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LIGHT AND POWER QUESTION

Statement in Regard to Proposed Purchase of Municipal Electric Light Plant by Yadkin River Pow-er Co.—An Unprejudiced Report of Situation That Confronts the Town of Lumberton in the Matter of Securing Continuous Electric Current—A Business and Not a Political Question.

To the Voters of the Town of Lumberton:

The undersigned committee, purthe following statement in regard

but before the board could handle the matter with any degree of light, it was necessary that they have such an examination and report from a competent source. The superintendent of our water and light plant advised that the present plant would last probably a year or a year and a half longer, hence it was necessary that some action be taken.

2. The engineers were requested to

ference in receipts and disburse-

cert May be Given at St. Pauls-Great Baseball Season Expected-

PARKTON PARAGRAPHS

Use of Commercial Fertilizer Cut In Two-Personal. Correspondence of The Robesonian. Parkton, March 23-The band con- Correspondence of The Robesonian. cert was given Friday night, as was announced, and it was a success in est is being taken in the public de- glad to know that she is greatly imevery sense of the word. It was bate to be held here on Friday night proved in health. thoroughly enjoyed by one of the of this week, beginning at eight o'- Rev. A. M. McLaughlin of Ashe-largest audiences since the last clock. The query is: "Resolved, ville, Rev. Arch McLaughlin of Riv-Suant to their appointment submit school commencement. The concert That the United States Government erdale, Ga, and Mr. T. S. McLaugh-the following statemes: in regard commenced at 8 o'clock and closed should adopt the policy of subsidiz-lin of Winter Haven, Fla., arrived the following statemer. In regard commented at b o then moment, ing its merchant marines engaged home Sunday having been called instructive sermon. On Sunday nicinal electric light plant by the The band was at its best and for in foreign trade." St. Pauls belongs home on account of the severe ill-night he preached for Rev. Mr. nicipal electric light plant by the Yadkin River Power Company. 1. For some time the boad of commissioners have been aware that it was necessary to make some ar-rangement in regard to our present lighting plant for the reason that it net: B. A. McDonald. 2d alto: Danik was necessary to make some ar-rangement in regard to our present lighting plant for the present requirements clairnet; R. F. Whillamson, solo cor-net; B. A. McDonald, 2d alto; Dan-equate for the present requirements iel McMillan, solo alto; I. J. Lan-cof the town; also that it was neces-sary on account of the plant having practically lived out its expected ex-tors; P. H. Fisher, E bass; P. R. istence. With this in view, the board of commissioners employed Messrs, of charlotte, N. C., who examined the plant and made a detailed report on its value, efficiency and cost of op-eration. The Yadkin River Power on. The Yadkin River Power the town, (iff the town wated it), is said that there were more auto-the town, (iff the town wated it), is said that there were more auto-the town, (iff the town wated it), is said that there were more auto-the town, (iff the town wated it), is said that there were more auto-the town, is is now that it gift than any the town, (iff the town wated it), is said that there were more auto-the town, (iff the town wated it), is said that there were more auto-the town. The for the plant having plant and made a detailed report on its value, efficiency and could handle he town, (iff the town wated it), is said that there were more auto-the town. 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McNeill, one of the Doub, principal of the graded school, Gladyn Lyon and Walthon Fisher. made a brief speech in the outset While St. Pauls has never taken pastor, Rev. V. R. Gaston, at 3:30 in this section, will be among the made a brief speech in the budget, while St. Fauls has hevel taken pastor, key V. R. Gaston, at 3:30 in this section, will be among the integration of the point and greatly any part in this before, it is expectively p. m. on the 23d and the remains ones that will greatly reduce his cot-enjoyed. The band gave a banquet ed that we will give some one a race were laid to rest in cemetery there is no lack of candidates for the Brown building from 6:30 till or the cup in the final debate at 7:30 in honor of the visiting guests that arrived on the 5:20 train, which that arrived on the 5:20 train, which is of the cup in the final debate at the time of this writing little 50 acres. The band gave a banquet is no lack of candidates for the control of the cup in the final debate at the time of this writing little 50 acres. The band gave a banquet is no lack of candidates for the office of chief of police. Measure, were laid to rest in cemetery there is no lack of candidates for the control of the cup in the final debate at the time of the second our deepest sympathies that arrived on the 5:20 train, which is the control of the cup in the final debate at the time of this writing little for the cup in the second for the cup in the second for the cup in the second for the cup in the final debate at the time of this writing little for acres. The final debate at the time of this writing little for acres the cup in the second form the cup in the cup in the second form th

2. The engineers were requested to answer the following questions: (a) Is the light plant earning any-thing? In answer to this question the engineers advised that the dif-the engineers advised that the dif-the engineers advised that the dif-

Large congregations attended the nesday in Lumberton .- Mrs. G. T.

