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WELCOME DELEGATES

The Robesonian extends, in behalf of the Methodists and all other citizens of Lumberton, a cordial welcome to all the preachers and delegates who will attend the sessions of the Rockingham district conference which will be held in Chestnut Street Methodist church next week. The town will be turned over to all who come to attend this conference and it is to be hoped that the visitors will enjoy their stay in Lumberton as much as Lumberton will enjoy having them. A list of those who have volunteered to provide homes for the preachers and delegates and a partial list of the delegates will be found elsewhere in this paper. Lumberton will be mighty glad to entertain them.

WARE TOWN WATER.

In Monday's Robesonian it was stated that the analysis of the river water furnished houses through the town's water system indicates that it is not even safe for use in washing dishes. It must not be supposed by outsiders that this water is intended for drinking purposes. The purest drinking water is supplied here from artesian wells. But that notice was intended for some who regard the danger from the use of the river water as slight and would rather use it in a push than to go out of their way. For instance, some people think it all right to use river water for brushing their teeth. Rather odd that anybody should think so unless such persons think it fit to drink, for no water is safe for such intimate use unless it is safe to drink. Safety lies only in being very careful in the use of the river water.

A COMMENDABLE ACT.

Representative Young, Republican, of Michigan, rose nobly the other day to an opportunity to do what few once firmly seated in office have ever done. It seems that the board of canvassers had acted within the law in throwing out, on a technicality, 458 votes cast for his opponent, McDonald, but there was no doubt that the voters intended to vote for McDonald. Mr. Young was given the certificate of election but he refused to take advantage of the trick that defeated his opponent and last Saturday after ten years service in the House, he announced his determination to resign. There are no doubt other Congressmen with just as high a sense of honor as that, but it is probably true that more would have laid "the flattering unction of their souls" that it was no business of theirs to go behind the decision of the board the duty of which it was to decide who was entitled to the seat. All honor to Mr. Young and may his tribe increase.

JOBS FOR DEMOCRATS.

Mr. A. W. McLean of Lumberton says that while in Washington the first of this week he made some investigations into the situation in regard to postoffices which do not pay more than \$500 and that there is no reason why they should not be filled by Democrats. As stated in The Robesonian recently, these offices have been thrown open to competitive examinations and Mr. McLean thinks there will be no trouble about Democrats getting them wherever they apply. There are several offices in this county that might just as well be filled by Democrats, and Mr. McLean thinks Democrats can get them by going after them.

"I suffered habitually from constipation. Doan's Regulents relieve and strengthened the bowels so that I have been regular every since"—E. Davis, Grocer, Sulphur Springs, Tex.

BUYING AT THE MILLS.

Mr. Jonathan Peele dared The Robesonian to ask the Charlotte Observer why cotton mills do not buy cotton direct from the farmers and vowed that The Observer would not answer it. We told Brother Peele that we knew the mills here formerly bought their cotton direct and might buy some cotton now that way for all we knew to the contrary, and expressed doubt about the question being anything of a poser for The Observer; but we passed it along and The Observer comes back with the following perfectly candid and intelligible explanation:

"Editor Sharpe of The Lumberton Robesonian puts a question to The Observer in this shape:

"The Robesonian was glad to receive a call yesterday from Polly Peele, from up Laurinburg way, and is happy to note that his health is improving. Polly says The Robesonian on to ask The Charlotte Observer why it is that its particular pets, the cotton mills, don't buy cotton direct from the farmers. Mr. Peele says we can ask The Observer this question any way we please and that The Observer will not answer it."

