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KING BLOCKADER CAPTURED

Reuben Parnell, said to be the Blockade King of All These Coasts, Captured by Sheriff Lewis and Deputies and Lodged in Jail—Had Been Eluding Officers for a Long Time—Offered no Resistance—Two Sons of Reuben Arrested On Charge of Blockading Also.

The Blockade King of Howellsville township has been captured at last in the person of Reuben K. Parnell, who has been evading the officers for two and a half years, and he now rests in the county jail.

The officers have made several attempts to apprehend Parnell, but by the assistance of his neighbors he had been successful in evading them up to Friday night. On that night during the wee sma' hours Sheriff R. E. Lewis, Deputies A. H. Prevatt and J. A. Kitchen, Rural Policeman Eli Phillips and Chief of Police H. H. Redfern of Lumberton went to the home of John Smith, who lives way back in Howellsville, and called Mr. Smith out. Sheriff Lewis told Smith that he had come for Parnell, and when he had uttered that remark he heard Parnell get off the bed and slide swiftly under it. Sheriff Lewis then went into the house and flashed a small flash-light under the bed. What did he see? A pair of the biggest and brightest shining eyes that he ever saw. He commanded Parnell to come forth, and he heeded the command, not making any resistance whatever. Parnell had a fearful looking gun in his pants pocket. It was one of the latest Savage automatic, 32 calibre and a 10 shooter, which was loaded with steel bullets and all ready to shoot. The looks of that gun made the officers' eyes shine, no doubt, almost equal to those of Parnell while hidden, but not safely, under the bed.

Parnell was wanted on a charge of manufacturing and selling whiskey and will stay in jail till the next term of court for the trial of criminal cases unless he is able to make a bond in the sum of \$600, says Sheriff Lewis. He has been staying about among his friends at night, not taking any rest at home, which is why he was so hard to locate and arrest.

Friday afternoon Sheriff Lewis, Deputy Prevatt and Rural Policeman Phillips arrested Ervin and Bright Parnell, sons of Reuben, on the same charge that their father was arrested on Friday night and they are both in jail to await the court's decision.

There has been some comment about so many stills being captured without any of the operators, but Sheriff Lewis thinks he has made a fine start towards breaking up the illicit distilling in Howellsville, as he thinks Reuben was the King Blockader.

Forgot to Leave His Pistol at Home and It Cost Him \$5

L. B. Miller, a young white man who lives near Rowland, was arrested at Fairmont Friday for carrying a pistol in his pocket. He was given a hearing before Recorder A. E. Floyd and drew a sentence of \$5 and the cost, making a total of \$11.35. Miller was in the Pittman Drug Store drinking something cold when Policeman S. V. Stanley walked in and saw the print of the pistol in his pocket so plain that he just ran his hand in his (Miller's) pocket, and pulled the gun out and showed it to Miller and told him to consider himself under arrest. Miller submitted to the charge, but said the reason he had the pistol was that his dogs were running a rabbit in the corn field before he left home in the morning and he put the gun in his pocket, thinking that perhaps he might get a shot at the rabbit, and after loading his tobacco and starting for Fairmont he forgot to take the gun out and leave it at home.

Stores Robbed at Parkton

The stores of the Parkton Mercantile Co. and Cobb & Johnson at Parkton were broken into Friday night and quite a bit of merchandise taken. The robbers made entrance through the back windows in the buildings, by bending the iron bars so as to crawl between them. There is no clue as to the guilty parties.

Road Needs Immediate Attention.

The Robesonian's local reporter has been asked to say something about a place on the Lumberton-Fairmont road, near Center church, that is in bad shape for traveling over. Having passed over the road several times recently this reporter is prepared to say it needs immediate attention.

Mayor and Mrs. A. E. White returned Friday night from New York City, where they spent some days. Mr. White went to New York to buy fall and winter goods for the department store of White & Gough, of which firm he is senior member.

HEAVY BATTLES ON THE EASTERN FRONT

Teutonic Allies Claim Progress—Russian Resistance Stubborn—German Ambassador Optimistic.

Nothing has developed to lessen the tension caused by Germany's note to the United States on the Arabic, but Ambassador Bernstorff has returned to Washington to discuss the situation with Secretary Lansing. The Ambassador is declared to be optimistic over prospects of a satisfactory settlement.

Washington has not yet received Vienna's reply to its request that Doctor Dumba, the Austro-Hungarian Ambassador, be recalled, because of his attempts to interfere with the manufacture of war munitions in America.

The German memorandum concerning the submarine attack on the British liner Orduna has reached Washington, but its contents have not yet been revealed.

