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POTATOES BRING FANCY PRICE

5 Car Loads Irish Tubers Shipped From Lumberton Last Week—Prices \$6.50 to \$8.50—\$300 From 3-4 of Acre

Five car loads of Irish potatoes were shipped from Lumberton last week. Good prices were realized for them. No. 1 potatoes sold for \$8.50 for 11-peck barrels, while No. 2 potatoes brought \$6.50 the barrel. The potatoes were shipped over the V. & C. S. road and 5 barrels of potatoes were also shipped over the same road from St. Pauls. Others will be shipped this week.

Judging from the prices potatoes are bringing now, it is safe to say that a fall crop of Irish potatoes would be a paying crop.

Those who raised potatoes are immensely pleased with the returns, and naturally so, for the price is about twice the price in ordinary times.

Mr. Justin McNeill got \$300 for potatoes raised on three-quarters of an acre at his place on the eastern edge of town. He got a check Saturday for \$235 for potatoes off of that small lot, delivered on car here, and he sold enough locally off of the same lot to bring the amount to \$300. Mr. McNeill figures that fertilizer, labor and all on this lot did not cost him more than \$50. He is selling lots of other vegetables at good prices every day.

Mr. W. K. Bethune received last week a check for over \$500 for the potatoes he raised on three acres in the northern part of town, and he has enough more to sell off the same land to bring the amount to close to \$600. He did not have a good stand, either, but he has a fine stand of cotton on the same land, planted between the potato rows. His expense connected with the potatoes did not exceed \$150, and the guano will help to make cotton.

Others have reaped a rich harvest from potatoes. The Robesonian will be glad to publish the results obtained by any of its readers.

VETERANS TO WASHINGTON

68 Robeson Veterans Have Applied for Expense Money—They Will Have a Guard of Honor in March to Station This Evening

Sixty-eight Robeson county Confederate veterans have applied for the \$20 the county commissioners agreed to give each one who went to the reunion in Washington this week. The greater part of this number will leave Lumberton on a special "tourists" sleeper over the Seaboard this evening at 6:19. The car will be attached to the regular Seaboard passenger train which passes Lumberton at that time.

The veterans will march to the station from the court house and will be escorted by the soldiers of Co. A. N. C. engineers, stationed here. The East Lumberton band will furnish music and a great time is expected. The local U. D. C. will also take part in the parade, which will take place at 5:30 p. m.

REGISTRATION DAY JUNE 5

Local Ladies Planning for Some Sort of Patriotic Demonstrations in Honor of the Day

As the Robesonian goes to press some ladies of Lumberton are planning to observe tomorrow, registration day, with some sort of patriotic demonstrations, perhaps including a parade, and arrangements may be made to pin a badge on all who register here. Plans were not complete enough to make any definite announcement at the time of going to press.

Mail Clerk Service Discontinued on R. & C.

Mail clerk service was discontinued on the Raleigh & Charleston branch of the Seaboard leading from Lumberton to Marion on May 31. The postoffices on that line will be served by closed pouch service in the future. There will be but little difference in the service, as a pouch will be made up for each office on the road. However, letters cannot be mailed on the trains. Mr. J. A. Bethune, who has served on that run for a number of years, will most likely be transferred to some other run. He has not yet been advised, however, as to what place he will be sent.

Annual Audit of Town's Book

Mr. H. A. McLaurin, of the Geo. B. Wilson Co., expert accountant of Charlotte, is making the annual audit of the books kept by Mr. Ira B. Townsend, town clerk and treasurer. He began the work Friday. The town has a contract with this company to make an annual audit of the town's books.

Lightning Struck House

During an electric storm Friday night lightning struck a house at the National cotton mill and slightly damaged it. Mr. J. H. Beck, who lived in the house, was asleep in the room where the house was struck and was not waked. He said he knew nothing about the time when the house was struck.

Fine Crop of Wheat

Mr. W. K. Culbreth of the Raft Swamp section was a Lumberton visitor Saturday. Mr. Culbreth says he has a fine crop of wheat. He also said that there was more than 1,000 acres of wheat in his section this year.

Local Boys Off for Service in France

Messrs. Frank Morrison, Furman Williams and T. O. Edens, who recently enlisted in the engineers reserve corps for service in France, have been called and will leave tonight for Atlanta, Ga.

