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Indian Normal Will Get \$75,000

Buildings Will be Provided to Make School at Pembroke Meet Needs of Indians—Quail Season to be Regulated by County Commissioners—Other Local Legislation.

It seems practically assured that the Indian Normal school at Pembroke will get \$75,000 for a school building and principal's home as a result of legislation at the present special session of the Legislature. Senator L. R. Varner saw and grabbed a chance to get this money from premiums on State bonds, so it will not cost a penny additional in taxes and will give the Indians of Robeson school facilities which have been needed for years. It is the purpose to make this school for the Indians of Robeson what the State college at Raleigh is for the whites and the school at Greensboro is for the negroes.

Senator Varner spent yesterday here with his family and returned to Raleigh last night. The bill in regard to the season for shooting partridges in Robeson, introduced by Senator Varner and mentioned in Thursday's Robesonian, provides that the county commissioners may determine the length of the season. There is difference of opinion as to whether or not partridges do any good in checking the boll weevil. Putting the matter in the hands of the county commissioners will give those most interested a chance to regulate the matter according to local opinion.

Senator Varner has changed the law so as to allow the county board of education to borrow up to \$25,000 against school taxes to meet needs at the beginning of the school year instead of only \$10,000, as heretofore.

Senator Varner thinks that the school tax limit will be placed at 40 cents, instead of 39 cents, as provided in a bill mentioned elsewhere in this paper. That would exactly take care of the levy in Robeson. If 39 cents is made the limit, one cent will be lopped off the levy in this county.

Representative M. W. Jenkins has introduced the following bills: to provide for cotton weighing in Fairmont; to amend Robeson county deposit laws; to amend Road laws of Robeson.

They Finished Job By Hand

5 White Men Faced Several Charges Before Recorder Buie at Red Springs Today—Charged With Turning Over an Auto They Rammed and Robbing It of Wheels and Other Things.

Five white men, whose names were not learned, were brought to jail here yesterday from Red Springs. They were carried to Red Springs this morning to face several charges, among them being drunkenness, driving a car while being in a drunken condition, highway robbery, etc. According to information received here, the men drove their car against one operated by some negroes near Red Springs late Saturday afternoon. Failing to turn the car operated by the negroes over in the collision, they then turned it over by hand and took the wheels off, taking them, together with the cushions and some packages which were in the car away. They will be tried before Recorder J. N. Buie.

Pope Drug Store Changes Hands.

An important business deal was consummated Saturday night when Messrs. J. S. Cox and C. A. McArthur purchased from Mr. H. L. Pope the stock and fixtures of the Pope Drug Co., Elm street. The store is closed today for the purpose of taking inventory, but will be opened again tomorrow. Mr. Cox has been employed as pharmacist by the Pope Drug Co. for the last four years and will have charge of the store under the new ownership. It has not been learned what Mr. Pope intends doing.

Garage Burned at Proctorville.

A garage owned and operated by Messrs. Wesley Small and Bob Hutchinson was destroyed by fire at Proctorville Thursday night about midnight. When discovered the fire was breaking out of the grease room and had gained too much headway for anything to be saved. Its origin is not known. A lot of new tires was burned, besides tools and other equipment. The loss was about \$1,500, with very little insurance.

Negro Supposed to Have Committed Suicide at Fairmont This Morning.

Eddie Jones, colored, was shot and killed early this morning at Fairmont. It was thought that Jones committed suicide, according to information reaching Lumberton. An inquest was ordered held over the remains.

Mrs. T. A. McNeill went today to Wilmington, where she will spend a week visiting at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hall.

4 Powers Agree On Peace Program

New Quadruple Agreement to Preserve Peace in Waters of Pacific—Anglo-Japanese Alliance Consigned to Scrap Heap.

Washington, Dec. 10.—(By the Associated Press.)—A new quadruple agreement to preserve peace in the waters of the Pacific was announced to the world today by the United States, Great Britain, Japan and France.

As a consideration of the international realignment, Great Britain and Japan agreed to consign to the scrap heap the Anglo-Japanese alliance, long viewed with apprehension in both America and Asia.

The provisions of the agreement, which is in the form of a 10-year treaty, are confined to "the region of the Pacific-ocean." Under them the four powers are to respect each other's island possessions and to meet in consultation if a dispute arises or if the rights of any of the four are threatened by any other power.

Announcement of the treaty terms was made at a plenary session of the arms conference by Senator Lodge, of the American delegation, and was followed by expressions of approval by the plenipotentiaries of Great Britain, France, Japan, Italy, China, Belgium, The Netherlands and Portugal.

