

Tobacco Sales Season Begins Tuesday

Auction Sales, Warehouses Will Open August 1st—Full Corps of Buyers—“Co-ops” Ready to Receive Tobacco.

Lumberton's two auction sales warehouses—Star and Little Banner—will open tomorrow (Tuesday) for the sale of leaf tobacco. It is expected that the two houses—Farmers' and Big Banner—will be operated by the co-operatives, will be opened at an early date.

Managers of the auction houses and also those to be operated by the Co-operative Marketing association have been here for several days making ready for the opening. A full corps of buyers, representing all the leading companies, and many independent buyers, will be on the local market. Everything is practically in readiness for receiving tobacco by the Co-operative Marketing association, according to Mr. Lewis, who will have charge of the two houses to be operated under the new system here.

Peace Terms Agreed To In Rail Strike

Formal Ratification Assured Through President's Effort It is Said—Formal Endorsement All That Remains Strike Has Cost Workers \$40,000,000.

CHICAGO, July 30.—(Associated Press.)—Peace terms already have been agreed to in the country-wide railway strike and formal ratification has been assured through President Harding's efforts, it was asserted tonight by a man in close official touch with the situation.

All that now remains before the strike, which has cost the workers upward of \$40,000,000 in wages, passes into history, it was asserted, was the formal indorsement of the terms of settlement by the railway executives meeting in New York and the strike leaders who will convene in Chicago at the same hour.

“The acceptance of President Harding's proposal was a foregone conclusion before T. Dewitt Cuyler issued the call for the meeting of the rail executives in New York and Bert M. Jewell, head of the striking shopmen, summoned a similar meeting of union chiefs for the same date,” this man who has been in closest touch with the entire situation declared.

“The rail executives will finally decide to yield for the good of the country, sweeping aside the seniority issue,” he continued, “but their gesture will give little consolation to the men who walked out on July 1, for besides their loss in pay they will lose some of their seniority rights to the men who remained at work, see their original grievances returned to the United States railroad labor board for rehearing and the question of a national adjustment board and certain other points taken up by congress.

“The exact terms probably will not be known until after Tuesday's meeting, but whatever they are the objections of a minority on either side will not be sufficiently strong to obstruct or prevent their ratification by both sides. The seniority issue has been raised since the beginning of the strike, it must be remembered, and it is not as great a stumbling block as it has seemed at times. When the time comes it will be disposed of with justice to all and to the satisfaction of the great majority of the workers.”

Field Pasture Meeting August 2

Farmers who are interested in better pastures are invited to attend a field pasture meeting at Mr. E. H. Wiggins farm, near Philadelphus, Wednesday, August 2nd, at 10 a. m. Mr. Wiggins has a Lespedeza (Japan clover) and Carpet grass pasture, that will be well worth your time to see.

O. O. DUKES,
County Farm Dem. Agent.

Government Begins Distribution of Nation's Coal Supply

Washington, July 30.—The government with the co-operation of the states will assume tomorrow the duties of a gigantic middle man passing on the coal from the producing mines to the industries and localities which, in the eyes of the government, need it most.

The organization of the government's emergency coal distribution agency was pronounced tonight to be nearly completed and tomorrow Henry B. Spencer, the federal fuel distributor, his committee and advisory sub-committees as designated by order of President Harding will begin active functioning.

—Mr. W. L. Windley, who spent some time here in the interest of the Co-operative Tobacco Marketing association, left yesterday for his home in Washington, this State, in response to a message advising him of the sudden death of his mother. Mrs. Windley was visiting a son in Norfolk, Va., when she was stricken ill and only lived a short time.

Beware The Boll Weevil

They are Here and Coming Stronger, Says State Agricultural Statistician Parker—Not Satisfied With Destroying Squares, Weevils are Now Damaging Bolls.

25 PERCENT DAMAGE TO CROP IN ROBESON COUNTY

“Don't fool yourself about the boll weevil, for he is here, and the migration period is due to bring in a new swarm,” said Mr. Frank Parker, agricultural statistician of the State Department of Agriculture, who spent Thursday in Robeson county.