FACTS ABOUT ARMY REGISTRATION

WHO MUST REGISTER: All male persons (citizens or aliens) born between the sixth day of June, 1886, and the fifth day of June, 1896, both dates inclusive, except:

Members of any duly organized force, military or naval, subject to be called, ordered, or drafted into military or naval service of the United States; including all officers and enlisted men of the regular army, regular army reserve, officers' reserve corps, enlisted men's reserve corps, National Guard and National Guard reserve recognized by Militia Bureau, the navy, the marine corps, coast guard, naval militia, naval reserve force, Marine corps reserve and National Naval Volunteers, recognized by the Navy Department.

WHEN: On Tuesday, June 5, 1917, between 7 a. m. and 9 p. m.

WHERE: In your home precinct.

HOW: Go in person June 5 to the registration place of your home precinct. If you expect to be absent from home June 5 go at once to the clerk of the county where you now happen to be, or if in a city of 30,000 or over, to the city clerk, and follow his instructions; if sick, send a competent friend. The clerk may deputize him to prepare your card.

PENALTY FOR NOT REGISTERING: Liability to a year's imprisonment; then enforced registration.

The above is published by request of the Provost General of the United States Army.

RED SPRINGS NEWS ITEMS

Flora Macdonald Alumnae Arrange for "College Week" Beginning June 11—Off for Veterans Reunion—Wind and Sand Storm—Personal and Other Items

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Red Springs, June 4—Miss Lucy Hudson has returned to her home in Culpepper, Va., after spending the winter with Mrs. W. F. Williams.

The alumnae of Flora Macdonald college held a meeting at hotel Red Springs Friday afternoon to discuss ways and means of raising money for the "Vardell Chair," the meeting being presided over by the new president, Mrs. T. C. Rogers. It was decided to have "college week," beginning June 11th, at which time to have three entertainments, the first June 11th, to be a mock wedding, the second, June 12th, moving pictures in the college auditorium, and the third, June 15th, "stunt night." The chairmen of the committees were Miss Genevieve McMillan, Miss Mary McEachern and Miss Wyatt MacKinnon. We hope the Flora Macdonald girls in other towns will come to these entertainments.

Mrs. James A. McNeill is visiting her sister in Florence, S. C.

Mr. Hudson Miller of Charlotte, is visiting his parents, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Miller. Mr. Miller holds a responsible position with the Southern cotton mills.

Miss Mary Johnston, dean of Flora Macdonald college, has gone to Lynchburg, Va.

Those leaving today for the veterans reunion at Washington, D. C., are Misses Gladys Toon, Berta Cox, Alice Hall, Messrs. T. H. Hall, H. S. Toon, Douglas McCormick, A. B. Pearsall, E. L. Hamilton, J. C. Snoddy, John A. McBryde, William Jones, J. E. Purcell, R. B. Turner, and Mr. and Mrs. D. P. McEachern.

Miss Vera Branch is visiting in Wilmington. A very inspiring service was held in the Methodist church Sunday night. The sermon was preached by Rev. A. S. Parker of St. Pauls, son of Rev. A. J. Parker, pastor of the church. A quartette composed of Messrs. Cook, McKay, Gibson and Rev. Mr. Parker sang "The Whole Wide World for Jesus."

Our town was visited by a severe wind and sand storm Sunday afternoon about 2 o'clock.

GUARD NOT ASLEEP ON TRACK

Investigation of Incident at McNeill's Bridge Reveals That Soldier Was Not Asleep on the Track

In Thursday's Robesonian Conductor Berry was quoted as authority for a news item to the effect that at McNeill's bridge, just above Lumberton, a soldier of Co. A, N. C. engineers, on guard at the bridge, narrowly escaped being run over and killed by the east-bound passenger that morning, that emergency brakes had to be applied and that the soldier, supposed to have been asleep on the track, did not have time to get his gun from between the rails and the train passed over it. Capt. Geo. W. Gillette writes The Robesonian as follows in regard to this news item:

"I made a personal investigation of this occurrence and am thoroughly convinced that this is an erroneous report. The evidence reveals the fact that while the guard was not prompt in removing from the proximity of the track, he was not asleep nor at no time was he closer than four feet of the track during the approach of the train.

