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ROBESON'S TAXABLE PROPERTY

More Than Half Million Acres Land Valued at \$5,793,452—Other Interesting Totals—Table Showing Details by Townships Will be Published in Thursday's Robesonian.

From the abstract made last week by County Auditor McCallum to the State Corporation Commission of original returns made by township list-takers and assessors of aggregate value of real and personal property for the year 1915, and, as a whole, for the county, and average value per unit of land acreage and the several classes of live stock in Robeson, the following interesting figures are taken:

Robeson county has: 553,855 acres of land valued at \$5,793,452, average value per acre, \$10.46; 4,493 town lots valued at \$2,287,769, average value per lot, \$509.18; 1,911 horses valued at \$149,535, average value \$78.25; 6,858 mules valued at \$579,177, average value, \$84.45; seven jacks and jennies, valued at \$475, average, \$67.86; 4,139 cattle, valued at \$76,818, average value, \$18.56; 24,100 hogs, valued at \$71,273, average value, \$2.96; 209 sheep, valued at \$340, average value, \$1.63; 186 goats, valued at \$282, average value, \$1.51; 197 dogs, valued at \$2,057, average value, \$10.44. Total value, real and personal property for 1915, \$12,324,294. These figures do not include any corporate excess, bank stock or public service corporation.

The Robesonian is having this entire abstract put in type and hopes to be able to publish in Thursday's paper a table giving in detail the information from which the above totals are derived, and lots of other details not mentioned in the above. This will make interesting and valuable reading and will make Thursday's issue of The Robesonian well worth preserving for future reference.

40 CENTS THE HUNDRED

Farmers in Session in Lumberton Today Agree That 40 Cents the Hundred is All They Can Afford to Pay for Picking Cotton and Peas. Seventeen townships were represented at the citizens' meeting held at the court house this morning at 11 o'clock to fix a uniform price for gathering cotton and peas. Dr. G. M. Pate of Rowland was elected chairman of the meeting and Mr. A. C. Johnson of Lumberton secretary. As stated in Thursday's Robesonian, this meeting grew out of a meeting held at Rowland a few days ago to get the people to bind themselves together and fix 40 cents per hundred as the uniform price for picking cotton and peas.

Resolutions were adopted at the meeting this morning that the farmers of Robeson county would not pay but 40 cents per hundred for the gathering of the 1915 crop of cotton and peas. A motion was made that delegates be appointed from each township to carry the petition around and have the farmers sign, agreeing not to pay more than 40 cents per hundred. This motion was not voted upon this morning, however, as the question arose as to whether or not the law would permit this. A committee was appointed to interview a lawyer and report at a meeting this afternoon.

LUMBERTON IN THE MOVIES?

Does Lumberton Want to Be Put on the Movie Screens?—A Moving Picture Company Representative Will be in Lumberton This Week—Meeting of Chamber of Commerce Thursday Night to Consider the Matter.

Do Lumberton people want moving pictures made of scenes in the town?

This is the question that will be considered at a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Thursday night.

Mayor White has received a letter from a moving picture company inquiring if the town would be interested in having moving pictures made of scenes in the town. In order to bring the matter properly before the business men of the town, President Russell has called a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to be held Thursday night at 8:30 o'clock in the court room at the court house. A moving picture man will be present at the meeting and submit a proposition to the town. A full attendance is desired. Just what the proposition is will be explained at the meeting, but of course it is a proposition that will require the backing of the business men of the town to put through.

Since the above was put in type it has been learned that Mr. Wm. Kerber of the National Film Corporation of Baltimore, Md., is the movie man who will be in Lumberton Thursday. It was through the efforts of Mayor White and Manager Wishart of the Pastime theatre that the Baltimore concern was induced to send a man to Lumberton to go over the situation, and it is to be hoped that the business men of the town will attend the meeting Thursday night and thoroughly inform themselves as to the advantages of advertising the town in this way.

First Open Boll of Cotton.

Mr. Julius F. Stephens, who lives on route 3 from Lumberton, near Fairmont, sent to The Robesonian Thursday by Mr. Harry McWhite, the first open boll of cotton that has been picked this season. The boll was just popping open and would have been fully open by Friday had it been allowed to remain in the field.