Commenting further on the boll weevil, Mr. Parker said: “Down in the lower part of Robeson and in Columbus county the damage to the crop this year will run from 30 to 70 percent, according to present prospects and evidences of infestation. One small farm near Lumberton has 95 percent of the last week's squares punctured, and not satisfied with that, the weevils have started on the older bolls. There were plenty of signs of the weevil attacking bolls that were practically grown.

“Don't fool yourself about your cotton being about made, and that it is too far advanced for the weevil to do you much damage now, but take the advice of your able county agent, O. O. Dukes. He travels all over the county, and what he tells you is worthy of your serious consideration.” Mr. Frank Gough, like many others, thought he was practically free from the pest for this year. He had provided himself with a fighting machine and the necessary chemicals, but had decided that they would not be necessary. In an inspection of his fields, several places revealed quite a number of punctured small squares, and many grubs in the fallen squares. There sat Mr. Boll Weevil in two of the fresh white blossoms in the late afternoon when they were supposed to be elsewhere taking a nap.

“The damage in Richmond county is estimated at 10 percent; in Scotland, 18 percent; in Robeson, 25 percent; Columbus, 50 percent. Of course, the weather conditions are unfavorable, and will perhaps add to this decrease. The acreage planted will average about the same as last year in these counties.

“You have a ‘Garden of Eden’ here, but you don't appreciate it. The range of crops that you can profitably grow reaches perhaps the maximum of any place in the world. No less than thirty crops, other than cotton, may be grown, but this year's melon and truck crops should convince you that the marketing is quite as important as the growing. Farmers are not salesmen, but producers, and the sooner they realize this and form co-operative marketing associations, with a practical marketing executive in charge, the sooner the present ‘existence on the farm’ will be changed into ‘living on the farm’.

“Cotton must become the side cash crop—not the main one. Most of your crops look well, even with the excessive rainfall.”

ANTHONY SENTENCED TO 4 MONTHS ON ROADS

Young Negro Found Guilty of the Larceny of Ham, Flour and Sugar Through a “Slick” Game—He Recently Completed Road Sentence for Larceny of Pocket-Knife.

“Shote” Anthony, colored, was sentenced to 4 months on the roads Friday by Recorder David H. Fuller on the charge of the larceny of a ham, a sack of flour and 10 pounds of sugar. As was stated in Thursday's Robesonian, Anthony was arrested Thursday morning by Chief of Police D. M. Barker after parts of the ham, flour and sugar were found in a meal barrel at his home, across the river from town.

Anthony told a conflicting story as to how he came in possession of the stolen goods, implicating two other negroes—Rufe McKellar and Archie Andrews. McKellar was arrested, but the charge against him was not proved. Andrews has not been in Lumberton for several weeks, according to the officers. Anthony recently completed a 24-days' road sentence imposed upon him by Recorder Fuller on the charge of the larceny of a pocket knife.

The story of how Anthony “put one over” on Mr. Alex Sessoms, manager of the grocery department of Mr. L. H. Caldwell's department store, and two policemen by the use of the phone in securing the groceries has been published in The Robesonian.

Charlotte Man Killed in Airplane Accident in Germany

Berlin, July 29.—(Associated Press.)—Officials of the company operating airplane service from Berlin to Hamburg are unable to explain the sudden plunge yesterday of the combination postal-passenger airplane near Boisenberg, while on the trip to Hapsburg. The plane carried to instant death its three passengers, R. S. Murrill, of Charlotte, N. C., Albert Baurigin and Senor Cosvegara, and Pilot von Betram.

Caught While Making First “Run”

Still Found in Operation, Negro Caught and Given Road Sentence—Said It Was the First “Run” White Man Escaped.