"The guard was sitting at the end of the abutment of the bridge, at the top of a ladder used for descending from the bridge, and when the train approached the other end of the trestle he slipped to the ground underneath, leaving his rifle on the abutment as usual until the train passed over."

The item in Thursday's Robesonian was given as the incident was related by the train conductor, who seemed to have been given a fright by what he considered the narrow escape of the young soldier. It is a pleasure to publish the result of Capt. Gillette's investigation.

ROWLAND WILL ORGANIZE FOR RED CROSS WORK

Mrs. Webb Will Talk On Red Cross Registration Night—All in the Community Urged to Attend Meeting

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Rowland, June 2—For sometime the people of Rowland have been talking about organizing some patriotic work and their opportunity is now at hand. The ladies have secured Mrs. Webb of Rockingham to talk on the subject of Red Cross work Tuesday night, 8:30 o'clock, at the school auditorium. Mrs. Webb will give instructions as to what phase of work should be taken up here and just how it should be carried on to meet with success. She has recently returned from Washington, where she has been in touch with the work at head quarters, and we are fortunate to obtain the services of this attractive and able speaker.

We urge all in the community to come to this meeting. Let men, women and children show that they have the same patriotic spirit that our young men have shown in the last few months. We cannot let the soldier in the field bear all of the burden. So on registration night we want all the people to meet at the Rowland school with a view to organizing Red Cross work that we may aid the cause which is foremost in the minds of all Americans. Registration hours are from 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. so any from the country who wish, can register and hear Mrs. Webb on the same trip.

REVOLUTION IN CHINA

11 Provinces No Longer Recognize Authority of Peking Government—Situation is Serious and President is Powerless

Peking Dispatch, June 3.

Eleven provinces of China, including the Province Chi Li, in which Peking is situated, now no longer recognize the authority of the Peking government. The provinces of Kwang Tung, Kwang Si and Yun Nan are supporting President Li Yuan Hung. The provisional assembly of Kwang Tung in assuring its loyal support to the president and parliament, demands that the military governors be dismissed and punished. Dr. Sun Yat Sen, former Premier Tang Shao Yi, and other revolutionary leaders are proceeding hurriedly to Canton. It seems probable that should the military governors persist in their revolutionary course that the three loyal South China provinces named—Kwang Tung, Kwang Si and Yun Nan—will rise in support of the president. At present the situation is serious and the president virtually powerless.

According to official information today President Li Yuan Hung intends tomorrow to introduce a bill taking in a declaration of war against Germany if there is a quorum present in parliament. The presence of a quorum, however, seems doubtful.

Press Censorship Provision Lost in Congress

The administration's fight for a press censorship or newspapers was lost in Congress Thursday at least for the present, when the House refused by a vote of 184 to 144 to accept even the modified censorship section written into the Espionage bill in conference. The Senate already is on record as opposed to a censorship, and leaders in Congress do not expect any further legislative effort to enact one in the immediate future.

In the House debate opponents of censorship argued that a restriction such as the conferees proposed would violate the right of a free press. The voluntary censorship under which the country's newspapers now are working was pointed to as demonstrating the patriotism of editors and as proving that no legal restrictions are needed.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Terry arrived here Friday morning from Barnwell, S. C., where they were married Thursday. They are rooming at the home of Dr. J. A. Martin, Fifth street. Mr. Terry clerks at the McMillan pharmacy.

FAIRMONT NEWS LETTER

Pre-Nuptial Reception—Galloway-Tapscott Wedding Wednesday—Sidney Lanier Book Club—Protracted Meeting Began Yesterday—Burned Building Rebuilt—Personal

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Fairmont, June 2—Mr. Bruce Baker, who was a student at A. and E. college, Raleigh, has returned home. Miss Marie Nash, of Lumberton, who had been visiting Miss Lorena Lewis, returned home Friday.

Mr. Harold Brown, who was a student at St. John's college, Annapolis, Md., returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McLean and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Anderson spent Sunday at Elerby Springs.

