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PARKTON PARAGRAPHS.

Death of Mr. A. G. Culbreth—Plowing Up and Replanting Cotton—New School Building Problem.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.
Parkton, May 19.—Mr. A. G. Culbreth died at his home Sunday a. m., May 14. It was known by many of his friends that he was in a critical condition with rheumatism. He was a young man of excellent character, both intellectually and morally. He bore his afflictions in a most casual manner. He will be greatly missed by his relatives and a large circle of friends. He died in his 27th year. The remains were taken to Manchester Monday a. m., accompanied by his father, Mr. D. C. Culbreth, brother, Mr. Henry Culbreth, and sister, Miss Mary Louise Culbreth; also a large number of friends, and were buried by his mother in the family graveyard. To the sorrowing ones we extend our sincerest sympathy.

The farms seem to be in a serious condition for lack of rain. Some of the farmers have ploughed up their cotton and are replanting.

Misses Sadie Johnson and Effie McMillan returned home from S. P. C. Wednesday evening, Miss McMillan being accompanied by her friend Miss Mary Bullock of Rowland.

The Parkton concert band will give a musical entertainment at St. Paul's Friday night, May 26.

Quite a number of the young folks attended the commencement exercises at the Southern Presbyterian College this week.

Mr. P. H. Fisher and Mr. A. J. Garris spent yesterday in Lumberton.

Little Miss Virginia McCormick is visiting relatives in Manchester this week.

Mr. Bostic Haywood of Wilmington is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Annie Haywood.

Mr. J. J. Cobb and Mr. A. J. Lytch attended the commencement at Raeford this week and report a joyful time.

A most successful school term closed Friday at Mr. J. D. McNatt's, Mrs. M. A. Lucas of Rocky Point, teacher. Mrs. Lucas returned home today. Mr. McNatt has an ad of some of his town property in this issue.

The school committee has organized and qualified and is slowly at work on the problem of the new school building, securing the site and discussing other important matters.

Mr. J. G. Hughes is spending this week with relatives in Georgia.

Miss Sallie Neal Hughes of Laurinburg is spending a few days with her cousin Mrs. Collier Cobb.

The farmers are all up with their work, patiently waiting for rain, and are found fishing away the idle days, some very successful, others with only a terrapin bite.

Prof. J. H. Forbis is on a visit to his old home in Moore county.

Town Books to be Audited—Improvements Promised at Railroad Stations.

Mayor A. E. White has been authorized to employ an auditor to audit all the books of the town. He is in correspondence with auditing companies and this much-needed work will be done in the near future.

Supt. Gore, of the Wilmington-Hamlet division of the Seaboard, was in Lumberton Friday in consultation with Mayor White in regard to making improvements at the station here, coming in response to an urgent demand from Mayor White that something be done at once. Supt. Gore has promised to do some filling in in front of the station, to drain and grub the right of way on both sides, to ditch and thoroughly drain under the warehouses, and to move the water tank nearer the river. No draining work of this kind has been done at this station since Mr. White was mayor seven years ago. The Virginia & Carolina Southern authorities have also promised to make improvements at their station.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

Licenses have been issued for the marriage of Janie Ausley and Archie Cuthill; Fannie Davis and R. W. Wallace.

Beginning this afternoon the Lumberton barber shop and Mr. W. H. Staley's shop, both on Elm street, will close at 7:30 o'clock except Saturdays.

Mr. J. P. Townsend, chief of Lumberton's volunteer firemen, returned Friday night from Charlotte, where he attended the firemen's tournament. He gained some valuable points for use under local conditions.

Mr. Leon Cowan, formerly with the Robeson Drug Co. at his home town, Maxton, began work this morning for the Pope Drug Co., succeeding Mr. Baswell Skipper, who resigned last week, his resignation effective Saturday night.

Mr. R. D. Caldwell is just completing a nice barn, or garage. Mr. Caldwell says he thinks the latter will be a more dignified name for the building as he expects to keep his car in it. The building is at Mr. Caldwell's residence on Elm street.

A meeting of the graded school trustees will be held Wednesday to elect teachers for the next school year. Eight grade teachers and 2 music teachers are to be elected. Supt. R. E. Sentelle, who went to his home near Waynesville two weeks ago, will return to be present at this meeting.

At the meeting of the town commissioners last Tuesday night Mayor A. E. White was authorized to employ a sanitary inspector for the town and he employed for this work this morning Mr. W. G. Reynolds. It will be Mr. Reynolds' duty to inspect all premises and report all surface privies and other unsanitary conditions, and to put surface privies in sanitary condition.

Rev. A. A. McClelland of Maxton preached at the First Baptist church yesterday morning, the pastor, Rev. C. H. Durham, preaching at the evening hour. Solos by Mrs. H. B. Moore of Gastonia, wife of a brother of the late Mrs. Durham, who returned with Mr. Durham from Gastonia last week, at both morning and evening service, were very much enjoyed.

