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LUMBER BRIDGE CO-NEEDS MEN

VOLUNTEERS WANTED AT ONCE

29 of 78 Men in Lumber Bridge Light Infantry Sent Back Home—This Put's Number of Men in Company Below Minimum Requirement for Mustering In—Capt. Malloy is Hunting for Volunteers to Enlist Not Later Than July 11

Twenty-nine of the 78 men who went to Camp Glenn, Morehead City, with the Lumber Bridge Light Infantry failed to pass the rigid physical examination being given members of the National Guard and were sent back home. This puts the number in the company below the minimum requirement for being mustered in and Capt. J. B. Malloy and Corporal Campbell McNair came back to Robeson Tuesday to try to get volunteers. Fifty men are wanted to enlist not later than Tuesday of next week, July 11. The company must have 65 men in order to be mustered in.

Capt. Malloy says that Maxton and Red Springs are well represented in the company but that there is not a man from Lumberton. He hopes to get all the men he needs from Lumberton and this section of the county. This is the only Robeson county company and there should be no difficulty in getting all the men needed.

Capt. Malloy says the boys at Camp Glenn are having all the fun they are looking for, with nothing to do, and are receiving the best of attention. Danger of war with Mexico seems to have blown over and the boys at Camp Glenn seem to be in for nothing more than a big lark. The per cent of men rejected in this company seems small when compared with a loss of 66 per cent out of the first 8 companies examined. The Fayetteville company lost 55 out of 94, Raeford 51 out of 59.

\$5 FOR NAME FOR HOTEL

Name Wanted for Lumberton's New Hotel—If You Can Suggest Suitable Name, Send It to The Robesonian

Five dollars will be paid the person suggesting the most appropriate name for Lumberton's new hotel. All who have a name to submit are requested to send same to The Robesonian and at the proper time the board of directors will canvass the names sent in and the person furnishing the name adopted by the board will be paid \$5. Work on the building is being pushed and the walls are fast rising. It is expected that the building will be completed by October 15. If you have a name that you think would be suitable, send it in at once. You might win the honor of naming the hotel and also win \$5. Let the names come along.

INCREASE IN POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS FOR YEAR

Lumberton Office Shows Increase of \$1,509.29 Over Last Year—Receipts Last Month \$605.68 Greater Than For June Last Year

Receipts at the local postoffice for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, were \$13,943.33, as compared with \$12,434.04 for the year ending June 30, 1915. This means an increase in business last year over the previous year of \$1,509.29. The cash receipts for June, 1915, were \$704.28, as compared with \$1,309.96 in June, 1916. The increase in receipts during the month of June this year over the same month last year was \$605.68.

French and British Continue to Make Gains

The French and the British continue to make steady progress in their offensive on the western front, and according to aerial observations on the French front in the direction of Peronne, there are now only three more trench systems between General Foch's army and the open country. A break in the German line at that point would be extremely serious and the Germans are sending reinforcements to the battlefield from as far as Verdun and Lens, and it is thought that the continued heavy attacks on the Meuse may be intended to conceal important transfers of troops behind the lines.

Superior Court Next Week—Criminal Term—Judge Winston Will Preside

A one-week term of court for the trial of criminal cases will convene Monday with Judge Francis D. Winston of Windsor presiding. Judge Winston was appointed Tuesday by Governor Locke Craig to fill out the unexpired term of Judge R. B. Peebles, who died last week.

There are only four jail cases to come up at this term and only one of these is a capital case. This case is against Arthur McDougal, colored, charged with killing another negro at Rowland some few months ago. There are a number of criminals whose cases will come up who are out on bond.

Mobile and Pensacola Cut Off by Hurricane

With Mobile and Pensacola cut off from all communication since morning, efforts to learn the extent of the hurricane that swept inland from the gulf early today have been fruitless. High winds and tides were reported from many coast points east of here, but with the exception of small shipping the damage seemed to have been nominal.

