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## Local Coop-Auction Tobacco Market

High Average Prices on Auction Floors—"Coop" Advance Money on Grades as Received—Some Pleased and Some Kick Both Ways. The Lumberton auction tobacco market Tuesday sold 67,552 pounds of tobacco at an average of \$22.30 the hundred. Sales on the auction market yesterday totaled 39,568 pounds and the average price paid was \$22 the hundred. Owing to the dampness, some of the tobacco offered yesterday was "in high order".

A total of 34,758 pounds of tobacco were handled here yesterday by the co-operatives. Advances were made on all this tobacco, the advances ranging from \$1.05 the hundred for scrap to \$22.75 the hundred for the better grades. Advances are made on all tobacco according to grade. However, the advance paid the grower when the tobacco is turned over to the organization to be sold is no indication of what the tobacco will sell for.

Members of the association generally seem to be pleased with the plan, while some who expected to get the full value of the tobacco before it is sold are inclined to "kick". The tobacco is not sold to the association, but placed in the hands of the co-operatives to be sold when a suitable price is offered, and the advance is paid by the organization to assist the grower in financing the growing and harvesting the crop. The final returns will tell the tale and not until a member has received the returns from the sale of his crop through the co-operative plan can the success of the new system be determined.

Many members of the association, who are more thoroughly familiar with the plans of selling the tobacco co-operatively, express themselves as being highly pleased, especially from the fact that each grower will receive the same advance and the same price for like grades when the tobacco is sold. The co-operative houses will be open for receiving tobacco three days each week—Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

## Local School Will Open September 6th

Faculty Has Been Completed With Exception of One Member and List Will be Published in Next Issue. Lumberton's schools will open for the fall term Wednesday, September 6.

Supt. W. B. Crumpton gives The Robesonian the following information of interest to patrons of the school: "The faculty for the Lumberton graded school for the next session has been completed with the exception of one member. A complete list will be found in the issue of the paper on next Monday.

"Our school will open for the fall term on Wednesday, September 6th. The teachers will arrive in Lumberton on Monday the 4th and will be in conference with Superintendent Crumpton on Tuesday, the 5th. "It is hoped that this is the final date and will not have to be changed on account of inability of the local book depository getting the books on time. The strike may hinder the receipt of the new books but it is hoped that that condition will be a thing of the past by then."

## Conference of B. Y. P. U. to be Held in Lumberton Aug. 16

As has been stated in The Robesonian, an important conference of the B. Y. P. U. in Robeson county will be held in the First Baptist church here Wednesday, August 16. Dinner and supper will be served on the church grounds. All B. Y. P. U. members and other young people are invited. Prominent speakers will address the conference, which it is expected will be attended by 1,000 young people.

Dr. H. M. Baker of Lumberton is president of the county union and he is anxious that all B. Y. P. U. members in the county, as well as other young people, attend this conference. Special attention will be paid to junior and intermediate union work.

Mr. T. L. Johnson returned home Tuesday night from Asheville, in and around which place he spent several days. Mrs. Johnson and two children will spend some time at Asheville before returning home. Mr. A. C. McLeod and daughter, little Miss Mary, and son, Mr. Norman McLeod, of Buie, are Lumberton visitors today.

## Charged With Tampering With Registration Books

Registrar C. R. Tolar of Rennett Township Bound to Court for Scratching Name Off Book—Placed on Book After Time Was Up, He Says—Other Cases in Recorder's Court.

C. R. Tolar, registrar in Rennett township, was bound over to the Superior court by Assistant Recorder L. J. Britt Tuesday on the charge of tampering with registration books. He made bond in the sum of \$100. According to the evidence, the defendant scratched a name off the books, which he testified was placed on the books after the time-limit for registering had closed. He was also tried on a separate charge of failing to properly perform his duties as registrar, but was found not guilty by a jury impaneled to pass upon the case.

The defendant was represented by Messrs. Britt & Britt, while Solicitor W. B. Ivey was assisted in the prosecution by Mr. Wm. Cox, an attorney of Laurinburg. Mr. Tolar was indicted by Mr. Lacy McNair of Rennett. Charley Bennett was taxed with the cost Monday on the charge of being drunk. Howard Pearsall, colored, was also taxed with the cost on the charge of being drunk.

## Robed Kluxers Interrupted Show

Ku Klux Klan Halted Program of "Wallace the Magician" at Parkton to Contribute \$50 to School Library—Magician Feared His Time Had Come.

