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## Dempsey Is Still World Champion

**Carpentier Knocked Out in Fourth Round—Challenger Was Game to the End—90,000 People Paid \$1,600,000 to See the Battle.**

An Associated Press dispatch gives the following:  
Ringside, Jersey City, N. J. July 2.—Jack Dempsey is still heavyweight pugilistic champion of the world.  
A crushing right swing from the fist of the American fighter shattered the titular aspirations of Georges Carpentier in the fourth round of the so-called "Battle of the Century" here this afternoon. The pile-driving blow landed flush upon the jaw of the Frenchman, flooring Carpentier for the second time in a trifle more than a minute of fighting in the final and decisive round.

Although he had staggered to his feet after the initial knock-down, he was unable to survive the second one and was motionless when Referee Harry Ertle tolled off the fatal ten counts.

Although the knockout punch was driven to Carpentier's jaw, the way to Dempsey's victory had been paved by continual bombardment of blows, which landed on every section of the Frenchman's body. Each swing, jab and uppercut, scored to the stomach, ribs and sides, contributed to the slowing up process of the speedy Carpentier. In addition, a clubbing right which landed flush on the back of Georges' neck in the third round played an important part in his defeat. The Frenchman folded over in an attempt to protect his body, left the back of his neck exposed, and Dempsey, with the fair target in front of him, drove down a terrific slam to Carpentier's vertebrae.

After the knockout, the Frenchman stated in his dressing room that this punch was the cause of his pugilistic downfall. He said that the punch stunned his entire physical and mental make-up and he was thereafter unable to carry on any effective attack.

It developed after Carpentier had returned to his training camp at Manhasset, N. Y., that during his aggressive and effective attack in the second round, the Frenchman had broken his right thumb and sprained his wrist. Carpentier was unable to explain how the injury occurred, but it is thought that it came as a result of a hard swing which landed high on Dempsey's head.

What effect, if any, this injury to the European challenger's most effective fighting fist, had on the ultimate outcome of the battle, it is impossible to state. Carpentier was almost entirely on the defensive in the third and fourth rounds, although he did not noticeably avoid using his right hand in blocking or striking out when the opportunity arose.

**Carpentier Game**  
Regardless of just which blow caused the vanquishing of Carpentier, the Frenchman gave a remarkable exhibition of pugilistic skill and gameness against a heavier and more punishing opponent. The favorite when he entered the ring, judging from the amount of cheers he received, he left the arena with even a greater amount of applause ringing in his ears—a tribute to an exhibition which in every way verified and upheld a record which had preceded him regarding his boxing ability and danger-defying work during the World War.

Dempsey as the winner ran true to his fighting form.

**Carpentier Hits First.**  
Although Carpentier struck the first blow of the encounter, a flying left to the face, Dempsey never at any time backed up or showed inclination to avoid trading blows with his opponent. The champion bored in at every opportunity and devoted as much of his attention as was possible to close infighting. Rights and lefts were steadily driven home to Carpentier's body, alternated at times by drives, jabs, hooks and cuffs to the Frenchman's face, jaw and head.

For the first round Carpentier did not appear to feel the effects of this punishment. He fought in and out at close quarters, using chiefly a right swing or drive to Dempsey's face and jaw with an occasional shift of the left to the body.

**Frenchman Rattles.**  
Most of the body blows, Dempsey blocked or partly checked with elbows and forearms, but he was not able to protect his face as well. Time and again Georges shot over his right to Dempsey's face and in the second round when he turned loose the heaviest batteries of his blows it appeared as though the champion might be forced to assume a defensive attitude. The pause in Dempsey's attack, however, was due more to surprise and fluster at the savageness of his opponent's rally. After a few seconds of indecision, he gathered himself together again and although the round was undoubtedly Carpentier's on aggressiveness and clean blows landed, there was not the slightest evidence that Dempsey had been hurt by Carpentier's punches. He shot out his corner at the bell for the third round with every evidence of an intention to finish the battle. With a menacing scowl on his dark features, he followed Carpentier about the ring as the latter sidestepped and ducked with lunges.

