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MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES

Meeting of Camp Pope—Address by L. R. Varner—Dinner Served Veterans—Young Soldiers and Old—Commissioners Asked to Spread Out Appropriation

Forty Confederate veterans attended the Memorial day meeting which was held in the court house here at 10:30 this morning. After a business meeting of Camp Pope, Mr. L. R. Varner of the Lumberton bar addressed the veterans. The children's chapter, U. D. C. sang a number of patriotic selections and the meeting was highly enjoyed by all present.

Capt. Geo. W. Gillett of Co. A. N. C. engineers, and 28 of his soldiers attended the meeting. The veterans gave three yells for the soldiers and the soldiers gave three yells for the veterans. After the meeting was over the soldiers drilled for some time around the court house square, which brought to the memory of the veterans days gone by.

A sumptuous dinner was served the veterans in the commissioners' room at the court house by members of Robeson chapter, U. D. C. It is said that this is the only chapter in the State which serves the veterans two public dinners each year.

While in the business meeting the camp passed a unanimous resolution asking the county commissioners to cut in half the amount which they agreed to give certain veterans to pay their expenses to the reunion in Washington in June and give every veteran in the county who would go \$10 instead of \$20. The bill as passed by the Legislature provides that only those who are not able financially be given aid.

FOR MORE FOOD STUFFS

Active Campaign is Now On for Raising More Food Stuffs in Robeson—County Demonstration Agent Secures Extra Help for Campaign

It was stated in Monday's Robesonian that the county commissioners on that day made an appropriation of any amount that may be necessary up to \$500 to arouse the people of Robeson to the supreme importance of increasing this year the production of food and feed stuffs. County Demonstration Agent L. E. Blanchard already had made plans for a vigorous campaign in anticipation of this action on the part of the commissioners and has employed help to wage a strenuous campaign during the next two months, and especially during the next two weeks. He has had a phone placed in his office in the court house and has employed Messrs. J. B. Bowen as stenographer, Prof. O. O. Dukes, principal of the county farm-life school, will assist in this work, also Mr. W. K. Scott, a member of the graduating class of the State college of agriculture and engineering. Mr. Scott is son of Mr. R. W. Scott of Alamance county, a member of the State board of agriculture. He came the first of the week and will be here during the campaign.

Mr. Blanchard was advised yesterday by Dr. B. W. Kilgore, State Chemist and head of the extension department of the Department of Agriculture, that next week he will send to the county Mrs. Eubanks, formerly home demonstration agent of Durham county, who is an expert on canning and preserving. Mr. T. B. Barker, head of the farmers' institute work, and Mr. Logan, head of the rural department of the experiment station. These will arrive the first of the week and will spend the entire week in the county. Mrs. Eubanks is considered one of the liveliest and most capable women in her line of work. Mr. Blanchard hopes to have her visit at least 15 schools next week and is especially anxious that the women and girls come out to hear her and get the benefit of her expert knowledge of canning and preserving. These workers will assist Mr. Blanchard in reaching every section of the county and consulting with the people about the best methods to employ right now to increase the county's production of food and feed crops. The hearty co-operation of the people is necessary in order to make the work a success.

SCHOOL BONDS CARRIED

Ten-Mile Barker District Voted \$8,000 Bonds for School House

The \$8,000 school house bond issue in the Ten Mile-Barker school district carried Monday by 43 votes. Fifty-nine votes were cast in favor of the bond issue, while only 10 votes were cast against it.

Work will be begun on the new brick school building just as soon as the bonds can be disposed of. It is expected that the new building will be completed in time for the fall term of school.

Recorder's Court

Lee Allen was before Recorder E. M. Britt Tuesday on the charge of breaking the speed limit with an auto. Judgment was suspended upon payment of cost, which amounted to \$7.20.

Will Johnson submitted to the charge of being drunk and judgment was continued upon payment of cost

Naval Recruit From Robeson

The Robesonian is advised by Recruiting Officer London of the navy recruiting station at Raleigh that English C. Morgan of Marietta, Robeson county, enlisted in the navy on the 8th.

