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R. H. LIVERMORE - SERIOUSLY HURT

When Freight Train Struck His Auto at Pates This Afternoon—Brought to Thompson Hospital.

Mr. R. H. Livermore, cashier of the Bank of Pembroke, was seriously hurt at 12:35 this afternoon when a Ford Sedan which he was driving was struck by a freight train at Pates and demolished. Mr. Livermore was brought to Lumberton on the freight train and taken to the Thompson hospital. His face was badly cut and an ugly gash cut in his head.

According to witnesses of the accident, Mr. Livermore drove his car in front of the moving train, his view of the train being obstructed by a number of box cars on a side track adjacent to the road crossing.

Candidates Make Formal Announcement

Formal announcements which appear in The Robesonian today for the first time are:

Mr. J. A. Barker, for sheriff. Mr. Barker handed in his announcement in time for Monday's Robesonian but it failed to get in through an oversight in this office.

Mr. David H. Fuller, for recorder of the Lumberton district. This makes three candidates for this office who have made formal announcement. Messrs. D. B. McNeill and W. P. Barker already having announced.

Mr. Lacy McNair comes out for road supervisor of Rennett township.

Mr. John W. Ward, for county commissioner for district No. 2. Mr. Ward is present commissioner from this district and is chairman of the board.

Mr. C. B. Townsend, for county commissioner from district No. 1. Mr. Townsend is a member of the present board.

U. D. C. MEETS

Question of Celebration on Memorial Day Considered.

The Robeson chapter of U. D. C. met last Thursday, April 1st, with Miss Mary McNeill, Mrs. L. T. Townsend presiding. The most important question before the chapter was the celebration of Memorial Day this year. The president appointed a committee to take charge of the plans. Our district leader, Mrs. Andrews of Fayetteville, will be with us on April 16th at 8 o'clock p. m. at Municipal building. We most cordially invite all ladies of the town to meet with us.

Homer L. Lyon is Confident of Winning

Mr. Homer L. Lyon of Whiteville, candidate for Congress from the Sixth district, was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday. Mr. Lyon was endorsed for Congress by the Democratic and Bladen counties last Saturday. He was born in Bladen and has lived in Columbus for some years. Mr. Lyon is quite confident of winning the nomination with ease, and he thinks it not at all unlikely that a second primary may be necessary.

Not Much Damage From Cold

It is not thought the cold snap which arrived Monday night did much damage hereabouts. The lowest temperature registered at the local government weather station was 32—freezing—early Tuesday morning. Several farmers when asked about the damage to the fruit crop stated that they did not think the crop had been seriously damaged by the cold.

Seaboard Bridge Burned

Sixty feet of the Seaboard bridge which spans Lumber river two miles west of Lumberton was burned yesterday afternoon. It is thought the bridge caught from an engine. Passenger train No. 13 from Wilmington, due here at 6:25 p. m. and train No. 20 due here from Charlotte at 10:04 p. m. were derailed at the Raleigh and Charleston, via Smithboro, S. C.

Armenian Relief

Heretofore reported \$1,537.88
Mrs. N. A. Thompson \$10.00
R. L. Pitman, Fairmont, N. C. \$60.00
W. H. Humphrey \$25.00

JUNIUS J. GOODWIN,

Lumberton Township Chairman.

House Struck by Lightning and Burned

A tenant house on Mr. J. W. Johnson's plantation near Red Springs was struck by lightning and burned down Sunday morning. It was occupied by colored people, names not learned.

30 Days For Trespass

Harrison Rogers, colored, was sentenced by Recorder E. M. Britt to 30 days on the roads yesterday afternoon on the charge of trespass. Rogers gave notice of appeal.

Mrs. Maggie Britt passed through town Tuesday evening en route to her home, near Laurinburg, from Oram, where she spent a week visiting friends.

