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## FARM LABORERS FREE TILL CROPS ARE LAID BY.

### Gov. Bickett Thinks No Farmers or Farm Laborers in Second Draft Will Be Sent to Training Camps Before July 15th—Deferred Percentage of First Quota Not Included.

Shortage of supply of farm laborers and uncertainty about when men in the second draft will be sent to camp have been giving much concern, so that the following, sent by Governor Bickett yesterday to local and district exemption boards, will give much encouragement:

"I am glad to be able to announce after a careful investigation of the subject that, in my opinion, no farmers or farm laborers in the second draft will be sent to training camps before the 15th of July. I am giving out this opinion in order that the farmers and farm laborers may proceed to cultivate their crops upon the assurance that they will not be disturbed earlier than the 15th of July, by which time the crops will be laid by.

"This announcement, however, does not include the deferred percentage of the first quota made up of colored men. Colored men who were liable to call in the first draft, are now liable to be called at any time."

## MOSCOW TO BE DECLARED NEW CAPITAL OF RUSSIA

### Population of Petrograd is Hastily Quitting the City—Petrograd Will Be Declared a Free Port.

Petrograd Dispatch, March 6.

Moscow is to be declared the new capital of Russia and the government purposes to publish a statement to this effect immediately. Petrograd will be declared a free port.

Notwithstanding the signing of peace, the government is determined to transfer all the state institutions to Moscow, Nizni-Novgorod and Kazan. The removal of the ministries of foreign affairs, communications and finance began today.

The population of Petrograd is hastily quitting the city, but there are many transportation difficulties and already the roads leading from Petrograd are crowded with all sorts of vehicles.

The Russian delegates returned from Brast-Litovsk today and will report to the executive of the soviets as soon as possible. According to the latest reports here hostilities have been suspended on all fronts, the Germans having halted on the northern front along the line comprising Narva, Pskov, Vitebsk, Mohilev and Orsha.

## CONVENTION DATES FIXED.

### County Conventions April 6, State Convention April 10, Precinct Meetings March 30.

The Democratic State executive committee met in the Senate chamber in Raleigh Tuesday night with Chairman Thos. D. Warren presiding. April 10 was fixed as the date for holding the State convention and Raleigh was selected as the place; April 6 was fixed as the date for holding the county conventions and March 30 precinct meetings are to be held.

The committee finished its work in less than 30 minutes, including adoption of the committee report revising the plan of organization, eliminating all county and district nomination bodies which heretofore have done the work of the primary.

## Four Registrants Volunteer Out of Their Order.

Four army registrants in Robeson district No. 1 have recently volunteered to go to the training camp out of their order. Mr. Ernest Britt of R. 4 from Lumberton left last evening for Camp Jackson. Mr. W. P. Humphrey of R. 2 from Lumberton and Mr. Curtis Grantham of Fairmont will leave this evening for Camp Jackson. Mr. C. P. Osborne, formerly manager of the local Ford agency, left Tuesday for San Antonio, Tex. He enlisted in the aviation corps.

## Part of Dam at Edmund's Mill Washed Out.

A part of the dam at Edmund's mill, about 9 miles south of town on the Creek road, was washed out Tuesday night. The dam was a part of the Wilmington-Charlotte highway. Several yards of the road were washed out and the water escaped from the pond. The dam broke at the foot of a bridge.

## Free Medical Examination.

Dr. W. A. McPhaul, county health officer, will be in his office here Monday and Tuesday of each week after April 1 for the purpose of giving free medical examination to the hundreds who have not yet been examined. To date 850 people have applied for the examination and only about half of this number have been examined. Others who wish to be examined and who have not advised Dr. McPhaul will have the opportunity, as this campaign will be continued throughout the year.

## RED SPRINGS NEWS ITEMS.

### Large Crowd Attended Recital at College—Funeral of Capt. McBryde—Personal.

### Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Red Springs, March 6.—Miss Lila Brown, who has been visiting her cousin Mrs. Hiram Grantham, for the last two months, returned to her home in Salisbury on Tuesday.

