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Congress Meets

Few Present When St Pauls Schools

Hotel At Fairmont Damaged By Fire Webb Bell, Colored, and His Small

Carolina Hotel Guttel Tuesday Morning-Loss \$16,000, Fully Covered by ...Insurance-Oil Lamp Supposed to Have Been Cause-Lumberton Sent Fire Truck to Aid.

Fire discovered at 8:40 Tuesday morning gutted the Carolina hotel at Fairmont and for a time threatened Webb Bell, colored, and his small the entire block in which the hotel was son, Marcus, were before Recorder were owned by Mr. H. G. Stubbs. The tional Bank knowing it to have been loss of Mr. J. A. McDonald, manager stolen. Recorder Fuller found probahundred dollars.

thought the fire must have started which he made, while Marcus was re-

A call for aid was sent to the Lum- court on this charge. Marcus is 14 berton fire department and Fire Chief years old. balance of the trip was made on a flat but no trace of the money was found. tire.

the raging fire was received here.

MANY KILLED AND GERMAN

ed at 1,000 to 1.500.

Son Mrcus in the Toils as Result of Disappearance of \$175 From First National Bank-Marcus Admitted Getting the Money and Said He. Day Recesses Until Next Month. Gaye His Father Part of It-Mar-Washington, Sept. 21.-Receipt by cus Told Several Different Tales

About Where the Money Was Hid. den-Other Cases.

Recorder's Court

located. The loss is estimated at David H. Fuller Tuesday afternoon around \$16,000, with \$20,000 in- on the charge of the larceny of. or surance. The building and fixtures receiving, \$175 from the First Naof the reassembling today of Congress

Only brief sessions were held by the Senate and after a reopening of of the hotel, amounted to several ble cause in both cases and bound the warfare over the anti-beer bill and a defendants over to the Superior court. Democratic attack on President Hard-Mr. McDonald stated that he Webb was placed under a \$300 bond, ing and administration policies, ad transportation of the pupils were not

journed until tomorrow; and the available for the opening day. from an oil lamp that was left burn- manded to jail in default of a \$500 House under its agreement to transing in one of the rooms on the second bond. Probable cause was also found act no important business till Octofloor. The building was a two-story in a case charging Marcus with the ber 4, adjourned after a perfunctory ing his fifth year at St. Pauls. His while. We only wish we could have brick structure and was practically larceny of a pistol from the same bank meeting. A three-day recess of the grasp of the school situation, com-new. and he was bound over to the Superior House will continue until next month. bined with the earnest efforts of a minister often.

ed to put in an appearance today. Ed J. Glover and several members of The money was missed from the Only 54 of the 96 Senators answered trons of the school, makes another the local fire company rushed to Fair-the local fire company rushed to Fair-bank Monday morning. Bell and his the roll call and but two score house successful school year certain.

mont, making the trip in one of the son went to Wilmington on an ex- members heard the gavel. Republitwo fire trucks. Splendid work was cursion Monday and the boy was ar- can leaders expressed frank disapdone by a volunteer force of Fair-mont citizens, which confined the flames to the hotel building. A tire on the truck was punctured just be-bank. This fact caused suspicion and In the Senate the peace treaties were referred to the foreign relations fore reaching Fairmont, but the the Bell home was searched Monday, sideration tomorrow Little time would be required by the committee for their When first arrested, Marcus denied

A large number of Lumberton peo- getting the money, but later admitted consideration, Senator Lodge said, ple went to Fairmont when news of it. He stated in the presence of the adding that Secretary Hughes and other State Department officials, who Russell, of the high school faculty. officers that he got the money Sunday morning, using a key which his already have explained the treaties to father had in getting into the bank. At the committee, would not be recalled.

