

ROBESON'S FOURTH WILL BE GUARANTEED

Delegation Will Go to Big Road Meet at Monroe Loaded For The Highway.

MAY GO ON SPECIAL TRAIN FROM WILMINGTON

Large Delegation is Expected to Go From Lumberton—Through Robeson Is the Route for W. C. A. Highway.

A delegation with full authority to guarantee that this county will put up its part of the cost of the construction of her part of the Wilmington-Charlotte-Asheville highway through Robeson will go to the big road meet at Monroe on May 29th.

Efforts are being made to round up enough delegates to have two Pullman cars for the Robeson delegation attached to the special train which will be run from Wilmington for the New Hanover delegation. The cost of the round trip including meals on the train, will be \$8.82. In order to have the cars placed, one here and one at Maxton, it will be necessary to collect in advance from all who will go, \$8.82 from Lumberton and slightly less than \$8.82 from Maxton.

More than 40 people already have agreed to go from Lumberton and it is hoped that others from Lumberton and from other sections of the county will make up a large delegation from Robeson. Wilmington and New Hanover county will run a special train of Pullman cars to Monroe and if enough delegates from Robeson can be secured two Pullman cars, 30 people to each car—or at least 30 fares paid for each car—can be attached to this train, if Maj. Jos. W. Little, who is in charge of arrangements for the Wilmington train, can make the necessary arrangements. Maj. Little passed through Lumberton this morning on his way to Wilmington and will advise the Lumberton committee fully this evening as to what arrangements can be made.

It is important that a large delegation go from Robeson to this meeting, which will be one of the most important road meetings of the year. Maj. Little said that in Charlotte yesterday he learned that 500 people will attend from Mecklenburg. Large delegations from each of the 15 counties along the route of the W.-A. highway are expected.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Suit for \$15,000 Damages for Death of Walter Barnes—No Court Yesterday—Divorce.

The trial of Rowland Barnes, administrator, vs. American Railway Express and the Seaboard Air Line Ry. Co. was begun in Superior court here this morning. Barnes is suing for \$15,000 damages as a result of the death of his brother, Walter Barnes, being killed while loading at the union station here last August a piece of express. He was assisting in loading a heavy shaft when the shaft struck him on the head and crushed his skull, death resulting a few days later.

No court was held yesterday because Judge W. P. Stacy, who is presiding, was called to Wilmington as a witness in Federal court.

Mary Davis was granted divorce from Welton Davis this morning, this being the only jury trial completed this week.

RECORDER'S COURT.

John Leak, Colored, Sentenced to 6 Months on Rented.

John Leak, colored, was given a six-months road sentence by Recorder E. M. Britt yesterday when convicted of assault upon Will Rozier, also colored. Leak was acquitted of the charge of assault upon Ruben Rozier. Leak gave notice of appeal and made bond in the sum of \$200.

Will Rozier was found not guilty of assault upon John Leak while Fred Royler, colored, was found guilty of simple assault upon John Leak and judgment was suspended upon payment of the cost.

The cases grew out of a general mix-up between Leak and the three Roziers on May 10.

95 GALLONS OF BEER DESTROYED

Rural Policeman F. A. Wishart destroyed 95 gallons of beer Monday afternoon. Fifty gallons of the beer was found at the home of John Oxendine, Indian; 30 gallons at the home of Hub Hammonds, Indian, and 15 gallons at the home of another Indian named Bell. The Indians live about 7 miles north of Lumberton.

VOTES FOR WOMEN ENDORSED BY HOUSE OF CONGRESS.

National suffrage for women was endorsed by the House of Congress yesterday for the second time, 304 to 88. Supporters of the measure are confident of securing the necessary two-thirds vote in the Senate, which twice defeated the measure last session.

FIVE TOWNSHIPS VOTE ROAD BONDS

Overwhelming Vote in Favor of Bond Issues totalling \$255,000.

UNANIMOUS IN PARKTON.

