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JULY 4TH CELEBRATION.

Lumberton Preparing to Make This a Great Day for Robeson County—Celebration Decided Upon at Meeting of Business Men Yesterday—Committees Appointed

At a well-attended meeting of business men in the commissioners' room at the court house yesterday afternoon it was unanimously decided to have a big July Fourth celebration in Lumberton this year.

The meeting was called by Mr. R. D. Caldwell, who stated its object. Mr. J. A. McAllister, ex-Judge T. A. McNeill and others, in expressing themselves as heartily in favor of making this a big day for Robeson county, suggested that it would be well to have some patriotic speeches and also to have some good readers read the Declaration of Independence. Judge McNeill thought it might be well to make the day educational in its nature. Of course details will be worked out later by the various committees, this being merely a meeting to get the sentiment of the business men and other representative citizens of the town as to the advisability of attempting such a celebration.

The large number who left their business to attend this meeting in the afternoon was itself an indication of the interest felt in the proposed celebration and decision to have it was unanimous.

Mr. Caldwell was elected chairman and Mr. J. A. Sharpe was elected secretary. The following committees were appointed by the chairman.

Program—Frank Gough, chairman; J. A. Sharpe, H. E. Stacy, E. J. Britt, J. R. Poole.

Advertising—W. K. Bethune, chairman; C. S. Parnell, W. S. Wishart, M. W. Floyd, J. T. Biggs, A. E. Spivey. Decorations—J. P. Townsend, chairman; W. O. Thompson, D. D. French, Harry Weinstein, J. D. McMillan.

Funds—C. V. Brown, K. M. Barnes, H. M. McAllister, R. C. Lawrence.

Transportation—M. G. McKenzie, chairman; J. P. Russell, M. Beverly, Frank Gough.

Music R. R. Carlyle, chairman; C. B. Skipper, A. T. Parmele, W. Lennon, J. Pope Stephens.

Chairman Caldwell is ex officio a member of all committees.

It is earnestly hoped that the ladies will co-operate with the men in making this a celebration that will be worth while, worthy great county of Robeson. No pains or expense will be spared to make it a day long to be remembered, a day of pleasure and profit to all who can come.

The committees will go to work at once and plans will take definite shape within a few days. Watch The Robesonian for further information and make your arrangements as early as possible to be in Lumberton on that day. It will be worth your time to be here. It will be a day you cannot afford to miss.

Lumberton Men in Automobile Mix-Up in Fayetteville.

Fayetteville Observer, 27th.

Mr. W. J. Jones of Campbellton was run down this morning by an automobile in front of Souders' drug store on Hay street. The car, which was driven by the owner, Mr. Stevens of Lumberton, was not going at a rapid speed and the driver tried hard to stop, but Mr. Jones became confused and could not get out of the way, so he was hurled with considerable force to the hard paving. The car did not pass over him, but one arm on which he fell, and his stomach are very sore, caused no doubt from concussion.

In the car with Mr. Stevens were ex-Judge Thos. A. McNeill and Mr. E. E. Page of Lumberton. Mayor Underwood placed Mr. Stevens under a bond of \$400, pending the outcome of the hurt man's injuries.

Messrs. J. Dickson McLean and R. E. Lee were also in the car. The statement that Mr. Stevens was placed under \$400 bond seems to have been a mistake. Mr. Stevens was going very slowly and stopped the car immediately after the man, who became confused and dodged directly in front of the car, was struck. A large crowd gathered when the accident occurred and some of the Lumberton men thought their time had come, seeing as how they were men from a city running down a man in a small village—but they escaped with their lives.

—Tuesday afternoon there was a heavy rain storm here and elsewhere throughout the county and considerable hail fell about 2 miles north of Maxton. How much, if any, damage was done to crops has not been learned.

PARKTON PARAGRAPHS.

The Final Summons—A Rushing Time Digging and Marketing Irish Potatoes—A Bold "Blind Tiger" Pinched—"Sump'n's" Going to Happen—Chickens Must Be Kept Up.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Parkton, May 27—Our town and community were greatly grieved this morning at the news that little Bethune Malloy had died at 4 o'clock. This was the only child of Capt. and Mrs. Malloy and was the idol of the home, aged about 2 years, a sweet and pretty child, exceptionally bright and interesting. He had been sick for a week or more. Dr. Northrop of St. Paul's was with Dr. Currie, also a trained nurse, but all efforts to save the child were in vain. The funeral will be from the Presbyterian church at Lumber Bridge tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock and interment will be made in the family cemetery there.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon Mrs. E. K. Campbell received a telegram announcing the death of her father, Mr. Alford, who lived near Wakulla. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell left immediately for the home of the deceased.

