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GREATER FOOD CROPS CAMPAIGN

Meetings will be held all over Robeson during the next ten days to arouse the people to the urgent necessity of raising more food stuffs in the county. Mr. L. E. Blanchard, executive secretary of the Robeson County Food Conservation Commission, and his corps of helpers sent out circulars and letters all over the county last week, and Mr. Blanchard says he has received assurances from several sections that the people are interested and will attend the meetings.

It was stated in Thursday's Robesonian that several experts in different lines would spend this week in the county. Mrs. F. S. Eubanks of Durham, an expert on canning and preserving, arrived last night, and Mr. T. B. Parker, head of the farmers' institute work, and Prof. Logan, head of the guano department of the experiment station, State Department of Agriculture, arrived this morning. District Agent T. D. McLean, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, also is expected this week. These will hold meetings in the county this week.

The appointments for this week are given in the half-page ad on this page. Other appointments will be given in Thursday's Robesonian. It is hoped that everybody in the county will co-operate in this effort to make Robeson county produce enough stuff to feed herself this year and not have to buy a dollar's worth of stuff for man or beast from outside.

The first meeting will be held in the high school auditorium in Lumberton this afternoon at 4 o'clock. This evening at 8 a meeting for all the mills about town will be held in the auditorium at East Lumberton.

Superior Court
A two weeks' term of civil court convened this morning at 10 o'clock with Judge Geo. W. Connor of Wilkeson presiding. Among the out-of-town attorneys attending court today are: Messrs. G. B. Patterson, S. B. McLean, J. P. Wiggins and B. F. McLean of Maxton; A. P. Spell of Red Springs, N. A. Sinclair of Fayetteville and J. G. McCormick of Wilmington.

Mr. Lacy McNair and small son, Ernest, of Rennett, are among the visitors in town today.

TAR HEELS ORDERED TO FORT OGLETHORPE

About 700 Have Been Accepted From North Carolina—18 Robeson County Men in List

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dispatch, May 11, to Greensboro Daily News.
The names of those who have been accepted for the officers' training camp at Fort Oglethorpe, which will open next week for three months' training of men designed to command units in the armies of the United States were made public here tonight. There will be 2,500 men assembled at Fort Oglethorpe, these being selected from more than 3,600 who are seeking admission.

In the North Carolina list given in news dispatches appears the names of the following Robeson county men: Jesse E. Carpenter, F. C. Everett, C. B. Woltz, Maxton; Thomas K. Cobb, Jas. F. Love, St. Pauls; J. T. Cashwell, D. H. Fuller, E. K. Proctor, S. K. Nash, A. Moore, H. J. Singleton, C. B. Skipper, Jr., F. E. Wishart, Lumberton; J. A. McKay, M. C. McLeod, W. B. Townsend, Red Springs; J. P. Robertson, Rowland; F. F. Thompson, Fairmont.

Jas. F. Love was principal of the Lumberton high school last year and was superintendent of the graded school at St. Pauls during the term just ended. Mr. E. K. (Knox) Proctor is a member of the senior class at the State university and had been home for several days waiting for the call to go. Mr. C. B. Skipper, Jr., is a member of the junior class at the State college of agriculture and engineering at Raleigh and came home Thursday night to spend a few days at home before leaving for the camp.

These men left yesterday for Fort Oglethorpe.

Mr. F. H. Townsend has made application to join the U. S. army aviation corps.

The following have enlisted in the regular army at the local recruiting office since Thursday: Archie Butler of Marlboro county, S. C., Wm. J. Carmine of Chaires, Fla., Wesley S. Groves of Rowland, Lonnie Deal of Fairmont. Men are leaving Lumberton practically every day for some branch of the army or navy.

Recruiting at Lumber Bridge

Sergt. J. E. Bethune of the Lumber Bridge light infantry is stationed at Lumber Bridge for the purpose of recruiting men for that company. Any young man who desires to enlist with this company should see Sergt. Bethune at once.

NEW ROAD BOARD ORGANIZES

I. T. Brown Elected Chairman and J. Browne Evans Secretary—Claims Ordered Paid at Last Meeting of Old Board

The old road board held its last meeting Friday afternoon. The following bills were ordered paid: R. C. Lawrence, fee in the overdraft case, \$100; J. T. King, lumber, \$3.09; S. B. Williamson, lumber and hauling, \$3.18; Dr. N. A. Thompson, services as member of board, \$20, auto hire \$4.50; I. T. Brown, services as member of board \$17.50; J. B. McLeod, services as member of board \$47.50; J. M. Butler, services as member of board, \$47.50; J. B. Humphrey, services as member of board, \$20; J. A. McCormick, services as member of board, \$47.50.

Immediately after the old board adjourned the new board, which is composed of Messrs. I. T. Brown, J. Browne Evans, Graddy H. Floyd, J. A. McCormick and J. I. Townsend, met and organized. Mr. I. T. Brown was elected chairman and Mr. J. Browne Evans was elected secretary at a salary of \$5 the month.

