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SHOOTING SCRAPE FOLLOWS DRUNKEN ROW

Dan Shaw of Columbus County Dangerously Wounded and Austin Walters of Red Springs is in Jail—General Row in Globe Swamp at Home of Stephen Pittman.

Dan Shaw of Columbus County is in the Thompson hospital dangerously wounded as a result of being shot about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The shooting followed a general row and fight which took place at the home of Stephen Pittman, who lives in the Globe Swamp section, and it is said the parties involved were all drunk.

BOND LOT SOLD FOR \$25,000.

Valuable Property Centrally Located Bought by Mr. S. F. Caldwell, Ex-Heirs of Late Miss Fannie Peterson.

Mr. S. F. Caldwell Saturday bought the Bond lot, fronting on Chestnut street and lying between Second and Third streets, the purchase price being \$25,000.

9-YEAR-OLD BOY DEAD FROM ACCIDENTAL SHOT

Ralph Townsend of Clarkton Was Shot While Hunting Saturday and Died at Hospital Here That Night.

Ralph, 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Townsend of Clarkton, died at the Thompson hospital Saturday night at 9 o'clock as a result of being accidentally shot about 11 o'clock Saturday morning.

He Fired Off a Gun and Popped Off His Nose.

It has not been learned what ill feeling Cauley Fields of Bladenboro has against his nose, but it is true that he shot it off yesterday afternoon.

Recorder's Court.

Charley Dillard and Henry Jacobs, both colored, were presented with a 30-days' road sentence each by Recorder E. M. Britt Friday when convicted of being drunk and disorderly.

Frank Taylor was given a hearing on the charge of assault and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of the cost.

Henry Calder submitted to the charge of being drunk and judgment was suspended upon payment of cost.

GREAT RAILWAY STRIKE IN ENGLAND ENDS SUDDENLY

It was announced in London yesterday with dramatic suddenness that the great railroad strike which appeared to have brought England almost to brink of revolution was settled and that the strikers would resume work as soon as possible.

As will be seen from an advertisement published elsewhere in this issue the F. L. Bass or Lum Hayes farm, adjoining Smyrna church and school house, will be sold at auction Thursday of this week at 10 a. m.

DISTURBANCES IN VARIOUS PARTS OF ROBESON

Looks Like War Was Declared in Several Sections of County at Once—2 Men Shot in Different Sections and There Were 2 Rows Among Negroes—Negro Badly Cut.

Judging from reports coming into Lumberton today, war was declared in many parts of the county yesterday. As will be seen from a news item appearing elsewhere in today's paper, one man was shot and one beat up in the Globe Swamp section.

People living about Pope's Crossing report a general fight between a number of colored men there yesterday afternoon. While nobody was "kilt", several left the scene in a bloody condition.

A report from Fairmont tells of a fight engaged in by some negroes on Mr. Frank Pittman's plantation, one negro being struck on the head with a bottle, while Braddy Worley, colored, cut and dangerously wounded his brother, Claude Worley, when they fell out about a horse.

This is a full report from all the battlefronts received up to noon today.

HOTTEST OCTOBER WEATHER EVER EXPERIENCED.

Mercury Went to 97 Yesterday—95 Saturday and Today—Highest Temperature Recorded in Other Octobers Was 96.

Yesterday was the hottest October day ever experienced in Lumberton, so far as anybody knows. The official thermometer kept by Mr. B. M. Davis registered 97. Today at noon the mercury had climbed to 95 and of course the reading for later in the day may be higher.

The highest recorded last month was 95, on the 23rd and 24th, and the bureau fired back an astonished inquiry to Mr. Davis to know if something was not wrong.

NEGROES HAD PLANNED SLAUGHTER OF WHITES

Confessions of Negroes Bring to Light Plot for a Widespread Uprising Today.

That organized negroes of southern Phillips county, Ark., of which Helena is county seat, had planned a general slaughter of white people in the locality today, Oct. 6, was definitely revealed yesterday by authorized investigators of the last week's disturbances in that section, states a dispatch of the 5th from Helena, Ark.