Mrs. J. G. Hughes was taken to a hospital in Fayetteville last night for special treatment. She had been sick for some time.—Mrs. Henry Welch is very sick at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. W. Thompson.

Mr. M. B. Haywood returned home Thursday from Savannah, Ga., where he had been for some time. He is also unwell.—Mr. D. P. McMillan returned home Sunday from Perry, Fla., where he had been since last fall.

Misses Effie and Carrie McMillan returned home Wednesday from the Southern Presbyterian College at Red Springs, and Messrs. D. H. McCormick and Prentis Stanton returned home Saturday from the A. and M. College at Raleigh.

Since the close of the school times have been a little dull, but the mighty rush of digging and hauling and shipping Irish potatoes has started and you never saw a more rushing time. The crop is a little short but the prices seem to be good. The head office is on the second floor of the Perry building with telephone office and stenographers and a great many operators who report at the head office every night. This is a big firm and thousands of dollars will be distributed in our town and community from this crop.

Our town was visited this morning about 4 o'clock by one of the heaviest rains that has fallen here this year, also some hail, but not enough to damage crops very much, so far as we have been advised.

There were two or more arrests by Mayor Odum Saturday afternoon. Parties were caught retailing liquor right in broad open daylight in the back yard of the Parkton Mercantile Co's. store, one white man named Prevatt and an Indian named L. B. Chavis. It seems that Chavis had brought a buggy load of liquor to town with him to retail and sold out in a few minutes' time. He was locked up until Monday morning when he was given a preliminary hearing in a justice's court and was bound to court in the sum of \$250, which he gave and was released. The evidence, it is said, will be sufficient to convict the Chavis fellow.

We wonder if this will not reduce the retailing in our little town. Just to think, people are bold enough to drive into town in broad open daylight and retail liquors!

Another trial in town this morning, D. E. Canady and brother plaintiff, A. P. West defendant. The warrant charged that West assaulted Canady with a deadly weapon. 'Squire McCormick heard the trial and released Mr. West on condition that he pay the costs and vacate Mr. Canady's house within 10 days.

Deputy W. E. Parham is on the move nearly every day with some one and he surely will bring them.

Mr. Editor, I must ask that you reserve space a week hence, as there will be something doing of a different nature—something that pleases "Happy Jack," and I wish he had my job, or "Aunt Becky."

Watch Parkton grow.

Our chief advises that it will cost 50 cents a head for every chicken reported to him that is left to run at large. This is no new law, but he says it will be strictly enforced in the future.

—Dr. M. R. Gibson, of Maxton, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, who has been spending Thursdays in Lumberton for the practice of his profession, will go the last of next week to New York, where he will spend some time taking a special course. He will make his regular visit to Lum-

CAROLINA COLLEGE FINALS.

Literary Address by North Carolina's "Grand Old Man"—Delightful Recitals by Members of Faculty and Students—President's Report Shows that a Remarkable Record Has Been Made, Receipts During First Year More Than Balancing Expenses—A Modernly Equipped Building—Splendid Auditorium Just Completed—North Carolina Methodism's Youngest College for Women Gives Promise of Large Usefulness.

Special to The Robesonian.

Maxton, May 28—Beginning with a sermon Sunday in its splendid auditorium which was completed the night before, followed by a faculty recital Tuesday night and ending with a students' recital last night, the first commencement of Carolina College was featured yesterday at 11 o'clock by an address by ex-Governor Thos. J. Jarvis.

Out of a treasury of wisdom made rich by a long life of public service and usefulness, North Carolina's "Grand Old Man," vigorous and forceful despite his 77 years, held the undivided attention of his audience for close on an hour as he delivered a message that was a clarion call to "Service."

For "Service"—the subject nearest his heart—was his theme. When an humble woman, to him unknown, recently told a mother in distress over a wayward son to go to him for advice, saying that "Gov. Jarvis is always trying to do something for somebody," the Governor declared he considered that the handsomest compliment ever paid him.

