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#### AT COURT HOUSE THIS EVENING.

Col. Albert Cox, Recently Re-turned From Overseas, Will Speak at the Court House This Evening at 8:30. Col. Albert Cox. commander,

of the 113th field artillery of the famous 30th division, which was composed largely of North Carolina troops, will speaks at the court house this evening at

8:30. Col. Cox only recently re-turned to the State after a long period of heroic service in France. He is an eloquent speaker and has a thrilling experience to relate. He has a message that every citizen of th State should hear and he should be greeted here this evening by a capacity house.

The public is cordially invit-

# ed to be present, including la-

TO AUDIT ACCOUNTS OF

Public Accountant Will Be Employed Where the County Stands-This Move Launched by Meeting at Row-

A certified public accountant will counts of the Robeson county board of road commissioners. The accountant will be employed by a committee representing citizens who want a re-port in detail of what has been done with the public road funds of Robeson county.

meeting held at Rowland Friday afternoon to consider the road situation in the county. The action was taken after discussion which lasted about en hour and a half, during which the shortcomings of the road board were severely criticised. Messrs. A W. Pate W. F. Bullock and Bernard Edens, all of Rowland, Maj. A. ther steps will be taken will depend upon disclosures made by the audit-

Showing that those who called this meeting "mean business, their ed to prosecute vigorously. He does not like the road law in that it does give bond. The only bonds the people board or not. have, he said, are the penalties provided for failure to carry out the provisions of the law, and he said he was in favor of seeing that those penalmight be well to throw a mantle of charity over past shortcomings and appoint a committee to go before the board and warn its members that the law must be strictly complied with in the future. Mr. Bracey boldly declared his belief that there should be adequate punishment for past mis-deeds, if it should be found that the commissioners were liable.

Mr. T. L. Johnson of Lumberton, who had been requested to attend the meeting prepared to explain the law, employed; contracts for dragging sections of roads shall be let to the lowest bidder after advertisements for

tune of around \$39,000.

Dr. W. E. Evans stated that road district No. 1. which includes Rowland, Fairmont Gaddy, White House and Sterling townships, pays \$9,499.14 that would give relief and would that would give relief and would the state of Lumberton. About 40 gallons road taxes annually, and wanted to practically take any township voting of beer were also found in the meat how where the money had gone. To road bonds out of the jurisdiction of house with the still. Charley and his There are 6 candidates from which Mr. Bracey's suggestion that there be a diagnosis of the situation, Dr. Dr. Carmichae Evans said the trouble was a diarrhea funds be raised to employ accountants a hearing before Recorder E. M. of money and constipation of work. to audit the books and determine just Britt. They were bound over to the He thought some provisions of the where the county stands in regard to Superior court under a \$200 bond law foolish. Though he has a brother road matters. The motion was passed each. They made bond . on the road board, he said he was by a practically unanimous standing Friday the officers located a still willing to have an investigation and vote, no dissenting votes being cast.

the consequences. formation desired could be had from this work. the county auditor. Mr. D. W. Bullock of Rowland agreed with him. the meeting and Mr. J. McR. Bracey the still being in his barn. He was way by frost Friday hight, The hote- vate Kornegay recently returned court. Mr. White thought the weak point secretary. The meeting, held in the not arrested but was warned of what sonian is advised by long-distance home from France, where he spent was wilful violation of the law on auditorium of the handsome graded the part of the road commissioners. school building, was attended by He said the commissioners are build- about 200 men, and it was plainly eviing now a road in Howellsville town-dent that they were men who are ship, a road which leads nowhere in convinced that there is something stroyed. particular. They have spent on this radically wrong with the administra-road \$5,000 enough, he said, to put tion of the road affairs of the coun a drag on every road in the county. ty and are determined to find out He said that while it is true the what that something is and to apply commissioners have fallen far short the remedy, if remedy can be found. of their plain duty, it should be remembered that about a year ago nearly every bridge in the county was win, G. E. Rancke, Jr., and J. A. washed away. He insisted that the Sharpe attended from Lumberton

#### MAY 10TH CELEBRATION.

A Feature of the Celebration in Honor of Soldiers Will Be the Parade -Red Cross and Liberty Loan Workers and All Who Took an Active Part in War Work Will Be Get an Aeroplane.

