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Bank of Fairmont Victim of Yeggman

Early Morning Operator Yesterday Secured \$1,345 and Left Hat and Drill Behind When He Set Off Charge in Attempt to Blow Open Safe—Bank Books Damaged by Fire—No Loss to Depositors and Bank Has Resumed Business.

Fairmont, March 2.—Yeggmen forced entrance to the Bank of Fairmont yesterday morning at 4:30, opened the vault door by working the combination, secured \$1,345 in cash and attempted to blow open the burglar-proof safe inside the vault, the resulting fire, which was quickly extinguished by a crowd which was brought to the scene by the explosion, damaging books and papers of the bank to some extent but it is thought that practically all records are in such shape that they may be preserved. The loss is fully covered by insurance and no loss will be sustained by depositors, according to Mr. F. L. Blue, president and cashier. An expert from the factory succeeded in opening the safe about noon today and found everything intact inside. The bank is doing some business today and probably will be open for regular business tomorrow or Saturday.

Superior Court

One Colored Couple Granted Divorce—Suit on Charge of Enticing Laborers. Only one case has been settled by jury in Superior court for the trial of civil cases this week. This was a divorce suit, Lillie Kirk, colored, being granted a divorce from her husband, Alfred Kirk. The case of W. J. McDonald vs. J. D. McRainey was begun yesterday and probably will last through today. This suit grew out of the charge of enticing laborers. A number of judgments have been signed. This is a two weeks term and Judge Geo. W. Connor of Wilson is presiding.

Boll Weevil Meeting Tomorrow

As has been stated in recent issues of The Robesonian, an important boll weevil meeting will be held here tomorrow (Friday) at 11 a. m. The meeting will be addressed by Mr. Franklin Sherman, State Entomologist, and other well-informed speakers. All farmers and business men are urged to be present.

Lumberton Man Addresses Nurses in Fayetteville This Evening. Fayetteville Observer: The graduating exercises of the 1922 class of the Cumberland General hospital training school for nurses will be held in LaFayette theatre Thursday evening, March 2, at 8:30 o'clock. Quite an elaborate and interesting program has been arranged for the occasion, and the public generally is invited to attend. The address of the evening will be delivered by H. E. Stacy, a leading lawyer of Lumberton and one of the most eloquent speakers of the state.

Station at Wrightsville Will Be Rebuilt. Wilmington, Feb. 27.—The station of Wilmington Sea Coast railway at Wrightsville, which was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin last night, will be rebuilt during the beginning of the 1922 beach season. Raymond Hunt general manager of the Tidewater Power company announced today.

Recorder's Court

Driver's License of Police Chief and Others Paid by Town—Other Cases. Chief of Police D. M. Barker was found not guilty of operating an automobile in the town of Lumberton without paying the driver's license by Recorder David H. Fuller yesterday. According to the evidence, Chief Barker's license was paid by the town, as were the license of all other employees of the town who use motor vehicles in the performance of their duties. The warrant was sworn out by Mr. J. Robert Prevatt, who was found guilty of operating an auto in town without paying the license. Judgment was continued. The evidence was that Prevatt drove a truck from his home to the H. A. Page garage to be repaired. There was much interest in the trial, many spectators being at the hearing. Other cases disposed of by Recorder Fuller this week were: Herold Evans, failure to pay John McLaurin for work; judgment continued for three days, the defendant to pay McLaurin \$2. C. W. Brown, jumping board bill of \$20; judgment suspended upon payment of cost and board bill. S. M. Kinlaw, giving worthless check; not guilty.

