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### THIRD TOBACCO

#### WAREHOUSE

**Deal Practically Closed For Another Warehouse at Corner of First and Cedar Streets—A Fourth Warehouse May Be Built Before Selling Season Opens.**

The deal contingent upon another signature to papers which have been executed partially, the lot has been bought and the contract let for the erection of a new brick tobacco warehouse in Lumberton. The new building will be 80x200 feet. It will be erected at the corner of First and Cedar streets and will front on First street.

Messrs. A. W. McLean, R. D. Caldwell, K. M. Biggs and L. H. Caldwell are the promoters of the new warehouse. The contract for the erection of the warehouse was let to Mr. Sam Branch, local contractor, and work will be begun on the building at an early date.

The warehouse has already been leased to Messrs. Knott & Smith, of Henderson. They have conducted a sales warehouse at Henderson for several years and have been in the warehouse business for 25 years. The new warehouse will be known as the Farmers' Warehouse, the same name as the one conducted by Messrs. Knott & Smith at Henderson. Mr. Smith spent Tuesday here and leased the building.

Lumberton already has two warehouses and it is probable that another besides the one mentioned above may be erected by the time the selling season opens.

### LARGE PART OF GERMANY IN THROES OF GREAT LABOR UPHEAVAL.

**Working Classes Dissatisfied With Progress of Peace Negotiations and Over Internal Political Conditions—Italians Win Victory.**

This morning's press summary states that apparently a large part of Germany is in the throes of a great labor upheaval due to dissatisfaction by the working classes over the progress of the peace negotiations and over internal political conditions generally. Throughout the country thousands upon thousands of the working classes—both men and women—have struck and many of the great manufacturing and industries are affected. In Berlin alone nearly half a million persons are reported on strike and hourly those who have quit work are receiving reinforcements. Likewise, in Kiel, the great shipyard center, at the Hamburg iron works, and in the Rhenish Westphalian mine region workers have thrown down their tools and left their jobs.

The Italians have carried out successfully a vigorous drive against the Austro-German lines in the mountain regions of north Italy and captured strong positions and more than 1,500 men.

### PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW

**All Orders For Nitrate of Soda Must Be Placed by Night of February 4th.**

All the members of the committee appointed to take orders from the farmers of Robeson for the nitrate of soda to be sold by the government have been supplied with order blanks. All orders must be in the hands of some member of the committee by Monday night, February 4. Tuesday the committee will meet and canvass the orders and send them at once to the proper authorities at Washington.

If you wish to place an order, see the member of the committee nearest you at once. The committee is as follows: W. K. Bethune, chairman, Lumberton; A. J. Floyd, Fairmont; A. J. McKinnon, Maxton; A. D. McKenzie, Rowland; A. T. McCallum, Red Springs; J. M. Butler, St. Pauls; W. M. Oliver, Marietta.

**Sam Small Will Lecture Evening of February 8.**

Rev. Sam Small, D. D., will deliver his lecture on "Uncle Sam's Water Wagon" at the court house in Lumberton Friday evening of next week, February 8, instead of February 7, as announced in Monday's Robesonian. The date was changed on account of Dr. Small's schedule of lectures at other places. Dr. Small is one of the leaders in the great campaign for national prohibition and is pleasantly remembered here, where he delivered one of his unique lectures about a year ago.

**Red Cross Lecture at Barnesville February 6.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Barnesville, Jan. 29.—There will be a lecture on Red Cross work at Barnesville school house Wednesday night, February 6. The speaker for the occasion is not known yet, but hope to be able to make that announcement in the next issue of The Robesonian.

### SUPERIOR COURT.

**Selecting Jury for Dixon Murder**

Trial Began at 2:30 This Afternoon—Man Charged With Bigamy Swears He is Not the Man—Other Cases.

The task of selecting twelve men to pass on the innocence or guilt of W. D. Dixon, who will be tried for first degree murder, was begun at 2:30 p. m. today in Robeson Superior Court. A special venire of 100 men will be picked. Dixon is charged with killing Alfred Thomas, Indian, at Pembroke and he pleads not guilty of the charge. Judge Geo. W. Connor, of Wilson, is presiding.