A feature of the celebration which town primary tomorrow. will be held in Lumberton May 10 in honor of returned soldiers will be Saturde the parade. In addition to Robeson be mad soldiers of three wars World war, dates: Civil and Spanish-American—who will of course form the principal part of the parade, all Red Cross and Liberty loan workers and all others who took an active part in war work. the two county districts, will be asked to join in the parade.

All chairmen of Red Cross chapters H. Crichton, to succeed T. A. McNeill glad to state.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McLean of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McLean of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McLean of Mrs. in the county and all town and town- Jr. be present, including laship managers of the various Liberty Loan drives are asked to meet in Lumberton Thursday of this week, at 11 a. m., at the court house, with the chairman of the parade committee, Mr. W. K. Bethune, in order to perfect arrangements for the parade.

| Mr. and Mrs. Harry McLean of Goldsboro spent a few days recently with Mr. McLean's grandmother, with Mr. McLean's grandmother, with Mr. McLean's grandmother, with Mr. Colin Edens. Mrs. Jack Tompson. Whaley are present memory of the board, while Mr. Barnes will succeed Mrs. J. D. Taylor spent Tuesday in perfect arrangements for the parade. perfect arrangements for the parade. of town.

aeroplane for the occasion and it is thought that they will be successful. are to be nominated.

office of the chairman, Mr .T. L. Johnson, and the complete program for be employed at once to audit the acthe day was arranged. It will be published in later issues of The Robe-

#### COUNTY BOARD OF AGRI-CULTURE WILL MEET MAY 7

#### This, in a word, is the result of the Plans Will Be Perfected for Perma. nent Farmers' Organization-All Farmers Invited.

onstration agent, has called a meeting present. At the afternoon session of the county board of agriculture to initiatory work was exemplified by be held in Lumberton Wednesday, the local chapter, after which the

advertisement said, Mr. J. McR. members urging them to attend the Bracey insisted that a rigid investigation be made and that if the investigation because the investigation bec tigation should show that the road nent farmers' organization in the funds had been unlawfully squander- county and other matters of interest ed that competent lawyers be employ- to the agricultural class will be con-

not require the road commissioners to the meeting, whether members of the

## Howellsville Township Want \$75,000 Road Bond Issue.

strongly to a suggestion made by Mr.

A. E. White of Lumberton that it of the Farmers' union Saturday afternoon. A large crowd attended the meeting and practically enough signatures were secured to get an elcc. tion called for Howellsville township to vote on a \$75,000 bond issue for road purposes. The county commissioners will be asked to call the elec-

#### Miss Andrews is Lecturing in Bladen This Week.

Miss Flax Andrews, county home was called upon and briefly pointed demonstration agent, leaves today for out some of the main provisions of Bladen county, where she expects to It provides, he explained spend the week lecturing to commuter. that road funds shall be spent as nity club meetings held by the demnearly as possible equally in all sec- onstration agent of that county and tions of the county; a competent su- representatives from Raleigh. These perintendent, recommended by the meetings are put on by the State De-State Highway commission, shall be partment and Robeson's agent is to

bids in some newspaper; sign posts most important thing is for the commust be put up at all road crossings; missioners to live up to the law, which no new roads shall be built until all they have not done, and that the most existing public roads have been put important provision of the law is the in good repair; the commissioners are one requiring the employment of a not allowed to borrow over \$10,000. competent road superintendent. He F. A. Wishart captured a lard-tub. It was pointed out that the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still Thursday afternoon and whisher the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still Thursday afternoon and the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still Thursday afternoon and the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still Thursday afternoon and the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still Thursday afternoon and the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still Thursday afternoon and the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still the commisurged that each township could get whiskey still the commisurged that each township could get which the commisurged that each t sioners are already in debt to the relief by voting road bonds under the captured another of like model Frinew law which provides that any day.