Jeff Phillips Caught at Work

Wanted in Robeson Since a Year Ago on Charge of Operating a Still—Officers Will Go After Him This Afternoon. Sheriff R. E. Lewis was advised by wire this morning that Jeff Phillips, wanted in Robeson on the charge of manufacturing whiskey, was under arrest at Councils, Bladen county. The message was signed by J. K. Nicholson. An officer will go to Councils for Phillips this afternoon. Phillips escaped when officers captured a still which was in operation in Wishart township January 3, 1921. Tommie Phillips, father of Jeff, and Prentis Barker were arrested, being with Jeff at the still when the officers reached it. Both were freed of the charge of manufacturing whiskey in Superior court here, their evidence being that Jeff was operating the still and that they were only spectators. Jeff has evaded the officers since the day the still was captured 13-months ago. Just before going to press Sheriff Lewis got a phone message advising him not to send for Phillips.

"Live at Home" Campaign Begins

Emphasis Will Be Laid Upon Production by Every Family of Food and Feed Supplies Sufficient to Supply its Own Establishment. Raleigh, March 1.—A definite start is being made this week in the work of putting over Governor Cameron Morrison's "Live at Home" campaign. John Paul Lucas of Charlotte, who has been secured to organize and direct the campaign, has opened an office in the State Department annex, and the preliminary work is already under way. The work in prospect is not new to Mr. Lucas, who had active direction of the food production and conservation campaign in North Carolina during the war, first with the State Food commission, and later with the United States Food administration, and who is "loaned" to the state for this particular work by the Southern Public Utilities company, for which he is advertising and publicity manager. During the campaign emphasis will be laid not upon the production of food supplies for the market, but upon the production by every family of food and feed supplies sufficient to supply its own establishment. More and better gardens, more poultry, one or more cows for each family, and sufficient hogs to furnish an all-year supply of pork will be advocated. The new movement has the whole-hearted backing not only of the Department of Agriculture and the State College of Agriculture and Engineering, but also of the Department of Education, the State Board of Health and other agencies of the state government. The campaign which is being inaugurated will be intensively conducted and will cover a period of eight to ten weeks. The organization to be built up will reach into every township of every county in the state.

Senate Refuses to Amend Yap Treaty. Washington, Feb. 28.—Dividing virtually on party lines, the Senate refused to amend the Yap treaty today in the first test of strength on any question affecting the international covenants negotiated during the Washington conference. The vote was 50 to 23. Already There. Congress took a suspicious look at the taxpayer's pocket. "We must get at the bottom of this thing," it said. —Baltimore Sun.

