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LUMBERTON P. O. SITE.

Bond Lot, Chestnut and Second, Recommended—Final Action Not Yet—Correspondents Right Themselves. Washington newspaper correspondents trail along behind The Robesonian and a time after The Robesonian publishes news they send dispatches to State daily papers containing the same information. The Robesonian stated some time ago that \$10,000 was available for a postoffice site for Lumberton. Recently the Washington correspondents balled themselves up about it and got some Lumberton people to guessing, but now they find that The Robesonian was right and in dispatches published in daily papers today Washington correspondents state that \$10,000 is immediately available for a postoffice site for Lumberton.

Which important question having been disposed of, the Washington correspondent of The Wilmington Star proceeded under the date of yesterday to give out the following:

"Hearing that the report of the inspector had been made after investigation regarding the location of the site for the public building at Lumberton, Representative Godwin had a conference today with Supervising Architect Wenderoth.

"The inspector made a report on six proposed sites and recommended the purchase of the R. S. Bond site, as being the most desirable. Godwin learned from Wenderoth that the recommendation of the inspector is not necessarily binding and that all parties interested will have an opportunity to be heard. Representative Godwin is taking no hand in the selection of the site and will see that everyone has a fair chance to be heard."

The Bond lot is on the corner of Chestnut and Second streets and it has been known for some time that that is the most desirable of the lots that were offered and upon which the inspector made his report. It would have been surprising if the inspector had recommended any other of the lots offered him in preference to the Bond lot.

Some interesting developments may be expected about the postoffice site within a few days. It may turn out that some other desirable lot is available. Final action is not yet in sight.

Thaw Case May Drag Along For Months, Even Years.

Washington Dispatch, 17th.

Weeks, months, or possibly years might roll by before the Supreme Court would act finally, should Harry K. Thaw appeal from the decision in the habeas corpus proceeding now pending in New Hampshire. Of late however the court has disposed of such important cases quickly.

Whether an appeal to the Supreme Court from the action of Federal Judge Aldrich, before whom the habeas corpus proceedings were brought, may be granted, will rest entirely, it is said, with Judge Aldrich himself.

A few years ago an appeal from the denial of the writ of habeas corpus was grantable as a matter of right. Practices grew up, however, which courts regard as travesties on justice, and the law was changed to give the judge passing on these cases the power to say whether there was sufficient doubt as to the points raised to justify an appeal.

The Supreme Court does not meet before October 13.

There now are more than 700 cases awaiting disposition and it will take the court more than two years to pass on them. Upon request of either the State of New Hampshire or of New York, the court might advance the case for consideration about the first Monday in December. In the ordinary course of events a decision would be handed down the following January.

Much doubt is expressed here as to whether the New York authorities could find a way to have the higher courts review Judge Aldrich's action should he release Thaw from custody.

Monkey With Arc Light Chain; Killed Instantly.

Monroe Dispatch, 17th.

Nothing that the arc light in front of his home was burning feebly to night at 9 o'clock, C. H. Bivens, manager of a local cotton oil plant, seized the chain supporting the lamp, intending to shake down the carbon, so that it would burn more freely and instantly received a charge of 2,300 volts of electric current, death being instantaneous. It is supposed that the chain had become short circuited, probably caused by the heavy rains this afternoon.

BUIE NEWS BATCH.

Movements of the People Out Burnt Swamp Way.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Buie, Sept. 17—Mrs. R. D. Holderfield, of Petersburg, Va., is spending a few days at the home of her father, Mr. A. C. McLeod. Mr. James McLeod expects to return with Mrs. Holderfield and enter school in a business college.

Miss Effie Britt of Barnesville was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Britt last week.

Mrs. W. R. McNeill and daughter, little Miss Hannah, spent the weekend visiting at Floral College.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bethune and family of Fayetteville came down in their car Sunday and spent the day with relatives. Mrs. E. F. Parnell returned home with them.

Misses Clelia and Vera Britt and their guest Miss Effie Britt spent last Thursday in Maxton.

Mr. Wallace Prior left Sunday for Charleston, S. C., where he will again take up his college work.

Mr. E. K. McLean arrived home last week from a visit to his old home at Edinburgh, Scotland, and reports a grand trip. He left again the latter part of the week for Chapel Hill to enter the university.

