

RED CROSS CHAPTER

Organization Meeting Will be Held at Court House Friday Evening of This Week

J. W. BAILEY WILL SPEAK

A meeting for the organization of a Red Cross chapter for Lumberton and vicinity will be held at the court house Friday evening of this week at 8 o'clock. Mr. J. W. Bailey of Raleigh will be the speaker of the occasion. The date for the meeting was decided on this morning after Mr. A. W. McLean had a talk over long-distance phone with Mr. Bailey at Raleigh and secured his promise to be present. The following was set in type before the date for the meeting had been determined.

In addition to the names of persons heretofore reported as having become members of the American Red Cross chapter to be established in Lumberton numbering 108, and not 106, as reported, the following persons have subscribed:

Mrs. L. T. Townsend, Mrs. A. W. McLean, Mrs. H. M. McAllister, Mrs. C. B. Skipper, Mrs. D. D. French, Mrs. A. E. White, Mrs. John Knox, Mrs. Sue A. McLeod, Mrs. C. V. Brown, Mrs. R. H. Crichton, Mrs. Jas. D. Proctor, Mrs. E. R. McIntyre, Mrs. W. L. Dougherty, Mrs. N. A. McLean, Mrs. Irvin Jenkins, Mrs. J. Q. Beckwith, Mrs. E. K. Proctor, Mrs. L. R. Varner, Mrs. G. G. French, Mrs. H. T. Pope, Mrs. W. T. Hutchinson, Mrs. J. A. Branch, Mrs. S. McIntyre, Mrs. Lucy McKenzie, Miss Elizabeth Snead, Miss Agnes McLean, Miss Eulalia McGill, Mrs. A. T. McLean, Mrs. H. E. Stacy, Mrs. J. H. Felts, Mrs. Lillie Langdon, Mrs. Madge Robeson, Mrs. T. A. McNeill, Mrs. W. F. Williams, Miss Annie Neil Fuller, Miss Epsie Fuller, Miss Evie Whaley, Mrs. L. E. Whaley, Mrs. K. M. Barnes, Mrs. L. H. Caldwell, Mrs. W. A. McPhaul, Mrs. L. C. Townsend, Mrs. A. V. G. Wishart, Mrs. Joseph Blacker, Mrs. M. Blacker, Mrs. J. H. Morrison, Mrs. E. I. Pool, Mrs. C. P. Williams, Mrs. F. A. McLeod, Mrs. H. A. Grantham, Howard Morrison, Mrs. John D. McAllister, J. A. McAllister, Miss Cornelia Steele, Mrs. B. M. Davis, Miss Iola Ivey, Mrs. J. P. Townsend, Mrs. Mollie Norment, Mrs. J. H. Floyd, Mrs. A. H. Prevatt, Miss Lucy Allen, O. C. Norment, Mrs. John P. McNeill, Mrs. J. H. Wishart, Miss Flora Neill McMillan, Mrs. Robert E. Lee, Mrs. Millie Lee, M. M. Rozier, K. M. Biggs, L. E. Whaley, Gen. F. A. Bond, Mrs. F. A. Bond, Miss Lillian Proctor, Mrs. R. D. Caldwell, Mrs. F. F. Caldwell, Mrs. E. L. Holloway, Miss Annie Ruth Caldwell, Mrs. R. C. Lawrence, Mrs. C. I. Greaves, Mrs. J. R. Poole, Mrs. T. C. Johnson, M. W. Floyd, Geo. L. Thompson, Grover T. Page, Miss Marie Thompson, Miss Carrie Mae Hedgpath, Mrs. Junius J. Goodwin, J. S. McNeill, Mrs. J. S. McNeill, Mrs. D. P. Shaw, Miss Winifred Rowland, Miss Mary G. McNeill, Miss Cammie McNeill, Miss May Tyson, W. J. DuBois, John Fuller, Miss F. Gladys Barnes, T. C. Barnes, F. M. Huggins, Frank Wishart, A. H. Hinds, Miss Margaret Utley, Miss Lillie Townsend, Miss Hattie Miller, Miss Libby Baxley, Miss Blanch Melvin, A. P. McAllister, Capt. B. M. Davis, Miss Agnes Wetmore, Miss Ruth Jones, Mrs. T. L. Johnson, Miss Rosa Wishart, Mrs. Annie L. Williamson, Arthur Whiteley, Sandy McLeod, Mrs. Claire S. Thomas, C. B. Hocutt, M. Beverly, R. C. Birmingham, Jas. Johns, George Nick, Mrs. J. M. Jones, Miss Elizabeth Wishart, Miss Dorcas Williams, Thomas F. Parker, B. F. Holloway, Earl Tuton, H. O. Edens, John W. Long, B. F. Stephens, J. A. Green, Oliver Britt, I. S. McManus, Walter Dawkins, A. H. Hamilton, D. J. Jolly, Mike Herring, R. C. Lamb, Alex. Arnett, G. T. Height, Miss Eunice Stankwitz, Mrs. Ida Edwards, Troy Ivey, Willie Blackwell, Miss Addie Pittman, Miss Lettie Arnett, F. G. Wiggins, Geo. Osborne, W. L. Stallings, A. H. Pittman, J. L. Stephens, Thos. Wilson, Sam Gore, E. McGee, Williams, L. J. Perry, W. J. Baker, J. N. Herring, Miss Lucy Kinlaw, Mrs. J. N. Herring, Henry Smith, Miss Letta Smith, Miss Lee Pope, Miss Bertie Moore, Miss Rosa Collins, Miss Gertrude Morris, Miss May Prevatt, Miss Mary Moore, Miss Lucy Johnson, D. C. Bullard, Mrs. J. A. Sharpe—making a total thus far of 278—over one-fourth of the desired 1,000 members.