TOWN WRECKED BY EXPLOSION first after admitting that he got the Night sessions of the Senate, Republi-money he said that he hid it between can leaders said, were being consid-Explosion at Chemical Products Plant the mattress and hed springs. When ered to expediate ratification. at Oppau Spreads Death and De-then said he hid it in a trunk in an trunk in a

struction-Number Killed Estimat- out-house at the Bell home. Officers sessions. It had been stated previously searched the trank and failed to find by Republican leaders that the debate Christine Floyd, Fairmont; seventh Mayence, Germany, Sept. 21.-(By the money. Later theby stated that would be in executive session and no grade, Miss Mary Tiddy, Red Springs. Associated Press.)—A great explo-sion today at the chemical products plant of the Badische Anilinfabrik has not yet peen recovered by the publican, Idaho, and others. he gave his tather more than \$100 of reason for the change to public ses-

injured close to 2,000. One report says that there were 3,000 men on the spot at the moment of the explosion and it is believed that about half of these back Officians. There was evidence at the trial that bank before and that Webb paid it it is believed that about half of these back Officians. There was evidence at the trial that bank before and that Webb paid it it is believed that about half of these back Officians. There was evidence at the trial that bank before and that Webb paid it it is believed that about half of these back Officians. The immediate program it means that the back officians. The immediate program it means the senter that the president regarding the Senate program, which is admittedly congest-

it is believed that about half of these were killed. The town of Oppau is a scene of ut-tar desolution more than a third of seconding to the train at East Lumberton,

Republicans Disappointed Over Small Opening Indicates Successful Year-More Than 400 Present on Opening Attendance-House Will Take 3. Day-Five Hundred Expected Later

-The Faculty. the Senate of the tax, revision bill Carrespondence of The Robesonian. from the finance committee, and of St. Pauls, September 19.-That this the peace treaties with Germany, will be another year of success and ex-Harding, were the principal features schools was well evidenced by opening this morning. More than 400 this number will be increased to apand Tolarville schools come in. These

Many members of both parties fail- corps of 15 efficient teachers and the enthusiastic co-operation of the pa-

by Dr. E. C. Murray. After this Rev. G. W. Starling addressed the pupils and patrons, Mr. C. H. Howard, of that the board would give their utmost co-operation in every progressive movement. Prof. Teague, in a few words, outlined the aims and policies of the school. The exercises were concluded with a solo by Miss Margie

The faculty is made up as follows: First grade, Miss Mary McGoogan-Rennert; second grade, Miss Evelyn Wilson, Wilson's Mills; third grade, Felton, Hertford; sixth grade. Miss The High School teachers are, Mr. Lean, St. Pauls; Miss Margie Russell-Lumberton; and Miss Wrennie Floyd, Fairmont. Miss Floyd has charge of the music department. The teachers in the mill school will be Miss Cor-

STEREOPTICON PICTURES AND LECTURES ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND RURAL SANITATION



Opened Monday Business is Improving and Bank is Making Improvements-Mrs. Rosel-la Martin Becomes Wife of Mr. J. H. Butler-Personal and Other

Items

By C. D. Williamson Parkton, Sept. 20.-Rev. C. R. Sorrell of Poplar Bluff. Mo., filled the pulpit at the Baptist church here Sunday night to a fair-sized congre Austria and Hungary from President pansion for the St. Pauls graded gation, preaching a most able ser. Harding were the principal features schools was well evidenced by the mon from the text. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven and his rightpapils reported the opening day, and cousness and all these things will be added to you." His theme was "Makpreximately 500 when the Centerville ing Kingdom first, giving God the first place in our lives."-He said a two schools have been consolidated man generally gets what he goes with St. Pauls but trucks for the after. His illustrations were simple, even the young could understand them. As a whole we consider it one

Prof. T. S. Teague will again be in of the most instructive and helpful charge of the school system, this be- sermons that we have heard in quite a the pleasure of hearing this able

Mr. B. G. Beason of Hendersonville arrived in town today and has accept-The devotional exercises were led young business man into our midst. Mr. Luther Thames, who has been with the firm of Lancaster & Jones for some time, has entered the graded the school board, assured all present school and Mr. Leon Perry has accept

ed a position with this firm. The merchants of our town are al eady doing a rushing business. We have the reputation of paying

the highest price for cotton so far, and the only cotton market with much competition.

Mr John Ferguson is now foreman of Mr. J. G. Hughes' farm near town He moved from Lumber Bridge last week. Mr. Harris, his former foreman, has moved to Raeford.

