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Memorial Day Observed Here

Twenty-five Confederate Veterans Attended Meeting of Camp Pope, Heard Address by Mr. Robt. McIntyre and Enjoyed Bountiful Dinner Served by Daughters of Confederacy—Confederate Monument Decorated by Children.

Memorial Day was fittingly observed here yesterday, twenty-five Confederate veterans gathering for the occasion. Features of the day were a business meeting of Camp Willis H. Pope, an address by Mr. Robt. A. McIntyre of the local bar, dinner served to the veterans by members of Robeson chapter, U. D. C., and decoration with flowers of the Confederate monument on the court house square by small children.

Officers Elected.
At the business meeting of the camp the following officers were elected: Honorary commander, M. G. McKenzie; commander, Rev. F. A. Prevatt; adjutant, J. F. Raybon; first-lieutenant, A. S. Wishart; quartermaster, Joseph Ratley; chaplain, Rev. Wesley Thompson; surgeon, Dr. H. T. Pope; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. L. T. Townsend; investigating committee, J. F. Raybon, A. S. Wishart and A. B. Small.

Rev. F. A. Prevatt and Mr. C. W. Smith were elected a committee to draw resolutions upon the life and death of the late Charles Townsend, a member of the camp.

The following were elected as delegates to the annual reunion to be held in Richmond, Va., June 20 to 22: Messrs. A. S. Wishart, Joseph Ratley, Isham Lamb, J. F. Raybon, W. N. Speight and Mrs. L. T. Townsend.

Mr. W. A. Graham, who represented the camp before the special session of the Legislature, spoke words of praise for the manner in which he was received and treated by State Senator L. R. Varner, while in Raleigh. Senator Varner spared no efforts in assisting him, Mr. Graham declared. He also stated that he learned while in Raleigh that Senator Varner was one of the leaders in the State Senate. His advice was sought in many instances, the speaker said.

Messrs. H. E. Stacy and Jno. B. McLeod both of the Lumberton bar, were named as speakers for the next meeting of the camp on January 19, 1923. One of the above-named will introduce the other, who will deliver the address of the occasion.

Old Song Brings Tears.

Immediately following the business meeting of the camp the Lumberton male quartet, composed of Messrs. Frank Gough, Ed B. Freeman, C. B. Skipper and J. Pope Stephens, sang "Tenting Tonight". As the quartet was being sung tears could be seen in the eyes of many of the followers of Generals Lee and Jackson. No doubt the song brought fresh to the memory of the veterans the scenes of the days from '61 to '65. This was followed by three appropriate songs by a number of children from the Lumberton graded school.

Address by Robt. McIntyre

The speaker of the day was fittingly introduced by Mr. John G. Proctor of the local bar. In beginning his address Mr. McIntyre paid glowing tribute to the soldiers of the Sixties and told of the great courage displayed by them, both during the conflict and during the days of reconstruction which followed.

"The soldiers of the Confederacy were not defeated," the speaker declared, "but simply outnumbered." The speaker painted a vivid picture of the land flowing with milk and honey which the Confederate soldiers left when they entered the war and the conditions which existed when they returned. He spoke words of commendation of the great spirit which the soldiers displayed during the days of reconstruction. The speaker then told of how North Carolina has advanced in every way since the close of the war. Continuing, he said, "All that is good and grand in North Carolina today is due to the principles upon which the veterans based the foundation for advancement."

In closing the speaker declared that today there is no North and no South, but one flag of a united nation. This, he said, was demonstrated during the recent World War, when soldiers from all parts of the nation answered the call to arms.

Mr. McIntyre delivered a most eloquent address. Quite a number besides the veterans were present and the occasion as a whole was altogether delightful.

Bountiful Dinner

A bountiful dinner was served to the veterans and wives and daughters of veterans in the commissioners' room in the court house. Cigars were furnished by Mr. M. W. Floyd.

Mr. J. W. Griffin, manager of the Pastime theatre, invited all the veterans to visit the picture show at 3 p. m. and many of them attended the show.

