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## CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETS.

**Regular Monthly Meeting Well Attended and Great Progress Shown—Clean-Up Day at Cotton Mills 15th Inst.—Dr. W. S. Rankin to Lecture on Public Health on the 20th—Reports From Committees and Work Planned—Association Favors Compulsory Connection With Sewerage Lines.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Lumberton Civic Association was held Friday evening in the reading room of the Industrial & Commercial Club. The meeting was well attended and it was interesting for all to finish. Reports from various committees showed that much has been accomplished during the short time the Association has been organized, and many helpful suggestions were made. The members of the Association have every reason to be gratified at the progress made, for it has exceeded the most sanguine expectations.

At the request of the president, Mrs. R. D. Caldwell, Mr. A. W. McLean presided. Mr. E. J. Britt reported for the committee on public parks, trees and cemeteries, of which Mrs. S. McIntyre is chairman. Some cleaning-up work has been done at the cemeteries on Fifth street and near the Seaboard depot, and on the court house square, and a sub-committee has been appointed to look after the graded school grounds. Mr. Jno. D. McMillan has agreed to put up wire fencing around a part of the cemetery on Fifth street, near his home, and the committee will endeavor to have a cement curbing placed on the side next the street. The rubbish cleaned off at these places has not been hauled away, owing to the difficulty in getting wagons for the work, but it is thought that this week all the rubbish that has been piled up in different parts of the town as a result of clean-up day and the work of various committees will be removed.

Mrs. Lizzie Proctor, chairman of the committee on public health, reported that at her request Mr. S. McIntyre saw Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the State board of health, on a recent visit to Raleigh and that Dr. Rankin had promised to send literature on laws of health, etc., and that this would be distributed. On the evening of the 20th inst. Dr. Rankin will be in Lumberton and will deliver a public lecture in the court house on laws of health. This lecture will be free to all and it is hoped that as many citizens of the town as can do so will hear Dr. Rankin. His lecture is sure to be helpful and interesting.

For the committee on railways and public buildings, Mrs. L. T. Townsend, chairman, Mr. Jas. D. Proctor reported that the committee would ask the railways to make a sunken garden at the artesian well near the Seaboard tracks, and to stop the leak at a tank near the V. & C. S. depot that keeps the ground at that place continually muddy; and that the town would be asked to take steps to improve conditions at the depots at train time, and prevent loafers from being a nuisance, as they are now. It was suggested that this committee also take up the matter of paving approaches to the stations.

Several committees were not ready to report but will report at the next regular meeting.

It was suggested that the committee on public parks, trees and cemeteries take up at once the matter of moving the bodies in the cemetery near the Seaboard station to Meadowbrook cemetery. It is thought that the consent of the relatives of those buried there will be obtained and it will be possible then to use that cemetery for a public park, or in some other way for the benefit of the town.

The 15th of this month has been set aside as clean-up day at the cotton mills on the eastern and western edges of town. The management of the mills will be asked to co-operate in this work. At the request of the commit-

## BUSINESS MEN'S BANQUET.

**To Promote Business Interests of Lumberton—Speakers and Their Subjects.**

A banquet will be given at the Waverly hotel Thursday evening, June 16, by the merchants and business men of Lumberton to promote the business interests of the town. Tickets will be sold at \$1 each and all who are interested in promoting the business interests of the town should take pride in making the banquet a success. Col. N. A. McLean will be toastmaster and the following have been invited to respond to toasts: C. R. Capps, of Portsmouth, Va., traffic manager of the Seaboard Air Line Ry.—The Seaboard Air Line and its interest in the future development of Lumberton; F. Sitterding, of Richmond, president of the Kingsdale Lumber Co.—The Kingsdale Lumber Co. and its possibilities; C. H. Hicks, of Portsmouth, general superintendent of the Seaboard—subject to be assigned later; A. W. McLean, of Lumberton.—The Virginia & Carolina Southern Ry. (of which he is president) and its relation to Lumberton and Elizabethtown; S. McIntyre of Lumberton—What Lumberton offers to the citizens of Bladen county; E. D. Caldwell, of Lumberton—What efforts should be made and what inducements should be offered to the citizens of Bladen county to patronize the business institutions of Lumberton; L. A. Boyd, of Marion, S. C.—The Raleigh & Charleston Ry. (of which he is superintendent) and what it would like to do for Lumberton.