"This magnificent building," he said, "with no State behind it, erected by the generosity of the people of this and other sections, is a monument to many who have been doing something for somebody—a monument that will stand to bless future generations."

The Governor followed this with the statement that the only genuine, true happiness that can come to women and men is that that comes from having done something for somebody else. And one does not have to go to China or the isles of the sea for service, for all about us lie rich opportunities. Very few of us are called upon to do big things. Life is made up of little things. It is the little flower that blooms to beautify the world."

Of the two greatest institutions for the uplift of humanity—the Church and the school—he was inclined, for the nonce, to magnify the school. He would have every teacher catch a larger vision of his or her profession.

And his ringing declaration that "no goddess man or woman has a right to go into a school room to teach" was received with approving applause.

It is not only the duty of the State to see that its teachers are competent, but it is the duty of the State to make school attendance compulsory. A man has no more right to starve the minds of his children than he has a right to starve their stomachs.

Rarely has any section had so great a compliment paid it. "Starting with this building as a center, and drawing a circle with a radius of 20 miles, you have as splendid a section of country as can be found anywhere in the civilized world—as splendid an agricultural section and as splendid a population."

But of those to whom much is given much is required, and here is the ability and the privilege to make Carolina College a great institution. For the much that has been done here he had words of high praise, but in 10 years he said he hopes to return and find the grounds dotted with other beautiful buildings and 365 students instead of 65, the present number.

In conclusion the Governor painted a beautiful word picture of Rio de Janeiro, where he spent 4 years as Minister to Brazil, and the ascent of a mountain he made with a party of friends there, in order to draw a lesson for his hearers. In going up this mountain views of dazzling beauty were obtained at various heights and at each succeeding stage some expressed themselves as satisfied not to go higher; and some halted at "Devil's Bridge," a dangerous-looking passage; but those who overcame the difficulties and stood at last on the lofty summit 6000 feet above the sea were rewarded with a vision of such surpassing grandeur and loveliness that all the beauty by the way and danger of the upward struggle were forgotten. And even so, here at Carolina College, where the first stage has been reached, he urged that none halt and say "this is good enough";

and let none halt at difficulties, but press on to sublimer heights and the dazzling splendors of the tablelands above.

It was a great address, an inspiring message from a North Carolinian whose great heart is kept perennially young by love and service for his fellow men.

Governor Jarvis was introduced by Hon. F. A. Woodward, of Wilson, himself an honored son of the State, a trustee of the college and the man who wrote its charter. In a beautiful tribute to the former Governor, Mr. Woodward referred to his honorable record of 50 years of public service and declared that now as a private citizen he is rendering his greatest service in ministering to the needs of the children of the State.

Rev. J. E. Underwood of Goldsboro, president of the board of trustees, followed Governor Jarvis with a few words about the college and took occasion to pay a merited tribute to its president, Rev. S. E. Mercer. A wonderful record has been made. This college has during its first year paid all expenses and more, and Mr. Underwood declared that if he has ever seen service illustrated in the life of any man it has been illustrated in the life of Mr. Mercer, who has carried heavy burdens, rendered service without parallel in achieving such success on small means with the college and has served without salary, making possible the splendid report that delighted and surprised trustees and friends. When a meeting of the trustees was held last July he was skeptical about being able to open in September, said Mr. Underwood, for the building was not roofed and lacked much of completion; but Mr. Mercer said it must be done and it was done and, marvelous to relate, the building has been completed, the auditorium has been erected without increasing by more than a very little the debt of \$19,000 which rested on the college a year ago, the college had paid all its running expenses out of receipts and had \$300 over which was expended on the grounds and on equipment. This was made possible by reason of the fact that President Mercer has drawn no salary. St. Paul's Methodist church at Maxton, of which he is pastor, pays a salary of \$1,200 and he has turned back into the college all of the \$600 additional a year he was to have received from that source.

A chorus, a piano solo, a solo by Miss Julia Culbreth, teacher of vocal music—Miss Culbreth charmingly sang Eugene Field's "Little Boy Blue"—preceded the Governor's speech and the morning exercises were concluded with a chorus, there being, of course, no graduating exercises as this is the first year. There was an altogether creditable art exhibit yesterday afternoon which was visited by quite a number of people. Miss Burdette Joyner of Oxford is teacher of this department. Yesterday afternoon also there was a meeting of Carolina College Club, a band of Maxton women, more than 100 strong, who are working to promote the interests of the college. They have furnished the kitchen and dining room and have rendered valuable service in other ways.