Although the number of surviving veterans of the war between the states growing small, the "boys" always enjoy getting together for a day and the town of Lumberton is glad to have them.

Mr. J. L. Prevatt of Buie was a Lumberton visitor yesterday.

Shot at Wife; 18 Months on Roads

L. J. Odom Found Guilty of Firing at His Wife in Parkton—Appeals from Road Sentence and Goes to Jail in Default of Bond.

L. J. Odom of Parkton was sentenced yesterday by Recorder Jno. S. Butler of St. Pauls to 12 months on the roads on the charge of shooting at his wife with intent to kill and an additional six months on the charge of carrying a concealed weapon. Odom gave notice of appeal and his bond was fixed at \$800, in default of which he was remanded to the county jail. The defendant was brought to jail by Rural Policeman J. T. McRaney of Parkton.

Odom was found guilty of firing two shots from a 45-calibre automatic pistol at his wife, as she was walking the streets in Parkton. Neither of the shots took effect. The shooting took place last Sunday morning, it is said. Odom and his wife had been separated for some time before the shooting.

GURLEY BUNDY ARRESTED ON BLOCKADING CHARGE

Crude Still Found Near His House in Britts—Still Found Near Buie.

A crude still was captured in the woods near the home of Gurley Bundy, Britts township, yesterday. A small amount of beer was also found about the still. Bundy was arrested and is in jail here awaiting trial. The raid was made by Deputy A. H. Prevatt and Rural Policeman A. R. Pittman. While the still was not in operation when found by the officers, it apparently had been operated a few hours before.

Deputy Sheriff W. E. Baxley of Buie brought in yesterday a 5-gallon oil-can still he found Monday 1 mile from Buie. He found at the same place 60 gallons of beer ready to "go." Mr. Baxley thinks the chance of catching somebody at the still was blasted by somebody reporting "all over" Sunday where the still was. It was found on Mr. W. R. McNeill's land.

DR. HILL, ROBESON'S "GRAND OLD MAN" GETS PURSE OF GOLD

Richmond, Va., special, May 10, to Charlotte Observer: In recognition of his 50 years of continuous service as a trustee of the institution, Rev. H. G. Hill, of Maxton, N. C., was today presented a purse of gold at final exercises of Union Theological seminary, Dr. W. W. Moore, the president, making the presentation speech. In the purse were 50 gold dollars, one for each year of service. It was the 48th annual meeting of the board which Dr. Hill had attended in succession. Though 90, he appeared as spry as a boy today when he stepped forward and accepted the gift. His service began in 1872.

THOMPSON VOTES \$25,000 For NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

Thompson township graded school district last Saturday voted a \$25,000 bond issue for the erection of a new high school building. Of the 254 votes cast, 190 were for the bond issue and 64 against. This district is composed of several consolidated public school districts.

Baccalaureate Sermon at Parkton High School.

Rev. R. F. Munn, pastor of the Parkton circuit, preached a practical and inspiring sermon before the graduating class of the Parkton high school in the school auditorium last Sunday afternoon. His subject was "Character Development." He brought out clearly and forcefully what is necessary for the attainment of this supreme object in life: "Faith in God; faith in yourself; faith in your fellow-man; Christian courage; temperance in all things; attainment of knowledge; love for God." These stepping-stones in the rounding out of character the preacher developed strikingly and impressively. The sermon was enjoyed by a crowd that filled the auditorium.

Indian Shot Wife Through Arm; Accidental is Claimed.

Charlie Lowry, Indian, was arrested yesterday on the charge of shooting his wife. The shooting took place Tuesday night at the Lowry home in Pembroke township, the bullet from a pistol passing through her left arm. Both Lowry and his wife claimed that the shooting was accidental. He was later released under a \$200 bond.

Trial of Prevatts and Lewis Postponed.

Owing to the absence of witnesses, the trial of W. C. and Lester Prevatt and Junie Lewis, who, as stated in Monday's Robesonian, were arrested last week on the charge of blockading, was not held yesterday. The trial was set for hearing before Recorder R. M. Williams of Maxton. It has not been learned when the trial will be heard.