Dixon is represented by the following attorneys: McLean, Varsler & McLean, Britt & Britt, H. E. Stacey and T. A. McNeill, Jr., of Lumberton, and G. B. Patterson of Maxton, while Solicitor S. B. McLean will be assisted in the prosecution by McIntyre, Lawrence & Proctor and Johnson & Johnson of Lumberton, and H. S. Kirkpatrick, of Raeford.

It is not probable that the jury will be selected in time to begin taking the evidence this afternoon.

The following cases have been disposed of during the week: **Gerald Couch, cruelty to animals;** judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

**George Burroughs, colored, bigamy,** found guilty, but sentence not imposed. George was tried on the charge of having one wife too many, but he declares that he knows nothing of wife No. 1, who had him indicted and who testified that she was married to Burroughs during the month of January 1914. However, he was using another name at the time she married him. According to the story of Hattie McKay, wife No. 1, the two were married at Jonesboro and after living with her two years George vanished. When she located him he was living near Rennett, Robeson county, and had married wife No. 2. A brother and sister of wife No. 1 also testified that George is the man who married Hattie.

George tells a pitiful story of how he is not the man in question, that he never saw Hattie until she came to Robeson and that he is very innocent indeed of ever speaking the vows that would have made him the husband of Hattie. Would it be possible for a woman to live with her husband two years and then get his likeness mixed with the likeness of another innocent man?

**McD. Walters and Jano Connor, adulterers;** found not guilty.

**Frank Prevatt, carrying concealed weapons;** fine \$10 and cost.

**Jesse Warren, Walter McNeill and Walter Monroe, enticing servants;** dismissed.

**Boes Locklear, larceny;** guilty; one penny fine and cost.

**Dock and Norman Hardin, Indians,** were found guilty of larceny. They were charged with stealing meat. Sentence has not been passed.

### MT. ELIM MATTERS.

**Farmers Busy—Preaching Friday Night—Personal Mention.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Mt. Elim (Lumberton R. 4), Jan. 29.—We are getting busy around here now sowing tobacco beds and preparing land for another crop.

Our pastor, Dr. C. L. Greaves, of Lumberton, filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday and preached two fine sermons, as he always does.

Mr. Rossie Britt, of Lumberton, spent Sunday afternoon and night visiting friends and relatives in this section. This is Mr. Britt's old home and we are always glad to have him with us.

Misses Katie and Nora Stone, of Lumberton, spent Sunday afternoon with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Stone.

Mr. C. E. Phillips, of Boardman, attended church here Sunday afternoon, also Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hinson, of the same place.

Rev. E. A. Paul, of Davis, will preach here Friday night of this week. Everybody is invited to come.

Sorry to report Mrs. J. K. Britt a little sick. Glad to say Mrs. C. M. Britt is getting on as well as could be expected.

### NOWHEAT FLOUR ALONE.

**New Food Administration Ruling Forbids Sale of Wheat Flour Except in Combination With Other Cereals.**

Mr. H. E. Stacy, county food administrator, received Tuesday from State Administrator Page a telegram reading as follows:

"Notify all merchants through your local papers that no exceptions can be made to the new food administration ruling forbidding sale of wheat flour except in combination with an equal amount of other cereals, including corn meal, hominy, grits, oat meal, rice, barley flour, edible wheat shorts or middlings, corn flour, wheat starch and soy bean flour."

—For various reasons it has been decided to call off the food conservation meeting which it had been planned to hold at the court house Monday evening of next week.

### PARKTON PARAGRAPHS.

**Prohibition Lecture February 4—A Surprise Marriage—A Blue Monday—German Measles—Putting in a Corn Mill—Personal and Other Items.**

**Correspondence of The Robesonian.** Parkton, Jan. 29.—We are requested to announce that Dr. Dailey will deliver a national prohibition lecture at the auditorium on next Monday night, February 4. The public is earnestly requested to come. A treat is in store.

