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PARKTON PARAGRAPHS.

Crops Doing Nicely—Road and Bridge Work Needed—The Old Soldiers' Picnic—A Revival Meeting.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Parkton, July 26—The farmers never had a harder battle than that of last week, but by what we can observe they have about conquered "General Craven" and the crops are doing nicely, although cotton is small. Some farmers have decided that their cotton will not need any more plowing and say that they are through. Let me say a word right here, that the farmer that stops plowing his cotton this early will regret it later on, as the cultivation will run out and the cotton will soon begin to shed its leaves and forms. My advice is to plow your cotton through till the 10th or 15th of August.

Capt. J. D. Oliver has moved back to our town from Laurinburg and is occupying the Livingston house.

Mrs. T. W. Thompson and son, little Jack, returned home from McColl, S. C., yesterday.

The bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Watts, returned home Friday after spending a few days at the beach.

What is the matter with our roads and bridges? We notice that more than a month ago filling was placed at almost every bridge in the township, but there is nothing further doing yet. Lumber Bridge is going right ahead with her roads. Hands and teams are no object with them, but here in Parkton township there is nothing doing. Why not move up and at least fix the bridges.

Miss Thelma Malloy, of Fayetteville, is visiting her aunt, Miss Mary A. Malloy. Miss Rebecca Ward returned home to Lumberton last Friday after spending a few days with relatives here. Mrs. Lily McKinnon and daughter, Miss Maud, of Charlotte, are on a visit to relatives here.

Rev. J. D. Pegram filled his regular appointment at the M. E. church here Sunday morning and at night.

Mr. A. M. Culbreth, one of the clerks at the Parkton Mercantile Co., is enjoying his annual vacation this week. Mr. Ed. Johnson was off last week.

A great deal has been said about the old soldiers' picnic which will be held on the 4th of August. Now, what about dinner for everybody? Well, if you want dinner for everybody, why everybody bring a well-filled basket or trunk, and that will settle it. You farmers that have plenty of old ham and chickens, prepare heavily, and let's have a picnic right. It will take a good many well-filled boxes and trunks to accommodate 3 or 4 thousand people, but if everybody that should will bring these necessities everybody will be fed.

The ice-cream festival given by the Sunbeam Society of the Baptist church last Saturday evening was a decided success. The children, and grown people also, enjoyed the cream immensely. The directors, Mrs. D. E. McNair, Misses Rena Underwood and Ethel Cashwell, feel much gratified that their efforts were crowned with such great success.

Rev. C. S. Cashwell, of Mocksville, is expected here the 8th of August to assist Pastor J. M. Dunaway in a revival at the Baptist church. Bro. Cashwell is well known here, and a good meeting is looked forward to.

Flour Mill at Pembroke Starts Up.

President W. K. Culbreth, of the Raft Swamp Co-operative Milling Co., asks The Robesonian to announce that the flour mill at Pembroke will begin operating this week and all stockholders and friends are requested to meet him at the mill Tuesday of next week. Those who have wheat to grind are urged to take it to the mill at once, while an experienced miller is in charge.

HOPE MILLS NEWS.

Two Marriages—Town Improvements—Church Services—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Hope Mills, July 26—Rev. N. C. Duncan will preach in Hope Mills at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday.

Rev. J. D. Pegram will begin a series of meetings at Marvin next Sunday.

On next Sunday Rev. P. T. Britt will begin a series of meetings at Singletary's Cross Roads.

Mrs. J. V. Marr, of Raleigh, who had been visiting relatives in Hope Mills, has returned home.

Miss Estella Scarborough, of Mt. Gilead, Montgomery county, is visiting Mrs. W. H. Bullard this week.

The Republican primary will be held in the Masonic hall on next Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

The Hope Mills Mfg. Co. is having its tenement houses painted. This is quite an improvement to our town.

The interior of the Presbyterian church building is being improved with paint. Mr. Calvin Thomas is in charge of the work.

On next Saturday night the Odd Fellows will give a supper at the Masonic hall for the purpose of raising funds to build a new hall.

Mr. James N. Bordan and Miss May Brown, both of Hope Mills, were married last Thursday evening, and the ceremony was performed at Roslin, by John R. Smith, J. P. The bride is a very beautiful and attractive young lady, while the groom is an excellent gentleman. Mr. Nordan is an assistant in the office of the A. C. L. Railroad company at this point. May this popular young couple have a long and prosperous life.

