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### PROVISION WILL BE MADE FOR TEACHERS

Graded School Teachers or They Boarded in Private Homes or Will May Rent Rooms at Apartment House.

Out-of-town graded and high school teachers who have been puzzled to know where they would find board and room after the Christmas holidays will be given the choice of boarding in private homes or renting rooms at the apartment house on the corner of Elm and Sixth streets and doing light housekeeping.

This settlement of a situation that seemed to threaten to leave the teachers without places to board and so make it necessary to close the school was reached at a meeting at the court house last evening. Not many citizens attended the meeting, but among those who were there enough volunteered to take the teachers in their homes at \$30 a month to solve the problem. The teachers have expressed a preference for renting rooms and doing their own housekeeping, and if they finally decide on that course there will be rented as many rooms as they need on the second floor of the house which Messrs. McAllister and Johnson have about finished remodeling into an apartment house.

This solves the problem temporarily, but the consensus of opinion among those at the meeting last night seemed to be that it would be necessary before the beginning of another school year to provide a teaching where all the teachers who do not live in town may live. This is generally regarded as the only permanent solution of the problem and no doubt it will be submitted to the people at a mass meeting to be held at the call of the chairman of the board of trustees.

If the eight teachers who are to be provided for now decide to rent rooms at the apartment house the rooms will be furnished by citizens of the town. Mr. K. M. Barnes has volunteered to furnish one room and Mr. B. M. Robbins has volunteered to contribute \$15 for that purpose, though no call for contributions has yet been made.

NEW STREETS TO BE OPENED

Johnson Parallel With 15th and One From Carthage Road—Sewer and Water Lines to Be Extended.

At a meeting of the mayor and town commissioners Tuesday afternoon it was ordered that Johnson street be opened up from North Water street to the western side of Mr. J. H. Floyd's property and running parallel with Fifteenth street. Mr. E. M. Johnson, a member of the board, was appointed as a committee to consult Mrs. Mary E. Barnes with reference to the street running through her property.

Messrs. A. E. White and J. H. Floyd were given permission to open up a new street from the Carthage road in the north-western part of town to Fifteenth street and to extend the water and sewer lines through the property owned by them in that part of town.

### MEXICAN SITUATION RE-GARDED AS SERIOUS

Flare-Up Over Mexican Problem Given Serious Consideration by Cabinet.

A Washington Associated Press dispatch last night states that the new flare-up over the Mexican problem growing out of the Jenkins case was given serious consideration yesterday at a meeting of the President's Cabinet. There was no intimation as to what this government might do in the event President Coariza refused to answer the note from the State Department demanding immediate release of William O. Jenkins, consular agent at Puebla, held on a charge of convicting with bayonets who kidnapped and held him for a \$150,000 ransom.

No attempt was made to conceal the feeling that the situation was serious and that relations between the United States and Mexico were strained.

Recorder Britt Passed Death Sentence But Miss Turkeyhen Escaped.

She was sentenced to death and today was the day set for her execution. There was no possibility of Governor Bickett taking action in the matter and the only hope of even staying the execution until after Thanksgiving was an escape from the prison walls. An effort was made to get away and the effort was crowned with success. Nothing has been seen or heard of her since she left early yesterday morning.

Her name was Miss Turkeyhen and Recorder E. M. Britt had sentenced her to make up his turkey dinner for tomorrow. He had poured the food to her and she was in fine condition for the purpose, but now she has disappeared and it is up to the recorder to provide other means for enjoying the treat he had anticipated at the noon hour tomorrow.

### THANKSGIVING IN LUMBERTON

Services Will Be Held at All Churches and Collections Will Be Taken for Orphanages.

As stated in Monday's Robesonian, services will be held in all local churches tomorrow and collections will be taken for the various church orphanages.

Owing to the fact that the pastor, Rev. Dr. R. C. Beaman, was away at conference, no definite announcement was made in Monday's paper in regard to services at Chestnut Street Methodist. Services will be held at this church at 10 a. m. and the collection will be for the orphanage at Raleigh.

Services will be held at the First Baptist at 10, at the Presbyterian at 10:30 and at the Gospel Tabernacle at 11, and collections will be taken for the orphanages mentioned in Monday's paper.

The graded school closes this afternoon for the balance of the week. It is expected that practically all business will be suspended here tomorrow, as usual on Thanksgiving Day.

### SMALL CHILD BURNED TO DEATH

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. McIntyre, Who Formerly Lived at Lumber Bridge—Remains Interred at Lumber Bridge.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Lumber Bridge, Nov. 24.—Helen Jennette McIntyre, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie P. McIntyre, was burned so that she died a few hours later. She was with her mother, visiting Mrs. Hayes in Atlanta, a sister of Mrs. McIntyre, when the accident occurred. She was about three and a half years old.

Her father lives in Tampa, Fla., and did not reach her before she expired.

She was buried at Lumber Bridge Presbyterian church Nov. 22nd, her father's boyhood home.

A bud plucked from earth to bloom in heaven.

Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre have the sympathy of this community in this their great sorrow.

### COAL SHORTAGE BRINGS CRITICAL SITUATION

Industries That Can Do So Without Heavy Loss Are Requested to Close Down 4 Days and Business Houses Are Asked to Close at 4 P. M.

Request that all industries that can do so without heavy loss close down from this evening until Monday morning, that all stores, business houses and offices close daily at 4 p. m. and that house-holders reduce to a minimum the use of fuel and lights in homes was made last night by the regional coal committee at Atlanta.

A Washington dispatch of last night states that with less than 40 per cent of the normal output of bituminous coal being produced, the nation is facing its most serious period since the strike of soft coal operators was ordered, according to reports received by the railroad administration.

### WILSON FARMERS HAVE SET EXAMPLE FOR THE STATE

Pooled Their Tobacco Patronage and Cleaned Up \$20,000 Profit Last Year.

A Wilson special to the Greensboro News says that the Wilson county Farmers' union, at their regular monthly meeting the other day, authorized the executive committee to employ a whole-time organizer and business agent, at a sufficient salary to permit him to devote his time to the work of organizing and promoting co-operative farm organizations, believing that a remedy for the high cost of living lies largely in the loose methods of doing business without regard to the cost of buying and selling farm supplies.

Quoting further from the pioneer: "The Wilson union is the discover farm organization, which four years ago pooled its tobacco patronage, and has since paid with this patronage \$40,000 for a half-interest in one of the leading tobacco warehouses here, received last year a dividend of 50 per cent, or \$20,000 in cool cash, and is looking for a larger dividend this year, which is already assured."

### RECORDS OF STRIKE OF RAIL-WAY WORKERS DEC. 1 DENIED

A Chicago dispatch of Nov. 25 states that reports that national leaders of the 4 railway brotherhoods in session at Cleveland were holding secret sessions as to whether a strike of railway workers in the United States should be called by Dec. 1 were denied last night by officials.

### Superior Court Next Week

A two weeks' term of Superior court for the trial of civil cases will convene next Monday. Judge Thos. H. Calvert of Raleigh will preside.

### EMBARGO AGAINST SHIPMENT OF COTTON SEED

An embargo against the shipment of cotton seed was ordered Monday by the United States railroad administration effective at once. Cotton seed now in transit will be delivered, it was stated, but no further shipments will be received. This action was declared necessary owing to the shortage of coal.

### County Farm Demonstrator Vaccinates Many Hogs

Mr. O. O. Dukes, county farm demonstrator, has vaccinated more than 100 hogs against cholera this week. Cholera has been raging in some sections of the county. Hog raisers should watch for symptoms of cholera at this season of the year, especially among the hogs they are fattening for killing, according to Mr. Dukes.

### LEAGUE FOR PEACE CALLS FOR RATIFICATION

The People Want Peace—Making Peace is No More a Party Question Than Was Making of War—Shall a Small Majority Who Oppose a League of Nations Rule?

Settlement of differences over the peace treaty to permit its ratification as soon as possible after the Senate reconvenes is urged in a statement issued Sunday by the League to Enforce Peace, at the conclusion of a special meeting of the executive committee.

Former President William H. Taft, president of the league, presided. Among others at the meeting were Edward A. Filene, Henry W. Taft, Herbert S. Houston, Oscar S. Straus and Herbert C. Hoover. The league's statement follows:

"The defeat of ratification has been received by the country with surprise and indignation. The people want peace. Whose name it bears, which party brand it wears, they care not at all. They longed for and expected ratification before adjournment of the senate.

"The making of peace is no more a party question than was the making of war. The American people, without regard to party, stood behind the war until the dawn of victory. With like unanimity they now stand behind the treaty.

### ERNEST BRITT WANTS TO GO ACROSS TO CLAIM BRIDE

Lumberton Veteran of World War is Anxious to Get Passport to Go Back to London for His Girl.

The Raleigh News and Observer of the 23rd inst. published a cut of Ernest Britt, son of Mr. Joe Britt of R. 4 from Lumberton and beneath the picture the following:

Back on his native heath and among friends and relatives, Ernest Britt, a veteran of the world war with one leg missing as result of wounds in battle, is ready to take another trip across the big "pond." He wants to return to England where in London a pretty English girl is waiting to be claimed as his bride.

Young Britt hails from Lumberton but just now is sojourning in Raleigh as a vocational student in State college. He is specializing in engineering. The veteran of the war today shows the effect of battle. His right leg is gone and other marks on his body tell the tale of his fierce fighting. He was a member of the 117th Infantry of the 30th division and received his wounds on the Bellecourt sector on October 8th, 1918.

With his intended wife back in London, the young man finds no pleasures in this land. He is impatiently awaiting the time when he can leave the United States for England.

Mr. Britt has already applied for passports and will leave immediately for New York upon receipt of the papers. He says he will lose no time in sailing.

"North Carolina is all right, Lumberton is a nice, little town and Raleigh is a good place, but I want to get to London as quick as I can," he said after modestly telling of his plans for the future.