Mrs. Knox Livingston of Greenville, S. C., formerly of Bennettsville, S. C., left yesterday morning for her home after spending a few days here, a guest of Miss Nannie McQueen.

St. Pauls News Letter

Replanting Cotton—New Office Building—Revival at Tolarville—Social and Personal.

By Bess G. Johnson
St. Pauls, May 9.—We are having lovely weather. It has occasionally been a bit cool for the crops tho. We hear of a good many of the farmers over the county having to plant their cotton over. Too bad, when they were trying to get it in early to get ahead of the "bold weevil," as one farmer expressed it. Since the advance in the price of cotton these last 10 days, every one no doubt has been in better heart. If it wasn't for thoughts of the boll weevil, My! wouldn't they smile.

Mrs. F. W. Bradley, who spent a week in St. Pauls with her sister and brother, returned to her home town Gastonia, via Lumberton, on Tuesday, the 2nd. Her brother, Mr. P. R. Lowry, took her over to Lumberton.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Johnson and 2 little sons, Jas. and Duncan, and Mesdames L. A. McGeachy and Bettie Northrop, spent last Tuesday afternoon in Fayetteville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lindsay and 3 children, Mary, Gene and James Calvin, Jr., left Sunday for Ruby, S. C., for a visit among Mrs. Lindsay's people, the McGregors. Mr. Lindsay will probably return in a few days, while Mrs. Lindsay and the children will possibly be away some 2 weeks.

Lawyer John S. Butler is having a building erected out near the hotel, which he will use for an office—one partition of the building Mr. Jos. L. Caudell will have for the pressing club. Mr. Carl Peele, our new jeweler, has opened up in the building formerly used by Mr. Caudell for the pressing club.

Mrs. Norman Drum of Newton has been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Humphrey, of our little town.

Miss Sarah McDuffie, sister of Mr. D. A. McDuffie, near town, has had an attack of rheumatism.

A message from Lumber Bridge on last Friday evening May 6th, informed us of the birth of a new relative. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Goldie Balfour, of that town, are the proud parents of a new daughter, Alice Audrey, to "call their own". Congratulations! Mrs. Balfour was Miss Essie Shaw, daughter of the late Neill Shaw of Lumber Bridge.

Messrs. A. R. McEachern, Jas. A., and W. D. Johnson attended the funeral of Mr. John Underwood, who was killed near Fayetteville on last Friday, the funeral being Saturday p. m. in Fayetteville, home of deceased.

Miss Beth Terry went to Lumberton last Thursday night. She said the movies were "great."

Miss Mary Janet McNeill's school at Elizabethtown came to a "finis" last week. Arrived in St. Pauls on Saturday afternoon, the 6th. Her many friends are glad to have her with them again.

Since the engagement of Miss Mary Tiddy to Mr. Lacy John of Lumber Bridge has been publicly announced, may we extend congratulations in advance. Miss Tiddy, whose home is Philadelphia, has been a member of the St. Pauls high school faculty here for 2 sessions now, and has won for herself many friends who no doubt regret to lose her, but who rejoice with Mr. John in his "good luck," and extend to this happy prospective young couple their very best felicitations.

A little picnic will be given at the Baptist church tomorrow p. m. from 6 to 7 to all children of the different Sunday schools of the town who haven't missed a Sunday at Sunday school during the school term. It seems that there are about 74 children who will enjoy this little repast. Cake and cream will be served and a "great" time is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith, their infant daughter, and Mr. Smith's mother, Mrs. Annie Belle Smith, spent Sunday afternoon with relatives here.

Mrs. R. G. Rozier returned Friday from Linden. Her father was somewhat improved.

Mrs. E. C. Murray, Sr. is home again, having returned last Friday. She spent sometime with her daughter, Mrs. Cooper, near Graham, was also to take in the Federation convention at Greensboro, but the death of her brother-in-law occurring about this time we have not learned whether the convention was over in time for her to attend both or not. Mrs. Murray did attend the funeral, however. This Mr. Henderson we spoke of in our last week's letter died at Charleston, S. C., instead of Charlotte. We put it Charlotte, but it seems to have been Charlotte, "next time we saw it," so this is just a little explanation.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Davis of Glengary came over Sunday and spent the day with Mr. Davis' brother, Mr. Sam Davis. The following were also visitors in the Davis home Sunday afternoon: Mr. John Tolar and Mrs. Lucy Hall and children of Fayetteville.

