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## CHEMICAL AND HOSE MOTOR CAR.

**Modern Fire Fighting Equipment Ordered for Lumberton—Town Commissioners Also Considering Installation of Up-to-Date Fire Alarm System—This Will Give Lumberton First-Class Equipment.**

The mayor and commissioners in a called meeting held in the town hall Friday afternoon placed an order for a combination chemical and hose motor car for the fire department. With the car is also a combination chemical and hose wagon to be used as an aid to the car. The outfit costs \$5,500 and the terms are one, two and three years. Arrangements have been made to take care of the purchase out of the town's sinking fund. It is estimated that the amount saved in fire insurance premiums in the town in five years will pay for this modern fire-fighting equipment. The car and wagon will have to be built and it will probably be about three months before the delivery can be made.

The town authorities today are considering the installation of the Gamewell fire alarm system and it is very probable that the system will be installed. At present the town has a very poor alarm system, the system installed two or three years ago having proved very unsatisfactory.

Fire Chief J. P. Townsend, who has been very active and enthusiastic with regard to the purchase of the motor car and hopes that new alarm system will be installed, says that Lumberton will be second to no town when these things have been installed. Mayor White is glad that the order has been placed for this up-to-date fire-fighting machinery and says he feels that long-needed steps in the town's progress have been taken.

## UNION DEPOT HEARING.

**Corporation Commission Will Hold a Hearing in Lumberton Thursday in Regard to Union Depot.**

The State Corporation Commission will sit in Lumberton Thursday of this week for the purpose of hearing arguments in regard to requiring the railroads that enter Lumberton to maintain a union depot here. The hearing will begin at 10 o'clock a. m.

Mr. H. E. Stacy, town attorney, has received notice to this effect from Mr. A. J. Maxwell, clerk to the Commission. Mr. Stacy has had this matter up with the Commission for sometime and it is good news that it has been advanced thus far. Every citizen of the town is interested and it is thought that there will be no difficulty in convincing the Commission that the need for a Union depot is very real. The hearing will be open to the public.

Members of the Commission are expected to arrive Wednesday night.

**Regular Session of Congress Re-opens—Trust Bills Will Claim Attention.**

Washington Dispatch, 11th.

Congress tomorrow will start on the second stage of the regular session with the calendars of both houses crowded with varied and far-reaching legislation. Fresh by the first complete relaxation since President Wilson convened the special tariff currency session last April, Senators and Representatives returned to Washington today keenly interested in the prospective developments of the next few months.

Trust regulation, though further corrective and prohibitory legislation, will hold much of the attention of both houses tomorrow; but other subjects will share the legislative arena. The first of the trust bills to bear any official status is expected to appear during the present week, with the endorsement of the Democratic membership of the House Judiciary Committee; and their scope and terms probably will reflect closely the views of President Wilson and Attorney General McReynolds.

**New Haven Road Agrees to Plans.**

Washington Dispatch, 10th.

The New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad and the Department of Justice tonight announced a preliminary agreement designed to effect a reorganization of the New Haven and to prevent a suit for its dissolution under the Sherman law.

In compliance with Department demands, the New Haven will dispose of its holdings to the Boston & Maine Railroad, cancel its joint agreement controlling the Boston & Albany give up its trolley lines and several of its steamship lines. The question of its retention of the so-called Sound lines of steamships will be left to the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

—There will be a box supper and voting contest at Saddle Tree school house Friday night of this week to raise money to help pay for the school building. A cake will be voted to the prettiest girl and a pumpkin to the ugliest man. Supt. J. R. Poole will speak.

**The "Mischief Quartette" and Its Work.**

Each year the month of January numbers its list of victims from influenza, la grippe, bronchitis and pneumonia. He prompt use of Foley's Honey and Tar Compound will check the onset of a cold and stop a cough, preventing the development of more serious conditions. Keep it on hand. For sale by all dealers.