NAVAL BALLOON PASSED OVER LUMBERTON

Made Record Flight From Pensacola, Fla. and Made Forced Landing Near Wilmington—Carried Four Passengers.

The large naval observation balloon which passed over Lumberton about 8 o'clock yesterday morning made a forced landing in a field 30 miles from Wilmington. The balloon carried four passengers and set what is thought to be a world's record by flying 900 miles in 14 hours and 55 minutes. The men left Pensacola, Fla., on an endurance flight, Tuesday evening at 6:35 and landed yesterday morning at 9:30. The four passengers, all naval men from the training station at Pensacola, were badly shaken up in the landing, but their injuries were not serious, according to today's Wilmington Star.

PRESBYTERIAL AUXILIARY.

Women's Presbyterian Auxiliary of Fayetteville Presbyterian in Session Here—Opening Session at Presbyterian Church Last Evening—Various Departments Made Interesting Reports.

The opening session of the 31st annual meeting of the Presbyterian auxiliary of Fayetteville Presbyterian, was held in the Lumberton Presbyterian church at 8 p. m. last evening. These sessions will be held morning and evening at Moorehouse, address: Moorehouse, evening through Thursday.

Address of greeting by Rev. Dr. G. E. Moorehouse, pastor of the church.

Response by Mrs. C. D. Smith. This was a very happy little talk and livened up the meeting wonderfully.

After the enrollment of delegates Mrs. W. A. West, president of the auxiliary, made a most inspiring address on the scope of the work before the organization and encouraged them to be steadfast and results would be attained.

Reports were made by the various department secretaries, all of them very interesting. The feature of the evening was the Bible study period conducted by Miss Mary Angevine, of the White Bible Institute, New York city. Miss Angevine demonstrated the value of analytical study of the Bible. In this particular study period the first chapter of St. Mark's gospel was used and under the capable guidance the study proved most delightful, instructive and helpful.

About 250 people present. The morning session held today was particularly interesting. Miss Angevine, the Bible teacher, seems at her best at these meetings.

The public is cordially invited to be present at the 8 p. m. session today.

Monthly Meeting of County Commissioners.

Martha Price and Anderson Monroe were ordered admitted to the county home by the county commissioners, who met in regular monthly session here Monday.

Colon Seales was placed on the regular pauper list at \$5 the month. The monthly allowance of Eliza Burnett was increased from \$2 to \$5 and that of Clifton West from \$5 to \$8. The monthly reports of Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer, and Sheriff R. E. Lewis were received and ordered filed.

A report of the bills ordered paid will be published in Monday's Robesonian.

SYRUP NOT A GOOD SUBSTITUTE

A Ford might run on its reputation, but it will not run on molasses, according to Mr. W. P. Parker of R. 6, Lumberton. Mr. Parker's son went to a store and asked for cylinder oil and the merchant poured a half-gallon of molasses into the Ford, a brand new one. It cost Mr. Parker \$28.50 to get the molasses out of his car and much worry besides. He never found the reason his car wouldn't function until he took it to a garage.

Dr. A. D. McClure of Wilmington Drops Dead

Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church of Wilmington, dropped dead in the railroad station at Mt. Olive late Tuesday afternoon. Dr. McClure, who had been in Mt. Olive attending Wilmington Presbytery, was in the act of buying a ticket to Wilmington when the end came. Dr. McClure was about 65 years old and had been pastor of the Wilmington church for 30 years.

Population of Wilmington 33,372. The population of Wilmington is 33,372, according to figures announced by the census bureau Tuesday night. The population in 1910 was 25,748, an increase of 7,624, or 29.6 per cent. The population in 1900 was 20,976.

Indian Singing Convention

The Indian singing convention will be held at Mt. Olive the fourth Sunday in April. The meeting could not be held at Jacob Swamp, owing to the fact that the lumber could not be secured to complete the building in time to house the convention.

PARKTON NEWS LETTER.

Splendid Concert Given by Boy Scouts—Easter Services—Movements of the People.