Mr. T. K. Cobb and sister, Miss (Continued on page four.)

School Bonds Voted by Fairmont

\$75,000 Issue for New High School Building Carried by Good Majority—Residence Destroyed by Fire—Cooperating Marketing Meeting Will be Held Saturday—Plans for Receiving Station for "Co-ops" at Fairmont.

By H. V. Brown

Fairmont, May 10.—The shrieking of the siren fire whistle and the ringing of bells at 5 o'clock this morning made known that fire was destroying the residence of Mrs. Kate Crawford on Church street, and gravely threatening many near-by dwellings. By the time the local fire department reached the scene the entire building was a mass of flames, and it took much work to keep them from spreading. Mr. M. T. Singletary, who occupied the house, discovered the fire as the roof was falling in, and at the same time Mrs. Crawford was aroused by the roaring. It was a close call and narrow escape for those who were in the house. This is the second fire which Mr. Singletary has experienced since the first of the year, the other being the old Pittman house on Iona street, a few months ago, at which time he lost everything he had in the house. From reports the fire seems to have started in the room which was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Crawford, who rent the house to Mr. Singletary, and who were just stopping in town for the night. The loss to both Mr. Singletary and Mrs. Crawford was complete, though it is understood that they carried a small amount of insurance.

Hard to Locate Fire

Many of the townspeople who responded to the fire whistle were at a loss to know just where the fire was. The fog was so thick that the blaze could not be seen, and lots of those who responded first went "harem-scram" trying to find the fire. Some time ago the town board was asked to make some arrangements by which the people could determine where the fire was when the alarm was sounded. When a fire is discovered the news is phoned to the power house, where the siren gives the alarm but gives no distinctive signal as to where the fire might be. The town could at least be divided into five sections: One signal for business section, one for East Fairmont, one for West Fairmont, one for South Fairmont and one for North Fairmont. This would at least help the situation.

Adjusted Light Rates

At a meeting of the town fathers last night a plea was presented by Mr. W. R. Taylor, former alderman, for an adjustment in light rates, which would give the larger users some discount. After a long and contested debate it was decided that those burning 75 to 100 K. W. would be given a 15c rate and those burning over 100 would be given a 10c per K. W. rate. This will be of great help to large and commercial users.

School Bonds Voted

A one sided election here Monday resulted in the school bonds being carried by a large majority. The final count was 298 for bonds and 98 against. Those supporting the issue were very much afraid that the vote would be close and that there was a possibility of its being defeated. Not until the final count was it a certainty. The amount of bonds is \$75,000, which will be used for the erection of a new modern school building, on a site to be picked by the five trustees. In the district, 482 registered for the election, only 396 voting, with a majority of 200 according to votes cast. It is understood that the bonds will be offered for sale at once and the committee is busy in getting its affairs shaped up for the beginning of the erection.

Cooperative Marketing Meeting

Mr. J. Homer Mann of Washington, N. C., will speak before a mass meeting here Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock on the subject of cooperative marketing. Mr. Mann is very well acquainted with the work and will no doubt tell many things that were left unsaid at the big meeting here last week. Mr. J. A. Brown has sent word that he will also be present at this meeting. Mr. Brown is a director for this district. The main object now seems to be getting farmers to sign up so that Fairmont will be made a receiving point. Mr. Mann arrived here this morning and will do some work in this neighborhood before the meeting on next Saturday.

Central Receiving Station

Mr. Ernest Jones returned today from Asheville, where he went to confer with his partner, Mr. Worley, regarding the co-operative warehouse. Sometime ago Mr. Jones offered to the "co-op" association his warehouse, provided it met with the approval of Mr. Worley. Mr. Jones reports that Mr. Worley was in favor of his offer and sent a message here that he would be in Fairmont within the next two weeks to trade with the "co-ops." This will be considered a turning point in the plans for making a central receiving station here. Other warehouse space has already been secured and with this from Mr. Worley makes it a sure thing that Fairmont will be named.