## TO STAMP OUT MALARIA.

**Town Commissioners Take Steps to Improve Sanitary Conditions—Free Treatment for Malaria for Those Who Need It—Contract to Be Closed for Street Paving and Filtering Plant—Salary of Supt. Pittman Raised—No More Public Sales in Front of Court House—Air Rifles Under Ban—Chickens Must Be Kept Up.**

At the regular monthly meeting Thursday night of the Mayor and town commissioners steps were taken looking to stamping out malaria in the eastern part of town where conditions exist which give rise to practically all the malaria from which the town suffers. It was ordered that a competent engineer be employed to survey the premises in East Lumberton with a view to relieving the insanitary conditions in that part of town. The expense is to be borne jointly by the town and all individuals directly concerned. The town physician, Dr. John Knox was instructed to make a canvass of East Lumberton, ascertain the prevalence of malaria fever, and to supply medicine free of charge to all who need the treatment. The county physician Dr. B. W. Page, is requested to co-operate with Dr. Knox in this work.

Mayor White and Town Clerk and Treasurer Page were instructed to take up at once the matter of closing contract for street paving and filtering plant.

The salary of Supt. W. G. Pittman, of the light and water plant was raised from \$75 per month to \$90.

K. B. Lamb was allowed a rebate on \$400 and A. E. Graves on \$50 and poll, error in listing.

An ordinance was passed prohibiting public sales being held on the streets in front of the court house.

There must be no more shooting of air rifles or any other sort of rifles on the streets by the boys. Boys who do it will get into trouble. An old ordinance against this dangerous practice was revived and brushed up at this meeting and Chief Redfern was instructed to see that it is enforced. Boys who get careless with their rifles hereafter will get into trouble with the authorities.

Another ordinance that was brought to life was the one making it an indictable offense for people to allow their chickens to run at large. Those who keep chickens and have been in the habit of letting these chickens be a nuisance to their neighbors, take notice. Hereafter such blessed disregard for your neighbor's going to get you into trouble, for Chief of Police Redfern says he is going to enforce the ordinance, as he is instructed to do so, and that the only way he knows how to do it is to kill any chickens reported to him as being away from home.

**Porter Gets Verdict of \$14,000 Against Seaboard.**

Elizabethtown Special, 10th, to Wilmington Star.

After deliberating practically a day and night, the jury in the case of Lee Porter vs. the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, giving him \$14,000 for personal injuries sustained in a wreck near Lumberton, while a passenger on one of the trains of the company. Attorneys for the railroad had offered \$12,000 as a compromise, which Porter's attorneys declined to accept. Attorneys for the defense gave notice of appeal to the supreme court. Mr. Porter is a citizen of Bladen county.

Mr. R. C. Lawrence, of the firm of McIntyre, Lawrence & Proctor, local attorneys for the Seaboard, appeared with ex-Judge Neal of Laurinburg for the railroad. Mr. Porter was not a passenger as stated in the dispatch quoted above, nor was he injured in a wreck. He was in the employ of the road and was injured in the yards here while coupling cars. The accident happened in December, 1912, and Porter was treated at the Thompson hospital, the proprietor of which, Dr. N. A. Thompson, was one of the witnesses at the trial. Dr. Thompson and Mr. Lawrence returned home Saturday.

**Wilmington Wants Congress to Increase Cape Fear Appropriation.**

Wilmington Special, 9th, to Charlotte Observer.

At a meeting of the chamber of commerce yesterday afternoon strong resolutions were adopted asking that the North Carolina Senators and Representatives use their influence to increase the amount of money recommended by the Board of Engineers for the Improvement and Maintenance of a 26 foot channel in the lower Cape Fear river from \$113,000 to \$300,000 in order that there may be a sufficient fund to complete the project.

Congress was also requested by the chamber to make an appropriation for making a preliminary survey of the lower Cape Fear, with a view to beginning work on a project for increasing the depth of the channel to a depth of 35 feet as soon as the present project is completed.

**Constipation Poisons You.**

If you are constipated, your entire system is poisoned by the waste matter kept in the body—serious results often follow. Use Dr. King's New Life Pills and you will soon get rid of constipation, headache and other troubles. 25c at Druggists or by mail, H. E. Bucklen & Co. Phila. and St. Louis.

## FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

**Where and When They Will Be Held in Robeson—Women's Institutes Also Will Be Held at the Same Times and Places.**

Farmers' institutes, under the auspices of the State Department of Agriculture in co-operation with the farmers' institute committee of Robeson county, will be held at the following times and places in Robeson:

Antioch, Monday, January 19.  
Lumber Bridge, Tuesday, January 20.

St. Paul, Friday, January 23.  
Fairmont, Thursday, February 12.  
Lumberton, Friday, February 13.

Morning sessions will be open at 10 o'clock and afternoon sessions at 1:30 o'clock.

Discussions on farm operations, crops, live stock, marketing, etc.

**Women's Institutes**  
At the same times and places women's institutes will be held. Women are invited to come to the institute and join in the discussion of subjects pertaining to household economics, home conveniences, health in the home, the education of children and other topics of interest to mothers and home-makers.

A year's subscription to a woman's magazine will be given to the woman over 20 years of age, living on the farm, who bakes and exhibits the highest scoring loaf of bread. A year's subscription to a magazine will also be given to the girl under 20 years of age, who lives on the farm, exhibiting the highest scoring loaf of bread. Only one of the above prizes to a family. A premium will also be given to the girl from the farm baking and exhibiting the best pone of corn bread.

For full particulars concerning these premiums, the rules and regulations governing them, write to the Director of Farmers' Institutes, Raleigh, N. C.

The plan is to bring lunch and come prepared to spend the day.

A question box will be opened and the questions answered in a round-table discussion in the afternoon. Have a note book and pencil handy.

## First Step Toward "White Way."

The enterprising firm of White & Gough receiving last week a five-light stand, which they will erect in front of their store on Elm street. This is the first step towards the white way, and Mayor White says he is going to go all he can to get the other property owners on Elm street to install these lights. When this is done all the wires and poles on Elm street from the Seaboard station to Sixth street will be moved. This would greatly improve the looks of this street, and make things look city-like. Here's hoping the "white way" will soon take the place of the unsightly wires and poles on Elm street.

**Woman Steps From Aeroplane 850 Feet in Air.**

Los Angeles Dispatch, 10th.

One of two women passengers carried today by Glenn Martin, the aviator, stepped from his machine when it was 850 feet in the air. She reached the ground safely and demonstrated to Martin's satisfaction the practicability of a new aerial life preserver.

Spectators saw the girl, Miss Piny Broadwick fall 75 feet like a sifot. Then a parachute attachment on her shoulders unfolded and she descended gradually and with no apparent effort at balance.

## Inquiring About a Hotel.

Postmaster D. D. French received the other day a letter from a man in Baltimore who wants to come to Lumberton and run a hotel. This man writes that he is an experienced hotel man and wants to furnish a hotel of about 25 or 30 rooms and take charge of it. Mr. French of course had to write to this inquirer that there is no building available, such as he wants but that this is an excellent — most excellent — opening for a hotel in case he wants to dig down into his jeans for the price of the building and all.

**Wants \$60,000,000 for Veterans.**

Washington Cor., 10th, to Wilmington Star.

Senator Overman will introduce a bill Monday providing that the \$60,000,000 tax imposed on cotton belonging to Southern farmers during the period from 1866 to 1868, inclusive be returned to the States and that it be used as a pension for Confederate soldiers. It is said that because of the inability of the original owners or their heirs to establish their claims, it is thought best to give the money to the old soldiers in order that there may be no hitch in the passage of the bill should it receive favorable consideration in committee.

Croup is a terrible disease, it attacks children so suddenly they are very apt to choke unless given the proper remedy at once. There is nothing better in the world than Dr. King's New Discovery. Lewis Chamberlain of Manchester, Ohio, writes, about his children: "Sometimes in severe attacks we were afraid they would die, but since we proved what a certain remedy Dr. King's New Discovery is, we have no fear. We rely on it for croup, coughs and colds." So can you. 50c and \$1.00 A bottle should be in every home. At all druggists. H. E. Bucklen & Co. Phila., St. Louis.

## REBEL FORCES TRIUMPHANT.

**Mexican Federal Army Evacuates Ojinaga—Most Important Rebel Victory of Present Revolution.**

Presidio, Texas, Dispatch, 10th.  
The Mexican Federal Army with its nine Generals evacuated Ojinaga, Mexico, at 10 o'clock tonight. The triumphant rebel forces under General Francisco Villa immediately occupied the village.