BY C. D. WILLIAMSON.
Parkton, April 7.—The boy scouts of America of our town, which number 20 members, gave a most pleasing concert at the auditorium Monday night at 8 o'clock. Rev. W. L. Maness is headmaster of the order. Door receipts amounted to \$23.50. The admissions were only 10 and 15 cents. The town people turned out splendidly. The Parkton Band played for the boys.

Next Friday night there will be a public debate at the auditorium between Fairmont and Parkton.

Last Sunday at the Baptist church Rev. J. L. Jenkins preached a special sermon concerning the resurrection which was greatly enjoyed by a packed house. The choir was assisted by violin, cornet and slide trombone. Also at the night service, and in addition the congregation were favored with a splendid male quartet by the following: Dr. Watson, of Wagram, Jenkins and Dr. D. S. Currie.

The Easter program at the M. E. church was postponed until next Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

The Parkton military band gave a concert at Lumber Bridge last Friday night, which seemed to be very satisfactory. While the people did not turn out all together as well as they did at Parkton.

The following were Raeford visitors Monday evening: Claud Jennings, C. K. Campbell, J. W. Peele, D. T. Hasty and the writer.

A. M. Stubbs and son, Boyd, postmaster Collier Cobb and J. Q. Parnell were Lumberton visitors Tuesday.

Chas. Vance McMillan of Chapel Hill arrived Tuesday morning to spend the week with home folks and friends. He was telling the writer of an exciting game of ball between the university and Oak Ridge on Monday, in which nine innings resulted in no runs. Some game for the first of the season.

Miss Georgia Williamson of the N. C. College, Greensboro, spent Easter with home folks, also Ertle Williamson of Greensboro.

Dr. T. M. Watson and brother, J. L. Watson of Wagram, and McNeill Watson of Wake Forest, attended church here Sunday, visiting at the home of Rev. J. L. Jenkins.

We should have said that a feature of the entertainment Monday night was a mixed quartet, by Mrs. Jas. Blue, Mrs. R. B. Hutson, Jenkins and Hines.

Here is hope that the peach crop is still alive, notwithstanding the blizzard up our way.

In our next letter we will make mention of several real estate transfers, also of a new wholesale company, of a \$25,000 firm. Something doing all the time.

PHILLIPS-FOLSON.

The Robesonian Office Again is the Stage For a Wedding.

The Robesonian's composing room was the scene of a wedding Monday afternoon when Miss May Belle Folson and Mr. E. Hale Phillips, both of Fayetteville, were united as husband and wife. Justice F. Grover Britt, of The Robesonian's staff, officiated and the Robesonian was "held up" for the duration of the ceremony. Of course no member of the force could work while such an important event in the lives of two people was happening. Even before Justice Britt had spoken the last word of his "uniting" ceremony, the bride threw her loving arms about the neck of the groom and kissed him sweetly.

The couple were married against the will of the bride's parents, so they stated, and they were in much of a hurry to have the uniting words said.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Superior court for the trial of civil cases adjourned yesterday afternoon, being in session only two days of the second week of the term. Only two jury trials were heard during the two days. These were:

W. S. Stone vs. R. A. Willoughby; judgment for the plaintiff.

Butters Lumber Co. vs. W. W. Beckett; judgment for the plaintiff.

Mr. J. B. Bridgers, local agent of the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Co., attended yesterday in Charlotte a meeting of the North Carolina agents of this company.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. White spent Tuesday and yesterday in Wilmington.

NOTICE.

I will be at McDonald April 12th and 13th and at Elrod on April 14th for the purpose of listing personal property in Thompsons Township under the Revaluation Act. Please be there.

I will be at Pembroke on April 15th and 16th for the purpose of listing personal property in Pembroke Township under the Revaluation Act. Please be there.

S. H. MCKINNON,
County Supervisor.

NEWS NOTES AND COMMENT.