Dr. J. T. Gibbs, presiding elder of Fayetteville district, preached one of the most able sermons Sunday morning at the M. E. church to a large congregation, and in conclusion a most patriotic. It was one of those spell-binding. The singing by the choir and congregation was inspiring, also a splendid quartet by local talent. Rev. Mr. Hall also filled his regular appointment at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and at night, preaching in his usual attractive manner.

Mr. Chas. Murphy arrived in town tonight from Virginia and said that the ground had been covered with snow since the 7th of December, and he had not seen the ground since that time until he reached Sanford this afternoon.

That was some surprise marriage last Wednesday when Mr. W. E. Adams of our town and Miss Cave of Richmond, Va., were married at the latter's home. They are at home present with Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Marsh, and are receiving many congratulations from their numerous friends.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Hutson visited relatives at Lake City, S. C., last Sunday night and Sunday and report a fine trip.

Miss Ellison, teacher of the text grade, resigned her position last week and left Friday evening for South Carolina, where it is said she will accept a government job as demonstrator.

Capt. O. L. Johnson is quite ill. This is a trying time with our young men. Those classed No. 1 are soon to answer the call, and we greet much to see them leave. We sorely miss them, but patriotism must prevail.

Our Red Cross ladies seem to be busy and are doing effective work. Everybody should join them.

A. A. Wright, D. H. McCormick, J. Cobb, and C. D. Williams, received summons to appear at Parkton Thursday on the charges of being drunk.

Monday was the dulllest Monday of the year. All the stores closed. We are glad to report Mr. Neill McNeill, who is in the Highsmith hospital, improving.

We hear of several cases of German measles in town. We would like to be excused.

Mr. Charlie Terry, of St. Pauls is putting in an up-to-date corn mill in the most appropriate situation in town. Mr. Terry says he expects to be grinding corn within a week from date. He has bought the Bob McCreech rocks, which is a reputation in itself, which are the largest and best rocks in North Carolina. This is an enterprise that should be appreciated by every family in this section, as good meal is a treat and has been scarce in the past.

### LONG BRANCH LOCALS.

**Preparing for Great Tobacco Crop—Preparing for Quarterly Roseole Epidemic—Personal.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Long Branch (Lumberton R. 4), Jan. 29.—It remains cold.

It looks from the prospects of tobacco beds that there will be a great tobacco crop through this section.

Sorry to report master Homer Lawson very sick with pneumonia. Miss Dora Johnson, a trained nurse from St. Pauls, has been with him. Also sorry to report Mr. Calvin Smith still unimproved. Truly he has served his country well.

Miss Marjorie Steele spent the week-end with Miss Suesnell Thompson.

Our choir is preparing to go Sunday to the quarterly, which will be at Smyrna. Hope we will have a good day.

Mr. Luther Britt came home from Wake Forest to spend the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Memphrey Britt.

We are having lots of roseola around here which seems to be young measles.

We are glad to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Dock Campbell to our community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ammons, of Lumberton, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ammons. Best wishes.

Miss Pearl Carlyle, of R. 2 from Lumberton, has accepted a position as bookkeeper and stenographer for Messrs. Bullock Bros. She began work Monday.

Mr. D. W. Stone of the Pembroke section was among the visitors in town Monday. Mr. Stone has one son with General Pershing's forces in France. He is Radio Sgt. Frank Stone and has been in France since last September. He celebrated his 20th birthday in France and wrote his father that it was a birthday he would never forget. He says he likes France fine. Mr. Stone enlisted in the army when he was 17 years old.

### BROAD RIDGE BREEZES.

**Mr. Jas. Lawson's New House Completed—School Making Progress—Wedding Soon—Wheat Coming Along Slowly—Oats Seem Gone Up—Personal.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Broad Ridge (Lumberton R. 4) Jan. 29.—Farmers are plowing and preparing the soil for fine crops.

Rev. W. A. Coleman, our pastor, will fill his regular appointment at Broad Ridge church Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. James Lawson has his new house done and is painting it, which adds much.

