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## BRITAIN LOSES SUBMARINE

Crew Captured When E-15 Goes Aground—British Airmen Busy in Egypt—In the Carpathians—No Agreement Between Austria and Italy.  
London Dispatch, 18th.  
The British, as an offset to their success in destroying a Turkish torpedo boat, which attacked the transport Mantou off Chios yesterday, lost the submarine E15 which, while carrying out a difficult reconnaissance in the Dardanelles mine field, ran aground on Kophez Point, the crew being made prisoners. According to the Turkish report seven of the submarine crew are missing. In Egypt British airmen have dropped bombs on the Turkish encampment near the border while a French cruiser, the fire of which was directed by a seaplane, has been throwing shells on the Turks near El Arish, where the army for the invasion of Egypt has its headquarters.

These operations were undertaken presumably to harass the Turks, as the Turks have not shown any intention of attacking the British since their repulse along the canal.

In the Carpathians there has been fighting, but no battle to be compared with those which the arrival of spring brought to a close. The Austrian report that they have repulsed Russian attacks southeast of Lupkow Pass, inflicting heavy losses on their adversaries but elsewhere comparative calm prevails. The French again have been active in the Vosges, capturing an important high near Metzeral. The British, too, have attacked the Germans in the neighborhood of Ypres, where fighting was still in progress when the last report was dispatched.

It again is stated that German efforts to bring about an agreement between Austria and Italy have failed, a report which, if confirmed, is likely to magnify in the eyes of the Italians the frontier incident which occurred yesterday. According to the latest reports the Austrians who were fighting over Italian territory actually fired upon Italian troops who had retreated, and in return were fired upon by the Italians.

The sinking of the Greek steamer *Arcturion* in the Aegean off the coast of Greece is likely to bring about a new agreement between the Greek and German governments. The *Arcturion* was destroyed while on a voyage from Yverdon, Holland, to Montevideo in ballast.

## BRETHREN, VOTE FOR US

These Are They That Have Come Over From the Side of Hesitancy and Are Running for the Office of Town Commissioner.

It looks now like before the time arrives when folks must stop placing their hats in the ring for town commissioner, which will be Friday night midnight of this week, the town will be running over with candidates—not exactly running—but would serve if nominated and elected. It is understood that both Messrs. Geo. L. Thompson and L. T. Townsend are reconsidered and will be in the race to succeed themselves. Mr. M. N. Felver will have his hat in the ring; Mr. Amos King will serve if nominated; Mr. W. S. Wishart is a candidate; and D. B. McNeill is leaving the matter with his friends. Perhaps there will "come out" before Friday night it looked for one candidate that nobody at all wanted this honorable position, but at last the fever has begun to rage. The primary will be held Tuesday of next week.

## Col. A. B. Andrews, Vice President of Southern Railway, Dead.

Col. A. B. Andrews, vice president of the Southern Railway, died at his home in Raleigh Saturday night after a brief illness. He was 74 years old. The funeral will be conducted from the Good Shepherd church in Raleigh this afternoon at 4 o'clock, at which time every train on the great Southern Railway system will come to standstill. Also every wheel in the hundreds of machine shops in the South will cease to turn and every employee, from the highest official to the humble track-walker, will lay aside his duties for a period of 3 minutes to pay a silent and last tribute.

## When in Doubt Play Trumps.

"I'm a little afraid to plant either cotton or tobacco this year, but I'm not afraid to plant corn and other things to eat," were the words of a Robeson county farmer recently. A good plan is to plant less of the things you are afraid of and more of the things you are not afraid of.

## Plants and Fruit Not Injured by Cold.

"Plants of every kind and fruit have been hurt the least by the cold this spring that I ever noticed," was the remark of a farmer, one day recently. The reason is, he thinks, because all the while it has been cold, which had kept the sap from rising.

## Free Seed.

Congressman H. L. Godwin has sent The Robesonian a full supply of the following kinds of seeds: corn, lettuce, muskmelon, onion, radish, mysum, kohia, nasturium, petunia, poppy. These are government seeds and Robesonian readers can get them free of charge by calling at the office.