The still captured Thursday was in the home of

let those who are responsible take Subscription papers were circulated and quite a handsome sum was raised Lumberton. About 40 gallons of beer

Dr. Pate was elected chairman of the officers that he knew nothing of

#### TOWN PRIMARY TUESDAY. RED SPRINGS NEWS ITEMS.

mary Tomorrow-Nomination Is Equivalent to Election But Election Will Be Held May 5th.

A mayor, two town commissioners, Asked to Be in the Parade-May three graded school trustees and three members of the board of audit and finance are to be nominated in the

The time for "coming out" closed da were guests on last Su Saturday night and the ticket will Dr. and Mrs. J. L. McMillanbe made up of the following cardl-

For mayor-James D. Proctor, present incumbent, and W. K. Be-

thune. including the exemption boards of and Dr. N. A. Thompson. One to be where he attended Presbytery.

the two county districts, will be asknominated.

Mrs. J. D. Brice, who has been

Public Accountant Will Be Employed

By Citizens to Determine Just

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Board of audit and finance—Frank is there for treatment. She reports his condition as somewhat better.

By Citizens to Determine Just

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Move Launched by Meeting at Row-land Friday—Road Commissioners

It is hoped to be able to make definite announcement in regard to this Severely Crimised for Failure to in Thursday's Pobesonian.

Observe Plaia Provisions of the Law.

It is hoped to be able to make definite announcement in regard to this Wishart J. J. Goodwin, D. B. Mc-law.

While nominated.

The primary managers are Wade dren have also returned from a visit with the relatives in Virginia.

While nomination is equivalent to lection, the regular election will be it assisting Rev. A. C. Bridgman with led Monday Fay to the endowment work. held Monday, way 5.

#### DISTRICT MEETING E. O. S.

Annual Meeting Held in Lumberton -Initiatory Work and Public Installation of Officers.

Reported for The Robesonian. The annual meeting of district No. 6 was held with the Lumberton chapter No. 116, Order of the Eastern Star, at the Masonic hall on Thursday, April 24th Quite a number Mr. O. O. Dukes county farm dem- of delegates from other chapters were

A W. Pate W. P. Bullock and Bernard Edens, all of Rowland, Maj. A.

J. McKinnon of Maxton and Dr. N. A.
Thompson of Lumberton were appointed a committee to secure funds to pay fo rthe audit and to employ an accountant. Whether or not further steps will be taken will depend to the page of the members are the steps will be taken will depend to the page of the members are the page of th

ception was given. Installation ceremonies were conducted in a very impressive manner by the installing officer, Mrs. Clare McNeill, worthy matron, assisted by Mrs. Clare Thom-All farmers are invited to attend as, marshal. The following officers were duly installed for the ensuing year: Mrs. Sara Pope, worthy matron; Mr. G. Ed. Rancke, Jr., worthy miss Pearl Howard association; Mrs. Emma McNeill, secretary; Mrs. Nettie Allen, treas-urer; Mrs. Olive McAllister, conductress; Mrs. Emma Lee, associate conductress; Mrs. Kate S. McLeod, chaplain; Miss Lillian Barker, marshal; Mrs. Kate Thompson, organist; Mrs. Helen McLeod. Adah; Mrs. Nettie Jenkins, Ruth; Mrs. Clare Thomas, Esther; Mrs. Annie Norment, Martha; Mrs. Clare McNeill, Electa; Mrs. Lizzie Proctor, warden; Mr. John S. McNeill, sentinel. A past worthy matron's jewel was presented to Mrs. Clare McNeill as a token of appreciation of her services to the chapter. About eighty were present. Re-

freshments were served. Delegates were entertained in the homes of members of the local chap-The next district meeting will be held with the Hamlet chapter.

### 2 STILLS CAPTURED.

Lard-Tub Whiskey Still Found in Smokehouse-Another Located in a Barn, Both Within 3 Miles of Lumberton-3 Negroes Bound to Court

Sheriff R. E. Lewis, Deputy Sheriff A. H. Prevatt and Rural Policeman

son, Charlie, Jr., and Dock Smith, Dr. Carmichael made a motion that also colored, were arrested and given

in a barn at the home of (Little) Billie Phillips, two miles east of Mr. A. E. White thought all the inlips is very feeble and declared to would result if another still was found about his place.