Mr. J. Z. Stone, of the Mt. Elim section, attended Sunday school at Broad Ridge Sunday morning, and made a very entertaining talk on Sunday school work. We are always glad to have Mr. Stone visit our school.

Mr. Frank McLean, of Lumberton, was a visitor at our Sunday school Sunday.

Our school is progressing nicely. Master Dock Watts, small son of Mr. M. M. Watts, of this section, is very ill of pneumonia. Roseola is taking strong hold in our school at present.

Mr. June Ivey, of Orrum section, passed going north about 3:30 of the clock Sunday afternoon, visiting some part near the equator of the Ridge, I think.

I truly believe the "wedding bells" will sound before long.

Mr. and Mrs. Swain Britt and children of this section, visited Mt. Elim section Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ivey, of Orrum section attended Sunday school at the Ridge Sunday. We are glad indeed to have them visit us.

Hurrah for our Governor!

The wheat crop in this section seems to be coming along slowly, but don't think it a failure yet.

Oats are almost gone up. We hope they may come again.

With best wishes to the grand old Robeson paper and the B. R. W. J. S.

### FROM BARKER'S SECTION.

**People Going Wild About Tobacco—Ought to Plant Something To Eat and Help Win the War.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian. From Barker's section, Jan. 29.—Light your first one.

There is not much doing in this section.

Mr. Luther Carter, of Camp Jackson, came home Monday on a furlough. He went to camp Jackson the first of last October.

Messrs. Pink M'White, and son, Rowland, left Friday for South Carolina.

Mr. Wesley Powers, of Akron, Ohio came home last Friday. Mr. Powers has been at work at Akron for the past two years.

There was preaching at Bakers Sunday by the pastor, Rev. A. S. Parker. Mrs. Parker came with him.

Mr. Emory M'White, of Tolgravelle was a visitor in this section Monday. Miss Anna Powers has returned to Swann, Lenoir county.

Miss Annie M'White, of Lumberton, spent Sunday with home folks in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Powers, and daughter, Bess, left Monday for Waxhaw.

People in this section are going wild about tobacco; some are making new barns. I think the government ought to put a price on tobacco like it has on sugar and flour.

People ought to plant something that would make something to eat instead of planting something to turn them out a dollar. They are not studying about the soldier and sailor boys that have got to be fed if we win this war.

Some people think that it isn't their business to try to help win this war. What is a country at war? Oh, it is a dreadful thing! And it is everybody's business to do all they can to help win. If we are not a soldier or a sailor we can help win. Every little bit counts.

So here's hoping that the people will decide to plant corn instead of tobacco.

Farmers, plant something that will make something to eat.

**Farm Demonstrator Will Begin Work Monday.**

Miss Lula M. Cassidy, county home demonstration agent, has been informed by Mr. R. W. Freeman, district demonstration agent, that Dr. A. H. Kerr, Robeson's new demonstration agent, will enter upon his duties February 4—Monday of next week.

As stated in Monday's Robesonian, Dr. Kerr is a native of Sampson county, is a licensed veterinary surgeon and especially trained in the livestock industry.

**Tag Your Shovel Day Observed.**

The schools observed "Tag Your Shovel" day Tuesday. Pupils were supplied with tags furnished by the government and they got busy and tagged practically all the coal shovels in town. On one side of the tags one reads the following: "Save a Shovel Full of Coal for Uncle Sam." On the other side are instructions as to how to save fuel. Shovels were tagged in like manner throughout the country.

### NEWS NOTES FROM REGANS.

**Roads Almost Impassable—Plant Foodstuffs—School Improvements—Mercer Family Reunion—Planning to Give a Play—Personal.**

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Regans (Lumberton R. 7) Jan. 28.—Owing to bad weather and much hauling, the roads through our section are getting almost impassable.

Quite a number of our farmers are planning a tobacco crop. We think it advisable to plant foodstuffs.