MORE FOOD STUFFS

Robeson County Means to Feed Itself This Year

INCREASE FOOD PRODUCTS BY \$3,000,000

Now is Time for Action—Community Meetings Urged During Next Two Weeks to Arouse People to Necessity of Increasing Food Crops

To the People of Robeson County: Robeson county means to feed itself this year—to import no feed or food stuffs. This means that we will have to increase by at least \$3,000,000 such products as hay, grain and meat. If we were to do this it would mean that, instead of every man, woman and child having to be supplied with \$50 worth of food products from the outside, this amount could be thereby released for the needs of the fighting armies. The \$3,000,000 could be left to circulate in our own banks and we could feel that we were not dependants on the balance of the world at this time when the world faces so serious a food shortage. A great deal better still, if we could go even further and say we'll help in producing a surplus to help feed the millions of soldiers who are at the front fighting our battles.

We have little time for writing and talking. It is time for action. There is much that can be done during the next thirty days and it is only through organized effort that we can hope to reach every farmer throughout the county during the next two weeks. There is great need for agricultural organization along with the organizing of soldiers. The Governor of the State has urged every school district to organize, not only for the purpose of assisting in the present campaign for increased food production now, but goes further to intimate that there may be other days later in which they can be of great assistance to the State and Nation.

One of the features of the campaign is to hold a meeting in your community within the next two weeks. These meetings will be held in every school district in the county, making 75 meetings. We want to reach every land owner and tenant in the county through these meetings. Posters will be sent broadcast over the county, advertising the meeting in your community and giving you the names of those who will meet with you to discuss the suggestions worked out by the executive board in session last Thursday with President Riddick of the A. & E. college; Commissioner Graham, Prof. Gray of the A. & E. college, and a number of farmers from over the county. These men will not be sent into your community to tell you how to farm, but for the purpose of helping to get every man, woman and child aroused to the point of realizing the necessity of doing something. What the commission thinks can best be done now will be discussed with your people.

A great deal will be done to advertise these meetings over the county. We feel that it is the first step towards getting the people aroused. We hope to begin the meetings Monday of next week. Will you not try to see that the meeting in your community is one of the best held in the county?

We have several assistants working out details at the office, and if there is further information desired, write us or call us over the phone at our expense.

ROBESON COUNTY FOOD CONSERVATION COMMISSION, L. E. BLANCHARD, Executive Secretary.

Supt. Sentelle Will Teach at A. & E. Summer School

Prof. R. E. Sentelle, superintendent of the Lumberton graded and high school, has been selected as one of the instructors for the summer school for school officials and teachers which will be held at the North Carolina State college of agriculture and engineering, Raleigh, from June 12 to July 27. Prof. Sentelle will teach geography, geology and mathematics. The charges for the entire session, including tuition, board and room, will be \$31.75. No doubt many Robeson teachers will be allowed to take agricultural work, the same that the teachers of the county are required to teach in the public schools.

Quit the Road to Raise Food Stuffs

Messrs. W. Gordon and Dan Prevatt quit the road as traveling salesmen recently, purchased a farm in their native section of Robeson, Back Swamp, and have gone in for raising corn and other food stuffs. Mr. W. Gordon Prevatt had been on the road more than ten years when he quit the road for the farm recently. He was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday. He says he has not planted any cotton or tobacco but is going to raise all the corn and other food stuffs he can.

Road Board Meets Tomorrow

The road board held its regular monthly meeting Monday. A number of bills was ordered paid. Mr. H. J. Singleton offered his resignation as secretary to the board and a meeting will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m. to elect a new secretary and qualify the new board which was elected Monday.

Cost of Elections

The board of county commissioners met yesterday and canvassed the returns from the two road bond elections. The bill of the pollholders and registrars in the several townships were paid. The total amount of the cost of the two elections was \$843.70.

BUIE AND PHILADELPHUS NEWS

Prospects for Bumper Corn and Cotton Crops—Overcasts in May—Much Time Lost Working Against Bond Issue—Personal and Other Items

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Buie, May 9—Miss Euphemia Tyson of Lumberton spent the weekend visiting Misses Mary and Catherine Tiddy.

Miss Mabel Currie of Maxton spent several days in this community visiting friends.

Rev. Mc Goodman of Antioch preached an able sermon at Philadelphia Sunday.