GRAND RALLY OF ROBESON COTTON ASSO. OCT. 16

State Secretary Rubinow Will Explain Workings and Purposes of Association—This is of Vital Importance to Southern Farmer.

Chairman Frank Gough states that a grand rally of the Robeson county branch of the Cotton Association will be held in the court house on Thursday, October 16th.

Chairman Gough urges every member to be present and every farmer that can get here. This association means more for the cotton farmer of the South than any organization ever attempted.

COMMUNITY FAIR WEEK.

Fairs Will Be Held This Week at Philadelphia, Oakdale, Union Chapel and Centenary.

This is community fair week in Robeson. Four fairs will be held as follows: Philadelphia tomorrow (Tuesday), Oakdale Wednesday (Tuesday), Union Chapel (Indian) Thursday; Centenary, Friday. Attractive premiums will be offered for exhibits and large crowds are expected to attend the fairs.

GOVERNMENT COTTON ESTIMATE TOO HIGH

President of American Cotton Association Wants Report Investigated—Says Crop of Not Over 9,775,000 Bales is Indicated.

J. S. Wannamaker, president of the American Cotton Association, announced at Columbia, S. C., Friday night that the association would ask for an investigation by Congress of the Government report on cotton issued Thursday.

The government report issued Thursday gave the condition of cotton as 54.4. The condition crop on same day last year was given as 54.4. The indicated yield for this year, according to the government report, is 1.8 pounds lint cotton per acre. Last year when the condition was given as being the same as this year the indicated yield was given as only 1.37 pounds. Why the difference?

"An canvass made by the association throughout the best shows that cotton is opening prematurely, that the bolls are underize, the lint shows a marked decrease.

"In justice to the farmer, the manufacturer and the consumer, an investigation should be authorized by Congress. Had the correct indicated yield been given, based upon the acreage shown by the department after deducting for abandonment of 1,570,000 acres, leaving total estimate of 32,390,000, the highest estimate possible under the existing conditions, with diseased plant, ravaged by insects, premature opening, etc., the indicated yield could not have exceeded 9,775,000 bales at the outside, exclusive of linters, even with a very late frost.

The department's estimate of total production was about 10,695,000 bales.

SEND IN SAMPLES AND HAVE COTTON GRADED FREE

Mr. P. F. Johnson, local government cotton grader, complains of not having enough work to do. According to Mr. Johnson the farmers of the county are not sending in samples of their cotton for grading and unless the cotton-growers take more interest it is likely that the local office will be discontinued.

Superior Court—Second Week.

Only one jury trial was completed in Superior court for the trial of civil cases last week after the report of the proceedings published in Thursday's Robesonian was prepared. This case was J. G. Purcell vs. A. L. Brown et al. Judgment was rendered in favor of the defendant. The case grew out of a dispute about a crop.

Court convened this morning at 10 o'clock for the second week of the term. Judge Thos. H. Calvert of Raleigh is presiding.

THE RECORD OF DEATHS

Willie Lee Thompson, colored, aged 6 years, died at the Thompson hospital last night of peritonitis.

Mr. J. S. Cox was advised Friday of the death of his brother, Mr. W. C. Cox of Morven. Mr. Cox died Thursday night following a long illness. The funeral took place Friday afternoon and Mr. Cox did not receive the message announcing his brother's death in time to make the trip to Morven for the funeral.

Washington, Ga., dispatch, Oct. 5: More than a thousand persons were packed into the courthouse square at 10 o'clock tonight demanding that Jack Gordon, a negro, who last night shot and killed Deputy Sheriff Red Freeman in Lincoln county, be turned over to them.

Pittsburg dispatch, Oct. 5: As the steel strike entered upon its third week the union workers prepared to "dig in" for a siege while the steel companies arrange to make another attempt to start up idle plants tomorrow morning. Through page newspaper advertisements and personal appeals the companies have put forth efforts to get sufficient men back to start up some of the works that have been suspended since the strike began.