Gus Hunt, the Indian who was sentenced Saturday night by Judge Cook to ten years in the penitentiary for manslaughter, says that the main reason he hates to go to the pen is he will not be able to read The Robesonian. Mr. R. C. Lawrence, a member of the firm that defended him, says he will bear half the expense of sending the paper to Gus during his exile, so the paper will follow him.

Slogan Suggestions For Lumberton.

With this issue of The Robesonian the publication of slogan suggestions for Lumberton will be discontinued. Many suggestions have been made, suggestions good, bad and indifferent, and out of the number the committee appointed by the Industrial and Commercial Club, which offered a prize of \$5 for a slogan, may be able to make a selection. This committee is composed of Messrs. R. D. Caldwell, A. E. White and S. McIntyre. All suggestions that have been received will be turned over to these gentlemen and they will announce their decision some time soon. Following are suggestions that have been received since the last issue:

Lumberton extends welcome to all, both great and small.

Lumberton is headquarters for Lumber river R-b-breasts.

Lumberton—there's no better town.

Lumberton is a growing town.

Lumberton is a wide-awake town.

Lumberton is a growing, wide-awake town.

Giv. Bleas of South Carolina, after a personal inspection of the State penitentiary at Columbia Friday, announced that he proposes to parole all the convicts there who are disabled by chronic disease.

AYCOCK A CANDIDATE.

Announces Candidacy for United States Senate.

Raleigh News and Observer, 21st.

There is no doubt that North Carolina will have plenty of material from which it can select a United States Senator next year. Though they have made no formal public announcement, Senator Simmons and Governor Kitchin have both made known to their friends the fact that they would be candidates for the Senate next year. Last week Chief Justice Clark announced his candidacy. Yesterday afternoon ex-Governor Aycock gave out a letter he had written to Col. N. B. Whitfield, of Lenoir, who, with many others, had urged Governor Aycock to become a candidate.

Following close upon the announcement of the Chief Justice, the State has naturally taken renewed interest in the senatorial contest that will not be settled, if a primary is ordered, until November of next year.

The following paragraph of Mr. Aycock's letter states his position clearly:

"It is unnecessary for me to enunciate any personal platform, it being well known throughout the State that I have always stood on the National and State Democratic platforms without question, believing as I do that the assembled wisdom of the Democracy of the nation and State is far greater than my own. I shall make no campaign looking to my selection for the senatorship. My financial condition is such that it is absolutely essential that I pursue my profession as a lawyer with unabated energy until such time as the people shall lay other duties upon me. I have no money to spend perfecting an organization, and if I had it I am convinced that the greatest evil of this day, politically, is the use of money in securing nominations and elections, and I therefore would not use it if I were able to command a fund requisite for such purpose. In addition to this reason for refusing to attempt an organization in behalf of my candidacy, I have a feeling that the senatorship would be worthless to me if secured by any such methods. If I shall go to the Senate I must go free from special obligation to any set of men, and therefore, under equal obligation to every man. Going to the Senate in this way would put me in a position to give to the people the highest service of which I am capable. I shall therefore entrust my candidacy, without reservation, to the people of the State, and shall not seek to shape their selection by organization or by personal appeals to them."

At the convention of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association held in Richmond last week, closing Friday, Ellison A. Smyth of Greenville, S. C., was elected president, W. A. Erwin of Durham was elected vice president, and C. B. Bryant of Charlotte was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

CROP PROSPECTS.

Mr. Scott Stone Thinks Conditions are not so Serious as Some Farmers Think—Cotton Planted Early is Doing Well and Corn is Fine—Not Too Late to Re-plant.

Mr. Scott Stone, of McDonald, one of Robeson's farmers who succeeds in living pretty well at home, was in town Saturday and, as most all farmers are doing these days, talked some about the weather. Mr. Stone says for a certainty it is mighty dry out his way, and every other way that he has been recently, but he does not seem to think the condition at present altogether so serious as most farmers think. He says, of course, on account of the dry weather, spring oats have been practically ruined and farmers who sowed cotton late are in bad shape; but corn, he says, is doing fine and cotton planted early is also doing well. He said out of ninety odd acres he has in cotton he does not think there are more than two or three acres shy on account of bad stand. He said his father, Mr. Joel Stone, had about the same kind of stand and also several other farmers in his community, while it is true quite a number have practically no cotton up on account of being a little late in planting.

Mr. Stone seems to think that it is not too late yet, in cases where it is necessary, to plant cotton over. He says that he remembers having had to plant 22 acres of cotton over on the 18 of May about 20 years ago, when but little fertilizer was used, and that he picked 11 bales of cotton off of the 22 acres. So it may not be too late for those who have no stand, even yet.

Mr. J. F. Head Resigns as Traffic Manager and Auditor of the Virginia & Carolina Southern—His Successors.

Mr. J. F. Head, who has held the position of traffic manager and auditor of the Virginia & Carolina Southern Railway since April, 1909, has resigned to take effect June 1, and he will be succeeded by two men. Mr. E. E. Dailey, who has been employed in the office of the auditor of the Coast Line at Wilmington, will be auditor and car accountant. He arrived yesterday and began work this morning with Mr. Head. Mr. S. R. Clary of Kinston, formerly in the employ of the Norfolk & Southern, will be general freight and passenger agent. He will arrive some time between now and June 1. Mr. Head has under consideration some flattering offers but has not yet decided which he will accept. He and his family came to Lumberton from Wilmington and have made many friends here who will regret their decision to leave.

