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THESE WILL BUY A BALE.

Robeson Business Concerns and Individuals Who Will Buy a Bale More of "Distress" Cotton and Hold it Off the Market Till Prices Advance.

Thursday's Robesonian it was stated that the Farmers & Merchants of Lumberton has just purchased a bale each at 10 cents, the firm of White & Gough and master D. D. French had agreed to purchase a bale each at the same price, and Messrs. D. D. French and Dennis W. Biggs were circulating paper pledging signers to purchase a bale and hold it off the market. The agreement reads as follows:

We hereby mutually agree that in the next 2 weeks we will buy a number of bales of "distress" cotton set opposite our respective names, paying therefor 10 cents per pound, and that we will hold said cotton until the price on the open market shall reach above 10 cents per pound. We agree that the cotton to be bought is "distress" cotton, certified to by a committee consisting of Messrs. D. D. French, C. B. Townsend and J. H. Barnes.

The following have signed the agreement:

D. Caldwell & Son, 5 bales.
White & Gough, 1 bale.
D. French, 1 bale.
W. Biggs, 1 bale.
Theatre, 1 bale.

Send Mrs. 1 bale.
Currie, 1 bale.
Josephine Breece, 1 bale.
T. Biggs Co., 1 bale.
O. Thompson, 1 bale.
I. Linkhaw, 1 bale.
W. Wishart, 1 bale.
D. Baker, 1 bale.
Ida May Sessions, 1 bale.

There is no doubt that all these signers will join this hold-out before the next issue of The Robesonian.

War But Other Thing.

A couple of cartridges exploded in the hardware department of Messrs. Caldwell & Son's department on Saturday afternoon about three o'clock and as a result Mr. R. A. Moore's left hand is pretty badly torn. Mr. Moore was packing the cartridges away when the explosion occurred. The cartridges were 38's, I. C. specials. When the explosion occurred those who were close did not stand upon the order of going but went at once, and with speed that dignity. They just rationally faded out of the store. Wallace Norment, manager of hardware department, got out of store quicker than he ever did anywhere else in his life, and "Buck" is a swift at that. Mr. S. F. Well was showing Mayor A. E. Moore an auto tire over in one corner room when the explosion occurred and they say they stood their ground, but if they first fell behind counter and waited a short space developments it is really nobody's business. It wasn't exactly war, but way Mr. Moore's hand was hurt entitled to think it was the other

Wed Retailer Captured — Smith Sent to Court.

Sheriff R. E. Lewis, Deputies A. Prevatt and Bill Freeman and Policeman Eli Phillips went tonight to the home of Cliff Sanderson, who lives on Dr. J. D. Reardon place about two miles from town on the Whiteville road, and 210 gallons of grape and huckleberry wine. Sheriff Lewis had been advised that Sanderson was retailing wine, so he was brought to town and placed in jail. He will be given a hearing Wednesday. Mr. Phillips when he threw open the door at Sanderson's home Sanderson had levon him a long-barreled Colt's automatic, but Mr. Phillips had his in his hand and at his threat to Sanderson dropped his gun. Mr. B. Smith, whose arrest at a place on his place in Howellsville town was mentioned in Thursday's Robesonian, was given a hearing before United States Commissioner W. Kinlaw Thursday afternoon and bound to Federal court at Wilmington, term which begins February under \$400 bond. In default of the he went back to jail.

Schools Opening With Good Attendance.

Supt. J. R. Poole says schools are opening all over the county with good attendance. The graded school at St. Paul is opening unusually well a week yesterday. The enrollment the day was 209, as large a number the school had an any time during last term.

A lazy liver leads to chronic dyspepsia and constipation—weakens the digestive system. Doan's Regulets (25c box) act mildly on the liver and bowels. At all drug stores.

2ND CLASS INSURANCE RATE.

Improvements Recently Made Entitled Lumberton to New Rate—Saving on Present Insurance Will Be Around \$1,500.

Chief J. P. Townsend, of the fire department, received a letter Saturday from the manager of the North Carolina Inspection and Rating Bureau at Raleigh advising that in view of improvements recently completed here Lumberton will be granted second class rate for insurance. Re-rating of the town will be necessary before the new rates become effective and an effort will be made to have a special agent here within the next ten days, for the purpose of re-rating the town under the new basis.

The reduction in insurance premiums on the amount of insurance now carried in the town under the present third-class basis—which will remain in force until the new rate is published—will amount to something like \$1,500.