Heavy battles are in progress along the eastern front at various points from Courland to Bukovina. Berlin and Vienna claim progress everywhere, but it is admitted by both that the Russians have not given way in the Niemen river district and in Galicia without hard fighting.

Withdrawal of the Russians along the Niemen and to the south has been ordered by the Russian commander, but the Muscovites are keeping up their efforts to retard the Teuton advance. Near Tarnopol the Russians penetrated the Austro-German trenches, according to Vienna, but later were driven out.

Except for one minor infantry engagement, fighting in the west has consisted solely of artillery duels, which at several points are described as particularly violent. No advance is claimed by either side.

Paris says relative calm has prevailed on Gallipoli Peninsula for five days, but that on the southern end of the peninsula the Allies' mortars have destroyed two small Turkish forts.

Along the Austro-Italian front the big guns still are in operation from both sides. In the Piezzo basin the Italians claim to have defeated an Austrian attack after a violent struggle.

A dispatch from Gece says German aeroplanes, heavily loaded with munitions for the Turks, constantly are flying over Serbian and Bulgarian territory from Orsova, Hungary, to Adrianople.

Zeppelins again have raided the east coast of England, but the bombs dropped did not cause casualties or material damage, according to London.

FAIRMONT HEADS LIST

Robeson County Town Led All Towns of State for August in Sale of Leaf Tobacco—Sold 2,012,634 Pounds.

Raleigh News and Observer, Sept. 12. Fairmont, in Robeson County, led all the towns in the State for August in the sale of leaf tobacco. This little town started the season with a rush, too, as the number of pounds to their credit, given by the Agricultural Department's report, is 2,012,634.

Second town is Fair Bluff, which sold 1,215,690; Wilson was third with 826,057, and Kinston fourth with 423,861.

The total number of pounds reported by all warehouses for the month was 7,639,722. This was a big increase over last August, the sales for that period being only 1,568,831.

The towns and their sales follow:

Towns	First Hand	Total
Fairmont	1,853,788	2,012,634
Fair Bluff	1,009,650	1,215,690
Wilson	537,250	826,057
Rocky Mount	399,855	423,861
Kinston	371,050	397,326
Whiteville	229,525	368,246
Greenville	293,010	309,162
Tabor	213,655	255,788
Lumberton	201,706	220,816
Smithfield	190,624	209,782
New Bern	155,816	180,314
Warsaw	156,016	171,128
Wallace	117,178	138,048
Robesonville	118,561	126,125
LaGrange	100,132	106,656
Farmville	80,662	94,200
Winston-Salem	87,423	90,846
Pinetops	76,272	89,376
Williamston	86,537	87,637
Washington	79,769	81,143
Goldboro	56,117	61,693
Clinton	60,322	60,322
Reidsville	38,302	39,647
Ayden	28,536	28,848
Madison	27,153	29,233
Snow Hill	19,852	23,234

[Lumberton's record is decidedly good and encouraging considering the fact that this is the second season here—practically the first season—all things considered. The town will have two warehouses next year, no doubt, and sales should be more than twice the sales this year.—The Robesonian.]

SUPERIOR COURT

Jury Says McLeod is Entitled to \$3,000 Damages—Bladenboro Drug Co. Must Pay \$125 for Near Fatal Mistake of Clerk.

Judgment for \$3,000 was the jury's decision in the case of Geo. B. McLeod vs. Aberdeen & Rockfish Ry. Co., in which Mr. McLeod was suing the railroad for \$11,000 for injuries alleged to have been sustained November 4, 1910, when a train on that line struck an auto in which Mr. McLeod was riding, tearing the auto up and laying Mr. McLeod up for some time. As was mentioned in Thursday's Robesonian, the greater part of the first week of the two-weeks' term of court for the trial of civil cases was taken up with this case. The case was taken up Tuesday morning and it was late Thursday afternoon when the jury rendered a verdict, the jury being out some three hours after the case was turned over to them.

Messrs. E. J. Britt of Lumberton, G. B. Patterson of Maxton and H. F. Seawell of Carthage appeared for the plaintiff and the firms of McLean, Varner and McLean and McIntyre, Lawrence and Proctor of Lumberton represented the defendant. No formal announcement has yet been made as to whether the case will be appealed.

Court adjourned Friday afternoon till this morning at 9 o'clock and the presiding judge, H. W. Whedbee of Greenville, spent the week-end at home.

Only two jury trials were completed Friday—that of W. B. Bethea vs. Mary E. Bethea, a divorce case in which the divorce was granted, and I. J. Flowers and W. F. Barnes vs. Bladenboro Drug Co. The last named was compromised after the jury had been empaneled. The plaintiffs recovered \$125 from the defendants. Messrs. Barnes and Flowers were suing for damages as a result of being given something poisonous by a clerk in the drug store instead of a soft drink, from which Mr. Flowers came near losing his life, it is alleged. It was supposed to have been a mistake made by the clerk. This happened some two years ago.