BOYS' CORN CLUB INSTITUTE

Three Days' Course in Agriculture at Philadelphia Attended by About 50 Robeson County Corn Club Boys—Farm Experiences and Lectures—Robeson's Farm-Life School—A Model Farm—Philadelphia.

The short course in agriculture which was taught during the three-days' session of the Boys' Corn Club institute at Philadelphia Thursday, Friday and Saturday was attended by about 50 of Robeson's 105 Corn Club members, besides a number of older farmers. No one can tell what the course will be worth to those who were so fortunate as to be present. Lectures based on practical experience were delivered along many phases of farm life.

The institute was opened Thursday at 2 o'clock p. m. with an address of welcome by Prof. S. J. Kirby, principal of the farm-life school at Philadelphia. Mr. Archie K. Robertson, assistant in the Boys' Corn Club work in the State, responded to the welcome address. After the address of welcome and the response, most all the Corn Club members present told of their experience and present prospects for big yields this year. The reports were very encouraging. Prof. Kirby then gave a summary of the reports and commented on them, after which the boys engaged in a live baseball game on the campus. They played a most interesting game and seemed to have enjoyed it immensely.

Farm Extension and Club Work. At Thursday night's session Prof. C. R. Hudson, agent in charge of the State club work, made a most instructive and inspiring address on the objects and results of the farm extension and club work. He outlined what it would mean to the State and nation along agricultural lines in the future. Those who heard this address declare it was the best address they ever heard along agricultural lines. After Prof. Hudson had finished his address Mr. A. K. Robertson, a former Robeson county man, who is now connected with the State Department of Agriculture, made a stereoscopic lecture, which was plain, practical and no doubt will be worth much to the young farmers who saw and heard it. Prof. Hudson then sang a solo of his own composition on the club work.

Friday morning at 10 o'clock Prof. Hudson made another fine address on "Better Farming," and was followed by Mr. T. D. McLean, State agent of the farm extension work. Mr. McLean's address was along the line of general farm conditions and how to improve on them.

Farm Accounting. Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock Prof. J. M. Johnson, professor of farm management at the A. & M. College, Raleigh, made a most interesting address on "Farm Accounting." He showed very plainly why farmers should keep books and know just what they paid out and what they received from their farm products. Mr. T. J. W. Broom of Monroe followed Mr. Johnson and made a most inspiring address on "Cover Crops." Mr. J. McKinnon of Maxton followed Mr. Broom and gave his personal experience with growing rye.

Friday night a large crowd heard a masterly address by Prof. W. A. Withers, head of the chemical department at the A. & M. College, Raleigh. After Mr. Withers had finished his address several musical selections and readings were rendered, all of which were highly entertaining and much enjoyed.

The only thing on the program Saturday was trips over the farm belonging to the farm-life school and athletic exercises.

Farm-Life School Farm

A trip through the 35-acre farm maintained and run in connection with the farm-life school is most instructive. On this farm one can see growing corn, cotton, potatoes, both Irish and sweet—Sudan grass, German millet, tomatoes, soy beans—planted after oats—and all kinds of vegetables. Here it might be added that it has been a long time since this reporter enjoyed more highly a meal than he did a real farm dinner, most of which grew on the farm, at the home of Prof. Kirby and prepared under the supervision of Mrs. Kirby. It revealed just how folks can live at home on the farm.

Cattle raising is also tried out on the farm there by Prof. Kirby. He now has a fine colt about two months old. He also has a few of the best-registered breeds of hogs. On the farm has been erected a modern and up-to-date barn of the Western type. All the crop cultivation is done with a two-horse cultivator and the man who does the plowing rides the year round. It is truly a revelation to take a trip over this farm and see how things are carried on.

Farm-Life School a County Institution. The next session of the farm-life school will open the second week of September. Prof. Kirby in one of his addresses declared that most every township in the county was represented at this Robeson county institute last year and he hopes to see boys there from every section of the county this fall. There is no charge for tuition whatever. One must be able to begin high school work, that is, able to enter

FARMERS INTERESTED IN COVER CROPS

Meeting for Robeson Farmers Last Week Well Attended—Much Interest Manifested in Move for More Cover Crops—Demonstrator Blanchard Will be Away 4 Weeks.

