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BAPTISTS RESPOND NOBLY; CHURCHES OVERSUBSCRIBE

Quota of First Baptist of Lumberton Oversubscribed With Not Half Membership Solicited—East Lumberton Doubled—Manf Churches Went Over Quota—\$227,000 Reported From County So Far—Same Way Over State.

With half the membership unsolicited, the First Baptist church of Lumberton yesterday subscribed \$84,000 in the \$75,000,000 campaign and it is expected that when all the members have been seen by the committees the total subscriptions will reach \$100,000. This church was allotted \$80,000.

East Lumberton Baptist church, with an allotment of \$6,150, subscribed on the first day of the campaign \$12,734.

Reports from about half of the churches in the Robeson association last night showed that \$227,000 had been subscribed yesterday, practically all the churches reporting having oversubscribed their allotments. The association was allotted \$300,000 and there is no doubt that the goal will be passed when the campaign closes next Sunday.

Among the churches that reported oversubscriptions yesterday were: Maxton, allotment \$9,860, subscribed \$16,172.

St. Pauls, allotment \$8,000, subscribed \$13,416.

Oak Grove, allotment \$920, subscribed \$1,250.

Tolarsville, allotment \$2,200 subscribed \$4,422.

Centerville, allotment \$2,500, subscribed \$2,827.50. Two members of the committee had not made their report when these figures were compiled.

Ten Mile, allotment \$4,000, subscribed \$4,546.

Rennett, allotment \$2,040, subscribed \$3,600.

Fairmont, allotment about \$19,000, subscribed \$25,000.

Saddletree, Proctorville and Back Swamp churches also reported that they had subscribed their allotments. A thanksgiving service was held at the First Baptist church last evening, where the reports were read. A number of short talks was made.

Same Way Over State. A Raleigh dispatch last night to the Wilmington Star gives the following: "From reports reaching headquarters here, North Carolina Baptists have gone over the top in the Baptists' \$75,000,000 campaign. Baptists of the State were asked to contribute \$6,000,000 and it is believed this amount and more has been subscribed."

Reports Wanted. Twenty-two churches of the Robeson association have made no report. These churches are urged to complete the canvass of the membership and report to Rev. Dr. C. H. Durham at Lumberton as early as possible so that an official report to headquarters at Raleigh can be made.

DEPOSITS OF LUMBERTON BANKS \$2,569,621.27

Deposits of Lumberton's Banks Have Almost Doubled During Past Year—The Gain Exceeds a Million Dollars—Money is More Plentiful and the People Are Getting the Banking Habit.

The total deposits in the four Lumberton banks on November 17, this year, was \$2,569,621.27, as compared with \$1,461,317.06 on November 17, 1918. This is a gain of \$1,108,304.21 over last year, almost doubled.

Not only is money more plentiful than it was a year ago, but the people generally are getting the banking habit. Many farmers who a few years ago never had a bank account now do all their business through a bank. The old-time plan of hiding money about the house is fast passing away.

KRYL'S ORCHESTRAL SEXTET.

Delightful Concert Will Be Given at Graded School Auditorium This Evening—Great Lakes Concert Quartet Thursday Evening.

Kryl's orchestral sextet will be the attraction at the graded school this evening at 8 o'clock. This is the second number of the Lyceum course and is a treat for those who are fortunate enough to be able to attend. The ensemble work of the sextet is a delightful part of the program and the work of the artists in solos, duets, trios and quartets is equally notable.

The next attraction will be the Great Lakes concert quartet at the school auditorium Thursday evening.

CONGRESS RETURNS TO WORK TODAY FOR LONG SESSION

Congress returned to work today with the prospect of being kept on the job until the presidential campaign next fall. The President's message will be read before the two houses tomorrow. It is said that Senators are doubtful about any decisive action on the peace treaty for some weeks.

FREIGHT TRAIN BACKED INTO R. & C. PASSENGER

Near-Serious Wreck on Local Freight Yards—Freight Backed Into R. & C. Passenger and Express Cars—Express Messenger Newell and Several Passengers Bruised and Shaken Up But No One Seriously Hurt—Engine and Baggage Car Damaged.

A near-serious wreck occurred on the freight yards here about 5:40 Thursday afternoon when a freight train backed into the Raleigh & Charleston passenger train as it was coming into town from Marion. The freight backed from a spur track into the main line of the R. & C. and the rear of the freight train struck the baggage and express car of the passenger train. While a number of passengers were shaken up, Mr. T. J. Newell, express messenger, was the only one that suffered much injury. Mr. Newell's left shoulder was bruised and he was given a severe shaking up. He was taken to the Thompson hospital, but his condition is not thought to be serious. However, he will have to remain at the hospital for several days. Mr. O. C. Connelly of Lumberton, who was a passenger on the R. & C., was severely bruised and shaken up.