The school work at Regan is more pleasant to both teacher and pupil since our maps, beaver blackboards and erasers have arrived. We are glad to report that we now have "dustless" floors since they have been oiled. "Old Glory" still waves over our school building—children say they study more.

We note a disease in our school which we hardly know what to name. Some call it "German measles."

Mr. Anderson Kinlaw and infant child of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilkins are reported on the sick list.

Glad to have Misses Chaety Graham and Elizabeth Barker and Mr. Charlie Kinlaw back in school after being confined to their beds for some time. Master J. Frank Mercer, who has been ill for the past week, is improving.

Rev. Mr. Parker filled his appointment Sunday. He was accompanied by his bride.

Messrs. N. A. Mercer and John Herring spent the week-end with Mr. Chalmers Young at Camp Jackson.

Messrs. Jim McMillan and Floyd Lancaster, of Parkton, were in this community Sunday afternoon.

Miss Mattie McWhite spent a few days with Miss Bessie Taylor last week.

One of the most interesting events that has taken place in our community in a long time occurred on January 15 at the home of Mr. Miles Mercer, when he and Mrs. Mercer celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary. Mr. Mercer is 81 years of age and Mrs. Mercer 80. They have seven children, 29 grand-children and two great grand-children, and have never had a death in their home. All the children were gathered together at the old homestead once more, the first time all had been together at one time in nearly thirty years.

Two of the sons, Messrs. Lonnie and Sandy, are in the mercantile business in Alma, Ga.; another son, Rev. S. E. Mercer, formerly president of Carolina College, Maxton, is now pastor of the Methodist church of Burlington. Mr. N. A. Mercer is a prosperous farmer.

Mr. J. D. Herring, Miss Ellen M. Herring, H. L. Andrews make up the seven. After we had had a bountiful dinner and gathered by the fireside in the spacious sitting room, not large enough to seat all grand children, we enjoyed jokes and experiences of by-gone days, related by the "boys." The most interesting was the story told by Rev. S. E. Mercer about the religious dog they owned when he was a boy. This dog was a faithful church-goer. After the boys dressed in their Sunday clothes they would chain the dog. Finally he learned their trick and while they were dressing he would walk on toward the church. One morning the boys decided the dog had gone to preaching enough and that it was now time for him to get his reward. Therefore, he it known that this is the first case that we know of a preacher having a handshake in causing a dog to be a martyr to a religious cause.

We understand that the students here are planning to give a play entitled "Mrs. Tibbs, of Shanty Town," about the middle of February. Watch for the date later and be on hand. It's a play worth while and we are sure you will enjoy it from start to finish.

Mr. William Johnson, a blind musician of Raleigh, will furnish music between acts.

### FIRE THIS MORNING.

**Office Building of Kingsdale Lumber Co., Slightly Damaged.**

The office building and fixtures of the Kingsdale Lumber Co., located near the company's mill, about one mile from town on the Creek road, was slightly damaged by fire about 8:15 this morning. The fire originated from a stove flue and was burning between the ceiling and roof when discovered. The greatest damage done was in moving out the fixtures, etc.

The alarm was turned in up town and the fire truck went to the scene, but the fire had been extinguished by the fire company at the mill before the truck arrived.

### FARMERS INSTITUTES

**At Orrum February 4 and Rex February 5—Women's Institutes.**

As was stated in Monday's Robesonian, farmers institutes will be held at Orrum Monday of next week and at Rex Tuesday. The institutes will last all day and the farmers generally are urged to attend them.

Institutes for women will be conducted in connection with those for the men. Well-informed speakers will be present to discuss farming and no doubt the people will be benefitted by attending the meetings. Remember the places and dates and be on hand.

### BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS.

—Sgt. Bert Lumis, formerly of Greensboro, has arrived here and will work in connection with the U. S. army recruiting office. Three men are employed at the local office.

—The regular monthly meeting of the executive committee of the Lumberton Red Cross chapter will be held in the commissioners' room at the court house tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock.

—Mr. Hardy Lewis moved recently from his farm near Fairmont to Mr. M. M. Singletary's farm in Back Swamp township, R. 3 from Lumberton. Mr. Lewis was a Lumberton visitor yesterday.