A Weak Bunch in Congress—The Vexing Road Question—Other Matters. BY J. M. FLEMING.

Lumberton, April 6.—That was a fine bunch of hogs sold in Lumberton Saturday.

Would it not have been a blessed thing if a Cromwell could have walked into Congress Friday, the 19th of March, and driven every fellow from his seat and given it to better men? If there has been a weaker bunch together since the days of Pontius Pilate, or that English parliament in 1653 driven out by Oliver Cromwell than our present Congress has shown itself to be, we fail to remember the reference.

It begins to look like our local roads will have to be abandoned. We wish some sort of arrangements could be made for their improvement. Free labor would be welcomed in many sections providing the abominable tax system was modified. But as it is, a great many men are unwilling to even fill up a hole in the road when it is right at their doorsteps.

That was a splendid article in a recent issue of The Robesonian written by Rev. D. B. Humphrey on the sort of men to fill public offices. It was straight goods. It looks like we have enough offices but maybe we haven't. The health officer and others are asking that we employ one in each township. Just one precious little woman in this whole great big county could not get round very often in case of an epidemic.

It was a delightful scene when the more than 80 children at Smith's school were lined up and turned loose to hunt the eggs hidden near the playground Friday afternoon. Both teachers and children enjoyed it greatly.

The church services at Rozier's Saturday and Sunday were splendid. Several of our people were sick with influenza, but nearly all were improving, though many were not able to stir out yet.

ROBESON CLUB ORGANIZED.

Robeson Young Men at Wake Forest Perfect Organization—Students From Robeson.

Wake Forest, April 8.—The boys from Robeson county, now attending Wake Forest college, met recently in the chapel and organized the "Robeson county club of Wake Forest college." The following officers were elected: L. J. Britt, president; Chapel Hill Wilson, vice-president; J. R. Howard, treasurer; F. L. Israel, secretary; R. A. McIntyre, chaplain. The purpose of the club is to encourage other boys in Robeson county to come to Wake Forest for their college training.

Following is a list of the boys from Robeson here this year:

L. J. Britt, post graduate, Chapel Hill, senior, J. B. Odum, senior, R. A. McIntyre, senior, Percy H. Wilson, senior, F. L. Israel, sophomore, Linton Page, sophomore, Dallas Hayes, sophomore, H. C. Blackwell, sophomore, J. R. Howard, sophomore, J. R. Poole, freshman, W. H. Odum, freshman, Fred Hester, freshman, Tiffany Barnes, freshman, R. A. Hedgpath, Jr., freshman, E. T. Williams, freshman, N. F. Britt, freshman, Dempsey Barnes, freshman.

HOW BIGGEST COTTON YIELD WAS PRODUCED

Land Broken Thoroughly and Harrowed and Crop Cultivated Every 8 or 10 Days.

Mr. William Peterson of Sampson county, who raised an average of 1,047.87 pounds of lint cotton per acre on 5 acres of land, making him the champion cotton grower of the world and winning the national farm prize, tells in Cotton Facts about his methods.

"My methods of raising cotton are as follows," the champion writes: "I break my land from ten to twelve inches deep, and then thoroughly disk and harrow it. We generally double crop with Irish potatoes or early corn between the cotton rows, which are five to six feet apart. "We either broadcast or drill stable manure, then use about 1,000 pounds of fertilizer per acre, with a top-dressing of 150 to 200 pounds of soda. We cultivate regularly every eight or ten days until the last of August. This keeps the cotton green until heavy frost, giving it every opportunity to develop and mature. "We carefully select the seed, known as 'Peterson's improved,' from choice hills."

Brought to Jail.

Maxton Scottish Chief. Rural Policeman W. W. Smith took to jail at Lumberton Wednesday afternoon, Hae Locklear, Will Pate and Sam Troublefield, Indians, Locklear and Pate, for blockading, from whom two stills and a quantity of liquor was taken. Troublefield was taken for shooting old man George Watson, colored, several weeks ago, an account of which was given in the Scottish Chief. Watson died from his wounds last Saturday and his slayer was re-arrested and committed without bail. He has been released upon bond until the death of his victim occurred.