"The question our friend Peele would have The Robesonian ask The Observer is a perfectly proper one and we do not know why he should think this paper will not answer it. As a matter of fact a number of mills in the State buy cotton direct from such of the farmers as care to sell to the mills. That the mills do not buy as a general thing from the farmers is conditioned upon the same reason that farmers do not buy their sugar from the factories. They go direct to the merchant, because he keeps a stock to meet his needs. The cotton buyer performs the identical function. He is a distributor for the cotton farmer. A mill takes cotton according to the grade it uses. It can use but one grade, because the rolls are set to the length of that particular grade, and the running of different grades would necessitate the changing of all the machinery of that particular mill. No mill could buy a miscellaneous lot of cotton. A farmer might bring in a lot of four bales. Going, say, to the Atherton Mill, he would find that mill could take only one grade of the lot. He would drive to another mill and have a grade suitable for that mill to run, and so on until he had disposed of his four bales to as many mills. The Cotton buyer takes all the cotton and supplies the demand of the mills by grades. The buyer is thus a distributing agent, just as the merchant is. He is as much of a necessity to the cotton producer as the merchant is to the consumer, performing the same function in trade economics. One marketing season without the utility of the cotton buyer would be an interesting experiment, but we fear it would prove an unsatisfactory experience for the producer. Meanwhile, we see no reason why any farmer who wants to sell direct to the mill may not exercise that privilege. For cotton of the desired grade and in the quantity needed, he would find a customer at the mill."

Doorkeeping at the office of the various departments of the Government in Washington is a cinch. About all the doorkeepers have had to do heretofore has been to warm a seat for 7 or 8 hours a day and draw their pay. Wherefore a wail went up mighty strong when Joseph A. Holmes, chief of the bureau of mines (professor in the science department of the University of North Carolina several years ago), put the doorkeepers whose duty it was to loaf about his office to work addressing envelopes and copying things. If that gets popular the ancient and honorable job of keeping a door will look like work and that sort of job will be a sort of training school for those who want to get up speed in the use of the typewriter.

The hand that rocks the cradle and the hand that throws the rocks must be cautiously differentiated in all essays on modern feminism. The cradle-rockers are in a vast majority.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Urgent Appointment of Watts—Choice of 90 Per Cent. of Voters.

A party of North Carolinians headed by Senator Simmons and Governor Craig called at the White House Monday and were in conference with President Wilson about an hour urging him to appoint A. D. Watts collector of the western district of North Carolina. Gov. Craig was the principal spokesman. He stated that Watts was the choice of 90 per cent. of the Democratic voters of the State, an untiring party worker, a competent business man of excellent character and a man to be thoroughly trusted in every respect. Several others of the party spoke in behalf of Mr. Watts, saying it would be a disastrous blow to the Democratic party in the State if the wishes of tens of thousands of his endorsers were not followed. Included in the party were A. W. McLean of Lumberton, Jas. W. Pou and J. W. Bailey of Raleigh, E. L. Travis, Corporation Commissioner. The party also called at the Treasury Department and held a long interview with Secretary McAdoo. Both the President and Secretary McAdoo listened attentively to the urging of the North Carolinians and assured them their endorsements would be remembered when the rush of executive business permitted them to take up the matter of the North Carolina collectorship. The conference was hastily arranged when it was learned that Governor Craig would pass through the city on his way to visit his son at Annapolis. The absence of Senator Overman from the party was explained by the fact that he had not returned from a week-end trip to New York, and Secretary of the Navy Daniels was also out of the city, not having returned from a tour of the Southern Navy yards.

Farmers Insist on Better Rates.

Charlotte Observer, 13th. The North Carolina officials and executive committee of the Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union of America, mailed from their headquarters, the office of President H. Q. Alexander, at Matthews, last night, letters to the 2,200 locals comprising the North Carolina Division calling upon them to rally to the aid of the Just Freight Rate Association of North Carolina, and to urge upon Governor Locke Craig and the Legislature the necessity for action with regard to the discriminatory freight rates charged by railroads of this State.

Immediate action is urged by the officials of the union and every local union is asked to call meetings at once, pass resolutions and mail them to Governor Craig at the earliest possible moment.

Asheville Bankers Must Go to Prison.

