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## Biggest Break of Season Today

3 Large Warehouses Here Filled With Tobacco Today—Prices High as Last Week for Good Tobacco if Not Higher—Large Sales and Good Prices for Good Tobacco Expected This Week.

The biggest break of the 1921 season on the Lumberton tobacco market today. The three large warehouses were filled with the golden weed. Prices were as high as, some say higher than, last week, and farmers who offered good tobacco were pleased with the sales.

Large sales are expected each day during the week and satisfactory prices are expected to prevail for all good grades of tobacco.

## Fined For Neglect of Eyes of Infant

Dianna Brown, Colored Midwife, Failed to Properly Treat Eyes of New-Born Infant and Was Indicted by County Health Officer—Similar Failure Nearly Resulted in Loss of Sight—Law Must be Complied With, County Health Officer Hardin Says.

Dianna Brown, negress, was fined \$10 Saturday by Assistant Recorder L. J. Britt on the charge of failure to comply with the laws relative to practicing midwifery. Dianna plead guilty of the charge, stating that she forgot to comply with the law. The law provides that physicians and midwives shall instill two drops of a solution prepared by the State Board of Health into the eyes of every baby within two hours after birth. The minimum penalty for failure to comply with this law is \$10 and the maximum \$50. The law also provides that if by failure to comply with it injury results the physician or midwife can be sued for damages.

This was the first case of the kind tried here since the suit having been brought by Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer. The failure of Dianna to comply with the law in one instance came near causing total blindness of a child, according to the evidence of Dr. Hardin. It was to show those practicing midwifery that the law must be complied with that the colored woman was indicted, and not to punish her, Dr. Hardin pointed out.

Raymond and Joe Wood and Rowland Bowen were found not guilty of vagrancy. They were arrested Friday evening and spent the night in jail, awaiting trial.

## 81 P. C. Signed Marketing Contract

Cotton Growers of Robeson Are Still Signing Cooperative Marketing Contracts—Where Meetings Will be Held.

Eighty-one per cent of the cotton-growers in Robeson county have signed a cooperative marketing contract and they are still signing at a rapid rate, according to Mr. L. S. Prevatt, director of the membership drive. Meetings will be held at the following places this week:

Monday night, Pembroke.  
Tuesday night, Union Chapel.  
Wednesday night, Old Prospect.  
Thursday night, Deep Branch.  
Friday night, Beady Branch.

Robeson farmers are in sympathy with the movement and it is confidently expected that the entire cotton crop will be signed up before the close of the campaign. The movement is meeting with favor in all the cotton-growing conditions.

Kincaid Gets Sentence of 18 Years in State Prison.

Sidney A. Kincaid, the Burke county commissioner who stabbed and killed his wife, was found guilty of second degree murder at Morganton Friday night and was sentenced Saturday by Judge Bryson to 18 years at hard labor in the State prison. Notice of appeal was given and the court fixed the appeal bond at \$250 and appearance bond at \$10,000. Kincaid went back to jail but it is expected bond will be arranged early this week.

The trial began last Tuesday and the jury was drawn from Lincoln county. Kincaid declared that he was so drunk he had no recollection of killing his wife.

In Jail on Serious Charge.

Gaston Britt was arrested Thursday night on a warrant sworn out by Miss Ruby Thompkins charging attempt at rape. Both the defendant and the plaintiff live at the Kingsdale village, near Lumberton. Britt is in jail and will be given a preliminary hearing Friday morning of this week. Britt is about 45 years old and has a wife and several children.

Bud Hallman, Wanted at Clarkton, Arrested Here.

Bud Hallman, young white man was arrested here this morning. Hallman was wanted at Clarkton, Bladen county, on the charge of dangerously cutting another man at Clarkton yesterday.

## How To Circumvent The Boll Weevil

Plant Pastures, Raise Hogs, Cattle and Poultry and Raise Sweet Potatoes and Peanuts as Money Crops—Farmers Gather on Farm Where Weevil is Playing Havoc to Discuss Best Methods of Farming Under Changed Conditions—Mr. J. W. Gaddy's Cotton Crop Has Been Reduced Two-Thirds by Weevil, He Thinks.