The Bank of Parkton is painting its building and changing things mightily. Our clever cashier advises us the bank is doing a rushing business these days. It reminds us of olden times

The marriage of Mr. J H. Butler to Mrs. Rosella Martin took place Sunday evening at 2 o'clock at the latter's home in this county, Rev. Mr. Guy officiating. Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple left in company with several relatives in automobiles for their home near Parkton, where several relatives and friends were present to give them hearty congratulations and where a reception was served.

A number of the young people of our town attended the show "Bring-ing up Father" in Fayetteville last sonian. night while some went to Flora Mc-Donald.

\$2,00 A YEAR. DUE IN ADVANCE

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COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the ocal market today at 19 1-2 cents the pound.

BRIEF NEWS

-Thanks for the shower last night, -Mr. A. M. Freeman is assembling material for erecting a 5-room residence on East Third street.

-Town tax notices for the year 1921 are being mailed out and citizens are urged to pay their taxes early

-Mrs. M. D. Hyatt of Dillon, S. C., was operated on at the Baker sanatorium this morning. Her condition is avorable.

-License has been issued for the marriage of Henry Lee Floyd and Mamie Ruth Hodge; D. Oswell Britt and Ruby Britt.

-Mrs. B. S. Oliver of Fairmont underwent an operation at the Baker sanatorium this morning for appendicitis. She is getting along nicely.

-The condition of Dr. Raymond Thompson of Charlotte, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thompson of Lumberton, who has pneumonia, is reported as improving.

-Morilla Chavis and John L. Locklear, Indians who live near Pembroke, were married in the court house yesterday at 2 p. m., Justice M. G. Mc-Kenzie officiating.

-Prof. T. C. Henderson of Pembroke was a Lumberton visitor yesterday. The Indian Normal school at Pembroke, of which Prof. Henderson s principal, will open on the first Monday in October.

-Messrs A. J. and James Floyd and Mrs. A. B. Floyd of Fairmont were among the visitors Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Floyd came to Lumberton to see her mother, Mrs. Jas. D. Lewis, who is a patient at the Baker sanatorium.

-Miss Nellie Hamilton of Marietta and Miss Mildred Griffin of Cerro Gordo passed through town last evening enroute to Maxton, where they will resume their studies at Carolina college. The fall term opens

today at Carolina. --Rev. G. W. Starling. pastor of the Methodist church at St. Pauls, and Mrs. Starling were Lumberton visitors Monday afternoon. They came to see Mr. Clyde Powers, who lost his right arm in a cotton gin a few days.

the works being literally pulverized. Bethes and he was bound over to the ness of the Senate is the Borah bill Where the gasometers stood is now which he was a funnel shaped hole, 130 yards wide which he made. left standing.

quoted as saying that the explosion went to Bladenboro and boarded the occurred in a storehouse containing train for the purpose of advising four thousand tons of nitrous sul- Webb Bell about the trouble. He was phates, which had previously been ex- asked to do this, he said, by the boy's amined and was believed to be free mother. from danger of explosion.

Red Springs.

without the permit required by law. Red Springs. Sept. 21 .- Burglars Both were found guilty and judgment visited the business district early was suspended in each case upon ray-

this into the J. H. Turner furniture store, found against B yaat on the charge Dixon McLean, and the American Ex-press company office in the A. C. L. have been sto'an. He was bound over to Superior court under a \$100 bond, suitcases and forced open the cash stolen. drawer, but secured no money. At

the express office \$5 was taken. Bloodhounds were secured and put on the trail without success. There is no clue to the robbers.

Mr, Holcombe Called for His Discharge Paper.

section called at The Robesonian judgment continued upon condition Monday for Lumberton, where she office Tuesday to get his discharge that Handon pay his wife \$5 per week. paper from the army at the close of the Civil War. The paper was recently left at The Robesonian office by James Dial, Indian, who lives on R. 2 from Lumberton. Dial found the discharge paper when looking through some old papers at his home recently. Mr. Holcombe said he had not seen the paper since the spring of 1866, soon after he returned home from the war.