ST. PAULS NEWS LETTER

Band Concert a Great Success-Con- Much Interest In Public Debate Tomorrow Night-County Physician Vaccinates School Children-Farmers Will Reduce Cotton Acreage and Fertilizer-Returned Missionary Lectures-Personal.

St. Pauls, March 25-Much inter- home Friday. Her many friends are

was enjoyed immensely. The above concert has been in- Dr. J. F. Nash and Mr. J. C. lentz. hope is entertained for the recov-

Death of Mrs. D. B. McLaughlin-Farm-Life School Moving Ahead-Mr. J. H. Morgan In Extremis-Personal. Correspondence of The Robesonian. cued From a Well-A Death-Personal.

SHANNON NEWS NOTES

Shannon, March 24-Miss Tressie Currie, who had been a patient in Correspondence of The Robesonian, the Lumberton hospital, returned Buie, March 23-Messrs, J. B. Humphrey, W. A. Smith and Walter McMillan, of the Philadelphus community, spent Monday in Lum-berton on business.

Rev. A. M. McLaughlin of Ashe-

The bill provides that all the cot-

Auditorium Tomorrow Evening.

pointed public cotton weigher and ing in Maxton. grader for Lumberton by the recent Young Mr. Charlie Willis sufferthe engineers advices and disburse-ference in receipts and disburse-ments from the plant was \$3650, which represented what it cost the town to light the streets. Since that report was made the white-way and ister from Enfield, preached at the sufficience lights have been put in difficuent lights have been put in report was made the white-way and additional lights have been put in which increases this amount to \$5,900, which represents the amount it is now costing us annually to in g will be a big day at the Baptist

and

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

NUMBER 11

-Marriage license has been issued Large Planter Will Greatly Reduce for the marriag. of Mortie Walters Cotton Acreage-Young Man Res. and C. J. Johnson

.-Mr. W. W. Prevatt has accepted a position at Mt. Tabor, this State, and has moved there with his family.

-A meeting of the Chamber of ommerce to consider important mat. ters will be held Thursday evening of next week

Rev. N. L. Seabolt filled his reg-ular appointment at the M. E. -Mr. L. R. Varser is scheduled to deliver a Sunday school address church here Sunday, preaching a very in the Baptist church at Parkton Sunday morning at 11 o'clock,

-Miss Carolyn Wicker returned this morning from Tifton, Georgia, where she attended the wedding of her friend Miss Lillian Britt on last Tuesday night.

-The Treble Clef Club, the last yceum attraction of the season, arived this morning and will delight all who attend the entertainment at the opera house this evening,

-A 2-weeks' civil term of Robeson Superior Court begins Monday of next week. Judge O, H: Allen of Kinston will preside. The calendar was published in Monday's Robesonian.

-The class of instruction of St. Alban's lodge No. 114, A. F. & A. M., will meet tonight at 8 o'clock The evening will be devoted to work in the third degree. A large attendher largest cotton planters and merchants ance is desirdd.

-There is no lack of candidates for

-Mr. Ted Galbraith, second agent McMillan, J. F. McKay and N. B. ahead of Coburn's minstrels, spent yesterday in town. Mr. Galbraith had not seen Lumberton since 1907 Enters Upon His Duties. Mr. John B. Smith, who was ap- Allen Brown spent Thursday even- provements in any town in the same provements in any town in the same length of time.

-Mr. R. V. Lewis and son, Master Earl, of route 1 from Barnesville were Lumberton visitors Tues-

a good many years, expects to leave tomorrow for Fayetteville to make his home with a nephew, Mr. Willie Carroll. The old man will be missed. He is getting feeble and is quite alone here. -Mr. S. H. Hamilton and family have moved from a house at the foot of Walnut street into the house on East Fifth street, between Walnut and Pine, formerly occupied by Mr. D. J. McDonald and family, who have moved into a house belonging to Mr. W. H. Humphrey on Pine

and town hall.

a nucleus of a new plant? In anthat the present plant would be worth \$11,418.00 toward rebuilding on the present site, and \$8,461,72 if used in moving to the railroad

(c) Cost of rebuilding on present site? Cash required to rebuild on present site was stated to be \$15,-

(d) Cost of rebuilding on new site on railroad? Cash required to rebuild on new site, \$23,525. (The if the saving in drayage on coal plant was put on the railroad would be \$750 annually.)