Both stills were brought to town by the officers and the beer was de-

LIBERTY LOAN SPEAKING. Correspondence of The Robesonian. Hon. H. E. Stacy will speak in the high school auditorium at Orrum Thursday night May 1st, at 8:30 The public is cordially invited to attend R. C. LAWRENCE,

County Chairman.

Candidates to Be Voted For in Pri- Piano Graduating Regital This Eve- Pvt. Arthur C. Brisson of Allenton. ning-Interest in "Welcome Home" Celebration at Lumber Bridge-Play By High School Students-A Marriage-Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Red Springs, April 25.—Mr. and losis while in the army and was at Mrs. Howard of Pinehurst and Canada were guests on last Sunday of the time of his death. His remains

Wilmington visited Mr. Webster's pa-rents here this week.

Mrs. G. R. Dupuy is in a visit to her old home, Washington. Dr. B. F. McMillan has returned For commissioners, first ward— Dr. B. F. McMillan has returned W. P. McAllister, present incumbent from Ashpole church, near Rowland,

For commissioner, third ward-R. quite ill is much improved, we are

Fayetteville with Mr. Taylor, who

med compose the old board Three from New York, where he spent several weeks. Mrs. McMillan and chil-

the endowment work.

Mrs. J. G. Brown and Miss Katie Brown attended the McRae-Make-

forward to the piano graduating re-cital of Miss Nancy Lee Anderson, home First and Cedar streets Friday Liettakers for the which takes place on Monday evening in the college auditorium. Quite a good deal of interest is be-

ing shown in the celebration at Lumdiscuss plans for the day. A play "Every Youth," will be giv-en this evening (Friday) by the high

school in the graded school auditorium. From all reports it promises

### INTERNATIONAL SITUATION

Still Clamorous.

gave the following summary: pant of the league of nations. This man volunteered from Lumberton, in probably will be the outstanding fea- January, 1916, saw service on the ture of the conference during the Mexican border, sailed from New early days of the week. There are York June 12, 1917, with Co. A, 28th French, Japanese and Belgian amend- Inf., 1st Div. and was in the thick ments already passed upon to be re- of the fight from the first engageconsidered in part and adjusted, but ment of American troops May 27. it is reported in Paris advices that 1918, until the armistice was signed

been made. At last accounts the Italian people killedstill were clamoring for the carrying out to the full extent of their demands with regard to Fiume and the Dalmatian coast and islands, but President Wilson and the French and British premiers remained adamant Not alone in Italy is the feeling prevalent that Italy's ambitions should be realized, as reports have been received at the home of her parents at Kinof demonstrations in Fiume in favor ston for some time, joined her hus-

Italy. An American national military cemetery was dedicated Sunday in a section of France near the battlefields where Americans laid down

#### Town Primary at Fairmont Tomorrow.

Fairmont will hold a primary tomorrow for the nomination of a candidate for mayor and 4 alderman. Mr. E. Fisher, who formerly held the office, is the only candidate for mayor There are 6 candidates from which to select 4 aldermen: A. L. Jones. Dr. J. P. Brown, E. B. McDaniel, W N. Hubbard, O. I. Floyd, N. A. Andrews. Mr. Andrews being the culy member of the present board who is offering for office again. The candidates nominated tomorrow will be elected May 10th.

#### Much Cotton Killed Up Maxton Way.

'phone from Maxton this morning several months. Some men at' Maxton this morning were preparing to re-plant as high as 75 acres in cotton. Some tobacco also was killed.

#### Considerable Frost-Some Tobac-

co Plants Killed. killed in many places

#### THE RECORD OF DEATHS.

was a Lumberton visitor Friday. Mr. Brisson informed The Robesonian of the death of his son, Private Arthur C. Brisson, which occurred April 4. Private Brisson contracted tubercuthe State sanatorium at Montrose at were sent home and interment was Mr. Ben Webster and daughter of made in the family burying ground. The government paid all the expenses of Private Brisson while he was at the sanatorium. He went into the army April 2, 1919, and was sent to Camp Jackson, Columbia. S. C.

