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Mass Meeting This Evening 7:45

Graded School Bond Issue Will be Discussed at Meeting at Court House—Meeting Will be Over Early in Order Not to Break into Other Engagements for the Evening.

A mass meeting will be held at the court house this evening at 7:45 o'clock under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the graded school bond issue. The general public, ladies especially, are cordially invited. It is the purpose of those in charge of the meeting to get it over with in time not to break into other engagements for the evening.

Every woman, child and man in Lumberton is interested, or should be interested, in the proposed bond issue for schools, and it is hoped that every one who can possibly do so will attend this meeting. Do not let other engagements keep you away.

Mayor White Is In The Race

He Announces That He Will be in the Race to Succeed Himself—B. N. Brigman is Only Other Candidate So Far But 'Squire Small is Listening for the Call.

The race is on. Mayor A. E. White has announced that he will offer for nomination to succeed himself in the town primary on April 26. As was stated in Monday's Robesonian, Mr. B. N. Brigman says he is also in the race for mayor, which means that there will be at least two aspirants for the position. The water is said to be fine and there may be others who will enter the race in due season. Anyway, the race is being run.

And behold the following written report comes to The Robesonian to whet the appetite and enliven hope: "Squire Spurgeon Small is still flirting with the mayoralty race but is still too coy to make his announcement. The squire says his friends are insisting on his making the race as the 'poor man's' candidate and he is receiving telegrams from former residents of the town tendering their support and assistance. He is quietly sounding out public sentiment and will soon make a definite statement. Justice Small states in the event he decides to enter the contest he will enter the ring with gloves off, and his opponents will know they have been in some fight, whatever the outcome may be."

SERIOUS OUTBREAK OF HAZING AT STATE COLLEGE

The following is taken from yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer: Following the most serious outbreak of hazing in the history of the institution, several students of State college were cited yesterday to appear before the Wake county grand jury when it meets April 11 to answer charges of violating the State statutes. No actual arrests have been made, it is understood, and none will be made unless the grand jury finds against them.

Re-appearing late in February after lying dormant since last October, the hazing spirit among a certain element in the college, described by President Riddick as belonging to no particular class, reached its climax early Tuesday morning when the rooms of upwards of a score of freshmen were broken in to and heads of the freshmen shaved.

Lee Stone Goes With Augusta Club

Mr. Lee G. Stone left Tuesday afternoon for Augusta, Ga., having been sold by the Richmond baseball club to the Augusta club of the South Atlantic league. Mr. Stone pitched for the Augusta club two seasons, prior to 1919 when he pitched for the Little Rock, Ark., club. He pitched for the Richmond club last season. The following dispatch from Augusta relative to the purchase of Mr. Stone appeared in yesterday's Charlotte Observer:

Augusta, Ga., March 22.—Announcement was made today by J. Marvin Wolfe, president of the Augusta South Atlantic association club, that Pitcher Lee Stone has been obtained from the Richmond Virginia league club in return for Pitcher Tom Knowlson and a cash consideration.

Remains of Murdered Negro Sent Here for Interment

The remains of Lala Wilson Milligan, colored, arrived here Monday from Norfolk, Va., and were interred yesterday in the Newtown cemetery. Deceased was murdered, being shot to death, according to information accompanying the remains. She was 29 years old and formerly lived here. No particulars of the killing have been learned.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Conoley and small son, James Arthur, of Orlando, Fla., arrived Monday and will spend some time in the county visiting relatives and friends.

Misses Nell Bernard and Matron Fletcher of Pembroke were among the shoppers in town yesterday.

Woman Lost Here Changed Her Story

Finally Gave Her Name as Lucy Hunt, Her Home Greenville, and Said Persons With Whom She Came to Lumberton Were Not Related to Her as at First Claimed. The woman who was lost here Saturday night left town Monday night over the Virginia & Carolina Southern without locating the parties with whom she came here. As was stated in Monday's Robesonian, the woman, who appeared to be around 35 years old, said she came here with three other persons Saturday and lost them, or they lost her, at the carnival Saturday night. She was hatless and coatless and said that the other persons in her party had her hat and coat.