Mr. A. W. McLean, who is heading the organization of the Lumberton chapter, is much gratified at the success thus far achieved. Enough members have been secured to organize the chapter, and Mr. McLean states that he has sent proper papers to the Red Cross headquarters at Atlanta, Ga., that formal action there might be had and which is required before the organization meeting can take place. This meeting is expected to take place the latter part of this week, due notice of which will be given. In the meantime, it is desired that the committee on organization proceed in its efforts to secure additional members.

It will be of interest to note in the foregoing list that about 35 of the subscribers hail from East Lumberton. Since the organization of the chapter is assured, Mr. McLean requests that all subscribers make remittance immediately to the persons who solic-

IN GRIP OF COLD SPELL

Coldest Spell Locally Since February 1899—Mercury Registered 4 Above Zero Yesterday and 5 Above This Morning—Two Stoves Exploded Yesterday With Disastrous Results.

This section is now in the grip of the coldest weather since February 1899—19 years ago. It snowed the greater part of the day Saturday, and Sunday morning mercury registered 4 above zero at the local government weather station. This morning it registered 5 above zero. It is snowing again today. The cold wave is a record-breaker throughout the South. The weather bureau promises slowly rising temperature by Tuesday.

According to the records of Mr. B. M. Davis, local weather man, the weather in February 1899 registered 1 above zero, which was perhaps the coldest weather ever known here. At that time Lumber River was frozen over. While the river is not frozen over now, large sheets of ice are following each other closely down the stream and the water about the edges is frozen.

Many people here are having trouble with their water pipes, many of which have already burst, and radiators.

Two stove explosions occurred yesterday morning with disastrous results. A range at the home of Mr. A. V. G. Wishart, Fifth and Cedar streets exploded about 10 o'clock. The range was broken into small pieces and the kitchen furniture wrecked in general. A piece of the range hole was torn in the ceiling and a large hole was made in the floor. Mrs. Wishart had just cleared the room when the explosion occurred and had been standing near the range before leaving the room.