SHANNON NEWS NOTES

Good Attendance at Sunday School—Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Shannon, Sept. 10.—Mr. Augustus Craig and sister, Miss Mary, who have been guests in the home of Mr. John Johnson have returned to their home at Bowers Hill, Va.

Miss Mary Kate Currie, who had been visiting relatives at Lumber Bridge, returned home Monday, accompanied by her cousin Miss Lula Graham, who spent several days visiting her.

Miss Meta Klarrp spent the week-end with relatives at Dundarrach and was accompanied home by Miss Bessie McMillan, who spent a few days with her.

Mrs. Roger Hasty and little daughter Ruth spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Walters.

We are sorry to report little Miss Mary Laura Hinson sick with diphtheria and we wish her a speedy recovery.

Miss Dora King is visiting her sister Mrs. G. S. Klarrp.

Mrs. John Sellars and little daughter have been visiting relatives here. Miss Katie McPhaul, who had been visiting in this community, has returned home.

Miss Nova Walters is visiting relatives near Maxton.

Mrs. Percy Graham made a trip to Washington, D. C., and Baltimore, Md., this week.

Misses Clyde and Pheraba Regan and brother Master Robert of Saddle Tree spent some time in the community last week.

Mrs. Mary Hubbard and Mrs. J. N. Clark and little daughter Mrs. Gladys have returned to their home near Elrod after spending some time here.

Mrs. Moore and daughter Miss Maud of Red Springs spent last Friday here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Currie.

Sunday school is progressing nicely now and we are having good attendance. We hope this may continue.

Red Springs Won Series of Games Over Tigers.

Red Springs, champions of the Eastern Carolina League, won two of a series of three games played at Charlotte last week—Thursday, Friday and Saturday—with Gastonia, champions of the Western League. In Thursday's game Red Springs won 3 to 1; Friday Gastonia won 10 to 3; Saturday Red Springs won 1 to 0. A number of "fans" of Lumberton witnessed part of the games.

PARKTON PARAGRAPHS

Graded School Opens Today—Two Cotton Gins at Work—Times Already Brightening—Some Old Residents—Mr. J. B. McCormick Visits Stock Farms in Catawba County—Making Money Out of Cows—A Model Dairy Farm—Mountain Roads Beat Robeson's Roads—Improving Residence—Glorious Revival—Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Parkton, Sept. 11.—Parkton graded school opens up Monday morning, Sept. 13, with Prof. W. D. Doub as principal and the following teachers: Miss Mary Stewart of Laurinburg, Miss McIntyre, Miss Mary L. Culbreth of Parkton, Miss Jackson of Mt. Airy, Miss Davis of Greensboro, Miss Rulliford of Kentucky.

We hear the hum of two cotton gins in town today. The Parkton Merc. Co. gin led off Thursday, and the new gin of Cobb and Johnson was completed today and several bales were satisfactorily ginned this evening. Several bales have already been marketed on our local market, times have already brightened up and we look for lively times up our way yet. Farmers are rushing their cotton out as fast as possible and that is the idea, although the hot weather is somewhat against picking at present.

I pause at this point to relate a few facts as reported to this scribe in regard to one of the oldest citizens and natives of our community. Major Mitchell, aged 99 years, lives near Rex, and is in usual good health of body and mind, and hears very well and as active as a 40 or 50 years old man; appetite good, and picked one hundred pounds last week. The next oldest people we know of in these parts are Mr. and Mrs. Burnett, who live on the Johnson Bros. farm one mile north of town, age 95 years each. It was my pleasure to visit these good old people a few days ago. The old gentleman is confined to his room and unable to walk without aid, but his wife is in reasonable health, and is able to work some and can administer to the needs of her husband. Should we not pay more respect to these aged ones?

Mrs. J. Y. Joy and children have returned home from an extended trip in South Carolina visiting relatives.—Mr. Gus Leach of LaGrange was a visitor to our town Thursday.