Judge C. C. Lyon, the county officials of Bladen, E. W. Lashley, cashier of the Bank of Elizabethtown, Stewart Starr, editor of the Bladen County News, Mayor H. H. Barnhill and other prominent citizens of Elizabethtown and Bladen county have been invited and the banquet will be a notable occasion. As stated at the outset, every Lumbertonian who is interested in the prosperity of the town should help to make it a success.

## New Graded School Teachers.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the graded school Thursday afternoon Miss Mary Millner, of Leaksville, Rockingham county, was elected to succeed Miss Leila May Gill, of Laurinburg, who resigned. Miss Millner is a graduate of the Oxford Seminary and has had three years experience as a teacher. She and Supt. R. E. Sentelle will teach the 9th and 10th grades. Miss Mary Johnson, of Thomasville, elected recently, as has been mentioned, teacher of the first grade to succeed Mrs. R. L. Sledge, resigned, is a graduate of Meredith College and has had two years experience as a teacher. Both these young ladies come most highly recommended and both have accepted the positions to which they have been elected.

The question of electing new teachers will be taken up later, when the matter of finances has been settled more definitely.

The question of programme and publicity, Rev. A. E. Baker and Mr. A. E. White made short talks on sanitation. Mr. Baker made good suggestions about how to improve health conditions surrounding and in homes, and Mr. White warmly advocated compulsory connection with sewerage, and cleaning up ditches about town. At the conclusion of Mr. White's remarks the Association voted unanimously to recommend to the town authorities that connection with the sewerage lines be made compulsory and a committee was appointed to co-operate with Mayor Rowland, who is heartily in favor of the measure, in bringing this about.

Mrs. R. D. Caldwell suggested that the Association take up the matter of a riverside drive from the edge of town to a point above where the Jennings Cotton Mills will be built. A beautiful drive-way could be made and a committee will take the matter up and see what can be done.

Work was assigned the various committees and the Association adjourned to meet on the first Friday evening in July.

## PARKTON PARAGRAPHS.

**Handsome New Residences—Truckers Busy and Shipping to Northern Markets—A Reception—Personal.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Parkton, June 3—Our town seems much enlarged since the school girls have all reached home—Misses Ethel Williamson and Alma Baker, from the State Normal; Effie McMillan and Ethel Marsh, from Red Springs; Dare Cashwell, Meredith, and Loula Marsh, from Nashville, Tenn.

Mrs. L. E. Hughes and children returned today from Hope Mills, where they visited Mrs. Hughes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Johnson.

The Parkton concert band gave a reception to the young ladies of town in their hall on Monday night. Delightful refreshments were served. All present declared it to be a most enjoyable occasion. The musical programme displayed great improvement. Among those present were Misses Mary, Annie, Carrie and Effie McMillan, Dare, Ethel and Bessie Cashwell, Mary A. Malloy, Mary J. McNeill and Louise Garris.

Mr. Will Johnson, conductor on the A. C. L., is here at the home of his mother quite sick with typhoid fever.

Mr. J. L. Wilson and family have left our town for Tar Heel.

Mrs. Chapel is in Hope Mills at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Blue, who is critically ill.

Children's Day will be observed at the Presbyterian church Sunday. A nice programme is being arranged, and quite a large crowd is expected.

Her many friends will be delighted to know that Miss Mamie Parham is steadily improving from an attack of fever.

Quite a lot of handsome residences are being completed, which add much to the appearance of our growing little city. Come to this part of Robeson if you wish to see people pushing, striving and getting. Our people believe in making things hum. The truckers are busy gathering potatoes and shipping them to Northern markets. Watch us grow!

Rev. J. Manning Dunaway, pastor of the Baptist church, will preach here next Sunday morning and evening. His sermons are always helpful, showing deep and careful thought. Come hear him, 'twill help you.

Measles is still with us, its latest victim being Mrs. Bridgers. We hope to see her out soon.

Mr. Henry Welsh is still critically ill. His son, Rev. E. R. Welsh, is still by his side.

## Former Governor Folk, of Missouri, May Run for President in 1912.

St. Louis, Mo., Dispatch, 2nd.

Missouri Democrats of all factions at a dinner tonight heard former Governor Joseph W. Folk announce the principles on which, it is said, he will seek the Presidential nomination in 1912. The dinner was in charge of men who have been promoting the boom of the former Governor. "The doctrine of equal rights should be made a living, vital and controlling force in the government," said Mr. Folk after he had listened to Democrats from all parts of the State tell the guests that the former Governor should be endorsed for the Presidency.