(e) Cost of rebuilding plant for included in any of the estimates given b ythe engineers.

(f) What should the plant sell for? cash price for the plant and equipment is \$6,383.64, and they value the "good will" and "going concern" value to be sufficient to bring the evening to cross bats with the secselling price of the plant up to \$14,-000.

It must be borne in mind that our present plant is a "direct current" on the market. If we had an "alwould be more.

The report of the engineers is on file in the mayor's office and is open to inspection by any voter who desires to see it.

3. The engineers recommend that we equip a plant to take power from the power company and then re-sell it ourselves, but in view of the fact that this would in all probability increase our investment in a plant to about \$25,000, and allow practically plant, it was deemed best to submit

Power Company to the people. 4. The proposition of the Yadkin day on account of the absence of ing it to an alternating system; they time. will also furnish all customers with new bulbs and fans in place of those hulhs will have to be used whether United States owes more to tomers of from \$2,000 to \$2,500. The gram,

company asks for a sixty year franby their charter-a general light are preparing to plant more corn and

and power business, gas works and electric street railway. The fran-Messrs. Walter West and s streets which, at present, will cost the town \$5,962 annually, not in-cluding graded school and town hall

(Continued on page 4)

The many friends of Rev. J. L. Jekins, pastor of the Baptist church, sympathize with him as he is day in Elizabethtown .- Mr. G. T. berton and Maxton was asked for having some trouble with one of Fisher was a Lumberton visitor the Robeson division of the Farmhis eyes. We trust that he may soon Wednesday. find relief. Dr. B. W. Page, county physician, ly seem to be highly pleased at its

Several new cases of mumps reported this week, as many as five in one family at one time. Mrs. D. A. Thomas of Lumber Bridge spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. C. A. Hodges. Mr. Hodges spent Sunday in town with home folks. --Miss Edith thing to do. A number of cases of appointed must be weighed purpose of buying current from the Joyce of Maxton came up Friday and power company to re-sell? Cost of is visiting friends for a few days, equipping plant to buy power from to their delight .-- Mrs. F. C. Taylor the power company was stated to and son Julian and daughter, Miss bad but a good many of the farm. be \$7.225, but this does not include Floyd, of Cumberland county, came ers have planted corn. It is undercost of making connections for new up Friday night and enjoyed the customers or extensions, nor is that concert.—Messrs, T. M. Blue, F. N. Fisher, Rev. H. B. Porter and Mr.

C. D. Williamson made a business trip to Fayetteville this afternoon .--The engineers advise that a fair Miss Mattie Ham of Goldsboro is large crowd of ladies here last evenvisiting her sister, Mrs. A. J. Garris. The second baseball team expects to go to St. Pauls next Saturday ond nine of that team, and a great game is expected. The uniforms for

the first nine are expected to arrive this week. It really seems that this system which is now obsolete and not promises to be a great season for baseball. Some match games are ternating current" system the value expected soon as the weather moderates

Commercial fertilizer has arrived at last and the farmers are hauling it off, but not more than half as much will be used as was used last year in this section.

DOWN ANTIOCH WAY

High School Boys Will Debate-More Corn and Less Cotton-Personal.

nothing for the original cost of the Correspondence of The Robesonian. Allenton, March 23-The Antioch the proposition of the Yadkin River Literary Society is progressing very nicely. We had no school last Fri-

River Power Company is as follows: our peincipal, Miss Eliza Singletary, buy our plant for \$15,000 and who attended the Bladen county comthen spend about \$16,000 in chang- mencement. She reported a nice To the Editor of The Robesonian:

The high school boys will debate some time in the near future the now in use; in any event, new A. C. following query, "Resolved, That the Parnesville. her they get the plant or whether the manufacturing interests than to her town rebuilds it, and this item will farming interests," For next Frimean a saving to the individual cus- day we will have an excellent pro-

The farmers of this section are chise to conduct the business allow, about ready to plant. Most of them

Messrs. Walter West and several chise will not be exclusive as it is others went to Boardman yesterday for a ten-year contract to light the the Boardman Lumber Company. Mr. and Mrs. Luther West are all the European war began.