ANOTHER MEETING FRIDAY OF THIS WEEK NEAR BARNESVILLE

Methods for combatting the boll weevil and plans for farming under boll weevil conditions were considered at a well-attended farmers' meeting on the farm of Mr. John W. Gaddy, in Gaddy township, Friday morning. More than one-hundred farmers from far and near attended the meeting and saw the destructive work of the weevil in Mr. Gaddy's cotton.

Mr. Gaddy figures that he will not make more than one-third of a usual crop as a result of the appearance of the weevil in his fields. They are there by the millions, and it is difficult to find a "form" that has not been punctured by a weevil. Weevils of all ages can be seen in the fields on Mr. Gaddy's farm and other farmers living in that section report heavy loss from the activities of the boll weevil. Mr. Gaddy first discovered weevils on his farm late last fall.

The meeting Friday was called by Mr. O. O. Dukes, county farm demonstrator. The purpose in calling the meeting was that farmers might get acquainted with their enemy and study plans for fighting him most successfully. Mr. Dukes made a short address and was listened to with close attention by all present. He urged the importance of crop diversification under boll weevil conditions and suggested the planting of pastures, raising hogs, cattle, poultry and the growing of the sweet potato as a substitute money crop for cotton. He also emphasized the fact that in order to grow sweet potatoes for shipping arrangements must first be provided for curing the potatoes. Peanuts was another crop which the speaker declared to be a good substitute for cotton. Peanuts are fine for hogs and the vines make good feed for horses and cattle. Peanuts also can be marketed at fair prices.

The farmers present seemed to favor hog and cattle raising and Mr. Dukes told of the best methods for carrying out this program. Permanent pastures are essential to the raising of cattle and hogs, he declared. He suggested the planting of Japan clover as a pasture crop for hogs.

Following are the plans in detail as suggested by Mr. Dukes for growing cotton under boll weevil conditions and methods of destroying weevils:

1. Planting at least 1-3 less acreage per row.
2. Using more fertilizer and using it more judiciously.
3. Planting only purebred seed of the best varieties.
4. Planting plenty of seed to insure a good stand.
5. Planting early.
6. Keeping cotton free from weeds and grass by frequent cultivation.
7. Practicing systematic crop rotation. Plow under as much organic matter as possible.
8. Diversification: Do not depend on cotton alone for a cash crop. Plant peanuts, potatoes, and corn as cash crops. Raise some hogs and other livestock. Make cotton a surplus crop.

Direct Methods Against Weevil Itself

1. Dusting the cotton with calcium arsenate, using special machinery, beginning late in July and early August. Make several applications at intervals of four days to one week at first. This not only kills many weevils, but kills other chewing insects, such as the boll worm and cotton caterpillar. Get bulletins on this from your county agent, or from U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C.
2. Clean up the fields immediately after harvesting and destroy, or better, plow under the stalks earlier than they would naturally die.
3. Destroy trash and weeds near and around the edge of the fields to kill the hibernating weevils.
4. Handpicking and destruction of weevils and infested and fallen squares is somewhat effective, although expensive and tedious.

"The whole problem is one which deserves much thought and study. The sooner we work out our individual problems the better off we will be when the weevil gets hold. It is a situation that cannot be handled by any single means—it calls for cooperation of business, industry, and agriculture, and the use of the very best principles and methods of agriculture and management. In this respect it has been of some benefit to the country as a whole. It is your problem, go learn all you can NOW."

These plans are suggested by the Extension-Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, based upon the best information the service has been able to obtain studying the weevil for many years.

Mr. Dukes stressed the importance of beginning NOW to meet the in-

## HARD TO GET PAST HIM



## Hoke Convicts On Robeson Chain Gang

13 Men Sentenced to Roads at Raeford by Judge Kerr Have Been Added to Robeson's Road Force—Hoke County Has No Chain Gang.