Please indulge in brief report of Mr. J. B. McCormick's annual trip up to Catawba county through South Carolina, Cheraw to Wadesboro; thence to Charlotte. It is most interesting to hear him relate some things of his observation. He says the farmers of Catawba county have rural routes for milk separators, or creamery, and it is their custom to visit daily the farms and separate the cream from their milk and they also buy the cream; and he reports as high as \$10 to \$12 revenue from the cream from one Jersey cow per month; and remember, the owner retains all of his milk; and that at the end of each month they receive their checks for their cream. Mr. McCormick also visited Oakwood farm, R. L. Shuford, proprietor. This large stock farm milks 60 to 70 Jersey cows and converts it all into ice cream, and not only uses its own but buys from the public. The above farm also manufactures its own ice. Two autos are used to convey the ice cream or at least delivery is made by automobiles. Only pure-blooded hogs and cattle are raised on this farm, and of course such is quite interesting to Mr. McCormick. He says he found Mr. Shuford to be a very clever man and was delighted to entertain a stranger. Mr. McCormick also visited Catawba river power plant, where they work 700 men.

Farmers up in that country grow wheat, corn and other small grain and fine Jersey cattle and Berkshire hogs. Now to the good roads. Mr. McCormick says sand-clay roads are much better than Robeson county roads and notwithstanding the hills and valleys he made easily 25 miles per hour with his car, while the roads were wet—as you remember, last week was a wet week. The sorriest cotton on all his route was from Gibson station to Parkton. Mr. D. W. Marsh is fast erecting another department to his nice dwelling. Mr. P. H. Fisher is rushing a new car. Mrs. J. P. McMillan and little daughter Cathrine from Saline, Fla., arrived Thursday evening and are welcome visitors to relatives in town.

A most glorious revival meeting closed at Green Springs Baptist church on Wednesday of this week with 37 baptized converts and about 40 additions in all. Pastor Dunning was the preacher.

Mr. J. A. Edmund of route 4 from Lumberton was in town Saturday.

LUMBER BRIDGE LOCALS

School Starts Off Well—Dr. Page Will Address Woman's Club On the 15th—Cotton Coming In—Crops Good—Many Visitors.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Lumber Bridge Sept. 10.—School opened here most auspiciously this week. Everything has started off smoothly and all the children seem delighted with their teachers. Professor Hutchins will be ably assisted by Miss Claire Johnson of Atkinson, who will assist in the high school, Miss Howard of Salemburg in the intermediate department, and Miss Bess Williams, Matthews, will have charge of the primary work. Miss Mannie Cobb of this place has undertaken a kindergarten class and we feel sure she will meet with success in her new work. Mrs. Hector McLean will have charge of the dormitory and has already moved there.

The Woman's Club has secured Doctor B. W. Page, our county health officer, to speak on sanitation next Wednesday, the 15th at 4 o'clock. This lecture will be delivered at the school house, and the public is cordially invited to attend. Cotton is coming in freely now to be ginned and the farmers feel somewhat encouraged by the prices. In spite of the fact that less guano was used by nearly all the farmers this year, the crops have been good.

Lumber Bridge has many visitors at present. Mr. and Mrs. Hogue Malloy with their two children are visiting at the Malloy homestead. Mr. Duncan Currie, Mrs. Currie and their little daughter, Miss Rebecca, are on a visit to Mr. Currie's father, Mr. Ed Currie.

Miss Elva Malloy of Georgia, but formerly a resident of our town, is spending a while with Miss Essie Shaw.

Dr. Ed Sikes, wife and baby are visitors at the home of Mr. Joe Sikes.

Miss Mary Myrtle McGoogan has gone on an extended visit to relatives in Georgia.

Miss Lena Marley left Thursday for Pineville, where she will teach music. Miss Pearl Cobb left some days ago for Madison where she will teach. Several young men and ladies intend leaving for various schools and colleges in the next few days. We wish for them a pleasant and profitable year.

ORRUM OCCURRENCES

Series of Meetings—Movements of the People.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Orrum, Sept. 11.—Misses Lillie Oakley and Beulah Prevatt were Fairmont visitors Saturday.

We are having some excellent sermons preached to us this week by Rev. C. L. Greaves of Lumberton. Much interest is being taken in the services.

Mr. Leneau Nye left Monday for Chapel Hill, where he will enter the University of North Carolina. Messrs. Carl Nye and Willie Floyd left Monday for Wake Forest to enter Wake Forest College.

Messrs. Herron and Everette Floyd of Fairmont visited friends here Friday evening.

Mr. Tom Parker of Fair Bluff spent several days here this week [with his friend Mr. Fred Prevatt].

Mrs. Edna Spivey left Thursday for Pages Mill, S. C., where she will spend some time visiting friends.

Miss Fannie Page of Fairmont is visiting her cousin Miss Emma Spivey this week.

Mrs. W. N. Townsend of Lumberton route 6 is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Haynes Prevatt this week.

Miss Ruth Warwick of Fairmont route 2 is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Nye this week.

Prof. and Mrs. W. E. Fleming spent the week-end at Bladenboro with relatives and friends.