School Board Raises Salary of Principal

The board of school trustees met Thursday night and agreed to raise the salary of Prof. R. H. Taylor, principal of the high school, from \$765 the year to \$850 the year. As has been stated in The Robesonian, all the teachers were re-elected at a recent meeting of the board except Miss Elizabeth Belk and Miss Effie Newton, both of whom would have been elected had they not declined to teach next year. Their successors have not yet been elected. Miss Belk is teacher of history and Miss Newton is teacher of mathematics.

Big Timber Deal

Messrs. A. T. McLean and J. F. Parker sold last week to W. R. Taylor & Co. of Philadelphia, Pa., around 15,000,000 feet of timber between St. Pauls and McMillan's Siding. Most of the timber is cypress and is considered one of the finest bodies of cypress in this section of the State. The timber belonged to the Beaufort County Lumber Co., but Messrs. McLean and Parker had an option on it. The purchasers will put in an up-to-date mill on the Virginia & Carolina Southern railroad at an early date and cut the timber.

—Tokens of love for mother could be seen on every hand yesterday—Mother's day. The day was observed at the churches in town and practically everybody in town was wearing a rose.

PARKTON SCHOOL FINALS

Splendid Commencement Exercises at Close of Successful School Year—Parkton Town and Its Progressive People

Splendid commencement exercises Thursday night, Friday, Friday night and Saturday night closed one of the most successful sessions in the history of the Parkton graded school. Pupils of the primary and grammar grades rendered a pleasing program Thursday evening, which was followed by a recitation contest. Friday was class day. There were 6 members of the graduating class. These were Misses Edna Wallace, president; Marsh Johnson, Mattie Brown, Kathrine Gaine, Ola Doub and Nannette McNatt. The exercises opened at 11:15 with prayer offered by Rev. J. L. Jenkins, pastor of the Parkton Baptist church. Next on the program was a chorus, "Come Where the Lillies Bloom," by the high school, followed by the class exercises, which were highly entertaining. After the class exercises, diplomas were presented to the graduates, also to those who had finished the grammar grade work.

Those who finished the grammar grade work were: Sarah Walker, Lula Everett, Lula Beard, Viola McDonald, Lila Hayes, Jesse Coates, Alice Davis, Vance McNeill, Clyde Council and Phillip McNatt. Viola McDonald was presented a certificate for not missing a single day or being tardy during the school year. The diplomas were presented by Prof. Doub. Short talks by Rev. J. L. Jenkins and Prof. Doub were much enjoyed.

Friday night the boys and girls of the high school department entered into a reciters' and declaimers' contest. Besides the contest a number of splendid musical selections were rendered.

Saturday night a play, "The Deacon," was rendered by members of the high school. Large crowds attended all the exercises and were richly entertained on each occasion.

The commencement sermon was preached Sunday, May 6, by Rev. Joel S. Snyder, pastor of the First Baptist church of Fayetteville.

The patrons and pupils of the school pronounced the session just closed one of the very best in every respect that has ever been taught at Parkton. The faculty was: Prof. H. W. Doub, principal; Miss Anna L. Davis, assistant in high school department; Miss Stella Lee Rutherford, assistant in high school department and music; Miss Elise Ellison, sixth and seventh grades; Miss Mary E. Culbreth, fourth and fifth grades; Miss Margie Jackson, second and third grades; Miss Ella Doswell, pri-

mary department. The patrons and trustees of the school were so much pleased with the year's work that all the members of the faculty were re-elected. This was Prof. Doub's third year as principal of the school and the school has continued to advance under his management. It can be truthfully said that the Parkton graded school has reached the A-1 standard.

The progressive people of Parkton and vicinity take great interest in the matter of education and a few years ago voted bonds and erected a \$12,500 brick school building—one of the most up-to-date in the county.

Fast-Growing Town of Parkton

Not only do the people of Parkton take interest in education, but they take interest in their town, which is one of the fastest-growing young towns in the "Stat. of Robeson." Practically all the business houses are brick structures, and beautiful residences can be seen on every hand. A number of new homes are now under construction, and the Baptists of the town are erecting a new brick house of worship, which will cost around \$10,000. When completed the building will be a credit to the town. Other denominations have splendid houses of worship. The citizens of the town are among the most hospitable to be found. To be among them is a treat.

Parkton is situated on the main line of the A. C. L. and is also the terminal point of the Bennettsville branch of the Coast Line. The town has railway facilities that are unsurpassed and is destined to become one of the leading manufacturing centers of this section of North Carolina. The town is backed by good farms and good farmers. The farmers do not depend upon cotton alone, but grow truck extensively. There are hundreds of acres of Irish potatoes growing round about Parkton, and the prospect for a bumper crop is bright.

—HAPPY JACK.

Senate Would Stop Use of Grain in Manufacture of Liquor During War

Washington Dispatch, May 12.
The first legislative step toward conservation of the nation's food resources, and a long advance toward an absolutely dry United States, was taken tonight by the Senate in approving, 38 to 32, an amendment to the administration espionage bill forbidding during the war the use of cereals or grain in the manufacture of intoxicating liquor.

