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THESE HAVE BOUGHT LIBERTY BONDS

Cotton Mills and V. & C. S. Railroad Decide to Buy Bonds—Total for Lumberton Brought to \$27,600—Get on This Honor Roll

At a meeting of the directors of the Lumberton, Dresden and Jennings cotton mills held this morning it was decided that each of these mills should buy Liberty bonds to the amount of \$5,000, and Mr. A. W. McLean, who is urging officers and employees of the Virginia & Carolina Southern railroad to buy Liberty bonds, decided this morning that the road should purchase \$3,000 worth.

Buy a Liberty bond and get on this honor roll.

Subscriptions reported to The Robesonian up to 2 p. m. today amount to \$27,600, as follows:	
Lumberton Cotton Mills	\$5,000.00
Dresden Cotton Mills	5,000.00
Jennings Cotton Mills	5,000.00
V. & Carolina Southern	
R. R. Co.	3,000.00
Q. T. Williams	200.00
D. R. Shaw	200.00
Junius J. Goodwin	100.00
Jno. T. Biggs	100.00
M. W. Floyd	100.00
C. B. Skipper	100.00
L. R. Stephens	100.00
J. M. McCallum	100.00
D. D. French	100.00
Previously reported	8,500.00
Total	\$27,600.00

BRAZIL MUST TAKE DEFENSE MEASURES

President Braz Says Sinking of Ships by U-Boats Makes it Necessary—Neutrality to be Abandoned—Rio de Janeiro Dispatch, May 26.

The committee on foreign relations in the Brazilian congress today drafted a measure recommending the declaration of the decree of April 25, 1917, which declared the neutrality of Brazil in the war between Germany and the United States. President Braz under the bill would be authorized to take necessary steps for the carrying out of this law and to put into practice the acts which result from the cessation of neutrality.

The Brazilian foreign minister today presented to congress a message signed by President Braz in which it is stated that the sinking of Brazilian merchantmen by German submarines obliges the government to take measures of defense against the U-boats. The utilization, but not confiscation, of German vessels, interned in Brazilian seaports, is suggested.

ANTI-TYPHOID CAMPAIGN

County Health Officer Has Begun Campaign Against Typhoid and Free Vaccination Will be Given

Dr. B. W. Page, county health officer, will fill the following appointments for the purpose of giving free anti-typhoid vaccination to all who will meet him: Wednesday, May 30—Parkton 11 a. m., Lumber Bridge 2 p. m., Rennett 4 p. m.

Dr. Page began last week his annual campaign to render all who will take the vaccination immune against typhoid fever and he will gradually work into it more in a week or so. He has an appointment this afternoon at Pembroke and tomorrow afternoon he will be at the home of Mr. J. W. Jenkins, near Center church, where a suspicious case of typhoid developed recently.

TWO TOBACCO WAREHOUSES

Arrangements Completed for Second Warehouse for Lumberton

Arrangements were completed Saturday for a second tobacco warehouse to be operated in Lumberton this season. While nothing has been given out as to the location of the new warehouse, or as to who will manage it, it is safe to say that Lumberton will have two warehouses ready for the opening of the season.

Dr. Russell S. Beam Has Received Army Commission

Dr. Russell S. Beam, local eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, received this morning from the War Department at Washington a certificate to the effect that he had been commissioned as first lieutenant in the medical section of the officers reserve corps of the U. S. army. Dr. Beam will accept the commission, which he applied for some time ago. He expects to be called at any moment. No doubt Dr. Beam is the first Robeson county man to be commissioned since war was declared.

Superior Court

Superior court for the trial of civil cases closed Friday morning and Judge Geo. W. Connor, who presided, left for his home at Wilson immediately after court adjourned. The only jury trial completed during the week was that of the Parkton Mercantile Co. et al. vs. Josephine Johnson. Judgment was rendered in favor of the plaintiffs.

49 Veterans Have Applied for Expenses to Reunion

Forty-nine Robeson county veterans have made application for the \$20 appropriation made by the county commissioners for all who wish to attend the annual reunion in Washington, D. C., in June. Others are expected to apply and it is expected more than 50 will go from this county to the reunion.

Sheriff Lewis is already receiving from Robeson citizens who are out of the county the information needed for registering them according to the army draft bill.