—Miss Evelyn Sentelle, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. R. E. Sentelle, who is a student at the State Normal college, Greensboro, recently had a slight attack of diphtheria. She has practically recovered from the attack.

—The last shortage to hit Lumberton is a coca-cola shortage. Two of the local drug stores have not had any coca-cola for several days and the third has but a limited supply on hand. There are many who will miss their coca-cola.

—Miss Cammie McNeill is chairman of the membership committee of the local Red Cross chapter. Persons who wish to join the chapter and have not been called upon by a member of this committee should apply to Miss McNeill.

—Rev. E. A. Paul, of Davis, was among the visitors in town Tuesday. Mr. Paul will spend a week or more in Robeson visiting relatives and friends. He will attend the Sunday school institute at Smyrna Sunday and will preach a Smyrna Sunday night.

—Mr. G. C. Taylor, of Maxton, was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday. Mr. Taylor moved to Maxton recently, since the death of his wife, from his farm 10 miles below Maxton, and is making his home with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. S. McCuen.

—Mr. A. S. King resumed his duties as conductor on the Raleigh & Charleston passenger train yesterday after being sick with rheumatism for four months. Mr. King's condition is very much improved and his many friends will be pleased that he is able to return to his work.

—Mr. W. G. Prevatt, formerly of Winston-Salem, but who is now traveling for the Wm. Shield Mfg. Co., makers of Red Devil lye, was a Lumberton visitor yesterday. Mr. Prevatt traveled for the same company for several years before going to Winston-Salem. He travels eastern North and South Carolina.

—Dr. J. R. Grantham and family will leave the first of next week for Reidsville, this State, where they will spend a few days visiting at the home of Mrs. Grantham's mother, Mrs. Mary Shelton. From Reidsville they will go to Baltimore, Md., where Dr. Grantham will spend two or three months doing post-graduate work at Johns Hopkins hospital.

—The publicity committee of the local Red Cross chapter met Tuesday evening at the court house in the office of Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of schools, who has been added to the committee. Plans were discussed in a general way but it was decided that no effective campaign could be launched until headquarters had been obtained from headquarters, and no literature has been received yet.

—Mr. C. P. Osborne, who has been manager of the local Ford automobile agency, of which Mr. H. A. Page, Jr., is proprietor, has resigned that position and will enlist in the army. Mr. Osborne will apply for enlistment in the aviation corps. He will be succeeded here by Mr. H. E. Vinson of Charlotte. Mr. Vinson is expected to arrive tonight to resume his duties here. Mr. Osborne has made many friends since coming to Lumberton.

### THE RECORD OF DEATHS.

**Mr. Millard W. Floyd, East Lumberton.**

Mr. Millard W. Floyd, aged 64 years, died at his home in East Lumberton yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Deceased suffered a stroke of paralysis about two weeks ago which resulted in his death. He is survived by his wife and eight children. Interment was made in the family burying ground, near Barnesville, this afternoon. Deceased formerly lived near Barnesville and moved to East Lumberton about a year ago.

### Thompson Hospital Notes.

Reported for The Robesonian. Mrs. Sandy McLeod, who was operated on last Saturday week, will return home this week.

Miss Rosa Lee Tolar, R. 5, was operated on last Friday night for pps appendix and is getting along nicely.

Mrs. T. W. Bullock, who was sick at the hospital with pneumonia for several days, has returned home. Mr. Rufus Fenegan, who was sick at the hospital for two weeks with lagrippe, has gone to his home at Latta, S. C. He is a clerk at Mr. L. H. Caldwell's store.

Mrs. O. C. Britt, Barnesville, who was operated on two weeks ago, returned home yesterday.

Mrs. Samson Cox, R. 4, underwent a very serious operation yesterday and is getting along very well.

Mr. B. L. Dawing, R. F. D., who was operated on nearly three weeks ago for intestinal obstruction, was again operated on Monday, and is recovering slowly.