Miss Kitty Jones of Charlotte spent a few days in this community visiting friends.

Mr. J. P. McKay was a Lumberton visitor Monday.

Misses Janie and Irene Jackson and Miss Kay Jackson spent Friday evening near Rowland.

Messrs. L. T. Brown, J. B. Humphrey and Walter McMillan spent Monday in Lumberton.

The present outlook for a bumper corn and cotton crop in Robeson is very promising. It has been several years since the farmers had such a nice spring for planting. This time last year a very small amount of cotton was up.

Misses Mary and Catherine Tiddy gave their young friends a party on last Friday night.

Mr. Douglas McMillan has erected an up-to-date Ford garage at Red Springs and says he will continue to handle the Ford car and everything needed in the way of repairs for it.

Mr. R. J. Brown was a Red Springs visitor today.

Mrs. I. T. Brown, who has been sick and was taken to a hospital in Baltimore some time ago, has returned home and continues to improve.

People wearing overcoats is no rare thing for the past few days. Still it is May! Unusual things will come about.

Politics has been in full sway at Buie, the voting precinct of Burnt Swamp. A great many have lost time enough out of their business trying to defeat the bond issue to have paid even an unreasonable road tax for several years.

Mr. James McMillan, who has been confined to his home on account of a very bad foot, cut some time ago, is able to be out again.

COUNTY SCHOOL MATTERS

Mr. O. O. Dukes Re-elected Principal of County Farm-Life School—Petition to Revoke Special Tax Approved—Other Matters

The county board of education held its regular monthly meeting Monday in the office of Supt. J. R. Poole. District 2, white, St. Pauls, was allowed \$250 and amount to be secured from sale of old school property, for building purposes, provided the district contribute an equal amount, and complete the building.

The old school building in district 2, white, St. Pauls township, was ordered advertised and sold at public auction.

It was ordered that \$95 be allowed district 5, white, Lumberton township, for services of an additional teacher, making a five-months' term. Messrs. W. E. Garrett and John McLean were appointed trustees of the Red Springs graded school, each to serve a four years' term from date.

A petition was presented, signed by two-thirds of the qualified voters living within the boundaries of the Barker-Ten Mile consolidated district, asking that an election be called to ascertain the will of the people in revoking the special tax now levied in said district. After being explained to the board that it was the intention of the district to have this levy cancelled in the creation of the bond issue of the General Assembly, which provides 50 cents on the \$100 worth of property and \$1.50 on the poll for school purposes, and that the original levy was not needed, the board of education ordered the petition approved.

It was ordered that deed be made for a part of the school lot in Shannon district No. 1, white, for an exchange for adjoining lot.

It was ordered that a bill of \$12.75 be paid to The Robesonian for stationery and printing.

At a joint meeting of the board of trustees of the Philadelphia farm life school and the county board of education, Mr. O. O. Dukes was re-elected principal of the farm-life school for the next school year at the same salary.

Plowed Up 35 Acres of Cotton and Planted Corn

Mr. J. F. Locky, carrier of star route between Lumberton and Tar Heel, told a Robesonian reporter Tuesday about Mr. S. P. McNair, one of Bladen's largest planters, who lives near Tar Heel, plowing up 35 acres of cotton after it had been chopped out and plowed one time and planting corn on the same land.

Will Not Accept Position of Land Appraiser

Maj. A. J. McKinnon has decided not to accept the position of farm land appraiser for the Columbia district on account of the fact that it would take too much of his time from his numerous business interests.

PARKTON PARAGRAPHS

Death and Funeral of Mrs. Annie Haywood—Commencement is On—Bond Election One-Sided—Tent Show—Church Notes—Personal

