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## May Reestablish Welfare Office

County Commissioners and Board of Education Will Consider Matter of Re-establishing County Welfare Office at Joint Meeting This Afternoon.

Mrs. Clarence A. Johnson of Raleigh, State Welfare Commissioner, is in Lumberton today for the purpose of going before a joint meeting of the county board of education and the county commissioners this afternoon in the interest of re-establishing in Robeson the office of county welfare.

It will be recalled that this office was discontinued in Robeson at the last session of the General Assembly and at the same time provision was made that it might be re-established upon request of the State Superintendent of Schools and the State Welfare Commissioner, and joint action of the county board of education and the county commissioners, if after thirty days' notice no objection is raised.

Mrs. Johnson comes to present the matter upon the request of some interested citizens of the county and she has the required request of Dr. E. C. Brooks, State Superintendent of Schools. If favorable action is taken by the county commissioners and board of education, thirty days notice will be given before a county welfare officer will be engaged.

## Government Clean-Up Squad Is Here

Many ex-Service Men Are Calling On Members of Squad Who Are Looking After Claims—Here Today and Tomorrow.

Many ex-service men who have unsettled claims against the government are calling upon the U. S. government "clean up squad" which arrived here yesterday and will be here through tomorrow. The squad is composed of Mr. E. G. Sary, manager, Miss Sarah Jennings, representing the Red Cross, Drs. R. B. Butt and W. W. Harvey, and Messrs. Frank Capps, J. C. James and LeRoy Parker. The squad is occupying the American Legion hall, second floor of the municipal building.

It had been advertised that the squad would be here through Wednesday, but today and tomorrow (Tuesday) are the only days the squad will be on duty here.

## BABY KNOCKED UNDER CAR BUT NOT SERIOUSLY HURT

Ben G. Floyd, Jr. Ran in Front of Slowly-Moving Car But Escaped With Slight Bruises—Driver of Car Not at Fault.

Ben G. Jr., 18-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben G. Floyd, had a close call about 6 o'clock Friday afternoon when he was run down by an automobile driven by Mr. B. Sam Edwards. Fortunately the child escaped serious injury, only receiving slight bruises. The accident happened at the corner of Water and Tenth streets, in front of the Floyd home. Mr. Edwards was driving at a slow rate and stopped the car just as it struck the child, which was knocked under the car by the fender. Mrs. Floyd and the child got out of another car just as Mr. Edwards was approaching and the child ran directly in front of the moving car.

Those who saw the accident say Mr. Edwards was not driving at a speed of more than five or six miles per hour, and Mr. Floyd says he attaches no blame whatever to Mr. Edwards.

## GRAMMAR GRADES REOPEN

Only One Case Scarlet Fever Reported Since Thursday and That Was a Kindergarten Pupil.

One case of scarlet fever has been reported in Lumberton since Thursday, while no cases of diphtheria have been reported to Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer. The case of scarlet fever reported was a pupil in the kindergarten class of the graded school. Several members of the class were exposed to the disease and all these were placed under quarantine for a week by Dr. Hardin.

The grammar grades of the local schools re-opened this morning. The grades below the fifth had been closed for two weeks, while the grades above had been closed for one week.

Farmers Are Planting More Acres of Pastures and Cover Crops Than Usual.

Robeson farmers are planting more acres of pasture and cover crops this fall than usual, according to Mr. O. O. Dukes, county farm demonstrator. Mr. Dukes will be glad to assist farmers in planting these crops when called upon.

Rabid Dog Bit 3 Children in Raynham Section.

A report from Raleigh states that a dog which bit three children in the Raynham section recently was rabid. The dog was killed and the head sent to Raleigh for examination. One Indian and two colored children were bitten by the dog, it is said.

## Superior Court

Week's Term of Criminal Court Begins This Morning—Mr. A. C. McLeod Foreman of Grand Jury.