Very Light Vote Was Cast Against Bonds—8 Other Townships Vote on Bond Issues June 18th.

Five Robeson townships—Lumberton, Fairmont, Rowland, St. Pauls and Parkton—will issue bonds for public road purposes. Elections were held in all these townships Tuesday and each township gave an overwhelming majority in favor of issuing bonds.

The vote cast in each of the townships was as follows: Lumberton—total vote 194; for bond issue, 173; against, 21. Mr. Geo. L. Thompson was elected township supervisor without opposition, receiving 181 votes.

Fairmont—total vote 148; for, 143; against, 5. Mr. F. C. Jones was elected township supervisor over Mr. W. C. Brown, 75 to 71.

Parkton—total vote 45; for, 45; against, none. Mr. T. M. Blue was elected township supervisor over Mr. E. K. Campbell, 24 to 15.

Rowland—total vote 160; for, 134; against, 26. Dr. T. W. Carmichael was elected township supervisor without opposition.

St. Pauls—total vote 202; for bond issue, 193; against 9. Mr. D. B. Lancaster was elected township road supervisor.

The amount of the bond issue in the various townships follows: Lumberton, \$100,000; Fairmont, \$60,000; Rowland, \$50,000; St. Pauls, \$25,000; Parkton, \$20,000.

As shown above, not a vote was cast against the bond issue in Parkton township and the vote in each of the five townships indicates that the people generally are in favor of good roads and believe the township bond issue is the solution.

When it was learned in Lumberton that the township of Parkton and St. Pauls had voted bonds so overwhelmingly, the very next day, yesterday, the circulation of a petition for a road bond election was begun in that township with the expectation of getting the signature of every voter in the township. The fever is spreading.

Eight other townships will vote on road bond issues totalling \$365,000 on June 18th, as follows: Smiths, \$75,000; Red Springs, \$10,000; Pembroke, \$50,000; Orrum, \$25,000; Howellsville, \$75,000; Gaddy, \$20,000; Maxton, \$100,000; Shannon, \$10,000.

Petitions for a road bond election, amount not yet determined but possibly \$50,000 or \$75,000, are being circulated in Thompson township.

SEVEN DAYS GRACE GIVEN TO GERMANY

Time in which Peace Treaty May be Signed Set Forward to May 29.

The Associated Press summary this morning says: A period of 7 days grace has been extended to Germany by the representatives of the allied and associated government in which the German peace delegates may conclude their study of the peace treaty and formulate such replies to the various clauses as they desire.

The extension of time, which originally was to have expired at noon Thursday, May 29, at the request of the Germans, who advanced the plea that more time was required in order that they might formulate argument of much importance.

Almost simultaneously with the request for more time comes from Berlin a statement from the German cabinet that Germany is unwilling to sign the peace treaty. The document is a reiteration, although in stronger words, of the views of the foremost statesmen in Germany that the sealing of the compact would spell the ruin of the former empire.

GETTING IN LINE FOR RE-ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY

County Commissioners and County Assessors Hold Joint Meeting—County Will Place a Ford and a Typewriter at Disposal of Assessors.

The board of county commissioners met yesterday in joint session with Mr. S. H. McKinnon, county property assessor and his assistants, Messrs. Paisley McMillan and J. P. Price, and discussed matters pertaining to the task of re-assessing the taxable property of the county.

The board ordered that the county purchase a Ford automobile and a typewriter and turn same over to Mr. McKinnon. Both the auto and the typewriter will be sold at auction after the assessors have completed their work and the proceeds will go to the general county fund.

Rev. R. Walter Owensend of Raynham was a Lumberton visitor Monday and Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. L. E. Ricks and small son, Linwood, of Fairmont are among the shoppers in town today.

PARKTON ITEMS

A Chapter of Disasters—Fine Horse Killed by Train, Auto Burned and House Struck by Lightning—Personal and Other Items of Interest.

BY C. D. WILLIAMSON.

