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DEMOCRATIC DOLLAR DINNER

Many Robeson County Democrats enjoyed a banquet at Lorraine Hotel Friday evening—National Committeeman A. W. McLean was toastmaster and many responded to toasts—A Worth-While Event

About 80 Democrats, practically every section of Robeson county being represented, participated in a dollar dinner at the Lorraine hotel Friday evening from 8:30 to 11 o'clock. It was a feast of reason and a flow of soul, as well as a feast of good things to eat, and was an occasion thoroughly enjoyed and well worth while. The county Democratic executive committee, Mr. J. A. McNeill of Lumberton, chairman, conceived the idea that it would be a good thing for Democrats of the county to gather for a celebration of the recent victory in nation, State and county, and the number who paid their dollar and the enjoyment derived by each one made the occasion a great success.

National Committeeman A. W. McLean acted as toastmaster and the success of the event was due in large measure to the consummate skill and tact which he exercised in keeping things going. There was not a dull moment during the evening. The following were called upon and responded briefly and appropriately: Welcome—Mayor A. E. White of Lumberton; response—Austin Smith; Robeson County Democracy—Mr. T. A. McNeill, Jr.; Democracy of North Carolina—Jno. S. Butler of St. Paul; What Has Become of Republicans in Rowland Township—W. L. Townsend; What Has Become of Republicans in the Last Election—A. B. Evans, St. Paul; Democratic Majority in Howellsville—Ed Taylor; Our Western Allies—Prof. M. Shepherd of Orrum; Victory in Back Swamp—D. H. Britt; White House Democracy—Tom Harrington; Democrats of Wisharts—Capt. Jno. M. Smith; Militant Democracy—H. E. Stacy; The Press—J. A. Sharpe; Why His Confidence Never Wavered—D. B. McNeill—Prohibition—Jas. D. Proctor; Our Legislators—Senator Frank Gough—Democrat Party and Good Government—R. D. Caldwell; What Shall Robeson Do With the Road Question—W. S. Britt; Marcus Smith, "a militant Democrat for 40 years," said the toastmaster in calling on him for remarks; S. McIntyre; National Democracy and Woodrow Wilson—Geo. B. McLeod. Mr. Herbert Newbold, State bank examiner, responded to a call for remarks. Messrs. Lon Townsend and W. K. Brock of St. Paul also were called on as the crowd was leaving and each passed it to the other.

A serious note was struck in regard to roads and the sentiment seemed general that Robeson must go to work in earnest to solve the road problem and have good roads. Senator Frank Gough brought from his typewriter a message in rhyme in which he referred to all the county officers and to some others present.

Some who were present did not register nor write their names on their cards, so it is impossible to give the names of all present.

A vote of thanks was tendered Manager Crabtree of the hotel for the excellent manner in which the banquet was served.

Office Damaged by Fire When Oil Heater Exploded

The office and fixtures of Dr. W. L. Grantham on the second floor of the Weinstein building were badly damaged by fire Friday night when an oil heater exploded. Dr. Grantham left the office about 10 o'clock and turned the fire out. When he returned to the office Saturday morning he found that the heater had exploded and the room showed signs of fire. The walls and office fixtures were scorched and it is hard to tell why a more serious fire did not result. The fire went out by itself. The fact that there was not much oil in the heater no doubt saved a heavy fire loss. The damage to the building and office fixtures amounted to around \$100.

Off to Raleigh—Important Local Legislation

Senator Frank Gough and Representatives J. S. Oliver of Marietta and G. B. Sellers of Maxton, who will represent Robeson in the next Legislature which will convene Wednesday will leave this evening for Raleigh. Some important local legislation will be attended to early in the session. The Robesonian hopes to be able to give its readers some interesting information on this subject in its next issue.

Joint Meeting of Executive Committee and Farmers' Union Jan. 3

A called joint meeting of the Robeson division of the Farmers' Union and the executive committee of the county union will be held in the court house here Wednesday of this week. The meeting will open at 10:30 o'clock a. m. Each local in the county is urged to send delegates to this meeting.

This Section Was Wrapped in Snow 41 Years Ago Today

Mr. W. S. Wishart of Lumberton recalls that 41 years ago today, on January 1, 1876, this section was wrapped in sleet and snow and no travel was possible except on foot.