CARRANZA'S NOTE AMICABLE

Crisis in Mexican Situation Seems to be Over—Mild Note From Carranza Changes Whole Aspect of Mexican Situation and Seems to Open Way for Resumption of Friendly Conversations

Washington Dispatch, July 5.

Early resumption of friendly diplomatic conversations with the de facto government of Mexico to the end that peace and order may be restored in Northern Mexico and along the border, is expected here to be the next step of the United States in its relations with its southern neighbor.

The crisis precipitated by Villa's raid on Columbus, N. M., and culminating in the fight at Carrizal, Mexico, between American and Mexican troops, appeared tonight to have been dissipated by an amicable note from General Carranza presented during the day by his ambassador designate here.

The note proposes that the differences between the government be settled by mediation or by direct negotiations. It is remarkable for its brevity, its restrained and friendly tone and for the absolute lack of any of the strong, even insolent, language which characterized the last two communications from the de facto government. It treats as a closed incident the exchange of unfriendly communications which brought war almost within sight.

No formal comment on the note was obtainable from State Department officials. A copy was forwarded to the White House immediately upon its receipt and President Wilson will determine the course to be pursued. Secretary Lansing may complete his preparations for a month's vacation to begin Friday, and this is believed to indicate a feeling on his part that the crisis is over.

As a matter of general principle, the Washington government always has favored mediation of any dispute suitable for such procedure. There is every indication, however, that in the present instance it will be deemed desirable to conduct forthcoming negotiations directly with the Carranza government.

GODWIN'S MAJORITY 1,257

Returns From All Counties Gives Harnett Man Larger Majority Than First Estimates—Carried Every County in District Except Columbus

Complete official returns from all counties in the sixth congressional district except Brunswick give Representative H. L. Godwin a larger majority in the primary July one, when he was nominated for his sixth term in Congress over Mr. J. A. Brown of Columbus, than was at first estimated. Mr. Godwin's majority in Brunswick is given unofficially as 239, which, with official returns from the other counties of the district, give him a majority over the Columbus county man of 1,257. Mr. Godwin carried every county in the district except Columbus.

In Monday's Robesonian was given the official vote of Robeson—Godwin 1,657, Brown 1,363, a majority of 294 for Godwin. Official returns from 5 of the other six counties comprising the district, and the majority (unofficial) of Brunswick, were: Columbus—home county of Mr. Brown—Brown 1,734, Godwin 927, a majority of 807 votes for Brown.

Cumberland—Godwin 1,091, Brown 653, a majority of 438 for Godwin.
New Hanover—Godwin 1,077, Brown 998, a majority of 79 for Godwin.

Harnett—home county of Mr. Godwin—Godwin 1,134, Brown 144, a majority for Godwin of 990.
Bladen—Godwin 594, Brown 568, a majority of only 26 for Godwin. The vote was closer in Bladen than in any other county.

Brunswick—Unofficial reports credit Godwin with having received a majority of 239.

Bethune's "Bee Martin" Kills a Blue Bird

Mr. Ed Taylor of Howellsville township has dubbed the little Ford car that Mr. Walton K. Bethune drives, which car became a familiar sight all over Robeson county during the campaign which preceded the primary July 1 to nominate a Democratic candidate for Congress in the noble Sixth, the "Bee Martin". Mr. Bethune, being Mr. Godwin's campaign manager in Robeson, darted about over the county, hither and yon, to and fro, here and there; and the nearer the time for the primary and the hotter the fight, the faster Mr. Bethune ran, that ubiquitous car. He ran the "Bee Martin" so fast, Mr. Ed Taylor says, that he ran over and killed a blue bird.

Lynching Being Probed at Kinston

Samuel Stocks and Archie Frizzle, farm tenants, were arrested a few days ago near Kinston and are being tried on the charge of being implicated in the lynching of the negro Joseph Black last April. One witness testified yesterday that Stocks said he, in the auto with Black, stuck knives into the negro and shot him "to make him hush his yelling". Other witnesses were to be examined today.

Concert Postponed

The music concert noted in this paper last Monday, which was to be given at the Star theatre by the Pinedale School for Girls, has been postponed, and will not take place until further notice.