Another terrific explosion occurred at the home of Mr. O. C. Deese, Elm street, about 7:15 a. m., when a range was completely demolished and the building damaged about \$100. Mr. Deese was putting a piece of wood in the range when the explosion occurred and the door of the fire box struck him on the breast. While he had a close call, he escaped without serious injury. Mr. Deese thought the water was cut off when he started a fire in the range.

The cold weather seems to be general east of the Mississippi and snow is reported as far south as Miami, Fla.

Delegates of Russia and Central Powers Reach Agreement.

Provisional agreement on a series of important points, including liberation of war prisoners and resumption of commercial relations, was reported Dec. 28 by the delegates of Russia and the Central powers, in discussion of issues which in the event of a general peace would have to be settled among the nations represented in the negotiations at Brest-Litovsk. This provisional discussion was terminated Dec. 28, the basis of an agreement adopted being reached under the reservation that it was to be examined by the governments represented by the delegates.

Little has been reported from the major theatres of the war during the past few days.

East Lumberton School Opens January 7.

On account of the weather the opening of the East Lumberton school, Miss Cornelia Steele, teacher, which was to have been this morning, has been postponed until Monday of next week, January 7.

Christmas Day Like Sunday—Drams Mighty Seldom.

Christmas in Lumberton was almost like Sunday. No fireworks were sold here and the usual noise was not heard. But few people were able to get a dram for the occasion and only two arrests were made.

Tobacco Growers Preparing to Plant Beds.

Many tobacco growers are preparing their plant beds and will soon sow the seed for the 1918 crop. Here's hoping they have good luck with the plants.

Colored Couple Married.

James Blue and Jessie Belle Huntley, colored, who live near Parkton, were married Christmas morning at 10 o'clock in the office of Mr. M. W. Floyd, register of deeds, Justice M. G. McKenzie officiating.

Miss Lulu M. Cassidey, county home demonstration agent, returned Friday night from Clinton, this State, where she spent Christmas visiting friends.

Mrs. J. I. Sutphen of Columbia, S. C., is a guest at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McLean. Mr. Sutphen came with her Christmas eve and returned home Wednesday.

Thomas Cates, 13 years old, while playing with a toy pistol a tBurlington the other day, shot a match through the palm of his hand. He put the match in the pistol to shoot it and when it failed to go off he put a blank cartridge in.

ited their membership in the chapter. It is essential that dues be paid at once as a person does not in fact become a member until such dues are paid.

A FATAL JOY RIDE

2 People Killed and 5 Injured at Richardson—Auto Driven at Terrific Speed Under Cotton Platform—Mr. and Mrs. Colonel Hester Killed and 7 Children Made Orphans Christmas Day.

As the result of an automobile accident Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. Colonel Hester of Bladen county are dead and five others—Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Storm, parents of Mrs. Hester; Mr. Grad Storm, a brother of the dead woman, and Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Pate—all of Bladen county, were more or less injured.

The fatal accident occurred at Richardson, a station on the Seaboard just across the Robeson line, about 2 p. m. Christmas day when Mr. Hester drove the car at rapid speed underneath a cotton platform, the heads of the occupants striking the sill. The automobile, a Chevrolet, was owned and driven by Mr. Hester, and according to Mr. Storm, one of the occupants of the car, it was running at the rate of 60 miles the hour when it struck the platform. There is a quick curve in the road near the platform and by failing to slow down Mr. Hester was unable to make the turn and the car ran underneath the platform, knocking it some 12 feet out of place and dropping it down on the occupants of the auto. It was some time before the passengers could be removed from underneath the wreckage.

Immediately after the accident Dr. J. F. Norman of Bladenboro and Drs. N. A. Thompson and John Knox of Lumberton were summoned to the scene and rendered medical aid. Mr. and Mrs. Hester, Mr. and Mrs. Storm and Mr. Grad Storm were brought to the Thompson hospital here Tuesday night, coming on the 6:19 Seaboard train. Mr. Hester died about 3 o'clock Wednesday morning and Mrs. Hester died about the same hour Thursday morning. Neither of them regained consciousness after they were hurt. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hester were buried at the same time in the family burying ground between Richardson and Dublin Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hester are survived by seven children. Mr. Hester was 37 years old and a prosperous farmer and sawmill man, while Mrs. Hester was 22 years old.