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Parkton, May 8—Mrs. Annie Haywood died Sunday night in the hospital at Sanford and her remains were brought to Parkton Monday evening accompanied by her daughter Mrs. C. H. Smith of Sanford, Mr. H. L. Burns of Burlington, Mrs. J. W. Cunningham of Sanford and Mr. C. P. Rodgers, undertaker of Sanford. The remains were taken to the residence of Mr. J. B. McCormick and remained until this morning, when upon the arrival of Mr. C. H. Smith and son, L. D., and daughter, Miss Sadie, of Sanford, and Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Underwood of Quitman, Ga., also Rev. James Willis, pastor of the first Baptist church of Sanford—Mr. and Mrs. Underwood arrived in Sanford from Quitman last night and came down with Mr. Smith in his touring car, arriving at 11 o'clock—the funeral was held from the Baptist church, conducted by Rev. J. L. Jenkins, pastor of deceased, assisted by Rev. James Willis of Sanford, and interment was made in the Parkton cemetery. The pall bearers were: A. C. McCormick, M. R. Tolar, A. A. Wright, C. S. McArthur, O. Stanley and Collier Cobb. The floral offerings were most beautiful, entirely covering the grave, also a number for the grave of the husband and two sons, who preceded her.

Mr. William Haywood and family moved to our town about twelve years ago from Red Springs and engaged in the mercantile business but his health soon failed him and he died about 10 years ago. Since that time his two single sons have died. After the death of her youngest son, Mr. M. B. Haywood, which occurred in January, Mrs. Haywood broke up housekeeping and was making her home with her daughter Mrs. C. H. Smith at Sanford.

Deceased was 78 years old and was a dear neighbor of this writer for 12 years and can say of a truth we have lost a friend and one of as devout and consecrated Christians as we have ever known, having joined the Baptist church in early girlhood. Our town was greatly shocked Monday morning when the news rapidly spread of her death. Deceased is survived by three children—Mrs. M. F. Underwood of Quitman, Ga., Mrs. C. H. Smith of Sanford and Mr. J. E. Haywood of Rockingham, the last named being unable to attend. His mother's funeral, being ill with typhoid fever and his death is expected any moment. Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Underwood left this afternoon on the Bennettville train for his bedside. We sincerely sympathize with the bereaved family.

Commencement is on. The baccalaureate sermon was preached in the auditorium Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. Dr. Joel Snyder, pastor of the First Baptist church of Fayetteville, and was one of the best yet, holding his very large congregation for an hour with the profoundest interest.

Primary concert and grammar grades contests Thursday night. Class day and graduating exercise Friday, May 10, at 11 o'clock. High school contests in recitation and declamation on Friday night. High school play, "The Deacon," on Saturday night. A small admission fee will be charged for the last-mentioned to help finance the commencement.

Rev. S. B. Terrentine, president of Greensboro college for women, will preach at the M. E. church here Sunday night at 8 o'clock, to which the public is cordially invited. A treat is in store as he is one of the most able ministers of the State.

The bond election was too one-sided to be of interest in our precinct. Actions speak: don't need good roads for the present.

Mr. Clarence Johnson is on a brief visit to relatives and will leave for Wilson today.

The following enjoyed a trip to Red Springs Sunday afternoon: E. V. Johnson, L. P. Johnson, W. D. Warner, Misses Ola Doubt, Cathrine Jones and Sadie McKenzie.

As there was not much doing in town this week a show is being conducted under large canvass. Their music seems to be attractive as well as the performances, but this is war times and how can many people waste their surplus dough?

Rev. J. L. Jenkins will fill the pulpit of the First Baptist church of Fayetteville next Sunday morning and at night.

Fierce Fighting for Village of Fresno

From Press Summary.

The sanguinary battle between the British and Germans for possession of the village of Fresno goes on apparently without abatement. It is a battle of desperation on the part of the Germans who see in the loss of the village a double menace—the placing in jeopardy of the towns of Lens and its adjacent coal fields, and a deeply projected salient into their lines which would virtually put the British at the threshold of Cambrai.

Five white farmers of Sampson county were arrested and jailed at Clinton Tuesday charged with shooting up a house occupied by Will Tripp, a negro who had been charged with stealing meat from some of the men.

A search warrant failed to locate the meat. An old negro man about 90 years old was the only occupant of the house that was wounded, and he not seriously.

FAIRMONT NEWS LETTER

High School Commencement Friday—Recitation Contest Tonight—Monument Unveiling Sunday—Personal Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Fairmont, May 9—Dr. E. T. McInnis of Hamlet was a visitor in Fairmont Monday.

Miss Annie Ruth Caldwell of Lumberton visited Miss Christine Floyd a few days this week.