### Mother of Mr. D. L. Whiting of Lum

Mr. D. L. Whiting was advised by wire Friday of the death of his mother. Mrs. B. Whiting of McColl, S C., which occurred Friday morning. De-ceased was 66 years old an I had been ill for some time. She was at Dr. Baircock's private sanatorium at Columbia, S. C., when the end came. Tie funeral was conducted from the Presbyterian church at Hamilet Saturdey at 10 a. m. and interment was made in the family turying plot in Harriet. The funeral was conducted Buie-by Rev. J. J. Harrell, pastor of the there-Presbyterian church of McCoil of school which deceased was a member. Mr. -Sgt. E. E. Nye left this morning Whiting went to McCoil Friday eve- for Wilmington, where he has acceptmag and attended the funeral Sat- a position. Mrs. Nye and to uidey, returning home Saturday to to Wilmington Wednesday to join

Sandy McNeill. died Thursday night at 10 o'clock afhome, First and Cedar streets, Friday at 5 p. m. by Rev. Dr. R. C. Beaman, ships in Robeson met with the county pastor of Chestnut Street Methodist auditor and county attorney here Fri-

#### HOME FROM THE WAR

ago. The names of the members appointed were published in The Robesonian.

In the serious day evening of Miss Marian McRae expects to arrive here in about the assistance of him and his family and the afternoon session was over the visitors were given a nautomobile dence, R. I., which took place at the france arrived at Newport News —In the report of the funeral of bride's home in Fayetteville. Miss from France yesterday and went to Mis. A. A. Bethune at St. Pauls in At 8:30 p. m. a public installation McRae's only attendant was Mrs. Dan camp Morrison. Mr. Morrison was I hursday's Robesonian it was inad-Newton of Red Springs. Mr. and among the first volunteers and was vertently stated that the male quar-Mrs. Makepeace have many friends in France nearly 2 years. He has a tette that sang at the grave requestand relatives in this section who wish star for being among the first troops them much happiness.

Corporal(not private, as at first Final Action Begins on Covenant of been visiting at the home of his un-League of Nations-Italian People cie Mr. Charlie Hickman R 1 from Lumberton, since the 18th inst., will leave this evening for New York, near The Associated Press this morning which place, at Camp Merritt, N. J., he will be engaged for some time in Monday is to see the commence-ment of the final action on the cove-demobilization of troops. Corpl. Hickprogress in this direction has already He came through without a wound, though most of his company was

#### Lieut. C. Basil Skipper Returns Home Lieut. C. Basil Skipper arrived

home Saturday morning from Camp Upton, N. Y., having been given an honorable discharge from military service. Mrs. Skipper, who had been of demonstration of the seaport to him home. Lieut. Skipper returned to the States from France in February. While overseas he was attach-5 months in the trenches. He took their lives for the cause of the world. setive part in four big battles and 40 per cent. of his regiment was killed and wounded. He escaped without a wound, however.

> Mr. G. P. Conoley of Rennert. Correspondence of The Robesonian. Mrs. G. P. Conoley of Rennert, R.

> her husband had arrived in New York from France. Mr. Conoley saw 7 months' service overseas and is now in Grand Central hospital in New York city.

> Mr. A. Gradford Prevatt of R. 2, been given an honorable discharge

from the army.

home Saturday night from Camp tending Conslow court. Misses Len-Jackson, having been given an hon-Much cotton was killed up Maxton onable discharge from the army. Pri-

> Private L. R. Bullard of the U. S. army is spending a few days furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. X. Bullard. Private Bullard re cently returned from overseas.