Superior court for the trial of criminal cases convened this morning at 10:30 with Judge J. H. Kerr of Warrenton presiding. The morning session was taken up with empaneling and charging the grand jury. Mr. A. C. McLeod of Buie was named as foreman of the grand jury and Mr. H. A. McWhite court officer. This is a one week's term of court. Solicitor S. B. McLean is here looking after the State's interests.

## STATE SELLS BIGG ISSUE OF BONDS AT PREMIUM

Five Million Dollars Worth 40-Year Bonds Sold at a Premium of \$5,021—Best Bond Deal by Any Southern State Since War Says Lacy.

The State of North Carolina sold 5 million dollars worth of 5 per cent. 40-year bonds Friday at a premium of \$5,021 to a syndicate of New York bankers. State Treasurer Lacy, who negotiated the sale, is quoted by the News and Observer as declaring this the best bond deal made by any Southern State since the war.

Four and a half million dollars of the amount will go toward highway construction. The remaining half million will go to schools and hospitals. Money from these bonds will go directly into road work under way, it is said. "Pull the throttle wide open and let the road program go through with a whoop is my message to those in charge of the construction of highways in North Carolina," Governor Morrison said at the conclusion of the meeting of the Governor and Council of State at which the deal was made.

A Raleigh special to the Wilmington Star says: Governor Morrison declared today that North Carolina's credit is gilt-edged. The sum of fifteen millions could have been sold as easily as the five million were disposed of, he said. As a matter of fact, in the opinion of the Governor, there is absolutely no need for any pessimism. It has been proven that North Carolina asks no quarter of anybody and is on a basis that is as sound as Gibraltar.

## MORE FARM LOANS APPROVED

Applications for \$1,023,000 Agricultural Loans Approved—State Gets Another Good Loan from War Finance Board.

The North Carolina Agricultural Loan agency of the War Finance Corporation at a meeting in Raleigh Friday approved applications for \$1,023,000 in loans. This brings the total of loans approved by this agency to about 2 and a quarter million dollars. The applications came from all sections of the State, according to the News and Observer.

The War Finance Corporation has reduced its rates on loans for a period of 6 months from 6 to 5 1-2 per cent, and on loans for not longer than 6 months, from 5 1-2 to 5 per cent.

The Raleigh office of the corporation says bankers are agreed that this is the finest opportunity they have had to secure means to assist the farmer.

Its Washington correspondent writes the News and Observer that North Carolina Friday received \$430,000 for agricultural loans and for the export of tobacco from the War Finance Corporation. Of this sum, \$300,000 was approved as an advance to a North Carolina exporter of tobacco, and \$130,000 went in amounts of \$100,000 and \$30,000 to financial institutions as advances for agricultural purposes.

## Church Notes

Services Armistice Day  
Special services, at which prayers will be offered for the success of the limitation of armament conference, will be held at the First Baptist church Friday at 11:15 a. m. and at Chestnut Street Methodist church at 3:30 p. m.

Week of Prayer  
This week will be observed by the Woman's Missionary society of Chestnut Street Methodist church as a week of prayer. Services will be held at the church at 3:30 p. m. today, Tuesday and Thursday. No service will be held Wednesday on account of the district conference of woman's missionary societies at Raeford. Messdames Eliza Fuller, L. T. and Fred Townsend and W. W. Parker expect to attend the conference in Raeford.

Series of Meetings Begins at Trinity Episcopal Tomorrow Evening.

Rev. John M. Robeson of Lynchburg, Va., will conduct a series of meetings at Trinity Episcopal church here November 8 to 13, inclusive. Services will be held each evening at 8 o'clock. Two services will be conducted on Sunday, November 13—11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Mr. Robeson served as chaplain with the 30th division. The public is invited to attend all these services.

## Train Demolished Auto; Dr. Pope Hurt

He and His Colored Chauffeur, Geo. Kemp, Had Miraculous Escape From Death When Train Struck Automobile at National Mill Crossing—Both Were Thrown From Car and Are Laid Up With Severe Injuries—Car Was Knocked Several Feet and Badly Wrecked.