Recommendations recently complied with, which, with other improvements recently made entitle the town to the lower rate, were additional hose, a brick pumping room, fire-proof doors between the boiler room and pumping room, and relief valve on fire pump.

THE WAR SITUATION.

Fierce Fighting Continues Along Line of Battle Front in France—Armies Close Together—British Report Situation Satisfactory.

Fierce fighting continues along the long battle line across north eastern France, at some points with bayonets. For three days the Germans have hurled their masses against the French and English along the entire front, their purpose being to break through the lines of the Allies, but both French and British official reports say they failed. A British official report says: "The situation is satisfactory and the counter attacks on the British front have been beaten back with great losses to the enemy. Neither army has achieved any thing notable since the Allies reported progress in one direction. At some points the tremendous armies are reported only a short distance apart."

OUT BARKER'S WAY.

Death of Miss Laura Meares in Florida—Remains Brought Home—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Lumberton, R. F. D. 1, Sept. 26.—The sad news reached here Monday of the death of Miss Laura Meares of Palatka, Fla. She left here the first day of last November for Florida to make her home with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Regan. She contracted typhoid fever and only lived a few weeks. The remains were brought back to her old home for burial. Her brother-in-law came with the corpse. Rev. A. J. Grove conducted the funeral services Wednesday morning and she was laid to rest in the family cemetery. Miss Meares was liked by all who knew her.

Mr. James Barker of Lumberton spent Tuesday at Mrs. L. D. Kinlaw's. Miss Eva Powers left Tuesday for Florida to visit relatives. Little Miss Rubie Inman returned home a few days ago from Laurinburg, where she spent several weeks with relatives.—Mr. W. K. Bethune was in this community Thursday.—Miss Amelia Powers left a few days ago for St. Pauls, where she will be in school this session.—Mrs. Martha M'White of Tolarsville visited her daughter here this week.—Mr. A. P. Inman and two daughters, Misses Jennie and Rubie, spent Sunday p. m. at St. Pauls with relatives. This rainy weather is bad on the cotton that is in the fields.

Right Idea.

There is a certain young farmer in Robeson who bought license to marry a certain girl last week, but before he bought his license he bought three nice hogs. He is a young man with the right idea. "There ain't nothing beats having a wife, and living at home in the country."

Saw the Comet.

Mr. M. C. Britt, who lives near Smith's, was a Lumberton visitor Saturday. Mr. Britt says he saw the comet some of the papers had been saying quite a bit about recently, in the east one morning a few days ago. He says it looks very much like Halley's comet. He says it can be seen very plainly after two o'clock in the morning.

A One-Eyed Colt.

Mr. E. K. Atkinson, who lives near Marietta, and who raises a good many Robeson mules and horses, says that one night last week one of his nags gave birth to a colt which had only one eye, it being right in the center of its forehead. He says the eye was somewhat larger than usual. The colt only lived a few hours.

LUMBERTON MILL NOTES.

Full Time May Soon Be Resumed—New Cotton Coming In—Protracted Meeting—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. East Lumberton, Sept. 26.—We are having very fine weather now to work. The Lumberton mill is running five days to the week now. We think she will soon be on full time again. We think the Lumberton mill is one of the best mills in the South.

New cotton is coming in fine now. The price is coming up. We are looking for cotton to bring 12-1-2 cents yet. We hope so. Old farmer, don't be scared; you are the backbone of the world. When you fail it all fails. We need a little awakening. We go too independent. We forget ourselves. We are too too selfish. We cannot do anything within our selves. We have new cases of typhoid fever. No deaths as yet. Mr. Frank Britt is no better. Mr. Edmond Lawson is no better; he is suffering very much. He takes it easy and says he is waiting for the change to take place.

The Methodists are having a revival meeting in East Lumberton this week. Rev. N. L. Seabolt is the preacher.

The writer and his wife and baby girl, Pearl, took a pleasure trip Friday. Had a fine time. The writer went fishing and caught a fine bunch. The next fine time was when they were cooked.—Mr. Allen Britt and wife of Calumbe county were visiting his brother, Oliver and Mrs. Britt Saturday and Sunday.—Report a good meeting at his church this summer.

SHANNON NEWS NOTES.

School House Being Enlarged—New Residence—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Shannon, Sept. 25.—Mr. and Mrs. John Sellars and little daughter left Tuesday for Tampa, Fla., where they are thinking of locating.—Miss Ethel Cobb has been visiting friends and relatives here recently.—Miss Mabel Walters has returned to Allendale, S. C., where she is in school again this year. She has many friends here, who were very sorry to see her go.—Mrs. D. C. Downing and step-son Jack and little Mary Downing are visiting Mrs. Downing's mother, Mrs. R. J. Smith. An addition is being built to the school house which we hope is going to add much to the looks and capacity of the present building.

