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ROBESON REPUBLICANS MEET.

Solid for Roosevelt—Delegates to State and Congressional Conventions Elected—"Jidge" Little of Charlotte Spellbinds a Little for the Rough Rider—R. A. McLean, Democrat, Has a Bad Quarter of an Hour When R. A. McLean, Republican, is Elected a Delegate.

The county Republican convention for the election of delegates to the congressional and State conventions was held here in the court house Saturday. The congressional convention will be held in Fayetteville on May 8 and the State convention in Raleigh on May 15. The meeting was called to order at 12 o'clock by Mr. B. F. McLean of Maxton, secretary of the county executive committee, in the absence of Mr. S. A. Edmund, chairman of the committee, who is sick in the Thompson hospital, having suffered a stroke of paralysis about two weeks ago. Mr. McLean was made permanent chairman of the meeting and Mr. W. J. Currie of Maxton was made secretary. On roll call of the 21 townships 15 of them were represented. The number present at the meeting was about 45. The following were elected delegates: Congressional—Messrs. W. H. Kinlaw, W. K. Culbreth, Pat McEachern, W. J. Currie, V. H. Taylor, S. L. Parker, W. R. Atkinson, Dan Fields, J. C. Snoddy, W. R. Lawson, N. C. McNeill; State—W. J. McDonald, Giles Davis, J. G. Brown, E. E. Johnson, N. T. Andrews, H. M. Brown, J. J. Shaw, E. E. Shooter, A. B. Mercer, H. F. Purvis, B. F. McLean and R. A. McLean.

After the election of the delegates Mr. J. E. Little of Charlotte addressed the convention. He was introduced by Mr. W. H. Kinlaw. Mr. Little spoke for about half an hour and devoted the major part of his time to national issues, citing many instances where Mr. Taft has been out of harmony with his party and said that Col. Theodore Roosevelt is the only logical man for the Republican presidential nominee. Mr. Little said that he thought there should be some reform in the administration of the party's affairs in the State and he thought there would be some steps taken at the State convention to bring about the desired changes.

The delegates to the State convention were instructed to cast the county's full strength—12 votes—for Roosevelt for President.

Resolutions were read and adopted deploring the absence and illness of Mr. Edmund, county chairman.

In the convention the most amusing and interesting thing to many there assembled hinges on the name of the last above-named delegate to the State convention. There are two R. A. McLeans in the county, one of them a Republican, the other a Democrat. The one elected is, of course, a Republican and he lives in Alfordville township; the other is one of Lumberton's young attorneys and is a son of the late Col. N. A. McLean. He is familiarly known as Gus. Just about the time the organization had been perfected and business started "Gus" came in and occupied a seat near the main entrance—just as a mere spectator, of course, and nothing more. Then it was that some gentleman rose to the floor and suggested the names of 12 men, the last being R. A. McLean, for delegates to the State convention. Gus kinder straightened up in his seat, but kept reasonably still until the men were placed in nomination and elected unanimously. Then he could stand it no longer, so he slipped around a few seats and asked Mr. Hector Brown of Pembroke, who was taking an active part in the convention, to please have his name withdrawn from the list of delegates. Well, it was fun to quite a number in the convention who were wise to what was happening. Gus says that he thought Dr. T. A. Norment, who was in the meeting, was trying to play a joke on him, but the doctor says that he should have known better for they did not want anything but a good Republican for the place.

—A meeting of the Kitchin club will be held this evening at 8 o'clock at the court house.

TOWN PRIMARY.

Will be Pulled Off Tomorrow—Little Interest—Candidates to Be Voted For.

The town primary for the nomination of a mayor, three town commissioners, three members of the board of audit and finance and four school trustees will be held tomorrow. There is a great deal of difference between the interest now and a year ago. Then the interest was at white-heat; now nobody seems to care a hang which way things go, though of course some quiet work has been done in the interest of the candidates for the office of mayor. The names of the following have been filed with the managers of the primary and will be voted on tomorrow between suns:

For mayor—W. O. Thompson, A. P. Caldwell.

For town commissioners—J. D. Proctor, D. P. Walters, J. T. Biggs, H. C. Freeman, C. B. Redmond, S. H. Hamilton, J. H. Floyd. Three are to be elected to succeed J. D. McMillan, Geo. G. French and J. L. Stephens, whose terms expire.

For board of audit and finance—Frank Gough, T. A. McNeill, Sr., W. S. Britt, E. L. Holloway, L. C. Townsend. Three are to be elected. The three first-named are the present members of the board.

For graded school trustees—R. D. Caldwell, Alf. H. McLeod, Q. T. Williams, C. B. Townsend, present members of the board whose terms expire.