To be binding on the United States, the treaty must be ratified by the senate, several of whose members withheld comment tonight pending a further study of the text. Open war was declared on it by some of the "irreconcilable group" of the Versailles treaty fight but republican leaders and some democrats declared ratification was certain.

Naval Situation Unchanged

The signatures of the representatives of the powers have not yet been affixed to the document, and there is an intimation that they may be withheld until the question of naval ratio has been settled definitely.

The naval situation remains unchanged pending word from Tokyo, but there is general confidence that approval of the American "5.5-3" plan will be made unanimous in the very near future.

In lieu of signature, the principle delegates have put their initials on the official copy of the treaty, and Senator Lodge said tonight that this act of affirmation was to be interpreted as meaning that the document has been "approved to all intents and purposes."

The treaty agreement is expected in itself to hasten a decision not only on the naval ratio but on all the other issues before the arms conference. The delegates believe they are over the top of the hill, and a British spokesman went so far tonight as to characterize today's session as "practically the breakup of the conference" so far as major considerations are concerned.

League Covenant.

One of the first impulses of some of the senators was to compare and contrast the treaty with the League of Nations covenant which so lately was the center of a bitter senate fight. By an official spokesman of the American delegation it was pointed out tonight that a feature of the covenant on which attack was concentrated is omitted from the four-power peace agreement. In article 10 of the League of Nations the members agreed to "respect and preserve" each other's territorial integrity, but in the new treaty the pledge is to "respect" territorial rights in the Pacific.

The omission of the guarantee to "preserve" the integrity of foreign nations is declared by the American delegates to constitute an all-important distinction between an alliance and a compact for peaceful solution of future controversies.

Stily Captured Near Boardman.

Rural Policeman D. C. Ratley captured a whiskey-making plant in the Big swamp, near Boardman, Friday. The plant was made of a gasoline drum and other appliances. The owner was absent when the stily was discovered.

Mrs. D. N. Nobles of Greenville, this state, is a guest at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Nobles. She arrived Thursday night and will remain for the holidays.

Mr. H. T. Brown left yesterday morning for his home at Robersonville after spending a few days here at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Nobles.

Mr. D. S. McCormick of Raynham was a Lumberton visitor Friday.

Mr. W. R. Powell of R. 6, Lumberton, was among the visitors in town Saturday.

Mr. Jas. G. Smith and daughter, Mrs. M. C. Prevatt, and Miss Edna Barnes of R. 5, Lumberton, were among the visitors in town Saturday.

Money to Lend on Cotton. Consult us in regard to warehousing facilities.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF LUMBERTON.

Marsh Foch Given Mighty Ovation



GEN. FERDINAND FOCH

North Carolina Salutes Greatest Military Leader of Modern Times

Officially Welcomed by Governor Morrison at Monroe—Greeted by Thousands and Decorates Colors of 17th Field Artillery from Camp Bragg.

Monroe, Dec. 9.—North Carolina touched her cap to the world's greatest military leader at Monroe this evening.

In turn, Marshal Ferdinand Foch paid tribute to North Carolina and the American soldiers and citizens, in war and now at peace.

The Foch special, with national officers of the American legion, at whose invitation he is touring the United States, rolled into Monroe at 8:15 as the Charlotte Boy Scout band played the "Marseilles" and everybody stood at attention.

Governor Cameron Morrison and his personal staff; Mayor J. C. M. Vann, of Monroe; a special senate and house committee from the North Carolina general assembly; Major B. H. Hinde, and other officers of the Monroe post of the American legion, greeted Marshal Foch and his party as they stepped from the train.

The party was placed in automobiles, along with Governor Morrison and Joseph Daniels, former secretary of the navy, and carried through lanes of people that lined the streets to the Union county courthouse, as guns from camp Bragg boomed their salute.

Governor Morrison, after the crowd had closed in behind the military party, welcomed the distinguished visitors, on behalf of the state of North Carolina and presented Hanford MacNider, national commander of the American legion, who, in turn, presented Marshal Foch.

Speaking in French, which was interpreted by Colonel Frank Parker, special aid to Marshal Foch, the world's greatest military figure, brought greetings and good wishes to North Carolina and to the American people.

Bowling Receives Decorations

Ten minutes was all the time taken by Marshal Foch and the interpretation. He then stepped forward and faced the representatives of the fifth and seventeenth field artillery, under Brigadier General Bowling, from Camp Bragg, whose colors he decorated with the fourragere of France. General Bowling replied.