Right in the midst of his magic during an entertainment at Parkton Monday night Mr. W. L. Wallace of Durham, widely known as "Wallace the Magician", and his audience were startled by the entrance of white-robed figures, who marched silently to the rostrum and presented to Wallace an envelope upon which were printed directions to open and read. The robed figures silently departed and Mr. Wallace found in the envelope \$50 in cash and a note stating that the contribution was from the Ku Klux Klan for the Parkton school library fund, which fund received a part of the proceeds of the entertainment.

Mr. Wallace, who was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday, frankly stated that he was filled with uneasy forebodings when he saw the white-robed figures enter. He wondered if it was not a good time to do a disappearing act for fear. He wondered how high the rear window was from the ground and how he would look with a window-frame around his neck. He had had the audience mystified and wondering a moment before, and now he shared with it bewilderment and wonder and startled awe. But he stood his ground, albeit with fear and trembling, and was immensely relieved when he found that the visit of the Kluxers was altogether peaceful and benevolent.

## Road and School Bond Elections

An election to vote on a \$20,000 road bond issue was ordered for Britt township by the county commissioners at their regular monthly meeting Monday. The date for the election has not been named. The board also ordered an election for Red Springs graded school district to be held on September 9 to vote on an additional tax of 15 cents on the \$100 property valuation and 45 cents on the poll for school purposes.

## Annual Barkers-Tennille Picnic

The annual Barker-Tennille picnic will be held at Barker's church Saturday of this week. It will be an all-day affair and dinner will be served on the grounds. This annual community picnic is looked forward to each year as a day when the folks get together for a day of pleasure and recreation and is always attended by a large number. It is held at Barker's one year and Tennille one.

## Six Applications for Pensions Approved

Six applications for Confederate pensions were approved by the county pension board at a meeting of the board held here Monday. This was the only business transacted. The board is composed of Mr. W. H. Graham, chairman, Mr. C. B. Skipper, secretary, Rev. F. A. Prevatt and Mr. W. J. Currie.

—Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Hardin have moved from the McLean apartment house, Walnut and Fifth street, to the T. A. McNeill residence, North Elm street.

Mr. J. S. Hayes of R. 4, Lumberton, was among the visitors in town today. Mr. H. Parnall of Buie was a Lumberton visitor Tuesday.

## How It Appears On Fairmont Market

Tobacco Selling Well at Auction—Some "Co-op" Members Pleased and Some Are Not and Ditto Some who Have Sold at Auction—Pack House Struck by Lightning and Burned During Severe Electrical Storm.

Fairmont, Aug. 10. The Tobacco Growers Co-operative association began receiving the weed and advancing money Monday. The amount received that day was 16,384 pounds with small advances, the exact amount of money advanced being unreported, the officials stating that they had no record of this. Some dissatisfaction has been heard from several members of the association while several more have expressed themselves as being pleased and others have joined since it began receiving.

At auction here this week prices have been very satisfactory while there was some kicking on that Wednesday and Tuesday afternoon. The highest price paid this week was paid on Tuesday when a large pile of tobacco brought \$70 per hundred and there were over 165,000 pounds offered on the market that day. During the afternoon a dark cloud came up and the farmers stated that during this cloud the price dropped considerably. The average for the week will surpass that of last week by a large margin. Watch The ROBESONIAN for the week's report on Monday. On Wednesday the cooperative association received about 20,000 pounds for the pool. A good bit has been shipped, and a large number of pounds is expected to be received Friday.

Miss Reatha Jenkins is spending some time in Marion, N. C., and other western North Carolina points visiting friends.

Miss Louise Harrel of Suffolk, Va., is spending some time here with friends and relatives.

Mr. William Brice of Wallace spent a few days here this week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Lehman Brice and children of Wallace are spending some time here with friends and relatives.

Mr. Worth Williamson of Parkton has accepted a position with Grantham & Co., druggists. Mr. Williamson has been connected with the Grantham stores for sometime as registered pharmacist and has been for the past few years located at St. Pauls.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Purvis Leggett, July 30th, a girl.

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

The westbound A. C. L. Train No. 98, due here at 6:32, was over one hour late Wednesday night on account of washouts in the road between here and Chadbourn. A slight washout occurred a mile and a quarter east of here. Reports from near Atkinson's mill pond stated that it was impossible to cross the dam there even with wagons.

Electrical Storm Tuesday night an electrical storm of which people have spoken very freely passed over Fairmont about midnight. Electric flashes were so quick in succession that the entire sky was illuminated for nearly an hour. A pack house belonging to Mr. N. J. Page of White Pond section was struck by lightning and set afire, burning down with a total loss. Mr. Charlie Williams, who has made his home in Florida and Georgia for the past few years, stated that this storm was equal to anything they had ever seen in those states, where electrical storms are very violent at times.