County Farm Demonstrator L. E. Blanchard was well pleased with the attendance and interest taken in the meetings held in different parts of the county last week. A report of the meetings held Monday and Tuesday were published in Thursday's Robesonian. Mr. Blanchard says large crowds met him and Mr. Broom, both of whom made lectures concerning winter cover crops at Orrum and Marietta Wednesday, Saddle Tree and Ten Mile Thursday and at Rex and Philadelphia Friday. Perhaps the largest crowd to meet these gentlemen and hear them talk about winter cover crops was at Ten Mile, where the school building was filled to its capacity. Mr. Blanchard says the farmers seem to be very much interested in the move for more cover crops, and he expects to see quite a bit of rye and crimson clover planted this fall.

Mr. Blanchard left Saturday for Durham county, where he will assist Mr. M. R. McGirt, formerly of Rowland, this county, now county farm demonstrator in Durham county, in a series of meetings like were held in Robeson last week. The next week Mr. Blanchard will visit several eastern North Carolina counties and study soy beans. He will then attend a two-weeks' convention of county farm demonstrators which will be held at the A. & M. College, Raleigh, before returning to his work here, being away four weeks.

HOMICIDE NEAR FAIRMONT

Jerry Inman Shot and Killed by Jim Byrd—Young Negroes—Dispute About Bicycle—Byrd Made No Effort to Escape—Does Not Know How He Came to Shoot.

Jerry Inman, colored, was shot through the heart and killed Friday night about 10 o'clock on the A. S. Thompson farm near Fairmont, by Jim Byrd, also colored. The shot was fired from a U. S. pistol. The evidence was that the negroes were having some little dispute about who should ride a bicycle, which led up to the killing. The evidence brought out at the coroner's inquest was that Byrd took the pistol from a tobacco barn and had snapped it at several other negroes before he shot Inman, there being only two cart-ridges in it. Sheriff R. E. Lewis and County Health Officer, B. W. Page went to the scene of the murder early Saturday morning. Coroner G. E. Rancke was out of town and Mr. S. D. Strain held the inquest. The verdict of the coroner's jury was that Inman came to his death by a pistol wound, the gun being in the hands of Jim Byrd. Byrd was brought to jail to await the next term of criminal court. He says he killed Inman, but he deines knowing how he came to shoot him. Byrd made no effort to get away and seemed to be grieving very much over his act. Both negroes were single, Inman being about 19 years old and Byrd about 21.

8th grade, to enter the school, however.

The good people of the Philadelphia section declare that they don't want the people of Robeson to feel like the school only belongs to those who live about it, but want them to feel like it is a county school and send their boys there that they may learn more about farm life and how to make it pleasant and profitable.

Domestic science is taught in this school also and no girl who attends this school will be shy of the knowledge of how to cook and sew.

The girls of the community have organized a tomato club and a new canning outfit will arrive in a few days. Girls from all over Robeson county are invited to take their tomatoes to Philadelphia and can them.

A Hospitable People. The citizens of Philadelphia entertained during the corn club institute not only every member of the club present, but all others who attended, and entertained them royally. It can be truthfully said the people who make up this model community, to paraphrase a line of a noble poem, live in houses by the side of the road and are friends to man.

The corn club boys seemed to have taken much interest in the meeting, perhaps more than any previous meeting, and no doubt none of them ever spent three days that will be worth more to them. It was a three-days' feast on agricultural facts that will in the future mean profit.

—HAPPY JACK.

STATE NEWS

Henry Shoe was shot from ambush near Big Lick, Stanley county, last Wednesday and died the following night. Arch Helms, who lives near the scene of the shooting, and two of his sons, Ohio and Luther, were arrested as suspects and placed in jail at Albemarle Thursday. Officials are investigating the murder.

S. A. Woodward, prominent lawyer, politician and business man of Wilson, died in a hospital in Wilson Saturday. He was 48 years old. He was a member of the Legislature in 1905.

Messrs. A. W. McLean and L. R. Varner are attending the Bar Association, which meets at Asheville today and lasts through Wednesday.