Miss Mary Ferbee of Belcross is visiting her sister Mrs. W. T. Sledge. Mrs. T. B. Bushall of Belcross is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. O. Bobbitt.

Mr. I. N. Medlin, field secretary of the Epworth league N. Carolina conference, will speak at the Methodist church Sunday night, May 13th. He will have some interesting pictures of the work in Africa.

Mother's day will be observed at the Methodist church next Sunday morning.

Mr. T. L. Tapscott of Reidsville spent a few days in town this week.

The closing exercises of the Fairmont high school will begin Thursday night of this week at 8:30 when the recitation contest will take place. The contestants are Misses Katherine Galloway, Cletus Thompson, Lillie Kyle, Fannie Lewis, Lizzie Page, Annie Lee McDaniel, Rosa Floyd and Ruby Ward.

Spring song chorus high school Friday, 11 A. M., School Auditorium. Soldiers' chorus and Star Spangled Banner—high school girls.

Commencement address—Q. K. Nimocks of Fayetteville.

Springtime—chorus by school girls. Presentation of diplomas and certificates by Supt. J. R. Poole.

Senior Class Exercises. Class Will—Pittman Floyd. History—Neill Thompson.

Prophecy—Miss Theresa Pearson. Friday afternoon, 3:30, baseball game.

Friday night, 8:30, school auditorium—"Mr. Bob", a comedy in two acts.

Characters. Philip Royson—Vernon Lassiter. Robt. Brown (clerk of Benson & Benson)—Victor Hayes.

Jenkins (Miss Rebecca's butler)—Neill Thompson. Rebecca Luke (a maiden lady)—Sallie Inman.

Katherine Rogers (her niece)—Bessie Jones. Marion Bryant—Annie Lee McDaniel.

Patty, Miss Rebecca's maid—Kate Ratley.

Miss Jessie Ashley, who has been teaching at Hampstead, has returned home.

Mr. Ernest Jones went Tuesday to Wilmington, where he stood the examination for reserve officers' training camp at Fort Oglethorpe.

Yellow Pine camp No. 225, Fairmont, will unveil the monument to the late A. W. Stephens on Sunday afternoon, May 13, at 3:30, in the new cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Pittman, who have been teaching at Lilesville, are visiting Mr. Pittman's mother, Mrs. Sarah Pittman.

Miss Bonnie Grantham spent Wednesday in Fayetteville.

J. D. PROCTOR ELECTED MAYOR

Vote in Town Election Monday to Confirm Nominees of Primary

In the election Monday to confirm the nomination of those nominated for town officials at the primary held April 24 Mr. Jas. D. Proctor, who was nominated for mayor, received 168 votes; Messrs. A. S. King and E. M. Johnson, who were nominated for commissioners, received 166 votes each; Messrs. C. V. Brown, L. E. Whaley and Geo. L. Thompson, who were nominated for school trustees, received 160 votes each; Messrs. H. M. McAllister and W. S. Britt, nominees for the board of audit and finance, received 160 votes each, while Mr. Frank Gough, who was nominated as a member of the board of audit and finance received 159 votes.

There were 333 votes cast in the town primary.

All in One Field

Mr. P. G. Campbell says he saw an unusual sight in a field in the northern part of the county one day recently. He says he saw a man sowing cotton seed, others chopping cotton and others plowing cotton and still another crowd picking cotton in the same field.

has offered a farm of several hundred acres to the commissioners of Richmond county rent free if they will use it to raise foodstuffs with the labor of the county convicts.

Matthew Williams of Carteret county was killed Monday when an auto in which he was riding crashed through one side of Trent river bridge. Two other men in the car escaped, and these two are said to have been drinking. The car crashed into a curve in the bridge and plunged overboard.

Gov. Bickett Tuesday pardoned Thad Brown, said to be the best negro farmer in Pasquotank county, and sent him back to his farm. He killed a man named Hollowell and had served less than a year of the sentence of 5 years imposed for manslaughter, but the father of the dead man came to Brown's aid, also the judge, solicitor and jury.

Mr. H. E. Pleasants, district passenger agent of the S. A. L., with headquarters at Wilmington, is spending the day here on business.

Mrs. A. R. Wilson of Mayesville is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Prevatt. She will return home Monday.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—License has been issued for the marriage of R. F. Lewis and Arrie Prevatt.

