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## SERIOUS AUTO WRECK.

Ex-Sheriff G. B. McLeod Seriously Injured in an Auto Wreck Near Raeford—Car Completely Smashed by Railroad Engine and Mr. McLeod Thrown 63 Feet—His Condition Reported as Improved Today—Other Occupants of the Car Uninjured.

Ex-Sheriff Geo. B. McLeod, of Lumberton, was seriously injured in an automobile wreck near Raeford Friday afternoon, when the car in which he was riding was struck by a passenger train on the Aberdeen & Rockfish road and smashed into smithereens. He was taken at once to the Highsmith hospital at Fayetteville and it was at first feared that his injuries would prove fatal, but his condition this morning was reported as very favorable. The other occupants of the car, Messrs. T. L. Johnson and Tom Pate, also of Lumberton, the latter driving, escaped practically unhurt. That any occupant of the car escaped alive seems almost miraculous.

The wreck occurred at a railroad crossing about two miles from Raeford. The dirt road approaches the railroad at an angle and woods cut off a view of the track for some distance, but a short way back from the crossing the track is clear. The auto approached the crossing at a slow speed, and it seems that the train was gliding along with a minimum of noise. Just as the car ran upon the track Mr. Pate saw the train upon them, turned the auto down the track and jumped. That quick turn of the car is probably all that saved the lives of the occupants. Mr. Pate got a slight effect of the collision as he jumped and was whirled around, striking on his shoulder. Mr. Johnson, who was sitting alone on the rear seat, did not have time to jump. He slid to the right side of the seat and the force of the collision threw him 40 feet. He landed with one leg in a deep hole in the field, the other foot in the ground on top of the hole. He was stretched considerably and slightly bruised, but his injuries were very slight. Mr. McLeod, who was sitting next Mr. Pate, was in a position where he could not move without jumping on the track. He was thrown 63 feet by actual measurement, and landed in the ditch beside the track with portions of the auto upon him. Messrs. Johnson and Pate went to him as soon as possible and found him unconscious and bleeding profusely from his nose and ears. Shortly after they got him from under the wreck Mr. McLeod regained consciousness. As soon as the train, which ran half a mile before stopping, came back, Mr. McLeod was placed on board and taken to Fayetteville. He suffered intensely at first but was given medical attention at Raeford, and it now seems probable that his injuries will prove less serious than was at first feared.

As soon as word reached Lumberton of the accident, Mrs. McLeod was taken to Fayetteville by her brother-in-law, Mr. Sandy McLeod, in his auto. Mrs. McLeod returned home Saturday night to meet her daughter, Miss Irene, who came home from Elizabeth College, Charlotte, in response to a message in regard to the accident, and she and Mrs. McLeod went to Fayetteville yesterday.

The occupants of the auto, people upon the train and others assert that the engineer did not blow for the crossing. A colored man against whose house the crossing whistle was always blown, remarked to his wife, it is said, as the train passed that the whistle had not been blown. The engineer is said to have been busy at something inside his engine and to have known nothing about the accident until informed by the conductor, which explains why the train ran so far before stopping. The auto was so completely wrecked that the spokes were knocked out of three

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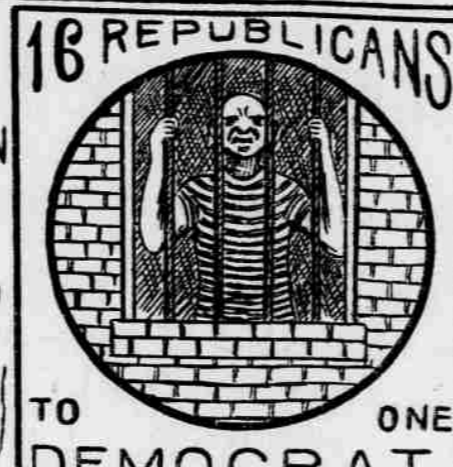
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## NEXT PAPER WEDNESDAY.

The next issue of The Robesonian will be printed Wednesday afternoon instead of Thursday afternoon in order to give the election news as early as possible. Advertisers will please bear this matter in mind in sending in changes.

## LOCAL BRIEFS.

—Superior Court convenes Wednesday, Judge O. H. Allen presiding.

—The banks of Lumberton will be closed tomorrow on account of election.