She changed her first story somewhat before leaving, however. Her first story was that the three who accompanied her were her son, her uncle and his wife and that they came from Raleigh. Her last story was that her name was Lucy Hunt, that her home was in Greenville, Pitt county, and that the other members of the party were not related to her. One of the men had left his wife and children and brought another girl along and the second man was not her son, she said. She said the men came from Kinston and the girl was from her town—Greenville. They had started to Georgia, according to her statement.

Home Bureau Meeting In Lumberton

Fitting and Wearing of Corsets Demonstrated by Miss Wells of Washington—Dress Design Presented by Assistant Home Demonstration Agent—Meetings at Marietta, St. Pauls and Rowland Also.

Reported for The Robesonian. The Lumberton Home Demonstration club was the first to be favored with a group meeting of the Home Bureau, of Robeson county, a series of which is being conducted under the direction of the home demonstration agent.

The meeting was held in the town hall on Tuesday, March 22nd, the morning meeting being devoted to most helpful instruction and demonstration in the wearing and fitting of corsets under the capable leadership of Miss Emma B. Wells of Washington, D. C. Miss Wells is an instructor in the corset school at Washington and has trained hundreds of women in the corsetier work all over the Carolinas and Virginia. She is a perfect wonder in her mastery of her subject and her art of presenting this problem to the women is greatly marked. She presented her subject from a medical standpoint as well as a standpoint of beauty and physical fitness. She gave demonstration of the type of corset adapted to the type of figure, the value and comfort in the same, the danger if not properly fitted, to say nothing of the discomfort and disability.

The afternoon was devoted to dress design, which was most aptly presented by Miss Maude E. Wallace, assistant State home demonstration agent, of Raleigh. Miss Wallace took up her subject of clothing from the standpoint of the consumer, her responsibilities and duties, drawing attention to the fact that fashion often enslaves instead of being properly adapted to the needs of the woman in the home. She pointed out some of the evils of fashion, for example, loss of personality, adulteration of textiles, extravagance, high prices and even disability. Each fashion trends so rapidly on the heels of the last that a bargain counter seems to be a necessary part of every store. What is a bargain counter? "A place where women squander money on things simply because they are cheap." Women are the chief purchasers of the nation since their influence or purchase eighty percent of the textiles.

Miss Wallace appealed to the women to put more intelligent thought on the buying of clothing, with a better understanding of thrift. She asked them to shop more considerately, to realize the responsibilities of the store and the trials of the saleslady. The Lumberton club acted as hostess to the visiting clubs, McDonald, Ten Mile and Back Swamp. They served a very fitting and tasty lunch.

A similar meeting of this type and force was conducted at Marietta on Wednesday, and will be conducted at St. Pauls Thursday and Rowland on Friday, thus reaching every section of Robeson with this valuable instruction.

Florence, S. C., March 21.—After the grand jury returned true bills today against Edmund D. Bigham, accused of killing five members of his family, Bigham was arraigned in the court of sessions here late today and entered pleas of not guilty. A motion for a change of venue was denied by Judge Memminger and the case scheduled to come to trial on Thursday.

Mr. J. Dickson McLean left last evening for Washington, D. C., where he will spend a few days.

Messrs A. L. Lawson and Frank J. Nye of Orrum were among the visitors in town yesterday.



Recorder's Court

Road Sentence for Blockader—Other Cases Before Recorder Fuller. Ben Scott was found guilty of manufacturing whiskey by Recorder David H. Fuller Monday and was sentenced to 4 months on the roads. Scott had previously been found guilty of aiding and abetting in the manufacture of whiskey by Recorder J. N. Buie of Red Springs and sentenced to 2 months on the roads. He will also have to serve an additional month to pay the cost in each case—making a total of seven months.

P. P. Baker was fined \$5 and cost on the charge of exceeding the speed limit. Thomas Wilson was fined \$1 and cost on the charge of trespass. He gave notice of appeal and made bond in the sum of \$50.