Acely Platt, colored, complained of a hurt leg, but the doctors found that he was not injured. Lula Jones, 6-year-old colored child, was slightly bruised on the forehead. Clara small, 6-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Small, suffered a slight bruise on the head. All these were passengers on the Raleigh & Charleston train. Had the freight car struck the passenger coach instead of the baggage and express car, no doubt several of the passengers would have been killed.

The baggage car and the Raleigh & Charleston engine were damaged as a result of the accident.

NITRATE OF SODA.

1700 Tons Will Be Sold at \$58 Per Ton—County Farm Demonstrator Will Take Orders December 3rd.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

There are 1700 tons of nitrate of soda at Wilmington left over from government orders last spring. This soda will be sold for \$58 per ton f. o. b. Wilmington. The freight in car load lots will be around \$2.25 per ton. Cashier's check made payable to the Chief Bureau of Markets must be filed with order. Should the supply be exhausted ahead of your order, your check will be returned.

I will be in my office at the court house Wednesday, Dec. 3rd, to take orders. Be sure to come that day, as it is the only day set aside for taking orders.

O. O. DUKES, Farm Demonstration Agent.

GREAT RALLY WILL BE HELD AT WHITEVILLE THURSDAY

Word comes from Whiteville that that town is all ready to entertain the great rally of the North Carolina Landowners' association which will be held there Thursday of this week, Dec. 4, and that 2,000 people are expected there on that day to enjoy a rich program and a barbecue. There will be prominent speakers, among them Dr. E. C. Brooks, State Superintendent of Public Instruction; Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the State Board of Health; State Road Supt. Frank Page; Clement S. Ucker, vice-president of the Southern Settlement & Development Co. of Baltimore. There will be other prominent speakers and it is expected to be a great day not only for Columbus but for the entire eastern part of the State.

Lumberton Home Demonstration Club Will Meet Dec. 5

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

The Lumberton Home Demonstration club meeting to be held on Dec. 4th will have to be changed to Friday, Dec. 5th, due to the fact that Miss Andrews, home demonstration agent, has been called to assist with a special meeting in Columbus county. The ladies will please make note of this change and make every effort possible to attend the meeting on Friday, Dec. 5th, at 3 p. m.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEES APPOINTED TO REPORT WEDNESDAY

All township committees appointed to secure members for the American Cotton association are requested to file their reports with Mr. O. O. Dukes, secretary-treasurer of the Robeson branch, Wednesday of this week. It is important that all returns be brought in on that day.

RUMOR OF FERTILIZER MIXING PLANT

It is rumored that a fertilizer mixing plant may be erected near Lumberton soon. The plan is to raise the stock among the farmers of this section.

Mr. J. E. Floyd of Orrum is among the visitors in town today.

Mr. J. K. Currie of Parkton is among the visitors in town today.

ASTONISHING SALE OF LAND IN EAST LUMBERTON

65 Acres Sold at Auction for \$32,000—Sale Lasted From 10:30 A. M. Till Dark—Owners Surprised—Advertised Extensively and There Was Much Interest.

Sixty-five acres of land, divided into business lots and small farms, in East Lumberton, were sold at auction last Wednesday for \$32,000.

This was one of the most successful land sales ever held in this section, if not the most successful. The owners of the land, the Carolina Realty Co., were surprised and highly gratified at the prices at which the land sold, as also was the Edward Sandlin Realty Co., which conducted the sale. Some of the lots sold at the rate of \$5,000 an acre, one-tenth of an acre selling for \$500. Much of it averaged \$4,500 an acre.

The sale began at 10:30 a. m., and lasted straight through to dark, with no intermission or slacking in the work of the auctioneer, Mr. Ben Hussey of Wallace. A large crowd followed the sale all the way through, and there was keen interest. There were buyers from other States.

Incidentally it may be noted that this most successful sale was more extensively advertised in The Robesonian than any other land sale that has been held.

THANKSGIVING IN LUMBERTON

Services Held at All Churches and Substantial Collections Taken For Orphanages.

Thanksgiving day was like Sunday in Lumberton, as usual, practically all business being suspended. Services were held in all the churches and collections were taken for the orphanages.

A very short service was held at Chestnut Street Methodist church at 10 a. m., conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. R. C. Beaman. The collection for the orphanage at Raleigh amounted to \$165.25. Prof. F. S. Blair of Guilford College, for many years engaged in high school work, was present and was given opportunity to say a few words in behalf of the world-wide prohibition campaign, in the interest of which he is traveling. North Carolina has been divided into 14 districts for this work, Robeson being in the 8th district. The immediate purpose now is to arouse public sentiment in favor of electing officers who will enforce the prohibition laws.

