, April 1, the service on rural route No. 1 from Kennert will be discontinued, route No. 2 from St. Paul taking its place. This will give the people on that route better service.

—The Raft Swamp Co-operative Milling Co. will begin work erecting its mill building at Pembroke next Monday. The machinery has been shipped and the mill will be ready for grinding wheat and corn about the 10th of June.

—Mr. A. H. Hinds, the market man, killed a Jersey cow Thursday that was a beauty. It looked like a shame to kill such a fine specimen. She weighed 1120 pounds and stood him the sum of \$60. He purchased from Mr. L. H. Caldwell.

—Mr. R. M. Phillips, of Wishart's township, and Dr. T. D. Kitchin carried yesterday to the Charlotte sanatorium for treatment the former's son, who has been sick for several montns. Dr. Kitchin and Mr. Phillips Sr. returned last night.

—The baseball boys have organized with Mr. A. Williams as manager and Mr. J. B. Bowen treasurer. The diamond in North Lumberton has been fixed up and the boys are practicing almost daily. The election of a captain will be deferred until it is seen who makes the team.

—Mr. Neill H. M'White, who has been following the carpenter's trade here for the last two or three years, and his family expect to leave tomorrow for Fayetteville, where they will make their future home. Mr. M'White thinks the opportunities in his line of business are better in Fayetteville.

—Dr. S. J. Porter, of Richmond, Va., field secretary of the Baptist foreign mission board, will speak at the First Baptist church this evening at 7:45 o'clock. Dr. Porter is an interesting and forceful speaker and those who attend will no doubt hear a profitable address. All are invited.

—Mr. Geo. F. Brietz has succeeded Mr. M. O. Rafter as superintendent of the Dresden Cotton Mills, taking charge last week. Mr. Brietz came from Bon Air, Ala., where he was superintendent of a mill, and his family will join him here soon. Mr. Rafter has a position with Supt. Webb at the Lumberton Cotton Mills.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McLean returned Friday from Baltimore, where Mr. McLean was under the treatment of specialists for ten days. Mr. McLean returned greatly improved in health, which is a source of gratification to his numerous friends. It was at first feared that he had appendicitis, but his trouble proved to be only an attack of acute indigestion and an operation was not necessary.

—The Ten Mile school will give an oyster supper Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Florence Britt. Oysters, ambrosia, cake, etc., will be served. There will be other things doing in addition to the eating. A real live coon will be given to the one doing the best shooting with a bow and arrow; but to take a chance at this coon means five cents. Proceeds will go for the benefit of the school. Everybody is cordially invited.

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