Mr. Mack McNeill has accepted a position as salesman in Mr. W. R. McNeill's store.

Misses Vera and Nettie Britt returned home last week after spending several days visiting at Barnesville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Townsend spent Saturday in Lumberton.

Mrs. Fodie Kenyon, who had been spending some time here visiting relatives left last Wednesday for her home at Washington, D. C.

Mr. S. B. Williams spent Monday in Lumberton on business.

Whipping of Convicts Contrary to Constitution.

Raleigh News and Observer.

The whipping of convicts is contrary to the Constitution of the State and against the law was the subject of Judge Charles M. Cooke's charge to the jury yesterday in the trial of J. M. Nipper and Jim Johnson, which came to an abrupt end after Attorney R. N. Simms, for the defense, as Solicitor Norris was not permitted to make their speeches. Instead the judge delivered his brief instructions to the jury and within a few minutes after they retired returned a verdict of guilty against the defendants. Each was fined \$10 and his share of the costs.

The sudden interruption of proceedings was unexpected. Only one speech had been made and two were scheduled for the morning. When Mr. Simms made his preparations for his argument, Judge Cooke informed the attorneys that under the circumstances of what he would charge the jury there would be no further use of talking. His few words to the jury were to the effect that if the jury believed said Nipper and Johnson whipped the convict, Dan Gallagher, they should return a verdict of guilty.

County Meeting Farmers Union.

A county meeting of the Robeson Division of the Farmers' Union was held at the court house here today. All the locals in the county except two were represented with the largest attendance of any previous county meeting held this year. This fact, considering the rain early this morning goes to prove that union interest in the county is fast increasing. Some very important measures were passed on but not of a nature to be made public. The next county meeting will be held in the court house here on the third Thursday in December.

A Young Man Who Wants a Wife.

A certain young man who without the least bit of doubt wants help called to a Robesonian reporter one day recently and asked what it would cost him to get an ad in The Robesonian, and on being asked what kind, he said he wanted to advertise for a wife. He said he would have the ad ready for Monday's paper, so if he don't change his mind it might pay you, if a girl—and in the market—to look out for the expected ad. He seems to think The Robesonian would bring relief; and no doubt it will.

Raleigh Times, 16th: At the Supreme Court this morning the portrait of the late Judge Thomas C. Fuller was presented by Col. Charles W. Broadfoot of Fayetteville and accepted on behalf of the Court by Chief Justice Walter Clark. The portrait is in all an admirable likeness, and is the work of Mrs. Williams of Duplin county.

WITH "AUNT BECKY."

Cotton Crop is Below Average—Mr. McLean's Campaign Job—Residence Being Remodeled—Old-Time Cooking—The Old Slaves Re-Union—Purple Heather from "Bonnie Scotland"—Other Items.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Old Fork, (Maxton, R. 1), Sept. 16—We are having gloomy weather these latter days, and some light showers of rain. It is about time for the September gales, but we have had so much wind this summer I hope they will pass us lightly by.

The hay crop is good in the Fork, and some of our neighbors are harvesting. Cotton picking goes steadily on and the gineries are kept busily engaged; and the farmers are marketing as fast as possible. It is the universal belief in this section that the crop will fall considerably below the average and on some of the farms some kind of an insect has appeared which is sucking the weed and turning it red. I hear that in the vicinity of Maxton a worm or weevil is destroying the bolls, and doing serious injury.

Little Angus, youngest son of Mr. D. M. Stewart, met with a painful accident on Sunday a. m. last. He was on top of a grape arbor (the delight of the small boy) when unluckily a nest of wasps were disturbed, and threatened to sting him. In jumping from the arbor one foot became entangled in the vines, and he hung suspended for a short time, finally falling heavily to the ground. The little fellow was terribly jarred and stunned, and for some time was speechless.

An elder brother, who had just arrived on the scene in time to witness the fall, carried him to the house in his arms, and Dr. A. B. Croom was immediately summoned, who found no bones broken, and at this time he is getting on very well. Grapes are enticing, even to old people, and to children are irresistible. I remember when I used to climb to the top of the vines too, when I was a little girl, and the scuppernongs overhead and out of my reach, in their golden beauty and lusciousness tempted me as the forbidden fruit tempted Mother Eve. And there I sat and ate my fill of pulp, seed and all (but the skins) which would at this day kill the average child; but I survived with never an ache nor a pain.