St. Pauls News Letter

Tobacco Warehouse Being Rebuilt—New Drug Store Seems Assured—Planning to Open Theatre—School Children Entertain—Personal. Correspondence of The Robesonian. St. Pauls, March 1.—As March is here let us quote with Celia Thaxter, "O March that blusters and March that blows, what color under your footsteps glows. Beauty you summon from winter's snows and you are the pathway that leads to the rose." The many friends of Dr. R. G. Rozier, who was hurt when his car was struck by the V. & C. S. train here last Friday p. m., are very glad to know his injuries are not considered fatal, and that he is doing nicely. As Dr. Rozier is in the Thompson hospital, Lumberton, he is not so far away but what his friends can run down to see him often. We hope he will soon be able to return home. Mr. John T. Bateman, who was a patient in the Baker sanatorium, Lumberton, for some few days, returned home Wednesday the 22nd. The new drug store seems to be a sure enough thing. The old bank building has been rented by someone from Coats and is being remodeled for this purpose. As the old maxim goes, "competition is the life of business," they should make a success here. St. Pauls is planning to afford 2 drug stores, we should think. The Theatre building has recently been rented to new parties and plans are being made to open up in a few days. We notice the tobacco warehouse, which was destroyed by fire some months ago, is being rebuilt. By the time the tobacco season is here we suppose, if nothing interferes, they will have, as good a house or better than they had before. Mr. Jess Odom and family have moved to the country. The building where Mr. Odom conducted a grocery business has been rented or sold to some parties at Raeford, and is being painted etc., and arrangement made for a new meat market. They may make a good thing of it, as people have to eat. Prof. Ezell of the high school faculty here went to Fayetteville last week to have his tonsils removed, but on account of cold or gripe was no fit subject to have it done just then, so returned home. Will probably have it done at a later date. Mrs. R. G. Rozier taught for him during the few days of his absence. A nice little exercise was gotten up for last Friday evening; the 24th in honor of Washington's birthday which was the 22nd. This little celebration was gotten up by the teachers and pupils of the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades and reflected great credit on both teachers and pupils. About \$35 was cleared for parents and teachers association to defray expenses in getting supplies for the grades. Miss Mable McDonald came home last Friday eve for the week-end. Miss Mary L. Johnson spent Monday night, the 27th, with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Johnson, Fayetteville street. Mrs. Flora Bennett has been in McColl for some weeks now. Mrs. Bennett will probably remain over in McColl until after the Butler-Fletcher marriage, which takes place this month. Our little town seems to have had the marrying epidemic on wedding bells will be ringing here for sometime now. Watch out, other you realize it. Cupid seems to be a very, very busy little fellow these days. A Miss McKay, from near Raeford, is a guest at the home of Mrs. L. I. Grantham, on Armfield street. The many friends of Miss Ethel Lindsay regret very much to hear of her continued illness, but trust she will be feeling good again ere so very long. Miss Lindsay is a daughter of chief of police W. M. Lindsay of our town. Mr. Howie has recently taken up the work as night policeman. Mr. Withers, father of Mrs. R. G. Rozier, returned to his home last Saturday. Mr. Withers health has been very poorly for some time. Mr. Robert H. Spiro is in town. He brought with him some photos of "the boy," who seems to be "some little man" now. Miss Elizabeth McDonald suffered an attack of acute appendicitis Saturday, was taken to a hospital in Fayetteville Sunday morning, where she was operated on and is doing very nicely. Miss McDonald is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edd McDonald of our town, and for sometime has held a position with the Bank of St. Pauls. Her many friends wish for her a very speedy recovery. The Mission Study class came to a close on last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Murray had the chapter for Sunday. Inclement weather, no doubt, kept several away. It looks today, like we are in for some more rough weather, but here's hoping, it doesn't mean a snow, anyway. Messrs. J. M. Butler and A. R. McEachern made a trip to Ball Dam Monday on business interests, returning here in Lumberton today.

