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More Candidates For Local Offices

Mr. E. M. Johnson is Newest Candidate for Mayor—Mayor White Says He Will Not Offer—L. C. Townsend and D. B. McNeill Out for Commissioner from Ward 4 and 'Squire Small May Offer.

And they continue to "come out". Mr. E. M. Johnson has entered the race for mayor, making two candidates already in the field for that office. As was stated in Monday's Robesonian, Mr. E. M. Britt has entered the race for mayor. Messrs. L. C. Townsend and D. B. McNeill are candidates for commissioner from ward No. 4 to succeed Mr. E. M. Johnson, present commissioner from that ward. Mayor A. E. White says he will not offer for reelection and 'Squire S. S. Small, who had considered making the race for mayor, says he decided not to offer for that office, but that there is a probability of his entering the race for commissioner from ward No. 4. No new candidates have entered the race for commissioner from ward No. 2 since those mentioned in Monday's Robesonian. Those who have entered the race in that ward are Messrs. M. M. Rozier, A. P. Caldwell, R. W. Williams and F. Grover Britt.

Old-Time Revival Season Last Night

Large Crowd Mightily Moved by Mr. Shore's Sermon at Chestnut Street Methodist Last Night—Many Went Forward—Special Service for Children at 4 O'Clock This Afternoon.

SERIES OF MEETINGS WILL CLOSE TOMORROW EVENING

The series of meetings that has been in progress at Chestnut Street Methodist church since a week ago last night will close with the service tomorrow evening. Services will be held tonight and tomorrow night, song service beginning at 7:45, sermon at 8, and tomorrow at 10 a. m. A special service for children this afternoon at 4.

With palpable earnestness, with profound conviction that tremendous issues hung upon that hour, and with burning zeal for the salvation of dying men, Presiding Elder J. H. Shore last night at Chestnut Street Methodist church delivered a message that mightily moved the congregation, which overflowed from the main auditorium and half filled the Sunday school room. The people heard with an earnestness that matched that of the preacher, who effaced himself so effectively that only the Christ he presented held the attention of his hearers. When three invitations were given at the close it seemed that half the congregation pressed forward. It was an old-time revival season. Both saint and sinner felt that it was good to be there.

Last night's was the largest congregation that has attended any service since the meeting began. The attendance has increased at every evening service and the morning attendance at 10 o'clock has been gratifyingly large.

Rev. A. S. Parker of Biaco is leading the singing which he makes a delightful and inspiring feature of every service, especially at night, a solo being an appropriate prelude to the evening sermon.

The Way to Heaven
Mr. Shore's subject last night was "The Way to Heaven"; his text, John 10:9:

"I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out and find pasture."

Mr. Shore makes some startling statements sometimes. When he started last night by saying he was going to talk about something more important than heaven his congregation severally and collectively cocked a skeptical eye at him; but when he said that was "the way to heaven" the flicker of doubt disappeared. His text, he said, contains five essential elements of salvation: the way, the subject, the time, the nature, and how to keep saved.

Mortality
He worked out his sermon along those lines. He showed the utter folly and presumption of depending upon any other way but Christ. The man who depends upon morality to save him tells God He made a colossal blunder when he permitted Jesus to be sacrificed. Such men are prone to measure themselves, he said, by some religious dwarf, some religious hobo and weakling. "If you are going to measure yourself by somebody," he said, "you ought to have self-respect enough to pick out a real man or a real woman. It is a presumptuous insult to fling into the face of God that you know a better way to be saved than He provided."

Education
Some men profess to believe that education is the way. It isn't, said the preacher. In a college town recently he said he saw girls from all over the State, half dressed, with paint daubed all over their faces. He does not think there is much difference between that and the Hottentot who puts a ring in her nose and thinks she is dressed up.

"I can take a 20c picture show and put Shakespeare out of business in any town," declared the preacher. Sixty-five per cent of the answers received from university professors in a recent questionnaire denied the virgin birth of Christ. He quoted Sam Jones, who he said was the greatest evangelist of the last half-century, who said that he'd rather his boy would learn his abc's in heaven than read Greek and Latin in hell. Not that he was defending ignorance, but that he was exposing the folly of depending upon education for salvation.

An Age of Shallow Conviction
This is an age of shallow conviction as to the facts of sin, salvation and God. People say you can't expect emotion now, but they confine the lack to religion; they holler just as loud on a baseball ground as ever.