The collection at the Gospel Tabernacle for the Compton orphanage at Asheville amounted to \$84.20.

At the Presbyterian church the collection for the Presbyterian orphanage at Barium Springs amounted to \$450.

At the First Baptist church the collection for the Thomasville Baptist orphanage has reached \$900 and will probably yet be supplemented to \$1,000.

COTTON GINNED IN ROBESON.

5,783 More Bales Ginned to Nov. 14 This Year Than Were Ginned to Same Date Last Year.

There were 50,996 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, ginned in Robeson county from the crop of 1919 prior to Nov. 14th, 1919, as compared with 45,213 bales ginned to Nov. 14, 1918. This report was sent The Robesonian by Mr. J. A. McLeod, special agent of the Census Bureau at Buie.

Another American Murdered in Mexico.

Another American murdered in Mexico, close on the imprisonment of Consular Agent Jenkins, adds to the complexities of the situation. Jas. Wallace, an American oil man, was murdered by a Carranza soldier near Tampico last Wednesday.

Superior Court.

A two weeks' term of Superior court for the trial of civil cases convened today at 11 a. m. Judge Thos. H. Calvert is presiding. No cases were disposed of at the morning session.

—Mr. B. A. Anderson last week sold his brick garage building, corner First and Chestnut streets, to Mr. L. E. Tyner of Lowe. It has not been learned what the consideration was.

—Mr. James D. Proctor and family and Mrs. E. K. Proctor Miss Lillian Proctor and Mrs. Leslie Carlyle left Wednesday in Mr. Proctor's auto for Graham and Chapel Hill. Mrs. E. K. Proctor and daughter, Miss Lillian, returned from Chapel Hill Saturday. Mr. Proctor and family and Mrs. Carlyle returned home from Graham last night.

Mrs. W. W. Williams and three children, Louise, Aleen and Arlie, returned Friday night to their home at Fayetteville after spending several days here at the home of Mrs. Williams' brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dougherty.

Mr. D. W. Bullock of Rowland is a Lumberton visitor today.

Mr. J. L. McWhite of St. Pauls, R. I., was in town Saturday.

RECORDER HAS FULL DAY.

Cullud Ge'nan Fined for Whipping Wife—Wade Bell Fined for Driving Car While Drunk—Other Cases.

A full day was put in by Recorder E. M. Britt Saturday in hearing the numerous cases that demanded attention, in fact, it was the "biggest" day that has come to pass in recorder's court circles for several months.

As a starter, Ed Thompson, colored, was fined \$25 and cost on the charge of whipping his wife. The \$25 goes to Ed's wife and she declared that she had stayed with Ed all she expected to. Ed admitted that he struck his better-half after she had cursed him. The evidence indicated that another woman was at the bottom of the trouble.

Wade Bell, colored, was given a hearing on the charge of driving an automobile on the streets of Lumberton while intoxicated and also with driving recklessly and running the car over Alvin Martin, a young white boy. He was found guilty of driving the car while drunk and not guilty of reckless driving. He was required to pay Martin \$28 and the cost of the action. As was stated in The Robesonian at the time, Bell ran his car over young Martin on Elm street on Saturday afternoon, November 15, injuring him slightly.

Alex Blount, colored, was found not guilty of assaulting Hannah Jane and Hazel Bue, colored women. This trouble grew out of a sweetheart affair and many witnesses testified on both sides of the case.

Thede Lockett, alias Larkins, colored, was found not guilty of retailing some of "the old familiar."

Alex Sinclair, colored, was found guilty of being drunk and disorderly on the public highway. Prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of the cost.

Walter Locklear, Indian, was convicted of false pretense to the extent that he failed to work for some money he secured and promised to work out. He was required to pay the money back to the plaintiff and prayer for judgment was continued upon payment of cost.

FEDERATED CLUBS WILL MEET IN LUMBERTON WEDNESDAY.

Annual Meeting of Clubs of Twelfth District Will Be Held in Municipal Building, Dec. 3rd.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

The annual meeting of the Federated Clubs of the Twelfth district will be held in the municipal building in Lumberton Wednesday of this week, Dec. 3rd. Following is the program:

Morning Session—10 O'clock. Invocation—Mrs. C. C. Hook.

The North Carolina Federation Song. Address of welcome—Mrs. J. R. Poole.