Thirteen men from Hoke county who were sentenced last week at Raeford by Judge Jno. H. Kerr to the roads were added to the Robeson county "gang" Saturday. The fourteenth man will be added later, that number having been sentenced to the roads by Judge Kerr during the week's term of Hoke criminal court, which closed Saturday. There being no county gang in Hoke, arrangements were made for working the men in Robeson. Under the arrangement Robeson county pays the court costs and feeds the prisoners while they are "employed."

The prisoners were brought to the Robeson "gang" by Deputy Sheriff A. H. Prevatt, Rural Policeman A. R. Pittman and Mr. John Davis, keeper of "gang" No. 1. Four of the prisoners are white and 9 colored and their sentences range from six months to three years, making a total of 210 months.

## THINKS BOLL WEEVIL A "BLESSING IN DISGUISE"

Former Lumberton Citizen Who Lives Now in Weevil-Infested Section of Georgia Says Farmers in His Home Section Are More Prosperous Now Than They Formerly Were—Conducted Store in Lumberton in 1876-77.

Mr. and Mrs. Sim Harrell of Valdosta, Ga., arrived Friday and will spend some time in the county visiting relatives. Mr. Harrell is a native Robesonian, having moved to Georgia in 1880. He conducted a store in Lumberton during the years of 1876 and 1877. This is his first visit to Lumberton in 15 years and he noted the great improvement that has been made along all lines since his last visit.

Speaking of the boll weevil, Mr. Harrell said that the weevil struck his section 4 years ago. When it first reached that section the people generally thought they were ruined. Now they are making more money and living better than before the weevil arrived. Mr. Harrell termed the weevil as a "blessing in disguise." The farmers of that section practically quit growing cotton and are now raising hogs and cattle on a large scale, he said.

## Free Dental Clinics for Colored School Children.

Dr. Love, colored dentist, will be at Maxton through this week for the purpose of treating the teeth of colored school children between the ages of 6 and 12 years, inclusive. He will be at Rowland a week, beginning Monday, August 29, at Fairmont from September 5 to 8, and at Marietta from September 9 to 13. The treatment is free and the work is being done under the supervision of Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer.

Mr. H. M. King of St. Pauls, R. 1 was a Lumberton visitor this morning.

vading enemy of cotton and the cotton grower, before the injury is severely felt. In this way the great damage that comes with the first years of the weevil may be largely overcome.

The consensus of opinion at the meeting was that the farmers of this section must not depend upon cotton as in the past. The weevil is here and next year it may be expected that the cotton crop will be materially reduced by the pest from Mexico.

A like meeting will be held on the farm of Mr. E. K. Floyd, near Barnesville, Friday of this week at 9:30 a. m. Much damage is being done by the boll weevil in the Barnesville section, it is said.

## Hurt Trying To 'Snag' Freight Train

Gash Cut in Head of Young White Man Who Tried to Board Moving Train at Allenton—He and 2 Others Were Tried Here on Charge of Vagrancy But Found Not Guilty.

A young white man giving his name as Rawling Bowen and Wilmington as his home, was painfully hurt Saturday about 1 p. m. in attempting to "snag" a moving freight train at Allenton. A gash was cut in his head and he was unconscious for an hour after being hurt. Dr. John Knox rendered medical attention and Bowen was later brought to the Thompson hospital. He left the hospital yesterday.

Bowen and two other white boys were arrested here Friday evening on the charge of vagrancy and were found not guilty of the charge Saturday morning. They claimed to have come to Lumberton in search of work. Soon after their hearing they left town and walked to Allenton, where it is supposed they intended to catch a freight train and hobo into Wilmington.

## Tax Revision Bill Passed By House

It is Estimated to Cut Nearly Billion Dollars from Nation's Tax Burden by 1923.

Washington, Aug. 20.—The tax revision bill of 1921, estimated to cut \$818,000,000 from his nation's tax burden by 1923, was passed late today by the House, 224 to 125, on an almost straight party vote.

Three Democrats supported the measure and nine Republicans voted against it.