I am glad to note the recent honor worthily bestowed upon your townsman Mr. A. W. McLean who I am sure will discharge the duties of the position ably and efficiently. Mr. McLean is a true patriot as has been proven in many instances, and one in whose clean hands the interests of his country are safe.

There are two neighboring homes very lonely this morning, missing the presence of three bright young girls, the two Misses Hamer and Miss Dorothy York. The two former have gone to enter Littleton Female College, and the latter to Louisville. They have gone on a grand errand, the result of which will have a great influence in shaping their future lives.

Mr. D. R. Caddell of the Turn-Out section is remodeling and adding to his house, which will be a very nice and pretty home when completed. Mr. Thad Fletcher of Columbus county gave us a pleasant call on Wednesday last. He is a native of Marlboro county, S. C., but removed to Columbus some years ago.

One day recently a little neighbor boy was here, and coming across a peculiar looking chain in the back yard, asked me what kind of chain that was, as he had never seen its like before. "Well Angus," I replied, "that is a relic of old plantation days. The pot rack that used to hang down in the big old chimney, holding above the fire the big dinner pot, in which was boiled vegetables enough to feed about thirty people. You see the fire place was so full of other cookery, that the pot was hoisted up to get it out of the way."

I wish I could see once more that old familiar scene, the dear old "mammy" moving busily around amid a brood of children both black and white, clamoring for "pot licker" and bread, incited by the appetizing odors which reached our nostrils from the steaming pots and ovens.

That reunion of the old slave days in Rockingham was a well merited tribute to their former fidelity, and I think this worthy example should be followed throughout the South. Soon these loyal souls like the Confederate soldiers, will all have passed beyond the shores of time, when it will be too late to show them the appreciation they so richly merit.

There is literally nothing of interest transpiring in these parts. I am just now hearing the wails of two little pickaninies near by whose respective

JUDGE FOUSHEE RESIGNS

Ill Health Compels Retirement From Bench. Durham Special, 17th, to Wilmington Star.

The expected resignation of Judge Howard Alexander Foushee was telegraphed to Governor Craig tonight the resignation to take effect September 21st.

Judge Foushee gives as the cause of his resignation his ill health, as he finds it impossible to keep up his work in the manner he would like to. The worded resignation sets forth the pleasure derived while serving, but according to his doctors' advice, he must give up the work on the bench in order to regain his health. Judge Foushee is a graduate of Wake Forest College and in addition studied in the University of the State. September 9th, 1911, he was appointed Judge of the ninth judicial district, which has since become the tenth. My 1st, 1912, he was unanimously nominated at the Democratic convention in Greensboro to succeed himself. In November of the same year he was elected to succeed himself.

While on the bench Judge Foushee held court in some 20 or 30 counties and there was always a noticeable absence of friction among the lawyers. He has given great satisfaction as a justice and will be missed from the ranks. It is true that his court never adjourned until the docket had been cleared up.

The next few months of his life will be spent in an effort to regain his health after which he will again enter the practice of law in this city with his brother, W. L. Foushee, Esq.

GENERAL NEWS

Albany, N. Y., Sept. 17—The stage is set for the opening at noon tomorrow of the trial of William Sulzer, Governor of New York, before the first high court of impeachment ever convened in this State to pass upon charges filed against its chief executive.

Washington, Sept. 17—So far as the Washington administration is concerned it became known tonight, no move is contemplated in the Mexican situation at present. The elections of October 26th now are awaited with keen interest and the next step in the policy of the United States probably will make its appearance soon thereafter.

Washington, Sept. 17—The Administration Currency bill tomorrow will be passed by the House and sent to the Senate. In order to complete the detailed consideration of the measure and leave nothing for tomorrow but the formal vote, the House sat tonight and concluded the voting on proposed amendments. No material changes were made in the bill.