Subjects, Time.
"If any man." That is as long as around the world and through it. The time is now. People talk about "dying grace"; they fence off a little purgatory of their own and think that something they will be given grace on their dying bed to go shouting home to glory. "Dying grace is not mentioned in the Bible. "Get living grace and you don't need to bother about dying grace."

Three propositions made at the close of the sermon reached every-

Old Polly Hasn't Any Spring Fever



St. Pauls News Letter

Flu is Still Raging and There is Talk of Closing Churches and Schools—Old Maid's Convention Raised \$50—Mr. Archie Currie of Lumber Bridge Passes—Personal Mention.

Correspondence of The Robesonian.

St. Pauls, March 28.—We have another rainy a. m. before us it seems, but it cannot stay pretty always, of course. So let's make the best of it we can, for "after the rain, comes the dear old sunshine", you know.

The flu is still raging in our little town. There is some talk of closing up the churches and schools and dispensing with all public gatherings. We notice this is being done in other towns where this epidemic abounds and is the best and surest way of course, to prevent spreading any epidemic. We see some of the school kids going by on their way to school today, however, so perhaps they will try to carry on the schools a while longer.

Mr. J. Browne Evans seems to be having a pretty severe type of flu, as he is still under the weather. Messrs. Jas. Johnson, Shubert and Sam Davis are on the improve. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Johnson, Mrs. Maggie Olliver, Mrs. Stewart McGoogan and 2 little tots, have all become victims of influenza during the past week, and yesterday a. m. we learned Mrs. Neill A. McEachern was ill with it. We hope all will be well 'ere so very long and that the flu will soon take its flight, as quietly as it came.

Mrs. Marion McNeill of Laurinburg came over Friday night and will spend this week with her home people in the Northrop home here.

Miss Bess Nash of Sumter, S. C., came over for the week-end. Her mother, who has been a guest in the home of her son, Dr. J. F. Nash, for several days, was to return with Miss Nash.

Mrs. Paul Montague and baby daughter, Nita, came over from Winston. Salem last Thursday and will spend some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Davis, of our town. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have moved into their new home since Mrs. Montague's last visit to St. Pauls.

The proceeds realized from the old maids' convention on last Thursday evening amounted to about \$50, which will be divided equally between the Woman's club and the U. D. C. This epidemic of influenza no doubt kept several from attending. We heard some had asked for it to be given over again here, and also that there was talk of carrying it to some of the neighboring towns in the near future. Perhaps this will be done when the flu subsides a little.

Dr. and Mrs. Claud T. Poole are "all smiles". A baby daughter arrived on the 24th.

Mr. Locke McInnis went over to Rockfish last week to see his people. Upon his arrival found his mother, who is an aged lady, ill with influenza, also his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McInnis. So it seems to be elsewhere as well as St. Pauls. A letter recently from a friend at Shannon said they had several cases of the epidemic also in their vicinity.

Mr. W. A. Nutting has had charge of Mr. Sam Epstein's store the past few weeks. Mr. Nutting seems to take an interest in his work and makes a hustling young clerk.

Death of Mr. Archie Currie
News reached here Sunday morning of the death of Mr. Archie Currie of Lumber Bridge, who died in the early part of the a. m. sometime. Mr. Currie's health, it seems, has been bad for some time. He developed pneumonia Saturday night, however, and did not linger but a few hours. The funeral and burial were at Lumber Bridge at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Several from here attended.

BASEBALL SEASON OPENS

Lumberton Defeated Rowland in First Game Yesterday.

Reported for The Robesonian.
Robeson county high school baseball season opened this week. Yesterday Lumberton and Rowland played their first game on the Rowland diamond. It was a close and exciting game. Both teams were very evenly balanced and showed good practice. The game resulted in the final score of 3 to 2 in favor of Lumberton.

Batteries: Rowland, Brake and Adams; Lumberton, Bryan and Kelly.

Two Arms Conference Treaties Ratified by Senate.

Washington, March 29.—The two arms conference treaties limiting the powers of the great powers and restricting the use of submarines and poison gas were ratified in a landslide of approbation today by the senate.

To the naval limitation covenant, declaring a naval building holiday and fixing a ratio of capital ship strength for the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France and Italy, the senate gave its final assent by a vote of 74 to 1, and then almost without debate it accepted 71 to nothing the pact designed to prevent submarine operations against merchantmen and to outlaw chemical warfare altogether. No amendments or reservations were proposed to either.