When this ceremony had been completed, Mrs. W. E. Burt, of Salisbury, commander of the North Carolina department of the American Legion auxiliary, presented Marshal Foch with an evergreen pine tree from North Carolina, signifying lasting friendship between the women of North Carolina and the women of France.

As Marshal Foch entered the waiting automobile, Senator James L. DeLaney, of Mecklenburg, chairman of the North Carolina senatorial committee, stood on the steps and presented to the marshal the joint resolution of the North Carolina senate and house, naming special committees to visit Monroe to do him honor.

The mass of humanity that lined the streets—there was no way of even guessing at how many were in attendance—parted to let the line of automobiles pass again to the station, where Marshal Foch again entered his train. Five minutes later it started on its northward journey, Marshal Foch coming to the rear platform and waving until it had passed into the night.

And the man who will take his place in history as the greatest military genius and leader of men in a century, entered and passed out, officially, of North Carolina.

Distinguished citizens, official and unofficial, joined with Monroe in doing honor to him, and this celebration, he stated to members of his party before he entered the train, was one of the most delightful and wholesome that he had received while in America, one feature having been the brevity, another the spontaneity of the people.

The Marshal's Address
"I am profoundly touched by my reception here this evening, but am in no way surprised at it," said Marshal Foch, through his interpreter. "I have seen your young men in

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Superior Court Closed Saturday

No Court This Week—Judge Kerr Made Good Impression in Robeson—Judge G. W. Connor Will Preside at Next Court—Disposition of Cases.

Superior Court for the trial of civil cases closed Saturday morning and Judge J. H. Kerr, who presided, left Saturday at 10 a. m. for his home at Warrenton. While this was supposed to have been a two-weeks' term, there will be no court this week. This was Judge Kerr's last term of court in Robeson, he having served the last six months of 1921. Judge G. W. Connor will serve during the first six months of 1922. His first term will be for the trial of criminal cases and will convene Monday, January 30. Judge Kerr made a most favorable impression upon court officials and the public in Robeson.

The following jury trials were heard after the report of the proceedings published in Thursday's Robesonian was written:

C. M. Fuller vs. Lumberton Cotton Mill Co.; judgment for plaintiff.

Bettie McCormick vs. Isham D. McCormick; divorce granted.

Winslow & Garis vs. W. G. Wright; judgment for plaintiff.

Rebecca D. Buie et al vs. J. P. Ray, administrators; judgment for plaintiff.

Martha Flax Andrews vs. Henry McNeill; judgment for plaintiff in the sum of \$500. This suit grew out of the defendant driving an auto against one owned by the plaintiff and damaging it.

W. H. Shaw Drug Co. vs. McMillan Supply Co.; judgment for plaintiff.

M. L. Marley vs. D. D. Everett, administrator; judgment for plaintiff.

H. A. Page, Jr. vs. W. R. Woodell; judgment for plaintiff.

J. H. Johnson vs. Austin Barnes; judgment for plaintiff.

TW OHARD FOUGHT GAMES

St. Pauls Girls and Lumberton Boys Won in Basketball Games on Local Grounds Friday.

Reported for The Robesonian.
Two of the hardest fought basketball games of the season were played on the local court Friday afternoon by the boys and girls of Lumberton and St. Pauls high school teams. The Lumberton girls were defeated by a score of 7 to 11, while the Lumberton boys won by an overwhelming score of 9 to 25. Both the locals and the visitors did their best playing and the keen interest and clean fighting were special features of the games.

Line up

Girls—Locals: N. Weinstein, R. F. (7); E. Jennings, L. F.; E. Barker, G.; A. Allen, G.; M. Nash, C.; B. Betha. Visitors—L. Bennett, R. F. (2); E. Bethune, L. F. (5); G. Butler, G.; E. Terry, G.; B. Jones; (Sub.) E. Hartman, (4).

Boys—Locals: D. Bryant, R. F. (5); H. Bryant, L. F. (8) Hedgpath, C. (8); Prevatt, G. (2); Floyd, G. (2). Visitors—McDonald, R. F. (7); Bowen, L. F.; Bennett, C. (2); Watts, G.; McDuffey, G.

A. G. FLOYD OF FAIRMONT HEADS STATE COLLEGE TEAM

Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer carried a picture of A. G. Floyd of Fairmont and the following news item:

"A. G. Floyd, of Fairmont, was unanimously elected captain of the North Carolina State College football eleven at the annual banquet tendered the team, at which gold footballs were awarded new men on the team, members of the 1920 championship eleven receiving added inscriptions to the footballs awarded last year.