—Special meeting local lodge I. O. O. F. tomorrow night at 8 o'clock. Important business.

—Mr. J. C. Bryant, section foreman on this section of the S. A. L., ordered one 3 1-2 months old pig recently for which he paid \$25.

—The condition of Mrs. Frank Gough, who has been seriously ill at her home, Chestnut street, for several days is slightly improved today.

—The mayor and board of town commissioners will meet at the town hall tonight. This will be the last meeting of the present mayor and board and the new officers will be sworn in.

—On account of the downpour of rain Monday evening the meeting which had been called for the purpose of organizing a branch of the Red Cross society was postponed till some future time.

—Mr. W. N. Speight of Allenton is among the Confederate veterans attending the Memorial exercises here today. Mr. Speight was in the front ranks of the famous battle at Fredericksburg.

—Mr. N. F. Britt of R. 4 from Lumberton is among the visitors in town today. Mr. Britt told a Robesonian reporter about killing an eagle this morning which measured 6 feet, 3 1-2 inches from tip to tip.

—Rev. Paul T. Britt of Mt. Eliam entered a hospital at Wilmington yesterday and Saturday will undergo an operation for appendicitis. Mrs. Britt boarded the train here this morning for Wilmington to be with her husband.

—Mr. Knox Proctor, who is a senior at the State university, Chapel Hill, this year, has come home to make ready to report at Fort Oglethorpe when called. Mr. Proctor was one of the 90 senior students at the university who passed the examination.

—The fire alarm was turned in about 6:30 Tuesday afternoon on account of soot burning in a chimney at the home of Mr. C. B. Redmond, Elm street. Somebody passing saw the fire coming out at the top of the chimney and turned in the alarm. The fire company responded to the call.

—The commencement exercises of the colored graded school will take place Thursday and Friday of next week. The school will give a concert Thursday night. Friday at 12:30 p. m. Rev. Jas. J. Scarlett of Fayetteville will deliver an address. Friday night the school will give another concert.

—Mr. W. H. Kinlaw of Lumberton says he has kept a record of the cost of keeping a milk cow for a year and finds that after paying for the feed used the cow has paid for herself three times. Mr. Kinlaw figured the milk and butter at the price he would have to pay out had he bought the amount the cow gave.

—Messdames A. J. Tinkham and J. J. Moore returned this morning to their homes at Wilmington. They came up to attend the funeral of their brother, Mr. Johnnie Barker, whose death was mentioned in Monday's Robesonian. They were accompanied by their mother, Mrs. J. T. Barker, who will spend some time in Wilmington.

—A Lynchburg paper gives a long account of a beautiful May day program at Randolph Macon college and mentions Miss Vashit White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White of Lumberton, as one of the maids of the queen of the May. This is quite an honor, especially as this is Miss White's first year at Randolph Macon.

Notice of New Advertisements

Mother's day at store of R. D. Caldwell & Son.

Legal notice of sale of land—F. X. Quinn and A. W. McLean, trustees. B. J. Harrell has qualified as administrator of estate of J. C. Harrell, deceased.

Program as Pastime.

The man who gets promoted—First National Bank.

Good milk cow wanted.

Bhead at 6 cents the loaf—DuBois Bakery.

Bargains offered at store of White & Gough; Townsend Bros. stock on sale.

Program at Lyric.

Report of condition of Bank of Proctorville.

"Patronize Sam Lee laundry and pressing club."

Card case lost.

At the Lyric

The Lyric theatre offers today Shorty Hamilton in "Shorty Joins the Secret Service," Francis X. Bushman in two reels, and Harry Myers and Rosemary Theby in a one-reel comedy. The Bushman picture has been shown here before but is good enough to stand repeating several times. Tomorrow will be Paramount day, presenting Wallace Reid and Anita King in "The Golden Fetter". The prices will be 5 and 10 cents. The change in the lighting system at the Lyric is a joy to all visitors.

Mr. G. B. Allen and daughter, Miss Mary Allen of Howellsville township, were Lumberton visitors this morning.

Mrs. Ernest Compo passed through town this morning en route to her home at Marion after spending some time at Rockingham visiting relatives.