Mr. James McLeod, who had been keeping books for the Shannon Mercantile Co., has returned to his home at Buies.

Mr. John F. Walters is having built on his lot near the church a nice 10-room residence. Mr. C. E. Zedaker is the contractor in charge of the building.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Graham spent Wednesday in Fayetteville.

INQUIRIES FROM ALL OVER.

News Item in Robesonian Brings Inquiries From Wide Range of Territory—Folks in Remote Sections of Country Interested in Item About Large Cotton Leaves.

And still they come! Speaking of inquiries being received by Mr. F. A. Wishart, the man whose large cotton leaves were mentioned in a recent news item in The Robesonian, and which news item was clipped by papers from Maine to California and from the Gulf of Mexico to Canada and perhaps then some, he continued to receive them. Recently he received a letter from a man in California asking for a few seeds from the cotton seed; a man in Maine requested him to manufacture the leaves into fans; and today he received a letter from Ingham Brothers, Jewelers, of Menomonic, Wis., asking him to send them a few leaves and some buds of the cotton plant; saying they saw the clipping from The Robesonian in the Minneapolis, (Minn.) Tribune. They say they want the leaves to place in their show windows to attract attention to their store. Fifty cents in stamps was enclosed to pay for leaves and buds. Mr. Wishart says he is going to send a large stalk of cotton with the fruit on it.

Charlie Greene, colored, was shot and fatally wounded at the team camp of the Waccamaw Lumber Co. yesterday a week ago by Sam Lewis, also colored, in a card game. Greene was taken to Bolton, where he died. Lewis escaped.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

"I advised the boys when they enlisted for the Spanish war to take Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with them, and have received many thanks for the advice given," writes J. H. Houghland, Eldon, Iowa. "No person who, while traveling at home should be without this great remedy." For sale by all dealers.

PROPOSED FEDERAL BUILDING.

Government Architect Wants Information Upon Which to Base Estimate of What is Required for Federal Building for Lumberton.

It will be recalled that a bill was introduced in Congress some time ago for a Federal building at Lumberton. The site, as recently mentioned in The Robesonian, has already been purchased—a lot on Elm street between the residences of Mr. L. E. Whaley and Mr. W. S. Wishart. Postmaster D. D. French has just received a letter from the supervising architect of the Treasury Department at Washington asking for information that will assist the Department in preparing an intelligent estimate of the character and cost of the proposed building. Among other things the architect wants a map of the town, copies of municipal regulations, schedules of charges for water and electric light. The population, postal business done, etc., the Department can of course get from other sources.

WILL NOT WITHDRAW AT ONCE.

American Troops to Remain in Vera Cruz Until Things Get Settled—No Clash of Importance Expected, Washington Dispatch, 25th.

American forces will remain in Vera Cruz until the question of authority between General Carranza and General Villa is settled. This administration officials tonight, although no definite announcement was made.

Secretary Garrison telegraphed General Funston at Vera Cruz not to load necessary baggage or supplies aboard transports, informing him at the same time that the American forces would not be withdrawn for at least 10 days, until questions concerning the transfer of funds at the customs house could be adjusted.

Administration officials think an agreement between Villa and Carranza may be effected through the mediation of Mexican leaders. The anxiety of prominent Constitutionalists in Mexico City to mediate the dispute is regarded as a hopeful sign as is General Carranza's declaration that he would not attack Villa.

While Consular reports today showed the Southern Republic to be trembling in fear of another revolution, nothing was received to indicate that a physical clash was imminent. President Wilson is absolutely neutral and is endeavoring to have Consular agents refrain from involving the American Government.

BUY A BOLT OF SHEETING.

Sister Club to Buy a Bale of Cotton Movement Organized at Red Springs.

Special to The Robesonian. Red Springs, Sept. 26.—"Buy a Bolt of Sheeting"—This is the name of a unique club organized here today by the ladies of the town in an effort to lighten the cotton situation. The idea of the club is for each member to pledge the price of a bolt of any kind of white goods and to solicit subscriptions from others. The merchants have entered into the spirit of the thing quite enthusiastically and will furnish the goods at cost. About 60 bolts have been spoken for with more to follow.