Washington, March 29.—Miss Ione Kitchin, daughter of Representative and Mrs. Claude Kitchin, died here today after a lingering illness. The body will be taken tomorrow morning to Scotland Neck, N. C., where it will be buried from the Kitchin residence Friday morning.

Among those who were so fortunate were Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McGeachy, Messrs. A. R. McEachern, Neill McEachern and Locke McInnis. Mr. Currie was 82 years of age and a twin brother of Mr. Edd Currie of Lumber Bridge, who survives.

Mr. Joe Butler and his bride got in on Monday the 20th. For the present they will reside with the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Butler, on Blue street. A reception will be given tonight in their honor, the invitations reading as follows:

"Mesdames Lancaster, Bennett Thagard and Little request the honor of your presence at the reception given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Butler, at the home of Mrs. D. E. Lancaster, Tuesday evening, March 28, eight to ten o'clock."

Mrs. J. M. Wicker of Sanford upon learning of her daughter, Mrs. N. A. McEachern, illness following an attack of influenza, phoned this a. m. she would arrive in St. Pauls this afternoon.

We dont believe "he" would drive 60 miles to buy a "hat." It must be a "mate" he is hunting, instead. Better keep an eye on that "Sampsonite."

Mesdames, D. S. McEachern and Marion McNeill spent a few hours in Lumberton yesterday afternoon.

We hear of several more cases of flu, Dr. and Mrs. L. I. Grantham, who live on Armfield street, are ill. Mrs. Cary Powers has also been real sick since Monday, and we heard Mr. Lee Terry, Mrs. W. Albert Inman and probably others were influenza victims. We hope for them all a speedy recovery.

Miss Mary McLean and mother, Mrs. Willie McLean, who live just out of town, went out near Rennett Saturday p. m. to see Mrs. McLean's sister, Miss Annie Harrell, who is very poorly.

A bunch from St. Pauls went over to Fayetteville today to the funeral of Mr. Tom Watson, who fell dead on the streets there Monday. He was a Mason, a member of the Masons, including, Mr. G. T. Fisher and others from here attended the funeral.

Fairmont News

Influenza is Still Raging—Local Club of Calhoun Highway Assn. Active—Minatrel Jokes Rather Risque—Three Brick Buildings Going Up—Other Items.

By H. V. Brown

Fairmont, March 29.—At a meeting of the Sidney Lanier Book Club held yesterday at the home of Mrs. Chas. D. Baker, North Main street, officers for the ensuing fiscal year were duly elected, these being Mrs. O. I. Floyd, president; Miss Agnes Ashley, vice president; Miss Lela Floyd, secretary, and Mrs. Mayme Pittman, reporter. The club meetings have been very interesting and educational, as is evidenced by the large number of members and well attended meetings. At this meeting yesterday, Mesdames Chas. D. Baker and W. R. Taylor were hostesses and at the conclusion of the meeting served refreshments consisting of salads and ice tea, followed by an ice course. The program for the meeting included papers by Mrs. W. T. Sledge, the leader, "From Syria to America", Miss Boone, "From Denmark to America", Miss Currie, "From Russia to America."

Calhoun Highway
A very enthusiastic meeting of the local club of the Calhoun Highway association was held here last night in the Jones building. Though very few members were present the interest taken in the meeting made it a successful one. A committee was appointed to solicit members and with a goal of 1000. According to reports this morning several members have been enrolled and officials of the organization express hope of obtaining the name of every man, woman and child in this neighborhood, to help in the betterment of the community and special purposes as outlined by the Calhoun Highway association.

Influenza Still Raging
Influenza seems to be still raging and perhaps higher than for some time. Several of the townspeople have been confined to their homes and one physician has stated that he had approximately 100 cases on hand at present. Baltimore school was threatened several times of having to close, but on account of its early commencement it was decided to finish.

Death of Mrs. Caroline Lewis.
Many friends and relatives were saddened to learn of the death of Mrs. Caroline Lewis, widow of the late Pink Lewis. The final summons came Friday, March 24th, and interment was made in the old Ashpole cemetery. The funeral was preached in the Baptist church here, Rev. H. Miller conducting the services. A large crowd attended. Deceased was 80 years of age.

Minstrel Considered Good.
The Green's minstrel of Lumberton played to a packed house Monday night, and while the jokes were more or less tainted the show was considered good. "Deep C." Green was especially good, and Moore acted like a "regular". The entire cast played their parts well. It was first advertised here that the American Legion of Lumberton was putting the play on under the auspices of the local post of the Legion, but due to some misunderstanding the posters and advertisements were changed to Green's minstrels.