WINSTON SUCCEEDS PEEBLES

Francis D. Winston Appointed by Gov. Craig to Succeed Late Judge Peebles—Holds First Court in Lumberton Next Week

Gov. Craig Monday announced the appointment of Hon. Francis D. Winston as judge of the 3rd judicial district to succeed the late R. B. Peebles, who died last week. Judge Winston's first court will be held in Lumberton next week, beginning July 10.

In making the appointment Gov. Craig said that Judge Winston did not apply for the position but that the appointment was suggested to him by a number of the leading men of the district and of other parts of the State. Judge Winston has accepted the appointment.

Judge Winston has been conspicuous in public life for a number of years. At the time of his appointment he was United States district attorney for the eastern district of North Carolina. The Raleigh News & Observer gives the following summary of his career:

Judge Winston was appointed judge by Governor Aycock in 1901 when a number of new judicial districts were created. Judge Peebles defeated him for the nomination in 1902 and was consecutively re-elected afterward.

Judge Winston has had a long and conspicuous public career. He was a member of the State Senate in 1887 and 1899 and 1901, presidential elector for the second district in 1896 and elector at large in 1912, president of the Democratic State Association of Clubs from 1902 to 1906, Lieutenant Governor of the State from 1905 to 1909, chairman of the State convention in 1912, member of the congressional committee of the second district and of the State executive committee for fifteen years, trustee of the University since 1897, and now on the executive committee of the board, president of the North Carolina Bar Association, 1911-12. He also is a member of the State Library Association, North Carolina Folk Lore Society, State Historical Association and was grand master of Masons in 1907-8 and he is an Elk.

He is one of the best known and most popular men in the State and was quite frequently mentioned in connection with the gubernatorial nomination, but decided not to permit his name to be pressed.

The salary of United States district attorney is \$4,500, while a Superior Court judge gets only \$4,000. It is thought that J. W. Bailey of Raleigh, collector of internal revenue for the eastern district, will get the appointment as district attorney to succeed Judge Winston and that in that event Joe Tayloe of Washington, now secretary to the United States Senate Finance committee at a salary of \$9,000, will get the place of internal revenue collector.

Mr. A. W. McLean of Lumberton, commenting upon the appointment of Judge Winston, spoke most highly of his fine judicial temperament and considers that no better appointment could have been made.

RECORDER'S COURT

Salome Saleeby Sentenced to Roads for 8 Months for Retailing—Appeals and Gives Bond

Eight months on the roads was the sentence imposed upon Salome Saleeby, charged with selling spirituous liquors, by Recorder E. M. Britt yesterday afternoon. Saleeby gave notice of appeal and was placed under a \$400 justified appeal bond, which he made. Saleeby runs a fruit and cold drink business on Elm street across from the court house square and also conducts a small store near the Jennings cotton mill. Robert Pate, a white man, and Will Rozier, colored, were summoned before Recorder Britt on the charge of being drunk and disorderly Saturday night. They testified that they bought the "stup" that made them drunk from Saleeby. June Ivey testified that she bought something from Saleeby that made him drunk. Prayer for judgment was continued upon the payment of cost in the cases against Pate and Rozier.

A number of other witnesses testified that they had bought cider from Saleeby. Some of them testified that they mixed ginger extract with the cider and after mixing the two it made them drunk. Others said they had drunk not less than a quart of the cider at one time and it did not take any effect on them, while others said it made them crazy and sick.

It was proven that Saleeby had sold both the cider and extract to the same men at the same time and allowed them to mix it up in his place of business. Recorder Britt held that any man who sells extracts is violating the prohibition laws of the State.

Good Year for Vegetables

This has been a very good year for vegetables and the people generally have had plenty of home-grown edibles for the last month.

Good Roads Meeting Tomorrow Evening

After being postponed twice a good roads meeting will be held in the court house tomorrow evening at 8:15 o'clock. Mavor A. E. White, who called the meeting, urges all who are interested in good roads to be present. The good roads fever is spreading and no doubt many will attend the meeting.