RED SPRINGS NEWS ITEMS

New Bungalow Going Up—Boy Scouts Camp and Earn Money—Social and Personal

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Red Springs, May 27—Mrs. W. H. McKinnon has returned to her home in Atlanta after a very pleasant visit to her sister-in-law Mrs. J. H. McKay.

Mrs. Julian Dew and her mother Mrs. Mararet Roddick have returned to Latta, S. C., after visiting at the home of Mr. A. B. Pearsall.

Miss Bessie Jones entertained Friday morning in honor of her guest, Miss Mary Johnson of Mooreville. Progressive rook was played and refreshments of tea and sandwiches were served. Those present were Misses Helen Dean of Jacksonville, Fla., Mammie Lovin, Genevieve McMillan, Glennie Graham, Gladys Toon, Eunice Parsall, Bessie Sikes, Annie Johnson, Wyatt McKinnon, Carrie McNeill, Sadie Covington and Annie Lou McMillan.

Mrs. Lou Fulmore is at home again after spending the winter with her daughter Mrs. James Edmundson in Wilson.

Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Hill have returned from a visit in Mississippi. They also attended the general assembly which met in Birmingham.

Mrs. Sevey Highsmith and infant daughter, Ethel Johnson, are visiting Mrs. Highsmith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Johnson.

Mrs. F. L. Pearsall of Wilmington is in town for a few days. Miss Florence Dixon of Raeford is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Frances de Vane.

The Boy Scouts with their leader Mr. S. E. Leonard, camped in Mr. Leonard's yard during commencement. Their cold drink stand attracted much attention, besides bringing in quite a nice little sum for the boys.

Quite a crowd will leave next week for Washington, D. C., to attend the Confederate veterans reunion which will meet there June 4-7th.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Leonard left Saturday for a visit to Selma, after which they will go to New York, where Mr. Leonard will take a course at Columbia university.

Miss Mary Sherwood of McDonald of Albermarle visited Mrs. J. C. McPhail the past week.

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Parker have returned from a very pleasant trip to Raleigh, Durham, and Louisburg. They made the trip in Mr. Parker's car.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Denny have recently moved here from Rooks. They are living in the house formerly occupied by Mr. Flowers. We gladly welcome Mr. and Mrs. Denny into our midst.

Mrs. J. T. Denny has gone to Winston-Salem to attend Salem commencement, her daughter Mary being one of the graduates.

Mr. Charles Hall, a member of the national guards, is at home on furlough.

Miss Elenene McLeod, who has been teaching at Wendell, is home for the summer.

Mrs. R. L. Pittman and little daughters, Margaret and Elizabeth Blue, of Fayetteville, visited Mrs. Margaret Sikes during commencement.

Miss Wyatt McKinnon is spending a week with Mrs. Eunice Pearsall before going to visit her sister, Mrs. Vaughn at her beautiful home, "Ardlussa," out from Hope Mills.

Miss Rosella McKinnon of Wake Forest is visiting little Miss Ella McPhail at her home on Main street.

Miss Genevieve McMillan is spending the summer at home after finishing a very successful year as teacher of Latin and French in the high school at Farmville.

Miss Cornelia McMillan is building a beautiful bungalow on the site of her former home, which was burned about a year ago.

CAMPAIGN CLOSES

During 2-Weeks' Food Conservation Campaign 66 Meetings Were Attending by 4,500 to 5,000 People

County Farm Demonstrator L. E. Blanchard closed his two weeks' food conservation campaign Saturday. During the two weeks 66 meetings were held and these meetings were attended by between 4,500 and 5,000 people. A meeting was held in practically every community in the county and no doubt the result will be seen when harvest time comes.

Those who aided Mr. Blanchard in the campaign were: Maj. W. H. Graham, State Commissioner of Agriculture; Mr. T. D. McLean, district demonstration agent; Mr. T. B. Parker of the State Department of Agriculture; Prof. C. C. Logan of the A. & E. college, Raleigh; Mr. A. J. McKinnon of Maxton; Mr. W. P. Barker, president of the Robeson division of the Farmers' Union; Prof. W. C. Riddick, president of the A. & E. college; Prof. Dan T. Gray of the A. & E. college; Mr. W. K. Scott of Mebane and Mrs. I. S. Eubanks of Durham, an expert in canning and preserving.

Of the number who attended the meetings around 2,000 were ladies and they seemed to have been just as much interested as the men.