Dr. C. T. Poole of St. Pauls was among the visitors in town this morning.

## HIGH SCHOOL BOND ISSUE

Meeting in Interest of This All-Important Question Will Be Held Thursday Evening at Court House—Women and Children Invited to Attend.  
A mass meeting will be held at the court house Thursday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, in the interest of a township high school for Lumberton township. Good music and speaking will be a part of the programme. Ushers will be in attendance and ladies and children are not only invited to be present, but are urged to attend this meeting, which has for its object the giving of the child with small means a chance. This is a matter of no small importance and should be attended by a large number of people not only of the town but the entire township.

## ORRUM OCCURRENCES

Orrum Defeats Boardman—Commencement April 27 and 28—Great Time at County Commencement—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian, Orrom, April 16—Misses Beulah Foyette and Lillie Oakley spent Saturday and Tuesday at Boardman visiting friends.

Mrs. A. J. Surles was a business visitor in Fairmont Friday.

Boardman crossed bats with Orrom Thursday afternoon on the latter's diamond, he score being 21 to 0 in favor of Orrom.

Mrs. A. M. Floyd and daughter, Miss Cora, were business visitors in Burnsville Thursday a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McCullen spent Friday in Wilmington on business.

Miss Flora Frink spent the week-end at Bladenboro with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Frink.

The teachers and students of the Orrom high school are very busy preparing for commencement which will be the 27th and 28th of April. This promises to be one of the best commencements in the history of the school.

Our school was well represented at the county commencement in Lumberton last week and they report the best time ever.

Mr. Stephen Powell of Lumberton spent a few days here this week with his mother, Mrs. Olive Powell.

Yadkin River Power Co. to Build Plant at Laurinburg.

Laurinburg Exchange.  
For a long while Laurinburg has carried on a negotiation with the Yadkin River Power Co. with a view of having them supply the town and its various manufacturing enterprises with electric power. A contract has been signed and plans put into action that not only means we shall have the power for local use, but that Laurinburg is to be the distributing point for the company in this territory. A reduction plant will be built here immediately which will require an expenditure of \$50,000, and power will be furnished the town, the cotton mills, the McNair Phosphate Co., the oil mill, all the various manufacturing plants here, as well as at Maxton and Lumberton.

We are informed that it is the purpose of the company, as soon as the business in this territory will justify it, to build an auxiliary steam plant here, which will increase their investment in Laurinburg to a quarter of a million dollars.

## Recorder's Court—90 Days or Slander.

Wingate Lawson of the Princess Ann section was before Recorder E. M. Britt Saturday charged with slander of the character of Nancy Fowler, of the same section. The evidence was that Lawson got mad with Mrs. McD. Walters and entered suit against him for fornication and adultery, bringing the Fowler woman into the charge. This case was heard by Recorder A. E. Floyd of Fairmont and dismissed. In the slander case Recorder Britt gave a sentence of 90 days on the roads to begin when he has served a sentence of 12 months recently imposed by Recorder Britt for shooting a man. Lawson appealed to the Superior Court in both cases. The trial drew quite a number of people from that section.

## Barnesville News Batch.

Correspondence of The Robesonian, Barnesville, April 19—Miss Fronie Kendall is spending a while at Mr. William Walters.

Misses Alice Floyd and Walter Pave visited at the home of Mr. T. C. Barnes last week.

Quite a number of the Barnesville folks attended the concert at Bloomingdale Friday night, and report an enjoyable occasion.

The Barnesville Baptist Sunday school will render a missionary program Sunday evening, April 27, beginning at 8 o'clock. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

The Barnesville band finished music for a commencement at Hinton's Cross Roads, near Fair Bluff, April 13. They report a grand time.

## Notices of New Advertisements.

Card of thanks—E. E. Page and family.

"Perils of Pauline" at Pastime twice a week.

Program at Star theatre.

Good horse and mule for sale at bargain—Jno. T. Biggs.

Cow and calf for sale—Dr. L. E. Ricks, Fairmont.

Cook's Improved seed cotton for sale—D. F. Lowrey, Raynham.

Young man wants position.