Parkton, May 20.—Dr. Dunaway of West Virginia, one of the former pastors of the Baptist church, arrived Sunday on his way from the Southern Baptist convention in Atlanta, Ga. He left Monday morning for his home. He was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Collier Cobb.

Rev. Mr. Brooks of Red Springs filled the pulpit Sunday morning at the Baptist church, also Hon. R. T. Herring of Fayetteville spoke at the 11 o'clock hour at the M. E. church in the interest of the Centenary drive, which was to start at 12 o'clock. Mr. Herring delivered one of the most enjoyable lectures ever delivered in our town, although the congregation was not large.

Private Chas. Vance McMillan arrived home Monday morning from France. He was mustered out at Camp Lee. He is looking fat and fine, the picture of robust manhood—looks like he is now ready to bat a home run in any league. His many friends are glad to see him.

On last Saturday p. m., while Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Fisher and small son, Hugh, were on their return home from Fayetteville, Mr. Fisher discovered a flat tire on his car two miles this side of town. He stopped and phoned over to town for a new tube and when the tube arrived they proceeded to place the tire on and the car slipped backwards a few feet and the oil tank struck a crate of bottles and broke a hole in the tank. There was a lighted lantern a few feet away which caused the gasoline to catch fire and while a large number of people participated in trying to put the fire out, yet in spite of all that could be done the splendid car was burned badly, almost completely destroyed. There were 8 or 10 gallons of gasoline in the tank.

Another serious misfortune was that of Maj. J. B. Malloy, yesterday, when his fine saddle and one of his mules broke out the lot while the mule was away from home and while the mule was forced off the track by hard work by some passersby and one of the mule's hands that was trying with all his might to get the mule home, the fine horse was caught by a freight train and killed, his head being dragged 200 yards or more. This is a great loss on the major as the horse was probably the finest in the county. Many will remember this fine steed in the parade at Lumberton Bridge on the home-coming day. The railroad company no doubt will reimburse the damage.

During the heavy rain and wind storm this afternoon near 5 o'clock the Hodge house was struck by lightning and was badly torn up. The house was occupied by Dr. Herndon and family and it is remarkable that none of the family was stunned or killed, as great balls of fire were rolling all around them. Mr. Herndon, as soon as the storm passed over, moved to the Neill McNeill house, which was only vacated on yesterday by Mr. John Barringer.

Miss Ellen Smith, Miss Elsie Smith and Mr. Carter of Shannon were visitors to our town Sunday.—Mr. A. J. Garris and wife returned Monday evening from Charlotte and Morven, where they spent several days. They took their trip in their nice new car.

Postmaster Collier Cobb and Mr. T. W. Thompson are in Charlotte for a day or two.

Dr. McPhaul of Lumberton is in town this p. m. making some inquiries and investigating the conditions of the health of our town and community.

Dr. Princess Stanton returned home to Florence, S. C., after spending a day or so with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Stanton.

That was some scorching sermon Sunday night by Rev. J. L. Jenkins at the Baptist church. The church was full to its capacity and he held them 45 minutes spell-bound.

EIGHTY-FIRST DIVISION WILL SAIL DURING JUNE

The 81st division, in which are included many drafted men from North and South Carolina is now scheduled for departure from France some time in June. The 81st has been assigned to early convoy, according to announcement Monday of the War Department. No announcement is yet forthcoming regarding the part at which the troops will land.

The 81st division will be the third division to sail in June.

HOME FROM THE WAR

Private Marvin Lovett of Camp Jackson is spending a 30-days' furlough visiting relatives and friends near Fairmont.

Private LeRoy Bullard arrived home today from Camp Jackson, having been given an honorable discharge from the army. Private Bullard recently returned from overseas. He volunteered more than a year ago and spent several months in France.

Dr. B. E. Washburn, of the State Board of Health, spent Tuesday here with Dr. W. A. McPhaul, county health officer.

FLORA McDONALD'S FINALS.