70,000 POUNDS TOBACCO SOLD AT OPENING SALE

Lumberton Tobacco Market Opens Exceedingly Well—70,000 Pounds Tobacco Sold at Prices Ranging From 2 to 8 Cents—Farmers Pleased With Prices and Warehousemen Pleased With Amount of Weed Brought In—Some Unpleasant Knocking.

Seventy thousands pounds of tobacco were sold at the Farmers' Tobacco Warehouse of Lumberton on the opening day, Thursday of last week, at prices ranging from 2 to 8 cents. This was an exceedingly good opening, as regards the amount of tobacco brought in and the prices, which were good for the grades, and both the farmers and the warehousemen were pleased. The estimate in Thursday's paper was made hurriedly, as there was little time to get up an item about the opening before going to press, and it was 20,000 pounds under, as is more often the case with estimates.

Farmers throughout this section known "Billy" Bransford, the man who made the Mullins tobacco market, and have confidence in him that he will get for them at the Farmers Tobacco Warehouse of Lumberton the very best prices that can be obtained. On the opening day tobacco brought in on the opening day indicates that they are going to bring to this market a large share of their crop.

Some unfair knocking on the floor of the warehouse by a misguided booster for the Fairmont market, caused a little disturbance and might easily have led to trouble. Mayor White overheard some man state to another man in reference to a pile of tobacco that had just been sold that it would have brought two or three cents more (naming the approximate price) on the Fairmont market. Mr. White immediately broke into the conversation by telling the Fairmont booster that he was telling the thing that was not, that he ought to be ashamed of himself for resorting to such methods, that it was just as unfair and preposterous as it would be for a man to come into another man's store and try to dissatisfy a customer with a purchase; that if boosters from Lumberton should go to Fairmont and resort to such methods they would be kicked out, and quit properly kicked out, and that that same would happen to him if he tried such methods again.

The incident caused considerable feeling, and many were free in denouncing it as part of a systematic effort to kill the Lumberton market, and thereby choke off competition, but of course the farmers are not fools and such efforts could not but fail among intelligent men.

Quite a contrast to the behaviour of that man was the conduct of Mr. E. J. Davis, senior member of the firm of E. J. Davis & Sons, well-known warehousemen of Fairmont. Mayor White overheard Mr. Davis tell somebody who asked him about a sale that had just been made that the tobacco was selling as well as the same grades would sell anywhere. Mr. White did not know who the man was at the time but he promptly thanked him and congratulated him on being so fair and honorable. Those who know Mr. Davis are not surprised of course, that he could not be caught doing the unfair thing. He does not resort to questionable methods but gives fair and square competition.

The Farmers Tobacco Warehouse of Lumberton will handle its share of the tobacco crop of this section for the farmers know the manager of the warehouse, Mr. "Billy" Bransford, and know he never overlooks any chance to get for them the best markets afford for their tobacco.

News of Germans Occupying Warsaw Hourly Expected.

London Dispatch, Aug. 1.

The anniversary of the outbreak of the war passed without the Germans occupying Warsaw, which was understood to be part of their program. However, news of this climax to the Austro-German offensive in the east, which began early in May, is hourly expected for what little information is allowed to leak through is to the effect that the Russians for several days have been withdrawing to the Brest line, leaving small forces to fight rear guard actions to protect the main armies in their retreat. These rear guard actions have developed at many places into fairly large battles, as the Russians are offering stubborn resistance to the German advances and delivering powerful counter-attacks.

Airship Hovers Over Lumberton?

Judging from reports it seems that men of the air like to play around over beautiful Lumberton. Only a few weeks ago somebody reported seeing an airship playing about in the air above the best town in North Carolina—Lumberton—and E. K. Thompson, colored, who lives in the Back Swamp section, says he saw one playing in the air over this way last night for two hours, after which time it went off going west. A colored woman who lives across the river from town says she saw the same "ship" playing about over town.

The county commissioners and county board of education are in regular session today for the transaction of routine business, and the county pension-board is also in session.

BASEBALL THIS AFTERNOON

Raeford and Lumberton Play On Local Diamond—Red Springs Defeated Lumberton Saturday in First Game of Eastern Amateur League.