Angus and Jesse Byrne and Willie Bohann of Camp Sevier spent the week-end at home.

Misses Eunice Pearsall, Eliza and Annie McEachern, Ida and Margaret Womack and Mr. Laurence McEachern came over from Raeford on Monday for the recital at F. M. C.

Miss Leah Slaughter of Goldsboro is visiting Miss Annie Johnson.

During the recital, quite a large crowd attended the recital of Mrs. Wharton and Miss Johnson in the auditorium Monday night. Following is the program: Star Spangled Banner, "Were my song with wings provided"; Renaldo Hahn; There cried a Bird—Singing; Love is Like a Wild Bird—Carmen, Bizet—Miss Johnson; Papillons (Butterflies)—Schumann—Mrs. Wharton; Thou art my Rest, Hedge Roses, My Abode—Schubert—Miss Johnson; Serenade for the Dale, Golliwogg's Cake Walk—Debussy—Melodie in G, Etude Caprice—Ganz—Mrs. Wharton; Cradle Song 1915—Kreisler; Jo My Laddie, Homer; The Star—Rogers—Miss Johnson; Etude C minor Revolutionnaire, Nocturne G Nujor, Polonaise in A Flat—Chopin—Mrs. Wharton; "America" by Miss Johnson and audience.

Quite a crowd attended the funeral of Mr. McBryde at Spring Hill church at Wagram today.

Miss Mary Williams spent today in Fayetteville.

Mrs. Thomas A. DeVane of Columbia, S. C., is visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Dixon.

Mrs. W. H. McKinnon, who is teaching at Hope Mills, spent Monday night with her daughter Mrs. J. C. McPhaul.

Mr. Kenneth McDonald of Hope Mills visited his sister Miss Elizabeth McDonald Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Genevieve McMillan has accepted the position as mathematics teacher in the high school.

Miss Melva Gibson, who is teaching at McCall, S. C., spent the week-end at home.

## TO IMPROVE SANITARY CONDITIONS

### Every Rural Home Must Have Sanitary Privy by 1919—To Regulate Late Mid-Wifery.

Every rural home in the county must be provided with a sanitary privy built under the direction of the county health officer or his assistant by January 1, 1919, according to an ordinance passed by the county health board at their quarterly meeting here Monday.

The board also passed an ordinance which will regulate the practice of mid-wifery in Robeson. The texts of both these ordinances will be published in The Robesonian at an early date.

The board ordered that the quarterly report of Dr. W. A. McPhaul, county health officer, be accepted. Members of the board expressed themselves as being pleased with the report.

The board is composed of Mr. A. J. Floyd, Fairmont, chairman, County Superintendent of Schools J. R. Poole, Mayor James D. Proctor of Lumberton, Dr. T. C. Johnson of Lumberton and Dr. H. H. Hotgins of Red Springs.

## Tobacco Warehousemen Visit Lumberton.

Messrs. C. J. Smith and G. W. Knott, of the firm of Knott & Smith of Henderson, which firm has leased the new Farmers tobacco warehouse to be built in Lumberton, spent Tuesday and yesterday here on business. These gentlemen have been in the tobacco sales warehouse business at Henderson some 20 years and besides being in the warehouse business they handle leaf tobacco on a large scale. They buy several million pounds of tobacco themselves each year.

They will spend a good deal of time here between now and June 1, after which time they expect to spend all their time in Robeson till the opening of the selling season getting acquainted with the farmers and getting things lined up for the opening of the market.

Lumberton will have at least three sales warehouses during the coming season.

## No Local Restrictions on Killing and Selling Hens.

County Food Administrator H. E. Stacy says that the ruling of the food administration against killing and selling hens before May 1 applies only to large packing plants and to shipping outside the State, that it does not apply locally.

Which will be glad news to many a housewife, who has had to do without chickens lately. There is no restriction on selling chickens locally, though of course the selling of laying hens is discouraged.

Mr. M. J. Merritt is spending the day in Wilmington on business.