General Salvador Mercado, who was Huerta's chief military commander, crossed the river and surrendered to Major McNamee of the United States Army.

It was impossible for Major McNamee to learn what had become of the Federals, whether the bulk of them had taken refuge on this side, or whether they scattered to points in Mexico. The country about Ojinaga is mostly desert. The defeat of the Federal army followed only a few hours fighting in which the rebels beginning at sundown started to close in on the besieged garrison with cannon and rifle fire.

Generals Castro and Mercado, of the Federal regulars, saw that the assault was to be nothing less than a massacre. The Federals had left only 50 rounds of ammunition for each man.

Generals Castro and Mercado, therefore gave the order to evacuate.

All the Federal soldiers and their officers who could scramble to the American side did so. The others ran in all directions. General Pascual Orozco, commander of Federal volunteers, threatened with summary execution by Villa, was the first to cross. It was believed he had escaped into the mountains in Texas.

About nine o'clock, when the fighting had been in progress about five hours, seven wagons loaded with documents belonging to the Huerta Government came over and were captured by the United States border patrol.

Major McNamee immediately ordered all cavalrymen to meet an emergency. Women, children and wounded soldiers had been crossing in numbers, but the apparent advance of the rebels gave reason to believe a greater rush across the border was imminent.

For five hours the sharp flashes of the rebel fire had been drawing closer to the Federal entrenchments. The whole scene was bathed in moonlight partly obscured by dust and powder smoke.

Among the Federals were nine Generals, Castro, Mercado, Orozco, Manuel Landu, Ynez Salazar Antonio Rojas, Blas Orpina, Alavis and Roque Gomez.

Defeat of the Federal Army at this point marks the most important rebel victory of the present revolution. It leaves the rebels virtually in possession of all the North of Mexico.

## Distress of Refugees from Ojinaga Intense.

Presidio, Tex., Dispatch, 11th.

Twenty-eight hundred Mexican Federal soldiers, six generals, 200,000 rounds of ammunition, two cannons, four large field pieces and 1500 civilian refugees were in the custody of the United States Army border patrol today as a result of the Federal evacuation of Ojinaga, Mexico, and the occupation of the Mexican village by Gen. Francisco Villa's rebel forces. The distress of the refugees is intense. They have scant food and no shelter. Men, women, and children, dogs, chickens and cattle are packed together in a space covering several acres. About them are scattered all the goods and baggage brought in flight from Ojinaga.

Urgent requests for the immediate removal of soldiers and refugees to some other places were sent by Major McNamee to the War Department, through General Bliss.

## MEETING OF VETERANS.

Confederate Veterans of Camp Willis H. Pope Will Meet in Lumberton Lee's Birthday—Dinner Will Be Furnished by Daughters of Confederacy.

Headquarters Camp Willis H. Pope, January 10th, 1914.

## COMRADES:

A meeting of the camp will be held on Lee's birthday, Monday, January 19th and all the members of the Camp are urged to attend. Robeson Chapter, U. D. C., will furnish dinner for the occasion. The camp will meet at 11 o'clock a. m. in the court house.

By order of  
J. A. M'ALLISTER, Commander.  
M. G. M'KENZIE, Adjutant.

## President Gives First Public Reception.

Pass Christian, Miss., Dispatch, 10th.

Nearly 2,000 people residents of this section paid their respects to President Wilson here late today at a public reception given especially for them at the presidential cottage. The guests were welcomed by the President and Mrs. Wilson, who stood on the porch veranda in the warm bright sunshine. Mr. Wilson apparently was in the best of health, and greeted the throngs of hands with him with a genial smile. He was accompanied by his wife and daughter under the presidential reception.

The President was appreciative of the many thousands of residents of this section who so generously observed his first public reception and rest and it was a pleasure to their courtesy in the reception on the porch.

The President's departure to Washington today was a very busy one. He left today for Washington today.

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## WITHIN THE STATE.

**Minor Matters of News Gathered From All Over North Carolina.**

The woods is full of candidates for Congress in the third district. Seven besides the present Representative, Dr. Faison, have thrown their hats into the ring to date.