W. Va for Shooting a Man Last \$65 to W. W. Carlyle. April.

Mr. Hal V. Brown of Fairmont is among the visitors in town today. before he had a vision of the trouble Mr. Brown reported the arrest at he was in, that he even saw the offi-Fairmont this morning of William cers place the "shackles" on his arms, Awall at the request of officials at just as they did it Monday night. Lumberport. W. Va., Awall is a young Another dream that came true. white man and has worked with the Jackson Lumber Co. at Fairmont for Perfect Order on Colored Excursion some time. After his arrest Awall said he shot a man in West Virginia last April, adding that the man was let to Wilmington Monday by the officials were advised of his arrest.

afternoon.

ter desolation, more than a third of according to the evidence going home the houses having been compeletly with W. B. Lenken, colored, who day with the anti-beer bill fight to Correspondence of The Robesonian. destroyed while the roofs of the others boarded the train at Bladenboro that continue at available opportunities. were swept off as if by a whirlwind. night. Bethen was given a hearing The treaties also, it was said, would be Here also many were killed or injured. yesterday on the charge of being an The explosion is attributed by some accessory to the crime, in that he conto excess pressure in two adjoining celled the soy from the officers. pected to follow the tax measure, ginning Monday, September 26: gasometers, the whole of this part of Probable cause was found against

and 45 yards deep, while twisted gird-Bethea told them Marcus was his son October 10, with the tax measure becanal. This is fixed for a vote on ers and debris of every description when they found the two together. ing given place in the meantime. lie scattered about. For a distance of Also that he denied bounding the Chairman Penrose, of the fi

several hundred yards not a wall is train at Bladeaboro. Bethea admitted committee, announced today that furon the stand that he told the officers ther hearings on the tariff revision The directorate of the company is that Marcus was his bey and that ae bill would begin soon with the com-

K. C. Bryant and Ely Carlyle, both colored, were tried on the charge of Burglars Visit Business District of purchasing pistols from Marcus Bell

morning, gaining entrance ment of cost. Probable cause was Red Springs Drug company, office of of purchasing a pistol knowing it to day in this section. depot. At the first named place the which he made. Carlyle was found Lockey's daughter, Miss Alma, all of depot. At the first named place the intruders secured some hand bags and Marcus knowing it to have been Barkers Friday night.

Other cases disposed of by Recorder Fuller this week were: Henry Edwards, two charges; drunk, not guilty; resisting officer; guilty and fined \$75. Edwards was charged with resisting policemen on

circus day. Tom Handon, colored, non support

Mr. James Holcombe of the Purvis and mistreating his wife; prayer for Sidney Shaw, colored, crime against nature; bound over to Superior court under a \$300 bond, which he made. Odius Duncan, reckless driving; not guilty.

Queen Connor, assault upon Lcu Ransom; not guilty.

Bennie Sampson- assault upon Addie Hickman; fined \$5 and cost. Roy F. Dean, false pretense; charge changed to trespass, to which charge the defendant plead guilty; judgment Wm. Awall of Fairmont Wanted in suspended upon payment of cost and

His Dream Came True

Bethea testified that three weeks

Perfect order was maintained on the colored excursion operated from Hamboarded the train here.

former probably will begin next Mon. "sandwiched in" whenever possible.

The railroad debt funding bill is ex- the following community centers, bewhile the technical "unfinished" busicoastwise vessels using the Panama

mittee working towards its completion while the Senate is engaged on the tax and other measures.

NEWS ITEMS FROM BARKERS

Several Additions to Church as Result of Protracted Meeting-Personal lectures. Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Lumberton, R. Sept. 20 .- Picking cotton seems to be the order of the

Messrs. Rom Monroe, Thomas Lewis and Frank Lockey and Mr.

Mr. Oren Flowers of Lumberton attended the protracted meeting here last week.

Sorry to report Mr. Bruce McNeal has pneumonia.

Mrs. J. D. Monroe and daughters, Misses Rubie and Hazel, and son, baby Earl, of Tar Heel, spent the week-end with Mrs. Monroe's mother, Mrs. Mark Powers. Mrs. Monroe left

will visit relatives this week. Mr. Clyde Powers has our sympathy. We were sorry to hear of his losing his arm at a cotton gin.

mington are spending this week with Rozier.