## COUNTY SCHOOL MATTERS.

### Business Transacted At Regular Monthly Meeting of the County Board of Education.

### The county board of education held its regular monthly session Monday in the office of Supt. J. R. Poole.

An appropriation of \$105 was allowed district 1, white, Orrum township, for additional teachers' salary.

District 5, colored, Smith township, was allowed \$27.25 for repairs.

District No. 2, Indian, Lumberton township, was allowed \$12.50 for teacher's salary.

District 5, white, White House township, was allowed \$65 to increase the length of school term.

District 2, Orrum township, colored, was allowed \$85 of its special tax for repairs to school building.

Ordered that the board advance the trustees of the Maxton graded school \$1,000 of the 1918-1919 apportionment, the same to be in cash or form of note by this board, and to be secured by note from the Maxton graded school trustees, and to be drawn in such form as required by law to the board of education.

Mr. C. C. West was appointed a committeeman in district 4, white, Wishart township, in place of Mr. J. Ed Tyson, who has moved out of the district.

Bill of \$6.60 was ordered paid to the I. N. Van Voorhis Co., for supplies. The following rebates were ordered paid: N. W. Jenkins, error in listing, No. 3, white, Britt—\$2.47; T. C. Parham, error in listing, No. 5, white, White House—\$2.10; Hector Malloy, error in listing, No. 1, colored, Red Springs—90 cents.

## LUMBERTON SCHOOL LEADS.

### Pupils of Lumberton Own Over \$5,000 In War Savings Stamps—Jacksonville is Second—Many School Not Reporting.

Winston-Salem, March 5.—The graded school of Lumberton and the State high school of Jacksonville are leading the schools in the State in the number of Thrift and War Savings stamps bought by the pupils. Supt. R. E. Sentelle of Lumberton's schools reports to State headquarters here that on February 22 the total amount of Thrift and War Savings stamps owned by the pupils of his school was \$5,336. Every pupil above the first grade bought either a Thrift or a War Savings stamp.

Col. F. H. Fries, State Director of War Savings, is requesting all superintendents, principals and teachers to send in reports of all War Savings activities in their schools. He particularly desires the number of War Savings societies organized, their names, secretaries, number of members and number of Thrift and War Savings stamps purchased by the society.

## COUNTY HEALTH WORK.

### Monthly Report of County Health Officer.

The report which Dr. W. A. McPhaul, county health officer, filed with the board of county commissioners Monday for the month of February showed that he visited 6 schools which had an attendance of 316 pupils, mailed out 158 letters, distributed 500 pieces of literature, made 95 physical examinations, vaccinated 109 against smallpox, made four visits to the county jail, one visit to the county home, two visits to the chain gang camps, examined 4 children under the child labor law, two for Jackson training school and treated several paupers.

The report also showed that Dr. McPhaul received 1,850 examination cards from school teachers and that he examined 8 school children and found two children who had had defects remedied.

The report showed that two cases of measles were reported, one case of typhoid fever, 11 cases of smallpox.

## Control of the House Regained By Democrats.

Control of the House of Representatives was regained by the Democrats Tuesday when they elected their candidates from four districts in greater New York at special elections called to choose successors to four members of that party who had resigned their seats in Congress.

New York women had their first chance to vote since they won the right at the polls last November. It was significant that they cast 31,658 votes out of a total of 78,192, in the four districts. They voted early, states a New York dispatch, seemed to have made up their minds what they were going to do before they received their ballots and they asked few "foolish questions."

## Paroled by Governor Bickett.

Joe Alford, colored, who had served 16 months of a two-year road sentence for robbing a train at Pembroke, has been paroled by Governor Bickett.

## THE RECORD OF DEATHS.

### Capt. Thomas McBryde Died Tuesday at His Home Near Raeford—Was Prominent Citizen of Robeson Before Hoke County Was Formed—Funeral Yesterday.

Capt. Thomas McBryde, about 80 years old, died at his home near Raeford Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. He had been sick one week with pneumonia.