W. J. Kite was found not guilty of running a negro boy down with an auto and tearing up the bicycle the boy was riding.

Hezekiah Moody, negro, was found guilty of the larceny of a pistol by Assistant Recorder L. J. Britt yesterday. Judgement was suspended upon payment of the cost. The prosecuting witness failed to appear for trial and Hezekiah told of taking the pistol. He claimed that the owner of the pistol—a cheap Owls head—had threatened to use it in killing him, and this was his reason for taking it.

BOTH SIDES CLAIM VICTORY IN UPPER SILESIA PLEBISCITE

A Berlin dispatch of the 21st states that unofficial returns from the plebiscite held Monday in Upper Silesia showed a complete German victory, while the Polish legation at Washington announced Tuesday night that a majority of the districts were carried by Poland, according to official advices from Warsaw. The result of the plebiscite will be determined, the legation said, not by a majority of the general vote cast but by the commune majorities.

A Paris dispatch of the 22nd states: "French official circles and the newspapers admitted tonight that the Germans had a majority of the votes in Upper Silesia, but already are advocating allowing the districts which decided in favor of Poland to join that republic."

The area involved, comprising some 5,000 square miles, was the largest section of territory to have its fate submitted to a plebiscite under the peace treaty, but even more important than the size of the district was the material wealth contained in its varied mineral resources, coal, iron, zinc and lead.

Germany has shown by her representations to the Allies how vital she considered these materials to her ability to reconstitute herself economically and meet reparations demands, while the need of the resources of Upper Silesia for the economic wellbeing of Poland has been hardly less strenuously insisted upon by the Polish people.

No Entertainment at School House This Evening

This musical entertainment which it has been announced would be given at the high school auditorium this evening for the benefit of the West Lumberton Sunday school has been postponed indefinitely on account of the weather.

MT. ELIM MATTERS

Here's One Who is Not Going to Plant Any Cotton This Year—Personal and Other Items.

Mr. Elim (Orrum, R. F. D.), March 21.—It is beginning to feel like summer time down in this section just now, and it is also real dry. Planting corn and picking tobacco plant beds seems to be the order of the day.

The writer and Miss Kizzie Shepherd spent last Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Britt of Chadbourne. We also had the pleasure to visit the Williamson Cross Road Baptist church of Columbus county and hear Rev. Mr. Alford Stephens preach an excellent sermon.

Mrs. A. B. Lawson is spending a few days with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Atkinson of the Oakton section.

Listen, girls, don't cry on Easter Jay, if you do you will be sure to cry the following Sunday. Here is a warning to the young folks that one should not get engaged on Easter Sunday, else the engagement will be broken.

Mr. A. B. Lawson attended preaching at Centerville church Sunday and reports a splendid sermon, by Rev. Mr. Willis of East Lumberton.

During the past few weeks I am really surprised at the amount of commercial fertilizer farmers are purchasing to use to make another million or two bales of cotton when they cannot dispose of last year's production. I think it is the height of falling on the part of the farmers to plant cotton as a money crop. But farmers, that is, the majority of them, think they could not live if it were not for cotton, and if they would not plant a seed this year and hold what cotton they have on hand for their own price. The writer is not going to plant a single seed in the year 1921. Boys, let's all pull together and if you all will be boneheads and plant cotton please reduce the amount of fertilizers and also the number of acres and plant more of something to eat and I think we will live easier next year, don't you all?

Verdict Against Purchaser of Stolen Auto.

John R. Tolar, Jr., president of the LaFayette Bank and Trust company, lost possession of his Cadillac automobile this afternoon by virtue of the jury verdict which was rendered just after noon. The jury after deliberating all morning gave their verdict in favor of the plaintiff, Bettie Jonas et al.

This is the first jury verdict reached in the stolen automobile cases that have been passed from court to court. It was alleged a large number of Cadillacs were stolen in New York and other Northern cities and sold in this city through the Clayton garage and in the lot was the one purchased by Mr. Tolar.—Fayetteville Observer, March 22.