Mr. George Lipkey has arrived and is spending some time with his wife mother-in-law, Mrs. Florence and Britt.

The protracted meeting closed at Barkers Friday night. Several joined the church.

Mrs. N. H. M'White of Lumberton spent Thursday with her husband in this section. Mr. M'White's health is very bad.

-Mr. Graddy Lawson of Orrum passed through town yesterday en route home from Laurinburg, where he served as juror in Federal court. Court convened Monday morning and picked 609 pounds, Reddin Locklear Electric Power Still Further Courthe jury was dismissed yesterday at picked 607 pounds, Parker Locklear 1 p. m. Only two trials were heard 446 pounds and Willie Locklear 344 not dead when he left. Lumberport Seaboard, according to Mr. H. G. by the jury during the term. These pounds, the latter two merely boys, Smallbones, district passenger agent were: Asbury Oxendine and John 13 and 15 respectively. of the Seaboard, who was a Lumber- Winn, both Robeson county Indians, There will be a match tennis game ton visitor Tuesday. Around 600 went charged with manufacturing whiskey. on the local court between Lumber- on the excursion, all colored, except Both were found guilty, but Mr. Law- ed party. imposed.

Stereopticon lantern pictures will

Center school house Monday, September 26, 8 p. m.

Smyrna school house Tuesday September 27, 8 p. m.

Long Branch school house Wednesday, September 28, 8 p. m. Broad Ridge school house Thursday September 29, 8 p. m.

Mt. Elim school house Friday. September 30, 8 p. m.

The entertainment is free and the people of the community are especially urged to come. We want all the Cotton Cut Short by Weevil-Schools men to come, as well as the women and children, as matters will be discussed that vitally concern the heads of homes as well as the community

E. R. HARDIN,

FARM DEMONSTRATOR DUKES

URGES FARMERS TO ATTEND prices for our cotton. Boll Weevil Dusting Demonstration at Parents, do your part; children, do Lumberton Tuesday and Wednes-

day, September 27-28. Correspondence of The Robesonian.

Mr. A. W. McLean's farm at Lum- by being present opening day. berton Tuesday and Wednesday, Sep-1

gin at 10 o'clock each day.

Department of Agriculture.

any farmer who contemplates grow- are 3:30 and 7:30 o'clock prompt. ing cotton next year to witness this Everybody is invited to attend, we

row type of machine will be used and and strangers. Mrs. Britt and children of Wil- it will be in charge of an expert. Don't let the date slip from your good sermon last second Sunday p.

you some day as a regret. O. O. DUKES, Farm Demonstrator.

FOUR INDIANS PICKED 2,006 POUNDS COTTON IN ONE DAY

Yesterday Seems to Have Been an Ideal Day for Picking Cotton in Robeso

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Rowland, Sept. 21 .- Today seemed sister Mrs. W. B. Barker.

to be an ideal day for picking cotton in Robeson county. Four Indians on Mr. Carl Edens place near Rowland Johnson.

picked 2006 pounds, Cicero Mitchell

the average. *

be shown and lectures on public Montrose, where she has accepted a Miss Pauline Sikes left Friday for position teaching in the country from the above place. Miss Sallie Farrell is now teaching at Rennert.

Mr. A. M. Stubbs and some members of his family visited relatives at Purvis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Josheph Thames and children of Raleigh are on a visit to home folks. Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Thames of

Wagram spent Sunday in town with home folks.

UP GREAT MARSH WAY

Opening-Protracted Meeting This Week-Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. St. Pauls, R. 2, Sept. 20.-Farmers as a whole Literature will be given of this section are busy gathering cotto each family represented at the ton and harvesting hay. It pays to

save all you can, and live at home. I hear the farmers say the cotton is County Health Officer. cut short. The little weevil has destroyed the August crop. If the crop is short maybe we can get good

I hear of the schools starting. your best. Some day, if not now, you will see the need of an education.