—There will be a piano recital and ice-cream-oyster supper at Iona school house, near Fairmont, Wednesday night of this week. The public is invited.

—Mr. John H. Wishart has made some improvements in the interior of his grocery store on Elm street by erecting a little office in which he does his book work.

—The new depot which Mr. J. P. Schmahl is erecting at Dublin for the Virginia & Carolina Southern Ry. is nearing completion. Mr. Schmahl spent yesterday in town with friends.

—Considerable improvement has been made during the past few days at the home of Mr. R. M. N. Stephens, corner of Walnut and Fifth streets, by moving back a fence and making other changes.

—There will be a concert and "The Feast of the Nations" at Centenary school, near Kowland, Friday night of this week, the 11th. The public is invited. The proceeds will be used for the school library and other school needs.

—Mr. Lacy McKenzie is sick at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. McKenzie, on Elm street. He has been sick for about a week and it is feared that he has typhoid fever. His condition this morning was unimproved.

—Mr. J. B. Maxwell, of Hamlet, and Mr. C. T. Happer, of Charlotte, division manager and division toll inspector, respectively, of the Bell Telephone Co., are in town today inspecting complaints in regard to the telephone service here, to which attention was called in Thursday's Robesonian.

—Miss Vashti White gave a birthday party Saturday afternoon from 2:30 to 4:30 o'clock at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White, on Seventh street. There were twelve candles to signify the days of the years of this charming young lady's life, and twenty-two other young ladies were invited to help celebrate. Dainty refreshments were served and everybody had the best time at all.

—Mr. M. F. Caldwell lost a nice hog by fire and a second one was badly burned Thursday afternoon on account of the carelessness of a man that Mr. Caldwell had doing some cleaning up about his hog lot, near his residence on Caldwell street. The man was burning some trash near the hog pen and went off and left the fire and it caught the pen in which the hogs were enclosed. No other damage was done.

—In Thursday's Robesonian mention was made of the fact that a civil service examination will be held in Lumberton on December 3d to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. L. C. Davis, carrier on rural route No. 6 from Lumberton, and that an examination will be held at Elrod on the same date. Those who wish to stand this examination should call at the postoffice for blanks, as all applicants must fill out blanks that must be received at the Postoffice Department at Washington ten days before the date of the examination.

The Piney Woods Inn at Southern Pines, one of the largest tourist hotels in the South, was destroyed by fire Friday. The loss was \$30,000, insurance \$15,000.

## BOGUS TICKETS?

Democrats Warned—Reported That Republicans Are Sending Out Bogus Tickets in the County.

Mr. J. A. McDougald, secretary of the county Democratic executive committee, is sending out a warning to Democrats about bogus tickets, which he is informed Republicans have prepared and sent out to the various precincts to be substituted for the regular Democratic ticket. These bogus tickets are said to contain the names of some of the Democratic candidates, names of Republican candidates being substituted for the Democratic candidates that are left off. For instance, it is said that Hall's name appears on these tickets in place of E. C. McNeill for sheriff.

Democrats are warned to examine their tickets closely and see that the tickets they vote contain all the names of the Democratic candidates.

## Fire This Morning—Residence of Mrs. Sue Rowland Has Narrow Escape.

The residence of Mrs. Sue Rowland, in the north-western portion of town, came near being destroyed this morning by fire which was discovered about 9 o'clock by the cook. It was burning in the walls on the second floor about the middle of the building, and is thought to have caught from a hole in the chimney. Some things were moved from the house and a great deal of the plastering was torn down in order to reach the fire. The damage is not thought to exceed \$500, and that is covered by insurance.

The water system does not extend out to Mrs. Rowland's residence and if the fire had just a little more start it would have been almost impossible to save the house. Just a short time after the fire whistle blow there were people enough there to have moved everything out of the house at a turn each.

wheels. No blame seems to attach to Mr. Pate, who was driving the car, and it is owing to his quick action in turning the car that the lives of the occupants were saved.

Messrs. Johnson and Pate went to Fayetteville on the train with Mr. McLeod. Mr. Pate returned home Friday evening, Mr. Johnson Saturday.

The Robesonian received a 'phone message at 3 o'clock this afternoon to the effect that Mr. McLeod was getting along nicely and was able to eat dinner today. No bones are broken and it is not thought that he sustained any serious internal injuries.