Parkton Letter

Alligators on Buckhorn—Church Notes—Great Entertainment by School Children and a Fayetteville Band—Time to Detain Chickens—Personal. Parkton, Feb. 27.—Some sickness in our town and community. Mr. W. G. Britt is suffering an attack of flu. Wilton Moore, R. 1, it is reported, has pneumonia. We trust they may soon be restored. Miss Sallie Farrell, who teaches at Rennert, came home sick the last of the week and was unable to return today. An alligator was brought to town Saturday from R. 2, having been captured just a half mile north of Parkton on Buckhorn. It was three feet long, and was judged to be about 2 years old. We have been advised that about a year ago a colored woman living near the scene where this one was caught says she saw several small alligators in the same stream. So we suspect there are more yet. Mrs. J. C. Lancaster and small daughter, Murriel Etta, returned home from the Pittman-Gainey hospital yesterday. Rev. R. F. Munns filled his regular appointment at the M. E. church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, preaching one of his most able sermons, and at the close the sacrament of the Lord's supper was administered. It was announced by the pastor that the chapter of Epworth League was organized with thirty four members on last Thursday night and that the following Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock the officers would be announced. This organization of the church is a great benefit to and developer of the young of the church. Mr. Munns will preach at St. Pauls M. E. church next Sunday night at 7:30, by special request of his pastor, who has been in feeble health for some time; but we are glad to report his condition much improved and no doubt will soon be able to fill his pulpit again. Last Thursday night at 8 o'clock the 1st, 2nd and 3rd, and probably 4th and 5th grades favored our town and community with a great entertainment, celebrating George Washington's birthday. The songs by the little folks will long be remembered. The teachers of these grades show much interest in the children, of which we parents are and should be proud. Much more could be said of this free entertainment. On Friday night at 8 o'clock the South Fayetteville band gave a minstrel which was highly enjoyed. We only regret more people did not take advantage of it, as it was well worth the price. It was heard by remarks that this was one of the best concerts ever given in our town. The following constitute the orchestra: C. K. Seawell, director, clarinet; J. L. Berckman, cornet; Will Lavin, 2nd cornet; Charlie Berckman, 1st alto; Vasco Jackson, 2nd alto; Bert Jackson, Bass; Nutt Johnson, piano; Loyd Seawell, trap drums. We would recommend the above to any town and feel safe in saying they will please. The wet-weather and sickness have just about put basketball out of business up our way. Miss Ruth Cashwell of Rocky Mount spent the week-end with home folks. Sheriff Edgar Hall and attorney Smith of Raeford were in our town briefly Saturday evening. Shaking hands with their many friends. We believe Mr. Smith is looking forward to greater things yet. Mrs. J. B. Regan of Howellsville is spending some time with her sister Mrs. A. B. Williamson and is seeking better health by frequent treatment over in Fayetteville by specialist. Mr. and Mrs. Ang. McLaurin of Johns Station spent the week-end with home folks, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stubbs. It is now high time that all chickens that are inclined to ramble from their own premises should be detained. Give them a square deal and no one should kick. At last we have a hen to cluck. How can we have early broilers when the hens refuse to set? Near East Relief Reported for The Robesonian. The primary grades of the West Lumberton school contributed \$8.30 for the Near East relief, little Lucile Lovett contributing the highest amount and little Hannah Barnes the next highest. Miss Louise Steele is teacher. Rev. R. L. Byrd of R. 1, St. Pauls, was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday.

New Athletic Field at Philadelphia

Tract of Land Given by Miss Ann Eliza Baie Has Been Converted into a Splendid Athletic Field. Philadelphia, Feb. 28.—Through the generosity of Miss Ann Eliza Baie, Philadelphia high school has recently come into possession of an excellent tract of land which has been converted into an athletic field. The ground, located on the hill west of the boys' dormitory, has natural drainage advantages, and is in every way well-suited for a playground. For several weeks a leveling and packing process has been in progress. To do this work everything from a split-log drag to a U. S. Highway Commission scraper has been used; and as a result Philadelphia is the proud possessor of decidedly the best athletic field in this immediate section. Ever since the organization of the school Miss Baie has been one of its most hearty supporters, not merely in words but also in material support. The writer ventures to predict that this act will be as bread cast upon the waters, returning in the shape of boys and girls of whose physques we may all be justly proud. We are greatly indebted to her for this kindness. Mrs. J. P. Russell, chairman of the Lumberton Red Cross chapter, will deliver an address at Broad Ridge Baptist church next Sunday, following the Sunday school hour. Mrs. John Knox, district president of the North Carolina Federation of Woman's clubs, went Tuesday to Elizabethtown, where she federated a newly organized club. Mrs. S. D. Sanderson underwent an operation Tuesday morning at the Baker sanatorium, and is undergoing treatment here for four weeks. She is getting along as well as could be expected. The condition of Dr. R. G. Rozier, who was seriously hurt when the auto he was driving was struck by a train at St. Pauls late Friday afternoon, is reported as favorable. He is still at the Thompson hospital here. Mr. H. M. Beasley has purchased the stock of the Robeson Grocery Co., wholesale grocers, which company is going out of business. Mr. Beasley has moved the stock to the McLean building, Elm and First streets, where he will conduct a wholesale feed and grocery business. A play, "Farm Folks", will be given at the Barker-Ten Mile high school by pupils of the school tomorrow (Friday) evening. An admission of 20 and 35 cents will be charged, the proceeds to go to the athletic department. The play promises to be well worth the price of admission. A buggy loaded with colored people was struck by a highway truck and turned completely over near Lumberton on the Fairmont road late yesterday afternoon. The occupants of the buggy escaped unhurt, though the buggy was badly smashed up. The buggy belonged to Hezzie Carlyle, colored. Lumberton is soon to have several radio receiving stations. Orders for the wireless outfits have already been placed by Messrs. D. R. Shaw and Leon Hamilton and Master H. B. Jennings, Jr. Others are contemplating ordering the necessary equipment, it is said. Mr. Hamilton expects his outfit to arrive about March 20. Mr. Edward Knox Proctor of Lumberton has formed a partnership with Mr. Irvin B. Tucker, an attorney of Whiteville, for the practice of law. Mr. Proctor has practiced law here for several months, being associated for some time with his brother, Mr. John G. Proctor. He will go to Whiteville next Monday and he and Mrs. Proctor will move there in a short time. The Messrs. Proctor will continue their office here, Mr. J. G. Proctor being in charge. Both Mr. and Mrs. Proctor have numerous friends here who will regret their decision to leave Lumberton.

COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 17 cents the pound.

BRIEF ITEMS AND LOCAL NEWS

—Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of schools, has been confined to his room since Monday with gripe. —Mr. J. V. Williamson is assembling material for the erection of a 6-room brick bungalow on the Carthage road, in the northern part of town. —L. E. Squires & Co., which firm operated stores here and at Councils, Bladen county, has been adjudged bankrupt. The local store was closed this morning. —Mr. W. W. Ormand of Rockingham has accepted a position in the electrical department of Mr. L. H. Caldwell's department store. He began work yesterday. —Mr. J. P. Russell, chairman of the Lumberton Red Cross chapter, will deliver an address at Broad Ridge Baptist church next Sunday, following the Sunday school hour. —Mrs. John Knox, district president of the North Carolina Federation of Woman's clubs, went Tuesday to Elizabethtown, where she federated a newly organized club. —Mrs. S. D. Sanderson underwent an operation Tuesday morning at the Baker sanatorium, and is undergoing treatment here for four weeks. She is getting along as well as could be expected. —The condition of Dr. R. G. Rozier, who was seriously hurt when the auto he was driving was struck by a train at St. Pauls late Friday afternoon, is reported as favorable. He is still at the Thompson hospital here. —Mr. H. M. Beasley has purchased the stock of the Robeson Grocery Co., wholesale grocers, which company is going out of business. Mr. Beasley has moved the stock to the McLean building, Elm and First streets, where he will conduct a wholesale feed and grocery business. —A play, "Farm Folks", will be given at the Barker-Ten Mile high school by pupils of the school tomorrow (Friday) evening. An admission of 20 and 35 cents will be charged, the proceeds to go to the athletic department. The play promises to be well worth the price of admission. —A buggy loaded with colored people was struck by a highway truck and turned completely over near Lumberton on the Fairmont road late yesterday afternoon. The occupants of the buggy escaped unhurt, though the buggy was badly smashed up. The buggy belonged to Hezzie Carlyle, colored. —Lumberton is soon to have several radio receiving stations. Orders for the wireless outfits have already been placed by Messrs. D. R. Shaw and Leon Hamilton and Master H. B. Jennings, Jr. Others are contemplating ordering the necessary equipment, it is said. Mr. Hamilton expects his outfit to arrive about March 20. —Mr. Edward Knox Proctor of Lumberton has formed a partnership with Mr. Irvin B. Tucker, an attorney of Whiteville, for the practice of law. Mr. Proctor has practiced law here for several months, being associated for some time with his brother, Mr. John G. Proctor. He will go to Whiteville next Monday and he and Mrs. Proctor will move there in a short time. The Messrs. Proctor will continue their office here, Mr. J. G. Proctor being in charge. Both Mr. and Mrs. Proctor have numerous friends here who will regret their decision to leave Lumberton.