Mr. and Mrs. Peace to Fayetteville—Mr. Brown Arrives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Peace will move tomorrow to Fayetteville, where Mr. Peace, as has been mentioned in the Robesonian, succeeds Mr. J. O. Ellington as vice president of the Fourth National Bank of that place. Mr. R. H. Crichton has rented Mr. Peace's house on Elm street and he and Mrs. Crichton will occupy it for the next six months. Mr. Chas. V. Brown, formerly State Bank examiner, who succeeds Mr. Peace as cashier of the Bank of Lumberton, arrived this morning from Raleigh to assume his new duties. Mrs. Brown and their small son will join him here as soon as satisfactory boarding arrangements can be made.

Mr. Brown, as has been stated in the Robesonian, comes highly recommended and Lumberton welcomes him and his family as sincerely as the town regrets to lose Mr. and Mrs. Peace, who have occupied prominent positions in the life of the community since coming here three years ago.

School Closings.

The school at Barker's closed Friday. There were no exercises by the pupils, but in the evening at 8 o'clock Rev. J. W. Bradley, pastor of Chestnut Street Methodist church, made a literary address to the school. Mr. A. B. Mercer was principal of the school.

The school at Ten Mile will close Thursday evening with appropriate exercises by the school and possibly a speaker. The exercises will begin at 7:30 o'clock. Miss Mattie Dunlop is principal and Miss Cora Britt is assistant. The Oakdale school near Marietta, F. L. Jernegan principal for the past two years, closed April 19 with a record from the best of being by far the best conducted and instructive school ever recorded in the history of Oakdale.

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Almost a Miracle.

One of the most startling changes ever seen in any man, according to W. B. Holsclaw, Clarendon, Texas, was effected years ago in his brother. "He had such a dreadful cough," he writes, "that all our family thought he was going into consumption, but he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery, and was completely cured by ten bottles. Now he is sound and well and weighs 218 pounds. For many years our family has used this wonderful remedy for Coughs and Colds with excellent results." It's quick, safe, reliable and guaranteed. Price 50 cents and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at all druggists.

ST. PAUL PACKAGE.

Graded School Commencement—Mr. L. G. Ellis, a Native of This Section, Dies in Georgia—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

St. Paul, Apr. 27—The St. Paul graded school closed yesterday. On Thursday the commencement sermon was preached by Rev. C. H. Durham of Lumberton. Friday morning the boys and girls entered into a contest for medals for best reciter and declaimer. Miss Clyde Howard won the medal for the best reciter and J. M. Hester was the lucky contestant among the boys. In the afternoon the literary address was delivered by Mr. E. J. Britt of Lumberton, and then came the presentation of the medals and prizes. At 8 o'clock came the concert by the whole school. The exercises were greatly appreciated by all present, and there was a good crowd to enjoy the occasion. The music was good all the way through; the Lumberton quartette and the Parkton concert band never fail to please.

Mr. T. G. Ellis died at his home in Summerworth county, Ga., on the 19th inst. Mr. Ellis was a native of Cumberland or Harnett county. He went to Timmonsville, S. C., soon after the War Between the States to work turpentine. He was about 75 years old when the end came. In December, 1884, he was married to Miss Nancy Francis Rhodes, a sister of Mr. C. B. Rhodes now of this place. Soon after the marriage he moved to Georgia. Two daughters and one son survive them—Mrs. Ellis died in 1896. Mr. Ellis was a good man, soldier and citizen, having served through the Civil War. We deeply sympathize with the bereaved ones.

Rev. E. L. Weston has gone to Winston-Salem this week to help in a meeting at that place. He will return home about the middle of next week.—Mr. A. I. McDonald returned from a trip North this morning.—We were glad to see The Robesonian man Mr. Bethune at the commencement.—Miss Janie Cobb of Rowland was here at our commencement.—We noticed quite a crowd from Lumber Bridge at the commencement yesterday, among them being Miss Elma Johnson, who has relatives here.

Minor Court Cases—Gambling Den Raided and Eight "Coons" Bagged.

As a result of a raid by Chief of Police H. H. Redfern and Policeman Joe Stone on a gambling den in the "Bottom", just across the Seaboard railroad, yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock seven negroes are in jail. They were caught in the act and they will be given a hearing before Mayor White this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Walter Bennett, colored, was arrested Saturday evening on a charge of disorderly conduct and Leslie Jones, also colored, was arrested Saturday evening for an affray. Both were placed in jail. Jones gave a \$100 bond for his appearance at trial Wednesday and was released from jail yesterday. Bennett will be given a hearing this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Alex. Share, colored, was arrested here Thursday by Deputy Marshal J. B. Boyle, of Maxton, on a charge of retailing and was given a hearing before Commissioner W. H. Kinlaw. Sufficient evidence was found to carry the case to Federal court and Share was required to give a \$200 bond for his appearance, failing to do which he was placed in jail, but later made bond and was released.

Civic Association Meets Friday Evening.