Mr. Hester had his left shoulder broken, his skull fractured, his face badly lacerated, his tongue cut and suffered internal injuries about the breast. Mrs. Hester had her right arm fractured in several places, both jaw bones broken, concussion of the brain, besides internal injuries. Mrs. Chas. Storm was perhaps the worst hurt of any besides those who died, and it is thought she will recover. She was badly cut about the face and the cheek bones were depressed. Mr. Chas. Storm suffered a bad gash on his forehead and minor injuries. Mr. Grad Storm was cut about the face and his left leg badly hurt. Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Pate suffered minor injuries, but were not brought to the hospital.

There were nine people in the car at the time of the collision and all except two small babies, one belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Hester and the other to Mr. and Mrs. Pate, were hurt.

Those who saw the wreck say all the occupants who were not killed had a miraculous escape. The automobile was completely demolished.

When asked about the affair by a Robesonian reporter, Mr. Storm, who was able to leave the hospital Thursday, said that Mr. Hester was driving the car at full speed and was making 60 miles per hour. He saw that the car was going to strike the platform, but did not have time to jump or speak before the thing happened. Mr. Storm said that while he had but little use for an automobile and usually called on a driver to slow down if he ran fast while he was riding, that on this occasion neither he nor any of the others in the car made any complaint about the way Mr. Hester was speeding. Mr. Hester had only owned the car a few weeks.

It was a most horrible thing. One of the most sad things about it is that seven children were made orphans by the recklessness of a father, who, it is said, was under the influence of wine.

2 Persons Injured When Ford Turned Turtle.

Messrs. Alfred Britt and Waiton Ivey each had his collar bone broken about noon Christmas day when a Ford car belonging to Mr. Britt and in which they were riding turned turtle. The accident happened when a wheel came off the car, near Saddle Church. They were in a tBurlington tree church. They were brought to the Thompson hospital, where their wounds were dressed. Mr. Britt also suffered some internal injury and has been right sick since he was hurt.

Health Work Going Good in Robeson.

Raleigh News and Observer. Dr. A. J. Ellington, of the State Board of Health, back from Robeson county to spend the holidays, states that the work of medical examination in that county which is being conducted under the auspices of the county health department and the State Board of Health is going good. More than three hundred applications for examination have already been received and seventy-five or more examinations have been held.

Dr. Ellington is expected to resume his work here tomorrow.

THESE CANNOT BE LOCATED

Information is Wanted as to the Whereabouts of the Registrants Named Below.

Following is a list of registrants who cannot be located by the exemption board of Robeson district 1: Colon Porter Osborne, Luther M. Wilkins, William Addison, Mark Carter, Millard Dawkins, David Thomas—all of Lumberton; James Smith, Worth Pittman, June Gardner, Bill Stoney, Henry Parker—all of Fairmont; Thomas Henry Shumate, Greenville, S. C.; Rufus Jacobs, Hillsboro; George Key, Orrum; Richard M. Thompson, Rowland; Neill A. McLaughlin, Rennett.

Any one having information in regard to the whereabouts of any of the parties named above will do a very great service by writing or telephoning Mr. T. L. Johnson, chairman, Lumberton.

PEACE TERMS NOT SUFFICIENT

Terms on Which Teutonic Allies Seek General Peace do Not Satisfy Great Britain and France.

Great Britain and France, respectively, through their prime minister of foreign affairs, have made known to the world that the terms under which the Teutonic Allies seek a general peace are not sufficient. And backing their prime minister, the British proletariat, represented by a national labor conference, has reaffirmed without equivocation, that it is the determination of labor to continue the war in order hereafter to make the world safe for democracy.