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## A Gala Day in East Lumberton

**Citizens of Lumberton and Dresden Cotton-Mill Villages Had a Big Field Day Saturday—Picnic Dinner, Athletic Contests and Ball Game—East Lumberton Team Put it All Over Lumberton League Team.**

Saturday was a gala day at East Lumberton. The day was observed by the citizens of the Lumberton and Dresden cotton mill villages—East Lumberton—as Field Day and the folks turned out en masse. The features of the day included a picnic dinner, athletic contests of various kinds and a ball game between the Lumberton league team and the East Lumberton team. The day will long be remembered by the people of the mill village and the hundreds of others who gathered there for the occasion.

The first thing on the program—the picnic dinner—was perhaps the outstanding feature of the day. The dinner was spread on a table in the grove at the auditorium, the table being 96 feet long. The table was filled to overflowing with edibles of every description and it was a sight to behold. After the hundreds of people present had feasted to their satisfaction, many baskets full were taken up. The dinner was prepared by the people who live in East Lumberton. Lemonade was furnished by the cotton mill companies.

The athletic contests began immediately after dinner. While several efforts were made to win the prize offered for climbing the greasy pole, none of the contestants succeeded in reaching the top. Prize winners in the other contests were as follows:  
Potato race for women—Mrs. Capers Clewis; sack race for boys—Dewey Barnes; wheelbarrow race for boys—Kelly Barnes; foot race, girls under 12 years old—Flossie Little; foot race for 14-year-olds—Lonnice Russell; tug of war between the Lumberton and Dresden mills—won by the Lumberton mill.

The ball game was called at 3:30 and was witnessed by more than 1,000 people. The score was 5 to 2 in favor of the East Lumberton team. A fuller report of the game will be found elsewhere in this paper.

Concert music was furnished by the East Lumberton band. It was indeed a red-letter day for the citizenry of the mill villages.

## DR. DAVID HUMPHREY WAS SICK ONLY TWO DAYS

**Efforts Are Being Made to Have Remains Brought Home.**

Dr. David Humphrey, whose death on June 10 on Monserrat Island, British West Indies, where he was in the service of the British government, which has been mentioned in The Robesonian, was sick only two days. This information was contained in a letter received a few days ago by Mrs. Humphrey, who, with her small son, is at the home of her father, Mr. J. T. Bland, at Burgaw. The letter was forwarded to Mr. Richard Humphrey of Saddletree, father of deceased. Mr. Richard Humphrey, who was a Lumberton visitor Friday, has just received from Senator Simmons a letter in which the Senator advises that in compliance with Mr. Humphrey's request he has requested the Secretary of State to take up with the British government the matter of having the remains brought home.

## YOUNG LADIES WILL MAKE CAVASS FOR CAST-OFF CLOTHING

A committee of young ladies will visit the residential part of town today, giving the women of Lumberton an opportunity of contributing to the relief of war devastated countries of the Near East, the Bible lands.

Discarded but serviceable garments, old clothes of all kinds, are solicited. The women are asked to have them in readiness for delivery by Tuesday, when they will be collected.

**MISS MARY GILCHRIST McNEILL**  
**MR. M. B. ROBBINS, Committee.**

## Residence Robbed in Day Time.

The residence of Mr. J. M. Sessoms, Chippewa street, was robbed yesterday afternoon. Entrance was made through a window in the rear of the building. A pistol and more than \$15 in cash was missed and all the drawers in the house were gone through and left open by the robber. Mr. and Mrs. Sessoms were away from home. No arrests has been made.

## Heavy Storm Near Barkers

**Several Outbuildings Blown Down at Home of Mr. Duncan M'White and Many Trees Felled in Storm Saturday Afternoon—Narrow Escapes from Lightning.**

An unusually heavy rain and wind-storm struck in the M'White settlement, near Barkers church, Saturday afternoon. Several outbuildings at the home of Mr. Duncan M'White were blown down and many trees were blown down in the wake of the storm. A heavy rain and some wind was reported about three miles north of town on the Fayetteville road. Lightning struck a pine tree in the grove at Barkers church. Several boys who were only a few feet from the tree when it was struck were slightly stunned by the lightning. A mule that was hitched to the pine tree was moved about ten minutes before the tree was struck.

Mr. Duncan M'White was in The Robesonian office Saturday morning and remarked that he had to hurry back home as he expected a bad storm in the afternoon, which, in view of what happened at his home, shows that he had the weather figured out same'n a weather bureau.

Considerable rain fell here about the same time and several fuses in The Robesonian office were blown out by lightning.