Misses Nettie and Ruth Ashley of Norfolk, Va., are spending some time here with friends and relatives.

## ODD FELLOWS CONCERT CLASS COMING TO LUMBERTON FRIDAY NIGHT

One of the enjoyable features of the year is the coming of the Odd Fellows orphans' concert class, and it has always been a distinct pleasure for Lumberton Odd-Fellows to entertain these splendid children and the managers. The class will be in Lumberton on Friday, August 11th, coming direct from Rockingham. They will leave Lumberton and will be in Red Springs on Saturday, August 12th, and in Whiteville on Monday, August 14th. The personnel of the class this year is composed of eight girls and two boys and they are from practically one end of the State to the other. The class this year is in charge of Miss Elsie Tucker as manager and Miss Collins as assistant manager. Miss Tucker has been with the class for several years. The class consists of the following: Minnie Westmoreland, Pinnacle; Nellie Crisp, Tuskegee; Juanita Taylor, Oxford; Lucy Johnston, Farmville; Aitha McKinney, Spruce Pine; Alice Hewitt, Elizabeth City; Hortense Wiggins, Weldon; Elizabeth Broadhurst, Mount Olive; Appollus Owens, Powell's Point; Thurman Merritt, Wilmington. The receipts this year have held up pretty well and from all reports the entertainment has been excellent. The concert will begin at 8:15 p. m. in the high school auditorium.

## St. Pauls News

Camp Fire Girls and Boy Scouts Are Enjoying an Outing—Movements of The People.

By Bess G. Johnson St. Pauls, Aug. 8.—Another warm morning greets us!

Miss Clara Hester, who holds a position as stenographer in Raleigh, has been spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hester.

Mr. Olvin Crenshaw and 2 little sons, Billy and Junior, recently visited at the home of his father, Mr. J. S. Crenshaw, who resides a few miles out from town.

Mrs. Edger Fletcher and daughter, little Miss Laura, were the delightful guests of Mrs. T. L. Northrop from Friday till Sunday of last week, returning to their home town, McColl, S. C. that afternoon.

Miss Madge Duke, whose people reside in Hamlet, arrived in St. Pauls, Wednesday p. m., the 2nd, for a little visit at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Johnson, on Main street.

The many friends of Mrs. J. M. Butler are delighted to know she has returned to her home on Blue street after spending several weeks at Pittman hospital, Fayetteville, where she underwent an operation some time ago. We hope she will continue to improve.

We are all glad to have Miss Ethel Cobb home for a wee bit. She got in last Sunday a. m., will possibly return to Charlottesville, Va., Wednesday night, where she holds a very responsible position in the Blue Ridge sanatorium of that place. Miss Josephine Evans is also home for a visit to her people. Miss Evans for the past few months has been doing city welfare work in Greensboro. We trust her vacation will prove very pleasant.

Mrs. Will Regan and little Miss Annie Louise Regan of Elizabethtown came over last Friday to visit Mrs. Regan's sister Mrs. L. I. Grantham. Annie Louise, remaining over for a few days. Mrs. Regan, you will recall was Miss Annie McBryde before her marriage.

Mr. Francis Northrop who has been furnishing music in the orchestra at Lake View the past few months, spent last Sunday night at the home of his mother, Mrs. T. L. Northrop. He left Monday for White Lake, where he will furnish music in an orchestra during the next few weeks.

Miss Pearl Evans and mother recently returned from Wrightsville beach, where they spent a few days, reporting a very nice trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom G. Balfour and infant daughter were in town a short while Monday afternoon. We got a glimpse of that historic little dress Alice Audrey was recently baptized in. Mrs. Balfour brought it along with her. We imagined to see it looking "yellow with age", as it is something like 100 years old, but it looked as white and dainty as if it had only seen a few "yesterdays." It seems that this little dress was brought over from India, as was mentioned in a recent Lumber Bridge letter, and is reserved for the christening of each of the immediate Balfour family.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Skipper and mother came over from Lumberton Sunday the 30th, spending the day with Mr. Skipper's sister Mrs. Tom Willis, formerly Miss Grace Crenshaw.

Miss Evelyn McIntyre of Lumber Bridge came over to our little town last week with Mrs. Virginia McIntyre for a few days' visit among relatives and friends in St. Pauls. Mrs. McIntyre, who is the widow of the late Mr. Wm. McIntyre, has been on an extended visit to relatives in the old North State. She makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Watson, who was formerly Miss Ella McIntyre of Rennett, but who since her marriage makes her home in Talldega, Ala. Mrs. McIntyre has many friends back home who are ever glad to see her.

