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## SUPERIOR COURT.

### Disposition Made of a Number of Cases in Criminal Court—Grand Jury Makes Report.

The grand jury, Mr. D. Z. McGougan foreman, filed its report yesterday. It passed upon 49 bills, finding 45 true bills. Some repairs were recommended at the county home, a new tent and better cooking facilities for the chain gang, and a metal book case for the court room. Sewer pipes were found clogged at the jail, due to carelessness of prisoners, and conditions at the court house due to neglect of janitor, in properly cleaning up were criticised and it was recommended that the whole court house be thoroughly cleaned at once.

The following cases have been disposed of since this term of court convened Thursday of last week, Judge C. C. Lyon of Elizabethtown presiding (in the following report "a. d. w." and "c. c. w." stand for assault with deadly weapon and carrying concealed weapon, respectively):

Manuel Loftin, seduction; guilty; prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs and defendant to give \$300 bond to appear at next term of court and show that he has paid the prosecuting witness \$200.

Lawson Brooks, housebreaking; plead guilty of trespass; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Will Pope, c. c. w.; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Walter Barrett, Will Pope, retailing; not guilty; Barrett, c. c. w.; guilty.

Hector Gilchrist, retailing; guilty; 12 months on roads.

Fulton Smith, forgery; plead guilty; 12 months on roads.

Ed Smith, c. c. w.; plead guilty.

Albert Brown, larceny; not guilty; c. c. w.; plead guilty; \$10 fine and costs.

Alex. Laceywell, retailing; plead guilty; prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs.

Oscar Prevatt, nuisance; plead guilty; on recommendation of mayor and town attorney of Lumberton, prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs.

Barfield Prevatt, c. c. w. and nuisance; plead guilty; \$10 fine and costs for c. c. w.; on recommendation of mayor and town attorney of Lumberton, prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs.

Luther Watson, c. c. w.; plead guilty; on recommendation of town of Maxton, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Arthur Bristow, c. c. w.; plead guilty; \$10 fine and costs.

Sim Mudd, c. c. w.; plead guilty; \$10 fine and costs.

Edgar Boyd, c. c. w.; plead guilty; \$10 fine and costs.

Florence and Dee Morrison, larceny; guilty; prayer for judgment continued on payment of costs.

Hattie McEachern, retailing; guilty; 12 months in jail with leave to commissioners to hire out, she to pay costs out of hire.

Sampson McEachern, retailing; guilty; 12 months on roads. Plead guilty in another case and prayer for judgment continued.

Giles Hunt, disturbing religious congregation; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Edward Smith, disposing of mortgaged property; not guilty.

Bob Currie, a. d. w.; plead guilty; \$25 fine and costs.

Butler Faircloth, larceny, 2 counts; changed to forcible trespass and defendant plead guilty; 12 months in jail with leave for commissioners to hire out in one case, prayer for judgment continued in the other, costs in both to be paid out of hire.

Archie McMillan, Byron McNeill, a. d. w.; not guilty.

Ed Simmons, nuisance; guilty; \$25 fine and costs and bond of \$100 to appear at November term 1913, and show good behavior.

Jess Taylor, c. c. w.; plead guilty; judgment same as in case of Simmons.

Willie Mercer, nuisance; not guilty.

Jim Buck, larceny; motion to set aside verdict and for new trial.

A. L. Bullock, J. P. Bown, H. C. McNair, Paisley McMillan,

## HOPE MILLS NEWS.

### Church Services—Church Grounds Improved—Death of a Faithful Couple.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Hope Mills, Nov. 12—On the morning of the 3rd Mr. and Mrs. A. P. McNeill were blessed with a son.

Morning and evening services will be conducted on next Sunday at the Presbyterian church by the pastor, Rev. L. Smith. On next Friday night services will be conducted at the Baptist church by the Rev. Joel Snyder, pastor of the First Baptist church in Fayetteville. On next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock Rev. R. B. John, presiding elder, will hold the fourth quarterly meeting in the Methodist church here, and will also conduct preaching services in that church at 7 p. m.

The ladies of the Baptist Woman's Missionary Society are improving the church grounds. The grounds are being leveled up and concrete steps and walk will be built from the street up to the church. This will be a great improvement and the church is to be congratulated.

Mr. Charles Benton Creel died at the home of his daughter Mrs. Minnie Moore, at Durham, on August 11 last. He was born at Hope Mills March 26, 1846, and lived at this place almost all his days. To the disappointment of many his body was not immediately brought to Hope Mills for burial but was interred where he died. But when the faithful companion of his earthly journey died, it was determined to bury them both at the same place. His body accordingly was taken from its first burial ground, put into an airtight steel vault, and shipped to Hope Mills along with the remains of his deceased wife, Mrs. Louisa (Biggs) Creel, who died in Durham October 28, 1891, and Mrs. Creel were buried side by side in the Adcox cemetery, November 1. Mrs. Creel was a true, good woman whose memory will not soon fade, while Mr. Creel was well known at home for his faithfulness, the gentleness of his spirit, and un-failing kindness to all. When their graves are seen in the clean yellow sand of old Cumberland some will remember the long-bearded man who carried the mail and the woman who staid at home.