Capt. McBryde was well-known throughout this section. He was a citizen of Robeson up to the time Blue Springs township was cut off in the making of Hoke county and was prominent in the political life of Robeson. He served as a member of the board of county commissioners in Robeson and represented the county in both the Senate and House of the Legislature. Deceased served through the Civil War and was second lieutenant of Co. G, 24th North Carolina volunteers. He belonged to the same regiment that Mr. J. A. McAllister of Lumberton served in and Mr. McAllister says he was a fine soldier and officer.

Capt. McBryde is survived by six children: three daughters—Mrs. L. I. Grantham of Lumberton, Mrs. Bert Nesbit of Raeford and Miss Anna McBryde, who lived with her father—and three sons—Messrs. Ryan and Angus McBryde, who live in Hoke county, and Mr. Malcom McBryde, who is serving with the U. S. marines at Quantico, Va.

The funeral was conducted yesterday at 11 a. m. from Spring Hill Presbyterian church, near Wagram, of which deceased had been an elder for years, and interment was made in the church cemetery. A large crowd attended the funeral.

Deceased had many friends in Robeson as well as elsewhere who will be grieved to learn of his death.

Mrs. Grantham went to the home of her father when he first became sick and was with him till the end. She will remain at the home for several days longer. Mr. Grantham joined her Tuesday and returned home last night. Others who attended the funeral from Lumberton were ex-Judge T. A. McNeill and daughters, Misses Mary and Cammie McNeill, and Mr. W. K. Bethune.

## Mr. J. E. Carlyle, Prosperous Farmer and One of the Leading Citizens of County, Died at Home Near Lumberton Monday Night—Funeral Yesterday—Other Deaths.

Mr. J. E. Carlyle, a prosperous farmer and one of Robeson's leading citizens, died while sitting up in a chair at his home about 4 miles west of Lumberton Monday night at 10:45 o'clock. Death was due to paralysis of the heart. Deceased was 63 years and 4 months old and had been in ill health for several months. However, his condition was thought to be improved up until about an hour before his death. He is survived by six children: two daughters—Miss Flora, who lived with her father, Mrs. J. M. Powell, who lives near the Carlyle home; and four sons—Mr. Alex. Carlyle of Raleigh, Mr. Zeb. V. Carlyle, one of Robeson's selectmen stationed at Camp Jackson, Mr. J. A. Carlyle, who lives near the old home and Mr. Rowland, who lived with his father. All the children were at home for the funeral, which was conducted from the home yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. L. E. Dailey, pastor of Raft Swamp Baptist church, of which deceased was a deacon and leading member. Interment was made near the home. The grave was covered with beautiful floral designs.

Mr. Carlyle was one of the oldest Masons in the county and was buried with Masonic honors. Hundreds of people representing all sections of the county, attended the funeral.

In the death of Mr. Carlyle Robeson loses one of its best citizens. He was prominent in church work, in politics and all progressive movements in his section for many years.

## Mr. Henry M'White of Howellsville.

Mr. Henry M'White, aged 73 years, died at his home in Howellsville town Tuesday night. Deceased had been in ill health for some time and his death was not unexpected. Interment was made yesterday afternoon.

## Mr. J. B. Tait of Brunswick, Ga.

Miss Alice Tait left last evening for Brunswick, Ga., in response to a telegram advising her of the death of her brother, Mr. J. B. Tait of Brunswick. Deceased was in a sanatorium at Atlanta when he died and death was due to apoplexy. Mr. Tait died Tuesday night. He was also a brother of Mrs. J. D. Norment of Lumberton.

## Bank of Robeson Elects Officers.

A special to the Wilmington Star states that at an adjourned meeting of the board of directors of the Bank of Robeson held at Maxton Tuesday Mr. R. L. McLeod was re-elected president; Mr. F. W. Carter was elected vice-president; Mr. C. B. Thompson, who has been assistant cashier, was elected cashier to succeed Mr. J. P. Stansel, who did not stand for re-election. Messrs. F. W. Carter, L. L. McNair and R. S. Bond were elected to fill vacancies on the board of directors.