COMMITTEES OF ROBESON COTTON ASSOCIATION

Township Committees Will Make House-to-House Canvass for Members—All Farmers, Bankers and Other Business Men Will Be Asked to Join.

As was stated in Thursday's Robesonian, ex-State Senator Frank Gough was elected president of the Robeson division of the American Cotton Association at a meeting of farmers, bankers and business men held here Thursday.

The following have been named as executive committee of the Robeson branch: K. M. Barnes, A. E. White, Lumberton; N. A. Townsend, Lumberton; R. J. S. Oliver, Marietta; A. J. Floyd, Fairmont; Jno. W. Ward, Rowland; Dr. G. M. Pate, Raynham; W. F. Bullock, Rowland; R. F. D.; John B. Sellers, Maxton; R. H. Livermore, Pembroke; D. L. Stewart, Maxton; R. F. D.; A. B. Pearsall, Red Springs; J. G. Hughes, Parkton; N. S. Tolar, Lumber Bridge; Jas. A. Johnson, St. Pauls.

The membership committees appointed in the various townships are as follows, the first-named in each township being chairman:

Afordsville Township. N. J. McRimmon, S. W. Fowler, Alex. Alford—all Rowland; R. F. D.; J. B. Ward, Rowland; Fred McDonald, Maxton, R. F. D.

Back Swamp Township. W. N. Townsend, J. G. Prevatt, E. W. Bass, L. B. Barnes, M. M. Singletary—all Lumberton, R. 3.

Burnt Swamp Township. J. B. Humphrey, Austin Smith, H. B. Ashley, Jr.—all Red Springs, R. F. D.; Lacy Prevatt, J. L. McNeill, Buie.

Fairmont Township. O. I. Floyd, G. D. Floyd, A. R. Bullock, Archie Griffin, W. W. Lewis—all Fairmont.

Gaddy Township. R. F. Stewart, J. O. McArthur, Rowland; R. M. Shooter, Nash Williams, Fairmont, R. 1; J. W. Burns, Lakeview, S. C.

Howellsville Township. N. A. Kinlaw, Ed T. Taylor, H. A. M'White, Lumberton, R. 1; J. N. Reagan, J. L. M'White, St. Pauls, R. 1.

Lumber Bridge Township. W. P. Barker, Ira Bullard, D. B. McNeill, Eli Phillips, W. H. Stone—all Lumberton.

Lumber Township. Lacy M. John, Lumber Bridge, chairman, with authority to appoint four assistants.

Maxton Township. J. S. McRae, Maxton, chairman, with authority to appoint four assistants.

Orrum Township. N. F. Barden, Fairmont, R. 2; J. Z. Stone, J. Frank Nye, Orrum, R. 1; C. M. Reeves, Haynes Barnes, Proctorville.

Parkton Township. A. J. Garris, Parkton, chairman, with authority to appoint four assistants.

Pembroke Township. John Thagard, Hugh Monroe, J. A. McCormick, R. M'White, A. S. Locklear—all Pembroke.

Red Springs Township. J. N. Buie, W. D. McKay, Harvey McMillan, J. M. Brown, W. M. Roberts—all Red Springs.

Rennett Township. Lacy McNeil, Fred Tolar, W. T. Covington, A. C. McGoogan, C. W. Watson—all Rennett.

Rowland Township. J. W. Crawford, Leewood McCallum, E. H. McKinnon, J. Hammonds, J. W. Bryant—all Rowland.

Saddletree Township. Grady S. Harrell, Arch McDuffie, Joseph Biggs—all Rennett, R. 1; J. B. Ward, J. B. Humphrey, Lumberton, R. 2.

St. Pauls Township. J. H. Johnson, D. L. Floyd, J. W. Barnes, E. T. Lewis—all Raysville; R. A. Hardin, Fairmont, R. 2.

Shannon Township. J. N. Clark, J. L. McLean, B. B. Currie, J. F. Walters—all Shannon.