"Captain Floyd is now in his senior year at the college, but will return next year for a post graduate course. He has played on the 'varsity' for the past three years, playing at both guard and tackle. His play during the past season was particularly noteworthy and he is universally conceded to have been one of the outstanding figures in this section of the country."

—The home economics and art classes of the Lumberton schools will give a free exhibit of their work in the high school auditorium Wednesday afternoon of this week from 3:30 to 5 o'clock. The public is invited.

—A contribution of \$17 made by Broad Ridge Baptist church to the suffering and destitute children of Europe was today forwarded to the Red Cross office at Atlanta by Mr. J. P. Russell, chairman of the Lumberton Red Cross chapter. The money was turned over to Mr. Russell by Mr. John W. Branch, a member of the Broad Ridge church.

—Colonel Emanuel Barrick of Philadelphia, Pa., president of the Lafayette Mutual Life Insurance Co., spent Saturday here on business. Mr. Barrick expects to spend most of his time here in the interest of the local company after the first of the year.

Mr. Heazie Phillips of R. 1, Orrum, was in town Saturday.

39 Cents School Tax Limit Proposed

Measure Offered in House Would Withdraw Right of Mandamus—Indian Normal School Will Get \$75,000.

Raleigh News and Observer, Dec. 11: Thirty-nine cents is set as the limit to which counties may go in levying taxes for the schools in a measure introduced in the House of Representatives yesterday by Matthews of Bertie, to answer assaults that have been made upon the administration of the schools and to clarify the general educational situation. The bill stipulates that no mandamus will lie against the county commissioners to force that body to levy a tax in excess of the 39-cent limit.

All tax levies that have been directed by the State Department of Education for the present year, of whatever rate, are validated in the provisions of the bill, and counties that have resisted the mandate of the department to levy above 30 cents are directed to levy up to 39 cents. Three counties in the State have held out against the State Board, and out of this opposition grew the legislation on which the Supreme Court handed down its decision during the past week.

The educational bill was the principal measure before the House yesterday. In the Senate the Sams bill providing more effectual means for the prompt payment of the obligations of political subdivisions of the State was advanced to the third reading. The Erwin bill empowering municipalities to create planning commissions and the Walker bill increasing the legal speed limit for motor vehicles were passed and sent to the House for action. Both the Senate and House adjourned until 8 o'clock Monday evening.

Victory For Brooks

If the Matthews educational bill passes, and it has formidable backing in the House and Senate, State Superintendent Brooks will have consolidated all that he has won in his fight to have the counties levy sufficient taxes to support the schools on his enlarged program, but restrictions are thrown around him in fixing the limit at 39 cents and withdrawing the mandamus provision that, it is believed satisfy the critics who charge reckless extravagance.

Section three of the bill directs the Department of Education to reduce special appropriations from the school funds from approximately \$800,000 to \$642,750. The present schedule of teacher salaries will be maintained, but not increased. County boards of commissioners shall not be required to levy more than seven and a half cents for the building fund. Retrenchment and economy, without crippling the schools, is the declared intent of the framers of the bill. It was drawn after extended conferences between administration leaders and that wing of the General Assembly led by Representative Bowie opposing Dr. Brooks.

Schools Whole Show.

Matters of schools occupied the center and both wings of the stage in the House yesterday morning. The school deficit resolution, held up all the week by the opposition of Mr. Bowie, passed the House by an 83 to 4 vote after Mr. Bowie had withdrawn his amendment striking out the \$75,000 appropriation to the Indian Normal school at Pembroke. A letter from Dr. Brooks explained that much of the fund was already obligated in contracts.

With that out of the way the House waded through a vast array of second and third reading roll call bills, most of them local in character, until the administration bill providing for the consolidation of school districts by county boards of education was reached. Opposition developed and from that debate that brought Speaker Grier down from the dais to take a hand.

Hits Second Snag.

The bill was conservative in its provisions, Representative Matthews explained, providing for vote of the people in the districts concerned before there was consolidation, but the House had grown wary. Mr. Grier liked not the idea of consolidating if it meant that already established school buildings were to be scrapped. He wanted it to go back to committee for fuller investigation. It went back by a substantial majority.

Thirty-five new bills flowed across the reading-clerk's desk, all of them entirely local save the one offered to clarify the school tangle, and the Hall bill that would exempt all new buildings in the State from taxation for a period of two years. Mr. Hall thinks that the bill would give a decided impetus to new construction in the State.