The expenses of this campaign were paid out of an appropriation of \$500 made by the county commissioners to arouse the people of the county to the necessity of helping to meet the needs of the Allies by raising more foodstuffs.

Robeson's game and fish laws have been published in pamphlet form and any citizen desiring one can get same by writing to County Game Warden John D. McAllister, Lumberton, enclosing a 2 cent stamp to pay postage.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Eloquent and Patriotic Address by Lieut. Gov. Gardner—Diplomas Delivered to 14 Graduates—Splendid Records Mentioned—Medals Awarded

It has been a long time since a more eloquent address was heard in Lumberton than the one delivered at the closing of the Lumberton graded and high school Friday morning by Lieut. Gov. O. Max Gardner of Shelby. Mr. Gardner's address was of a patriotic nature, and after hearing it one feels more than ever like playing his or her part in defending American rights and Democracy.

The exercises Friday opened at 11:30 a. m. with prayer offered by Rev. Dr. W. B. North, pastor of Chestnut Street Methodist church. After this the audience sang the Star Spangled Banner.

Mr. Gardner was introduced by State Senator Frank Gough. Mr. Gardner was president of the State Senate, and Mr. Gough said that the splendid manner in which he presided over that body made each member of the Senate admire and love him. Mr. Gough added that one member of the Senate who only voted in favor of two bills during the session declared himself pleased with the manner in which Mr. Gardner presided. In presenting the speaker Mr. Gough referred to him as Lieutenant Governor and Governor-to-be, which brought ready applause.

Mr. Gardner said in beginning his address that he was happy to be in Robeson, the richest agricultural county in North Carolina. The speaker declared that he was proud to be a son of North Carolina. Getting down to his subject the speaker said in part:

No Better Material for Men and Women

"There is no better material in the world out of which to make men and women than the boys and girls of North Carolina. I note that the young women predominate in the commencement here as its case throughout the State. The time was when woman was considered a sort of slave, but times have changed so that the women not only equal men, but are superior in many respects. Great Agricultural Counties Must do Their Part

"In North Carolina 80 per cent of the people are dependent upon agriculture. It is true that the victory in this great war depends largely upon the agricultural interests—the destiny of victory for civilization and liberty. Then it is agricultural States like North Carolina that must play the greatest part in winning the victory.

"Labor is the father of peace and prosperity. National prosperity is only the result of personal labor. This being true, it is up to the great agricultural counties like Robeson to do their part. It is the country boy who climbs to the top of every business and profession—boys who labor with their hands.

"One of Germany's greatest assets is the fact that the people pay much attention to agriculture. Since 1871 the people of Germany have been taught that they should become a self-supporting people, and they have prepared to feed themselves.

Hope of the World

"If the world is ever regenerated it must be by life in the country and toil on the farms. This world war will cause more respect for labor. Man cannot be thoroughly educated unless he is taught to do something with his hands. One weak point in our educational system is the neglect to teach boys and girls how to do something with their hands.

"It is said that woman was created out of the most crooked part of man. This may be true, but still there has never been a time when a woman's influence was not felt. Young ladies of the graduating class are entering into life at the most significant time in the history of the world.

Fires of Patriotism Must be Rekindled

"The same red blood that flowed through the veins of our forefathers is flowing through the veins of Americans today. However, the fires of patriotism need to be rekindled. We need the patriotism that was displayed by the strong men who when the Titanic and Lusitania boats went down stood back and allowed women and children to be saved and themselves were crowned. There has never been a time when it meant so much to be an American as now. The American flag stands for liberty and is the idol of the world. If you cannot say something good about it, keep your mouth closed.

"Our government waited for a long time before entering this conflict. Time and time again Germany would tread upon our rights and then would make contracts with our government to the effect that they would respect them, but those contracts meant nothing at all. The time arrived when there was nothing to do except enter the war or surrender national honor. There is enough of the ocean for all the nations. God made it and gave it to us all, not to Germany alone.

After all, the suffering and troubles of this war may be for best. We remember that Christ had to suffer death for the freedom of mankind. The idea of this age is the uplift of humanity."

After the address a musical selection, "Valse," was rendered by Misses Carrie Shooter and Drina Hedgpeth.