Mrs. Joe Sugar had for her guests on Sunday last Mrs. Sam Traub of Baltimore and nephew, Master Morton Sugar from Bennettsville, who spent the day here.

Mrs. L. Shaw returned from Ocean View last Friday, where she spent a very pleasant week.

Mrs. Dan King and 2 kids, Jas. and Margaret, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. King's sister Mrs. N. A. McEachern, at her home on Main street.

Miss Marie Blue, who spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. D. S. McEachern, expects to return to her home town, Raeford, this afternoon. Little Miss Laura Northrop will accompany her home for a few days visit.

Mr. Simon Leviton of Baltimore, brother of Mrs. Joe Sugar, is expected to arrive in St. Pauls tonight, where he has accepted a position in the store belonging to his brother-in-law, Mr. Joe Sugar.

The Camp Fire girls have gone to White Lake this week. They got up a nice little play, entitled "Hiawatha", which they presented in the high school auditorium here on the evening of the 1st. About \$21.50 was (Continued on page four.)

## Parkton Letter

McNatt Reunion—Revival Meeting—Personal and Other Items. By C. D. Williamson.

Parkton, Aug. 8.—The McNatt reunion held at Black's bridge last Thursday proved to be one of the biggest and best yet. A large number of these people were present, in the best of spirits, thoroughly enjoying the day. The table fairly groaned under the bountiful spread, and yet not all the baskets were opened. Mr. J. B. McCormick was generous with delicious watermelons and cantaloupes, sending his wagon with enough for each one to be "well fed." The water was never better for swimming.

Among the guests Sheriff N. H. McGeachy and mother, Mrs. Anna McGeachy, of Fayetteville, and Mrs. Mary Blue of Galatia.

Mr. Eugene Melvin and wife and two daughters of Lake City, S. C., have been on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Edd Gaitley. Mr. Melvin is a former schoolmate of the writer and his visit is most enjoyable. He was formerly a Robesonian.—Mr. Collier Cobb and family left Monday morning for their annual vacation to Seven Springs.—Mr. Neill McKinnon, another Robesonian and special friend of the writer is in town today.

An interesting game of ball was upset this afternoon. Lumber Bridge failed to show up, as a big rain set in just as they were about to come, but we expect them Friday. The local lads have new uniforms and look like real ball players, and they are some sports. Several more games will be played before the opening of school with St. Pauls and Lumber Bridge second nine teams, ages 10 to 14.

Messrs. J. M. and Vance McMillan, Miss Ruby Council and the writer went over to Raeford yesterday p. m. to enjoy the game, Raeford vs Hamlet. The game was a little one-sided, in Hamlet's favor. The umpire was accused of leaning to Hamlet, and you know such games are enjoyed.

Rev. E. F. Munns is holding revival meetings this week at Marvin. The Baptist will begin here Monday night. Everybody invited.

The Parkton band went up to Antioch, Hoke county, Friday and furnished music for the old soldiers reunion, and report a great day. Hoke county ladies did their part in giving the old soldiers a real enjoyable day.

Mr. Justin McNeill and family came up late Sunday afternoon, Justin returned Sunday night, Mrs. McNeill and children remaining with relatives till Wednesday p. m.

## THE COUNTY'S BUSINESS

Business Transacted at Regular Monthly Meeting of Commissioners

The county commissioners met in regular monthly session here Monday, all members being present. Only regular routine matters were considered.

D. W. Bullock, Democratic nominee for the office, was appointed recorder of the Rowland district to fill out the unexpired term of J. A. McKay, who resigned.

Jno. W. Ward and Rory McNair, members of the board, and E. J. Britt, county attorney, were appointed delegates to the annual convention of the State association of county commissioners.

The monthly reports of the Bank of Maxton, county treasurer, R. E. Lewis, sheriff, Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer, and Miss Elizabeth Frye, county welfare officer, were ordered filed.

The regular pauper list was ordered paid. The names of Sam Bass and Allie Hardin were dropped from the pauper list, upon recommendation of the county welfare officer.

The monthly allowance of Jenkins Campbell was increased from \$2.50 to \$4, Jake and Kate McLean from \$5 to \$7.50 each. Jesse Bodiford was placed on the regular pauper list at \$4 the month, Jack McNeill at \$3, Casel Adams and H. A. Black at \$3 each and John Fields at \$5.

It was ordered that the insolvent court cost for the July term be paid. The following rebates were allowed:

Parkton Pharmacy, Parkton township, \$4,000, property, \$28; C. M. Flowers, Lumberton township, \$1,500, property, \$10.50; Perry Locklear, Smiths township, \$420, property, \$2.94; A. N. Mitchell, White House township, \$1,395, property, \$9.76; Eli Covington, Rennett township, Mrs. J. M. Burke, Maxton, poll, \$2 each.