## TEN MILE TOPICS.

### Farmers' Institute and Red Cross Rally Will Be Held March 20—Young Folks Party—Personal.

### Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Ten Mile (Lumberton, R. 1) March 6.—Rev. R. E. Clark preached an able sermon here Sunday to a large congregation. The special music rendered by the choir was enjoyed very much.

Little Miss Dixie Townsend entertained a number of friends Saturday afternoon from four to six o'clock, it being her 9th birthday.

Messrs. Leroy and Murphy Townsend and Vester Musselwhite, who are students at Buie's Creek, spent the week-end here with home folks. We are always glad to see our boys come home.

Miss Cora Britt, who teaches in the State school for blind, is spending the week here with her mother, Mrs. Florence Britt.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgeon Powers and Miss Emily Barrington enjoyed the day Sunday with relatives near Maxton.

Miss Tessie Townsend, who is teaching near Allenton, was here for the week-end.

A number of our people heard Capt. Fallon's lecture in Lumberton Monday night.

Miss Margaret Britt expects to begin teaching at Smyrna Monday.

Miss Blanche Thames and Mr. John Herring of Regan attended church here Sunday.

Miss Gladys Powers, who is a student at Carolina college, Maxton, came home Saturday. She will be at home with her brother a few days before he goes to camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Ratley and Mr. and Mrs. Hector McNeill of Fairmont were visitors at the home of Mr. B. F. McNeill Sunday.

Mrs. B. F. Townsend, who spent some time at the home of her father, Mr. Jim Pate of Fayetteville, has returned home.

On March 20th there will be held at Ten Mile a farmers' institute and Red Cross rally. Every school in Howellsville township is not only invited but requested to be present. We hope to organize a branch for Howellsville of the Lumberton chapter of the American Red Cross. There will be able speeches on agriculture and Red Cross work. Also songs and some recitations by the different schools. Regan and Powers schools will play basket ball.

Let's come to Ten Mile the 20th and make the day profitable. Bring your lunches.

## BROAD RIDGE BREEZES.

### Tobacco Plants A-Plenty and Cabbage Plants Too—New Tobacco Barns—Honor Roll—Personal.

Broad Ridge (Lumberton, R. 4) March 5.—Farmers are busy hauling fertilizer and preparing the land to plant corn. Tobacco plants a-plenty on the Ridge and every farmer who has a tobacco bed has some very fine cabbage plants, also.

Our pastor, Rev. W. A. Coleman, filled his regular appointment here Saturday and Sunday and preached a fine sermon both times.

Mr. Laten Britt, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Swain Britt, who has been very ill of pneumonia, is rapidly improving. We hope to see him back in Sunday school soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Britt of Smyrna section attended preaching here Sunday.

Miss Hattie Stone of Raynham is spending a few days here visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. Charley Barnes of Long Branch section attended preaching here Sunday.

We are all proud of the nice warm weather we are being blessed with at present.

The corn-club boys are lonesome. We surely miss Mr. L. E. Blanchard, our ex-county demonstrator.

Mr. Johnnie Prevatt of Hog swamp section attended preaching here Sunday.

Several new tobacco barns are going up on the Ridge; pity but they were grain barns instead.

News is out so let's read the honor roll for past month of Broad Ridge school: Primary room—Earle Britt, Essie Britt, Vada Britt, Sadarae Britt, Myrtle Bullard, Ruth Branch, Mildred Lamb; advance room—Kelly Cox, Glen Lamb, Labon Britt, Ferney Britt, Wesley Branch, Clifton Ammons, Thelma Branch, Carry Mae Britt.

Best wishes to the grand old Robeson paper. W. J. S.

## Personal Items From Pembroke.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Pembroke, March 6.—Mrs. Mary Bell Beasley and three children, and Miss Mary Pate of Bladenboro, visited at the home of Mr. John Fields Saturday night and Sunday.

## BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. C. M. Fuller spent last week in St. Louis, Mo., buying mules for his sales stables.