## FAIRMONT DEPARTMENT

Clean-Up Day Suggested—Death of Little Ruby Floyd—Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian, Fairmont, Apr. 16—Miss Lillian Baker of North Fairmont, who had been in the Highsmith hospital in Fayetteville for some time, returned home much improved.

Mr. A. P. Williams left Wednesday afternoon to visit his father who lives in Halifax county. The old gentleman is suffering with pneumonia and is about 68 years old.

Ruby, 9-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Graddy Floyd, who live out about three miles from town, died on Friday, the 9th inst., and was buried in the family cemetery on Saturday afternoon. Rev. Mr. Stanfield conducted the funeral service. Ruby was a bright little girl and will be greatly missed.

We visited Rowland on Monday, the 12th, for a short while. The recent fire made quite a change in the appearance of that part of town. Doubtless in the near future his stores will take the places of the modern buildings destroyed and their Main street will be more city-like than formerly.

Dr. J. P. Brown went to Fayetteville on Friday last to return with Mrs. Brown, who had been in the Highsmith hospital for some time for treatment.

Mrs. W. W. Willis is in bad health and has been some time. Hope she may soon recover and be her former self again.

We noticed on our streets Friday Mr. F. M. Stephens of Boardman and Rev. J. J. Scott of Orrom; also Mr. E. O. Nye, Mrs. Shep Oliver of Marietta and Mrs. McCarther of Gaddysville were here one day last week.

Why not have "clean-up day" in Fairmont. True, towns can be found, doubtless, in worse condition than this, but conditions could be greatly improved if everybody here would do their part. Trash of different kinds accumulates here, and will be a "summer nuisance" for thousands of flies. None need to fear flies and buzzards, in the years gone by they were regarded as necessary scavengers of filth, but today they should be regarded as unfriendly neighbors, more to be feared and feared in this country than famine.

Then about living premises, tin cans and the like left standing so as to catch and hold water will serve as breeding places for mosquitoes. Remove every worthless thing from the home and let the toads have full sway in the yard to devour the troublesome insects and then you can lie down and sleep in peace, provided your conscience is right with your God and your neighbor.

We say deliver us from the song of the mosquito when we are sleepy and tired. If he would take his supper and say less about it we would stand his invasions better.

Let us clean up any way. What do you say?  
W. W. W.

## Hopes to See Robeson Well Represented at Baraca-Philathea Convention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian, Barnesville, Apr. 19—Dear Baracas and Philatheas: This week we are naturally more interested in the coming State convention, which is to be held in Raleigh the latter part of the week, than we have been at any previous time. It is especially important that just as many of us attend this convention as possibly can. There are several very important questions, or problems, that will likely be acted upon. As possibly most of us know, the program is one of the most excellent ever arranged for a State convention in North Carolina. In short, the trip will be well worth the time and cost, and will be something worth while.

Hoping to see Robeson county fully represented, by seeing delegates from each and every class, also delegates to represent the County Union.

## BOYD WILLIAMS.

## "SWAT THE FLY"

Flies and Mosquitoes Discussed at Meeting of Farm Women's Club.

Correspondence of The Robesonian, Back Swamp (Lumberton, R. 3), April 17—The United Farm Women's Club of Back Swamp was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Britt Sr., on Wednesday afternoon, April 14th, all members of the club being present. Flies and mosquitoes being the subject under discussion.

An interesting and instructive paper on flies was read by Messrs. W. N. Townsend and Will Lewis; on mosquitoes, by Mrs. M. M. Slaughter; and Mrs. John T. Slaughter read a very practical and most interesting paper on "Methods and Cost of Screens." After a general discussion of the papers read, a social hour was spent, most delightful music being furnished by Miss Augusta Britt; and last, but not least, delicious refreshments served by Mrs. and Miss Britt.

These present not members of the club, were Misses Flora and Dora Thompson of McDonalds and Mrs. W. R. Tyner and Miss Flora Curlye of Lowe.

The club held a most interesting and enjoyable meeting and all went home more than ever determined to "Swat the Fly."

## DOWN GADDYSVILLE WAY

Debate and Other Exercises at Close of Successful School—More Diversified Farming Than Ever Before—Tobacco Plants Small.