The faculty recital given Tuesday evening by Misses Beatrice M. Knight piano, and Julia R. Culbreth, voice, is spoken of in terms of highest praise by all who heard it, also the recital given by the students last night, both of which this reporter was denied the privilege of enjoying.

Carolina College is owned and controlled by the North Carolina Methodist Conference and a truly wonderful and inspiring record has been made here. The building was not completed when the fall term opened last September—only one entrance had been completed and there were no porches; now there are beautiful entrances in front and on each end; and a large auditorium, the acoustic properties of which are not surpassed by any auditorium in the State, was completed last Saturday night. This has raised floors, main and gallery, is furnished with opera chairs and will seat 600 people, besides 75 or more on the stage.

The college building, located in a campus of 20 acres in the northern part of Maxton—8 or 9 acres a beautiful park—is of red pressed brick and gray stone. The recitation rooms are large and well ventilated, furnished with comfortable chairs, and all the furniture in all the rooms is of the best. It is equipped with fire alarms and hose and sanitary drinking fountains on every floor, also toilet and bathrooms. The heating plant is one of the best, installed at a cost of \$7800. Uniform heat is kept

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RED SPRINGS REVIEWS.

Bear Killed After Exciting Chase—Red Springs Defeats Aberdeen—Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Red Springs, May 27—Mr. T. A. McNeill, Jr., of Lumberton was a Red Springs visitor Friday.—Rev. S. A. Cotton, former pastor of the Methodist church at this place, but now at Beaufort, is visiting relatives and friends here this week.—Mr. Jno. J. McGougan was in town Friday.

Mr. D. M. McMillan has just purchased a Ford touring car and is running an auto livery.

Mr. Angus Hodgkin, a candidate for the ministry studying at McCormick University, left Red Springs one day last week to take up mission work in Tennessee.—Mr. Jas. Hall is attending commencement exercises at Davidson College this week.—Mr. D. M. Clarkson of Maxton was in Red Springs Saturday on business.—Miss Genevieve McMillan returned Saturday from Decatur, Ga., where she had been attending Agnes Scott College.—Mrs. Lou Fulmore and Messrs. A. T. McCallum and W. F. Williams returned Saturday from Hot Springs, Ark., where they spent the past month.—Miss Hattie Smith and mother of Elkin are visiting at the home of Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Purcell.—Mr. Edwin Purcell, who has been studying in New York has returned home.

A bear was seen in the vicinity of Antioch church by a negro last Sunday. As soon as they could, a crowd of men gathered together a pack of hounds and went after him. They did not get very close to him, but Monday morning the chase was taken up again and the bear, being rushed pretty close, ran up a tree. Two or three shots were fired at him in the tree and he came down and started to run, but before he had gone far he was killed. It is not known who fired the fatal shot as there were so many shooting at once. Mr. B. W. Townsend brought the bear to Red Springs and has the hide. The bear weighed close to 400 pounds.

Yesterday the Red Springs baseball club met the Aberdeen club on the latter's diamond. The Aberdeen boys, after having a 4-run lead, lost to Red Springs by the score of 11 to 7. The batteries were: Aberdeen, McKeithan and Campbell; Red Springs, Ledbetter, Love and McLean.

Messrs. Ernest Graham, B. F. Williams, Jr., P. M. Ezzell and D. M. McMillan attended the recital at Carolina College at Maxton last evening.—Miss Pattie Watkins left for her home at Farmville, Va., this morning.—Mr. Edwin Marrow returned home from the A. and M. College of Pembroke was in town today.

JACKSONVILLE NEXT.

Will Entertain 24th Annual Reunion Confederate Veterans—Officers Re-elected.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dispatch, 28th.

Jacksonville, Fla., late today was awarded the honor of entertaining the Twenty-fourth Annual United Confederate Reunion, and Commander-in-Chief General Bennett H. Young, of Louisville, Ky., with his three department commanders, were re-elected, at the last important business session of veterans during the present reunion here.

The next reunion went to Jacksonville after more than an hour's deliberation in which the hospitality and fame of that city, Nashville, Tenn., Houston, Texas, and Tulsa, Okla., had been proclaimed by eloquent orators. When a vote was taken Jacksonville received 1,528 votes, Nashville, the nearest opponent receiving 405. The selection of the Florida city was then made unanimously.