—Mr. Homer Stephens of the Mt. Elim section is very ill. He was brought to the Thompson hospital here Tuesday.

—Mrs. P. S. Kornegay left yesterday for Greensboro in response to a wire message advising her that a sister-in-law living at Greensboro was very sick.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Finch moved yesterday from a residence belonging to Mr. Sam Branch on Third street into the Bond residence, Chestnut street.

—The hour for opening the Red Cross work rooms has been changed from 3 to 3:30 p. m., Tuesdays and Fridays. The rooms remain open till 5:30.

—Robeson farmers are making good use of the good weather which has prevailed for some time. As the average farmer would say, "they are about to catch up."

—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White left Monday night for New York, where they will spend several days while Mr. White is buying goods for the White & Gough department store.

—Lumberton has been experiencing another gasoline shortage this week. Mr. E. L. Holloway trucked 400 gallons from Maxton Tuesday which somewhat relieved the situation for a spell.

—Mr. E. W. Caldwell, who has been making his home at Charlotte for some time, came home Tuesday evening and yesterday was examined by the local army exemption board. He returned to Charlotte this morning.

—Wallace, 3 1/2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wishart, who live on R. 3 from Lumberton, is very ill with pneumonia. This is the second of Mr. and Mrs. Wishart's children to have pneumonia during the last few weeks.

—Dollie Love, the negress who was caught in the act of stealing chickens from Dr. W. W. Parker's henhouse Saturday night, was given a hearing before Recorder E. M. Britt Monday afternoon. Dollie submitted to the charge of trespass and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of the cost.

—Supt. R. E. Sentelle of the Lumberton graded and high schools will be on the staff of instruction again this summer, June 11 to July 25, at the State college summer school at Raleigh. Prof. Sentelle formerly was director of the summer school at Chowan college and is one of the State institute conductors.

—Prof. K. E. Sentelle, superintendent of the Lumberton schools, will speak on the War Savings and Thrift stamps at Iona school house, near McDonald, tomorrow (Friday) night at 8 o'clock. After the address refreshments will be sold and the proceeds will be used for the benefit of the school. Misses Mable Lawrence and Ada McCormick are the teachers at Iona.

—Mr. L. S. Currie of Badin is a Lumberton visitor today. Mr. Currie reported today for examination for the army. He failed to get the notices sent him by the local board, but saw his name among the list published in The Robesonian and came along for the examination. He will go to the home of his father, Mr. G. W. J. Currie, in Howellsville township, this evening and will return to Badin tomorrow night.

—Rev. J. M. Hester, formerly of St. Pauls but for some time pastor of the Baptist church at Roxboro, has been commissioned as chaplain and first lieutenant in the navy. He resigned his pastorate last Sunday and will enter at once upon his new duties. Lieut. Hester was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday. He is well-known here, having been a student of the Lumberton high school before going to Wake Forest college.

—The executive committee of the county food administration met Tuesday in the office of Supt. J. R. Poole at the court house and discussed plans for getting literature of the food administration into every home in the county. Messrs. R. E. Lewis and J. D. McAllister were appointed a committee to get this literature into the homes of Lumberton. Thousands of "Save Food" cards and pamphlets were mailed out by the committee yesterday.

## No Division of Profits With Red Cross.

The concert which it was proposed to give in Lumberton last evening with division of proceeds with the local Red Cross chapter was called off because it was learned that it is against the rules of the Red Cross society to accept any offer contemplating a division of profits from an entertainment or enterprise of any kind between the promoters and the Red Cross.

Recently some speakers at a Red Cross meeting near Rowland introduced an insurance man who offered as an inducement to any people who might insure with him that 25 percent of his commissions would be paid to the Red Cross. This brought from Southern headquarters at Atlanta to the Rowland chapter a letter advising that this was absolutely against the law; and enclosed with the letter was a pamphlet in regard to the use of the emblem and the use of the name or emblem in connection with division of profits. This pamphlet shows the name of the Red Cross may be used as an inducement only when the entire profits are to be given to the Red Cross.