San Francisco, Sept. 17—Two years in the Federal penitentiary on McNeil Island, Washington, and fine of \$2,000 was the sentence today imposed on Maury L. Diggs, former State architect of California, because of his flight to Reno with Marsha Warrington, a Sacramento girl. Eighteen months in the same prison and a fine of \$1,500 was the penalty given his friend and companion, F. Drew Caminetti, son of Anthony Caminetti, U. S. Commissioner General of Immigration, for a like offense. Caminetti eloped with Marsha Warrington's friend, Lola Norris.

mothers have been absent in a distant cotton field since early morn, leaving them to the care of two little girls and I suppose all parties are mutually tired out.

Two little sons of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hamer (John and Douglas) have been right sick recently with jaundice, but are both improving rapidly.

Mrs. J. D. Edens of Red Springs spent yesterday with us. She is a native of the Fork and has numerous friends and relatives here who are all ways glad to see her.

I received from across the water yesterday a box of the beautiful and historic purple heather, from "Bonnie Scotland," as was stated by the donor, Mrs. McColl of Edinburgh. I am not personally acquainted with this kind Scotch lady, but her son Colin was with us several months, and she was informed by him of my love for the "auld land" and the reported beauties of its scenery.

"AUNT BECKY."

Hives, eczema, itch or salt rheum sets you crazy. Can't bear the touch of your clothing. Doan's Ointment is fine for itching skin. All druggists sell it, 50c a box.

For Weakness and Loss of Appetite The Old Standard general strengthening tonic, GROVE'S FAST-LESS CHILL TONIC, drives out Malaria and builds up the system. A true tonic and sure Appetizer. For adults and children, 50c.

DEATH RATE REDUCED

More Than 60 Per Cent. from Preventable Diseases—Health Situation in Robeson.

(By B. W. Page, County Physician.) By the co-operation of the people of Robeson county with the physicians and county board of health, the death rate from tuberculosis, typhoid fever, diphtheria, smallpox and scarlet fever has been reduced more than 60 per cent. within the last eighteen and one-half months.

There has been considerably less malaria or chills and fever, measles and whooping cough throughout the county this year than last, but since these diseases are not considered dangerous by the general public, health work leading to their eradication has been less effective. If they were more fatal we would have fewer cases of them.

The mosquito theory of transmitting malaria, which is now recognized by medical authorities throughout the enlightened world as being the only mode of transmitting the disease, needs more consideration on the part of the people in certain sections of the county. The malarial variety of the mosquito known as the anopheles, will not carry the malarial germs to others until it first becomes infected by biting a person who has malarial germs in his blood. The greater the number of cases of malaria or chills and fever in a community the more dangerous the mosquitoes become, if they are allowed to bite the diseased persons. If there is no case of malaria in the section to infect the mosquitoes they are perfectly harmless.

Railroads Offer Further Reductions.

Raleigh News and Observer, 17th.

Rate reductions that will, as a whole save the State of North Carolina \$2,000,000, according to Chairman Travis, of the Corporation Commission, have been offered the Governor and the legislative commission.

Chairman Travis returned yesterday from Halifax where he had rested a day or two following conferences with officials in Washington. The Conference there was attended by nobody from North Carolina except Chairman Travis, who wrestled single-handed the whole body of traffic managers and received a concession that railroad men declare mean a million dollars more than any yet made.

Mr. Travis has not prepared his report to Governor Craig, but yesterday verbally presented his work and talked the matter over. Neither would indicate what would be the formal statement that he will make. Mr. Travis declared his belief that two millions will be saved in freights for North Carolina shippers, and he was pleased to feel that his last conference had done something.

Insurance Robbery

Statesville Landmark.

A gentleman who owns a dwelling in Statesville, on which the insurance has been costing him \$6 was notified a few days ago, when the policy expired, that the premium would be \$16. Same house, same surroundings, same amount of insurance, same conditions. The town has just put in a motor fire truck, with a speed record of about a mile and a half a minute, which stands in readiness to go to free any minute day or night, and with a chemical engine that can put out an ordinary fire before you can wink an eye. All that and right on heels of being told that the coming of this motor fire truck was to reduce insurance, this citizen is called on to contribute \$10 extra for the same amount of protection.

Brethren beloved, the highwaymen who puts his pistol in your face and demands your pocketbook, is a gentleman and a scholar compared with such methods as these.

Mr McLean Has Already Begun Work.

(From Washington Cor., 15th, Raleigh News and Observer.)