Diplomas to 14 Graduates
Prof. R. H. Taylor, principal of the high school, delivered diplomas to the 14 members of the graduating class. Those who graduated from the high school were: Misses Viola Boone, Ethel Boone, Margaret Pope,

TORNADOES TAKE AWFUL TOLL

More Than 150 Persons Killed, Many Injured and Millions of Dollars' Worth of Property Destroyed by Tornadoes

Chicago Dispatch, May 27. More than 150 persons were killed, a thousand or more injured and millions of dollars worth of property destroyed by tornadoes which swept through Kansas on Friday, Illinois and Indiana on Saturday and parts of Tennessee, Arkansas, Kentucky and southern Illinois Sunday.

Reports indicate that a large amount of farm implements, needed to produce the bumper crop desired this year, was ruined, although the spastic wind struck only here and there in its frightful path through the rural regions. Crop damage is said to be not heavy in grains.

The heaviest toll of life was taken at Mattson, Ill., a city of 10,000 population in the broom corn country of central Illinois, where 54 are known to be dead and 500 injured with a property loss of \$2,000,000.

Charleston, Ill., ten miles east of Mattson, was also partly wrecked Saturday evening with a loss of 28 lives and 150 injured. The property loss there is a million dollars.

The next most serious loss was at Andale, Kansas, where 26 were killed and a score injured on Friday. Dublin, Ky., suffered three dead and 17 injured today.

South Dyersburg, Tenn., was reported to have lost two killed and 15 injured in a tornado that swept Dyer county today. Near Blytheville, Ark., nine persons were reported killed and a dozen hurt.

Reports from Indiana show at least seven persons killed at Hebron, Kouts and other places, and the death list may reach twenty. More than two hundred were injured in the Indiana territory swept by the storm.

Smaller towns in Illinois lost a dozen dead on Saturday, with two score injured, while in the southern point of Illinois wind storms today killed a half dozen and injured a score.

County Funds Turned Over to Depository

Sheriff R. E. Lewis, who has been acting as treasurer since the office of county treasurer was discontinued last December, turned over Saturday to the National Bank of Lumberton, depository of the county funds, the sum of \$19,635.68 the amount of cash on hand of the various county funds as follows: General county fund \$2,720.89; road fund account \$4,897.55; court house bond fund \$388.79; pension fund \$3,833.73; funding bonds \$2,007.29; district ledger schools \$8,003.60; salary fund \$5,773.16, less amount the general school fund was overdrawn \$7,939.52.

The National Bank of Lumberton will perform the duties heretofore performed by the county treasurer.

Parkton Man Among Missing in War Zone

G. H. Marsh of Parkton, N. C., is among the wounded and missing mentioned in today's Canadian casualty list.

Rachel McNamara, Mary Lee Caldwell, Marjorie Steele, Sarah Branch, Evelyn Sentelle, Helen Sentelle, Pearl Edwards; Messrs. Harrel Humphrey, Carl Greaves, Abner Nash, Eugene M'White.

Prof. Taylor mentioned the fact that Miss Helen Sentelle, who is a daughter of Supt. and Mrs. R. E. Sentelle, had not missed a day during the 4 years she had been in the high school department, and that Mr. Carl Greaves, son of Rev. and Mrs. Chas. L. Greaves, had not missed a day during the three years he had been in the high school department.

Medals Awarded
Miss Pearl Edwards was awarded a gold medal offered by Mr. L. R. Varsler for the best essay written on North Carolina history. Miss Margaret Biggs was presented a gold medal for being the best all-round student in the elementary grades.

This included department, attendance, etc. Miss Evelina Beckwith was awarded a like medal for proving to be the best all-round pupil in the high school department. These medals were offered by Chief of Police Alf H. McLeod, who offers like medals each school year.

Class Exercises

A crowd that filled the large auditorium to overflowing witnessed the class exercises Friday evening. The exercises began at 8:30 o'clock. The program was as follows:
Chorus by High School Girls
Class Poem . . . Helen Sentelle
Class History . . . Pearl Edwards
Trophy-bearer . . . Harrel Humphrey
Class Prophecy . . . Margaret Pope
Last Will and Testament Abner Nash
Valedictory . . . Viola Boone
All on the program acquitted themselves in a most creditable manner. The girl graduates were presented beautiful bouquets. As a whole the exercises were much enjoyed.