—Mr. N. A. Ratley of R. 1 from Fairmont is a Lumberton visitor today. Mr. Ratley says the farmers in his section will increase their tobacco acreage this year, providing they can get plants.

NEGROES BOUND TO COURT

King, Colored, Testifies at Hearing Before Recorder That Arch Bethune and Foster McMillan Told Him They Killed Mr. Neill Shaw

As mentioned in Thursday's Robesonian, Arch Bethune and Foster McMillan, both colored, were bound over to court Thursday by Recorder E. M. Britt on the charge of killing the late Neill Shaw. Accounts of Mr. Shaw's mysterious disappearance from his home near Ten Mile church last July and the finding of his remains last month have been published in The Robesonian.

The principal evidence brought out at the preliminary hearing was that of Jim King, colored, who sometimes plays the part of a detective. King testified that he went to the Ten Mile section, where Mr. Shaw lived, pretending to be looking for a job of ditching. He went to where Foster McMillan was and asked him if he knew anything about the case in which Arch Bethune was arrested on the charge of criminal assault upon a colored girl. To this, he said, McMillan replied that Bethune was not guilty of the charge, but if they had arrested him for killing Neill Shaw they would have had it right. King said he then asked McMillan if Bethune killed Shaw. McMillan replied that he did, that Bethune shot Shaw in the stomach with his (McMillan's) gun and he fell to the ground and that when Shaw made an attempt to make a noise he himself took an axe and struck Shaw on the head. King testified also that he was carried to the jail by officers and placed where he could talk to Arch Bethune. He said Bethune asked him what he was in jail for and he told him he was an escaped convict. He then asked Bethune what trouble he had been in and Bethune replied that he killed Neill Shaw. He testified also that Bethune told him that the white people of the Ten Mile section had been trying to get him to tell something about the killing of Shaw, but that he would never tell any d—d white man about it.

Mr. N. A. Townsend, who lives near the Shaw home, testified that he heard a gunshot about sunrise on the morning Mr. Shaw disappeared.

Jim King is a notorious negro himself, having been in a bunch of trouble about town. He has been on the chain gang in Robeson four times.

FARM LOAN ASSOCIATIONS

Meetings for Purpose of Forming Permanent Associations Will Be Held This Week—Farm Demonstrator Blanchard Will Organize Any Community

Meetings for the purpose of effecting permanent farm loan associations will be held as follows:

St. Paul Thursday, Jan. 4, 2 p. m.
Lumberton Friday, Jan. 5, 10 a. m.
Maxton Friday, Jan. 5, 2 p. m.
Mr. W. R. Camp of the department of co-operation and markets, Raleigh, will be present at these meetings.

All desiring information in regard to these associations may communicate with Farm Demonstrator L. E. Blanchard at Lumberton. Mr. Blanchard will organize an association anywhere in the county if those interested will communicate with him.

Farm loan banks have been organized and associations may obtain money now. Associations already have been organized at Maxton and Rowland.

Watchnight Service—New Year Ushered In

A watchnight service was held at Chestnut Street Methodist church last night, beginning at 11 o'clock. There was special music and the service was solemn and impressive. A few minutes before midnight the congregation bent in silent prayer and in this manner greeted the New Year as the church bell was rung. On the stroke of twelve the choir sang a nappropiate anthem.

Other bells were rung and a few minutes later the fire bell was rung and the auto fire truck clanged about a bit. Also some folks in an auto went down Elm street shooting a Roman candle. That seemed to be the extent of the celebration last night when 1916 died and 1917 entered.

Mrs. Robt. L. Wagoner left yesterday for her home at Atlanta, Ga., after spending the Christmas holidays here visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Crabtree, at the Lorraine hotel.

Messrs. Joseph, Jno. and Archie Walters and M. L. Baxley of the St. Paul section were Lumberton visitors Saturday.

Messrs. Archie and Talmage Graham of the Tolarsville section were Lumberton visitors Saturday.

Mr. John W. Branch of R. 4 from Lumberton was in town Saturday.

Mr. A. D. Prevatt of Pembroke was a Lumberton visitor Friday.

Rev. A. H. Porter of Whiteville was a Lumberton visitor Friday.

Mr. Laev Breece, who spent the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. L. R. Breece, returned Saturday to Norlina, where he works in a printing office.

Rev. B. Leighton Armstrong of Welsville, N. Y., who spent some time in Lumberton, left Thursday night. Mr. Armstrong is pastor of a church in Welsville.