Parkton Man Shot Twice at His Wife

As She Stepped from Train L. J. Odom Fired at His Wife But Shots Went Wild—Gets 18 Months on Roads—School Finals—Special Mother's Day Union Service Next Sunday—Personal and Other Items.

By C. D. Williamson

Parkton, May 9.—Commencement week is always a busy week. Monday night a negro minstrel was the attraction. A full house enjoyed themselves to the fullest. Tonight the usual large crowd enjoyed the musical recital. The order was unusually good. Tomorrow afternoon there will be a match game of baseball with Fayetteville and the locals. This promises to be a close game. This will be the third game, Fayetteville winning the first and the locals taking the second.

We have been advised that the lady teachers have all been reelected by the board, but no definite action has been taken as to principal yet.

Buckhorn baseball team went up to Wade this afternoon and played the Wade team, Buckhorn winning; score, 1 to 3. A. C. Canady pitched for Buckhorn and only allowed one hit, and the one run by Wade was caused by an error.

Last Sunday at about 11 a. m. Mr. L. J. Odom, local barber, met train 64, if we mistake not, and as his wife stepped from the train Mr. Odom with a 44 automatic pistol fired twice at her, neither shot taking effect. Lots of excitement prevailed for a few minutes, and only for the quick work of Mr. A. W. Wright the results might have been fatal to some one. Mr. Wright succeeded in relieving Odom of his gun and placed his prisoner in the lock-up until Rural Policeman J. T. McRaney could be "phoned," then the prisoner was taken to St. Pauls for safety until Monday, when he had a hearing before Recorder Butler. We have been advised that an 18-months imprisonment has been assigned to Odom. We learn that the cause of the shooting was probably domestic troubles.

Editor J. A. Sharpe and daughter, Miss Courtney, and Miss Roberta Nash, of Lumberton, were in our town Sunday afternoon for the commencement sermon at the school auditorium.

Mrs. J. J. Cobb, teacher of the fourth grade, gave her room a splendid little picnic from eleven till 2 p. m. It is said that they all had a real good time. This grade has made wonderful progress this term and we can say that no teacher in the school has worked harder than Mrs. Cobb.

Next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, in the Presbyterian church, "Mothers Day" is to be observed. Special music is arranged for the occasion and Dr. D. S. Currie will deliver an address, his subject being "Who is my mother?" This is a union service. A large crowd is expected. Let every body come, thereby pay a tribute of respect to the greatest person in the world—Mother.

Sheriff John McLeod of Livingston, Texas, visited his cousin Dr. Currie and family last week. Sheriff McLeod left North Carolina when a small boy, 25 years ago, for the west. This is his first return visit. Wonderful changes he observed in the old home State.

Rev. Mr. Arrowood of Moore county preached at the Presbyterian church here Sunday night, an excellent sermon to a large and attentive congregation.

Mr. and Mrs. Pemberton McCormick arrived home Saturday night. They were married at St. Augustine, Fla., on the 4th. Mr. J. D. McCormick, brother of the groom, attended the marriage and arrived home today. The happy couple are meeting with many congratulations.

Misses Blanch and Elsie Thames of Rocky Mount are visiting home folks, also Mrs. Albert Parham of Rocky Mount is on a visit to relatives and friends.

We hear the wedding bells are to ring again in the near future.

Next Sunday should mean much to every person, whether your mother is living or dead. Reader, don't forget the hour and place in our town as a splendid program has been arranged and it will be to your interest to be present.

Recorder's Court.

Nasby Hardin was fined \$1 and cost on the charge of allowing his dogs to run at large by Recorder David H. Fuller Monday. He gave notice of appeal and made bond in the sum of \$25.

Viola Denkins and Ella White, both colored, were found guilty of larceny, prayer for judgment being continued upon payment of cost.