Correspondence of The Robesonian, Gaddysville (Fairmont, R. 1), Apr. 15—Wednesday night, April 14, was an eventful night for Gaddysville at the close of a most successful school taught by Mr. D. R. McIntyre, whose efficiency and skill have won a great reputation for him. In fact he can be numbered among the best teachers in the State.

The exercises consisted of two readings on "Truth" and "Selfishness" by Misses Neva Gaddy and Viola Rulph, respectively. They were really, in fact, the best we ever heard. Advice given in these excellent pieces was taken by everybody to heart. A debate was given in the school hall. A debate was given by representation of the Philanthropic Literary Club. The query selected was, "Resolved, That the Right of Suffrage should Not be Restricted on Account of Sex." The affirmative was upheld by Messrs. James Shooter and Don Ballock, the negative was defended by Messrs. W. V. Branch and Grady Shooter. Each side did themselves credit. The debate was won by a close vote.

Mr. McIntyre has done himself proud in the skill of a persevering teacher he has shown in our school. Special mention is deserved in the thorough cooperation he has shown in our club. He has helped to make it what it is. We had the pleasure of shaking Beloved Jno. Warwick's hand, he being one of our judges. We can never forget F. M. Barnes and J. F. Warwick for their part done by Gaddysville. Mr. Barnes predicted a better day not far in the future. Mr. Warwick came and organized a literary society and helped to build up a lasting reputation. He and Messrs. Barnes and McIntyre deserve special credit for their praiseworthy deeds in behalf of Gaddysville.

The farmers are about through planting corn and some are planting cotton. There will be more diversified farming than ever. Less fertilizer is being used. To prove it, we follow used 27 tons in 1914 and in 1915 1-1/2 tons of cheap stuff. Tobacco plants are very small for the time of year and some very undesirable late planting will take place.

## SHANNON NEWS NOTES

Death of Rev. M. E. McLaughlin—School Closes—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian, Shannon, Apr. 14—We are sorry to report the death of Rev. M. E. McLaughlin of Effingham, S. C., which occurred at a hospital in Florence, S. C., on the 5th inst. Rev. Mr. McLaughlin was a son of Esquire D. B. McLaughlin, who lives on the rural route from this place. His remains were interred in the cemetery at Antioch church where the funeral was conducted by Rev. V. R. Gaston, assisted by Rev. J. J. Hill, D. D. of Red Springs and Rev. Mr. Brown of Raeford. Rev. Mr. McLaughlin is survived by a wife and three small children, an aged father and seven brothers. We extend our deepest sympathies to the bereaved ones.

Mr. Marshall Cobb spent last night here with relatives.

We were glad to learn of little Miss Kate Currie winning the prize as best speller in the grammar grade, at the county commencement. Miss Kate is one of our brightest pupils and has many friends here who rejoice in her victory.

We are glad to report Miss Mary Morgan, who has been sick with grip, somewhat better and hope she will be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McPhail and children of Red Springs spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Currie.

Mr. and Miss T. J. Conoly of Raeford spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Conoly's mother, Mrs. Sallie A. Conoly.

Shannon school closed on Wednesday of last week with no commencement exercises.

## Baraca-Philathea Convention in Raleigh This Week.

From Baraca-Philathea Headquarters, Greensboro.

The Baraca-Philathea convention in Raleigh this week, beginning Thursday evening, April 22nd, is creating widespread interest among the young people of the Sunday schools of this State, of all Protestant denominations. Over 700 regular delegates have enrolled at Baraca-Philathea Headquarters, Greensboro, with several days ahead for those who happen to be late in deciding to go.

In addition to the regular delegates, several hundred visitors will attend the convention, especially on Sunday. Wilson and Henderson are endeavoring to secure an attendance sufficient to run special trains for the Sunday meetings, while the Charlotte delegates, accompanied by a number from Gastonia, will go in a special car.

It is well understood that the local committee on homes in Raleigh have secured plenty of homes for the delegates at \$1.00 each per day, two in a room, and those who prefer hotel entertainment will lack nothing in the splendid hotels of the Capital City.