COUNTY SCHOOL MATTERS.

Special Tax Rate in Saddletree Reduced to 5 and 15 Cents—Proposed Consolidation of Districts Deferred—Other Matters.

The special school tax rate of Saddletree school district was reduced to 5 cents on the \$100 valuation and 15 cents on the poll by the county board of education Monday.

The matter of consolidating the Elrod and part of the Rayaham school districts with the Purvis school was deferred to the next regular meeting of the board.

The committee heretofore appointed to investigate the advisability of consolidating Student's Hope school with Alfordville No. 2 was continued and the matter will be considered the first Monday in May.

It was ordered that 8 desks be purchased for the Baltimore school.

An order was passed allowing district No. 1, Rennett township, \$200 for painting the school building, provided two coats of paint be applied, the district to contribute enough funds to complete the work.

The board ordered that \$25.88 be transferred from district No. 9, Rowland township, to district No. 11, Thompson township, on account of error in listing special tax of the L. R. Hamer estate.

The contract with the State Board of Education for summer school at Red Springs was approved.

A bill for \$30.25 for office supplies was approved.

J. W. Sinclair was appointed committeeman in district No. 1, Smith township to fill out unexpired term of D. P. Sinclair, deceased. W. H. Morrison was appointed committeeman in district No. 2, colored, Burnt Swamp, in the place of Edmond Leach, who resigned.

WHAT OF THE MORNING?

Raleigh News and Observer.

In an address to the students of Chapel Hill A. W. McLean told the young men two things. One that North Carolina is headed towards a big future if it cares to keep the track and the other that foreign service has a place for aggressive young fellows who want to get on in the world.

From being low down in the scale of industry this State has come to rank fourth in farm production, and first in factory output among the states of the South. Here is a unique distinction. Split the United States into four sections, by a line drawn north and south along the Mississippi river and a line drawn east and west on a line from the Potomac to the Ohio and we find that in the eastern half are two of the four leading farm states and North Carolina is one of them. Or in the southern half are two of the leading farm states and North Carolina is one of them. Or take the southeastern quarter of the United States, containing Mason and Dixon's line to the Ohio river and down the Mississippi to the Gulf, and both agriculturally and industrially, of the thirteen states in that group North Carolina leads in point of production.

This relative position has been gained with in a few years. Having been gained it is very likely to be held. To be held it is highly desirable that we should go ahead and make our foreign commercial relations a further big developer. North Carolina is an industrial and agricultural State. We need now to develop our banking and export business and it can be done in no better way than Mr. McLean suggests, by training our young men in foreign trade, both at home and abroad and in carrying it on at sea. We are becoming a state of shipbuilders, but we need to also take the next step and be shipowners and operators as well.

PERSONALS

Mr. R. R. Prevatt of R. 3, Lumberton, is in town today.

Mr. A. L. Stone of R. 4, Lumberton, was among the visitors in town Monday.

Mr. F. A. Humphrey of Red Springs, R. 2, was a Lumberton visitor yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Oliver and small daughter, Dorothy Bowles, of Marietta were Lumberton visitors yesterday afternoon.

Mr. H. L. Stephens of Fairmont is a Lumberton visitor today.

Mr. J. J. Shaw of the Rex section is among the visitors in town today.

Messrs. Lacy McNair and S. S. Cox, both of Rennett, were Lumberton visitors Tuesday.

Mr. J. C. Baxley of Buie was a Lumberton visitor Monday afternoon.

Mr. J. B. Humphrey of Philadelphia was a Lumberton visitor Monday afternoon.

Mrs. F. M. Davis of McDonald is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thompson, North Elm street.