Mr. W. C. Lewis of R. 3 from Fairmont is a Lumberton visitor today.

Rev. Paul T. Britt of R. 4 from Lumberton is in town today.

GADDYSVILLE GRIST

Christmas With the Best Companions—A Marriage and Another Expected—\$2 and Worth It—Sowing Tobacco Beds—Epidemic of Measles Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Gaddysville (Fairmont, R. 1), Dec. 26—Christmas went silently slipping by. Quiet prevailed with the exception of the mighty Nimrods who scoured the woods, swamps and fields in search of game. We lay around the yule log all day and had some of the best companions—far better than a gun, even better than a member of Roosevelt's African party. Our company were the best writers, such as Longfellow, Dickens and a host of others.

Miss Ella Lee Rowell and a Mr. Davis were married Sunday. We hope they may wade to their necks in the Sea of Happiness.

Did you know marrying is contagious? There's another in soak. Why sure, no kick coming on The Robesonian. Anybody with common sense knows that the publishers would not hike the price were it not extremely necessary. If any paper is worth 2 bucks a year The Robesonian is.

The tobacco planters are turning their attention to the tobacco plant beds and now is the proper time for sowing them, as late plants are very uncertain. We advise all to plant early but lay stress on "go slow," oh ye farmer, on cotton and tobacco and remember diversification. Let not the alluring prices carry you away on unknown seas.

We feel very grateful to "Aunt Sophia" for her flattering remarks about us. It came to us as a tremendous Christmas surprise.

There have been so many cases of measles and school running so low lit literary activity has been a dead note; but the boys say something will be doing later.

Wet stuff was very evident Christmas among the regulars, but if there were any new partakers we do not know it.

Mr. R. E. Miller made a splendid address before the Pleasant Grove Sunday school Sunday. Mr. Miller is a speaker of force and power.

W. V. B.

BIG NEW YEAR PARTY

200 Children Will Be Entertained by Messrs. R. D. Caldwell & Son Friday

Two hundred children who are registered at the store of Messrs. R. D. Caldwell & Son will be entertained at a New Year party Friday afternoon of this week. The children are requested to meet at the Caldwell store at 3 o'clock p. m. and from there they will march in a body to the Pastime theatre, where they will see the picture show. The Pope drug store will serve refreshments and the children will receive souvenirs of the occasion.

Mr. L. C. Bell will be assisted in managing the party by two young ladies, who will see that the children have a good time.

All children who have not registered for birthday parties can do so by calling at the store with their parents Friday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock.

This will be the largest children's party ever assembled in Lumberton and no doubt the occasion will be long remembered by the little folks.

Claims Entente Allies Won Triumph on Somme Front

London Dispatch, Dec. 29.

The battle of the Somme is pictured as a sweeping triumph for Entente Allied arms in a detailed report by Gen. Douglas Haig, which was issued tonight and which covers operations from July 1 to November 18. General Haig terms the battle a triumph in which the German western armies were saved from complete collapse and decisive defeat only by a protracted period of unfavorable weather that prevented the Anglo-French forces from taking full advantage of their successful advance. He declares that, nevertheless, it was a triumph which proved beyond doubt the ability of the Allies to overthrow Germany "when the time comes." The British commander shows himself to be confident that the Entente Allies can win the war on the western front.

New Law Firm

Beginning today Mr. David H. Fuller will be associated with Mr. E. J. Britt in the practice of law. The new firm name will be Britt & Fuller. Mr. Britt has been practicing law in Lumberton for a number of years. Mr. Fuller is a young lawyer who has had an office in Charlotte for the last three months. He is a graduate of Trinity College, Durham and read law at Harvard University one year. He is a son of Mr. C. M. Fuller of Lumberton.

Box Supper at Mahony School House January 5

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Raynham, Dec. 29—There will be a box supper at what is known as the Mahony school house Friday night, January 5. The proceeds will be used for buying desks for the school.

You are cordially invited to be present. There will be other features of attraction. Come. Miss Pearl Lee Lowry is our teacher.

Presbyterian

Special services will be held at the Presbyterian church Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at 7:30 preparatory to communion service next Sunday.