Jas. A. Johnson, W. P. McAllister (board of road commissioners of Robeson county), failure to work roads; motion to mark Memphis Britt as prosecutor; not guilty.

Walter Locklear, a. d. w.; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Dozier and Aus Neely, Arch. McMillan, Tom McNair, Governor Bell, Jno. Love, disturbing religious congregation; guilty; \$10 fine each and costs amounting to \$48 50 each.

Cliff Meekins, attempt to break into house; not guilty.

Jno. Locklear, a. d. w.; plead guilty; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Mack Bethea, c. c. w.; plead guilty; \$15 fine and costs; a. d. w.; plead guilty of simple assault; judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Nol. Pros. has been entered in the following cases: Chas. Conolly, larceny and housebreaking; Ed. Lockamy, attempt to break into store; Garfield Howell, retailing; Jet Bethea, assault; W. F. Brown, murder; French Oxendine, c. c. w.; Archie Bass, retailing; Frank Atkinson, larceny; Jake Page, retailing; Cliff Meekins, c. c. w.

The following cases have been continued, by consent or otherwise: French Blount, c. c. w.; Duncan McLaurin, Aaron Powell, Lawrence Scott, Jno. Brown, Isaac McMillan, Maggie Lennon, retailing; Will Grimsley, perjury; Jno. Gaddy, c. c. w.; J. W. Thompson, elopement.

Judgment has been suspended in the following: Joe Wall, Sam Bennett, Jake Page, retailing; Will Locklear, assault; Fletcher Cobb, Sandy Smith, c. c. w.; Conary Hardin, nuisance and a. d. w.

We hope this great medicine will yet be sold in every drug store in Porto Rico. For throat and lung troubles it has no equal. A trial will convince you of its merit. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

## MT. ELIAM MATTERS.

### Can't Fool 'Em—Prophets—Better Mail Service—Hog Cholera—Why Not Have a Fair—Other Matters.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mr. Eliam (Orum, R. I.), Nov. 11—Nothing has more enlightened the country people than has the rural routes. Since they have become so numerous the farming people are about the readingest class of people we have today. They keep posted right up-to-now on all subjects. And no more as in the past can they be fooled into doing things that would be against them. This was made plain when they were not misled, but went to the polls and sent back to the United States Senate F. M. Simmons, the man who has stood by them so as to win their confidence. Some say good times ahead, while others say bad. However, we hope the good-time prophets are right as right, and the bad-time ones as wrong as wrong. Praise be! It has happened at last. Our mail carrier waits for the morning train, and we get The Robesonian on Tuesday and Friday instead of Wednesday and Saturday, as always in the past.

Mr. Evander Stone and family, who had been living at Lumberton for some time past, have moved back to the "Mount."

The farmers who have held their cotton are all smiles, while those who have parted with theirs forever look as if they had never smiled.

The hog cholera seems to have been severe in many sections of the country during the last while. There is no doubt but it has cost the farmers of Robeson county thousands of dollars.

With a citizen like Col. E. F. McRae why is it Robeson cannot have a fair next year? Mr. McRae has been successful as president of the State fair, and we think he could be even more successful as president of a Robeson county fair.

We sympathize with some with a sympathetic feeling, but what's the use?

We hear that a Progressive constable was elected in both Orrum and Britt's townships.

Services were held in the new church on the Broad Ridge for the first time yesterday.

A certain man bought a certain hog one day recently, and put that certain hog in a box and put the box in a cart, and started for home, which was several miles away. Everything went fine till he arrived at home, and went to take the certain hog out of the cart, and in some miraculous way the certain said hog had gotten out of the box, and the certain man hasn't seen that certain hog since. Sad but true.

After being on the "look-around" for two or three weeks, we are back in school trying to learn a thing or two.

Happy Jack

## Property Values for Lumberton Township.

Mr. Wade Wishart will soon have completed abstracts of the polls and property values of the entire county. Lumberton township shows: 824 polls; 19,740 acres of land valued at \$502,872; 1,617 acres of timber land valued at \$4,600; 1,162 town lots valued at \$656,300; total value of real estate, \$1,163,772; 520 horses and mules valued at \$45,590; total personal property, \$1,161,273; total value of real and personal property, \$2,325,045; bank stock owned in Lumberton, \$125,447.