## THE RECORD OF DEATHS.

**Frederick N. Gray, Father of F. P. Gray of Lumberton, Deid Friday in a Hospital in Suffolk, Va.—Mr. Gray and Family Were Home on Visit.**

Mr. Frederick N. Gray, father of Mr. Fred P. Gray of Lumberton, died Friday in Suffolk, Va., while Mr. Gray and family were home on a visit. The following clipping from a Norfolk newspaper of the 2nd was received by The Robesonian this morning:

Suffolk, July 1.—Frederick N. Gray, known to scores of friends and acquaintances in this vicinity as "Tobe" Gray, died today at a local hospital, after a long illness, in his 74th year.

Mr. Gray, one of the most prominent men of Nansemond County, was a pioneer in the peanut-buying industry. For the last thirty years he traveled through this section engaged in this business, and for many years was buyer for the Gwaltney-Bunkley Peanut Company, of Smithfield, before the great impetus to the peanut business. He also was engaged in farming, and spent much of his time in the last years of his life at his home in Nansemond county, near Providence church.

Mr. Gray is survived by his widow, who was Miss Mary Anna Marshall; two sons, N. P. Gray, of Nansemond county, and Frederick P. Gray, of Lumberton, N. C.; two daughters, Mrs. J. F. Jaylor and Mrs. M. M. Watkins, of Suffolk; and a number of grandchildren.

The funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Watkins, 110 St. James avenue, conducted by the Rev. N. B. Foshee, assisted by the Rev. H. H. Butler and Dr. W. W. Staley.

Interment will be made in Cedar Hill cemetery.

## Cut of 40 1/2 Per Cent in Farm Land Values in Scotland County.

Unofficial figures are available on the work of the board of appraisers of land values in the county for 1921. These indicate a cut of approximately 40 1/2 per cent in farm lands; and a cut of about 39 per cent on all real estate, including town property. The figures for personal property are not available yet but they too will show a material reduction for the year 1921.

The total value of the 187,697 acres of farm land in the county, according to the 1921 assessments, is \$9,123,948 as compared with \$15,328,569 in 1920. The total value of all real estate in the county, including farm lands, town property and that of corporations, excepting railroads, is \$12,877,014 for 1921 as compared with \$21,077,571 in 1920.

The above figures are not guaranteed as to accuracy, having been gathered hastily, but they are approximately correct and represent the facts as they relate to tax values in this county.

## Tobacco Markets Will Open July 19

Tobacco markets in the South Carolina belt—including Lumberton and Fairmont—will open on Tuesday, July 19.

## President Signs Peace Measure

**Joint Resolution Ending State of War is Signed by Harding at Home Where He Was Member of Week-End Party.**

Raritan, N. J., July 2.—The resolution of Congress declaring war with Germany and Austria-Hungary at an end was signed here late today by President Harding.  
So that there might be no unnecessary delay in consummation of the long deferred state of peace, the resolution was brought here by special messenger from Washington, where it had been given final Congressional approval yesterday. The messenger left for the capital again tonight to complete the formalities of the declaration by depositing the document in the archives of the State Department.

There was little of the dramatic in the actual ceremony of giving Presidential approval to the measure. Returning here from a luncheon and golf game at the Somerville Hill Country Club, the President found the White House messenger, E. W. Smithers, waiting for him on the veranda or the Frelinghuysen house.

Mr. Harding immediately put on his nose glasses and, sitting in a porch swing, examined the official copy of the resolution minutely. The signing took place at a small mahogany table in the adjacent living room in the center of a distinguished group which included the President, host and hostess, Speaker Gillett, of the House of Representatives, Senator Kellogg, of Minnesota, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations committee, Senator Hale, of Maine, and other members of the week-end party.

## Recorder's Court

**A Fight With Boat Paddles—Nobody "Kilt" and Combatants Fined—Fined for Resisting Officer.**

Wesley Britt, J. T. Connor, Abner Connor and Will Hornbuckle were found guilty of an affray by Recorder David H. Fuller Saturday and each was fined \$5 and cost. Tom Connor was found guilty of assault upon Hornbuckle and also was fined \$5 and cost.

The combatants all live in Britts township and the fight took place by Lumber river at a public swimming place. The weapons used were boat paddles, according to the evidence, and, though they were used rather freely, nobody was "kilt".

J. E. Chamblee was fined \$50 on the charge of resisting an officer. Chamblee was also found guilty of being drunk on the streets. Judgment in this case being suspended upon payment of the cost. Chamblee was convicted of interfering with Chief of Police D. M. Barker when he arrested another man some two weeks ago. He was arrested at the time and placed in jail for a spell.