Compared with this number of Republicans were 50 who voted for a Democratic motion to recommit the bill for elimination of the provision repealing the income surtax rates above 32 per cent. This motion was lost, 169 to 230, with one Democrat, Campbell, of Pennsylvania, voting against it.

The bill will be sent Monday to the Senate, where it will be taken up after the end of the recess on September 21. Meantime, the Senate finance committee will hold additional public hearings on the whole tax question and probably revise the measure in a number of details.

As finally passed by the House, with nearly 100 committee amendments, the bill is estimated to produce a total of \$3347,000,000 in revenue this fiscal year, or \$221,000,000 less than the estimate under the existing law.

As repeal of the excess profits tax and higher income surtax rates would not become effective until next January 1, the full force of the measure will not be reflected in government receipts until the calendar year 1923, but Republican leaders say that through repeal of the transportation and other taxes the reduction in the tax bill in the next calendar year will be approximately \$512,000,000.

## Pasture And Boll Weevil Meetings

As stated in Thursday's Robesonian, a "better pastures" meeting will be held Wednesday of this week, at 3 p. m., on the farm of Mr. J. S. Oliver, at Marietta.

At the farm of Mr. E. K. Floyd, at Barnesville a meeting in the interest of an anti-boll weevil campaign will be held Friday of this week at 9:30 a. m.

## Record of Deaths

JULIAN CARR POWERS' FUNERAL THIS AFTERNOON

Splendid Young Man Succumbed Saturday Night to Second Operation—He Was an Ex-Service Man and Well Liked—Funeral at 4 O'clock This Afternoon.

Mr. Julian Carr Powers, aged 29 years, died Saturday night at 11 o'clock at the Thompson hospital, following a second operation for intestinal obstruction. Deceased underwent the first operation some three weeks ago. Dr. N. A. Thompson was assisted in the second operation Saturday by Dr. West of Fayetteville. Deceased is survived by his mother, Mrs. Alma Jane Powers of R. 1, Lumberton, and three brothers—Messrs. Charley Powers of Valdosta, Ga., W. W. Powers of Pensacola, Fla., and J. D. Powers of R. 1, Lumberton.

The funeral will be conducted from the grave at 4 o'clock this afternoon by Rev. G. W. Starling of St. Pauls and interment will be made in Meadowbrook cemetery. Members of the Lumberton post of the American Legion, of which deceased was a member, will serve as active and honorary pallbearers.

Deceased was a young man of sterling worth. He had made his home in Lumberton for several years before and since the World War. He has been employed as bookkeeper for Mr. H. M. Beasley for several months. He served one year in the army and spent several months in France, seeing service at the front. He belonged to the 81st (Wildcat) division. He was well-known throughout this section and his death came as a shock to his many friends.

Miss Jessie Burns of Maxton Died at Fayetteville.

Maxton special, Aug. 21, to Charlotte Observer: Miss Jessie Burns, of this place, a highly esteemed young lady, died in a Fayetteville hospital early this morning, following an operation for appendicitis. She held a position as chief operator for the Western Union at Laurinburg. Her remains will be interred in Oak Grove cemetery Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

## AMERICAN LEGION

AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION

Third Annual Will be Held at Hendersonville Friday and Saturday of This Week—Local Post Will Elect 2 Delegates Tomorrow Evening.

Local Post No. 42, American Legion, at a special meeting tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock will elect two delegates to the third annual convention of the North Carolina department of the Legion, which will be held at Hendersonville August 26 and 27.

Governor Cameron Morrison and Hon. Joseph Daniels, former Secretary of the Navy, are both down for an address at the Friday evening session.

An interesting program has been prepared for morning, afternoon and evening sessions Friday and morning and afternoon sessions Saturday.

Indian Picnic at Union Chapel August 27.

There will be an Indian picnic at Union chapel, near Buie, on Saturday of this week. A picnic dinner will be served and there will be a baseball game.

Sunday School Picnic.

An all-day Sunday school picnic will be held at Regan Methodist church, Howellsville township, Saturday of this week. The public is invited.