ROZIER NEWS NOTES

On Good Behavior—Box Supper—School Orders Library—Social and Personal Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Rozier (Lumberton, R. 2), Dec. 30—Christmas passed off very quietly here. We are glad to say we never saw but one man drunk and it was a negro.

The box supper which was at Rozier school house Friday night, December 22, was quite a success. We only had 8 boxes and raised \$26.75. The first thing on program was an eating contest which several boys participated in. Each boy was given several soda crackers and the one that ate his first received a prize. The judges, Messrs. J. C. Carlyle and J. L. Humphrey, decided in favor of Master Roma Baxley, who received a box of soda crackers.

Next was selling the boxes by Mr. Carl Howard of St. Paul. The last thing was a box of chocolate candy which was won by Miss Pearl Carlyle.

The school at Rozier has ordered a \$30 library which we hope to have soon.

A surprise party was given at the home of Miss Sallie Holder Monday night which was enjoyed by quite a crowd of young folks.

Miss Sallie McDonald gave a most enjoyable entertainment at her home Friday night. The parlor was beautifully decorated for the occasion with holly and mistletoe. Quite a crowd was present and enjoyed the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ratley and little daughter and Mr. J. D. Johnson of Currie, Pender county, spent the holidays at Rozier with relatives. They made the trip in Mr. Ratley's new auto.

Mr. and Mrs. Ratley and Mrs. W. B. Barker spent Tuesday at Rei Springs at the home of Mr. George Ratley.

Misses Maude and Eva Byrd of Singletary's X Roads spent a few days at the home of Mrs. W. R. Baxley.

Mrs. Charie Tolar and Mr. Collier Tolar of Rembert spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rozier of Rozier.

Mr. and Mrs. Queen Roads and Messrs. Jesse and Will Olphad of Fayetteville spent a few days at Rozier with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Watson of Rembert spent the week-end at Rozier.

Mrs. D. Z. Wooten of Fayetteville is visiting her brother Mr. Walter Rozier.

Mr. Anderson Britt is spending the holidays with home folks at Long Branch.

Mr. Dennis Downing and Miss Pauline Smith of Cumberland county returned home Saturday after spending several days at the home of Mr. D. S. Carlyle.

Dr. Luther McMillan of Red Springs and Miss Annie Belle Humphrey took Wednesday Mr. Walter Humphrey to Johns Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, where he will take treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Smith of Dublin, Bladen county, is expected to arrive here tonight and spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Blackburn and son, Eugene, are visiting relatives in Fayetteville.

Dr. Norman Britt of Atlanta, Ga., who is visiting his father, Mr. S. E. Britt of Ten Mile, passed through here with his brother Mr. O. M. Britt Thursday p. m.

We hope for "Aunt Becky" a speedy recovery.

BOARDMAN NEWS BATCH

Wilbur Brown Accidentally Shot and Painfully Wounded by 14-Year-Old Boy—Christmas Tree—Personal Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Boardman, R. 1, Dec. 26—Christmas was made dull to many of us by learning that Ernest Hill, a 14-year-old boy, had accidentally shot Wilbur Brown while hunting. He was walking a few feet behind when the gun fired, the load going into his ankle just above his shoe tops. It was a very ugly wound. Dr. Hutchinson said the heel string was shot in two. He was taken to Hamlet last night to a specialist to try and prevent his being a cripple for life. We trust he may get on nicely and soon be at home again.

The Woodland school had a Christmas tree Saturday night. The children's pieces were good and all received a present off the tree. It was enjoyed by all present.

Misses Mage Phillips and Alma Martin are spending some time with friends and relatives.

Mr. Author Shaw, who has been holding a job in Oklahoma, is spending Christmas with home folks.

Messrs. Rowland and Jerald Kelly are visiting their brother Mr. Liney Kelly.

Mr. J. N. Kelly of Whiteville has moved back to his former home. We are glad to welcome them back.

Negro Woman's Face Cut by Jealous Wife

A dangerous cash was cut in the face of Mary McNeill, colored, by Carrie Merrick, also colored, Friday night. The trouble took place in the "Bottom" and is supposed to have started about Carrie's husband. Either a knife or a "razah" was used by Carrie. Both Carrie and her husband are in jail as a result of the affair. Night Policeman J. B. Boyle made the arrest. While Mary's wound is not considered dangerous, she had a close call.