The Lumberton Civic Association will meet Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock in the reading room of the Industrial and Commercial Club. Business of importance is to be transacted and a full attendance of members is desired.

Read the big full page advertisement on page three of the great bargains to be offered beginning Wednesday, May 1st, at R. D. Caldwell & Son's department store.

THOMPSON WINS OUT.

Jetter Williams Loses Suit for Damages Against Dr. N. A. Thompson of Lumberton in Columbus Court.

Reported for the Robesonian.

Dr. N. A. Thompson and his attorneys Messrs. L. R. Varner and R. C. Lawrence returned Friday from Whiteville, where they attended the trial of the suit of J. H. Williamson Jr., against the doctor and his hospital. Robesonian readers will recall that in the summer of 1910 Mr. Williamson was thrown from a horse with the result that his arm was dislocated and broken and his left thigh broken near the knee. He was brought to the Thompson hospital for treatment and thereafter brought suit against the hospital and Dr. Thompson individually for \$20,000, alleging negligence in the setting of his broken leg. The action was heard before Judge Peebles and a jury last week in the superior court of Columbus county. After hearing the evidence the court was of opinion that there was no evidence fit to be submitted to the jury of negligence upon the part of the hospital or Dr. Thompson and therefore directed that judgment be entered in favor of the defendants and that the plaintiff Williamson be taxed with the costs of the action. Williamson's attorney gave notice of an appeal to Supreme Court.

Quite a number of physicians were in attendance upon the trial, among them being Drs. Jno. Knox and T. C. Johnson of Lumberton, J. L. McMillan of Red Springs, A. G. Floyd of Fair Bluff, W. H. Crowell of Whiteville, Slayde Smith of Bolton and Murat Willis of Richmond, Va. These gentlemen all testified that Dr. Thompson used the usual and most approved method of treatment for the injury. Dr. Willis, who attended the trial and gave evidence on behalf of Dr. Thompson, is one of the proprietors of the Johnson Willis Sanatorium in Richmond and is one of the most prominent surgeons in the South. He operated upon the plaintiff after he left the hospital at Lumberton. He, with other physicians, testified to excellent character of the treatment given the plaintiff in the hospital at Lumberton and stated that it was the same treatment as in use in his institution.

Perpetrators of a Practical Joke Taxed With Costs of Trial.

It was told in Thursday Robesonian how some boys had some fun over at the Lumberton Cotton Mills village a week ago this evening by fixing up a dummy to represent a negro man, firing off a pistol a few times and fooling some people into thinking that a coon had been shot. Mr. Walter Nance, who was mentioned as being among the ones fooled, says the account was not altogether correct, that he is not now township constable and has not been for two years, and that it was Mayor J. D. Edwards of East Lumberton who ordered everybody to keep hands off the supposed dead negro until Coroner Rancke could arrive on the scene of the bloody tragedy. Mr. Nance says that The Robesonian reporter failed to learn an important additional fact, namely, that Marvin Barker, Frank Wishart, Haywood Tyner and Will Baxley were tried before Mayor Edwards Tuesday in connection with this same incident and were taxed with the costs for disturbing the peace.

All Dogs Must be Muzzled Between April and October.

At a special meeting of the mayor and town commissioners Friday the following ordinance was passed and will be enforced: All dogs owned or kept within the corporated limits of the town of Lumberton must be muzzled by their owner, between the 26th day of April, 1912, and Oct. 1st in said year, and between said dates in each and every year thereafter. Any dog owned or kept in said town between said dates without being muzzled is hereby declared a nuisance and shall be killed. Any person owning or keeping a dog within said corporate limits of the town of Lumberton between said dates, not muzzled, shall be fined \$5.00.

SURVEY OF LUMBEE.

Senator Simmons Secures Provision for Survey of Lumber River Preliminary to Appropriation for Improvement.

Mr. A. W. McLean received Friday a letter from Senator Simmons in which he states he has secured an amendment to the general river and harbors bill, providing for a survey of Lumber river from its mouth to the turnpike bridge over the river in Hoke and Scotland counties.

This survey, of course, is preliminary to an appropriation for the improvement of the river. Lumber river will yet be made navigable.

Among the Sick.

Miss Maud Watson of Winston-Salem underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Thompson hospital, where she is a trained nurse, last night and is getting along nicely today. She was up all night Saturday night nursing a patient and her appendix was found in bad condition.

Mr. S. A. Edmund, who suffered a stroke of paralysis two weeks ago yesterday and has since been confined at the Thompson hospital, continues to improve slightly, though he is still confined to bed.

Mr. Geo. Thompson of route 4 from Lumberton, was taken yesterday to Highsmith's hospital, Fayetteville, where yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock he underwent an operation for appendicitis. A message from Fayetteville this morning was to the effect that his condition is not as favorable as was expected. Mr. Joe Thompson, his brother, who clerks for the firm of Messrs. White & Gough, left this morning for Fayetteville to be with him.