## Excursion Laurinburg to Wilmington July 12.

The Seaboard is planning to operate an excursion train from Laurinburg to Wilmington on Tuesday, July 12. A special train will be operated and the round-trip fare from Lumberton will be \$1.50. The train will be met at Wilmington by special Wrightsville Beach cars and those making the trip can spend several hours at the beach, returning home in the evening of the same day. Mr. E. E. Hunter, division passenger agent of the Seaboard, with headquarters at Wilmington, was in Lumberton Friday in the interest of the excursion. This will be the first excursion train operated over the Seaboard to Wilmington since before the World War started.

Messrs. H. M. McAllister and J. Dickson McLean returned this morning from New York and near by points, where they spent a few days on business.

Mr. J. S. Currie of R. 7, was a Lumberton visitor Friday.

## NAMING OF TAFT TO BENCH PLEASES



A new and recent picture of former President Wm. Howard Taft, elevated to the Supreme Court bench through appointment of President Harding. The national verdict is that Taft the jurist is at last in the right place.

## Taft Appointed Chief Justice Of U. S.

**Former President Nominated and Confirmed for Highest Judicial Office—Ambition of Life Realized.**

Former President William Howard Taft was nominated late Thursday by President Harding to be Chief Justice of the United States and his nomination confirmed by the Senate in executive session.  
The nomination was not confirmed without opposition, however, and a roll call was demanded. The opposition was understood to have been voiced by Senators Borah, Idaho, Johnson, California, and LaFollette, Wisconsin, all Republicans, who were said to have criticized Mr. Taft's record and his nomination.

On roll call, however, only four votes were cast against confirmation. These were by Senators Borah, Johnson and LaFollette, and Senator Watson, Democrat, Georgia.

The final vote was 60 to 4. An agreement was reached not to make a public roll call.

In a signed statement issued at Montreal, Mr. Taft said:

"I am profoundly grateful to the President for the confidence he has thus shown that I can discharge the important duties of the exalted office. I sincerely hope and pray that I may be able to show that his confidence has not been misplaced. I heartily appreciate the immediate confirmation by the Senate.

"It has been the ambition of my life to be Chief Justice but now that it is gratified I tremble to think whether I can worthily fill that position and be useful to the country.

"The argument in the Grand Trunk arbitration in which I am one of the arbitrators, will be concluded Wednesday, July 6, and I expect to be in Washington on July 7, to take the official oath, to confer with the Attorney-General and to pay my respects and thanks in person to the President.

"The Supreme Court adjourned on June 5, until October 3, so that I shall have no court duties until October. After my visit to Washington, when I plan to look about for temporary quarters for next year, I expect to visit New Haven to make arrangements for closing up my connection with Yale university. Then I shall return to Canada, at Murray Bay, Quebec, to study the record of the Grand Trunk arbitration proceedings with a view to joining in an award in August.

"I shall have in the near future to resign my professorship of federal constitutional law of Yale the presidency of the League to Enforce Peace and my position as occasional editor of the staff of the Public Ledger, of Philadelphia.

(Signed) W. H. Taft."

## Postmasters May Be Reappointed for Some Offices.

Representative Lyon of this district has been advised, in response to inquiry, by Third Assistant Postmaster General Work that if the Civil Service Commission agrees to third class postmasters may be re-appointed in cases where a fourth class office is advanced to third class. Congressman Lyon has advised the department that the following such offices are found in his district: Hope Mills, Bolton, Buies Creek, Fair Bluff, Parkton, Angier, Boardman and Council.

## General Pershing Can't Come.

Gen. John J. Pershing has informed Senator Overman, states a Washington dispatch, that it would be impossible for him to attend a meeting of the American Legion at Hendersonville next month. General Pershing, the new chief of staff, said that he could not promise to go to Hendersonville or any other American Legion celebration, much as he would like to do so.

## BRIEF ITEMS LOCAL NEWS

—Born, Wednesday night, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barrington, a son—J. H. Jr.

—The county pension board met today in the office of Mr. C. B. Skipper, clerk of the Superior court.

—Rev. J. M. Fleming, who underwent an operation at the Baker sanatorium some two weeks ago, was able to leave the sanatorium Saturday morning.