Attorney General Bickett has instituted against the Southern Express Company a suit for \$22,000 balance taxes according to contention of the State tax commission for 1909-1912, inclusive, and the first four months of the present year. It is 3 per cent taxes on gross revenues.

B. G. Creedle of New Bern, the seventh to get in the race for Congress in the third district, in announcing his candidacy stated that if sent to Congress he will each year give \$3,000 of his salary to the Confederate veterans of the district. Mr. Creedle is himself a Confederate veteran.

In Washington dispatches it was stated Saturday that it is understood that President Wilson has authorized Secretary Bryan to issue a commission to ex-Governor Glenn as a member of the International Boundary Commission. The job pays \$7,500 a year, and there is practically no work attached to it.

State Treasurer Lacy has brought suit against the Auto Sales Company, of Charlotte, to compel the Company to issue a duplicate for a check for \$500 license tax. The check was deposited by the State Treasurer and then disappeared before collection was perfected. He offered to indemnify the Auto Sales Company against loss if the original check ever turned up.

In the case against Geo. W. Beaman, an aged white man who shot and killed his wife near Wilmington November 16, in New Hanover Court Thursday a verdict of second degree murder was agreed on and the court imposed a sentence of 21 years in the State prison. There were extenuating circumstances. The woman served 10 years in the South Carolina penitentiary for conspiring with another man to kill her first husband, who was shot to death.

Wilmington Star, 11th: In a thorough and comprehensive forecast, based on reports from correspondents and prominent growers all over the trucking belt, the Carolina Fruit and Truckers' Journal, Mr. Z. W. Whitehead editor, in its issue of January 10th, out yesterday afternoon predicts an increased acreage for the coming year not only in strawberries, but in peaches, dewberries, plums, cantaloupes, watermelons, grapes, etc., throughout the Eastern Carolina trucking section.

After serving more than 11 years of a 30-year sentence in the penitentiary for second-degree murder, Jas. W. Pritchett, 70 years old, of Wayne county, gets a pardon from Governor Craig, who received a touching plea from the prisoner's aged mother, who is about 100 years old. The trial judge urged the Governor that indications now are that the prisoner, who killed his wife when he was drunk, was driven to desperation and drink by an unfaithful wife and was in a deplorable condition at the time he committed the murder.

—There will be a special meeting of St. Alban's Lodge No. 114, A. F. and A. M., tomorrow evening for degree work.

—Miss Nannie Jenkins, who for some time had been undergoing treatment at the Thompson hospital, was able to return to her home at Fairmont Friday.

—Fairmont Messenger: The rubbish removal of soldiers and refugees to some other places were sent by Major McNamee to the War Department, through General Bliss.

—A small son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McLeod was run over by a pony and buggy, in which three young ladies were riding in front of Messrs. White & Gough's store Saturday afternoon. The boy was looking in the opposite direction and walked in front of the pony. He was not seriously hurt, but had a close call.

—The school at Ten Mile will have on Friday evening an entertainment by the school and a box and oyster supper. Mr. Thomas L. Johnson of Lumberton will be the speaker for the occasion. There is a good school at Ten Mile and it is expected that this will be a pleasant occasion for a large crowd. The public is invited. The exercises will start at 7:30 o'clock.

—If citizens of Lumberton will think of giving their street address when ordering things from out of town express packages will be delivered, Agent Thomas says, much more quickly. Lumberton is getting to be so much of a city that citizens will have to act accordingly in these little matters. Free mail delivery is coming along soon and folks had just as well get the habit of giving their street address to their correspondents, too.

—Clarence McNeill, about 14 years old, and Earl Townsend, about 16, graded school pupils, while returning from some sort of society meeting at the school building Friday night got into a wrangle which resulted in Clarence cutting a gash in Earl's right thigh which required six stitches at the hands of Dr. N. A. Thompson. Clarence says the olders and stronger boy got him around the neck and the only way he could get loose was to cut himself loose. Nobody was seriously hurt. The case has not come up for trial yet.

## BRIEF LOCAL NEWS ITEMS.

—Middling cotton today, 11 1/4c.