Fortified by the known attitude of President Wilson as to the requirements of the United States if the war is to end and a peace concluded, the utterances of Premier Lloyd-George and Foreign Minister Pichon and the almost unanimous sentiment of the British workers seemingly make certain that the Teutonic Allies' proffer, given in reply to the Russian Bolshevik proposals, will go for naught unless it is materially added to and brought into line with the demands that the United States and the Entente Allies have laid down as the concrete basis for the discussion of peace. Nevertheless, the Bolshevik element in Russia apparently has not lost heart that something may come from the Czernin proposal, for the Brest-Litovsk peace conference at which it was made has taken a recess until January 4 and meanwhile Trotsky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, purposes to send a note to the Entente allied embassies in an endeavor to have them participate in further peace parleys and also in drafting a note to the peoples of the world.

List of Men Who Have Enlisted Recently From Robeson.

Mr. T. L. Johnson, chairman of exemption board for Robeson district 1, has received report of the enlistment recently of the following men from Robeson:

In the aviation branch at Fort Thomas, Ky.—Leroy Bullard, Archie F. Britt, Clarence A. Moore, Alfred P. Page, Gough M. Davis, Edward J. Glover, Joseph A. Nye, Archie T. Stone; in navy at Norfolk, Va.—Ben Erskin Thompson; in navy at Raleigh—Zamie G. Hayes, George Branch Nye, James Pittman, Archie Pittman, James Stachhouse, Wilmer Clyde Spivey, John Furman Price, Tilman G. Britt, William Henry Stewart, Hugh Archibald Stewart, Daniel G. Sinclair; in quartermaster's corps at Fort Slocum, N. Y.—Ernest A. McKay; in navy at Wilmington—Ernest Livingston Vinson, Elmer Jesse Pittman, Runy Lee Thompson, Silas Ralph McDaniel; in navy at Richmond, Va.—David McBryde Austin.

These enlisted before December 15 and report has just been made to the local recruiting board.

Leave Liberty Bonds With the Purchasers.

Secretary McAdoo appeals to merchants to discontinue the practice of offering to take Liberty bonds in exchange for purchases of customers. He does not doubt that the offer is prompted by patriotic motives but points out that its acceptance defeats the primary object of the sale of the bonds, it discourages thrift and increases expenditures, thus depriving the government of labor and material needed for war purposes. In addition to this, such bonds, when taken in exchange for merchandise, must in most cases be immediately sold in the open market. This naturally tends to depress the market price of the issue and makes it less easy to sell future issues at the same rate.

Christmas Dinner for County Home Inmates.

People of Lumberton contributed the usual Christmas dinner for the inmates at the county home. Miss Lizzie Caldwell, who always remembers these unfortunates at Christmas by getting the dinner together, prepared the dinner, and Rev. W. D. Combs, pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle, carried the dinner to the home Christmas morning. Miss Caldwell wishes to thank those who contributed something towards the dinner.

Mr. Oscar Britt of Badin spent last night here. He was en route to Boardman.

MR. FRANK JONES PASSES

Succumbed to Fearful Injuries Received 5 Weeks Ago at Plant of Robeson Mfg. Co.

Mr. Frank Jones died Christmas eve as the result of injuries received when his clothing was caught on a shaft at the plant of the Robeson Manufacturing Co. five weeks ago. Deceased was 54 years old and is survived by his wife and one daughter. The funeral was conducted from the First Baptist church by Rev. Dr. Chas. L. Greaves, pastor of the church, Wednesday at 11 a. m. Interment was made in Meadowbrook cemetery.

Mr. Jones was night superintendent at the mill and was found lying on the floor some tow hours after he was hurt and brought to the Thompson hospital, where all possible was done to save his life. Many of his bones were broken and but little hope was at first entertained for his recovery. However, he was thought to be slowly improving up until a few days before his death. His right arm was amputated last Monday in the hope of saving his life.

Mr. Archie Wilson Died Suddenly This Morning.