Miss Mary Standfield left Thursday morning for Sellers, where she will visit Miss Elizabeth Sellers. The two buildings that were burned Christmas have been rebuilt and the Pitman Drug company is at home again to its friends.

Mr. Billy Kyle, who had been visiting friends at Warsaw, has returned home Mr. and Mrs. Ott Reeves have returned to Fairmont. Mr. Reeves is connected with the O. T. Reeves & Co. warehouse.

Miss Louise Shavender, who had been the guest of Miss Jettie Mae Bristol, returned to her home at Patego Tuesday.

Misses Dina Bell Floyd and Jessie Ashley left Saturday morning for Greenville, where they will attend the Eastern Carolina teachers' training school commencement.

Mrs. E. B. Hayes left Wednesday morning for Blackstone, Va., to attend the commencement at Blackstone female college, where her daughter Miss Lois graduates.

In honor of Miss Alice Nell Galloway, the charming daughter of Mrs. D. W. Galloway, whose marriage to Mr. Leroy Lawrence Tapscott takes place next Wednesday, Mesdames J. D. McLean, F. C. Jones, C. A. Floyd, W. F. Stephens and J. E. Anderson entertained at a miscellaneous show-er at the delightful home of the last-named, from 5 to 7 Friday afternoon.

Mrs. J. E. Anderson and Mrs. W. F. Stephens received the guests at the door, while Mrs. J. D. McLean led the way to the punch bowl, which was presided over by Mrs. C. A. Floyd. Within the spacious drawing room to which the guests were shown, the scheme of decorations were white and green, clusters of American beauty roses being used in profusion. At 5:30 the bride-elect, accompanied by her sisters Mrs. E. J. Chambers and Mrs. James Galloway, joined the guests. Misses Eva Thompson and Bennie Baker beautifully rendered "Mid-Summer Nights Dreams," using the wedding march as the bride-elect entered. "Sing Me to Sleep" was sung as a duet by Mrs. C. D. Baker and Miss Lillian Baker, accompanied at the piano by Miss Mary Belle Ricks. The climax, however, of the programme came when little Misses Dorothy Anderson, Edith Floyd and Mary Stephens entered bearing a lovely basket, loaded with beautiful gifts. Mrs. C. D. Baker sang sweetly "Alice My Dear," accompanied at the piano by Miss Lillian Baker. Before taking leave the guests were invited to see the beautiful gifts which had been spread; thus the bride-elect could better see the gifts made and fashioned by nimble fingers and loving hearts, and which have caused the day to be remembered by her as one of the days to be marked with a red letter.

Mesdames J. L. Watson, E. J. Pittman and H. H. Pittman entertained the Sidney Lanier Book club at the home of the last-named Tuesday afternoon from 4 to 6. Mrs. E. J. Pittman received the guests at the door and led the way to the parlor, which was artistically decorated in sweet peas, roses and nasturtiums. After business, Mrs. J. L. Watson led the guests to the porch, where fried chicken, deviled eggs, primient sandwiches, pickles, ham and lemon custards were served in picnic style. The Edison added much to the enjoyment of the evening.

Mr. Geo. Grantham, who was a student at Chapel Hill, has returned home and will spend the summer. Miss Geneva Morrison of McColl has arrived and will furnish music for the protracted meeting which will begin at the Presbyterian church Sunday. Miss Morrison is stopping with Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Blue.

THEY DUGGED A PIT FOR SELVES

Lied to Get Liquor and Now Want to Tell the Truth to Keep From Registering Under Draft Act

Liquor is liable to get a man into trouble, as everybody knows, and one never knows how much trouble it will get him into. It is said that a number of negro boys, and probably some white boys, who live about town who are under 21 years old have been ordering whiskey and in signing for it at the express office put down their ages at 21 in order to get it. Now that the time for registering has come and all who are between the ages of 21 and 31 must register, some of those boys are very much troubled over the fact that they signed up as 21 when they were not.

Will Join Aviation Corps

Sergt. Fairfax Gouveneur of Co. A, N. C. engineers, left Saturday for Wilmington, Del., where he will join the U. S. aviation corps.