Departmental officers who again will serve under the command of General Young are Lieutenant General Theodore S. Garnett, of Norfolk, commander of the army of North Carolina; Lieutenant General Georgia P. Harris, of Opelika, Ala., commander of the army of Tennessee, and Lieutenant General K. M. VanZandt, of Fort Worth, Texas, commander of the trans-Mississippi department.

Other features of the second day reunion programme were the impressive ceremonies attendant upon the dedication of handsome monuments at Chicamauga Park by delegations from Florida and Alabama, and the parade of the Sons of Confederate Veterans. A joint memorial service in honor of the Confederate dead also was held in the auditorium here today at which representatives from the veterans and all other organizations attending the reunion took part.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

—Good middling cotton today 11c.

—A fine horse, valued at about \$250, belonging to Mr. Prentice Barker, died Tuesday. The horse had only been sick a day or so.

—"When She Was About Sixteen," a side-splitting comedy by Edison, and "For the Papoose's Sake," an unusually fine Western picture by Pathe, will be the pictures shown at the Pastime theatre tonight.

—Tomorrow, National Memorial Day, the local banks will be closed, Sunday hours will be observed at the postoffice and the rural mail carriers will not make their rounds. The Robeson Rural Letter Carriers' Association will hold its annual meeting in Lumberton tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

—The Majestic range is being demonstrated at the McAllister Hdw. Company store this week. The demonstration began Monday afternoon and will continue through the week. The numerous features of this great cooking stove are being demonstrated by Mr. J. F. Dowdy, of St. Louis, Mo. All visitors are served free lunch.

—Misses Annie Ruth Caldwell, Mildred McIntyre, Lina Gough, Mildred Williams and Edna Prevatt, all students of Meredith College, Raleigh, came home yesterday for the summer vacation. Miss Lucile Arthur of Morehead City, who attended the Meredith College commencement, came home with Miss Annie Ruth Caldwell and will spend several days in town as her guest. Miss Louise Townsend, a student at the Greensboro Normal, Greensboro, also came home yesterday for the summer.

—Mrs. D. M. Wishart, who lives about four miles east of town, spent yesterday in town a guest at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wishart. Mrs. L. J. Birthright of Wilmington, is a guest at Mr. and Mrs. Wishart's and these two old ladies had yesterday a most pleasant time discussing the events of days long since passed. Mrs. Birthright will be 76 years old in August and Mrs. Wishart will be 76 in November. They were born and reared within half a mile of each other and their homes of childhood days were located on the Whiteville road about 8 miles from Lumberton. These old homes have long since gone down, the fields grown up in trees and there are no buildings at all on the sites, where once were large homes.

Remodeling Building on West Fourth.

Contractor Sam Branch put a force of hands to work this morning on the building on West Fourth street occupied by the Parlor Grocery and the Western Union Telegraph office, recently damaged by fire in the second story. The building will be cut down to one story, a new pressed brick, iron and plate glass front will be put in, and it will be extended back 30 feet. The building is owned by Mr. W. W. Carlyle.

Debate Challenge Accepted.

To the Editor of The Robesonian: We accept the debate challenge given by Messrs. Barnes and McKay, conditionally—that is, if we can agree upon query and terms.

ROWLAND SEALY,
BERNICE PAGE,
Barnesville High School.

To the Editor of The Robesonian:

We hereby accept the recent challenge for debate, which was extended by Messrs. F. M. Barnes and Sam McKay.

WILLIE FLOYD,
W. B. IVEY,
Orum, N. C., May 27, 1913.

"Light Horse Harry" Lee's Remains Taken to Final Resting Place.

Savannah, Ga., Dispatch, 28th.

The body of "Light Horse Harry" Lee, of Revolutionary fame, father of Robert E. Lee, was disinterred today at Dungeness, Cumberland Island, where the remains had been buried for almost a hundred years, and tonight is on its way to Lexington, Va., for final resting place beside that of his distinguished son.

A delegation from Virginia Legislature came to Cumberland Island after the body, an appropriation for this purpose having been made by the Virginia Legislature.

The casket was taken to Fernandina aboard a private yacht, and there began its journey to Virginia. It will be buried in Lee chapel, on the Washington and Lee University campus, in Lexington, Va., Friday.

By gnawing through a dyke even a rat may drown a nation.—Edward Burke.