Closing Exercises Attended by Large Crowd—Vesper Service—Meeting of Alumnae Association—Senior Day. Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Red Springs, May 20.—The closing exercises of Flora MacDonald began Sunday morning with a large crowd in attendance. As usual one of the most attractive features of the day was at entrance into the auditorium of the student body, singing as they marched. Following the opening prayer the Lord's prayer was softly sung by the chorus class. After the Scripture reading and a prayer by Rev. Mr. Goodman of Antioch, the chorus class rendered a beautiful anthem. Rev. W. E. Hill of the First church, Fayetteville, then preached a strong and eloquent sermon, taking as his theme the dauntless and courageous character of Queen Vashti. He appealed to the young women to uphold the dignity and purity of womanhood as did this heroic queen of olden days. With his wonderful descriptive powers and vivid word pictures, Dr. Hill held the attention of his audience for upwards of an hour and not one went away but felt refreshed and uplifted by the message of the talented servant of God. At the conclusion of the service the orchestra played a beautiful selection.

At 6:30 there was a sweet and impressive Vesper service on the campus at which time Dr. Vardell always makes his farewell heart-to-heart talk to his girls and teachers. At night Rev. Mr. Siler of Maxton preached to the Y. M. C. A. in the Presbyterian church. Beautiful and appropriate music was rendered by the college choir.

On Monday morning the alumnae association met in business session in the Epsilon Chi hall, about 65 members being present. The following officers were elected: Miss Mary Fairley, president; Miss Bessie Covington, first vice-president; Miss Kate Evans, second vice-president; Mr. R. W. Massie, recording secretary and treasurer; Miss Bess Sykes, corresponding secretary; Mrs. G. T. Bullock, alumnae editor. At the close of the meeting Dr. Vardell made a very helpful and encouraging talk, telling of the good work of the Flora MacDonald girls wherever they have been. He also unfolded plans and hopes for several new buildings in the near future, and dwelt especially upon the Scott's library that is an established fact. Some money and many valuable books have already been contributed, and the task of assembling records and priceless relics of the Scotch people is already under way. After this the meeting adjourned to the gymnasium, where a dainty and palatable luncheon was served, cafeteria style. The decorations for the occasion were a charming combination of snap dragons, sweet peas and Dorothy Perkins roses.

One of the most popular features of the commencement program is the senior play, and on Monday night the auditorium was packed with an enthusiastic audience. As an amateur performance the play for the evening, "As you Like It," was far above the average and the staging, costuming and acting were excellent. Though all did their parts wonderfully well, perhaps special mention might be made of the leading characters—Margaret Faulkner, Sadie Menzies, Helen Strausky, Annie Burt Stainback, and Mary Pat Livingston, the latter as Touchstone, the clown, calling forth much amused applause. At the conclusion of the play the ushers came forward laden with beautiful flowers and other gifts for the young actors, gifts which they so richly deserved.

As we write the exhibits of art and domestic science are taking place, a full account of which will appear in the next issue.

EDITORS WILL MEET AT WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH JULY 30-31

The annual convention of the North Carolina Press association will meet at Wrightsville Beach 30 and 31. This being decided at a meeting of the executive committee in Charlotte Tuesday. A special Pullman will be run from Charlotte. President Z. W. Whitehead of Wilmington assured the committee that Wilmington will give the newspaper men an exceptionally good time. Secretary of the Navy Daniels will be the principal speaker. A big ship now being constructed will be launched during the meeting and the editors will be special guests during the occasion.

PREPARING FOR ARRIVAL OF EIGHTY-FIRST JUNE 20TH

Corporal O. K. Barnes of Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., is spending some time visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Barnes, on R. 3 from Lumberton. Corporal Barnes informed The Robesonian that preparation is being made at Camp Jackson for the arrival of the 81st—Wildcat—division June 20th.