Mr. Bert Cagle, a member of the faculty, presented diplomas to those who finished the seventh grade and are ready to enter the high school, Friday morning. Those who finished the seventh grade were:

Misses Mary Biggs, Rosa Caldwell, Ada Blacker, Anna Lawrence, Annie Bullard, Vennie Martin, Bessie Clewley, Rosalie Tolar, Annie Grace Williams, Lula Williams, Clyde Riddle, Pauline Flowers, Janice K. Wishart, Lena Dunie, Ruth Edmund, Ethelyn M'White, Elizabeth Shelby; Messrs. Robert Allen, Brantley Phillips, Ennis Sentelle and Theodore Pope.

Supt. R. E. Sentelle read all the promotions made during the school, also the honor rolls for each month of the school year.

FAIRMONT NEWS LETTER

Social of Ladies Aid—Movements of the People

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Fairmont, May 26—Miss Elizabeth Frye of Red Springs is spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Floyd.

Miss Rose Jones, who was a student at Greensboro college for women returned home Wednesday night.

Miss Lois Miller of Meredith college, Raleigh, has returned home.

Messrs. Rowland Pittman and Sogie Floyd, who have been working for the past year in Akron, Ohio, returned home Saturday morning.

The Ladies Aid society of the Baptist church was delightfully entertained at the home of Miss Christine Floyd Thursday afternoon. Preceding the social was a business meeting presided over by the president, Mrs. W. T. Sledge. A very interesting paper was read on "The Life of Mrs. Matthew T. Yates," by Mrs. J. R. Miller.

Following the business session, delicious ice cream and cake were served by Misses Christine and Dinahbell Floyd.

Mr. H. G. Stubbs returned Saturday morning from New York, where he had been on business.

Mr. A. L. Jones spent a few days this week in Wilmington on business.

Miss Nettie Mae Bristow, who was a student at Carolina College, Maxton, returned Wednesday. She was accompanied home by Miss Louise Shavander of Pantego.

Mr. Dan Prevatt and Hesba Hedgpeth were Fairmont visitors Thursday.

Miss Donnie Grayard and the Misses Wilson of McDonald spent a while in Fairmont Thursday.

Mr. Gordon Grantham, who has been working at Red Springs, spent a few days this week with his mother, Mrs. W. B. Grantham. He left for Lumberton Saturday morning where he has accepted a position with White & Gough.

Miss Lorena Lewis returned Saturday morning from Whiteville, where she spent some time with her brother Mr. Dave Lewis.

Miss Indiana Rouse returned home from Whiteville, where she visited Misses Madge and Bess Lewis.

Mrs. Louis Weinstein of Chadbourn is spending a while with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dunie.

Misses Cattie and Blanch Bullock of Baltimore were Fairmont visitors Saturday.

Misses Amick and Catherine Jones, who had been visiting at Chadbourn have returned home.

Mr. P. B. Thompson, who attended the Weaverville college commencement where his son Halbert graduated, has returned home.

Miss Eva Thompson, who had been at the Thompson hospital, Lumberton, for treatment, has returned home.

Mrs. Cleary of Washington is spending a while with her sister Mrs. O. G. Calhoun.

BROAD RIDGE BREEZES

Farm Work—How Do You Make a Goose Eat Grass?—The Broad Ridge Branches

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Broad Ridge, May 26—The pretty sunshine has been favorable for the farmer this week. Everybody is about through chopping cotton; but heaving tobacco is the order of the day.

We are glad to report Mr. Charlie Lamb improving but sorry still to report Miss Maris Lawson on the sick list.

Somebody please give me a remedy to make a goose eat grass.

Whortleberries are getting ripe and the tin-buckets will soon be jingling.

Prayermeeting every Sunday afternoon. The public is invited.

There's no news to write in these parts, unless we write about the Broad Ridge branches—

The Broad Ridge branches are not so few, they visit every one of you; the branches gathered in a row, but they couldn't make an overflow. There's neither water, milk nor cream but Mr. Willoughby leads the main stream. They never make rivers nor they never make seas, but they always run wherever they please. You all can think at the very last what makes these branches run so fast.

GIRLS CAN HELP

Unit for High School Girls in National Special Aid—Meet Wednesday

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

In the National Special Aid there is a unit for the high school girls. It is cutting, sewing and folding very simple garments for the soldiers. Every girl can help in this work and all who will offer their services will please meet at the home of Miss Anna Neal Fuller, chairman of the girls' work, at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon. The dues per year will be 25 cents.