Mr. Bill Leggett of R. 3, Lumberton, was among the visitors in town Saturday.

## COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 11 cents the pound.

## BRIEF NEWS

—Mr. S. H. Hamilton, manager of the local Western Union telegraph office, has been confined to his room ill since yesterday.

—Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of public instruction, is spending the day in Raleigh in the interest of Robeson county schools.

—Mr. J. M. Platt of R. 1, St. Pauls, was among the visitors in town this morning. Mr. Platt says he has the finest corn crop he has grown since moving to Robeson county eight years ago.

—Mrs. W. J. Sansbury left Saturday for her home in Raleigh after spending some time here visiting at the home of her father, Mr. John Stone. Mr. Stone recently suffered a stroke of paralysis.

—Rural Policeman A. R. Pittman is having complaint from farmers about their neighbors allowing their pigs to run at large. This is to warn such neighbors that the "rural route policeman" will get you.

—Misses Amelia Linkhauer and Mary Lee and Rosa Caldwell left Friday evening for New York, where they will spend several days. Miss Linkhauer will purchase fall and winter goods for her millinery store—the Style shop—while in New York.

—Messrs. H. E. Stacy, Robert E. Lee and A. P. Page left Saturday evening for New York. Messrs. Stacy and Lee are council for the LaFayette Mutual Life Insurance Co., and Mr. Page is assistant secretary of the company and they went to New York in the interest of their company.

—Misses Beulah Maie and Corene Humphrey of the Saddletree section and Augusta Britt of the Back Swamp section passed through town today en route to Wingate, where the last named will teach music in the Wingate high school and the Misses Humphrey will enter the same school as students.

—The residence of Wade Spearman, colored, about a mile west of town, was destroyed by fire of unknown origin about 1 o'clock yesterday morning. The fire company went to the scene of the fire. Spearman also lost his furniture. It has not been learned whether or not he carried any insurance.

—Rev. E. O. Johnson of the St. Pauls section passed through town last evening en route home from Zion's Hill Baptist church, Bladen county, where last week he held a series of meetings. He was assisted in the meeting by Rev. C. B. Horn of Roseboro. There were 5 additions to the church as a result of the meeting.

—Squirrels will bite, even when they are tame. Miss Fannie Humphrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Humphrey of R. 2, Lumberton, was painfully hurt Friday when her pet squirrel bit her through the nail on one of her fingers. The squirrel met his "biters" in the finger of Miss Humphrey, and you know she was hurt.

—Town Clerk and Treasurer J. P. Russell sends The Robesonian the following: "There is a practice with some uninformed people of placing metal, money, etc., in place of fuses. This is dangerous, vitiates your fire insurance and is against the law. When this condition is found, the superintendent of the light and water department will cut off current from such building."

—The Lumberton Tramps left today for Cheraw, S. C. where they will play a 3-game series with the Hamlet Railroaders. They will return home Wednesday night and will play the Marshville club here Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Marshville has a strong club, having defeated Wadesboro, Hamlet and Monroe. Good games may be expected here on the three days named above.

—From Thompson hospital: Mrs. H. J. Sawyer, who recently underwent an operation for pneumonia, was able to return to her home, East Second street, yesterday—Mr. Rowland Stephens, who was hurt when an A. C. L. train demolished his auto ten days ago, entered the hospital Saturday for treatment. His condition is favorable—Mr. Alfred Hardin of Fairmont, R. F. D., underwent operation for appendicitis Saturday and his condition is favorable—Mrs. Wesley Kirby of the Pembroke section underwent an operation for appendicitis last night and is getting along nicely.

—Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Humphrey and children left their summer home in Saddletree township Friday to return to their winter home at Wingate, in order to have advantages offered by the Wingate school, as has been their custom for the past seven years. Miss Pearl and Master Max will enter the graded school and Masters Tate and Glenn will enter the high school. Miss Beulah May Humphrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dock Humphrey, and Miss Corean, daughter of Mr. J. B. Humphrey, and probably others from Saddletree will attend the same school, and from other sections of Robeson there will be students there.