Mr. J. P. Eagle and Miss Kate Hamilton were most happily united in the holy bonds of matrimony on last Sunday evening at Roslin, John R. Smith, J. P., officiating. The bride is a very sweet young lady, while the groom is an excellent gentleman. Mr. Eagle is telegraph operator for the A. C. L. Railroad Co. at this point and is a first-class railroad man. This popular young couple have a host of friends who wish for them a long and happy life of usefulness and prosperity.

Mr. J. N. Buie Thinks the Godwin Convention the Regular Convention.

To the Editor of The Robesonian:

You say in Monday's paper that Godwin was nominated by the bolters in the Wrightsville convention. Are you the judge of this question? If so, I'll say no more and await the verdict of the people in November. I was in the convention and thought he was nominated by the legal convention.

Yours respectfully,

J. N. Buie,

Red Springs, N. C., July 27, 1910.

[The convention that nominated Godwin was referred to as the bolting convention in only one place—in the line under Godwin's picture. We are not the judge nor do we want to be. We do not care a cuss which convention is considered regular, which "bolting."—Editor.]

Disturbance Last Night.

Jake Rogers, colored, was before the mayor this morning on a charge of disorderly conduct and was fined \$10, the limit of the law, and cost, a total of about \$14. It seems that Jake got mixed up with too much bad juice last night and made some bad threats that caused a number of colored women down in that portion of town known as "Cuba" to do a lot of screaming and "hollering" on the streets about 12 o'clock. Jake and John Leak, colored, had some trouble this morning and this case will be heard before the mayor this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

FARMERS' UNION MEETING.

Agricultural Farm Schools—Delegates to Charlotte Convention.

The North Carolina Division of the National Farmers' Union began a two-days' session in Raleigh Tuesday. At the executive session Tuesday the following were elected delegates to the national convention in Charlotte September 6: President D. H. Hill, of the A. and M. College, Raleigh; W. B. Gibson, Iredell county; R. L. Little, Pitt county; J. T. Smith, Surry county. The State is entitled to only four delegates.

In an address Tuesday evening Dr. J. Y. Joyner, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, declared in favor of establishing agricultural farm life schools, at least one in each county. He outlined the plan of having the Legislature appropriate \$50,000 or \$100,000 and then apportioning this in lots of \$2,500 to counties in which the county authorities and the people will provide suitable farm and school buildings, including dormitories, and raise at least an additional \$2,500 toward maintenance. He declared this the most needful step at this time in the development of the educational system of the State. He thought that a \$50,000 appropriation should be demanded of the next Legislature, and this allotted throughout the State where counties were ready to undertake this advanced work. He thought it would be unwise to undertake to place such schools in all the counties, at once as it would precipitate an unwieldy system for which even the necessary trained teachers would not be available.

The meeting, which was attended by about 400 delegates, adjourned yesterday afternoon. A plan of agricultural education, providing for an agricultural school in each county, was outlined by the committee on education, of which President W. S. Cobb, of the Robeson Union, is secretary. Restriction of foreign immigration was urged, and a resolution was passed opposing reduction of tax on oleomargarine.

Moving Picture Shows Again—The Truman Quartette.

Mr. Badger McLeod has closed his moving picture show which had been running for some time and beginning Monday evening of next week Mr. W. S. Wishart will open a motion picture show at the opera house, of which he is manager. Mr. Wishart has had experience in motion picture shows at the opera house and to say that he will have charge is equivalent to saying that the pictures will be good, clean and well worth going to see. And there is no doubt that they will be well patronized. One-half the gross receipts every Friday evening will be given to the Associated Charities of Lumberton. On the opening evening—next Monday—and Friday evening of next week the well-known Truman Quartette, composed of Messrs. A. T. Parmele, R. R. Carlyle, Woodberry Lennon and Pope Stephens, will add to the pleasures of the show by discoursing sweet music. And that's no joke. They will, really. Those fellows know how to sing, they sing with the spirit and the understanding, and it does one good to hear them—unless one is "fit for treasons, stratagems and spoils."

So the moving picture shows will start up again and will be all right.

Charles Manly Stedman Nominated in the Fifth.

Major Charles Manly Stedman, of Guilford county, was nominated for Congress by the fifth district Democratic convention at Greensboro yesterday morning after an all-night session, on the 438th ballot. The result came after a hard-fought battle between Stedman, ex-Judge Jones and Royster.

The world's most successful medicine for bowel complaints is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It has relieved more pain and suffering and saved more lives than any other medicine in use. Invaluable for children and adults. Sold by Dr. J. D. McMillan & Son and The Pope Drug Company.

ANTIOCH PICNIC.

An Ideal Place for Picnicking—Some Good Speeches and an Excellent Dinner.