Response—Mrs. H. M. Wilkes. Reports from district clubs. Address by State president—Mrs. Chas. C. Hook.

Afternoon Session—2 O'clock. Chorus—"The Star Spangled Banner."

Thrift, What It It?—Miss Ruth Conrath. Qualities Women Must Cultivate in Contact With Public—Mrs. J. A. Brown.

A Vital Question—Mrs. W. M. Cressy. Business discussions.

Closing Song—"My Country 'Tis of Thee."

A luncheon will be given the convention by the Lumbee Research Club immediately after the morning session. In the afternoon the Women's Club will be at home to the delegates, the Lumbee Research Club and other invited guests at the home of Mrs. H. M. McAllister.

Women of the town who are interested in club work are cordially invited to attend the business sessions.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Tobie Mikill and Irene Smith; Grover C. McMillan and Annie Davis; Giles E. Floyd and Hattie Vera Purvis; Sandy Smith and Gladys Prevvatt; O. Blount McCall and Sallie White.

—Mr. S. F. Jenkins of the Barnesville section is a Lumberton visitor today. Mr. Jenkins informed The Robesonian that a number of farmers about Barnesville had put out peach orchards of around 500 trees each.

—Mr. I. S. Britt of Cerro Gordo is a Lumberton visitor today. Mr. Britt recently purchased a farm near Fairmont and expects to move with his family to his new home at an early date. Mr. Britt owns a large farm near Cerro Gordo, but having once lived in Robeson, he cannot resist the call to come back.

—The regular meeting of the Woman's Missionary society of the First Baptist church will be held at the church at 3:30 p. m. Wednesday.

—Mr. H. H. Anderson last week sold his residence on North Chestnut street, and his brick store building on East Second street. The residence sold for \$15,000 and the store building for \$8,000. It has not been learned here who bought the property.

PROCTOR PARK SOLD.

94 Acres Divided Into Tracts of 3 to 9 Acres Sold at Auction for About \$30,000—County Fair Association Bought 11 Acres.

Proctor Park, consisting of 94 acres, at the end of Elm street and about one-mile from the court house, was sold at auction Friday. The land was sub-divided into tracts of from 3 to 9 acres and the entire tract sold for approximately \$30,000. The property belonged to the Jamison heirs and the sale was conducted by the Fort Realty Co. of Raleigh.

The Robeson County Fair Association purchased 11 acres of the tract nearest town on the right of Elm street as you face north, and it is the purpose of the association to equip suitable fair grounds and buildings before the next fair season. Seven acres of this were bought at private sale Thursday at \$600 the acre and the other four acres were bought at the sale Friday.

U. S. SENATOR NEWBERRY INDICTED BY GRAND JURY

A Political Scandal Without Parallel in American History.

Truman H. Newberry, United States Senator from Michigan, was indicted by a United States grand jury at Grand Rapids Saturday for corruption, fraud and conspiracy in connection with the election by which he obtained his seat in the Senate, defeating Henry Ford, his democratic opponent. With Newberry, 133 other persons were indicted by the grand jury on the same charge. Government officials asserted the testimony presented to the grand jury had revealed a political scandal that in many respects was without parallel in American annals.

It was alleged voters were bribed, election boards corrupted, editors subsidized and moving picture theaters brought up in the endeavor to defeat Henry Ford first in the primaries of both parties, and later when he had won the democratic nomination, in the election itself.

SHARP CURTAILMENT OF FUEL EFFECTIVE TODAY.

Sharp curtailment of fuel to husband the rapidly-diminishing supplies of the nation's coal were decided on Saturday by the regional coal committee for the South. The new regulations went into effect at noon today and are as far-reaching in many respects as those of the war winter of 1917-18. They provide chiefly that stores and office buildings may use heat, light or power only between 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., except for bakeries, restaurants, drug stores for sale of drugs only, barber shops from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m., theatres and other public places of amusement 1 p. m. to 10:30 p. m. Industries, except where continuous processes cannot be interfered with, may be operated only 48 hours a week. Exceptions are made to meet the special conditions of railroad stations, hospitals, telephone and telegraph and newspaper offices.

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—A lard-tub whiskey plant was found in the home of Ed Malloy, colored, in Maxton Saturday by Rural Policeman W. W. Smith. About 20 gallons of beer also was found in the home. Florence Malloy, wife of Ed, was arrested and will stand for her appearance before Recorder Williams at a later date. Recorder Williams thinks the still belonged to Florence, as Ed was away from home when the discovery was made.

—Mrs. John Knox and Misses Episie Fuller and Vashti White left this morning for Charlotte, where they will be joined by Miss Rachel McNamara, who has been visiting in Danville, Va. They will hear John McCormick in Charlotte tonight and return home tomorrow.