A large copper whiskey still was captured while in operation in Raft Swamp, 5 miles from Buie, Saturday about noon. John Steele, colored, who was assisting a white man in the operation, was arrested, the white man escaped the officers. The white man was recognized as Marvin Brigman. The still was captured by Rural Policeman W. A. Smith and Deputies G. M. Williams and N. A. Smith. Steele fired one shot from a 22-caliber rifle at the officers and the bullet scathed the forehead of Officer Williams. Several shots were fired by the officers at Steele and he fell as though he had been killed. However, none of the shots fired struck him. He was given a hearing before Recorder J. N. Buie of Red Springs Saturday afternoon and given road sentences totaling 3 years and 30 days.

Steele told the officers after he was arrested that he and the white man were making their first “run” when the officers arrived on the scene of action. Two barrels of beer found at the still were destroyed.

FORMER LUMBERTON NEGRO KILLED

Floyd Faulk, Convict on the Dillon County Chain Gang, Shot by Guard When He Attempted to Escape.

Floyd Faulk, a convict on the county chain gang, was shot by Guard Elbert Staples at an early hour yesterday morning and a short while afterward was found dead with his body half submerged in Buck Swamp. One bullet struck Faulk in the side of the head making a scalp wound and the other entered the right side. It is not known whether Faulk died from the wounds or fell into the swamp and was drowned. The convict was making his way through the bushes in an effort to escape when he was fired upon by the guard. Ten minutes afterward he was found in the swamp with half his body under water.

Faulk was serving time on the gang for stealing Mr. L. C. Braddy's automobile. A few weeks after he began serving his sentence he escaped and nothing was heard of him till a few weeks ago when he was arrested in Pennsylvania. He refused to be extradited, claiming that he was not the man wanted by the Dillon authorities and Judge Joe Cabell Davis was sent with Officer Jno. McCracken to identify him. They established the fact that he was Floyd Faulk and the governor of Pennsylvania turned him over to the South Carolina authorities.—Dillon, S. C., Herald, July 27.

Faulk was reared near Fairmont and formerly lived in Lumberton.

Robeson Man Paroled

Governor Morrison last week granted a parole to Merritt Quick, who had served about 6 months of a 12-months sentence on the county roads on the charge of the larceny of a bull. As was stated in The Robesonian at the time, Quick drove the bull from near Hope Mills to Lumberton and sold him to Mr. Carl Ballard. The owner reached Lumberton soon after the sale had been made and Mr. Ballard turned the bull over to him. Quick is said to be feeble-minded and this was the reason given by the governor for granting the parole, which was recommended by Solicitor S. B. McLean.

Strike Holds Up Local Paving.

Indications are that the local paving program will be held up indefinitely owing to the calling in of all open railway cars for use in hauling coal. Open cars are used in shipping gravel and rock and the supply on hand is practically exhausted. This condition, resulting from the strike of miners, will also cause a let-up in the road-building program throughout North Carolina.

N. C. Cotton Will Go Direct to Foreign Mills

Wadesboro, July 29.—North Carolina cotton is going direct this season to mills in England, Germany and France through agents of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' Co-operative association, declared Dr. B. W. Kilgore, director of the state agricultural service, in an address at a mass meeting of Anson county farmers in the handsome new courthouse here this afternoon.

Dr. Kilgore's statements were corroborated by former Congressman Lee D. Robinson, a director in the association, and U. B. Blalock, newly-elected manager of the association, both of whom live here and both of whom attended, with Dr. Kilgore, a conference yesterday in Atlanta, Ga., where plans for marketing the 400,000 bales already signed up in the North Carolina association were arranged.

—Friends here of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene D. Boney of Raleigh will be interested to learn of the birth to them on July 24th, of twin sons.

Fairmont News

Tobacco Market Opens Tuesday—Small Colored Boy Drowned—Robeson County Checker Tournament Thursday—Convict Killed by Guard.