Dr. Henry T. Pope and George Kemp, his colored chauffeur, were both painfully hurt Friday about 11:10 a. m. when a Ford coupe in which they were riding was struck by west-bound Seaboard passenger train No. 31 at the National cotton mill crossing. The car was completely demolished and both occupants had a miraculous escape from death. Dr. Pope suffered an ugly gash on his forehead, two on the back of his head, his right thigh was cut, his left arm broken at the elbow, his left shoulder hurt, his right wrist sprained and his back badly bruised. Kemp, who was driving the car, was cut about the face, his hip was hurt and he was badly bruised otherwise.

When asked about the accident Dr. Pope stated that he was answering a hurry call to the cotton mill village and that neither he nor the driver heard or saw the train until the car was struck. The car was going west on the Rowland road, almost parallel with the railroad. The train was running around 30 minutes late and Dr. Pope stated that he thought the train had already run. The automobile was knocked several feet into the air, according to those who saw it, both Dr. Pope and Kemp being thrown several feet. Both were rendered unconscious. Dr. Pope regained consciousness in a few minutes, however. Kemp was unconscious for several hours.

Mr. J. W. Long, superintendent of the National cotton mill, brought the injured men to town soon after the accident. Dr. Pope was carried to his home, East Third street, while Kemp was carried to the Thompson hospital. Drs. T. C. Johnson and John Knox, local Seaboard physicians, and several other local doctors rendered medical aid. It will be several days before either Dr. Pope or Kemp will be able to get out, though it is not thought their injuries are of a serious nature.

The engineer who was operating the train said he did not see the automobile and did not know that it was struck by the train until advised of the accident later.

A Masonic ring that was on one of Dr. Pope's fingers was lost in the accident and has not been found, though pieces of his eye-glasses have been found.

## SENATE REJECTS SALES TAX

Democrats Voted Solidly Against Tax and Were Joined by 17 Republicans Washington—The sales tax was rejected Thursday night by the Senate.

The vote, 43 against to 25 for, was a proposal by Senator Smoot, Republican, Utah, for one per cent levy, with exemption provided in the case of sales by farmers of the products of their farms, sales by public utilities and those by the United States or any foreign government or any state or territory, the army and navy and hospitals.

The Democrats voted solidly against the sales tax and were joined by seventeen Republicans.

In the debate on the defeated manufacturers' sales tax plan, some Republican leaders indicated that a sales tax might have to be provided for in connection with the soldiers' bonus bill, which they predicted would be passed at the next session of Congress.

## GOVERNOR ASKS FOR HOUR OF PRAYER ARMISTICE DAY FOR REDUCTION OF ARMAMENT.

Governor Morrison has issued a proclamation for the observance of Armistice Day, November 11, in North Carolina and calling upon the churches to hold services, spending one hour in prayer "for the reduction of the armaments of nations of the world and for peace on earth," and for educational leaders "to conduct such exercises as may be convenient and expedient."

Beware of German Salt.  
Beware of German salt. A dispatch from New York states that an entire ship cargo of sanded salt from Braunschweig, Lemberg, Germany was recently received by a New York concern. The salt showed more than 6 per cent sand content, according to a Government inspector. Some of the salt has been shipped to Robeson county, it is said. The use of this salt would most likely result in the loss of pork and hog-raisers should be cautious in buying salt for preserving their meat.

Still Captured Near Woodell's Bridge.  
Rural Policeman D. C. Ratley captured a whiskey-making plant near Woodell's bridge, Back Swamp township, Wednesday, of last week. The owner was absent when the officer located the still. It was of 10-gallons capacity.

Postmaster A. A. Thagard of Pembroke is among the visitors in town today.

## Parkton Letter

Special Services at Methodist Church Last Sunday—Quarterly Conference Next Wednesday—A Tall Coon Yarn—Personal and Other Items.

BY C. D. WILLIAMSON.  
Parkton, Nov. 3.—The cottin gins have just about caught up with the cotton at last, only for rainy days the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stubbs spent Sunday with their son J. H. Stubbs and family of Fayetteville, and this week are on a visit to Clio, S. C., and other points south. Mr. Stubbs had the misfortune of losing his fine cow Sunday night. The cow was all right Sunday evening when she was fed and Monday morning was discovered dead.