—Mr. W. K. Culbreth of R. 6, Lumberton, presented the local editor of The Robesonian with a "mess" of nice squash today, and they were highly appreciated.

—The Robesonian is carrying today the first of a series of advertisements for the Wingate school, a well-known school at Wingate, Prof. C. M. Beach, principal.

—Mr. L. R. Varner returned Saturday from Baltimore, Md., where she spent two weeks undergoing treatment by a specialist. Her condition is much improved.

—Miss Bertie Moore returned yesterday from Lancaster, Pa., where she spent 6 months studying engraving at Bowman's college. Miss Moore is employed in Mr. A. J. Holmes' jewelry store.

—Mr. Jno. W. Long, superintendent of the National cotton mill, had a ripe, juicy watermelon from his melon patch Friday. Mr. Long has been enjoying cantaloupes from his garden for several days.

—The first load of home-grown watermelons this season was brought in this morning by Mr. Will H. Britt, who lives on Mr. J. H. Wishart's farm, on R. 5 from Lumberton. The load was made up of 30 fine melons.

—License has been issued for the marriage of John Howard Lovett and Edna Bertha Robinson; Chas. S. LaRoya and Fannie Wolcott; A. Carl Bracy and Harriett Leggett; James Lawrence McNeill and Lula Thelma Brown.

—Mr. J. W. Efrid, president of the Efrid chain of stores, who lives in New York, spent Friday in Lumberton. Mr. Efrid does the buying for the 31 stores operated by Efrid Brothers. The Messrs. Efrid are natives of Union county, this State.

—Mr. O. C. Norment of Lumberton is a member of the oldest of five generations of his family now living. It is considered a rare occurrence for members of five generations in one family to be living at the same time. At that Mr. Norment is not the oldest citizen of Lumberton.

—Miss Berta McNeill has resigned effective July 1, the position which she had held for some time as bookkeeper in the National Bank of Lumberton. Miss McNeill will spend a few days here visiting before going to the home of her father, ex-Sheriff E. C. McNeill, near Rowland.

—Mr. W. J. DuBois has resigned the position he has held for some time in the grocery department of Mr. L. H. Caldwell's stores and he and Mrs. DuBois left this morning for Reidsville, where he will take charge of a bakery. Mr. and Mrs. DuBois have many friends here who will wish them success in their new home.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Prevatt and son, Mr. Abner who live near Lowe, were Lumberton visitors this morning. Mr. and Mrs. Prevatt came to see their daughter-in-law Mrs. Luther Prevatt, who is a patient at the Thompson hospital. Mr. Abner Prevatt was on his way to Lake Waccamaw, where he will spend a few days.

—Mr. Z. R. Prevatte, Sr., who lives on R. 3, from Lumberton, was among the visitors in town this morning. The auto wreck in which Messrs. W. K. and Frank Brock of St. Pauls were injured recently, as mentioned in The Robesonian last Monday, happened in sight of Mr. Prevatt's home and he says he does not see how they escaped being killed as the auto turned over on them.

—The following officers were installed by Lumbee Tent No. 18, Macabees, at the regular review Friday evening: Rossie E. Britt, past-commander; J. T. Penny, commander; J. W. Long, lieutenant commander; L. M. McKenzie, record-keeper; A. H. Pittman, sergeant; W. L. Dawkins, master at arms; F. Grover Britt, first master guard; H. O. Horne, second master guard; W. C. Cribbs, sentinel; F. P. Bodenheimer, picket.

—Mr. V. D. Baker of Lumberton stands at the head of the list of salesmen of the Chattanooga Medicine Co. He leads the world, according to the Quarterly Bulletin issued by the company July 2nd, and the Bulletin thinks, seeing that Mr. Baker's territory is North and South Carolina, cotton and tobacco territory, he must be related to "Home-Run" Baker. Prizes won by Mr. Baker for the past quarter amount to \$600, which is in addition to his commissions.

—Maxton Scottish Chief: Mrs. L. T. Smith is in Hospital at Lumberton for treatment.—Mr. Tom Pace of Purcell, Okla., son of our townsman, Mr. T. B. Pace, has been elected by the Elks of Oklahoma as one of the delegates to their convention at Los Angeles, Cal., July 12th.—Mr. W. B. Harker who was taken ill at Polkton, June 19th, was able to be brought home last Sunday night, and is at home writing. (Thursday) improving nicely. Mrs. Harker is also suffering with sprained arm and a blood boil on her face.