Yesterday was a great day for about three hundred or more people who assembled at Antioch church, about seven miles from Lumberton on the Whiteville road, to participate in the pleasures of a picnic given under the auspices of the Sunday school at Antioch, the local Farmers' Union and the Woodmen of the World. Antioch is an ideal place for an occasion of this kind and no one seemed to be disappointed in the place or the joys of the day. The church is large and practically new and across the road from the church, a distance of about fifty yards, is an excellent school building. Many oaks are growing on the grounds, making a beautiful grove, and directly in front of the church on the slope of the hill is an overflowing well—just the place for a good time, and that is what the day was for a good crowd.

The exercises of the day began in the church about 11 o'clock when Mr. C. B. Skipper, of Lumberton, after making a good speech himself, introduced Mr. T. L. Johnson, of Lumberton, who had been asked to make a speech on Sunday school work. Mr. Johnson was at his best and made an excellent speech, basing his remarks upon the Sunday-school as a character builder. There was some good music and then it was announced that there would be a recess for dinner and then some more speaking.

Now that dinner—for it came next and commanded the attention of all—was something the like of which one seldom ever enjoys. It was a dinner of many varieties and filled a long, long table; and after they all had finished many trunks full—for that is the way this dinner was brought and not in baskets—were gathered up of that which was left.

The feasting was over something after one o'clock and at two o'clock some benches were placed in the grove and the crowd was called together to hear some talk on farming. Mr. M. G. McKenzie, of Lumberton, started the ball to rolling with a ten-minute speech. He was unwell but made an interesting and earnest appeal to the farmers to continue their efforts along all lines of progress. Mr. McKenzie introduced W. K. Bethune, of Lumberton, who spoke for about half an hour, being stopped by a shower of rain. He addressed the farmers and had much to say about scratching in the dirt and grappling with the grass. The W. O. W. was to have been represented in a speech, but the managers were unable to secure a speaker. So Mr. Bethune's speech ended the speech-making for the day.

Messrs. W. S. Cobb, of Lumber Bridge, president of the county Union, and W. P. Barker, of Lumberton, were to have made speeches in the interest of the Farmers' Union, but they were not present on account of the fact that they are attending a State meeting of the Union at Raleigh this week.

The day was one of all the pleasures expected, perfect order prevailed, and there was evidence aplenty of a working, intelligent and progressive people.

Arrested for Alleged Murder but Proves to be Wrong Man.

Deputy Sheriff A. E. Spivey arrested Monday a negro who was thought to be wanted in Spartanburg, S. C., for killing another negro last February. A photograph was taken and sent to the sheriff of Spartanburg county and yesterday word came that the negro is not the man wanted and he was released. It seemed positive that the alleged murderer had been captured, all things indicating that he was the man. He had been writing to the wife of the man who did the killing and had been getting letters from her, and it was by means of these letters that he was arrested. At first the negro captured denied that he had been to South Carolina, but later he admitted that he had been in Spartanburg about the time the killing was done.

RAFT SWAMP RAFTS.

A Series of Meetings begins Sunday—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Buie, July 27—Curing tobacco seems to be the order of the day with some of our farmers.

Mr. W. L. Parham, of Raeford, spent last week here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Parham.

Mr. G. L. Townsend made a business trip to Laurinburg last Friday.

Sorry to report Mrs. W. K. Culbreth on the sick list. Hope for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. C. Biggs and daughter, Miss Ida, attended the picnic at White Pond last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Odum visited relatives at St. Paul last week.

Sorry to report the serious illness of Mrs. Tom McLean.

Mr. A. W. Powell attended the picnic at White Pond Saturday.

Rev. W. W. Willis will preach at Raft Swamp Baptist church next Sunday at 11 a. m.

Mr. J. Odum, of Buie, R. F. D. 1, visited relatives and friends in Back Swamp Sunday afternoon.

A series of meetings will begin here next Sunday. The pastor, Rev. J. M. Fleming, will be assisted by Rev. Mr. Williams, of Laurinburg. We hope that much and lasting good will be done.

We are expecting to hear the wedding bells ringing as we heard of one young man "popping" the question. He asked his best girl which she had rather have, a preacher or a minister. We guess, though, she understood all right, as we guess he was somewhat dashed.

Jenny Lynn

Mr. John M'White, of Howellsville, Hurt in a Runaway This Afternoon.

Mr. John Musselwhite, of Howellsville, about 60 or 65 years old, was badly bruised in a runaway at 2 o'clock this afternoon, which occurred back of Messrs. White & Gough's store.