—Mrs. S. K. Fisher of Lumberton and Mr. Tom Hardin of Sterlings will be taken to the State Hospital at Raleigh, tomorrow.

—There will be a box supper Friday night of this week, beginning at 8 o'clock, at Ten Mile school house for the benefit of the school. The public is invited.

—In Thursday's paper the Dixie Mutual Life Insurance Co. was referred to as of Durham. The Robesonian is asked to state that the home office of this company is Asheville, and not Durham.

—Mr. H. B. McPhaul left this morning for Jacksonville, N. C., where he has accepted a position as pharmacist for the Ward-Lay Drug Company.

—Lumberton Tent K. O. T. M. will install the officers for the current term at the regular review tonight. There will also be some review work and a full attendance is desired.

—In the large show windows of Messrs. White & Gough's department store Saturday was a bunch of clowns, who showed all day, making it merry for the thousands who attended the "Clean Sweep Sale" which has been going on in this store for several days.

—Mr. Rossie Britt of Bloomingdale killed a large wild turkey Saturday morning. It was a gobler and weighed 12 1/2 pounds; and it was a mighty good turkey, according to the turkey judgment of this reporter, who happened to arrive on the scene just at the right time.

—The Farmers & Merchants Bank has moved into its handsome new building, Chestnut and Fourth streets, and the McDonald Drug Company began moving this morning from the Waverly hotel building to the building formerly occupied by the bank, Elm and Fourth streets.

—Rowland Sun, 8th: Mrs. Graham McKinnon went a few days ago to Charleston to see Mr. McKinnon, who is at Baker's Sanatorium for treatment. The many friends of Mr. McKinnon will be glad to learn that he is getting along nicely and is expected home in a few days.

—New and up-to-date files have been installed in the office of Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of public instruction, in which a complete record is kept of each school and teacher in the county; and the files are so complete that this information may be obtained at a moment.

—Mr. W. G. Barnes, who for the past two years had held a position as stenographer in the law office of Messrs. McLean, Varsar & McLean, and who resigned recently, mention of which was made in Thursday's Robesonian, left last evening for Raleigh, where on the 15th inst. he will begin work with the Corporation Commission.

—Messrs. U. S. Page and E. C. Packard, members of the U. S. Navy, arrived Saturday from Vera Cruz, Mexico, and will spend a ten days furlough at the home of Mr. Page's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Page. Mr. Packard's home is in Boston, Mass. They have been on the U. S. B. S. Louisiana, which has been playing around Mexican borders. They say things didn't look very "warish" down there when they left.

—The Pedneau Garage & Machine Company has just installed a large radial drill and a combination lathe 16 to 24 inch. The company has also installed a compressed air outfit for inflating automobile tires and equipment has been received for the installation of a foundry. This company is now practically ready to take care of all kinds of machine work. The company will have a half-page advertisement in Thursday's Robesonian.

—Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of public instruction, attended Saturday the Indian teachers meeting at Pembroke in the morning and the colored teachers meeting at Maxton in the afternoon. Prof. Poole says that the attendance at both meetings was good, and much interest was manifested by the teachers. A number of the schools are organizing a Woman's Betterment Association in order to raise money to beautify the school grounds.

—Mr. J. R. Todd, who has been with the Fidelity Insurance & Realty Company of Lumberton since its organization about four months ago, has resigned to accept a similar position with an insurance company in his home town of Lenoir. Mr. Todd left yesterday for Lenoir. During his short stay in Lumberton he made many friends that will regret to learn of his decision to return to his home town. Mr. A. T. McLean, president of the Fidelity Insurance & Realty Company, will give his personal attention to the insurance department until a successor to Mr. Todd is elected.

—"Victory," a five-reel picture shown at the Pastime theatre Thursday evening, showing what Uncle Sam's Navy could if called upon in which very frequently could be seen Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels, was attended by the largest crowd that ever attended a picture show here, many being turned away for lack of room. All were well pleased with the show, and Manager W. S. Wiskart will have it repeated just as soon as possible in order that all who failed to see it Thursday night may have an opportunity of doing so. Among the number who saw the show Thursday was a lady 63 years of age, and this was her first show.