## Gov. Kitchin and Senator Simmons File Final Expense Account.

The final statement of Senator Simmons of expenses incurred in the recent senatorial campaign, as required by law, was made public yesterday and shows his entire expenses for the campaign, as required to be reported, amounted to \$7,240 80. The total contributions of friends to the fund was \$2,763.

According to his final statement, filed Tuesday, Governor Kitchin's race for the United States Senate cost him \$6,782.38.

For regular action of the bowels; easy, natural movements, relief of constipation, try Doan's Regulets. 25c at all stores.

## SPECIAL SCHOOL TAX

### Stand of Teachers Assembly for 5 Cents on \$100 Property Valuation.

Raleigh Special, 11th, to Charlotte Observer.

The determination of the legislative committee of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly to press upon the Legislature the matter of a specific State tax of 5 cents on the \$100 property valuation, for a fund with which to assure to all public schools in the State six months instead of four months minimum school terms, is stirring considerable discussion of the State's finances.

It is estimated that the proposed five-cent tax will raise about \$458,000 and this is about the amount that it is figured will be required to give the six-months minimum, including the \$375,000 that the State now gives to the schools out of the general fund.

The last Legislature raised the school tax from 18 cents to 20 cents on the \$100 property valuation. But this fund remains in the counties and is not figured as a State school fund at all. The educational leaders seem determined to make this stand for a specific 5 cents on the \$100 State tax, instead of any further special appropriations from the general State fund, as has been the policy in the past.

States finances are to be a very considerable problem with the approaching Legislature. Two years ago there was a deficit of \$300,000 that it was intended that the changed revenue and machinery act would eliminate through increased revenue. But the appropriations by the last Legislature carried such increased amounts that there has been no possible chance to wipe out the deficit. Furthermore there seems to be very likely a still further shortage that will run the total deficit to somewhere around \$500,000 or \$600,000.

## Minimum School Term Recommended.

Raleigh Special, 10th, to Charlotte Observer.

The legislative committee of the North Carolina Teachers' Assembly, in session in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, decided to recommend to the assembly, which meets in Greensboro, November 26-28, a minimum school term for each district in the State of six months. To accomplish this the committee will recommend that the General Assembly pass an act authorizing the minimum term of six months and that funds be raised by levying a 5-cent State tax on the hundred dollars, these to be apportioned from the State treasury by the Board of Education. The six-months term will be exclusive of the special tax levies by districts.

The committee also recommended that the county instead of the township be made the unit of the apportionment of school funds.

## Electric Power Station Tested—Power to Mills Next Week.

The sub-station here of the Yadkin River Power Co., located on the south-western edge of town on the left bank of Lumber river, was tested Tuesday by turning on the "juice" and was found to be all right. Messrs. Chas. E. Johnson and H. H. Carr of Raleigh, president and general manager, respectively, of the Carolina Light and Power Co., were here to witness the test.

The Lumberton and Dresden cotton mills, which have heretofore been operated by steam, will be operated with electric power beginning Monday of next week, when power will be turning on from this station.

## Installing New Machinery.

The Lumberton Motor Car Co. has just received a large iron plainer, big drill press, trip hammer and quite a lot of other machinery, which will be installed at once in the shop on Fifth street. After the installation of this machinery the shop will be up-to-date in every respect and the company will then be in position to handle all kinds of heavy work, such as repairing railroad engines and the like.

Impure blood runs you down—makes you an easy victim for disease. For pure blood and sound digestion—Burdock Blood Bitters. At all drug stores. Price \$1.00.

## TOWN AFFAIRS.

### Tax Collector Redfern Makes a Good Showing—Monthly Meeting of Town Commissioners.

The mayor and town commissioners met in regular monthly session Tuesday night, this meeting having been put off one week from the time for the regular meeting, which was election day.

Several citizens of the eastern part of town came before the board and made complaint as to unsanitary conditions around the Sanitary Steam Laundry, caused by filthy water and refuse matter being turned out on top of the ground without proper provisions being made for carrying same off. It was ordered that the proper parties be required to provide adequate provisions for the carrying off of this matter so as to fully eliminate this nuisance. Messrs. W. J. Prevatt, M. W. Floyd and W. G. Pitman were appointed a committee to see that this order is enforced.

The superintendent of the light and water department was instructed to have the 2 auxiliary pumps at the power house placed in good repair, so that same may be used in case of an emergency.

The mayor and clerk and treasurer were authorized to execute renewal notes to Mr. Robt. G. Lassiter, Oxford, in payment of notes for street paving, which were due November 1st, 1912.

Messrs. R. E. Lee, James D. Proctor and Dr. W. O. Edmund were appointed a committee to investigate and draft a proper ordinance for the inspection and sale of fresh meats within the corporate limits of the town.