—Miss Thetis McKeithan left Saturday for Richmond, Va., where she has accepted a position in St. Elizabeth's hospital. Miss McKeithan is a graduate nurse and has been nursing about Lumberton for several weeks.

—Mrs. J. B. Bowen has accepted a position in the office of the town clerk and treasurer.

BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—Regular meeting of Eastern Star at Masonic hall Tuesday at 3:30 p. m.

—A false fire alarm was turned in from box No. 25, First and Chipewa streets, about midnight Friday night.

—A regular communication of St. Alban's lodge No. 114, A. F. & A. M., has been called for Dec. 2, 7 p. m., for work in 3rd degree.

—Mr. H. S. Nye of Orrum passed through town last evening en route to Charlotte, where he will undergo treatment in a hospital.

—The board of county commissioners, the county road board and the county board of health are holding regular monthly meetings here today.

—Mr. E. E. Page purchased Friday the J. T. Barker place on East Fifth street for \$7,000. The place contains two acres on which is a one-story house.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Missionary society of Chestnut Street Methodist church has been postponed until Wednesday, December 10.

—Mr. D. R. Britt of Dunn was a Lumberton visitor last Wednesday. He had been out on R. 4 to see his brother-in-law Mr. Stokes Barnes, who has been very sick.

—Special meeting I. O. O. F. tomorrow (Tuesday) evening at 7:30. Assistant Grand Secretary M. S. Crouch will be present and all members are urged to attend.

—A colored man who lives in "French quarters" gave his wife a licking yesterday, according to people who live near by. He will probably have to tell it to the recorder.

—Smerna Baptist church contributed \$114.52 to the Thomasville orphanage Thanksgiving Day, according to Mr. J. W. Prevatt of R. 4, Lumberton, who is among the visitors in town today.

—Mr. W. M. Warwick of R. 5, Lumberton, informs The Robesonian that he has repaired the Jacob Swamp bridge on the Whiteville road, which bridge had been in bad condition for some time.

—A splendid Thanksgiving dinner was made up by people living in Lumberton and sent to the county home Thursday. It was a dandy, according to Mr. I. J. Flowers, keeper of the home.

—Register of Deeds M. W. Floyd sold 546 marriage licenses during the year from December 1, 1918, to December 1, 1919. This was perhaps the largest number ever sold during one year in Robeson.

—Mrs. Kate T. Brown of Antioch, Hoke county, recently purchased from Mr. J. A. Wooten a farm one mile from Lumberton on the Elizabethtown road. Mrs. Brown and family will move to the farm about the first of the year.

—Mr. F. J. Nye of Orrum went Saturday night to Charlotte for his daughter, little Miss Quintelene, who had been a patient at the Charlotte sanatorium for several weeks. Her condition has improved to the extent that she was able to return home.

—Ex-Sheriff E. C. McNeill of Rowland spent yesterday here with Mrs. McNeill, who is spending some time here at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Biggs, Elm street. Mrs. McNeill is suffering from an attack of rheumatism.

—Mrs. T. C. Johnson, R. S. Beam and John Knox and Messrs. T. A. McNeill, Jr., J. Dixon McLean and Lawrence Parker were the Lumberton men who witnessed the glorious victory the university of North Carolina won over the university of Virginia at Chapel Hill on Thanksgiving day.

—Charlotte Observer, Nov. 28: The North Carolina Ches and Checker association was formed at a meeting held yesterday at the Y. M. C. A. for that purpose, with the election of officers as follows: H. C. McNair of Maxton, President; J. M. Wilson of Lowell, secretary, and Brevard Nixson of Charlotte, treasurer.

—Rev. W. A. Stanbury, who was sent by the recent conference from Wilson to Grace Methodist church, Wilmington, was a guest from Saturday night till this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Gray. Mr. Stanbury left this morning to return to Wilson and will move soon to Wilmington. He is a cousin of Mrs. Gray, two of whose brothers-in-law, Messrs. Albert Stewart and Claude Rankin of Fayetteville, also were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gray yesterday.

—Mrs. Claire S. Thomas, head of the community service work in Robeson, returned home Saturday from Chicago, Ill., where she spent three weeks attending a meeting of the American Country Life association. While in Chicago Mrs. Thomas selected 150 new moving picture films to be shown in the counties of the State that have taken up community service work, the films costing over \$8,000. Mrs. Thomas will go tomorrow to Raleigh where she will be engaged with the Department of Education for several days.

DR. WILLIAM W. PARKER EYE SPECIALIST

Office: National Bank of Lumberton Building.