Miss Annie Lee McDaniel of Harmony spent last weekend with friends and relatives here. She was accompanied by her friend Miss Bill Cornelius, who is a teacher in the same school with Miss McDaniel.

Mr. Worth Williamson of Parkton has accepted a position with Grantham & Co. as registered druggist and assumed his duties last week. Mr. Williamson has been with Grantham Brothers at St. Pauls for sometime.

Mr. W. C. Walters of Barnesville was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Mr. J. P. Price of Proctorville was a business visitor here Tuesday.

New Buildings
The three brick buildings 'being

COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 16 3-4 cents the pound.

BRIEF ITEMS AND LOCAL NEWS

Born, Tuesday morning, to Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Beam, a son.

Mr. Ed Bass of R. 3, Lumberton, is erecting a 7-room residence on a lot which he owns on North Walnut street.

Mrs. W. O. Thompson left Monday evening for Apex to be with her mother, Mrs. H. T. Beasley, who is seriously ill.

Mr. Marcus Smith of St. Pauls was a Lumberton visitor this morning. Mr. Smith is a candidate for recorder of the St. Pauls district.

Mr. Joe Freeman, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Baker sanatorium, was able to return to his home on East Fifth street Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Andrews and son, Knox Andrews, all have been confined to their home with influenza. All have improved and Mr. Andrews was able to be at his store yesterday.

Edmund Earl, 2 1-2-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Britt, dislocated his right arm at the elbow early Tuesday morning when he fell out of a chair at the Britt home on East Fifth street.

An automobile was driven across the sidewalk and against the fence in front of Mr. A. W. McLean's home, Chestnut street, Tuesday night. The fence was knocked down. It has not been learned who was driving the car.

Work was begun yesterday on tearing down the old McNeill house on West Fifth street, on the lot owned by The Robesonian. The building was sold to Ray J. H. Hayswood, colored, who will use the material in the construction of a dormitory at his school.

A Ford coupe driven by a young lady from Raeford struck a Chevrolet owned by Dr. T. F. Costner while it was standing on Elm street in front of the North State Drug Co. late Monday afternoon. Both cars were somewhat damaged, though the driver escaped unhurt.

Mr. G. Badger McLeod returned Monday night from Rosemary, where he went Sunday, making the trip by auto. He was accompanied home by his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Nash, and their small daughter, Roberta Kate. Mr. Nash left Tuesday evening for Rosemary, while Mrs. Nash and little daughter will spend some time here visiting relatives.

The town commissioners will be asked to issue bonds for paving the sidewalk on the east side of Cedar street from Second to Eighth streets. The required number of property owners have signed a petition to empower the board to issue the bonds to take care of the paving. People owning property abutting the sidewalk will have to bear the cost of the work, being allowed ten years to retire the bonds.

erected on Center street by Mr. A. S. Thompson are practically completed. At first it was mentioned that the buildings would be one-story, but one of them will be two-story, work being done to that end Tuesday. The new building of Mr. Furman Floyd's on Main street is practically ready for occupancy. The foundation of the new building to be erected by Mr. Jas. Pittman has been begun. These buildings are being erected on the corner of Main and Iona streets.

That editorial in Tuesday's Morning Star (Wilmington) didn't state whether or not Fairmont, St. Pauls, Bladenboro, Chadbourn and Wallace were considered the "Big Five" or the "Coming Big Five", but anyway Fairmont appreciates this article and the people in general believe now that the editor of the Star is a man that knows a good thing when he sees it.

Red Springs high school, according to a schedule printed in a recent issue of the Maxton Scottish Chief, was to have played Fairmont high school here Tuesday but failed to show up. It has been learned that they (Red Springs) do not care to participate in the games of the high school league, and a new schedule will have to be arranged. The local lads have formed a very good club and expect to give the other high schools of the county a tight race for the championship.

A near-serious accident occurred on North Main street Tuesday when two Fords, both belonging to Mr. H. G. Stubbs, had a head-on collision. One of the occupants of one car was thrown out but uninjured. Just what caused the accident has not been learned.

Mr. Frank McMillan of Lumberton was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Messrs. W. R. Taylor and E. J. Pittman were Lumberton visitors Tuesday.

Mr. A. J. Holmes was advised

after his ad appearing in today's

paper was printed that Mr. Paul

A. Stewart, eye specialist, could

not be at the Holmes store Mon-

day of next week, owing to ill-

ness in his family.