Mr. Archie Wilson, aged about 53 years, died suddenly at the Lumberton cotton mill this morning at 6 o'clock. Deceased had started to his work in the mill and died before he reached his post. It is thought death was due to heart trouble.

Death of an Infant.

A 3-year-old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Davis, who live near Barnesville, died Saturday of diphtheria.

Mrs. Charlie Allen, Howellsville Township.

Mrs. Charlie Allen, aged around 35 years, died at her home in Howellsville township Christmas night. Deceased had been sick for several months.

ADDRESS BY GOV. BICKETT

He Will Deliver Address at Annual Meeting of Camp Pope in Lumberton on Anniversary of Birth of Lee—Occasion Will be Made a Grand Patriotic Rally.

To Confederate Veterans and Other Citizens of Robeson County: It gives me great pleasure to announce that His Excellency Governor T. W. Bickett has consented to deliver the address at the annual meeting of Camp Willis H. Pope, January 19th, Lee's birthday. It is designed to make the occasion a grand patriotic rally—a day that will fittingly commemorate the illustrious patriot whose birth we celebrate, and an occasion worthy of the historic traditions of our section of North Carolina for loyalty and patriotism.

Every veteran who can possibly attend, every teacher, every preacher and every other citizen who loves his country is urged to be present. To the mothers, wives and sisters of the soldiers a special invitation is cordially extended. This is probably the only speech on the war that Gov. Bickett will make in Robeson. He is measuring up splendidly as the worthy Governor of our great State.

Let us give him a reception worthy of his high office, and in accord with the patriotic impulses of our people in this great crisis of our country's history, and in accord with the patriotic ideals and traditions of North Carolina.

J. A. McALLISTER, Commander Camp Willis H. Pope.

Will Open Office in Lumberton.

Mr. C. A. Purcell of Wagram was a Lumberton visitor Friday. Mr. Purcell is engaged in the automobile business and will open an office in Lumberton at an early date. He has the agency in Robeson, Hoke and Scotland counties for the Packard and Elgin automobiles and has the Elgin agency for the Dodge. Mr. Purcell will leave on the 8th of January for Detroit, Mich., where he will buy a supply of Dodge automobiles to ship to Lumberton.

Before going to Wagram Mr. Purcell was engaged in the automobile business at Pensacola, Fla. He is a native of Robeson, having been reared in the part of Robeson which formed a part of Hoke.

—Robeson chapter, U. D. C., will meet Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the directors' room at the National Bank of Lumberton.

—License has been issued for the marriage of W. Grover Tyson and Cattie Howell; Andrew J. Balling and Bessie Caswell; George O. Rogers and Edith Council.

—Mr. Earl A. Thompson left Thursday for Jacksonville, Fla., where he has been assigned to the position of sergeant clerk in the quartermaster's corps of the U. S. army.

—Mr. M. J. Merritt, manager of the Lumberton bargain house, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Thompson hospital Wednesday afternoon. He is getting along as well as could be expected.

Messrs. Hal V. Brown and Vernon Lassiter and Misses Jeddie Mae Bristow and Anna Lee McDaniel of Fairmont and Miss Mary Stanfield of Chadbourn were among the visitors in town Friday. Mr. Brown, who is a student at the university of Maryland, Baltimore, is spending the holidays with home folks at Fairmont.

—It has been reported here that Mr. Leslie Cashwell, son of Rev. and Mrs. R. N. Cashwell of Lumberton, who was among the first American soldiers to go to France, has had his feet amputated as the result of contracting "trench feet." This is a mistake, according to word received from Mr. Cashwell by his people here. Lieut. J. P. Cashwell recently had a letter from his brother in France, in which he said he was well and getting along fine.

—Mr. F. F. Townsend of the Raft Swamp section was among the callers at the Robesonian office Thursday. Mr. Townsend had just received a letter from his son Mr. Frank Townsend, who is a mechanic on an oil steamer. He was at Halifax, N. S., when the letter was written December 20 and said he had just returned from a trip to France. Mr. Townsend has made at least two round-trips to France on his ship since the war was declared against Germany by the United States.