route 1, is in town today.

a nucleus of a new plant? In an peech at it o clock a in the will at-swer to this question they advise in store for every one that will at-that the present plant would be tend. market for the fruit this year. Mr. W. W. Livingstone spent Fri- ton grader and weigher for Lum-

spent Tuesday here for the purpose passage. Any other town in Robeof vaccinating the children of the son that wants a public weigher and Graded school. A number of the grader appointed can get one by pegrader appointed can get one by peparents were vaccinated also and all titioning the board of county comthe children, with the exception of a missioners. Also few. The parents of a few did not seem to think that it was a wise ton sold on a market where one is smallpox have been reported here. graded by the man appointed. The farmers have begun to plant again. The weather has been rather Public Debate at Graded School the stood that the farmers here will reduce their cotton acreage and fertilizer also this year.

Mrs. Lucy Little, a returned missionary from China, lectured to a ing, at the Presbyterian church. All who attended reported a nice time.

Two Brass Bands for County Commencement.

mencement which will be held here April 9. Everything now bids fair for this being the biggest day Robeson county has celebrated in many moons. Indications are that everybody and his wife and children will be here on that date.

The Robesonian's Representative at Rowland.

A representative of The Robesonian visited the wide-a-wake town of Rowland yesterday. He secured the services of Mr. M. T. Bobbitt, a promising young lawyer, as respondendent from that place, will send in the news weekly and all who "know anything" should in. form Mr. Bobbitt about it.

Debate Challenge- Accepted

We hereby accept the recent chal-

by Messrs. Page and Sealy

L. J. BRITT. W. Y. FLOYD. Drrum High School, Orrum, N. C.

March 29, 1915.

Cotton Passes 8 Cents on Local Market.

Middling cotton is selling for 8-1.4 cents per pound on the local market today. Good middling for confined to her room for several chise will not be exclusive as it is others went to Boardman yesterday of the prices of the point point allowed by law. They also ask to accept their former positions with highest prices The Robesonian has day. The condition of Mrs. Mollie had the pleasure of reporting since The condition of Mrs. Mollie at

Mr. Badger Biggs, who has been Rev A. J. Groves of Lumberton, spending a few days in Maxton, returned this morning.

church. Mr. L. R. Varser of Lum- his health is much better. In speak- public scales and place of grading to the surprise of Charlie had him been nightwatchman about town for (b) What is the plant worth as berton will deliver a Sunday school ing of hard times he says that we ready. For his services he will be safely back on land, none the worse peech at 11 o'clock a. m. A treat have not had any hard times here allowed 10 cents per bale, 5 cents to only for a severe ducking. Mr. I. J. Hall is spending a few

Messrs.

days at Rowland .- Miss Virginia Mc-The bill creating the public cot-Neill is spending a few days with Misses Annie and Janie Humphrey. -Mr. I. P. Ray is spending today

in Fayetteville. Mr. R. A. Melvin returned from the sad funeral of his son-in-law this evening.

MARIETTA NEWS MATTERS

BUIE NEWS BATCH.

Apron Party April 3d—Movements of the People.

C. McLeod, Peyton

Corresondence of The Robesonian. Marietta, March 23-Mrs. J. C. Sellers of Sellers, who had been vis-

iting at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. M. Oliver and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Oliver, left today for her home. As mentioned in Monday's Robe--Mrs. H. H. Anderson of Fair sonian, a public debate will be held Bluff spent last Thursday afternoon great."

in the graded school auditorium towith friends here .- Messrs. P. C. morrow evening. The query is "Re-solved, That the United States Gov-Parham, Mrs. Leon Henley, and Miss morrow it will show Mary Fuller and ernment should adopt the policy of Ada Henley went Monday to Lumsubsidizing its merchant marines en- berton, making the trip in Mr. Hen- 3-part drama, "Heart of the Hills, gaged in foreign trade." This is a ley's car. Miss Ada remained in preliminary debate to decide who Lumberton to have her tonsils and Monday. Watch for announcement shall go to Chapel Hill in April to adenoids removed .- Mr. and Mrs. enter the final contest for the Ay- Jackson Townsend, who have been cock Memorial Cup. The affirma-Both the Bladenboro and Parkton brass bands have been secured to furnish music for the county com. negative will be represented here by

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Oliver and Mr. a team from Laurinburg. Messrs. A. W. Harrington attended the quar-John Proctor and Robert McIntyre terly meeting at Bethesda last Satwill uphold the negative side of the urday. Mrs. W. M. Oliver, Misses same query at Sanford tomorrow Effie Smith and Rachel Oliver atnight against the affirmative of a tended this service and went on to the "bottom", near the Seabard Fairmont Saturday afternoon.