—Mr. James Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Russell of Lumberton, who has been making his home in Atlanta, Ga., for some time, has entered an officers' training camp in Georgia.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—Clarence, 8-year-old son of Mr. L. B. Blackburn, is very ill. The doctors have not decided what the trouble is.

—The condition of Mrs. Frank Gough, whose serious illness has been mentioned in recent issues of The Robesonian, continues about the same it was Thursday.

—Messrs. O. J. Williams and E. S. Miller have bought the stock of groceries in the Caldwell building, Elm and Second streets, from Mr. F. B. Howell and will conduct a grocery store. Mr. Williams will have charge of the business.

—Just before Congress passed the bill to the effect that those who married after war was declared would not be exempt from army service, folks were marrying like Christmas time. But it's not so any more. No licenses being sold now-a-days.

—Mrs. J. Q. Beckwith left last night for Elizabeth City to attend council of the Episcopal church. From Elizabeth City she will go to Newbern to attend the three hundredth anniversary of Christ's Episcopal church. She will return home the latter part of the week.

—A phone message received yesterday afternoon by Mr. E. H. Britt of Lumberton says that the condition of Rev. Paul T. Britt of Mt. Eliam, who Saturday underwent an operation for appendicitis at the James Walker Memorial hospital, Wilmington, was very favorable.

—Rev. S. J. Porter, pastor of the First Baptist church, San Antonio, Texas, boarded the train here last evening for New Orleans, La., where he will attend the Southern Baptist convention. Mr. Porter, who is one of the leading preachers of the South, spent a few days at his old home in Columbus county last week.

Members of the French mission were given an enthusiastic welcome to New York last week. Rene Viviani, head of the mission, declared in a speech there that France never would cease fighting until Alsace and Lorraine were restored to her, and that the Stars and Stripes never would attain their full significance until they floated from the trenches in France. Marshal Joffre, the hero of the Marne, who attracts more attention than any other member of the mission, placed a wreath upon the sarcophagus of General Grant.

Victor Carlstrom, one of the foremost aviators in America, and Carey B. Eges, an army aviation student, were killed at Newport News Wednesday when an airplane crumpled in mid-air and fell 3,500 feet. Both bodies were badly mangled and the machine was smashed.

TO EVERY HOUSEHOLD IN ROBESON!

The Campaign for Greater Food Production Is On Soldiers Will Be Fed Whether We Are or Not

Must Robeson County People be Dependents for Food on the Balance of the World to the Amount of \$3,000,000 Annually As They Have Been?

Now is The Time to Act. It is Not Too Late.

Attend the Meeting in your Community

LUMBERTON, MONDAY, MAY 14th, 4 P. M.

EAST LUMBERTON AUDITORIUM, MONDAY, MAY 14th, 8 P. M.

FIRST WEEK
Tuesday
School Month Hour
Fairmont, May 15th, 8 P. M.
Antioch, May 15th, 7:30 P. M.
Bakers Chapel, May 15th, 10 A. M.
Smiths, May 15th, 3 P. M.
Tabernacle, May 15th, 7:30 P. M.
Tolarsville, May 15th, 3 P. M.
Ten Mile, May 15th, 3 P. M.
Regans, May 15th, 10 A. M.
Raft Swamp, April 15th, 10 A. M.

FIRST WEEK
Wednesday
School Month Hour
McDonalds, May 16th, 10 A. M.
Back Swamp, May 16th, 3 P. M.
Oakdale, May 16th, 7:30 P. M.
Bethany, May 16th, 10 A. M.
Gaddys, May 16th, 10 A. M.
White Pond, May 16th, 3 P. M.
Roziars, May 16th, 3 P. M.
Rowland, May 16th, 8 P. M.

FIRST WEEK
Thursday
School Month Hour
Harmony Heights, May 17th, 10 A. M.
Wakulla, May 17th, 10 A. M.
Centenary, May 17th, 10 A. M.
Oak Grove, May 17th, 3 P. M.
Alma, May 17th, 3 P. M.
Floral College, May 17th, 3 P. M.
Maxton, May 17th, 8 P. M.

FIRST WEEK
Friday
School Month Hour
Mt. Eliam, May 18th, 3 P. M.
Philadelphus, May 18th, 10 A. M.
Pembroke, May 18th, 10 A. M.
Long Branch, May 18th, 3 P. M.
Broad Ridge, May 18th, 10 A. M.
Bloomingdale, May 18th, 10 A. M.
Red Springs, G. S., May 18th, 8 P. M.

FIRST WEEK
Saturday
School Month Hour
Bethesda, May 19th, 2 P. M.
Nye, May 19th, 10 A. M.
Parkton, May 19th, 3 P. M.
Oakton, May 19th, 2 P. M.
Saddle Tree, May 19th, 7:30 P. M.
Rennett, May 19th, 10 A. M.

MEETINGS IN OTHER COMMUNITIES WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN THURSDAY'S ROBESONIAN

Robeson County Food Conservation Commission,

L. E. BLANCHARD, Executive Secretary.