No new legislation can get into the House after the expiration of the morning hour next Tuesday, unless the House is minded to reconsider a resolution offered by Mr. Wright, of Guilford. He wanted to put a stop to new legislation Monday, but the House resisted that on the grounds that many of the members would be out of the city Monday, and unable to get their bills introduced on time.

COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton sold on the local market this morning for 16.65. The market dropped 100 points after the government's crop report this afternoon, however. The crop estimate given out today is 8,340,000 bales.

BRIEF ITEMS AND LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. and Mrs. Robt. I. Belch have moved into their new home, Fourteenth street.

—License has been issued for the marriage of Ephraim J. Smith and Anna Belle Blount.

—Mr. Andrew Ivey went today to Charlotte, where he will enter a hospital for treatment under a specialist.

—Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer, is attending a health conference in Raleigh today. He is expected home tomorrow.

—Myrtle Biggers and Julius Howard, a colored couple from Rowland, were married in the court house today at 11:30 a. m., Justice M. G. McKenzie officiating.

—Ella Barker and Harry Brown, a colored couple from Fairmont, were married here at the home of Justice M. G. McKenzie, Elm street, Thursday at 5:30 p. m.

—Mr. Ben. Humphrey, son of Rev. and Mrs. D. B. Humphrey, of the Sadletree section, recently won the debator's medal at Mars Hill college, where he is a student.

—Mr. V. A. Bullock of R. 3, Lumberton, went Saturday evening to Charlotte to consult a specialist. He was accompanied by his son Dr. C. F. Bullock of Nichols, S. C.

—Watch your label. A number of subscriptions expires during December. All subscriptions are stopped when they expire. Send in renewals before your paper is stopped.

—Mayor and Mrs. A. E. White returned Saturday from Monroe, where Friday evening Mayor White served as a member of the official committee on reception of Marshal Foch.

—Two piano recitals will be given in the school auditorium this week. Pupils of Miss Jennie Saine will give a recital Wednesday evening at 7:30 and pupils of Miss Miller will give a recital at the same hour Thursday evening. The public is invited.

—Robesonian advertisers among Lumberton merchants have large stocks of Christmas goods. They have been telling about their offerings in recent issues of The Robesonian. Many attractive show windows can be seen on Elm and Chestnut streets.

—The Seaboard Air Line railway handled Marshal Foch and his party free of charge, taking them from Atlanta, Ga., to Washington, D. C., Friday. This was the last lap of Marshal Foch's trip through the West and South.

—The boys' basketball team of the local high school won from the boys' team of the St. Pauls high school Friday, while the girls' team from St. Pauls won over the girls' team of the local school. Both games were played on the local grounds and were hard-fought.

—Sheriff R. E. Lewis will be at the following places on the dates named for the purpose of collecting taxes: St. Pauls, December 16; Maxton, December 17; Red Springs, December 19; Rowland, December 20; Fairmont, December 21. These will be the only appointments made in the second round. After January 1, one per cent. will be added to all unpaid State and county taxes.

—Postoffice examinations to fill vacancies at Fairmont and Chadbourne were conducted here Saturday by Messrs. C. C. Blake and J. W. Bryan, both of the local postoffice force. Mr. J. D. Andrews of Fairmont was the only applicant taking the examination for the Fairmont office. Four—Messrs. Julius David Bullard, Joseph Wayne Williamson, M. B. Hardee and H. M. Bullard—took the examination for the Chadbourne office.

—Christmas seals are on sale at the three drug stores in Lumberton. Get your supply early and thus aid in the fight against tuberculosis. Mrs. R. I. Belch is chairman of the local committee for the sale of Christmas seals. It is estimated that the sale of Christmas seals is helping to save 75,000 lives annually in the United States. Through their sale over 1,100 tuberculosis associations are kept open to victims of the plague. "Christmas seal your Christmas mail."

—The fiddlers' contest at Barkers-Ten Mile school Friday night was quite a success, according to Mr. D. B. Oliver, principal of the school, who was in town Saturday. Receipts totaled \$81.50, which will be used to help pay for the school piano. The first prize in the fiddlers' contest was won by Mr. Colon Ammons of Lumber Bridge, the second by a Mr. Caswell, and the prize for the best dancer by Mr. W. E. Bell of Lumberton. Mr. Bell donated the prize he won (\$1) back to the school. The contest was conducted by Mr. W. F. Blount of Fayetteville and good music was furnished by him and his wife, besides others.

Next Saturday is the time set for adjournment. The resolution goes to the Senate Monday for consideration.