Fairmont, July 31.—The Fairmont tobacco market opens tomorrow, August 1st, with a full corps of buyers from all the large tobacco companies and a large number of independent buyers. The Fairmont Tobacco Board of Trade announces that two warehouses will be run, independently, these being the People's Tobacco warehouse, with E. J. Chambers and O. A. Reeves, proprietors and the Robeson County Tobacco warehouse with E. J. Davis & Sons, proprietors. The Tobacco Growers Cooperative association will begin receiving tobacco during the week, the exact date not being known at this writing.

A negro boy, aged six years and eight months, was accidentally drowned with-in the town limits here Friday afternoon. The lad was playing on or near the concrete bridge, which is on the highway leading east from here, and slipped, falling into the water, which was about six feet deep. His sister was near him when he fell but she was afraid to try to help, as she could not swim. She gave the alarm and in a few minutes several had gathered and diving for the body began. The muddy water delayed the finding of the body for sometime, it being nearly an hour after the accident before it was brought to the surface. It was then rushed to town for medical assistance but three hours of strenuous effort failed to bring the little one to life.

A Ford runabout turned half over Saturday afternoon on the Fairmont-Lumberton highway, about three miles north of here. Mr. DeWitt Johnson, who was driving the Ford, stated that a tire came loose from the rim causing the accident. No one was hurt and the Ford was only slightly damaged. This totals two accidents on this highway this week, the first occurring Thursday.

Another house party is being given this week at Lake Waccamaw, Columbus county, Miss Rose Jones of Fairmont being the hostess. The party begins today and will be in evidence throughout the week. Those who will enjoy Miss Jones' hospitality are: Misses Ruth Smithwick, of LaGrange; Louise Fox, of Statesville; Blanche Ricks, Pantego; Gladys Harrell, Goldsboro; Eloise Jones, Laurinburg; Myrtle Barnes, Lumberton; Magenta Lassiter, Fairmont and Messrs. E. L. Faulcoer, Greensboro; Jimmie Thomas, Greensboro; Colin Phillips, Lumberton; Yardell Grantham, Fairmont; Vernon Lassiter, Fairmont; Ralph McDaniel, Fairmont; Wright Jones, Fairmont; Marshall Prince, Harold Covington and James McRae, Laurinburg.

The Robeson County checker tournament will be held at Fairmont Thursday, August 3, beginning at 10 o'clock. This will decide who is champion checker player for the county, and no doubt many will contest for the honor. Mr. McNair of Maxton has advised that he will be present and several from Lumberton are expected. Mr. J. Paul Lewis, local champion, has the tournament in charge and is going to leave nothing undone to make it a success.

Mrs. C. E. Lewis has accepted a position with N. W. Jenkins Co., Inc., beginning work August 1 and will be with the firm throughout the tobacco season.

Mr. C. W. Shuff, who has been the popular branch manager of the Imperial Tobacco Co. at Fairmont, will not be on the market this year, having been transferred to a larger market. By way of parenthesis this market is not in Robeson County. Mr. William Allen Roberts will take Mr. Shuff's place at Fairmont and has the plant ready for operation. Messrs. Collins, Carter and Goodson, Imperial men, will be at Fairmont again this season.

Floyd Faulk colored, was shot and killed near Latta, S. C., last week by a guard of the convict camp. Faulk was serving a long sentence and tried to escape through the woods, and swamp when the guard fired. Only two buck shot took effect, but he fell in the water and was drowned before he was found. The remains were brought to his home here and interment made in the colored cemetery.

The condition of both Meadames Ben Thompson and A. E. Byrne, who have been patients at Baker's sanatorium, Lumberton, for sometime is greatly improved.

A Wife, But No Money

Whiteville, July 28.—Love laughs at locksmiths and sometimes at empty pocket books. A colored couple came here last week with just enough money to pay for the license and an abundance of faith in being able to find some one who would tie them up on a credit basis. Squire Jim Maxwell proved accommodating and the couple went on their way rejoicing.

—Mr. Clayton Hall of Little River, S. C., left yesterday for Hollister, where he has accepted a position, after spending a few days here visiting friends.