"The Democratic party," continued Mr. Folk, "should insist upon the stamping out of graft and corruption from every department of government; the eradication of all special favors, including bounties, subsidies and a tariff for any purpose other than revenue."

## A Distinction.

A note from J. C. Raybon, Parkton, R. F. D. 1, advises that the statement in Thursday's Robesonian that he was tried for stealing pigs was a mistake. He writes that he was tried for having the pigs in his possession when they were found with a search warrant and that there was no charge at all of stealing the pigs.

## MAXTON NEWS.

**Location of New Bank Building—Personal.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Maxton, June 3—Mr. R. C. Lawrence, of Lumberton, was in town Wednesday evening.—Miss Katie Carter, of Dillon, S. C., came up Tuesday to visit her uncle, Mr. J. W. Carter.—Messrs. Rowland Covington and James Everett, of Laurinburg, were in town a short while Wednesday afternoon.

Capt. J. W. Davis moved his family to Lexington last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Everett and child left Monday evening for Marganton, where Mrs. Everett will spend the summer with home-folks.—Dr. H. G. Hill is at Davidson this week.

We are glad to know that the Bank of Robeson will be built on the V. between Patterson and Main streets. This is a very desirable location for a building of this kind.

Mr. Thomas Grantham, manager of White & Gough's store, has been operated on for appendicitis in the Laurinburg hospital. He is getting along nicely since the operation.

Mrs. Eugene Morrison and child, of Morven, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McLean.—Col. N. A. McLean, of Lumberton, was in town between trains to-night.—Miss Bessie McLean left Thursday evening for New York, where she will visit her cousin, Mr. Linsey Russell.

## No Jury Cases to be Tried at June Term of Court—Jurors Need Not Attend.

In compliance with a petition signed by the members of the bar of the county, Judge W. R. Allen signed an order Saturday that no jury cases will be tried at the term of Robeson Superior Court which is to convene June 20, and the clerk of the court is directed to issue notices to this effect and to notify all jurors that they need not attend this court. The court will be opened, however, on Monday, June 20, for the purpose of hearing motions and entering consent judgments or judgments by default.

The petition, which was presented to Judge Allen at chambers in Fayetteville Saturday, requested the order on the ground that the farmers are particularly busy at this season and having to attend court would work a serious inconvenience to them.

## Tar Heel Happenings—New Store Building.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Tar Heel, June 1—Miss Ruth McKee, of Clarkton, is spending this week the guest of Misses Jennie and Zelle Monroe.

Mr. J. L. Wilson and family, who recently moved here from Parkton, are sick with measles.

Misses Leollia and Irene Everette, of Abbottsburg, attended the Union Meeting here last Saturday and Sunday, also Mr. John Ward and sister, Miss Lilly, of Clarkton, Messrs. Walton and Dorson Bedsole, of Eleese, Mr. Cary Melvin, of Hope Mills, and lots of people from other communities. A real large crowd attended.

Mrs. I. E. Brady and children are visiting Mrs. Brady's parents in Hope Mills this week.

Mr. J. L. Wilson is having a store erected in our town.

Mrs. Annie Powers and sons, Mr. George and Master Clarence, of Ten Mile, visited her daughter, Mrs. J. D. Monroe, here last week.

—Mr. T. C. Evans returned this morning from Charlotte, where he went Friday on account of the illness of his infant son, T. C., Jr.—Mrs. Evans and her son and sister, Miss Bessie Hutchison, expected to come to Lumberton Sunday from the latter's home in Charlotte, but their coming has been postponed indefinitely on account of the illness of the baby. His condition was considered somewhat improved when Mr. Evans left Charlotte this morning.

## EXTRA SESSION CALLED.

**General Assembly to Convene June 14th to Take Action in Bond Issue Matter.**

Governor Kitchin issued Friday a proclamation calling the North Carolina General Assembly to meet in extraordinary session in Raleigh June 14 to take action as to the impending \$3,430,000 refunding bond issue to take care of the bonds due July 1. The special session is made necessary by reason of the inability of the Council of State to market the refunding bonds at this time in sufficient quantities under the restrictions of the legislative act authorizing them to meet the July bond obligation.