As stated in Thursday's Robesonian, much interest is being manifested in baseball in Lumberton. The team has been reorganized and Savannah is now manager and the local team has made a start for the cup. Saturday Lumberton met Red Springs here in the opening game of the Eastern Amateur League and was defeated by a score of 7 to 3. Batteries: Lumberton, Stone, Currie, Fox and Krebs; Red Springs: Ingle, Utley, Poplin and Kohler. The features of the game were the batting of Person for Lumberton and the fielding of Rowe for Red Springs. A large crowd witnessed the game.

Both teams played fine ball and went to prove that Lumberton will give some one a race for the Eastern Carolina amateur championship. The game Saturday was the first game to be played on the new diamond, which has just been completed. The diamond is one of the best in the State, and there is a large grand stand.

This afternoon the home boys will play Raeford's fast team here and it is expected that it will be a close game. The probable batteries for this afternoon are: Lumberton, Stone and Krebs; Raeford, Newton or Covington and Smith. Game will be called at 4 o'clock; admission, men 25 cents, ladies and children 10 cents.

RECORDER'S COURT

W. R. McNeill of Buie Before Recorder for Failure to List Taxes—Other, Similar Cases Likely—Negro Man and Woman in Trouble The following cases have been disposed of before Recorder E. M. Britt:

Rose Jacobs and Dock Carmichael, of the Orrum section, were before the recorder Friday charged with larceny. Both were found guilty of the charge against them. The judgment of the court in the case against Rose Jacobs was that she be confined to the county jail for 6 months. Prayer for judgment was continued in the case against Carmichael upon payment of the cost of the case on condition that he return to his wife, make a support for her, and appear before the recorder within 10 days and show that he had been, himself. From the evidence brought out at the trial Jacobs and Carmichael had been living together for some time, Carmichael having deserted his wife. Some time ago Rose Jacobs in company with Carmichael broke into a home near Orrum and stole a lot of household goods.

W. R. McNeill of Buie was before the recorder Saturday charged with failure to list \$3,000 worth of personal property. He was found guilty of the charge and judgment was suspended upon payment of the cost and a fine of \$10.

Recorder Britt says that this is the first case of the kind to come before him, but the people may look for a good many more cases if they have failed to list taxes as the law requires them to do. A number of warrants have been applied for for people failing to list their taxes.

News Notes and Personals From

Buck Horn. Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Buck Horn, July 30—Mr. D. J. Smith and son, Mr. Neill and Mr. A. B. McArthur were among those who attended the county picnic at the Victory Lake Wednesday. They report a fine time.

Mrs. Sallie Harris of Fayetteville is the guest of Miss M. B. McRainey this week.

Mr. D. R. McArthur of Wilmington spent few days with homefolks this week.

Miss Effie Brown of Roslin is spending a while with relatives and friends in this section.

Messrs. Henry Johnson, M. A. McMillan, Norman McRainey and Clayton Ross went on a pleasure trip to Raleigh Monday and returned Tuesday. They say our capital is a fine old place and that they are going again.

Miss Eula Smith of Hope Mills is the guest of Misses Lena and Lessie Smith.

Mrs. Christian Hare and little son Jasper of Rex were guests of Misses M. B. and Maggie McRainey Monday.

Miss Lena Smith gave an entertainment Tuesday evening in honor of her cousin Mr. D. R. McArthur of Wilmington. Fruit was served in the moonlight and many games were played. There was a large number of young people present who went away declaring Miss Smith a charming hostess.

Miss Mattie McArthur, who has been attending school at the State Normal returned home Wednesday. Her many friends welcome her home.

Summer Aches and Pains

A backache that cannot be explained by having "sat in a draft" is more than likely the result of disordered kidneys. Foley Kidney Pills promptly relieve backache, sore or stiff muscles and joints, rheumatism, and sleep disturbing bladder ailments. They put the kidneys in sound, healthy condition. Sold everywhere.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—License has been issued for the marriage of Riley Wilson and Cora Lovett, Robert Butler and Winnie Taylor, A. C. West and Pickett Kinlaw.