Great results are hoped for and if this organization a state-wide campaign should be started, the ladies of Red Springs will be pleased indeed to be the first sister club to the "Buy a Bale of Cotton" movement.

New Road Ready.

Mr. W. J. Wilkerson of Center was among the visitors in town Saturday. Mr. Wilkerson says a road granted by the county commissioners and built by citizens near it leading from the stage road, near Center church, to the wire-grass road, near Smyrna church, is ready for the public and in good shape. He says it will make it much more convenient for the traveling public, as it gives a direct course from Mt. Elam to Back Swamp.

Northern Banks Charge High Rate.

Washington Dispatch, 25th. Secretary McAdoo today sent telegrams to the chairmen of the clearing house associations in New York, Chicago, Boston and St. Louis, complaining of high interest rates in those cities and appealing for aid in remedying that condition.

A Lame Back-Kidney Trouble Causes It.

And it will give you even worse if not checked. Mrs. H. T. Strayge, Gainesville, Ga., was fairly down on her back with kidney trouble and inflamed bladder. She says: "I took Foley's Kidney Pills and now my back is stronger than in forty years, and both kidney and bladder troubles are entirely gone." For sale by all druggists.

THE FINAL SUMMONS.

Mr. A. E. Hood of Blenheim, S. C.—Four Children of Deceased Live in Lumberton.

Mr. A. E. Hood, 64 years old, died Friday morning at his home near Blenheim, S. C., of bright's disease. The funeral took place Saturday morning and the remains were interred at Brownsville church, near the home. It was stated in Thursday's Robesonian that children of Mr. Hood who live in Lumberton had received a telegram advising them of their father's serious condition and his two daughters, Mrs. C. O. Rogers and Mrs. W. E. Horn, and one son, Mr. E. Hood, had already left for Blenheim and that another son, Mr. E. Hood, manager of the local telephone exchange, would leave Thursday night. All arrived before their father's death except Mrs. Rogers. Mr. E. Hood and Mrs. Horn returned home yesterday. Mrs. Rogers and Mr. H. E. Hood are still with their mother. Mr. E. Hood received a telegram this morning that his mother was in a critical condition, prostrated with grief, and unless they are advised of a considerable change in her condition this afternoon Mr. Hood and Mrs. Horn will return to Blenheim tonight.

Sudden Death of Mrs. N. E. Horne of Bladenboro.

Mrs. N. E. Horne, formerly of Lumberton, died suddenly at her home in Bladenboro Saturday morning, leaving a two-months-old baby. Mrs. Horne arose and cooked breakfast, seeming to be in the best of health, but was taken sick and died within 30 minutes. She was 34 years old.

A RUNAWAY MARRIAGE.

Miss Nellie Hester and Mr. J. V. Nance of Bladenboro.

Mr. J. V. Nance and Miss Nellie Hester, both of Bladenboro, arrived in town on the early train this morning and intimated to this reporter that they wanted to get married right away, so without further comment he got busy and made arrangements for things to happen. Mr. E. M. Barnes, cashier of the Farmers & Merchants Bank, tendered the ladies' parlor in the bank building for the occasion, and Mr. E. L. Whaley, assistant cashier of the bank, who is a justice of the peace, and who knows just how, made them one in a short time, and they left rejoicing for Marietta, where they will make their future home. It seems that it was a runaway affair and the couple had been fugitives since yesterday. Mr. Barnes says the parlor in the bank building is open to meetings of that kind at any and all times.

Young Ladies Badly Frightened.

Misses Mamie Sexton and Pauline Ashworth, operators at the local telephone exchange, Miss Sexton being chief operator, were badly frightened Thursday evening about 9 o'clock when leaving the exchange over store of Messrs. White & Gough. Mr. Howard Nye had started to the telephone office and hearing the young ladies coming down the dark hallway he stepped behind some old bed springs to give them room to pass. About the time the ladies got opposite him Mr. Nye stumbled upon the bed springs, making an awful noise, and the girls were terribly frightened. Their screams were heard for some distance. Sheriff R. E. Lewis, who was standing about a block away, hastened to find out the trouble, and others came running from every direction. By the time it was found where the trouble was the girls had reached the street at the foot of the stairway leading to the exchange office, and Miss Ashworth was so badly frightened that she had to be supported by Miss Sexton. It was necessary to call a physician for Miss Ashworth and she was not able to be on duty again until Saturday.

Dingbat Family Coming.