Mr. W. L. Townsend of Rowland is in town today.

## THE FINAL SUMMONS

Mr. James A. McNeill of Red Springs Died Yesterday.

Mr. James A. McNeill, a leading merchant of Red Springs, died at his home there yesterday morning at 4 o'clock of apoplexy. Mr. McNeill was 78 years old.

The funeral will be held in Red Springs this afternoon at 4 o'clock by his pastor, Rev. H. G. Hill. Interment will be made in the Alloway cemetery.

Deceased was a member of the Red Springs Presbyterian church and took an active part in all church work. He is survived by his wife, three daughters—Mrs. W. E. Garrett, and Misses Mamie and Carrie McNeill, all of Red Springs—and one sister, Mrs. M. E. McKinnon of Maxton.

## FUNERAL OF MRS. E. E. PAGE

Death Occurred Thursday Night at Home Here—Remains Interred at White Pond.

The funeral of Mrs. E. E. Page, whose death occurred at her home in the northern part of town Thursday night at 10 o'clock, was conducted by Rev. W. D. Combs, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle, from the Tabernacle, Saturday morning at 8 o'clock. The remains were then taken to White Pond, in the southern part of the county, where a second funeral was conducted by Mr. Combs from the White Pond Gospel Tabernacle. After which interment was made in the family burying grounds near the church. The pall bearers were Messrs. M. W. Floyd, G. B. McLeod, R. E. Lee, I. V. Hooper, E. B. Freeman, H. H. Redfern and J. H. Floyd. Large crowds attended the funeral, both here and at White Pond, and the floral offerings were numerous and beautiful and showed in part the high esteem in which deceased was held by her acquaintances.

Deceased was 42 years of age and had since childhood been a member of Hope Swamp Baptist church. She was a lovely Christian character and was, with her kind acts, was the love and admiration of all who knew her. She is survived by her husband and to children—five boys and five girls. These are Messrs. A. P. Lucas and E. E. Jr. of Lumberton; U. S. Pava of LaGrange; S. M. Page of Halifax; and Misses Letha, Lizzie May, Nesbit, Edna and Dotsey, who lived with their parents here.

## REGISTER FOR HIGH SCHOOL BONDS ELECTION

A new registration has been ordered for the election on the question of making Lumberton township a high school district. Issuing bonds in the sum of \$20,000, and levying a special tax for maintenance. In order to vote in this election it is necessary to register. The registration books are kept open every Saturday at the court house by Mr. A. E. Spivey. Only two Saturdays remain in which one may register. It will be too late to register if one fails to register either Saturday of this week, the 24th, or Saturday of next week, May 1.

—Frank was reentered in this section Saturday and yesterday morning, very light, of course.

—Mrs. W. P. McAllister went Friday to Richmond, Va., where she entered a hospital for treatment.

—Material is being placed on the ground for remodeling the Pastime theatre. The plans for this work will be drawn by Mr. J. M. Russell, a local architect. The building will be made longer, the ceiling will be raised and an inclined floor will be put in.

—The Fayetteville basketball team defeated the Lumberton team in a game here Friday afternoon by a score of 24 to 6. The girls played the ball on both sides. This is the second time that Lumberton has been defeated by Fayetteville. Lumberton will meet the Raeford team at Raeford this afternoon and it is expected that they will come home victorious.

—Mrs. B. W. Pave and her sister Miss Julia R. Culbreth delighted the congregation at Chestnut Street Methodist church, where Mrs. Pave is choir leader, yesterday morning with a duet, which was faultlessly rendered. Miss Culbreth, who has been a guest at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Page since Saturday, will return this evening or tomorrow morning to Maxton, where she is teacher of voice at Carolina College.

—Mrs. Rosa Lee Lytch of Rowland is among the shoppers in town today.

—Mr. William McLean of St. Pauls is among the business visitors in town today.

—Mr. T. L. Johnson returned this morning from Richmond, Va., where he spent several days on legal business.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Stacy returned this morning from Rowland, where they spent the week-end visiting relatives.

—Mr. Howard McNair of Maxton passed through town this morning en route to Whiteville, where he will spend some time on business.

## BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—License has been issued for the marriage of H. J. Peavitt and Emma Longmire; Groover McMillan and Bertha Boyd.

—Mrs. Ben G. Floyd left Saturday for Maxton, where she was summoned on account of illness in her father's family.

—Sheriff R. E. Lewis says folks are paying their taxes right along since the land has been advertised for sale. No wonder.

—Mr. G. S. Harrell of route 1 from Rowland was a Lumberton visitor Saturday. Mr. Harrell reports things brightening up around Rowland.

—Mr. T. T. Walters of route 1 from Gaddysville was in town Saturday. Mr. Walters reports the farmer well up with their work down the way.

—Milling cotton is bringing 9 1/2 and good middling 9 1/4 on the market today. This is a new high record for the time since the European war started.

—Red Springs Citizen: Mr. and Mrs. J. J. L. L. have moved to St. Pauls where Mr. L. L. holds a position with the Graubart Drug Company in that place.

—Rev. L. L. Nash, D. D., evangelist of the North Carolina Conference, passed through town Saturday en route to St. Pauls, where yesterday began a series of meetings.

—Tobacco farmers, a good many of them, say that notwithstanding the cold weather and late spring they will get out lots of the weed this week if they can get a season.

—Mr. A. E. Spivey received this morning from S. M. Art, recruiting officer at Charlotte, the following telegram: "A member of the recruiting party will arrive tomorrow."

—In giving the names of the winners of the prizes in the athletic contest at the county commencement April 9, the name of Melba Purvis appeared as the winner of 440-yard dash. The name should have been Astrin B. McKee of the Purvis school.

—The public school at Raft Swamp will close Thursday of this week, judging from the programme, which was published in Thursday's Robesonian, both the day and night exercises will be well worth attending. Misses Quessie Prevatte and Anna Edgerton are the teachers.

—A change has recently been made in the time for closing mail for Seaboard train No. 20, west-bound, due at 10:05 p. m. The mail has formerly been closed at 8 o'clock, but will not be closed till 9 o'clock in the future. The time of closing mail for V. & C. S. train 78, which leaves at 8:45 p. m., has been changed from 7:30 to 8:15.

—Those who attended the closing exercises of the Long Branch public school Friday night report a creditable entertainment that showed the children had been well trained. The session just closed was declared by the patrons as being one of the very best in the history of the school. Mr. N. C. Long and Miss Euphemia Tyson were the teachers.

—Mr. J. W. McShaw, a hard-working farmer of the Long Branch section, was in town Saturday. Mr. McShaw bought about \$10 worth of groceries and clothing and left it in a wagon for a short time and on returning to his wagon found that somebody had stolen the whole lot. It don't pay to leave things out where folks can pick them up.

—Mr. J. Thomas Thorndyke, who had been spending some time here visiting friends and relatives, went Friday night to Escanaba, Michigan, where he will spend the summer with friends and relatives, after which he will take up his duties with the Goodrich Steamship Company as wireless operator. Mr. Thorndyke was formerly a non-commissioned officer of the United States Marine Corps.

—The piano contest which had been going on at Carter's 5, 10 and 25 cent store for the last six months, closed Thursday night with Miss Letha Page of Lumberton as winner of the piano. Miss Page received 4,964.530 votes. She received a 20-year Elgin watch, Misses Margaret Fenston, Laura Prevatte and Lula Johnson also received watches.

—A brick wall has been erected on the south side of the old cemetery near the union station. When the street was cut down for paving recently several graves were cut into, and in some instances bones and parts of burial fixtures were found. The graves were so old that no one here had an idea who was laid to rest in them. The wall was constructed to keep the side from washing during heavy rains.

—Mr. W. J. Dubois sold Friday to Mr. C. C. Stophel of Chadbourn the stock and fixtures of the Lumberton bakery. Mr. Dubois has not yet decided where he will locate. Both Mr. and Mrs. Dubois have made many friends since they came to Lumberton, who will be sorry to learn that they will leave town. Mr. Dubois is an active church worker and will be greatly missed in many ways. Mr. Stophel is an experienced baker and no doubt will conduct the bakery on a high scale.