—Mr. J. A. Fisher and small daughter, Grace Richmond, of Mullins, S. C., were in town Friday on their way to Tolarsville, Mr. Fisher's old home and where he has a farm, to visit relatives. They were in town again this morning.

—The editor is beholden to Mr. N. C. Stubbs of Moss Neck for some of the finest tomatoes he has ever seen, brought in by Mr. Stubbs Friday. They are not only beautiful to look at but delicious to the taste, and the gift is highly appreciated.

—At last the old unsightly row of toilets on the river bank back of the town hall has been torn down, adding immensely to the attractiveness of the river at this point. The new sanitary toilets, out of sight under the town hall, are now in use.

—Messrs. Chas. C. Baxley and J. B. Humphrey of Saddle Tree are among the visitors in town today. They report a nice shower of much needed rain in their section Saturday afternoon, but say it was not sufficient to do crops much good.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Anderson, who had been boarding at the home of Mrs. Anderson's brother-in-law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. B. W. Page, began housekeeping Saturday in a house on the corner of Pine and Sixth streets, belonging to Mr. J. P. McNeill.

—Miss Lillian A. Ferguson, proprietress of the Ferguson Studio, will close the studio on August 15. She will rest for a while and then begin outside work. She decided to close the studio on account of her health. The studio will be closed indefinitely.

—Mr. W. E. Jackson, superintendent of the East Coast Lumber Company plant at Watertown, Fla., came home several days ago suffering with a bruised right foot caused from a log falling on his foot at the mill. His foot is much better, but he is still confined to his home on Caldwell street.

—Mr. Jim Fox of Columbus, Ga., who has signed up with the Lumberton baseball team, will stop at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hamilton, Second street, while here, he and Mr. Hamilton being old friends. Mr. Fox comes with a great reputation as a ball player and no doubt will hold his reputation.

—The Seaboard will operate its second Sunday excursion of the season from Hamlet, Laurinburg, Maxton, Lumberton and intermediate points next Sunday, August 8. The fare for the round trip from Lumberton will be \$1.25. The train will pass Lumberton at 8:12, and returning will leave Wilmington at 7 o'clock p. m.

—A party composed of the following left Lumberton this morning for White Lake, Bladen county, where they will spend a week: Mr. and Mrs. Wade Baggett, Red Springs; Miss Lee Pope, Long Branch; Misses Ida Mae Sessions, Euphemia Tyson, Anna Blake and Messrs. John Meares, N. C. Long and Don McGill of Lumberton and Mr. Donnie Powers of Lowe.

—"Happy Jack", of The Robesonian, will be at Fairmont two or three days this week for the purpose of writing receipts for all who wish to pay their subscription to The Robesonian. If you owe the paper anything he will be pleased, and very much so, to receipt you for the amount and if you are not on The Robesonian's mailing list he will be delighted to take your name and money.

—State Senator Geo. B. McLeod was the speaker at a Farmers' Alliance and Woodmen picnic at Eastover, Flea Hill township, Cumberland county, Saturday. Mr. E. G. Sipher accompanied Senator McLeod from Lumberton. Mr. McLeod says it was one of the most delightful picnics he ever attended. There were 1,500 to 2,000 people there and the spread on a table more than 150 feet long was a royal one.

Indian Who Escaped From Chain Gang Captured.

Sandy Hunt, who escaped from chain gang No. 1, located near Lumberton on the Elizabethtown road, some five weeks ago, was captured at Clio, S. C., early Friday morning and officers here were notified at once of the arrest. Deputy A. H. Prevatt went at once to Clio and brought Hunt back to his job. He was serving a two-year sentence for larceny and had served four months of the sentence when he made his escape. King Green, the negro who escaped at the same time, has not been caught.

Ewin A. Moore, formerly a private in the U. S. Army, Friday night at Atlanta, Ga. shot and instantly killed his 15-year-old wife at the home of her parents and then killed himself. Mrs. Moore recently had left her husband after a quarrel.

When Hot Weather Oppresses

When you feel oppressed, dull and stupid, are inert and languid—do not blame it all on the weather. Heat will not affect you so much if the bowels are regular. Foley Cathartic Tablets are ideal for indigestion and constipation. They relieve stout persons of that bloated, heavy feeling. Sold everywhere.