On May 18, the first date for the bond sale, \$1,765,000 were bid for and all bids were rejected. On May 28 the second bids were opened and it was found that there were only bids for \$1,195,000, which bids were accepted. Governor Kitchin has called on all the banks of the State to have representatives in Raleigh June 8 for conference as to the bond situation. State Treasurer B. R. Lacy has issued a statement in explanation of the bond situation in which he reviews the difficulty experienced by other States and cities in floating bonds, including Philadelphia, \$3,000,000 30-year 4 per cent bonds for which it received bids for only \$800,000; New York City and Seattle—all recent financial history. He says that in the face of existing conditions "the fact that North Carolina has received bids at and above par for over \$1,200,000 of her 4 per cent bonds of the issue authorized last year speaks well for the credit of the State."

The State Treasurer will again open bids for the bonds on June 10 and it is possible that the remainder of the issue may be disposed of on that date, in which event the Governor will recall his proclamation for the extra session. It seems that the Legislature can do only one thing, and that is to authorize the Treasurer to borrow sufficient money to meet the obligations due July 1.

A statement was issued Saturday by State Treasurer Lacy showing that the actual number of bonds of the State falling due July 1 is \$3,427,000, and that the refunding bonds already sold reduce the amount to be provided for to \$2,211,000, the amount still to be sold by June 10 if the extra session of the Legislature is to be averted. Treasurer Lacy sent to all parts of the country Saturday calls for a third set of bids to be opened June 10, this effort to float the bonds to follow two days after a conference of all bankers of the State, called by the Governor for June 8, with a view to getting concerted action in saving the credit of the State and the necessity of calling together the General Assembly.

—A small blaze was started on the roof of Dr. R. M. Norment's residence on Sixth street from a stove flue Friday about noon, but it was discovered and extinguished before any damage of consequence was done.

—Dr. and Mrs. R. F. Graham were called to Rowland Saturday on account of the illness of Dr. Graham's mother, Mrs. W. H. Graham. They have not returned and Mrs. Graham's condition today has not been learned.

John Allen Stackhouse, scheduled to be electrocuted in the State's new death chamber at Raleigh on the 10th inst, was granted commutation Wednesday by Governor Kitchin to life imprisonment. Stackhouse killed his wife in Scotland county. It was represented to the Governor that the killing was under extenuating circumstances.

—There were no services at any of the churches in town last evening, a rather unusual occurrence. Rev. C. H. Durham being unwell there was no preaching services either morning or evening at the Baptist church; Rev. A. E. Baker filled his regular first-Sunday appointment at Baker's chapel, 5 miles from town on the Elizabeth road, yesterday afternoon, omitting the evening service at the Presbyterian church; and Revs. E. M. Hoyle and F. Weiss, pastors of the Methodist church and the Gospel Tabernacle, respectively, are out of town.

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## LOCAL BRIEFS.

—A force of hands began work this morning putting up poles for the new telephone plant and the work will be pushed to completion as rapidly as possible.

—Mrs. T. D. Kitchin and infant son will leave Thursday for Scotland Neck, where they will visit relatives before moving to Raleigh. Dr. Kitchin expects to move to Raleigh about the last of the month.

—Rowland Sun:—The following are just a few of the new things that rumor says Rowland will have in another year: A large and up-to-date hotel building, another bank, another railroad and a new depot.

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—Mr. F. P. Humphrey, who lives on rural route No. 2 from Lumberton, near Saddle Tree church, has entered the Robesonian's cotton contest. Mr. Humphrey was among the visitors in town Friday. Mr. E. E. Page, of Lumberton, has also entered the contest. His farm is in the lower edge of the county, White House township.

—Supt. R. E. Sentelle, of the graded school, who returned last week from his farm near Waynesville, where he will spend the summer with his family, to be present when the school board elected the new teachers, is spending a few days in town completing arrangements to build a 2-story, 6-room house on his lot in the part of North Lumberton known as Lindell.

—A charter was issued Saturday to the Robeson Loan & Realty Co., authorized capital \$50,000, to begin business when \$2,000 is subscribed. R. E. Lee and E. E. Page, of Lumberton, are among the incorporators, and there are many subscribers to the stock elsewhere in this county and in Bladen. The business of the company will be buying and selling and improving real estate. A meeting will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the office of R. E. Lee to organize and elect officers.

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## A Woman's Great Idea

is how to make herself attractive. But, without health, it is hard for her to be lovely in face, form or temper. A weak, sickly woman will be nervous and irritable. Con-tipation and kidney poisons show in pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. But Electric Bitters always prove a godsend to men who want health, beauty and friends. They regulate Stomach, Liver and Kidneys, purify the blood; give strong nerves, bright eyes, pure breath, smooth, velvety skin, lovely complexion, good health. Try them. 50c. at all druggists.