Rev. J. L. Jenkins was a visitor this week. We are always glad to shake his hand.

Dr. Alex Little and wife and son of Valdosta, Ga., spent the week-end with home-folks at Lumber Bridge and boarded the train here Sunday evening for home. The doctor is one of our favorite schoolmates and we were more than glad to see him. He does not come often.

Mr. J. Q. Parnell was a Lumberton visitor this afternoon.

The service at the M. E. church Sunday was much enjoyed by a packed house. The children recited in a most creditable manner and showed they were well trained by the committee as follows: Mrs. R. B. Hutson, Miss Gay and Mrs. Ed. Gaitley. The church was beautifully decorated with box flowers, as also other varieties. The choir was at its best and rendered the best of music, assisted by the following: T. W. Worley, cornet; Dr. D. S. Currie, trombone; C. D. Williamson, cornet.

Rev. W. L. Manes, delivered one of his most able lectures at the conclusion of the program. The attention was never better. Some of those present from out-of-town: Sheriff J. W. Hall and wife, J. E. Clifton and family, Lumber Bridge; E. O. Fisher and family, St. Paul; Justin McNeill and family, and T. W. Worley, Lumberton.

The hunters are proud of the rains and have caught many opossums and coons, also foxes, this week.  
Mr. D. Godwin heard his fowls making a distressing noise Tuesday night and upon investigating found a large old opossum with one of them and he soon killed the invader. Mr. W. M. Jackson is in the lead catching opossums. While Mr. E. L. Jackson was out Monday hunting squirrels he discovered two large coons up one tree and he succeeded in killing both. But Mr. Will Riddle of R. 4 tells a most remarkable experience. The coons had been eating his corn badly and he set a steel trap in the middle of corn row and next morning as he was about to get off to Fayetteville he went to see his trap and found it had caught two coons, and he took both coons and trap with him to Fayetteville.

This is a true story, and if anybody can beat this, let him report.

Miss Louise Garrison is teaching school at Glengarry.

Prof. E. C. Hines spent the week-end at Greensboro visiting relatives.

We are glad to report no epidemic of any disease in our school at present and all grades are running on full time.

The fourth quarterly meeting of the Parkton charge will come here next Wednesday. Preaching at 11 o'clock, also at night by Rev. J. D. Bunday, presiding elder.

CORNER STONE OF STATE COLLEGE MEMORIAL CLOCK TOWER WILL BE LAID NOVEMBER 10

Raleigh, Nov. 4.—The contract for the stone work of the base of the State college memorial clock tower has been awarded to the Rowe and Yeager company of Greensboro, and yesterday workmen began the placing of the huge granite blocks preparatory to the laying of the corner stone, which will occur November 10.

The tower will be erected by the alumni of the institution to commemorate the great war record of the thirty-three former students who made the supreme sacrifice. When completed it will be 115 feet in height, with a base, including the steps on all four sides, sixty-three feet square. It will be surmounted with a set of chimes connected with the college signaling system, thus carrying out the utilitarian as well as the artistic idea.

After the corner stone is laid construction will be continued to a height of about 18 feet, and thereafter the alumni association will build as funds become available. The completed memorial will cost upwards of \$60,000, about \$22,000 of which has already been subscribed with a large number of alumni yet to be heard from.

McCaskill Nominated for Collector Port of Wilmington  
A. L. McCaskill of Fayetteville was nominated Thursday by President Harding for the position of collector of the port of Wilmington.

Mr. E. P. Powers and son, Mr. J. C. Powers, of R. 2, from Fairmont, were Lumberton visitors Saturday.

## Road Sentence For Whipping Father

Geo. Phillips Must Serve 7 Months for Whipping His Crippled Paralytic Father—Other Recorder's Court Cases.