## ROBESON BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Twenty-Eighth Annual Session at Raeford—Royally Entertained—Excellent Addresses.

Reported for The Robesonian: The Robeson Baptist Association met in its 28th annual session last Wednesday at Raeford, the thriving, prosperous and progressive town situated in two great counties, Robeson and Cumberland.

A majority of the churches being present, the organization was soon completed, which resulted in the re-election of Rev. C. H. Durham and Dr. R. T. Allen, both of Lumberton, as moderator and clerk, respectively. Mr. Durham has served in this capacity eight years, and is easily one of the best governors we remember ever to have known, and Dr. Allen is the best clerk to be found at all.

We were entertained royally at the homes of Raeford's good people, so much so that every one of us thought he had been assigned to the best place in town.

It would be a pleasure to give at least a synopsis of every speech and the name of every speaker, but must content myself with saying that the speeches on foreign missions, by Rev. I. P. Hedgpath; State missions, by Rev. L. Johnson; education, by Prof. C. M. Beach and Mr. S. McIntyre; home missions, by Rev. C. G. Wells; and last, but not least, the orphanage—the pet, pride and glory of North Carolina Baptists—by Mr. A. Johnson, editor of Charity and Children, were, to say the least, most excellent.

One new church was added to the associational body, St. Pauls, which gives us 49 in all, and they seem to have made considerable gains along all lines of our great denominational work, which we hope is a fruitful sign that the kingdom of God and His Christ is coming nearer.

The next session of this body will be held with our church at Ashpole, beginning Wednesday before the first Sunday in November, 1911, at 11 a. m., with Rev. I. P. Hedgpath to preach the annual sermon.

We are indebted to the management of the V. & C. S., and the A. & R. Ry. companies for courtesies shown us over their respective lines.

J. M. Fleming,  
East Lumberton.

—Miss Sattie McLean, who has charge of the fourth grade at the graded school, has been unable, on account of sickness, to teach for several days and she left Friday evening for her home at Maxton, where she will be until her condition improves. Miss Mattie McLean, her sister, who had been spending a few days in town on a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McLean, returned with her. Miss Emma Norment is teaching for Miss McLean.

## CIVIC ASSOCIATION.

Regular Monthly Meeting—Some Important Work in Hand—Plan to Improve Street Crossings.

The regular monthly meeting of the Civic Association was held in the reading room of the Commercial and Industrial Club Friday evening and while only a few were present many matters of great importance to the town were discussed in a practical way and work was started that will be of great benefit to the town. Perhaps the matter that will be acted upon first, because there is nothing to prevent immediate action, is a resolution that was passed asking the town commissioners to set aside a portion of Meadowbrook cemetery for the burial of the remains of people who for various reasons would not care to buy lots there, or who are not able. Some time ago a child of a man who is engaged at work on the new cotton mill building died and the unfortunate father had difficulty in securing a lot for the burial of his child. He was only living here temporarily and only wanted to make temporary interment. It is to meet such cases as that and others of a similar nature that the commissioners will be asked to set aside a lot at once in the new Meadowbrook cemetery.

The matter of taking some action in regard to the old cemetery on Elm street near the Seaboard passenger station was discussed, and a committee composed of Messrs. A. W. McLean, Stephen McIntyre and R. D. Caldwell was appointed to ascertain what can be done. There is no intention whatever of antagonizing people whose relatives are buried there and who might feel some hesitancy in allowing their bodies to be removed to the new cemetery; but it is hoped that all may be brought to see the desirability of putting this lot in condition to be used by the town as a park or for some buildings.

Many citizens of the town responded to the call of the association for a clean-up day and much was done toward cleaning up yards, alleys, etc. Trash was piled in the streets to be hauled off on a certain day, but some have gotten into the habit of piling trash of all kinds upon the street at all times. This practice the association desires to discourage. Trash should be piled upon the street only at specified times. At all other times the association urges that combustible material be burned, as the piling of light trash upon the streets at times when wagons cannot be procured to haul it away makes the streets unsightly and it is blown about, littering the streets and making them look most untidy. In so far as practicable, merchants are urged to burn trash that is swept from their stores daily.

A report was received from the graded school to the effect