Widow of Stonewall Jackson Passed ness of Miss Kate Page of this place, who is teaching at Regan. Her brother and sister, Mr. Daniel and Mrs. Mary Jackson, widow of Gen-Miss Lula Page, went Saturday to small.

eral Thomas J. ("Stonewall") Jack-son, died at 4:20 o'clock this mornsee her. Mr Page returned Saturday night and reported his sister's ing at the old Jackson homestead condition as better, She had been ill for many The Ladies Aid Society of the months. Mrs. Jackson was born Methodist church is planning to near this city, July 21, 1831. She have an "apron party on Saturday was the daughter of the Rev. Robert night, April 3rd. The girls will have Hall Morrison, a Presbyterian min- dainty little aprons ready for hemister and founder of Davidson Col- ming and will also have ties to match aprons. The young men will draw Academy and College, finishing in ties and hem the aprons which match July, their ties. After the work is finishence for debate, which was extend- 1857. Jackson, then a major, was ed light refreshments will be sold, of serving as instructor in the Virgin- It will be an evening of pleasure for both old and young and everybody is invited to attend. If you don't have

an apron or don't feel like hemming will be in the Gregg hall.

Quick Action Wanted

When one is coughing and spitting with tickling throat, tightness in chest, soreness in throat and lungs

-when head ie aching and the whole body racked with a cough that won't permit sleep-he wants immediate re. and last night. Mrs. Anderson, who hef. Thousands say Foley's Honey has been a guest for several days and Tar Compound is the surest and at the home of her brother-in-law quickest acting medicine for coughs, and sister, Dr. and Mrs. B. W. Page, colds, croup and lagrippe. Sold by will go to Charlotte Saturday to vis-WE DO JOB PRINTING-TRY US all Druggists Everywhere.

-The Pastime theatre is running today its regular Friday night feature picture so as not to conflict with Coburn's Minstrels at the opera house tomorrow night. House of Temperly," a 5-reel subject is the feature today, and those who have seen the picture declare "it is

-The Star theatre has a surprise in Chas. Ogle, former Edison stars, in a Fourth episode "Trey O' Hearts" in Monday's Robesonian for date of the surprise great feature. It has also installed a self-player piano until motor arrives for the \$800

-The fire alarm was turned in from box No. 27, corner Elm and Second streets, this morning about 9:30 for a fire which had burned the top off one small tenant house and part of the top off another in airmont Saturday afternoon. We are sorry to hear of the ill. W. I. Kinlaw, but had not been oc-The houses belong to Mr. cupied in more than a year. The origin of the fire is unknown. The houses were old and the loss was

Notices of New Advertisements,

Reduce your light bill by using a Dimalite"-L H Caldwell

Notice of high school election, Lumberton township.

L. H. Caldwell tells why you should ot worry over the price of cotton. Saturday specials at Cartee's 5, 10 & 25 cent store.

P. P. Greene announces candidacy for chief of police.

E. S. McNeill announces candidacy for chief of police.

Garden hoes and rakes 10c each at artee's Saturday.

Notice of runaway colored girl. 8 cakes of Armour's Hammer laundry soap at Cartee's Saturday.

J A Coburn's Greater Minstrels at Opera house Friday night.

Program at Star theatre. W J. Britt announces candidacy

for :ffice of chief of police.

Mr. H. H. Anderson of Fair Bluff was a Lumberton visitor yesterday lit friends.

Among the Sick, with Mr. Raymond Reynolds, is very sick with pneumonia.

Mrs. A. R. Carter, who has been

Bryan, who has been very sick at

eral weeks, is no better.

She attended Salem, N. C., lege. 1849.

Sanford team.

here.

Mr. Kenneth Eveleigh of Wagram, one come and spend a pleasant evenwho has been spending ome time ing with your friends. The party

Mr. L. H. Caldwell is confined

She was married in ia Military Institute at Lexington,

Away at Charlotte Yesterday.

Charlotte Dispatch, 24th.

to his home with grip.

her home on first street for sev-