COMMITTEE OF WOMAN'S CLUB

Pledges for Monthly Contributions Are Being Secured and Monthly Reports Will Be Made. Mrs. John Knox, president of the Woman's Club, at the request of Mayor A. E. White appointed recently the following committee from the club to do the work of a local charity organization: Mrs. R. C. Lawrence, chairman, Mesdames J. S. McNeill, Dennis Biggs, Daisy Jenkins, Sandy McLeod, T. L. Johnson. Messrs. W. K. Bethune, R. H. Crichton and S. F. Caldwell were appointed a committee by Mayor White to solicit monthly subscriptions from business men of the town to support this work. Subscriptions have been pledged amounting to over \$25 a month, and others will be solicited immediately. Those who pledge monthly contributions form an advisory board to serve with the committee of the Woman's Club when called on for assistance. Books and all transactions of the committee will be open for inspection by the advisory board at all times. Mesdames J. S. McNeill, Daisy Jenkins, T. L. Johnson, Mr. D. W. Biggs have been appointed an investigating committee. Mr. D. W. Biggs is treasurer, Mrs. Sandy McLeod, secretary. Any one knowing of a case of worthy need should report to Mayor White, Chief of Police Barker, Mrs. R. C. Lawrence, chairman of the committee, or Mrs. John Knox, president of the Woman's Club. Those who called the meeting for Tuesday night for the purpose of organizing a charity club were not aware of the fact that the Woman's Club and Mayor White had taken the steps outlined above for this work, so those who gathered for that meeting merely pledged their support to the movement already started. Monthly reports will be published in The Robesonian of the amounts received and expended for charity work by this organization.

His Specialty Was Swindling Rich Women.

New York, Feb. 27.—Alfred D. Lindsay, former stock broker wanted here for mulcting society women of more than a million dollars, was arrested tonight in Overbrook, Pa., according to an announcement from police headquarters. An indictment charging the fugitive with grand larceny was voted by the grand jury today following a dramatic hearing in the course of which Mrs. Dorothy Atwood, New York society woman, became hysterical and temporarily halted the proceedings. Mrs. Lillian Duke, divorced wife of the "Tobacco King," testified that Lindsay had obtained her entire fortune, more than \$375,000, through his promises to make a vast fortune for her through stock market transactions. Witnesses declared that Lindsay won their confidence by convincing them of his close business connection with leaders of finance, with whom he claimed to have nightly meetings at which stock exchange operations were "fixed up," between games of dominoes.

Princess Mary Marries British Commoner.

London, Feb. 28.—(By Associated Press)—King George today gave his only daughter, Princess Mary, in marriage to Viscount Lascelles. It was a great national event which will live long in the memories of vast throngs whose unrestrained plaudits greeted England's princess as she passed through festive streets to the altar in stately old Westminster Abbey to become the bride of an English commoner.

THE RECORD OF DEATHS

Infant Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Humphrey. J. P. 8-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Humphrey of R. 2, Lumberton, died Tuesday. The child was only ill a short time and the cause of his death is not known. Sallie Revels, Indian. Sallie Revels, Indian, aged 73 years, died this morning at her home in Saddletree township, death resulting from the infirmities of old age. Bass-Bissell—Marriage Stops Press. Mrs. Nannie Bissell and Mr. Otha J. Bass, both of the Orrum section, were married in The Robesonian office Monday at 5:45 p. m. Justice F. Grover Britt, local editor of The Robesonian, officiated. The press was stopped for the marriage in order that members of the composing room force might witness it. Bringing to a tragic culmination family troubles extending over a long period, Jeff Chandler, 35 year old carpenter, Saturday at Greenville, S. C., shot and instantly killed his wife, 31, and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Rosie J. Bramlett, 68, in their home. Chandler was arrested. THE NATIONAL BANK OF LUMBERTON has money to lend to Farmers on Bonded Warehouse Receipts for cotton or other acceptable securities. Farmers seeking a permanent banking connection are advised to consult the officers of this strong National Bank.