Asheville Dispatch, 13th. Joseph E. Dickerson, director of the defunct First National Bank of this city, who, in company with Major W. E. Breese, the president, was found guilty of conspiracy in connection with the failure of the bank and was sentenced to serve two years in the penitentiary, was formally sentenced today and placed in the custody of the marshal. He will be taken to Atlanta tomorrow. Major Breese, who also had been ordered to report for sentence today was not in court, his attorneys declaring that it would be a physical impossibility for him to be present. His bond was forfeited and a capias issued for him. The case of these two men has been in court for 16 years and the Supreme Court, to which it was finally carried last year, confirmed the judgment of the lower court.

Mrs. Longstreet Fails of Re-Appointment.

Washington Dispatch, 13th. Denied reappointment as postmaster at Gainesville, Ga., Mrs. Helen D. Longstreet, widow of the famous Confederate general, has been offered a position by a former Union soldier. Mrs. Longstreet said today that Col. Albert E. Boone of Clarksburg, W. Va., had offered her the office. She added, "I shall accept his \$500 a year. If I find that I am fitted to do the work in Colonel Boone's office," she added, "I shall accept his offer in the same spirit in which General Longstreet accepted a commission from President Grant when he found himself an outcast in the land whose battle flags he had followed with supreme devotion."

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STATE NEWS.

Three townships in McDowell county voted Tuesday bonds for better roads, one a bond issue of \$50,000, one of \$10,000 and the other of \$20,000.

Material is being assembled for the rebuilding of the Raleigh News and Observer building, which is to be restored in much more complete and adequate shape than before. The work will require several months.

At the Memorial Day celebration in Asheville Saturday Mrs. Zebulon Baird Vance was presented the cross of honor of her late husband, who though a hard fighter and good soldier, did not receive a cross of honor during his lifetime.

While tearing down an old residence in Salem the other day workmen found \$1,300 tucked snugly away in a little opening made by the removal of a brick in the old chimney place. It is supposed to have been hidden there from the Yankees during the 60's.

Former Judge Armistead Burwell, for a number of years one of the associate justices of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, died at his home in Charlotte Tuesday. He was one of the leading attorneys of the Charlotte bar, as well as one of that city's most prominent citizens. He was about 65 years of age.

Linville Falls dispatch, 12th: The mountains, it seems, will indeed be without fruit this year. In addition to losing the greater part of the blackberries and nearly all the huckleberries by fire, the late frosts have killed the peaches and now the apples. The peaches were destroyed in all this region, even as low as an altitude of 1,700 feet, two or three weeks ago. Saturday and Sunday nights severe frosts laid all early vegetation low and it is the general opinion that all apples, except in sheltered coves away from watercourses, have been killed.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

The Federal Government's "money laundry" will be in full swing this week when the Treasury Department will begin the operation of four currency washing machines, turning out daily 100,000 washed and ironed notes which otherwise would be destroyed.

A 2-days conference at which Republican leaders outlined plans for reorganizing the party closed in Chicago Monday. It was attended by 6 Senators, many members of the House of Representatives and leaders from various States. The sentiment expressed was in favor of uniting the Progressive and Republican parties.

Washington dispatch, 13th: Special agents of the Department of Justice, officers of a nationally-known detective agency and the local police have been called in by the Navy Department to investigate a "leak," through which during the last four months several relatively unimportant plans of ships and also minor documents have disappeared. Navy officials are inclined to minimize the importance of the losses.

Washington dispatch, 13th: A statement given out by Secretary of Commerce Redfield indicates that the quantities of manufacturers' materials imported into the United States during the present fiscal year will greatly exceed the imports of last year and will exceed the mark of any previous year in the history of our country. If the figures for the nine months ended March, 1913, be a criterion. Of the 10 important articles forming the bulk of the imports of such materials—i. e., cotton, wool, fibers, silk, tin, copper, rubber, hides, lumber, and tobacco—the imports will with but two exceptions, exceed the former high record mark.

School Progress in Robeson.

Raleigh Times, 14th. Prof. Brogden, field worker of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, came in today from Parkton, Robeson county. It is a town of about 500 people, but has a \$12,500 public school building, and a very handsome one, well equipped and largely attended. Prof. Brogden says the progress in Robeson is remarkable and that during the past 30 days four places have voted \$15,000 each in bonds for the erection of school buildings.

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