Parkton Letter

Graded and High School Faculty Chosen—Old Baptist Church Building Torn Down—Mule Dies From Being Confined in Poorly Ventilated Stall—Other Items.

By C. D. Williamson

Parkton, July 29.—The following have been elected members of the faculty of the local graded and high school: H. W. Carter, Chapel Hill, superintendent; Miss Pretto Brown, Elon College, Miss Mary Edith Sullivan, Parkton, high school; G. R. Welch, Clio, S. C., principal of grammar grades and teacher of 6th and 7th grades; Miss Sarah Dixon, Red Springs, 5th grade; Miss Sarah Lamar, Augusta, Ga., 4th grade; Mrs. J. J. Cobb, Parkton, 3rd grade; Mrs. B. C. Stafford, Latta, S. C., 2nd grade; Miss Ruby Williams, Barnesville, 1st grade; Miss Sarah F. Drew, Gay, Ga., piano, violin and public school music.

We are advised that the old Bob McGeachy grist mill rocks are again in our town. Parkton Novelty shop is now operating it.

Mr. Herbert Odom, who has been away for several years with navy has returned home to N. C. He was a brief caller in our town Wednesday p. m., and he has grown clean out of ones recognition. We would never think of him ever getting so stout and tall, as he was so small when he left just a few years ago. He is at present with his father Mr. J. T. Odom of Red Springs. We were more than glad to grasp his clever hand once more. He has been and is at present some ball player.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stubbs and Mrs. Parnell attended the funeral of Mrs. Lucy Pearsall yesterday near Moss Neck. Deceased was a relative of Mr. and Mrs. Stubbs.

Mrs. D. T. Hasty and three children left yesterday for a visit to relatives at Clio, S. C.

The Old Baptist church building has been torn down this week. It is not known what will be done with the material or the lot as yet. Mr. Dan McMillan has the work in charge.

Mr. Collier Cobb and others went up to Vass, Moore county, today and brought back some of the largest peaches yet, the Hales variety, which was very large and beautiful color. There are quantities of the Moore county juicy fruit brought to our town.

The C. E. society of Parkton enjoyed its annual picnic at the beach this afternoon. May report more fully later.

The writer is indebted to Mr. C. L. Thaggard of R. 2, for some fine Watson melons, the best yet. He knows how to grow them.

Mr. W. N. Ammons spent Wednesday and Thursday in Charlotte on business, while Thompson and Bodinhammer visited Ashboro and other points Thursday. Cotton is their article, they carry it, both staple and short.

Mr. Z. T. McMillan lost a fine and valuable mule Wednesday. The mule is said to have become overheated and upon investigation the mule had been kept in a stall with none or but little ventilation. This should serve warning to others. Stock should have plenty ventilation sure enough this kind of hot weather.

SPENCER NAMED COAL ADMINISTRATOR

Appointed by President Harding to Serve For the Duration of the Present Strike Emergency.

Washington, July 28.—(By the Associated Press.)—Henry B. Spencer former vice-president of the Southern Railway and general purchasing agent for the war-time railroad administration, tonight was appointed federal coal administrator for the duration of the present strike emergency by President Harding.

Mr. Spencer becomes administrator member of the coal distribution committee which will control distribution of available coal supplies on a priority basis to essential industries and utilities.

Harding Optimistic

With the announcement of creation of the office of coal administrator, confidence was expressed at the White House that production of coal regardless of rail and mine strikers eventually would be increased to the point where it would be adequate to the country's need. President Harding felt so assured on this point, it was said, that he contemplated no further move in the strike situation.

—The Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church will meet Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the church parlor.

—A Ford coupe belonging to Dr. H. T. Pope was stolen from Dr. Pope's garage, East Second street, Thursday night. The car has not yet been recovered. Officers tracked the car several miles up the Fayetteville road, owing to a flat tire. They found signs showing that the car was stopped and the tire repaired and could track it no further.