Mr. W. D. Williams of R. 3 from Fairmont is a Lumberton visitor today. Mr. Williams is among the veterans who will leave this afternoon for Washington to attend the reu-

NEW TOBACCO WAREHOUSE

McIntyre Building on First Street Will be Converted Into Warehouse—It Has Been Leased by Experienced Tobacco Men of Greenville—Prospects Are That Lumberton Will Have Live Market This Year

As has been stated in The Robesonian, Lumberton will have two tobacco warehouses for the sale of leaf tobacco the coming season. The McIntyre building, First street, between Chestnut and Walnut streets, will be converted into a warehouse. The new house will be leased by the O. L. Joyner Co., of Greenville, this State, and Mr. C. D. Eakes of Greenville will have charge of the house. Mr. Eakes has had several years experience in the warehouse business at Greenville, which is considered one of the very best tobacco markets in the State. He will arrive soon and will visit the tobacco growers of this section before the season opens.

The Farmers warehouse, which has been open to the public the three last seasons, will be under the same management as last year. Messrs. E. O. (Billy) Bransford and T. J. Noblin have leased the house and will conduct it during the coming season.

Indications now are that a good crop of tobacco will be grown in Robeson this year and there is no doubt but Lumberton will have a live market.

THE DEATH RECORD

Infant Son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy King of St. Pauls

William, 5-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy King of St. Pauls, died Saturday at the Charlotte sanatorium, where he was taken Wednesday for treatment for stomach trouble. The remains were shipped to St. Pauls over the Seaboard and V. & C. S. yesterday morning and interment was made yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Regan church. Mr. and Mrs. King and Mrs. King's mother, Mrs. J. M. Butler of Charlotte, accompanied the child to Charlotte and returned yesterday with the corpse.

Small Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wilkins of Raft Swamp

Iona Wilkins, 13-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Wilkins of the Raft Swamp section, died Friday. The child had been sick for some time with colitis.

Small Son of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Sessoms of Dublin

Jno. E., 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sessoms of Dublin, died at the Thompson hospital Saturday morning. The child recently underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Thought Union Jack Was German Flag

Mr. Hal V. Brown, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Brown of Fairmont, returned home Friday from St. John's college, Annapolis, Md., where he has been taking a preparatory course in medicine, and was a Lumberton visitor Saturday. The college closed nearly a month early on account of so many of the students being in the regular army service. Mr. Brown will continue his studies at the university of Maryland at Baltimore next fall. He stopped in Baltimore on his way home and being impressed with the way autos in that city are decorated not only with United States flags but also with the flags of France and England, purchased flags of those countries and put them, with Old Glory, on his father's auto. One man who saw the flags asked him if he was a German sympathizer, mistaking the English for the German flag.

Persons Entitled to Vote Should Register With Chairman of County Board of Elections

All male persons in the county who have become 21 years old since the last election, or will become 21 before the next election, or who have moved into the county and expect to make this county their home, may register in Lumberton at any time with Mr. W. S. Britt, chairman of the Robeson county board of elections. Those who are registered may vote by mail at the next election. Of course those who are registered do not have to register again. And this is not to be confused with the registration under the military draft act tomorrow.

B. and C. Taxes Must Be Paid by July 1

Sheriff R. E. Lewis has asked The Robesonian to say that all B. and C. taxes for the year beginning June 1, 1917, must be paid before the first of July this year. The law says all that are not paid by that time shall have 20 per cent added to them. After the 20 per cent has been added it is not within the power of the sheriff to deduct it. B. and C. taxes include all kinds of business which it requires a State privilege license to conduct.

Another Lawyer Locates at St. Pauls

Mr. Jno. D. Canady, who was graduated at Wake Forest a year ago and completed the law course there this year, has located in St. Pauls for the practice of his profession. He was admitted to practice in Fayetteville some time ago. Mr. Canady was a Lumberton visitor Thursday. His people live on R. 2 from Hope Mills.

Monument Unveiling Next Sunday

The Long Branch W. O. W. camp will unveil a monument to the late Asper Walters next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 at the Stephen Lawson cemetery, near Orrum.

—The condition of Mr. Irvin Jenkins, who has been seriously ill at his home, Caldwell street, is slightly improved today.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCAL NEWS

—The banks will be closed tomorrow—Registration Day.

—Maccabees meet Tuesday night. Election of officers and important business.