It is understood that several Robeson county people purchased cars that came through the same way.

Vaccinated 137 Hogs Against Cholera. Dr. W. H. Wright of Wilmington and Mr. O. O. Dukes, county farm demonstrator, vaccinated 137 hogs against cholera in the Rowland and St. Pauls communities Monday and Tuesday.

St. Pauls News

Building Being Erected for Telephone Exchange—Bungalow Under Construction—Personal Mention.

St. Pauls, March 23.—Miss Mary Humphrey spent the week-end with her sister Miss Colleen Humphrey who is going to school at Wingate. Miss Colleen, who has suffered an attack of influenza, is very much improved.

Mrs. Maggie McEachern, who has been visiting the McCormacs and McEacherns, has returned to her home in Fayetteville.

Miss Clara McDonald spent the week-end at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd McDonald.

Miss Charlotte Alford returned to her sister, Mrs. McGoogan, at Red Springs, after spending a week or two with Mrs. Rowena McCormac.

Mr. G. R. Thaggard went to Fayetteville Wednesday morning where he is taking treatment under Dr. Smeot.

Mr. A. B. Johnson is having a building erected on Third street which will serve as the telephone exchange.

Mr. Guyton and daughter Macy returned from Chapel Hill Monday where they were called to the bedside of Mr. Guyton's son Albert who had suffered an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Guyton reports that Albert is much improved and he is expected home soon.

Miss Myrtle Pope of Lumberton spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. D. A. McQueen, who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Fisher, on Armstrong St.

Mr. G. Little is having a six-room bungalow erected on South Broad street.

Mr. John Brown, who was hurt at Rennett, is doing very well, though is still in a hospital at Fayetteville.

Rev. Frank Hare, who is in a hospital at Charlotte, was operated on and reported to be getting along very well.

Mrs. Dan Marley from Lumber Bridge is visiting her mother, Mrs. D. B. Lancaster.

Mrs. Holt, from Cherryville, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Lancaster.

Mrs. L. I. Grantham spent Monday in Lumberton, where she had her eyes treated.

Mr. John Bateman, who has been in Baker's hospital in Lumberton, is home again and we are glad to report much improved.

Mr. Robert Lancaster spent Monday in Lumberton.

Mr. Joe Butler was a Fayetteville visitor Tuesday.

PRESIDENT HARDING ISSUES CALL FOR EXTRA SESSION

None of Specific Problems to be Laid Before Legislative Branch Were Named in the Proclamation.

A formal call for an extra session of Congress, to meet on April 11 and receive legislative communications from the new administration, was issued Tuesday by President Harding.

None of the specific problems to be laid before the legislative branch were named in the proclamation, the President merely declaring that an extraordinary occasion required that Congress convene "to receive such communication as may be made by the executive."

Mr. Harding already has indicated, however, that the tariff and taxation will be foremost in his message to the special session. He is expected to make a special plea for prompt relief to the nation's agricultural interests, and the list of recommendations may touch many other subjects, such as the railway situation, the merchant marine and immigration.

One recommendation relative to reconstruction measures within the government machine itself is expected to suggest the creation of a general commission to dispose of many kinds of property acquired by government agencies during the war. Whether the message will touch on foreign relations is a matter of speculation, but the President has indicated that his primary desire for the session is that it work out a plan of governmental and industrial rehabilitation at home.

A program for the session has been discussed at a series of conferences between the President and leaders in the Senate and House and although definite decisions still are to be made, a feeling of confidence is manifest that there will be a working agreement that will expedite legislative business from the start.

SENIOR-JUNIOR RECEPTION AT FLORA MACDONALD

Red Springs, Mch. 22.—Invitations have been issued reading: "The Senior and Junior classes of Flora Macdonald College, At Home, College Palors, Monday evening, March 28th eight thirty."

This is the big social event of the year and several hundred guests are expected to be present.

Oyster and Fruit Supper at Smyrna School. Correspondence of The Robesonian.