George Phillips must serve seven months on the roads for whipping his father, Billie Phillips, according to a sentence imposed Saturday by Recorder David H. Fuller. His father is a cripple, having suffered a stroke of paralysis several years ago.

Other cases recently aired before Recorder Fuller are:

Jim Jones, larceny; 30 days on the roads.

Fred Ellis, violating driving ordinance; judgment suspended upon payment of cost.

William Floyd, riding bicycle at night without light; prayer for judgment continued.

Leonard and Harrington Locklear, John Brooks, Boss Jacobs, and Waitus Wilkins drunk and disorderly on the public highway. Jacobs and Wilkins were found not guilty, while Brooks and the two Locklears were found guilty and fined \$15.00 each and cost. Leonard Locklear, Harrington Locklear and John Brooks were found guilty of an affray. Leonard Locklear and Brooks were fined \$50 each and cost, while Harrington Locklear was fined \$75 and cost. Harrington Locklear was found not guilty of retailing.

R. B. Edge was bound over to the Superior court on the charge of false pretense under a \$500 bond, which he made.

Nasby Hardin was found not guilty of two charges, one of having more wine than the law allows and one for selling wine. He was given a jury trial, six jurors serving on the case.

Note, From Thompson Hospital  
Mr. Eugene Lewis, Pembroke R. F. D., who has been undergoing treatment at the hospital for several days was able to return home last Wednesday.

Little Hubert Smith, a student at the Barker-Ten Mile school, was able to leave the hospital last Wednesday after X ray and treatment for fractured leg while playing at school.

Little Ruby Neal Mays, Orum R. F. D., was operated on for adenoids and tonsils by Dr. Beam last Wednesday, returning home Thursday.

Mrs. John Dean, Fairmont, returned home Wednesday after undergoing an operation for appendicitis and complications several days ago.

Mrs. D. E. Pate, Bladenboro, returned home Thursday after undergoing treatment for several days.

Miss Bonnie Sessoms, city, was operated on for appendicitis last Thursday. Her condition is very favorable.

Mrs. Marvin McGill, city, who underwent an operation last Friday, is rapidly improving.

Mr. Lashley Wilcox, R. F. D., 4, was able to return home last Friday following operation for appendicitis two weeks ago.

Mrs. Henry Lupo, R. F. D., Fairmont, who was operated on last Friday for appendicitis and complications, is getting along as well as could be expected.

Miss Ethel Jenerette, Columbus county was operated on Saturday and is getting along nicely.

Miss Gladys Brown, Columbus county, was able to return home Sunday following operation for appendicitis two weeks ago.

Harding Announces Additional Cut in Federal Expenses.  
Washington—The administration expects to effect an aggregate reduction in government expenditures for the fiscal year of 1922 of \$439,000,000 instead of its previous estimated reduction of \$350,000,000, President Harding informed Congress through a letter to Speaker Gillette made public Thursday.

On the basis of the latest estimates received from the various departments and establishments, the President said the total of expenditures for the next fiscal year now stands at \$3,940,000,000, a reduction of \$94,000,000 from the estimate of \$4,034,000,000 submitted to Congress on August tenth.

The President's estimates, were submitted in connection with the transmission of supplemental and deficiency estimates of appropriations amounting to nearly \$188,000,000, which he said were taken into consideration in arriving at the expenditures total for next year.

## Nearly 2 Million for Road Work in North Carolina.

Washington—A Federal aid road fund of \$1,709,333 for North Carolina practically became available today (Nov. 1) when the House adopted the conference report on the good roads bill which has been pending for months. The bureau of public roads of the Department of Agriculture informed the Daily News correspondent today that North Carolina's share of the \$75,000,000 fund appropriated by the bill would be as above stated.

Of the \$1,709,333 allocated to North Carolina roads, which sum will be matched by the state, there will become immediately available \$569,777.

The balance of the Tar Heel allowance of nearly \$2,000,000 will become available January 1, 1922.—Theodore Tiller in Greensboro News.

## COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 17 1/4 cents the pound; strict middling 17 3/4 cents.

## BRIEF ITEMS AND LOCAL NEWS

—Local banks will be closed Friday, Armistice Day.

—A small daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Paul is ill with pneumonia.

—Born Saturday morning to Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Martin, at their home on Fifth avenue a 9-pound boy.

—Miss Artie Britt of the Bellamy section has accepted a position in Efrid's department store. She began work this morning.

—Mr. F. M. Barne, has accepted a position as traveling representative of the American Tobacco Co. He will cover several counties, including Robeson.

—Four auction land sales in Robeson last week were called off for lack of purchasers. For some reason there was apparently no demand for real estate.

—Mr. J. L. Wilson, a salesman in the Spivey company's store, Saturday sold five and one-half pairs of shoes to one customer. There is one member of the family with only one leg.

—Wake Forest glee club will give an entertainment in the high school auditorium Saturday evening, November 19th, under the auspices of Robeson chapter, U. D. C.

—The meeting of the Lumbee Research club has been postponed from Thursday of this week to Thursday of next week on account of this week being observed as a week of prayer.

—Richard King, colored, who has taken a special course in furniture varnishing, enameling and repairing, has opened a shop here on West Third street in what is known as the McNeill building.

—The county board of education, the board of county commissioners and the county road board are holding regular meetings here today. These meetings, together with court, brought a large number to town.

—Mr. C. M. Prevatt sold last week his house and lot on Cedar street to Mr. Archie Odum of St. Pauls, the consideration being \$5,000. Mr. Odum and wife and two children expect to move to Lumberton the first of next year.

—Rev. B. F. McLendon, better known as "Cyclone Mack", passed through Lumberton Thursday afternoon en route to Tarboro, where today he begins a series of meetings. "Mack" recently closed a successful meeting in Atlanta, Ga.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stafford and infant son, Joseph Neal, of West Nashville, Tenn., are guests of Mrs. Stafford's father, Dr. N. A. Thompson, at the Thompson hospital. Mr. Stafford will return home this week. Mrs. Stafford and son will remain here for some time.

—The editor had the good fortune the other day of sampling some peas and beans canned at Elrose farm, near Fairmont, Mr. J. A. Floyd proprietor, and if there was anything lacking of the original fine flavor it was not noticeable. Mr. Floyd cans fruit and vegetables by the wholesale at Elrose.

—Reported for The Robesonian: The many friends of Mr. Ira F. Davis will be glad to know he is resting comfortably in the new Charlotte sanatorium after a very serious operation on the kidney. The stone was removed by Drs. A. J. Crowell and W. C. Terry of Hamlet, brother-in-law of Mr. Davis, assisted by four other physicians of Charlotte.

—The DuBois bakery changed hands Saturday night, Mr. W. J. DuBois, former owner of the bakery, taking it over. The bakery had been conducted by Mr. G. B. Cromartie since last March when he purchased from Mr. DuBois. It has not been learned what Mr. Cromartie intends doing. Mr. DuBois will conduct the grocery business heretofore run in connection with the bakery.

—A morning-glory stem about 4 inches long putting forth a bloom Friday attracted the attention of Mr. Geo. Lennon, who is a close observer of plant life. When you consider what proportions a morning glory vine attains before it puts forth its flower the wonder grows at a 4-inch stem doing that. Mr. Lennon says nature warned this young shoot that it would not have time before frost to grow the usual vine before flowering, so in its effort to reproduce itself it put forth a flower at once.

Lumberton Post Banquet Friday Evening.  
As has been stated in The Robesonian members of the Lumberton post of the American Legion and other ex-service men of this section will hold a banquet in the legion hall, second floor of the municipal building, Friday night of this week. Plans are being perfected for a "big feed" and a general good time is expected. All ex-service men living in and around Lumberton are invited.

Mr. J. W. Barnes and four sons, Howard, Jennings, Hoyt and Joseph Murray, and Craven Pittman of Barnesville were among the visitors in town Friday.

Mr. Robert Monroe of Lumber Bridge is among the visitors in town today.