—It's not often people living hereabouts see red, ripe tomatoes or green tomato bushes in February, but unless all signs fall Mr. G. M. Whitfield will have some of that sort next February. Just before the first frost last fall Mr. Whitfield set two tomato plants in flower boxes and placed them in his office. The plants have grown just as though it were summer and are now around 18 inches high. The bushes are already budding for blooms. This is right much of a curiosity and many stop to take a look at the growing tomato plants.

BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—The local banks are closed today and will be closed again tomorrow.

—Mrs. P. C. Blake and children left Thursday for Badin, where they will make their home. Mr. Blake is employed with the Badin Supply company.

—Mrs. W. A. Regan of Elizabethtown is undergoing treatment for stomach trouble at the Thompson hospital. She entered the hospital Christmas day.

—Dr. B. W. Page, formerly Robeson county health officer, and Mrs. Page, who left Lumberton some months ago for Petersburg, Va., have moved to Clinton, this State.

—Mrs. Helen Bryant, who has been confined to her room for the past few days, is still unimproved. She lives with her son and daughter, Mr. J. C. Bryant and Mrs. H. B. Osborne.

—Mr. Charlie McNeill and family, who lived near Philadelphia during the past year in order to get the advantage of the school at that place, moved back last week to their farm near Wakulla.

—J. O. Markham, who lives on R. 3 from Lumberton, brought to the Robesonian office Monday of last week a coin which he found recently about 4 feet under the earth. He thinks it a Chinese coin.

—N. W. Oxendine, Indian, of Taylorsville, Miss., is on his annual pilgrimage to his old home county, which he left in 1877. He comes back every year during the Christmas season. He will leave for his home in Mississippi about January 6.

—Mr. Von Walters of R. 3 from Lumberton was among the callers at the Robesonian office Friday. Mr. Walters moved recently from his farm near Barnesville to a 100-acre farm he bought near Center church from Mr. Oliver Atkinson. He rented his farm near Barnesville.

—Mr. W. J. Samsbury, foreman of the Robesonian's composing room, received a letter Friday stating that a horse ran away with his first cousin, Mr. W. A. Suggs of Timmonsville, S. C., Christmas day, thres both Mr. and Mrs. Suggs out of a buggy, and Mrs. Suggs was killed. No particulars were given in the letter.

—A tame fox belonging to Miss Hazel Carlyle left the Carlyle home Christmas day and Miss Carlyle is very anxious to get him back. If you run across the fox a reward is awaiting you for his return to Miss Carlyle. The fox may be taking a Christmas trip back to his old home—the wodos—and may return later.

—Mr. J. C. Lancaster was in Lumberton Thursday on his way to Parkton to visit his mother, Mrs. L. M. Lancaster. He left Parkton Friday night for Rocky Mount, where he has been employed by the Imperial Tobacco Co. He is going right away to Washington, this State, where he has accepted a position with the Pamlico Chemical Co.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Whaley and children of Wilmington, came last week to spend a part of the holidays at the home of Mr. Whaley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Whaley. Mr. Whaley returned to Wilmington Friday night but Mrs. Whaley and the children remained over on account of the illness of their small daughter Elizabeth, who was taken sick after they arrived here.

—Mr. T. B. Ivey of R. 1 from Marietta was among the callers at the Robesonian office Thursday. Mr. Ivey has one son in France. He joined Co. A. N. C. engineers, while the company was stationed here last summer and was later transferred to Co. B, engineers, and sent to France. He has been "over there" two months and in his letter to his father says he is getting on fine.

—Miss Mary Conoley, a Red Cross nurse who has been stationed at the Riverside hospital, New York, for some time, spent last week here visiting friends. Miss Conoley graduated from the nurses' training school at the Thompson hospital here several years ago. She expects to leave at an early date for France, where she will work as a Red Cross nurse. She has been advised to be ready to go at any time.

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