(By the Press Agent.) Like manufacturers, the producers of plays each has his specialty in which he excels and which stamps his production with birthmark of success. The producers of "The Dingbat Family" have specialized in choruses not alone renowned for their beauty but recognized for their ability to sing and dance. Their best effort will appear in the wonderful chorus of "The Dingbat Family" when it makes its appearance at the Lumberton Opera house Monday, October 5. Seats on sale at McMillan's Friday.

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Dizzy Head, Fluttering Heart, Floating Specks.

These are signs of kidney and bladder trouble. You'll have headaches too, backaches and be tired all over. Don't wait longer but take Foley's Kidney Pills at once. Your miserable sick feeling will be gone. You will sleep well, eat well and grow strong and active again. Try them. For sale by all druggists.

WATCH—Watch the label on your paper if renewals are not in by date on label paper will be stopped.

—Rev. R. E. Sentelle, superintendent of the Lumberton graded schools preached at the Baptist church at Red Springs yesterday.

—"Tainted Money," a Vitagraph picture in two parts, should be seen by everybody at the Pastime theatre this evening, especially those who employ or are employed. The show will be three reels as usual.

—License has been issued for the marriage of H. S. Smith and Bessie Sinclair, Luther Johnson and Lenora Carrish, G. W. Bass and Ina Johnson, Broughton Nye and May Bell Price, J. B. Johnson and Lana Woodell.

—Miss Rebecca Ward returned Thursday night from Ridgecrest, where she had been for three months. The school there has closed and Miss Ward will teach in this county.

—Speaking of farmers living at home and being happy in so doing, Mr. H. H. Stanley of route 2 from St. Pauls seems to be one of that class. Mr. Stanley says this is the first year he has worked on the farm in many, but if it has been a hard year for the farmer he has enjoyed it the best of any year since he left the farm-seeking pleasure.

—It has just leaked out that about a month ago Jailer A. H. Prevatt was notified by one of the prisoners at the jail that there was a plot among the prisoners to occupy the jail, including designs upon the life of the jailer. Some of the prisoners had gotten a piece of iron from a door hinge and were ready for business when their plot was nipped in the bud.

—The boys in a certain section of Robeson county must be getting bad. No less than two from one section came into The Robesonian office—sneaking as they did that if it got into The Robesonian they would all know it—and begged with a pitiful tone that nothing be said about the license being issued, as they had to steal the girls of their hearts desire. But then when you think seriously about the matter, stealing a girl, the girl who's the sweetest of all to you, is not so bad. "Love is a funny thing."

A Fine Potato—Crop Good.

Mr. F. L. Mitchell of route 1 from Fairmont dug a sweet potato one day last week that weighed 8-1-2 pounds. It was by far the largest potato ever seen by this reporter, and no doubt it would take off a prize at the State fair. Judging from reports and the number of potatoes being sold on the market there will be a "bumper" crop in Robeson, and they will "help out," and that no little, during these "war times." A farmer who has plenty of potatoes and a good milch cow doesn't need much meat or grease. He's in shape to both eat and drink.

Teachers' Examination.

Supt. J. R. Poole will hold examinations for white public school teachers at the court house on Thursday, October 8, for colored teachers Friday, October 9, and for Indian teachers Saturday October 10. Examinations will also be held at the same time for 5-year and State high school certificates. These will be the last examinations for the school year and Supt. Poole wants all the teachers who do not hold certificates to be on hand.

Delegates to W. M. U.

The delegates going to and returning from W. M. U. October 7 at St. Paul may find it necessary to spend the night or day in Lumberton. They will be cordially entertained if they will send their names to Mrs. H. T. Fepe, secretary of W. M. U. by October 3. It is very much desired that we have delegates from every Baptist church in Robeson Association.

MRS. R. D. CALDWELL.

Rattlesnake's Pilot Under Doorstep.

The 10-year-old son of Truss McNeill, colored, found a rattlesnake's pilot 3 feet long under the doorstep at his home in the colored settlement just across the river from town Thursday afternoon. The boy called his mother and she with the help of the neighbors soon put the snake out of business.

Held Till the Eagle Squalls.

Mr. S. C. Stone of McDonalds was among the visitors in town Saturday. Mr. Stone who lives in one of the cotton growing sections of the world, says the farmers up his way are going to hold on to their cotton "till the eagle squalls."

Cotton Boll With 11 Locks.

Mr. N. H. Bullock found on his place at Raynham the other day a cotton boll with 11 fully-developed locks. Mr. Frank Ivey, who was in town Friday, is The Robesonian's authority for this statement. Eleven Who can beat it?