G. T. Page, clerk and treasurer, presented his final settlement with H. H. Redfern, tax collector, for town taxes for the year 1911-12, which was approved by the finance committee. This report shows that out of a total of \$22,105.10 taxes for the year, Mr. Redfern had collected the sum of \$21,821.99, or nearly 99 per cent. of the total amount, leaving a balance of \$283.11 uncollected, most of which is uncollectable by reason of the fact that the parties have left town.

## Mr. N. A. McIntyre of Rennert Passes.

Mr. N. A. McIntyre, a well-known citizen of the county, died suddenly yesterday afternoon at his home near Rennert. He is survived by his wife and several children. It is thought that the funeral and interment will take place this afternoon at Mount Parbor church. He was about 60 years old.

## Exchanging Old School Books.

Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of public instruction, asks The Robesonian to call attention to the fact that the time for exchanging old school books for new expires December 1. This applies to all school books except United States histories, which may be exchanged at any time.

Gov. Kitchin issued Tuesday his proclamation calling upon the people to observe Thursday, November 28, as a day of Thanksgiving.

—Mr. W. D. Baggett is sick today at his home on Second street and about noon he was thrown from the porch to the ground on his head by the breaking of a banister against which he was leaning, giving rise to rumor that he was seriously hurt; but he was not badly hurt in the fall.

—Mr. W. H. Johnson, who has charge of Mr. U. M. Edwards' bicycle shop on Elm street, was before the mayor this morning on a charge of driving a horse a little too fast on the streets Tuesday night. He was fined \$2.

—Chief of Police H. H. Redfern, who is also tax collector for the town, says that the taxpayers just must open up their hearts and come across for the town is complaining of financial pains and the "coin" is the only medicine that the town fathers will recommend. Town taxes are due and the tax book has been in Chief Redfern's hands for several days.

## BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

—Cotton today, 12 cents.

—Mr. James Cowan has accepted a position in the First National bank, starting to work a few days ago.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Francis E. Lewis and Lee Roy Spivey; Etie Lewis and Neill A. McLellan.

—The town is having its cemetery map put upon the county record so that official reference may be made to the lots. The work is being done by Mr. W. Lennon.

—Dr. J. G. Murphy of Wilmington, throat and nose specialist, is spending today in Lumberton at the Thompson hospital, where he is performing several operations.

—Mr. J. R. Morris, the bakery man, spent Tuesday in St. Paul, where he has opened up a cafe. Mr. Matthew Spaine, Italian, is in charge of the cafe and will manage same.

—Mr. A. Weinstein returned this morning from New York and Baltimore, where he spent a few days purchasing goods for his big drygoods store, Elm and Fourth streets.

—Rev. Thos. P. Noe, an Episcopal minister of Wilmington, will preach in the Presbyterian church here Tuesday evening of next week at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

—Rev. J. W. Bradley's subject next Sunday morning at Chestnut Street Methodist church will be, "The holy waters" or "Waters to swim in." At 7 p. m. his subject will be, "The pleasantness of the Christian's way."

—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Burchett have moved from McDonald to rural route No. 2 from Lumberton. They are living now with their son Mr. Jno. Burchett on Mr. Wm. Stone's place but will move shortly to a place belonging to Mr. H. McE. McMillan.

—Among the insurance policies carried by the late W. S. Cobb of Lumber Bridge were two in the Mutual Life of New York, written by Mr. J. A. Barker of Lumberton, one for \$15,000 taken out within the past year or so, and another for \$1,000.

—Dr. W. A. McPhaul's handsome two-story residence on Elm street is just about complete. The finishing touches are now being made, and Dr. McPhaul says that he thinks he will move into the house next week. This is one of the most attractive homes in town and when completed will have cost about \$15,000.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Gray attended in Fayetteville Tuesday evening the marriage of Miss Lola Bruton, a sister of Mrs. Gray, and Mr. Claude W. Rankin. The marriage took place in Hay Street Methodist church. Mr. Gray returned home yesterday. Mrs. Gray and infant son, F. J. Jr., will return home this evening.

—Mr. Edward Meech is back and, beginning with this evening, will be at the Pastime theatre as pianist. Mr. Wishart, manager of the picture show, says there will be no more self-player piano business in his. Mr. Meech has been away for about three months, spending the time in Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota. He returned this morning.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Beckwith left yesterday for Norfolk, Va., in response to a message announcing the serious illness of Mrs. Beckwith's mother, Mrs. Dunbar. They took with them their youngest child, and the other two, little Miss Evelina and Master Quintus, went this morning to Wilmington, where they will spend some time with relatives.

—Messrs. W. A. Meares and M. M. Stackhouse, of Dillon, S. C., lost by fire on Saturday night, November 2, their homes and practically all they had in them. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it started in Mr. Meares' residence, Mr. Meares' catching from it. Mr. Meares was in town Tuesday. He is a son of Mr. J. F. Meares, of Bellamy. He has been living in Dillon for about 10 years.