### NEW WAGE AND WORKING AGREEMENT FOR TRACK LABORERS

A new wage and working agreement was signed Monday between the railroad administration and officials of the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way employes and railway shop laborers. While demands of the union were not fully met, the eight-hour basic day was established for track laborers and others of that classification and time and half pay after that hour was provided. Most of the other employes included under the agreement will receive time and a half overtime pay after ten hours.

### COAL MINERS MAY RETURN TO WORK NEXT MONDAY

Washington Cor., Nov. 25, by David Lawrence, to Greensboro News: Peace between coal miners and operators is in sight and by this night the nation may be able to give thanks that a supply of fuel will be assured. Details will remain to be worked out but the main basis of settlement appears already to be of such a satisfactory character to both sides that the coal miners of America probably will have returned to work in a body on Monday next.

### SOUTHERN PORTS TO BE GRANTED EQUAL RATES

Readjustment of export freight rates affecting thousands of shippers and said to be of prime importance to Southern ports and the Mississippi valley was announced at the general offices of the Southern railroad at Louisville, Ky., Monday.

The new tariffs which in effect will grant the same rates to Southern ports as those enjoyed by New York from territory North of the Ohio river from the Ohio-Pennsylvania State line to the Mississippi river, go into effect to South Atlantic ports December 1st and to Gulf ports December 31.

### RED SPRINGS NEWS.

Fire Destroys Boiler Room at B. W. Townsend's Gin—High School Pupils Determined to Have a Library—Social and Personal.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Red Springs, Nov. 24.—Mrs. T. A. DeVane is on a visit to Mrs. Gibbs of New Bern.

Mr. L. M. Cook has returned from a stay in St. Luke's hospital, Fayetteville. He is much improved, we are glad to know.

Mrs. J. R. Edmundson of Wilson spent a few days recently at the home of her uncle Mr. A. T. McCallum.

Miss Trye of Carthage spent the week-end with Miss Altie Marsh. On Sunday morning she delighted the congregation of the Methodist church with a lovely vocal solo and at night she sang at Christian Endeavor meeting at the Presbyterian church.

On Monday night about twelve o'clock the alarm of fire was sounded and proved to be the frame building around the boiler of Mr. B. W. Townsend's gin. No other damage was done owing to the calm night but the building was completely destroyed as it was too far from the water main for sufficient pressure and the plant having no fire-fighting facilities of its own.

Mesdames W. H. and W. E. Sikes entertained the college faculty on Tuesday afternoon at the home of the former. Delicious fruit salad and punch were served and those present reported a most enjoyable afternoon.

There is a book campaign on this week among the high school children and all the homes are being visited by these enthusiastic young folks who are determined to own an up-to-date library. The results are not yet known but it is hoped that the town responded most generously as a good library is one of the most vital elements for good in a community.

The concert on Monday evening at the college of Miss Franceska Lawson, soprano, was a most delightful one and very well attended. Miss Lawson has a beautiful voice and her program, which was composed of three groups of songs, English, French, Russian, Italian and American, was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Mr. Charles Vardell accompanied her on the piano.

The child welfare club met on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Ernest Sikes. Several invited guests as well as new members were present and after an interesting program of delightful sandwiches and coffee were served. This meeting was rendered more interesting by the presence of Miss Watkins of the college faculty, who gave many helpful suggestions and much encouragement to the club members in their work of making better Americans for the future. The next meeting will be with Mrs. M. E. Cotton on third Thursday in December.

Mrs. R. W. Massie of Lanes, S. C., is on a visit to her sisters Mesdames McKay and McPhail.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Turner attended the marriage in Wadesboro of Miss Little, which took place Thursday.

An 8-pound boy arrived at the home of Mayor and Mrs. Ernest Graham on last Monday.

### LABOR PARTY FORMED.

New National Political Party With Purpose of Organizing all Hands and Brain Workers of the Country.

A new national political body, to be known as the labor party of the United States, was created Monday by representatives of organized labor in convention at Chicago.

The object of the movement as explained in its constitution will be "to organize all hands and brain workers of the country to support the principles of a political, social and industrial democracy."

The striking points in the party declarations are:

"Women are to have equal representation with men in the management of affairs.

A national convention will be held next summer for the purpose of nominating candidates for President and Vice President.

The affairs of the organization will be administered by a national committee, which will elect a secretary-treasurer as its executive head.

### THE RECORD OF DEATHS

Mr. Alfred E. Page.

The funeral of Mr. Alfred E. Page, who died Sunday morning at his home at Madison, Fla., was conducted from White Pond church yesterday at 2 p. m. and interment was made in the family burying ground, near the church. Deceased sold his farm near Chadbourn last September and moved with his family to Florida. Soon after reaching his new home he contracted typhoid fever. He is survived by his wife and several children.

Deceased was about 56 years old and was a native of Robeson. He was a brother of Mr. E. E. Page, formerly of Lumberton, Mrs. F. F. Townsend of R. 6, Lumberton, and has numerous other relatives in the county.

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