School committeemen, parents, and Arrangements have been made for children, cooperate with your teacher. a boll weevil dusting demonstration on Parents, make the teachers feel good

A week of meeting began last night tember 27-28. Demonstrations will be- at the Old Great Marsh church. Rev. Mr. Pridgen of Pembroke is doing the Calcium arsenate dusting is the best preaching and Mr. Prevatt of Raft direct method of fighting the boll Swamp is leading the singing. We weevil, according to the United States are glad to have these good people with us. May God's blessings be with It will be well worth the time of us at this meeting. Hours of service

demonstration. The two-horse, three- will be glad to welcome our friends-Rev. Rowland Hedgpeth preached a

Mrs. Britt's sister Mrs. Walter mind. If you do, it will come back to m. We like Mr. Hedgpeth and appreciate his services.

Mr. Matthew Allen spent part of last week in Bladen county visiting his boys, Messrs, T. J. and Hubbard

Allen. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Watson spent Sunday with Mrs. Watson's brotherin-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Edd Humphrey of Saddle Tree.

Mr. D. J Ratley of Florence, S. C. called a few hours last week with his Miss Fronnie Parnell of Oak Grove,

is spending this week with Miss Mary

tailed.

The Lumberton, Dresden and National cotton mills were only allowed to run two and a half days this week. This cotton was weighed by Mr. owing to the low water in the rivers Edens and witnessed b ya disinterest- upon which the plants of the Yadkin River Power Co. are located. These ton and Rockingham at 4 o'clock this Sam Lee, local Chinaman, Near 200 son did not learn what sentence was The above figures are much above mills are operated by power furnished several days. returned home yesterby this company.

-Messrs. M. F. Cobb and J. H. Felts. Jr., left last evening for Charlotte to attend the Made-in-Carolinas exposition. Mr Cobb. who is cashier of the National Bank of Lumberton, will attend a luncheon of the bankers of North and South Carolina this afternoon. -Rev and Mrs. A. H. Porter of Duke, Harnett county, passed through

Lumberton Monday afternoon on their way to Columbus county to visit relatives Mr. Porter formerly was pastor of the Baptist church at Rennert. He and Mrs. Porter also formerly lived at Whiteville.

-Among the rare coins Mr. C. B. Townsend has in his collection is an Irish coin of 1781. It looks something like an old United States one-cent piece of large size, but it has a picture of a harp on one side. Mr. Town. send also has one of the now rare old "cartwheel" one-cent pieces of U. S. coinage, a 20-cent piece of 1875, and an Indian rupee of 1885.

-Miss Christabel Moorehouse returned to Rock Hill last week to Winthrop college, where she takes up her duties as teachr of piano. Mrs. Moorehouse accompanied her daughter and spent Wednesday and part of Thursday with her in her new home. Dr. Moorehouse accompanied them as far as Charlotte, and returned with Mrs. Moorehouse Thursday night.

DIPHTHERIA PREVENTIVE

CLINICS AT ST. PAULS AND OTHER POINTS

Correspondence of The Robesonian. The health officer will be at St. Pauls Monday, September 26, to begin the preventive treatment for diphtheria in children six months to six years old. The treatment will be given free to all children of this age. The clinic will be held at Dr. Nash's office 10 a. m., until noon, and at the community house at the Mill from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Clinics will be held at Red Springs on Friday. 23rd, and at Fairmont on Tuesday, 27th, for the third time.

E. R. HARDIN, Health Officer.

Thompson Hospital Notes Reported for The Robesonian.

Mr. Zempie Leggett, R. F. D., Fairmont, son of Mr. Wright Leggett, was operated on for appendicitis Tuesday and is getting along nicely. Mrs. Martell Hedgpeth, Proctorville, underwent a very serious operation Tuesday. Her condition is favor. able.

Mr. Bernie Tyner, R. F. D. Buie, who underwent an operation for appendicitis Tuesday, is doing very well indeed.

Mr. James Horne, Barnesville, underwent an operation for appendicitis and complications yesterday. His condition is very favorable. Mr. J. V. Wiliamson, city, operated

Mr. J. Biggs, R. F. D., Rennert, who

had been a patient at the hospital

on Monday is rapidly improving.

day.