Smith Township. Sandy McNeill, J. D. McArthur, Wakulla; Martin McCall, Red Springs, R. F. D.; Arch B. McLaughlin, Ralph Purcell, Maxton, R. F. D.

Thompson Township. L. S. Townsend, E. Wheeler Stone, McDonald; A. W. Pate, Jesse Scott, W. M. Bridgers—all Raynham.

YOM KIPPUR, DAY OF ATONEMENT OF JEWS

Yom Kippur, Day of Atonement Observed by Jews.

Yom Kippur, observed by Jews all over the world from sundown Friday evening of last week to Saturday evening of last week, is the most important holiday on the Jewish calendar. The orthodox Jew prays steadfastly in the synagogue throughout the day and fasts for the entire 24 hours. Traditionally the day is devoted to a calm review of the facts of existence and the atonement of all sins.

Mr. A. Weinstein's store here was closed in observance of the day from 6:30 Friday evening to the same hour Saturday evening.

Miss Augusta Blake Becomes Bride of Mr. Eldra M. Floyd.

Miss Augusta Blake of Lumberton and Mr. Eldra M. Floyd of R. 2, Fairmont, were married Saturday evening at 7:30 at the home of Rev. R. A. Bruton, pastor of the Lumberton circuit, quite a number of friends of the contracting parties witnessed the marriage. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Blake, who live about 3 miles east of Lumberton. She has been employed as cashier in the office of Mr. L. H. Caldwell for several months and is well known here and has many friends.

Marriage of Miss Mary Regan and Mr. Lonnie Pierce.

Miss Mary Regan and Mr. Lonnie Pierce were married at the home of the bride's father, Mr. Jno. N. Regan, at Roslin, Wednesday evening Oct. 1st. The bride is well-known here, Mr. Regan and family having moved a few years ago from the Saddletree section near Lumberton, to Roslin. She is a sister of Mr. Dan Regan of Lumberton. The groom is a native of Virginia.

SALE OF ARMY FOOD AND SUPPLIES RESUMED

The government sale of army food and supplies has been resumed and Postmaster D. D. French is ready to receive orders and quote prices to prospective buyers. Any orders sent in from Lumberton will be filled from the government stock stored at Charleston, S. C., and will be sent postage paid.

CONDITION PRESIDENT WILSON TAKES FAVORABLE TURN.

Washington dispatch, Oct. 5: The favorable trend of President Wilson's condition continued today and there were indications that those attending him thought he might be definitely on the road to recovery.

Rain made it impossible to play yesterday at Chicago the 5th game of the world's series between the Cincinnati Reds and the Chicago White Sox. The Reds have won 3 and lost 1 of the games played so far.

Greenville, S. C., dispatch, Oct. 5: Feeling is running high here tonight as the result of the killing of J. L. Kitchin and A. M. Blair, plainclothes officers on the local city police force, at 1 o'clock Sunday morning by Joe Turner, a negro.

Mr. J. C. Ward of Rowland is among the visitors in town today. Mrs. Archie Phillips of R. 5, Lumberton, was among the callers at the Robesonian office this morning.

The various county boards are holding regular first-Monday meetings here today.

Mrs. L. R. Varner returned Saturday morning from Orangeburg, S. C., where she spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. W. S. Whitaker, who is ill in the Orangeburg hospital. Mrs. Whitaker's condition was unimproved when Mrs. Varner left Orangeburg.

all Marietta.

Wishart Township. Jesse Stansel, John M. Smith, Alenton; R. M. Phillips, Boardman; Rowland Mercer, Ambrose Prevatt, Lumberton, R. 5.

The committees in the various townships will make a house-to-house canvass the last five days of October for the purpose of securing members to the association. The membership fee is \$2 and all farmers, bankers and business men will be asked to join the association, which is being perfected in all the cotton-growing States of the South.

LOCAL COTTON MARKET.

Middling cotton is selling on the local market today for 30 cents the pound.

BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. W. C. Bethea has accepted a position in the auditing department of the V. & C. S. Ry. Co.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Bessie Mishue and Odie Stone; Carl McPhatter and Corrie Floyd.

—The condition of Mr. R. D. Caldwell, who Thursday night developed a slight attack of pneumonia, is somewhat improved today.

—Mr. W. K. Bethune went last night to Raleigh to begin work as one of the State organizers of the American Cotton association.

—Mr. L. R. Varner spent the weekend at Gates, Gates county, visiting his uncle, Mr. Geo. R. Eure, whose health has not been good for some time.

—Mrs. S. R. Spivey returned Saturday night from Charlotte, where she underwent an operation at the Charlotte sanatorium. Her condition is very much improved.

—Mr. H. R. Bullock of R. 6, Lumberton, was among the visitors in town Saturday. Mrs. Bullock has been sick for the past 5 weeks but her condition is improving now.

—Effie McNeill and James Byrd, colored, of St. Pauls, were married in Register of Deeds M. W. Floyd's office Saturday afternoon at 1:30 of the clock. Justice M. G. McKenzie officiating.

—The condition of Miss Cora Ford of the Oakdale section who recently underwent an operation for mastoiditis is improving. Miss Ford is at the Thompson hospital and the operation was performed by Dr. R. S. Beam.

—Mr. J. Q. Parnell has resigned as clerk in the Lumberton postoffice, his resignation going into effect Saturday. Mr. Parnell expects to go into the mercantile business at Parkton. He had been in the local post-office six years.

—Dr. R. S. Beam, local eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, performed a successful operation upon one of Mrs. J. H. Perry's eyes last week. Mrs. Perry can now see clearly with the eye from which she had not been able to see at all for about a year.

—The fire company was called out at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon on account of a blaze at the home of Mr. George Deaton, Chippewa street. The fire was extinguished before the fire company reached the scene, however, and no damage was done.

—Hon. Robt. N. Page of Aberdeen will speak at the community fair at Centenary, near Rowland, Friday of this week. The speaking will take place at 11 a. m. Mr. Page is one of at least 3 avowed candidates for Governor of North Carolina.

—Mr. H. W. Ivey, who has lived on Mr. J. B. Smith's place in Howellsville township for the past 27 years, expects about December 1st to move with his family to the Evander Pittman place near Back Swamp church. Mr. Ivey was a Lumberton visitor Saturday.

—Rev. Dr. G. E. Moorehouse, pastor of the Lumberton Presbyterian church, and Mr. M. G. McKenzie returned Thursday night from Jackson Springs, where Wednesday and Thursday they attended the Fayetteville Presbytery. They report it a largely attended and most interesting session.

—The Oxford company in song and drama will be the first attraction of the Redpath lyceum course. It will give an entertainment at the graded school auditorium Thursday evening of next week. In addition to a costumed opera, "The Doll," the Oxfords give a program of miscellaneous musical selections.

—Miss Martha Flax Andrews, county home demonstration agent, has accepted the chairmanship for Robeson for the Y. M. C. A. drive that is to be put on soon. She was appointed by District Organizer R. M. Gray, whose headquarters are at Wilmington and who spent two days in Lumberton last week. Robeson's quota is \$1,200.

—Mr. M. G. McKenzie will leave tomorrow morning for Atlanta, Ga., to attend the annual Confederate reunion, which opens there tomorrow and lasts through Friday. Mr. McKenzie will be accompanied to Atlanta by his niece, Miss Monnie McKenzie of Jackson Springs, who has been a guest at the home of her uncle here since Thursday of last week.

—The guarantors of the Redpath lyceum course will meet in the commissioners' room at the court house this evening at 8:30. This is an important meeting and every guarantor is urged to be present. The first attraction of the course, the Oxford company, will give an entertainment in the graded school auditorium on the 16th night, Thursday night of next week.

DR. WILLIAM W. PARKER EYE SPECIALIST Office: National Bank of Lumberton Building.