PRICE COTTON WAREHOUSE ACT IS CONSTITUTIONAL

The State Supreme court yesterday sustained the constitutionality of the Price cotton warehouse act, which places 25-cents per bale tax on all cotton ginned for the purpose of establishing a system of cotton warehouses in North Carolina.

BABY WEEK GREAT SUCCESS

Interesting and Helpful Program Put On at Meetings of Home Demonstration Clubs—Helpful Programs Will Be Put on During Summer and Mothers Are Urged to Join.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Believing that the people of Robeson county are interested in welfare of their babies, I want to take this opportunity of telling you what it has been my privilege to accomplish during the past week, which was set apart by our State as Baby Week.

In all parts of the county at the various home demonstration clubs we set apart one day as baby day and each mother made special efforts to be present bringing with her the baby. With the very capable assistance of Dr. W. A. McPhaul, health officer, I was able to put on a most interesting and helpful program. Dr. McPhaul most tactfully gave a very heart to heart talk to the mothers in the form of a lecture, in which he instructed them along the important lines in the care and feeding of babies. Near one hundred mothers and babies attended these meetings, and following the lecture we made pictures of both mothers and babies.

Let me take this opportunity of thanking the members of my clubs for their cooperation and to urge other mothers to become a member of these home demonstration clubs. It is my purpose during the summer to put on most helpful programs and I am anxious to help you to find a greater joy in home and fireside and to be of greater service to your own family as well as to extend the spirit of the family fireside to the entire community.

MARTHA FLAX ANDREWS, County Home Demonstration Agent.

GLENWOOD SCHOOL FINALS

Dr. Beaman Delivered Eloquent Address—Interesting Program Rendered.

"What Will You Do With Your Life?" This was the subject of an eloquent address delivered by Rev. Dr. R. C. Beaman, pastor of Chestnut Street Methodist church of Lumberton, at the closing exercises of Glennwood public school Tuesday.

Declaring that life is all one has when one comes into the world and speaker told of the importance of all one has when one goes out, the making the best of one's life. Too many lives are flung away by wasting the opportunities of their present themselves, said the speaker. A person can invest his life wisely or foolishly.

The speaker was introduced by Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of public instruction. Prof. Poole told something of the work done in the public schools of Robeson during the last school year and commended the work done in the Glennwood school.

A most interesting program, consisting of songs and recitations, was presented by the school before the address. After the address a bountiful dinner was served on the grounds. The school gave a concert Monday evening and a play—"And Home Came Ted"—was presented by the young people of the community Tuesday evening. The exercises as a whole were highly entertaining and gave evidence of rare talent.

Miss Henrietta Duncan of the Glennwood community taught the school, doing the work that two teachers had done heretofore.

SALVATION ARMY HOME SERVICE FUND

\$1,122.25 Amount So Far Reported in Robeson—County's Quota is \$3,000.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Reports received up to Wednesday afternoon show subscriptions made by the people in the towns named, to be as follows:

Lumberton, \$450; Fairmont, \$125; Maxton, \$100; Rowland, \$100; St. Pauls \$50; Lumber Bridge, \$25; Parkton, \$30; Shannon, \$15; Duies, \$20; Red Springs, \$147; Pratorville, \$25; McDona's \$35.25—making a total of \$1,122.25.

The committees at these places and those which have not yet made reports are actively engaged in securing their quotas, and it is confidently expected that each township in the county will do its full share in this work. Three thousand dollars is the amount allotted to Robeson county.

Full and final report of subscriptions obtained from each point in the county will appear in The Robesonian and the other papers in the county next week.

JUNIUS J. GOODWIN, County Chairman.

HOPE FOR HAWKER AND GRIEVE ABANDONED

Hope for the safety of Harry G. Hawker and Commander McKenzie Grieve, missing since they set out from St. John's, N. F., eastward through the air last Sunday in their Sopwith biplane for Ireland, virtually was abandoned yesterday.

WATCH THE LABEL

Watch the date opposite the name on the label on your paper. When your subscription expires your paper will be stopped. This applies to all subscribers.

BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—Miss Agnes McLean's music class will give a recital in the graded school auditorium Friday evening, May 23rd, at 8:30.

—Cornelia Merrick and Lairy Smith, colored, were married in the court house yesterday afternoon. Justice M. G. McKenzie officiated.

—Pine Camp No. 144, W. O. W., will meet at Long Branch Saturday evening of this week at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

—Pennecia McMillan and John Wesley Jones, Indians, were married in Messrs. White & Gough's store today at 11 a. m. Justice A. E. White officiated.

—The story hour of the Twentieth Century Mothers' club, under Messdames C. H. Boyd and J. R. Poole, will be conducted tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Alf H. McLeod.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Lane and children, of Dillon, S. C., spent last Sunday with Mrs. Lane's father, Mr. G. E. Rancke, Sr., at Jennings' Beach on Lumber river. They made the trip in their new auto.

—Mr. Giles W. Mercer has accepted a position as salesman in Mr. K. M. Biggs' department store. Mr. Mercer recently returned home from France and worked in the Biggs store before entering the army.

—Mayor James D. Proctor was elected chaplain of Victory council Junior Order of United American Mechanics and Mr. Ben G. Floyd was elected assistant recording secretary at the regular meeting of the council Monday evening.

—Mr. T. L. Johnson will discuss the township road bond law at the Howellsville voting precinct Saturday, May 31, at 4 p. m. Mr. S. Jones will be at the voting place each Saturday from now till June 7 for the purpose of registering voters for the bond election.

—Lieut. W. P. McKay, son of County Commissioner J. F. McKay of the Philadelphia section, was a Lumberton visitor yesterday. Lieut. McKay returned home some 30 days ago after 10-months' service in France with the 30th division. He was a first lieutenant in the medical corps.

—Messrs. Bullock Brothers will begin their regular daily automobile service between Lumberton and Fairmont next Monday. The auto will make two round trips daily. The first car will leave Lumberton for Fairmont at 9 a. m. and returning will leave Fairmont at 10:10 a. m. while the second car will leave Lumberton at 4:30 p. m. and returning will leave Fairmont at 6:30 p. m.

—Miss Josephine Linke has accepted a position in the studio of Mr. H. Fielder. Miss Linke is a sister of Mrs. E. M. Johnson of Lumberton and came here from Raleigh, where she had been employed in an up-to-date studio. Miss Linke is a graduate in art and is thoroughly familiar with studio work. Mr. Fielder has one of the best-equipped studios in this part of the State. He made the photographs of the scenes of the "Glory" celebration from which the cuts used in Monday's Robesonian were made.

Miss Maude Carter Becomes Bride of Mr. L. E. Smith.

Fayetteville Observer, 19th. Mr. L. E. Smith and Miss Maude Carter were married Saturday afternoon at the Hay Street Methodist parsonage by the pastor, Rev. W. V. McRae.

Miss Carter was formerly from Lumberton but for some time past has been a nurse at Cumberland general hospital. She is an exceedingly pretty and popular young woman.

Mr. Smith is a prominent young man from Wilmington, but for several months he has been an electrician in one of the large electric companies at Camp Bragg. Mr. and Mrs. Smith will make their home in Fayetteville after their honeymoon, part of which will be spent at Mr. Smith's home in Wilmington. The marriage came in the nature of a surprise to many friends of the happy young couple who wish them a long and prosperous life.

No Word From Private Albert Nichols Since Last October.

Mr. Isham Nichols of Lumberton informs The Robesonian that his son, Mr. Albert Nichols, who volunteered in the army August 15, 1918, and went overseas in June, 1917, seems to be missing as he has not been heard from since last October. Mr. Nichols has communicated with the War Department and the Red Cross but as yet no trace has been found of him. It is regretted that his name was not received in time to be published with the list of soldiers in The Robesonian of the 8th inst.

Charlotte, N. C., was selected as the meeting place next year of the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church in 59th annual session in New Orleans.