Rosa, Ellen and Jim Lamb were up on the charge of assault upon Emma Bryant. Jim was found not guilty, while the two women were found guilty of an affray. Judgment was continued upon good behavior.

Mr. Muldrew Powers of R. 1, Lumberton, was among the visitors in town Tuesday.

Mr. R. C. Lawrence spent yesterday at Wagram, Scotland county on legal business.

COTTON MARKET

BRIEF ITEMS AND LOCAL NEWS

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 18 cents the pound.

—The rat-killing contest which was scheduled to close yesterday will be continued for 2 weeks longer.

—Community service pictures will be shown at the Indian Normal school, Pembroke, Saturday evening of this week.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Robeson County Medical society was held in the municipal building here yesterday afternoon.

—Lumberton chapter No. 116, O. E. S., will meet in the Masonic hall this evening at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

—The condition of Mrs. E. M. Britt, who Monday underwent an operation at the Davis-Fisher sanatorium, Atlanta, Ga., is reported as favorable.

—A meeting of the local post of the American Legion will be held in the legion hall this evening at 8 o'clock. After the business meeting, refreshments will be served.

—Dr. R. C. Beaman, pastor of Chestnut Street Methodist church, will deliver an address on "Why the School?" at the chapel exercises of the high school tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

—Misses Dovie and Margaret Britt arrived Tuesday from Tabor, Columbus county, where they taught in the high school during the term which recently closed. They will spend some time here before leaving for Wake Forest to attend a summer school.

—Mr. Henry Spivey of the Marietta section was among the Confederates in growing small, the "boys" at Camp Willis H. Pope here yesterday. Mr. Spivey is in his 84th year, but is more active than many men of fewer summers.

—Those desiring minutes of the North Carolina Teachers association can get same by calling at the office of Prof. J. R. Poole, county superintendent of schools. Miss Vivian McNeill of Lumberton is secretary of the Robeson branch of the association.

—Reported for The Robesonian: The beginners class in domestic science at the high school, with Miss Peay, teacher, and Mrs. A. V. G. Wishart, enjoyed a picnic at Jennings beach yesterday afternoon. Mr. Rancke, as guest, by his kindness added much to the comfort and pleasure of the party.

—Rev. S. J. Starnes, who left the employ of The Robesonian a year and a half ago to enter Trinity Park school at Durham, has completed his work there, received his diploma, and won the Joseph Bivins Aldrich medal, given by Prof. F. S. Aldrich, headmaster of the school, and Mrs. Aldrich, in a contest among six seniors on the night of graduating exercises. Mr. Starnes is now serving the East Roxboro and Longhurst charge. In a letter to the editor of The Robesonian he writes that he hopes to enter Trinity college next fall.

Methodist Conference Honors Wilson

Unique Demonstration in Honor of Former President at General Conference—Rights of Women Extended—Thank Offering Exceeds Expectations.

Hailing Woodrow Wilson as "the apostle of modern democracy and world peace," delegates, clerical and lay, to the nineteenth quadrennial general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South at Hot Springs, Ark., staged a demonstration Tuesday in the former President's honor that officials said was unique in the church annals, states an Associated Press dispatch.

Those present, even the more elderly bishops, arose to their feet so they could cheer louder. It was several minutes before the presiding officers could stop the bubbub and bring the convention back to order. The convention adopted, with shouts of acclamation, a resolution extending greetings to Mr. Wilson and pledging the conference "to the promotion of the great truths he has so ably set (Continued on page five.)"

Baccalaureate Sermon at Pembroke Normal Sunday at 3:30 P. M.

The closing exercises of the Pembroke Normal school will begin next Sunday at 3:30 p. m. when Rev. Thos. F. Opie, rector of the Episcopal church at Red Springs, will preach the baccalaureate sermon. After the sermon diplomas will be delivered to members of the class taking the Sunday school normal course. The program for the balance of the commencement exercises will be published in Monday's Robesonian.

Radio Concert Will Not be Given Friday Night.

To the Editor of The Robesonian. Please announce that the radio concert will not be given here on Friday night of this week. The concert will be given at a later date.

R. L. PITTMAN, Orrum, N. C., May 10.