A. W. McLean of Lumberton, was here today on his way to New York. He says his work as a representative of the National Democratic committee in North Carolina has already begun, though only in a small way. By the first of October he will begin soliciting campaign funds in earnest. Tom Pence, who is practically head of the committee, is already doing valuable publicity work in the doubtful States for the coming Congressional elections.

Adolph Roberts, proprietor of the Commercial Printing & Stamp Co. of Newbern, committed suicide Saturday by firing a bullet into his brain. Ill health.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

—Cotton today, 13 cents.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Julia Duncan and Theodore Johnson.

—Miss Gertrude Morris has accepted a position as saleslady in the big department store of R. D. Caldwell & Son. She began work Monday.

—Mr. Fred Townsend of McDonald has accepted a position as bookkeeper in the Lumberton Cotton Mills office. He began work Monday.

—Rev. Hight C. Moore, editor of The Biblical Recorder, Raleigh, will preach at the First Baptist church Sunday morning and evening.

—The first attraction for this season at the local opera house will be Mutt and Jeff. This play is billed for October 3rd.

—Mr. Miles S. Baxley of St. Paul's township brought to The Robesonian office Tuesday a fine specimen of the Winter Keeper pear. It weighed one pound 5 ounces.

shown at the Pastime theatre this evening. G. M. Anderson, as Broncho Billy, is as great a favorite as Jno. Bunney in comedy.

—"Broncho Billy's Gun Play," and "The Light That Failed" will be—Chief of Police H. H. Redfern left Tuesday evening for Wadesboro, where he was expecting to spend some time on a vacation, but owing to the fact that he was "taken sick" with chills and fever he returned home last night.

—By a change of schedule which went into effect Sunday—it was stated in The Robesonian last week that the change [would take place—the morning passenger train to Marion, S. C., leaves at 10:20 instead of 10 a. m.

—Mr. C. B. Skipper, Jr., left yesterday afternoon for Waynesboro, Va., where he will be a student in the Fishburne Military School. This is his second year at Fishburne. Mr. G. Badger McLeod also left yesterday afternoon for Staunton, Va., where he will be a student in the Staunton Military Academy.

—Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Biggs left this morning with their son Master Chalmers for Fayetteville, where in Highsmith's hospital the child will undergo an operation. Dr. W. L. Grantham went with them. They left early this morning in Mr. Biggs' automobile. Master Chalmers has been sick since Tuesday.

—Jesse Hayes, colored, who was sentenced during the last criminal court by Judge Lyon to two years in the State prison for stealing a mule belonging to Mr. L. E. Whatley, mention of which was made in The Robesonian at the time, was taken to Raleigh to the penitentiary yesterday by Mr. A. Schwartzburg, a special deputy.

—Master Truman Parmele, son of Mrs. A. T. Parmele, from whose windpipe a quarter was extracted at the Highsmith hospital in Fayetteville Saturday and who afterwards developed pneumonia, continues to improve. His mother and one of his aunts, Miss Emma Norment, are with him. Another aunt, Miss Laura Norment, who was also with him, returned home Monday night.

—Mr. Duncan McWhite, who lives near Barker's, has sold his home place to Messrs. White & Gough and has purchased from Mr. J. H. Wishart the old Eli Wishart place, about four and a half miles east of town. Mr. McWhite gets \$3,000 for the place he sells and pays \$2,200 for the Wishart place. The deal was closed Tuesday. Mr. McWhite says that he expects to move to his new place some time in December.

Miss Flora Cashwell Becomes the Bride of Mr. Albert Britt.

Mr. Albert Britt of route 4 from Lumberton and Miss Flora Cashwell of Hope Mills were married yesterday at 2 o'clock in the First Baptist church, Fayetteville, Rev. Mr. Snyder, pastor to the church, officiating. Mr. Britt is one of Robeson's most successful young farmers. Miss Cashwell is well known here, having taught school in Robeson last year. They will be at home near Lumberton after September 20th.

Tokio, Sept. 17—China's acceptance of Japan's demands in connection with the killing of several Japanese at Nanking thus far is confined to minor points. No answer has been received to the demand for an apology for insults directed against the Japanese flag and uniform, or to the demand for the dismissal of Gen. Chang Hsun from the governorship of Kiang Su Province.