—The board of county commissioners, the board of education and the county road board are all holding regular monthly meetings here today.

—Mr. A. W. McLean left this morning for Chapel Hill to attend a meeting of the board of directors of the State University, of which board he is a member.

—Mr. I. P. Graham, cashier of the Bank of Proctorville, is among the business visitors in town today. Mr. Graham reports a much-needed rain in his section yesterday.

—Mr. Casper Smith of Monroe spent yesterday here with his father, Mr. J. B. Smith, who has been ill for some time. Mr. Smith's condition is slightly improved.

—Miss Reva Hamilton will finish her season tomorrow as head trimmer at Miss Josephine Breece's millinery store and expects to leave in a few days for her home at Orange, Va.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Grover Williamson and Dora Blue McCormick; Rester Ivey and Mary Herring; Joseph Edge and Lela Rozier; Richard A. Hardin and Minnie Lewis.

—Mr. C. C. Blake has been appointed assistant postmaster here, succeeding Mr. R. O. Edmund. Mr. Blake had been a clerk in the local office for several years and is familiar with the work.

—A meeting of the local chapter U. D. C. will be held in the directors' room in the National Bank of Lumberton Thursday afternoon of this week at 4:30 o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

—Leslie, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wright J. Prevatt, had her left arm broken between the elbow and wrist Saturday night as a result of being pushed out of the door by another small child.

—During a wind storm yesterday afternoon a tree was blown down on a fine milk cow belonging to Mr. L. E. Tyner, who lives near Lowe, and the cow was injured so badly that she had to be killed.

—The home of the Lumberton Motor Car Co., Sixth street, has been remodeled recently. The office has been enlarged and some of the partitions in the building have been changed so as to give more room.

—Mr. L. McK. Parker returned this morning from McDonald, where he went to visit his sister, Mrs. F. M. Davis, who has been ill for some time. Mrs. Davis' condition was slightly improved this morning.

—Messrs. R. D. Caldwell & Son are having the old wooden warehouse on Chestnut street next to the V. & C. S. railroad, torn down. The building is old and it is being removed as a matter of fire protection, it being too close the railroad track.

—Beginning this morning, the Lumberton and National barber shops increased the price of a shave from 10 to 15 cents. The h. c. l. is responsible for the raise. It is understood the barber shops in most towns where shaves have been 10 cents have made the same raise.

—Mr. R. C. Birmingham and family returned Saturday night from Quincy, Fla., where they spent two weeks visiting relatives. They made the trip in Mrs. Birmingham's Maxwell. The distance from Lumberton to Quincy is 768 miles and Mr. Birmingham made the trip going and coming in 4 days each.

—Mr. F. L. Blue of Fairmont met Miss Geneva Morrison of McColl, S. C., here Saturday and carried her to Fairmont. Miss Morrison will play the music for the series of meetings which Rev. Wm. Black of Charlotte is conducting at the Presbyterian church at Fairmont this week. The meeting started yesterday.

—Messrs. E. S. Miller and O. J. Williams are preparing to put in an up-to-date vulcanizing plant in the Caldwell building, Elm and Second street. The machinery has already been ordered. Mr. Miller will leave Wednesday for Chippewa Falls, N. Y., where he will study the vulcanizing business in the factory of the Fiska Rubber Co.

—Chief of Police Alf. H. McLeod has returned from Fayetteville, where he spent a few days under treatment for his eyes. It was found that a blood vessel of one of his eyes is broken and he will have to be very careful for some time. Mr. Joe S. Thompson has been substituting for Chief McLeod for the past two weeks.

—Mr. Leon P. Andrews, who has been with the Woolvin undertaking establishment for the past several years, has enlisted in company A, North Carolina engineers, and will report to Capt. G. W. Gillette at Lumberton this morning.—Wilming Star, 1st. Mr. Andrews is a son of the late Nathan Andrews of Fairmont, and his mother lives at Fairmont.

—Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Griffith of Greensboro arrived here last night and are guests at the home of Mrs. Griffith's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McLean, Chestnut street. They made the trip in an auto. They experienced a dangerous auto accident about 3 miles from town on the Fayetteville road last night, about 8 o'clock while coming, when the auto skidded into a ditch. They were detained about 4 hours.