Miss Kathryn Beaman went Tuesday to New Bern, where she will spend some time visiting at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Suter.

Mr. W. W. Whaley and small daughter, Elizabeth, returned Tuesday to their home in Wilmington after spending a few days here at the home of Mr. Whaley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Whaley, Elm street.

BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—License has been issued for the marriage of Fleming Brisson and Lucy Kinlaw.

—Community service pictures will be shown at Proctorville school house Monday night, April 12.

—Margaret Lee, 15-days-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Quick of Bellamy, died Tuesday.

—The condition of Mrs. Alfred Rowland, who has been indisposed for a few days, is improved today.

—Mr. M. T. Singletary left today for Raleigh, where he will take a course in embalming at Brown's school of embalming.

—Mrs. C. B. Thompson of Fairmont who is taking treatment from Dr. H. M. Baker, had her tonsils removed by Dr. R. S. Beam Tuesday and was able to return home yesterday.

—Among those besides delegates from Lumberton who are attending the State Democratic convention in Raleigh today are: Messrs. T. A. McNeill, Jr., J. A. Sharpe, J. J. Goodwin and W. K. Bethune.

—Mr. Luther J. Britt of R. 4, Lumberton, was sworn in as an attorney and counsellor at law to practice in the State of North Carolina by Judge O. H. Allen Tuesday. Mr. Britt has not yet decided where he will locate.

—Mrs. A. W. McLean and two children, Margaret and Wilton, Jr., arrived yesterday from Washington and will spend some time here. They were accompanied to Raleigh by Mr. McLean, who stopped over there to attend the State Democratic convention.

—At their regular monthly meeting Monday evening the stewards of Chestnut Street Methodist church appointed a parsonage finance committee, composed of Messrs. A. E. White, K. M. Barnes, Jno. C. Fuller, F. P. Gray and J. A. Sharpe, to secure plans and raise funds for building a parsonage.

—Mr. John A. McLean, who lives on R. 5, 7 miles east of Lumberton, and who was in town Tuesday, says that when he fed his stock at 5 a. m. Tuesday morning there was no ice in his horse trough, but that when he went back to water at 6:30 the water in the trough was frozen over. It got considerably colder just about sunup.

—Messdames T. L. Johnson and E. J. Britt left Tuesday for Shelby to attend the 13th annual session of the Woman's Missionary union of North Carolina, auxiliary to the Baptist State convention. They went as delegates from the First Baptist church of Lumberton. The meeting opened Tuesday evening and will close tomorrow morning. Mrs. Joe Biggs of the Saddletree section also went to Shelby Tuesday to attend the meeting.

—Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Sargent, who were married at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Husey, in Dillon, S. C., on March 29, are visiting relatives in the Saddletree section. Mrs. Sargent spent some time in this State before her marriage and has many friends in Robeson. Mr. Sargent is a native of Vermont and met his bride while he was in training at Camp Jackson. He now has charge of the payroll of the American Express Co. at Springfield, Mass., where they will make their home after visiting several places in the South and Washington, D. C.

Mr. R. A. Sealey of R. 2, Fairmont, was among the visitors in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Leslie Carlyle and Miss Lillian Proctor went Tuesday evening to Charlotte, where they will spend a few days.

SUNDAY AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

MORNING SUBJECT: "The Ascended Christ"—Our Advocate—Our Intercessor. The gifts He brings to men. Announcement for evening service will be made Sunday morning. (Church Adv.)

CHESTNUT STREET METHODIST CHURCH.

R. C. BEAMAN, D. D., Pastor.

SUNDAY, APRIL 11TH.

MORNING SUBJECT: "Lot Pitched His Tent Toward Sodom, Where Are You Pitching Yours?"

Evening Subject, 8 O'Clock: "Insid, and Outside." All are cordially invited to attend these services. Church Adv.)

DR. WILLIAM W. PARKER.

EYE SPECIALIST

Office: National Bank of Lumberton Building.