PARKTON NEWS LETTER

Christmas Passed Quietly—Death of Brother of Mrs. Jim Jernigan—Movements of the People Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Parkton, Dec. 28—Christmas passed off very quietly here. Every one seemed to have a good time.

Miss Ruby Stubbs entertained a few of her friends last evening from 8 till 11. The parlor was beautiful with Christmas decorations. Several very interesting games were played, after which fruit and home-made fudge were served. At a late hour the guests bade their hostess adieu declaring they had spent a pleasant evening. The guests numbered about 25. More would have been present but were hindered on account of the inclement weather.

Mrs. L. E. Hughes and children also her brother Mr. Leon Johnson visited their parents in South Carolina this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Thanes and Mr. Baxter Hodges of Wagram spent Christmas with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Yancey McCall of Clio, S. C., spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stubbs.

Messrs. Angus McLaurin of Johns and Lawrence Buie of near Maxton were pleasant visitors in town last Sunday.

Mrs. Nan Carter and daughter, Frances, spent Christmas at Fairmont.

Messrs. Bird Marsh and Gus Pate of the Sherwood section in Cumberland county, were visitors in town last Sunday p. m.

Mr. Harold Stanton and sister, Miss Macy of Clio, S. C., spent this week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stubbs.

Mr. Herbert Kelly of Fayetteville visited in town for a few days this week.

Miss Eva Byrne and sister are moving to Fayetteville this week. We regret very much to see them leave.

Messrs. Marion and Gus Pate, Norwood Butler of Cumberland county and Marsh Bennette of Fayetteville were pleasant callers in town last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cobb spent Christmas day with her parents near Rockfish.

Mr. L. E. Tyner and daughter, Miss Cora, of Lowe visited in town last Tuesday p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McQueen and children, also Mrs. McQueen's sister Miss Georgia Taylor of Maxton, were visitors in town last Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Eglah Smith and sister Josie and brother Frank left this morning for Red Springs. They will visit there before returning at their home at Clio, S. C.

Mrs. Jim Jernigan received a telegram Wednesday night stating that her brother Mr. James Pate of Clio, S. C., was dead.

Messrs. Eddie Farrell and Coger of Sampson county spent last Tuesday in town for the purpose of hunting.

Miss Ruby Stubbs will leave Sunday afternoon to resume her duties as teacher of Sherwood school in Cumberland county.

All the boys and girls that are home for their holidays will leave in the next few days to resume their duties for their respective places.

Mr. Harron Floyd has returned to his post of duty as clerk for Cobb & Johnson after spending Christmas with home folks at Fairmont.

With best wishes to The Robesonian and its readers.

RECORDER'S COURT

Negro Charged With Stealing Horse—Road Sentence for Abandonment

Jerald Gaddy, colored, was bound over to the Superior court on the charge of stealing a horse, Saturday afternoon by Recorder E. M. Britt. The evidence was that Gaddy took a horse from the stall belonging to Mr. Clayton Barnes, who lives near town, Christmas night. When Mr. Barnes went to search for the horse he met Gaddy bringing the horse back towards his home.

Roy T. McPhail was before the recorder Saturday afternoon on two charges, one for carrying concealed weapons and the other for abandonment. On the charge of abandonment he was sentenced to 4 months on the roads. He was fined \$10 and cost for carrying pistol. He gave notice of appeal and was required to give a \$500 justified bond for his appearance at court.

The board of county commissioners and the county board of education are holding their regular monthly meetings today. The usual first-Monday crowd is in town.

Rev. A. T. Howell and family will move tomorrow to Siler City, where Mr. Howell has accepted a call to a field, including the Baptist church at Siler City. Mr. Howell came to Lumberton from Hamlet a few months ago to take charge of a field in Robeson composed of the St. Paul, Ten Mile, Tolarsville and Great Marsh churches but recently resigned.

—Robert Nash, daughter of Mrs. Bert Nash, was 6 years old Friday. She was given a birthday party by the firm of R. D. Caldwell & Son. She invited Mary Lawrence, Christine Wishart, Helen Thomas, Josefine McKenzle and Emma Earl Baggett as her guests. She took her guests to the Pastime theatre and the Pope drug store served refreshments for the occasion.

Mr. A. D. Jones of R. 2 from Fairmont is among the visitors in town today.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—Regular meeting of Lumbee tent No. 18, Maccabees, tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. Degree work.