Misses Maggie and Eliza Graham of Proctorville visited friends and relatives here Thursday.

Miss Rosa Collins of Lumberton spent the week-end here with her friend Miss Athesia Powell.

THE DEATH RECORD

An 18-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Von Bullock, who live on route 5 from Lumberton, died yesterday after suffering for several days with colitis.

Josie Johnson, aged 43 years, a highly respected colored woman, died suddenly at her home in Galveston, a suburb on the northern edge of town, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Death of Mrs. B. A. Simmons. Mrs. B. A. Simmons, aged 43 years, died this morning at 4 o'clock at her home at the Jennings cotton mill. Deceased had been sick for five weeks and her death was not unexpected. She is survived by her husband and six children. The funeral arrangements had not been decided upon at the time news of the death was obtained.

—Middling cotton is selling for 9 5-16 cents the pound on the local market today.

—Some relief today from the intense heat of last week, the fiercest of the summer.

—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Wallace, at their home, First street, Thursday night, a fine boy, B. H., Jr.

—The public school at the Jennings cotton mill will open Monday, September 20, with Miss Dovie Provatt of Lumberton as teacher.

—Mr. Justin McNeill returned Thursday night from Wilmington, where he had histonsils removed by Dr. Murphy. He is getting along nicely.

—Mr. Austin Barnes of the Bloomington section had his tonsils removed by Dr. R. S. Beam, the local eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, Thursday of last week.

—Two or three cases of diphtheria were reported on the edge of town and in the country last week but it is said that all patients have either gotten well or are improving.

—Dr. R. G. Rozer will go to Hendersonville tomorrow, taking with him Miss Mollie Bryant, who will spend some time there with the hope of being benefited, she being a victim of tuberculosis.

—Messrs. A. G. Edwards and J. C. Bryan returned last week from San Francisco, Cal., where they spent three weeks visiting the Exposition. They report a most enjoyable trip. Mr. A. M. Diggs, who relieved Mr. Edwards, who is ticket agent at the Seaboard station, while he was away, left Saturday night for Hamlet.

—Mr. A. H. Hamilton, who for several months had been superintending the Dresden cotton mill, resigned September 1 and has gone to Hickory, where he has accepted a position. He is succeeded at the Dresden by Mr. J. W. Long of Albemarle, who has had extensive experience in the cotton mill business.

—Mr. George Smith and Miss Lattie Newsome, both of Bladenboro, were united in marriage in Register of Deeds M. W. Floyd's office at the court house Saturday night about 8:30. Prof. R. E. Sentelle officiated and the ceremony was witnessed by quite a number, several friends accompanying the young couple from their home.

—Mr. T. F. Barnes, manager of the Robeson Soda Water Co., has purchased a lot south of the Seaboard road from the station and is having a house erected on the lot which will be used by the company. It is expected that the new building will be ready in a few days, when the company will move it from the Biggs building, South Chestnut street.

License has been issued for the marriage of Alva Watts, 18 years old, and Flora Ann Baxley, 15 years old, both of the Broad Ridge section. Mr. Watts was determined to make the deal, as he came for the license three times before he brought the proper credentials—that is, a signed agreement for the thing to happen from the parents of both the bride and the groom. License has also been issued for the marriage of A. F. Bracy and Bessie Thompson, both of the Rowland section.

—Miss Amelia Linkhauer returned Friday night from Baltimore, Md., where she spent some time buying fall and winter goods for the millinery department of Messrs. E. D. Caldwell & Son's large department store. She was accompanied by Miss Mary R. Steffy of Baltimore, who will assist Miss Linkhauer during the coming season. Miss Steffy was with Miss Linkhauer during the latter part of the spring season and made many friends while here who will be pleased at her return.

—Noticing in the Wilmington Star a news item to the effect that a white English sparrow had been seen in Wilmington recently, Mr. Tom Norment deposes and says that the bird that was in Wilmington last week was only there on a visit and the same bird has been living in Lumberton for at least two years. He also observes that the bird has returned to Lumberton. Just spending a few days about Wrightsville Beach and the city by the sea, is Mr. Norment's version of the whole affair.

Slovaks Resent Attempt of Dumba to Interfere With Affairs of This Country. New York Dispatch, Sept. 12.

Resolutions condemning the conduct of Doctor Dumba, Ambassador from Austria-Hungary, whose recall has been asked, were passed by Branch No. 1 of the Slovak League of America at a meeting here today. The resolutions state that they were passed by former subjects of Austria-Hungary who resent any attempt to interfere with the affairs of their new country. Copies were forwarded to President Wilson and his Cabinet.