SCHOOL TAX LEVY INCREASED

Raised to 25 Cents on Property and \$1.46 on Poll, an Increase of 5 and 15 Cents—Necessary in Order to Have 4-Months' Schools and Share in State's Appropriation

In a recent issue of The Robesonian it was stated that the county board of education had asked the board of county commissioners to make an additional tax levy of 5 cents on property valuation and 15 cents on the poll, this amount to go for school purposes. At their meeting Monday the board ordered that the levy be made. This will raise the levy on property for school purposes from 20 to 25 cents on the \$100 valuation and the poll tax for school purposes from \$1.31 to \$1.46. This levy will increase the amount of general school fund in the county from \$44,000 to between \$55,000 and \$60,000.

It was found that in order to give each school district in the county four months school the additional levy must be made. The county cannot share in the State's appropriation unless 4-months' school terms are provided. The amount received from the State this school year was \$8,000. If the levy had not been made it would have meant that the county would lose that \$8,000 school money each year.

Upon investigation the board of commissioners found that the law required them to make the levy when the school board required them to do so.

With the exception of the 5 per cent property levy and 15 cents on the poll to be used for school purposes ordered by the county commissioners at their meeting Monday the tax levy rate will be the same this year that it has been for the last three years. The State and county levy before this additional levy was made was 92 2-3 cents on the \$100 property valuation, and \$2 poll tax. The 5 per cent additional levy makes the property levy for this year 97 2-3 cents on the \$100 valuation and \$2.15 poll tax.

COUNTY SCHOOL MATTERS

Committeemen Appointed—Charges Against Committeeman of Fairmont No. 1 Colored District to be Heard at August Meeting—Colored School Supervisor Employed for Another Year

The county board of education held its regular monthly meeting Monday, and besides routine business appointed school committeemen to serve for three years. Names of these committeemen were crowded out today but will be published in the next issue of The Robesonian.

It was ordered that \$5 be allowed district 4, colored, Alfordville township, for repairs; that \$200.00 be allowed district 4, White House township, for building addition to school building, when funds are available, provided district contribute an equal amount, and complete building.

Mr. G. T. Pate was appointed as a committee to investigate condition of building in district 2, colored, Alfordville township, and report at next meeting of the board.

Mr. S. W. Alford was appointed as a member of the board of trustees of the Rowland high school for a term of six years.

The resignation of Mr. C. T. Harrington as committee of district 4, White House township, was accepted, and Mr. E. M. Harrington was appointed to fill the unexpired term.

The resignation of Rev. R. L. Byrd as committeeman of district 1, Howellsville, was accepted and Mr. Howe Chason was appointed to fill the unexpired term.

Charges having been filed against C. C. Clark, committeeman of district 1, Fairmont, colored, it was ordered that he be given a hearing on same the first Monday in August, and Superintendent Poole was instructed to notify him to be on hand at that time for a hearing.

County Treasurer McKenzie's financial report was presented and ordered approved and placed on file. County Superintendent Poole's annual financial and statistical reports were presented and ordered approved and placed on the records of the board of education.

Rev. P. T. Britt offered his resignation as school committeeman in district 5, Britt's township, and Mr. Hezzie Phillips was appointed to fill out the unexpired term.

The county colored supervisor's annual report and report of the moonlight school work was presented and ordered approved. The colored supervisor's work was ordered continued for another year, at a salary of \$42.50 per month for eight months, the county to pay \$17.50 per month and the Jeanes' Fund \$25.

Dr. and Mrs. D. D. King are expected to return tonight from the western part of the State, where they have been since their marriage on the 21st ult.

WANTED — 50 MEN

To report to
CAPT. J. B. MALLOY
at
Lumber Bridge
and ENLIST in the
NATIONAL GUARD

Good Pay, Good Food and All Expenses paid by Government.
Enlist Not Later Than
JULY 11

There does not seem to be any danger of war but the company needs men in order to bring it to its proper footing.
CAPT. J. B. MALLOY,
Com. Co. L, Second Infantry,
Lumber Bridge, N. C.