Prof. R. H. Taylor, principal of the high school, left yesterday for his home at Castalia. Other members of the faculty who have gone are: Mr. Bert Cagle left Saturday for his home near Rutherfordford; Misses Christine Gower and Elizabeth Bell left Saturday for Hendersonville, where they will spend some time; Miss Effie Newton left today for her home at Hope Mills; Miss Mary Seabolt will leave tomorrow for her home at Roper. Misses Elizabeth Dever and Elizabeth Breece will spend several days here visiting before going to their homes.

Rev. W. D. Combs, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle, is spending some time at Ashbury Park, N. J., visiting relatives.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bodenheimer, Thursday night, a 9-pound girl.

—Mr. Irvin Jenkins has been very sick since Saturday at his home on Caldwell street.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Jethro E. Brigman and Clara May Walters.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Fisher and Mrs. C. B. Sessoms and small daughter Joyce, left yesterday for Badin, where they will make their home.

—Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of public instruction, is able to be at his office today after being confined to his room for several days.

—Wednesday, May 30, is National Memorial day and Sunday hours will be observed at the local postoffice. The R. F. D. carriers will also take the day off.

—Miss Margaret Biggs, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Biggs, came home Thursday evening from Elon college, where she was a student during the session which closed last week.

—During the thunder storm since noon lightning struck a dead tree in the rear of the sunken garden at the home of Mr. R. D. Caldwell and the tree was burning as The Robesonian went to press.

—Sadie Ray, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lee, who live near Long Branch church, fell off the bed upon which she was sleeping Tuesday of last week and broke her right shoulder.

—Mr. H. F. Purvis of R. 1 from Orrum was the first to bring ripe juicy, red peaches to town for sale, so far as The Robesonian has learned. Mr. Purvis brought in a load Thursday of last week and sold them at \$2 the bushel.

—Miss Mary D. Conoley, a registered nurse, who holds a position in the Riverside hospital, New York, arrived last week and will spend a three-weeks' vacation here visiting friends. Miss Conoley formerly lived here and has many friends in Lumberton.

—Rev. R. A. Sentelle of Waynesville spent part of last week here visiting at the home of his son, Prof. R. E. Sentelle, Sixth street. Mr. Sentelle has been superintendent of the public schools in Haywood county for more than 30 years. He returned home Saturday.

—The fire whistle was blown considerably at the plant of the Kingsdale Lumber corporation about 9:30 Friday night on account of a blaze in the dust house. The fire was extinguished before any damage had been done. The fire is supposed to have originated from a spark from the smokestack.

—The firm alarm was sent in Friday morning at 10:30 on account of a fire at the home of Mr. J. C. Maxwell, Second and Cedar streets. The fire was burning on the roof near a stove flue when discovered. The fire company responded quickly and extinguished the fire before much damage had been done.

—Mrs. W. L. Grantham and little daughter, Wilma, returned yesterday from Reidsville, where they spent two months visiting at the home of Mrs. Grantham's mother, Mrs. Mary Shelton. Dr. Grantham and Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Shaw and daughter, little Miss Elizabeth, met Mrs. Grantham at Hamlet with an auto.

—The Civil Service examination for rural carrier at Maxton and subsequent vacancies in Robeson county which was held here Saturday was well attended. Eighteen competitors were examined. All the men examined seemed to possess a high degree of intelligence, which means that some valuable man will be added to the service.

—On a card dated Quincy, Fla., May 24, Mr. R. C. Birmingham writes: "We got here last night. Had a delightful trip. Averaged 26 miles to gallon of gas. Roads magnificent all the way." Mr. and Mrs. Birmingham and children left Lumberton a week ago yesterday morning traveling in their Maxwell auto. They expect to return home in about two weeks.

—The shrieking cries of birds in the back yard at the home of Mr. J. P. Townsend, Water street, Saturday morning attracted attention of the family. Upon investigation Mr. Townsend found that a number of owls were annoying the birds. He secured his gun and killed 6 of the owls before they could escape. The owls were young and it is thought they must have been raised somewhere near by.

—Lieut. Gov. O. Max Gardner was a guest while here Friday of Mr. T. A. McNeill, Jr., chairman of the county Democratic executive committee, an old college mate. In the afternoon Mr. McNeill and State Senator Gough showed Gov. Gardner some points of interest about town, including a farm of several hundred acres 3 miles west of town recently reclaimed from the swamp and being developed by Messrs. White & Gough of Lumberton. Gov. Gardner was carried away with the immensely rich lands thus being developed.

Cotton Dam