Harsh physics react, weaken the bowels, cause chronic constipation. Joan's regulets operate easily, tone the stomach, cure constipation. 25c. Ask your druggist for them.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Agreed Verdict of Manslaughter in Case of Gus Hunt, Sentence 10 Years in Penitentiary—Civil Court.

A week's criminal term of Robeson Superior Court ended Saturday night, Judge C. M. Cook of Louisburg presiding, and this morning Judge Cook opened a week's civil term.

Saturday night about 7 o'clock, after all the evidence was in, the lawyers in the case of Gus Hunt, Indian, charged with the murder of his wife Mary near Fairmont September 25 last, agreed on a verdict of manslaughter and Judge Cook imposed a sentence of 10 years in the State penitentiary at Raleigh. An effort is being made to persuade Judge Cook to change the sentence to service on the roads of the county, which has been to considerable expense and gets nothing, the State getting it all under the sentence as it now stands. This trial began Thursday afternoon, the jury having been selected just before the noon recess. Messrs. McLean, Varser & McLean assisted Solicitor Sinclair, Messrs. McIntyre, Lawrence and Proctor appearing for the defendant. The defendant admitted killing his wife but claimed that it was accidental. She was shot in the forehead with a pistol.

Other cases were disposed as follows:

Walter McKinnon, a. d. w. and c. e. w., verdict of guilty reported in Thursday's paper, 8 months on roads.

Earlman Lennon, mayhem; negro who struck Mr. Moses Fine with a bottle, knocking out an eye, also reported guilty in Thursday's paper; 18 months on roads.

Jim Smith, trespass, not pros. The case against Jim Byrd and Warren West, charged with the murder of Wm. Smith, Jr., in East Lumberton April 7 last, was continued to July term.

In the civil court this morning divorces were granted in three cases, as follows: D. C. Arnett vs. Harriet Arnett; Gertrude Perry vs. A. J. J. Perry; Martha Manning vs. Robt. Manning. In the case of Charley McLaurin vs. Nannie McLaurin papers were not made out properly and a juror was withdrawn and mistrial ordered. The following cases were continued: Cattie Jane Smith vs. Eli Smith; Sandy Locklear vs. Anclene Locklear; Nurn Lewis vs. Luna Lewis. In the case of L. W. Hall vs. Sarah T. Hall, Chas. Beal, a witness for plaintiff, was called and failed to answer and was fined. J. R. Bullock et al vs. A. C. L. Ry., survey was ordered this week, case not to be continued.

Kings Mountain precinct of Gaston county voted the other day a bond issue of \$25,000 for good roads. Roads of similar construction will be built for 4 or 5 miles in each direction leading into town.

Dr. N. A. Thompson's Auto Dodges Into a Ditch and Smashes a Wheel—"All's Well That Ends Well."

Dr. N. A. Thompson came near having a serious smash-up Friday about 12 o'clock on the Ten Mile-Center road, near the company mill, seven miles from town, when he ran his automobile into a ditch. He had his little daughter Julia with him and was returning to town from the Ten Mile section, where he had been to see a patient. He was running along at an ordinary gait and discovered something rattling about his machine and was looking down to the side of the car trying to locate the loose part when suddenly the machine dodged out of the road into the ditch, breaking the right front wheel into several pieces and mashing the fender very much out of shape on that side. The doctor fell against the top without getting hurt, but Julia struck the steering wheel, which knocked the breath out of her for a short time, but she was soon all right. Dr. Thompson walked about a quarter of a mile to Mr. Spurgeon Jones' house and 'phoned to town for help and Dr. Knox sent a front wheel off of his car out to the wreck and in a short time everything was running smoothly again.

Listing Taxes Is Up to You.

Mr. A. P. Caldwell, tax assessor for Lumberton township, asks The Robesonian to correct a false impression which some people seem to have in regard to listing property under the new law. Some people seem to be under the impression that the assessor has to make a house-to-house canvass in order to get the people to list their taxes. That's not the case. The assessor has to go over the township in order to make an equitable assessment and if you happen to see him then you can list your property all right, but if you do not happen to see him then it is not his business to look you up for the purpose of getting you to list your property. It is your business to look him up. He has his office in Lumberton in rear of the First National Bank.

Deaths Must be Registered Hereafter in Lumberton.

The last Legislature passed a law requiring all deaths to be registered in towns of over 500 inhabitants. Dr. Jno. Knox, Jr., town physician, has been appointed registrar for Lumberton and hereafter before a body can be interred or moved from town a certificate of death must be filed with Dr. Knox, who now has the necessary papers for such registration.

Work has been begun in Carteret county on the central highway to extend across the State. That county has raised \$6,000 to build a road from Morehead City to the Craven county line.

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