-The Back Swamp Community club There was considerable frost will meet at Back Swamp school house throughout this section Saturday Friday afternoon of this week at 2:-morning. Farmers report that to. 30. All members are urged to be presmorning. Farmers report that to- 30. All members are urged to be pres-bacco plants on the plant beds were ent. Miss Annie Mitchell is secretary killed in many places

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#### BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

Born, to Recorder and Mrs. E. M. Britt, yesterday morning a girl. —St. Alban's lodge No. II4 A. F. and A. M., will meet tomorrow evening at 8:30. Degree work.

-Miss Lula Graham of R. 7, Lumberton, has accepted a position in the music department of the Lumberton furniture store. She began work this morning.

-Mr. A. W. McLean, one of the four members of the War Finance board, left last evening for Washington after spending a few days

here on business. -Mr. John T. Biggs and family and Miss Drina Hedgpeth spent vesterday at Wadesboro visiting rela-tives. They made the trip in Mr.

Biggs' automobile. -Mr. W. Lennon delivered the literary address at the closing exercises of Union chapel, Indian school, near Buie Friday. Besides the address, there were splendid exercises by the

-Sgt. E. E. Nye left this morning her husband. Sgt. Nye recently returned from France. -A request to mention in Thurs-

did not reach this office until Thurs-The music-loving public is looking ter an illness of four months. The day night, after Thursday's paper had -Listtakers for the various town-

church, and interment was made in day and received instructions and ing shown in the celebration at Lumbert bet Bridge on the 30th. The Red Cross chapter met Thursday afternoon to ed the grave.

the family burying ground in East supplies for the task of listing taxable property for the year 1919, ed the grave.

Lumberton. Floral offerings coverble property for the year 1919.

dinance for a dog to run at large on the streets and Chief of Police E. L. Hanna says he has been irstructed to kill all dogs found running at large in town Better keep your dog

ed to be allowed to sing. It should have been that they were requested

to sing.

-Col. Fred A. Olds, director of the North Carolina Hall of History and well-known newspaper correspondent, spent Friday night in Lumberton. Col Olds is winding up his visits to the 100 counties of the State, collecting valuable data from court house records for the hall of history.

-Members of Long Branch Baptist church gave their paster, Rev. I. P. Hedgpeth, and family a liberal pounding Friday evening. It was the sort of pounding that means so much in days of high-priced provisions and of course Mr. Hedgpeth and family appreciated it very much. -Rev. H. A. Grantham, former

pastor of Trinity Episcopal church, and Mrs Grantham spent Friday in Lumberton visiting friends. have been sojourning in Florida for some time and went from here to East Haven, Conn., where Mr. Grantham has accepted the pastorate of Christ's church. -Justice J. M. Smith of Allenton

does not always "dress up" when he officiates at a marriage. Mr. Smith was a Lumberton visitor Saturday getting up at midnight recently to marry a couple of Indians. He was barefooted at the time he spoke the uniting words. -Fire destroyed the residence of Alex Golden, colored, and an unoccu-

pied dwelling belonging to the widow of the late Henry Key, also colored, about 3 o'clock Saturday morning. The buildings were located near the plant of the Kingsdale Lumber corporation. The fire originated in the unoccupied dwelling.

-Mrs. F. M. Huggins and daughter, Ruby, and Mr. M. H. Noble and small daughter, Mildred, spert ves-, was advised by wire Friday that terday in Fayetteville with relatives and friends. Mrs. Noble returned home with them, she having recently undergone an operation at Highsmiths hospital. Her condition seems to be somewhat improved-

-Mr. L. R. Varser, a member of the law firm of Messrs. McLean, Var-Lumberton, arrived home Saturday ser, McLean & Stacy, and Misses from Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., having Minnie Lennon and Anna Newton, who are employed as stenographers by that firm returned Thursday eveping from Jacksonville, Onslow coun-Private Marvin Kornegay arrived ty, where they spent two weeks atnon and Newton did stenographic work in cornection with the term of

#### Easter Offering.

In Thursday's Robesonian it was stated that the Easter offering at Chestnut Street Methodist church was \$438.66. Contributions made since Sunday to be added to that offering run the total to \$500.06. The pastor, Rev. Dr. R. C. Beaman, asked for a contribution of \$500.

# DR. WILLIAM W. PARKER.