Mr. M'White was driving a mule to a one-horse wagon loaded with flour, and just as he started to get on the wagon Mr. Tom Pate ran an automobile out of the garage on Chestnut street, about 25 yards away, and the mule dashed to run. Mr. M'White fell down under the shafts and held on to his lines until the wagon struck Jake Powell's dray, which was near by. The mule ran down behind Mr. John Wishart's store and across Fourth street and was stopped just behind the Columbia hotel building. No damage was done other than Mr. M'White was very much bruised. Dr. W. A. McPhaul was on hand in two or three minutes after the runaway and upon an examination stated that he did not think there were any bones broken. Mr. M'White was bleeding from several flesh wounds.

Republican County Convention Being Held in Lumberton Today.

The Republicans of the county have met here today in convention, assembling this morning at 11 o'clock, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State, judicial and congressional conventions. The convention is well attended, all the townships, except Alfordsville and Back Swamp, being represented. The organization was perfected in a very few minutes after assembling with Mr. S. A. Edmund, of Lumberton, chairman and Mr. B. F. McLean, of Maxton, as secretary. Mr. Edmund made a rousing speech in which he stated that any one in the convention who wished to speak would be heard and that there would be no hissing or cursing. After Mr. Edmund's speech a motion was made and carried that the chair appoint a committee to recommend delegates to the State convention. The chair appointed this committee, composed of nine men, and that ends the business completed at the time of going to press.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

The series of meetings which were announced to be held at Clyborn church during this month have been postponed and will begin August 8 and continue one week. Rev. A. H. Porter is pastor of the church.

—Mr. Arthur H. Bissell, son of Mr. H. F. Bissell, who lives on rural route No. 4 from Lumberton, brought to The Robesonian office the other day a curiosity in the shape of twin cantaloupes. They were Rocky Fords. The twin stunt is something unusual for cantaloupes.

—A reception will be given this evening from 8:45 to 12 o'clock in the reading room of the Industrial and Commercial Club by the young men of the club. A piano has been bought by the club recently and music and games will be among the pleasures of the evening.

—Mr. C. E. Reily, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, was in town yesterday taking some measurements at the National Bank preparatory to installing some new fixtures. Quite a number of interior improvements will be made in the bank in order to take care of its ever-increasing business.

—Coroner G. E. Rancke returned Monday night from the western part of the county, where he went to hold the inquest mentioned in Monday's paper. He was entertained royally at the home of Mr. Will Hamer, at Old Fork, and he was very favorably impressed with crops in Alfordsville township.

—Dr. R. T. Allen's and Mrs. I. P. Hedgpeth's Sunday school classes picnicked at Lennon's mill Tuesday and the pleasures of the day for the members of these two classes were great. The crowd numbered about 25 or 30 and they left town in the morning about 10 o'clock, returning late in the afternoon.

—That excursion billed for Johnson City, Tenn., starting at Clarkton this morning something after 6 o'clock, left Lumberton at 8 o'clock with a large crowd, many more than were expected to go. The railroad authorities placed 100 tickets on sale here and they were sold long before the train arrived. About 150 boarded the train here and among them were quite a number from town. The train will return Saturday.

—Mr. A. G. McKay, of Laurinburg, has succeeded Mr. T. E. Petty as chief clerk and ticket agent for the Seaboard in Lumberton, Mr. Petty having been transferred to Raleigh, where he is accountant for the agent at that place. Mr. Petty was ticket agent here for three years and was deservedly popular with Lumberton people, who regret to give him up, though rejoicing in his promotion to a more responsible position.

Local Tobacco Market Opens.

The local tobacco market was opened Tuesday with quite a bit of the weed in evidence. About 20,000 pounds were marketed Tuesday and there was a good deal sold yesterday and today. The prices seem to be satisfactory except on extremely low grades and that is not so good, as is always the case in the opening of the season. There are five buyers on the floor at present and three more are expected tomorrow or Saturday.

Former Mayor A. H. Bousman, 55 years old, of Ridgeway, Va., was assassinated at his home Sunday night by some unknown person who threw a stick of dynamite beneath the hammock in which Mr. Bousman was sleeping in his yard. The body of the former mayor was terribly mangled and he died in agony an hour later. It is thought that the deed was committed by some one who held a grudge against the mayor for a sentence in his court.

A week of festivities in celebration of the 200th anniversary of its founding in 1710 began Monday at Newbern with a pageant representing the landing of de Graffenreid and his aide, John Lawson. The State Firemen's Association is holding its annual convention in Newbern this week.