Bills totaling \$6,958.04 were ordered paid by the board.

## STRIKE CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN WASHINGTON FRIDAY

Washington, Aug. 9.—(Associated Press)—Heads of the striking railroad unions marked time here today while awaiting the arrival of executives of other transportation-labor organizations, who have been invited to the general conference Friday, to consider the shopmen's reply to President Harding's latest proposed basis for settlement.

Congressional leaders meanwhile were considering the possibility that President Harding, in the event of the failure of his efforts, might seek a legislative remedy for the country's admittedly serious industrial ailment.

## COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 20 1-4 cents the pound.

## BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCALS NEWS

Jennings beach, near Lumberton, is proving a very popular place. Parties from other towns often visit this Lumber river beach.

—Dr. G. M. Pate of Raynham passed through town Monday evening en route to Raleigh to attend a meeting of the board of directors of the Co-operative Cotton Marketing association, of which board he is a member from this district.

—An unusually heavy rain fell here yesterday afternoon, the fall for one hour totaling 1.66 inches, according to Mr. B. M. Davis, local government weather man. Reports indicate that the rain was general throughout this section, though it was not so heavy in some sections of the county.

—Mr. I. T. Brown and daughter, Miss Amanda Brown, of Philadelphia, Miss Hannah McNeill of Buie, Miss Esther Brown of Fairmont and Mr. Willie Brown of Philadelphia passed through Lumberton yesterday en route to White Lake, Bladen county, where they will remain until Saturday. Several other people from Philadelphia are at White Lake this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Tucker and their two children, of Ashboro, traveling in a living van mounted on a Ford chassis, arrived here yesterday and will be in town a few days while a cot and other equipment are being prepared. Mr. Tucker has been operating a movie from his van, in which he and his family live during the summer, but he says he has discontinued that until people get better.

—Mrs. J. M. McGill was brought home Sunday evening by Mr. McGill from Charlotte, where she spent a week undergoing treatment in the Charlotte sanatorium. Her condition is much improved. Mr. McGill drove to Charlotte Saturday evening in his Hudson, making the trip in 4 hours and 25 minutes. He was accompanied by Messrs. I. L. McGill and W. L. Parham. Mr. Theodore Pope, who had been undergoing treatment in Charlotte, also came back with them.

—Mr. E. H. McKinnon and 7 members of his class of boys of the Rowland Presbyterian Sunday school were visitors at Jennings beach and Lumberton yesterday. The boys with Mr. McKinnon were his small son E. H. Jr., (not a member of the class), Dan Pleasant, Ralph Brake, Leon and Vernon Thompson, Leo Beard, Brown Morrison, Howard Martin. Several members of the class could not come on this trip, which they had planned for some time. They enjoyed bathing and a watermelon feast and battle at the beach and came to Lumberton for dinner. They intended to see the ball game scheduled for the afternoon, but that part of the program was rained out.

—The condition of Mr. Bunyan Floyd of Lumberton and Mrs. Ila Edwards and her 18-month-old baby, who were painfully hurt Monday morning when an A. C. L. passenger train struck the car in which they were riding at a road crossing in Orrum, are reported as favorable today. It was found after the report of the accident published in Monday's Robesonian was written that Mr. Floyd suffered a serious fracture of the left hip bone. Dr. R. B. Slocum, chief surgeon of the A. C. L., with headquarters at Wilmington, came to see Mr. Floyd last night. The three injured people are still at the Thompson hospital, where they were taken soon after the accident.

## USE THE NEWSPAPER FIRST. MANN ADVISES RETAILERS OF MONTANA

Newspapers come first on the advertising budget of Fred P. Mann, Devils Lake, N. D., country merchant whose store does nearly a million dollar business a year. This much he told retail dealers who gathered at Boulder, Mont., last week for their annual convention. Mailing lists are second on his list and he sends out grocery specials and personal letters. He said that he depended upon solicitation to a great extent.

## NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS

Dogs Must be Kept Muzzled. For the proper protection of children and others the policeman will have to do his duty—don't blame him if he shoots your dog; the fault is yours.

Read the law:

Sec. 16. All dogs owned or kept within the corporate limits of the town of Lumberton shall be kept muzzled by the owners between the 16th day of May 1919 and October 1st of said year. Any dog owned or kept within the corporate limits of said town not muzzled as above shall be declared a nuisance and shall be killed. All persons owning or keeping in his possession within said town such dog unmuzzled within the above dates shall upon conviction be fined \$5.00. Each day shall constitute a separate offense.

J. P. RUSSELL, Clerk and Treas.