REDOLENT THINGS

FROM RED SPRINGS

Spring Hill, a Model Community "Fore de War"—History of Red Springs in Brief—A Lesson for Young Folks—Advice to Town Fathers

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Red Springs, July 4—Some day when we feel like it we propose to write a history of our school boys days at Richmond Academy, now Wagram. We don't suppose there was a pleasanter neighborhood than that of Spring Hill in the bygone days of "fore de war". The neighborhood was exceptional for its morality, intelligence and sociability. The Gilchrist, Johnstons, McNeills, Livingstones, Monroes, and others that might be mentioned, living nearby the limped waters of the fast-flowing Lumbee, formed indeed a model community, the like of which will hardly be seen again.

From what we can learn, Red Springs was here before Columbus discovered America. Out of a bunch of reeds and moss, there issued a stream of life giving waters that had been patronized by the Indians from time immemorial. After the Indians had left, and the whites began to settle the country, it had a reputation for medicinal properties, and was patronized by the early settlers. The reputation gradually widened, until in the early 50's when an association was formed to improve the springs and a shelter was put over the main spring. Picnic parties often assembled here and it gradually became a place of resort. The Robeson Co. Agricultural Society has patronized it for a number of years.

Squire Hector McNeill owned the property and built a hotel for the accommodation of the public. Then a school house was built. A few families bought lots and moved in, and during the summer months the whole neighborhood was accustomed to assemble here on Saturday to drink its waters and engage in social enjoyment. Then the Presbyterians organized an elders and deacons association and erected a large pavilion for its accommodation, and when this wore out, along came Dr. Vardell and established the present Flora McDonald College, and here you are! What will happen next, we can't forecast. This in short is the history of Red Springs as the writer has heard and lived through it.

A certain young limb of the law, after filling himself full of the languages and as little of the law as possible, established himself in the city. His old neighbor from the country came in on a visit, and his young friend called upon him at his hotel, and not finding him in, left a note of regrets, and on the margin were the letters R. S. V. P. His old friend in replying to his note placed on the margin of his note the letters S. B. N. The young man, meeting him afterwards, ventured to enquire what the letters meant. "Why," replied his friend, "it means 'Sent by a negro.' This is a lesson to young folks not to put on airs when talking to older folks."

We don't mind giving advice, especially when we know that it will not be taken. The condition of the vacant lots and side walks in our town is beginning to tell on our nerves and the nerves of a great many other people. Why don't the town board take some action? They should either compel the owners of said lots to cut the weeds and grass, or do it themselves and charge it to the owners. Don't they know that they have the power to do this? If they are fearful, why don't they consult their attorney in the primaries? What are they elected for if it is not to take charge of the town and keep it in decent order, we'd like to know?

Robeson Medical Society Held Meeting at Red Springs Yesterday

Some twenty-five physicians, members of the Robeson County Medical Society, attended a meeting of the society at Red Springs yesterday. Those who attended the meeting from Lumberton were Drs. R. G. Rozier, H. W. Page, N. A. Thompson, and R. S. Beam. The meeting was presided over by Dr. R. G. Rozier of Lumberton, president of the society. The principal features of the meeting were addresses by Dr. E. H. Klowman of the University hospital, Baltimore, Md., Drs. T. M. West and W. S. Jordan of Fayetteville and Dr. N. A. Thompson of Lumberton.

Resolutions of respect in memory of Dr. T. L. Northrop, former president of the society, were adopted. The visiting doctors were entertained at a dinner at hotel Red Springs.

Those who attended from Lumberton say the meeting yesterday was one of the most interesting and instructive in the history of the society. The next meeting will be held in Lumberton the first Wednesday in September.

Miss Zuba Markham has resigned her position as stenographer in the law office of Messrs. Johnson & Johnson, her resignation going into effect yesterday. Miss Markham left this morning for Richmond, Va., where she has accepted a position in the office of the Atlantic Life Insurance Company. Miss Markham was succeeded temporarily by Mrs. J. B. Bowen.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—License has been issued for the marriage of Ellis Branch and Lessie Bowers.