—Miss Theresa Patterson left Saturday night for Fayetteville, to visit her aunt, Mrs. J. F. Gilmore.

COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on local market today at 20 1/2 cents the pound.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCALS NEWS

—Miss Janie Carlyle is attending the summer school at Columbia university, New York City.

—The old Lumberton hotel building, which has been an eye-sore on East Second street for several months, is being torn down.

—The Robesonian has been asked to warn against riding bicycles on the sidewalks. Some of the recently paved walks are being used by some as race tracks for bicycles. This is “against the law.”

—The county pension board will meet in the office of Clerk of the Court C. B. Skipper Monday, August 7. Those wishing to make applications for Confederate pensions should file them at this meeting, which will be the last one held by the board this year.

—Rev. I. E. Wishart, pastor of the Baptist church at Charleston, Oklahoma, and son, Master Lowell Strong Wishart, are visiting at the home of Mr. Wishart's father, Mr. A. S. Wishart on E. 2 from Lumberton. This is Mr. Wishart's first visit to his native county in about 9 years.

—Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rowan, who were married at Mullins, S. C., Wednesday of last week, arrived here yesterday morning from Wrightsville Beach, where they went immediately after their marriage. They are boarding at the home of Mr. W. L. Parham, East Fifth street.

—Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer, was called Friday to Augusta, Ga., on account of the illness of his mother. He has made arrangements for all typhoid vaccination dates to be taken care of during his absence. All people needing the vaccination are urged to take advantage of the opportunity.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bullard and son, Master Barnes, of Orrum, passed through town this morning en route to Raleigh, where they will spend a few days. They will go from there to Western North Carolina. They will be away for two weeks. Mr. Bullard is vocational teacher in the Orrum high school.

—Mr. A. Weinstein and two children, Miss Mildred and Mr. Robert Weinstein, left Thursday evening for Chicago to visit at the home of Mr. Weinstein's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cohen. Mr. Weinstein will visit the northern markets for the purpose of buying fall goods for his department store before returning home.

—Rev. Chas. E. Nisbet, D. D., pastor of the Central Presbyterian church, Kansas City, Mo., will preach at the Lumberton Presbyterian church next Sunday morning and evening. Dr. Nisbet was one of the principal speakers on the program at Montreat this summer and is known as one of the foremost preachers of the country. The public is invited to attend these services.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sharpe and children, Anna Courtney and Jack, returned Saturday night from Shelby, where, at the Cleveland Springs Park hotel, they attended the annual convention of the North Carolina Press association, which convened, Wednesday and closed Friday with a trip to Chimney Rock, where a delightful luncheon was served by the Shelby Kiwanis club, which also furnished cars to transport the newspaper folk the 50 miles from Shelby to the Rock.

WOMAN EDITOR HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Miss Myrtle Prevatt, Editor Maxton Scottish Chief Thrown Through Windshield of Car Near Shelby, Shelby, July 28.—Miss Myrtle Prevatt, editor of the Maxton Scottish Chief, was badly cut this afternoon when she was thrown through the windshield of the automobile of Ralph Hoey, nephew of former Congressman Clyde Hoey, about five miles from Shelby.

The party was returning from Chimney Rock at about 5 o'clock this afternoon when another automobile side-swiped the car driven by Mr. Hoey and threw Miss Prevatt through the windshield. Miss Prevatt was cut in the back of the head and on the cheek.

She was brought immediately to Shelby where seven stitches were taken in the back of her head and two in her cheek. No anesthetic was used. The cuts were not dangerous and Miss Prevatt is getting along nicely.

Neither of the cars was badly damaged by the accident and none of the other occupants of the two cars were hurt.

Miss Prevatt was not thrown through the windshield as the above dispatch has it, but her head was forced through it. It was the car in which she was riding that side-swiped the other car, which was suddenly turned by its owner to drive into his home. Miss Prevatt's cuts were painful and her face probably will be scarred for life, but her injuries were not considered serious.