There will be an oyster and fruit supper at Smyrna school house Friday night, March 25th. Proceeds will go to the benefit of the school. The public is cordially invited.

Mr. Jno. W. Ward of Rowland was among the visitors in town Tuesday.

DON'T FAIL TO REGISTER

In order to vote in the school bond election on April 5 it is necessary to register. Mr. B. G. Floyd, registrar, is not confining registration to Saturdays but will register you any day. See him at the court house.

COTTON MARKET.

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 10 5-8 cents the pound; strict middling 11 5-8 cents.

BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

Local banks will be closed Monday, March 28th, Easter Monday.

Miss Nannie McQueen, who has been sick two weeks, is slowly convalescing.

License has been issued for the marriage of J. Graham Webb and Carrie Lee Herndon.

The condition of Mr. O. G. Norment, who has been confined to his room for several days, is very much improved today.

Sheriff R. E. Lewis left yesterday for Nichols, Ga., to see his brother, Mr. W. P. Lewis, who recently suffered a stroke of paralysis.

Much corn has been planted in the rural districts during the last week, according to the farmers coming into town. Isn't it a little early for planting corn?

Mr. E. Troy Nye of the Orrum section had a close call Monday when kicked by a horse. He was struck in the lower abdomen and was painfully hurt by the kick.

The dog that bit Master A. H. McLeod, Jr., last Friday was not rabid, according to a report received from Raleigh, where the head of the dog was sent for an examination.

Deputy Sheriff A. H. Prevatt, who was accidentally shot ten days ago when his pistol fell out of his pocket and fired, has been out since Tuesday. He left the hospital Sunday.

Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of public instruction, attended yesterday in Greensboro a meeting of county and city superintendents of schools. He is expected home tonight.

Beginning Monday, April 4, local stores will be closed at 6 p. m. daily, except Saturday, during the summer months. Practically all the leading merchants have signed an agreement to that effect.

James Regan and Tom Tilly, two white boys, were arrested today at Rocky Mount on the charge of robbing mail boxes at the local post-office. An officer from here will go to Rocky Mount tonight and bring them here.

Misses Nellie Hamilton and Gladys Floyd, students at Carolina college, Maxton, passed through town yesterday en route to their homes at Marietta, where they will spend Easter. They were met here by Miss Hamilton's father, Mr. J. T. Hamilton.

Rev. Dr. C. H. Durham, pastor of the First Baptist church, left this morning for Wingate and Mount Gilead in response to a message from the Home Mission Board, of which he is a member, to go at once to these places to look after the interests of the board. He expects to return tomorrow evening.

Rev. and Mrs. F. B. McCall of Fairfield, Hyde county, left for their home Monday evening after spending the week-end here visiting at the home of Mrs. McCall's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Hollowell, Elm street. Mr. McCall was pastor of the Methodist church here some 30 years ago.

TEN MILE-BARKER SCHOOL NEWS

New School House is Nearing Completion—Pupils Will Give a Play on Night of April 1.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Lumberton, R. 1, March 22.—Ten Mile-Barker school house is nearing completion.

The school is very anxious to try itself in the large and convenient building. This house is a sufficient one to do credit and reflect honor on any neighborhood. Indeed, as well as in words, this neighborhood is coming to the front. But this is not surprising so much when one stops to think once—the Committee out here is made up of such men as you would naturally expect to do things. They have learned the art of planning a thing and then working to it.

Despite the difficulties and disappointments, they have pressed on with a nerve dying interest and a perseverance that always wins. Then too, Prof. J. R. Poole has turned his attention from his tremendous volume of business, our way very often in a very substantial manner. Needless to say, he is always "on the job" when it comes to anything that will benefit the children of Robeson county, his big family.

The Ten Mile-Barker high school pupils will give a play, "Diamonds and Hearts", on Friday night, April 1st. Everybody is cordially invited to come. It will be given in the new school building.

Mrs. Ralph Sharpe and two children of Hartsville, S. C., are guests at the home of Mrs. Sharpe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McGill, Second street.