—Mr. N. L. Smith of the Back Swamp section carried his wife to the James sanatorium at Hamlet yesterday.

—Register of Deeds M. W. Floyd sold one dozen marriage licenses for Fourth of July weddings. Most of the number were for colored people.

—Mr. L. T. Townsend had his tonsils removed yesterday by Dr. R. S. Bean, local eye, ear, nose and throat specialist. He is getting along nicely.

—Dr. W. W. Parker left Sunday for the Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, where he will spend a month taking a special course in optometry and studying diseases of the eye.

—Riley Ashley and Mary Atkinson, a colored couple, were married in the office of Register of Deeds M. W. Floyd Monday night about 8:30 of the clock. Mayor A. E. White spoke the words that united the two.

—Miss Virgie Goodwin of Raleigh arrived Monday night and will spend some time here visiting her brother Mr. Junius J. Goodwin. She will sing at the regular church service at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning.

—Mrs. Robert Craven of Abbottsburg is expected to arrive this afternoon to spend some time visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Biggs. Mrs. Biggs will entertain tomorrow afternoon from 6 to 6:30 o'clock in honor of Mrs. Craven and Mrs. D. D. King.

—Dr. R. S. Beam left this morning for his old home at Rutherfordon on account of the sickness of a brother there. Dr. Beam expected to leave Saturday for New York to take a month's post-graduate course, but will not go at that time. He expects to return to Lumberton Sunday or Monday.

—Upon investigation Town Clerk and Treasurer I. B. Townsend has found that the town's power plant is insured in the sum of \$9,500, which means that the damage done the plant last Friday by lightning, mention of which was made in Monday's Robesonian, is covered by insurance.

—Misses Lillian A. Ferguson and Elizabeth Whitfield and Mrs. Clara Thomas will go tomorrow to White Lake, Bladen county, where they will camp for 10 days. Miss Ferguson will make photographs of scenes about the lake to be used on post cards and folders sent out to advertise that resort.

—Fifteen members of the Lumberton rifle club gathered at the range at the high hills, about two miles east of town on the river, Tuesday morning for practice. A prize was offered for the one making the most points out of fifteen shots. Mr. W. W. Davis won the prize. He made 37 points.

ONLY 4 MORE JUDGES

Legislature and Law Reform Committee of Bar Association Did Not Go as Far as Gov. Craig's Committee—Would Not Abolish Recorder's Courts in County Like Robeson—To Simplify Torrens System

In Monday's Robesonian comment was made on the action of the Bar Association at its meeting last week in recommending that the number of Superior Court judges in the State be increased from 20 to 32 and that the number of recorder's courts be reduced. That was in line with recommendations made by a committee appointed some time ago by Gov. Craig to recommend needed changes. The legislative and law reform committee of the Bar Association, of which committee Mr. A. W. McLean of Lumberton was chairman, other members of the committee being Judge J. D. Murphy of Greenville, Messrs. A. L. Brooks of Greensboro, Fred J. Cox of Wadesboro, and J. W. Pless of Marion, recommended that the number of judges be increased to 24, as the business of State might require, an number of only four, and that the number of recorder's courts be reduced in some of the smaller counties, but not that the number be reduced to 15. Mr. McLean in submitting the report stated that Robeson would not be willing to go back to the old system of criminal terms of Superior Court for the trial of all cases as it caused too much inconvenience in a large county like this.

Mr. McLean's committee recommended other reforms, the one of most interest to the general public being the appointment of a committee to further simplify the Torrens system of land titles so that persons wishing to borrow money on land might have a more economical and satisfactory method of putting up land as security for loans. Other recommendations pertained to judicial procedure.

Mrs. Hettie Green, known as the world's wealthiest woman, 80 years old, died Monday at her home in New York. Estimates of her fortune range from \$20,000,000 to \$100,000,000. Until a few years ago she was a familiar figure in the financial district of New York.

My glasses were fitted by Dr. Parker, the only specialist in Lumberton licensed by State Board Examination for this important work. HIS SERVICE SAT'S FIES