—Miss Maria Nash has accepted a position in the office of Register of Deeds M. W. Floyd. She began work this morning.

—Another leap year has leaped away and it will be four years before the girls will have the chances leap years give them again.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Nance will move tomorrow from the Biggs place, about 1 mile from town on the Whiteville road, where they have lived for several years, to Proctorville.

—Mr. W. F. Baxley and son, Mr. Oscar, of R. 5 from Lumberton, were in town Saturday. Mr. Baxley reported measles epidemic in his section and a case in his own family.

—Register of Deeds M. W. Floyd had one of the best months ever in the marriage license business; during December. He sold 73 licenses during the month, which at \$3 each amounted to \$219.

—License has been issued for the marriage of James Avne Britt and Lillian Freeman; Thos. W. Holiday and Nona McLein; Ernest McChaul and Miriam Toon; A. R. Wilsoa and Flora E. Prevatt.

—Sheriff and Mrs. R. E. Lewis moved Thursday from the Correll house on North Elm street, where they had been keeping house for several years, to the Lorraine hotel, where they have a suite of rooms.

—Mr. J. T. McIntyre and family moved Thursday from a farm near Rembert, which he recently sold, to a farm about 4 miles from Lumberton on the Whiteville road which he recently bought from Mr. J. T. Biggs.

—Mr. Colin A. Britt of Orrum was a Lumberton visitor Saturday. He remarked as he paid his subscription to The Robesonian that that left him square with everybody and he had corn and meat a-plenty. Well fixed.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Parnell will move this week from Mr. Wm. Stone's place 3 miles from Lumberton on R. 2 to a place belonging to Mr. G. E. Lineberry on R. 1 from St. Paul. Mr. Parnell was a Lumberton visitor this morning.

—Price & Bonelli's Greater New York minstrels held the boards at the local opera house Thursday night. It is one of the best minstrel shows that has visited Lumberton and the performance was enjoyed by a large audience.

—Messrs. S. L. Parker and Charley Hickman passed through town Saturday morning about 11 o'clock with a wagon filled with fox dogs and a dead fox. They caught the fox about 4 miles from town on the Strong Wishart plantation, now owned by Messrs. White & Gough. The dogs chased the fox for four hours before they caught him.

—Mr. M. A. Odum, who came to Lumberton a few months ago from Farmville, Va., purchasing an interest in the grocery store of Mr. M. N. Folger, sold his interest back to Mr. Folger last week and left Friday night for Farmville, where he will keep books for W. J. Hillsman & Co. It is understood that Mr. Odum is to marry a Farmville lady soon and that his return to Farmville was for reasons other than business.

—Mr. W. C. Boone, who left Robeson county some months ago for China, where he is employed by the American Tobacco Co. in farm demonstration work relative to raising tobacco, remembers his friends in Robeson. From the Far East, Fante, China, he sends The Robesonian a postcard reading as follows: "Here's wishing The Robesonian and its many readers a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year." The card was mailed November 20 and reached Lumberton December 30.

—Dr. Lucian Edgar Follansbee, who has been on the Chautauqua and Lyceum platform for 20 years and who is said to inspire and hold an audience as few lecturers are able to do, will deliver a lecture at the opera house Thursday evening of this week, at 8:30. This is one of the numbers of the Lyceum course under the auspices of the Lumberton Civic association. Attractions so far given in this course have been far above the average and Dr. Follansbee's lecture will be looked forward to with pleasure.

—Mr. I. V. Hooper, who sold his interest in the Lumberton Marble & Granite Co. some months ago and had since been a salesman for that company, has purchased the Fayetteville Monument works and went to Fayetteville this morning to take charge of that business. Mr. Hooper is an experienced monument man and made numerous friends throughout this section during his residence of 7 years in Lumberton. Mrs. Hooper and their infant son will remain in Lumberton about 2 weeks before moving to Fayetteville.

—Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd W. McMillan arrived here Saturday morning from Baltimore, Md., where they were married on the 27th ult. mention of which was made in Thursday's Robesonian. Mr. and Mrs. McMillan are living for the present with Mr. McMillan's mother, Mrs. H. McE. McMillan. Mr. McMillan will build on his lot in the north-western part of town at once and will begin house-keeping just as soon as he can complete his residence. Messrs. L. Rexford Stephens and R. L. Shely, who accompanied Mr. McMillan to Baltimore, returned Friday.