Mrs. A. W. and Mr. A. T. McLean returned this morning from Maxton, where they had been with their brother-in-law and brother, Mr. Hector McLean, who has been confined to his bed for 20 weeks today. Mr. A. W. McLean has been with his brother all the time for the past ten days with the exception of Friday last, which day he spent in Lumberton. Mr. A. T. McLean will return to Maxton tonight. Mr. Hector McLean's condition was considered somewhat more favorable this morning. He rested better yesterday and last night than usual.

Mr. W. F. Bullock Will Not be a Candidate for County Commissioner.

To The Voters of Robeson County: I desire to announce to the voters of Robeson county that it will be impossible for me to accept the nomination as a candidate for county commissioner which was tendered me in the citizens' mass meeting held at Pembroke on April 19th, 1912.

Private business demands my attention and has too many claims on my time for me to enter the race.

However, I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to those of the convention who saw fit to place my name on the ticket. I further wish to state that I am in thorough sympathy with the measures of relief adopted in that platform, as Robeson county is sadly in need of the proposed reforms.

W. F. Bullock.

Matters Between Hoke and Robeson Adjusted.

In squaring accounts between Robeson and the new county of Hoke it was found that Hoke owes Robeson \$3,915.21. The annual interest on this amount at 5 and 5/8 per cent. amounts to \$208.81, payable May 1 and November 1, and check for this installment will be due the first of next month. County Auditor A. T. Parmele, who is a member of the committee appointed to represent Robeson in adjusting matters between the two counties, has made a proposition to Hoke county which will obviate the necessity of keeping accounts open between the two counties for 28 years and by which Robeson county will gain nearly \$1,500. Mr. Parmele received a letter Saturday from the chairman of the board of commissioners of Hoke county advising that in all probability this settlement will be made.

LOCAL BRIEFS

—Cotton today, middling, 11 cents; good middling, 11 3/4.

—Prof. R. E. Sentelle, superintendent of the Lumberton graded school, will deliver the literary address at the commencement of the Olivet school at Marietta on Friday of this week.

—Licenses have been issued for the marriage of Annie Neill and Tom Hill; Verrena May Elliott and C. B. Edwards; A. Patience Alford and Alex. Watson; Tamer Arnett and W. C. Hall.

—Mr. R. E. Lewis, of Saddle Tree township, who has for some time been understood to be a candidate for the office of sheriff of Robeson county, has a card in this issue formally announcing his candidacy.

—Dr. W. A. McPhaul has purchased from Mr. Weinstein a lot 50 feet by 166 on Elm street. The property adjoins the lot on which Dr. McPhaul is erecting his handsome residence in North Lumberton. The consideration was \$2,000.

—Sanitary Sunday was observed here yesterday, all the preachers of the town devoting their morning sermons to talks along sanitary lines. Rev. C. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist church, talked about some local conditions that should be remedied, and his sermon will be reported in Thursday's paper.

—Rev. and Mrs. F. R. Cardwell left this morning for Indiana, where they will make their future home. Mr. Cardwell had been pastor of the Gospel tabernacle since the death of Rev. F. Weiss, which occurred some months ago. Mr. Cardwell resigned as pastor about a month ago to accept a charge in Indiana. His successor has not yet been named.

—At a meeting of the session of the Presbyterian church held yesterday morning immediately after the morning service Mr. M. G. McKenzie was re-elected superintendent of the Sunday school and Messrs. Alf. H. McLeod and J. P. Russell elected assistants. Mr. W. K. Bethune was re-elected secretary and Mr. James Williamson was elected treasurer.

—Maxton Scottish Chief: At a meeting of the board of directors of the Bank of Robeson, held on April 22, Mr. O. C. Spaulding tendered his resignation as cashier to take effect May 22. Mr. Spaulding stated that he resigned only because he had determined to go into the insurance business on a large scale, and therefore would not have time to devote to the duties of cashier.

—Antioch correspondence Hoke County Journal: We are not going to attempt a report of Mr. A. W. McLean's address at Antioch till next issue. We will say now, however, that it was like everything he does, of the highest order. North Carolina has many sons of whom she is justly proud. To our mind there is none greater than A. W. McLean, of Lumberton.

—Mr. R. C. Lawrence went Friday night to Winton, Hertford county, in response to a telegram advising that his brother-in-law, Mr. R. C. Bridger, an attorney at Winton, had been stabbed. Mr. Lawrence returned home Saturday night. He found that Mr. Bridger was wounded in the face and neck but his injuries are not considered serious unless lockjaw results. He was stabbed in the court room just after court had adjourned by another attorney, J. R. Mitchell, who grossly insulted Mr. Bridger and was knocked down by Mr. Bridger before he was stabbed. There had been bad blood between the men for some time.

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